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LINN R-2 board members sworn in at Monday's meeting were Lori Greer, Naomi Klouzek, Sam Niederhelm and Dr. Shawn Strong. PHOTO BY NEAL A. JOHNSON

Linn R-2 board appoints Niederhelm to fill vacant seat, reelects him president

BY NEAL A. JOHNSON UD EDITOR thor65018@yahoo.com

Linn R-2 board members Monday night voted 5-1 to appoint Sam Niederhelm to fill the seat vacated by the resignation in March of Neil Loethen. The decision came after an interview with three candidates — Niederhelm, Scotty Dudenhoeffer and Larry Hunt — selected at a special meeting Tuesday, June 9. Dr. Shawn Strong, who garnered 310 votes in the June 2 election, was sworn in prior to the decision and cast the lone nay vote.

"The appointment to any public board should be appointing the very best person, so I do have a bit of a concern for the process following this election," he said.

Also reelected were incumbents Naomi Klouzek with 310 votes, and Lori Greer with 298, while Niederhelm lost his seat with 261 votes. There were 31 write-in votes, including five each for Dudenhoeffer and Carol Branson, two each for Hunt, Neil Loethen, Hope Gerdes and Lorie Winslow, and one each for Hannah Swann, Kurt Baker, Chris Bowser, John Klebba, Mark Brandt, Angela Heckman, Charlotte Bellsmith, Tracy Winslow, Elizabeth Reinkemeyer and Jeff Kruger, with three

next April.

The one question asked of the candidates was, "Please tell us why you should be selected to fill the vacancy on the board, and what experience you would bring to the board."

"I'm not really good at patting myself on the back, but I have served on the board for nine years, and have served with Larry (Hunt)," said Niederhelm, noting a major accomplishment was passing the bond levy to get the new elementary school built. "I think with my years of experience, that's going to help. I was also involved the first round of cuts we did because of budget constraints. Fortunately, the longer I was on the board, we were able to bring some, if not all, of those programs back. We added some additional activities. Other than what I've done so far, I will fight the good fight and say what's on my mind. I won't follow anyone else's directive or anything like that."

Niederhelm added that while he might not agree with other board members, he is willing to argue his case in the interest of serving the students of the district.

Hunt said he would like to see the continuation of the kind of education that has thus far been provided to students in the district. "I've been in the district for 44 years, and I taught here for 31 years, and retired from here," he added. "While on the faculty, I was the LCTA president and worked with numerous principals and superintendents. I learned to give and take. We suffered together when we had to make cuts. I was here when we built the new high school, and on the board when we built the elementary school. We had to compromise a lot. I See **Linn R-2** on Page 8







JACKSON



GEHLERT

Burglary suspects apprehended at Belle

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BROWN

A green Chevy Cavalier parked in the driveway of a vacant residence in Belle at 1:45 p.m. Friday sparked the curiosity and suspicion of its owner, who summoned help. The driver of the car, later identified as Von A. Brown, 20, of Chamois, was reportedly hunched down in the seat when the property owner pulled up behind him. Brown honked the horn three times, and fled the scene, starting a hunt for three would-be burglars who had been caught in the act.

Lt. Justin Carnes in his probable cause statement noted the rear door had been damaged when it was forced open, and there were fresh tracks caused by foot traffic in the tall grass behind the residence.

Several drawers and cabinets had been opened in the laundry room, and items had been removed from a dresser drawer in a bedroom. However, nothing appeared to be missing from the residence.

"Due to the circumstances, we believed that the Cavalier was parked in front of the residence while other subjects were inside committing burglary," said Carnes.

It also appeared that the unknown burglars had fled into the woods behind the house on Hwy. 89 South near Rt. Y. Cpl. Ricky Jarvis responded to the scene with K-9 Zed, and a search began.

An all-points bulletin was sent out to neighboring counties as well.

Brown was later taken into custody in Gasconade County, and transported to the Osage County Jail.

The two other suspects, Heather M. Jackson, 31, of Owensville, and Devin L. Gehlert, 32, of Belle, were located about three hours later by local residents walking on Osage County Road 715, Deputies from Maries and Osage counties quickly moved in and took them into custody without incident.

Sheriff Mike Bonham said he appreciates the help of surrounding agencies.

"We wish to thank the Gasconade and Maries County Sheriff Offices for their help in quickly apprehending the subjects," he said. "It is great have the neighboring agencies jump in and help at a moment's notice."

Both said they had come down from behind the school and walked down the creek. Jackson was taken into custody on a warrant from the Vienna Police Department. During a frisk of Gehlert, deputies found marijuana.

Gehlert told Capt. Travis Shaffer that the green Cavalier was owned by Von, but refused to say anything more unless See **Burglary** on Page 10



Freeburg increases water, sewer rates by 5% See Page 5

Morrison aldermen consider options for sidewalk repair

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unresolved write-in votes.

After Dr. Strong was sworn in as the newest member of the board, Niederhelm, who had presided over the meeting until the reorganization, stepped away and took on the role of candidate for the open position.

Board Secretary Dennis Gravedoni thanked the applicants for their interest in the board seat, and encouraged all of them to run for the position





PHIPPS

GOLDEN

Ohio man arrested at Meta on warrants

BY NEAL A. JOHNSON UD EDITOR

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Matthew C. Phipps, 30, of Westerville, Ohio, was arrested Saturday night at Meta following a traffic stop for speeding on warrants out of Union County for failure to appear.

Phipps and his passengers, Courtney E. Golden, 25, of Columbia, and Michael J. Keller, 55, of Festus, were found to be in possession of marijuana, methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia.

Deputy Matthew Cowan observed the vehicle traveling at 32 MPH, seven over the posted speed limit in front of Diamond Pet Foods. The driver, Phipps, made a turn onto S. Bertha Street, he crossed the center line and drove in the oncoming lane of traffic.

Both violations led Deputy Cowan to stop the car, and a license check revealed the warrants. Cowan said all three appeared very nervous by his presence, but Phipps and Golden provided consent to search the car. Cowan found a small marijuana joint, which made it a probable cause search. A glass pipe on the floorboard contained meth residue, and Cowan found a backpack that had been in Golden's possession emitting a strong odor of marijuana. The zippers had been locked.

Golden said none of the keys she had would open the padlocks, but Cowan said he found her to be deceptive, and tried the keys, one of which opened the locks.

Inside the backpack, a large bag of marijuana weighing 87 grams was found, along with a clear plastic bag containing what was determined to be five grams of meth.

All three denied ownership of the drugs and paraphernalia, which also included another meth pipe and a few used syringes.

Phipps is being held on the warrants while awaiting extradition to Union County, and Golden and Keller were booked and released pending charges.

Free COVID-19 testing available

Free COVID-19 testing is available Saturday, June 20, through the Osage County Health Department, Department of Health and Senior Services, and the Missouri National Guard. This testing is available to any Missouri resident and does not require a referral. Pre-registration is strongly recommended. This free, drive-through testing will be available from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Osage County fairgrounds

For more information or to preregister, visit https://dcphdo02redcap. azurewebsites.net/redcap/surveys/?s=DEX3J7THHM.

The OCHD on Tuesday released the Phase 2 Reopening Mitigation Advisory for Osage County, effective June 16 through July 31. The document may be viewed at http://www.osagecountygov.com. An impact story will be presented next week.

Two men arrested on warrants

A potentially scary situation unfolded Friday morning, but Sheriff Mike Bonham said the arrest of two men on outstanding warrants went relatively smoothly.

"We're not used to having warrants of this nature," said Bonham. "My first priority is the safety of my officers, and in this case, communication was excellent as we took these men into custody."

Cory Simpson, 51 of Jonesboro, Ark., was arrested on a Dunklin County probation violation warrant on the original charge of second-degree murder, and Villibaldo Calderon, 43, of Kennett, was arrested on a Mississippi County, Ark., warrant on an original charge of possession of methamphetamine.

It began as a call at 6:45 a.m. to check on a disabled vehicle parked in the lot of Community of Christ Church on Hwy. 50, east of Linn.

Deputy Rick Jarvis and Deputy Cottingham Identified the three individuals in the vehicle, all of whom had active warrants out of Dunklin County, and a fourth subject had walked to a local business to pick up gas for the car. He was later identified, and also had a warrant out of Mississippi County, Ark.

Bonham explained that because of the distance from Dunklin County, located in the Missouri boot heel, two were released at the scene due to the fact the warrants did not request expedition.

Simpson and Calderon were trans-



SIMPSON



CALDERON

ported to the Osage County Jail, where they are awaiting expedition.Bernam labor se ne maximagnis reicillorum id quias aut



OML midseason tournament action

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12U boys baseball action See Sports Page 18

Weekly Record

OBITUARIES

The Unterrified Democrat publishes obituaries of Osage County residents and relatives of local residents free of charge. Obituaries should be submitted by the family or funeral home to: Editor, P.O. Box 109, Linn, MO 65051. All obituaries will be subject to editing for news style and length. Unedited obituaries are available at \$4.75 per column inch. For more information, call 573-897-3150.

Robert Bussey Sr.

1941-2020

DEATH NOTICES

Bernard Wenzel

Bernard Anthony "Possum" Wenzel, 84, rural Meta. passed away Sunday, June 7, 2020 at the Capital Region Medical Center, Jefferson City.

Visitation was held Saturday, June 13, with a Mass of Christian Burial following in the Holy Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Brinktown with the Rev. Matthew Flatley officiating. Interment was in the Holy Guardian Angels Cemetery in Brinktown.

Arrangements entrusted to Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home, Vienna.

Cindy Wieberg

Cindy Louise Wieberg, 56, Linn, passed away Friday, April 3, 2020 at her home after a hard-fought battle with cancer.

Family and friends will be received from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., Saturday, July 18, followed by a memorial service at Houser-Millard Funeral Home, Jefferson City with Matt Hodgen officiating.

Arrangements entrusted to Houser-Millard Funeral Home, Jefferson City.

Jovie Maasen

Jovie Ann Maasen, infant daughter of Dustin and Alycia (Hale) Maasen of Linn, was stillborn Friday, June 12, 2020, at Capital Region Medical Center in Jefferson City.

Private graveside services will be held at the Linn Public Cemetery.

Arrangements entrusted to Morton Chapel, Linn.

John Schaffer

John Joseph Schaffer, 83, Argyle, passed away Sunday, June 7, 2020 at the Maries Manor Care Center in Vienna.

Visitation was held Friday, June 12, in the St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Argyle, with a Mass of Christian Burial following in the church with the Rev. Matthew Flatley officiating. Interment was in the St. Anthony of Padua Cemetery at St. Anthony. Memorial contributions suggested to Relay for Life of Osage Maries Counties

Arrangements entrusted to Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home, Vienna.

Elaine Wibberg

1946-2020



Elaine Susanne Wibberg, 73, Jefferson City, passed away Friday, June 12, 2020, at StoneBridge Villa Marie in Jefferson City.

Elaine was born Aug. 17, 1946, to Ignatius and Angela (Bock) Mengwasser in Jefferson City. She was united in marriage September of 1966 to Linus Wibberg at Freeburg. Elaine attended the Holy Family

Robert Alfred Bussey Sr., 79, of Henderson, Nev. passed away Friday, May 29, 2020 at Henderson Hospital,

Henderson, Nev. He was born Jan. 23, 1941, to Richard and Marjorie Bussey.

Robert served in the U.S. Marine Corp. He was employed in the gaming industry.

He was proceded in death by parents, Richard and Marjorie; son Bryan; the great love of his life Susan Pullen and his beloved cat Shadow.

He is survived by son, Robert Jr. and wife Connie, of Jefferson City; granddaughters, Stefanee and husband Michael Gale, of Warrensburg and Brianna and husband Vincent VanderFeltz, of Loose Creek; great-grandchildren, Oliver and Emily Gale, of Warrensburg and Jacoby and Raigyn Johnson, of Loose Creek and many extended family members and close friends; special heartfelt mention of Jeff and Jenifer Johnson and their sons Josh, Joey and Johny of Henderson, Nev. who made him a part of their family for the past 23 years.

Arrangements entrusted to the Neptune Society in Las Vegas with a gathering to be held at the home of the deceased in the near future.

Bob was loved dearly by those that knew him and will be missed for a lifetime.

Bruce Sieg

1965-2020

Bruce Allan Sieg, age 55, Bonnots Mill, passed away Tuesday, June 9, 2020, at Capital Region Medical Center in Jefferson City.

Bruce was born March 22, 1965, to the late Chester Sieg, Sr. and Elizabeth (Linnenbrink) Sieg in Jefferson City. He was united in marriage March 18, 2000, to Jennifer Zimmer at St. Louis of France Catholic Church in Bonnots Mill. She survives of the home. Bruce was a 1984 graduate of Fatima

High School. He was employed as a

truck driver for local farmers and Osage County Concrete, as an employee with the Osage County Special Road District, Scholastic in Jefferson City and was currently employed with Morris Packaging in Jefferson City. Bruce was a member of St. Louis of France Catholic Church in Bonnots Mill and Ducks Unlimited. He enjoyed hunting, Peterbilt Trucks, Harley Davidson Motorcycles, watching the New York Yankees and St. Louis Cardinals baseball games, and loved his fried chicken.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Chester Sr. nd Elizabeth; brothers, Jim Mantle, Chester Sieg, Jr. and Richard "Rich" Sieg; sister, Cathy Rehagen; nephews, Joshua Dolce and Gabriel Zimmer; mother-in-law, Theresa "Terry" Susan Meysenburg Zimmer; and father-in-law, Andrew Earnest Zimmer.

1943-2020

Robert Bryan

Robert "Jerry" G. Bryan, 76, Linn, passed away Friday, June 12, 2020, at Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles.

Jerry was born Oct. 15, 1943, to Emerson and Neva (Jett) Bryan in Jefferson City,

He was united in marriage July 11, 1972, to Mary Louise Mundwiller. Jerry was a graduate of Linn High School and later graduated from Linn Technical College. He proudly served his country as a member of the U.S. Army. Jerry was a longtime employee for Ameren before his retirement.

He was a member of I.B.E.W. Local No. 135. He was preceded in death by parents, Emerson and

Neva; and Hugo and Goldie Kliethermes.

He is survived by wife, Mary Louise; daughters, Dana and husband Matt Rowland of Centertown and Christy Varnadore of Frankenstein; brothers, John and wife Paula Bryan of Brazito and James and wife Ellie Bryan of Etterville; grandson, Schyler Bryan of Columbia; as well as nephews and nieces.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 20, at Morton Chapel in Linn. Services will follow at 7 p.m. with Military Honors.

Memorial contributions suggested to Central Missouri Hospice, Good Shepherd Care Center.

Arrangements entrusted to Morton Chapel, Linn.





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COUNTY **COMMISSION** NEWS

BY HB DODDS UD STAFF WRITER

TUESDAY, **JUNE 9, 2020**

Osage County Road & Bridge Foreman Ron Kempker announced Truck #48 is back in service. The wiring harness replaced by Machens Ford last week "solved the issue," he said.

He also announced anothercontractorislookingat the box culvert on CR 306. The commission is waiting for competing numbers before deciding what they'll spend; and deciding which contractor will be hired. "With the rain, he's got some time off; so he agreed to go look at it," said Kempker.

* In response to Vernon Brand's visit to the commission meeting last week, **Osage County First District** Commissioner John Glavin visited CRs 271, 263, and 244. He complained CRs 271 and 263 are just mud, and CR 244 needs some base rock poured near the foot of the hill. He has heard about a beaver dam plugging a culvert. "It's not the technique of grading," he

said. "They just [don't have]

enough gravel." "I had the opportunity to drive that [set of roads] Friday myself," said Osage County Presiding Commissioner Darryl Griffin. He observed a driveway without a berm diverting water from the driveway into the ditches. A proper berm would channel the water away from the road. As long as water is free to flow from driveways onto the road, no amount of said Griffin. "It needs to be addressed immediately. I don't have a problem getting a [Bridge Engineering As-

gravel, or even crown, can

dations to draw creek gravel

from a stream on CR 315,

Griffin's view is, "We don't

He doesn't see any safe

* Glavin has been ad-

access for county loading

equipment to get into it.

vocating the damaged box

culvert on CR 319 needs

work as urgently as the

structure on CR 306. Griffin

made a special trip to look

at it as well. He admits the

structure should be larger.

"It does need to be fixed

that it's as bad as the CR

306box. "CR 306 is worse,"

However, he disagrees

[sometime]," he said.

Glavin disagrees.

need to be in that creek."

Regarding recommen-

prevent damage.

study on the CR 319 box culvert." He feels the damage is less serious, and that the traffic over it is lighter than the traffic on CR 306.

sistance Program (BEAP)]

Defending the operator in the area, "I think our county guys are doing a pretty good job out there," said Griffin. "It's a good road."

* Commissioners signed a card of congratulations for Operator Howard Laughman, who was hired on June 12, 1995, and has therefore completed 25 years of service. "Heoperates up around Chamois," said Kempker.

* The department hauled rock on CRs 711, 713, 723,

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Brenda S. Baker, pleaded guilty to failure to equip vehicle with muffler/adequate muffler/properly attached muffler; fined \$225.

Donavan A. Carpen-

Springfield, guilty to failure to wear a seatbelt; fined \$10.

- 68 A. JUDGE SONYA **D. BRANDT** Owensville,

tier, Belle, pleaded guilty to failure to wear a seatbelt; fined \$10.

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a seatbelt; fined \$10.

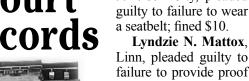
Lyndzie N. Mattox, Linn, pleaded guilty to failure to provide proof of insurance; fined

\$150.00. Jeffrey A. McPeak, Jefferson City, pleaded guilty to failure to wear

a seatbelt; fined \$10. Jason R. Peters, Springfield, pleaded guilty to trespassing; suspended imposition of sentence and two years unsupervised probation.

Demetrius Z. Rice. Bourbon, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana/synthetic cannabinoid of 10 grams or less and Haily M. Crabtree, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; sen-

Jon H. Jones, Jr, Jefferson City, pleaded





in Jefferson City.

of remembrance.

OSAGE COUNTY

Baysinger in Fulton.

in Urbana, Ohio.

Catholic Church and Holy Family School, both in Freeburg, in earlier years, and was a 1965 graduate of the Fatima High School in Westphalia. She was employed at Von Hoffman Press Company in Jefferson City, as well as being a devoted housewife and homemaker.

A self-taught artist, Elaine loved to draw and create beautiful works of art. She also enjoyed doing word searches and spending time with family and friends.

She was preceded in death by husband, Linus; her parents, Ignatius and Angela; and nephew, Eric McFarland.

She is survived by sons, Bruce Wibberg and wife Elizabeth, and Scott Wibberg, all of Jefferson City; grandchildren; siblings, Diane Dudenhoeffer and husband David of Jefferson City, Judy McFarland and husband Robin of Lohman, Jim Mengwassesr and wife Joan of Freeburg, and Larry Mengwasser and wife Stacia of Holts Summit; nephews, nieces, with greats as well; and other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be held from 9 until 10 a.m., Thursday, June 18, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, all in the Holy Family Catholic Church, Freeburg with the Rev. Anthony Viviano as the celebrant. Interment will be next to her beloved parents in the Holy Family Cemetery, Freeburg. Memorial contributions suggested to Holy Family School.

Arrangements entrusted to Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home in Vienna.

In addition to his spouse of 20 years, he is survived by son, Isaac and daughter, Nicole, both of the home; brothers, Gerald Mantle and wife Nancy of Taos and Leo "Bud" Sieg and wife Shirley of Jefferson City; sisters, Helen Ferguson and husband Jim of Linn, Patty Grothoff and husband Mike of Olathe, Kan., Mary Huhn and husband Bob of Koeltztown, and Doris Dolce and husband Chas of Jefferson City; sister-in-law, Rita Mantle of Loose Creek; along with many nieces, nephews and friends.

Visitation was held from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, June 11, at Morton Chapel in Linn. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, June 12, at St. Louis of France Catholic Church in Bonnots Mill with Fr. Anthony R. Rinaldo officiating. Interment followed in the St. Louis of France Parish Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Diabetes Association, American Heart Association or St. Louis of France Restoration Fund.

Arrangements entrusted to Morton Chapel of Linn.

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execution of sentence), Hannah E. Durham, with two years unsu-Union, pleaded guilty to speeding (11-15 over); completion of 30 hou fined \$70.50.

Robert J. Eisterhold, Jefferson City, pleaded guilty to failure to register a motor vehicle; fined \$50.50.

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\$60.50 and court order Andrea L. Freeland, driver improvement pr Freeburg, pleaded guilty to supplying liquor to a gram. minor or intoxicated person; suspended imposition of sentence with two years unsupervised probation and completion of 50 hours of community

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1954-2020 John Landwehr WEATHER Linda Diane Noble, 65, Jefferson City, passed away Friday, June 12, 2020, at her residence The following temperatures and precipitation were recorded Cook Vetter Doerhoff & Landwehr, P.C. Linda was born July 2, 1954, to Andrew Martin and Martha Washington (Henage) by Tom Kixmueller, National Attorneys at Law – Jefferson City Weather Service observer at She was united in marriage May 11, 2002, to David Lynn Noble, Freedom: Now meeting with Date High Low Precip 86 Linda was employed by Quaker Window Products Company, in Freeburg and Scholastic June 08 71 1.36 clients in Linn. 89 72 82 87 87 87 60 0.31 June 09 Publishing Company in Jefferson City, as well as being a devoted housewife and homemaker. 53 June 10 She was preceded in death by husband, David; her parents, Andrew and Martha; brothers, 63 June 11 Call (573) 635-1121 Ext. 102 63 George Washington Henage, William Joseph Henage and David Wayne Baysinger and sisters, June 12 for an appointment. June 13 60 Carolyn Sue Henage, Anna Louise Howard and Velma Campbell. 63 June 14 No fee for initial consultation. She is survived by son, Brandon Neuner and wife Reda of Jefferson City; sister, Alma Boldwin of Rich Fountain; nephews; nieces and other relatives and friends. Wills - Trusts - Real Estate Linda's family and friends will gather at a later occasion to remember her life at a service LLCs - Personal Injury 897-3150 Arrangements entrustred to Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home in Vienna. Published weekly by the Warden Publishing Company Periodicals Postage Paid at Linn, Missouri 65051 Annual Subscription Rates nterrified Democrat at 300 East Main St., Linn, MO 65051, 573-897-3150 Missouri subscription rates include sales tax USPS 652-980 Osage County.....\$30 Dennis Warden - Publisher

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Linda Noble

LAST WEEK'S

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724, 727, and 741; crew members performed service on Backhoe #10, Backhoe #12, Truck #32, and Wheel loader #43; crews replaced a culverton CR 724; and grader operators worked on CRs 274A, 303, 310, 421, 432, 508, 509, 521, 551, 602, 613A, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 724, 726, 727, 803, and 805.

* Osage County Building and Grounds Janitorial and Maintenance Worker John Kennedy reported the installation of a drop box into the Osage County Collector's office isn't going to be as easy as originally thought. The idea of the commissioners would be to require modification of the window to Main Street.

"We'll have to figure out something else," Kennedy said.

Commissioners discussed cutting into the center of the window. They also thought of having Quaker Window Products Company of Freeburg, or another glass company, reconfigure the structure, maybe creating a new frame-up.

"Really, there's no easy place to put a box in there," said Kennedy, whose idea is to have a slot which can be blocked in the off season when county taxes are not being paid. It would be much less expensive. Griffin prefers something constant, thinking citizens can use it for business other than tax payments.

* The bearings in the heat pump motor at the Osage County Courthouse are starting to make noise. Rehagen Heating & Cooling of Westphalia believes they should be replaced sooner than later. Kennedy has yet to be able to get an estimate on the cost. His research has revealed the multiple units can be done locally, one set at a time. They are non-grease pieces, so maintenance is impossible to lengthen their lives.

"They've been there 10-12 years," Kennedy noted.

* Osage County 911/EMA Director Andrea Rice presented a draft amendment to the contract between Osage County and Callaway Energy Center governing the county's participation in disaster preparedness drills with the Callaway Energy Center nuclear plant. These drills are mandated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Until recently, the county's participation has been mandatory. There's no option to postpone for any emergency. However, Callaway Energy has canceled twice since the onset of the COVID-19 crises. The amendment says there are events which allow either party to opt out in case of emergency.

"We've canceled two drills now in 2020 because of COVID," she said. "So it's possible."

The contract was due for renewal Aug. 11, and Rice requested the amendment in place by that time.

Commissioners agreed to put approval and signing on the agenda for Thursday, June 11.

Commissioners agreed to discuss it and take a vote at the Thursday, June 11, meeting.

* Rice announced a new hire in the EOC. She begins work June 24, and is a certified Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). "She currently works in the medical field," said Rice. "I think she'll be a good fit."

* Commissioners approved the following individuals to serve on the Osage County Cares Act Funding Committee: Freeburg Mayor Darryl Haller, Linn Mayor Dwight Massey, Meta Mayor Harold Libbert, Argyle Mayor ChrisBrundick, Chamois Mayor Elise Brochu, Rice; and the three commissioners.

Kliethermes asked, and Griffin repeated, the committee is only advisory in nature. Not all applications for funds will come before the committee, and the county commission has authority by itself to approve an application.

No date has yet been set, nor are any details available, but Griffin has been notified there will be general COVID-19 testing in Osage County at some future time. The Osage County Health Department relayed this information from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services.

* Commissioners approved paying bills from May 23 through June 8 as follows by department: 911/EMA (\$7,092.96); Assessor (\$3,89.98); Building & Grounds (\$788.97); Circuit Clerk (\$181.45); Commission (\$215.50); County Clerk (\$19.45); Elections (\$8,222.46); Health Department (\$805.69); Miscellaneous (\$3,506.29); Road & Bridge (\$36,944.22); and Sheriff-Jail (\$1,807.18): for a total of \$63,274.15.

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2020

Commissioners approved a payment to Bartlett and West Engineers, Inc., Jefferson City, in the amount of \$7,654.16 for engineering work on a new bridge to be built on CR 631. The expense will be reimbursed to the county with federal Bridge Rural Offset (BRO) funds.

* Rice presented a final draft of the contract between Foster and the county, which commissioners approved and signed.

* Commissioners also approved the purchase of a third ProQA license for \$3,111. It was not budgeted, but neither is it a budget buster. Rice noted it will not be a net expense to the county, "If we get our Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding."

*Commissioners also signed a new contract proposal with Callaway Energy as presented Tuesday, June 9. "It's more or less a proposal of what we're wanting in the new contract," verified Kliethermes. The major change allows the county to be excused from participation in a drill in case of emergency. The opening to ask for this happened when Callaway canceled twice in the COVID-19 crisis.

* Griffin has received a safety brochure about the Phillips 66 pipeline project. He shared it with the other commissioners. * Glavin visited the creek access again from CR 315. He disagreed with Griffin's opinion the county should not try to get gravel there. He thinks there's very good access and there are 100-200 loads available.



* Attorney Frank Foster, on retainer to the

county Emergency Operations Center (EOC), wants to raise his fee from \$750 to \$950. His contract is due to expire soon, and Rice would like to renew it, granting the raise he has requested. He was unable to defend the 911/ EMA department in a recent lawsuit, also doing business with the plaintiff, therefore incurring a conflict of interest. However, he continues to serve the county, in Rice's opinion, in other valuable ways.

"He really is a great asset to have," she said. "He does do a lot for us. We just used Carson and Coil for the other issue," referring to the recent lawsuit.

"I've never heard of getting an attorney for that price," said Osage County Second District Commissioner Larry Kliethermes. "It's very reasonable."

Commissioners agreed to put the approval and signing on the agenda for Thursday, June 11.

* Rice has changed her position on how many licenses from Priority Dispatch are necessary for caller/dispatcher consoles under the new ProQA system.

"I can tell already I made a mistake recommending two," she said. "We need three."

The timing of this realization is not bad, though. "We weren't ready for that license in the past," she clarified. "But now we are."

Occasionally, three consoles are valuable to operate simultaneously: a situation only recently contemplated. Additionally, it would be handy when Rice needs to conduct call reviews. Not only that, Priority Dispatch is currently offering a \$2,000 discount for a third license.



Gasconade County

During daylight/overnight hours Route A over Third Creek, south of Valentine Ford Road. Bridge replacement. The bridge is closed through August.

During daylight hours Route 19 between Route 50 and Route H. Chip sealing to extend roadway surface life continues through June.

Maries County

During daylight hours Route 63 between Route 28 and Route 50 in Osage County. Pavement sealing and marking.

"I'm going to call Ron [Kempker] up and tell him about it," he said.

*Commissioners reviewed Tax Distribution Notices for May. The original sales tax yielded \$57,580.84; \$8,292 higher than 2019; and \$3,114.74 higher than 2018. The 911 sales tax brought in \$46,703.30; \$13,238.45 higher than 2019; and \$7,687.80 than 2018. The courthouse renovation tax pulled in \$66,703.31; \$13,238.51 higher than 2019; and \$7,688.48 higher than 2018. The infrastructure tax paid \$33,333.20; \$6,679.40 higher than 2019; and \$4,269.70 higher than 2018. The use tax netted \$46,103.96; \$25,914.75 higher than 2019; and \$29,326.61 higher than 2018.

Griffin and Kliethermes are delighted receipts are up; but Glavin insisted, "We're just now getting back to 2018 levels," even though receipts are 22% higher than 2018 levels.

* Commissioners signed outgoing checks. *Absentee balloting for the Aug. 4 Primary Election begins Tuesday, June 23; and the last day to register to vote in the Aug. 4 election is Wednesday, July 8.

* County offices will be closed Friday, July 3, in observance of Independence Day.

* The Osage County Board of Equalization (BOE) will convene at 9 a.m. Tuesday, July 14. * The Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) will hold it annual banquet Thursday, Oct. 22, at State Technical College.

Route 63 between County Road 519 and County Road 541. Concrete replacement.

Route T between Route 42 and Route 63 in Osage County. Roadway resurfacing.

Osage County

During daylight/overnight hours Route 100 over Shawnee Creek, west of Route Z. Bridge replacement continues through October.

During daylight hours Route 63 between Route 50 and Route 28 in Maries County. Pavement sealing and marking.

Route P between Route 63 and Route 133. Roadway resurfacing. Route T between Route 63 and Route 42 in Maries County. Roadway resurfacing.

nd Route 42 Sunday surfacing. 7:00AM to

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Marceline Branum 1924-2020

at Heisinger Bluffs.



to Ralph E. Branum.

A lifelong resident of the central Missouri area, Marcie attended grade school in Argyle and was a 1941 graduate of Argyle High School. After moving to Jefferson City, she worked for the Division of Employment Security for over 20 years. During many of those years, Marcie also helped operate her husband's service stations in downtown Jefferson City, Branum's Shell Service and Branum's Sinclair Station. She was an active member of Immaculate Conception in Jefferson City where she sang in their choir. She was a member of the Immaculate Club and the Legion of Mary through the church.

Marcie was gifted at sewing, crocheting and making quilts. Her grandchildren were each blessed to receive a quilt from her. She loved to garden, plant flowers and landscape. She searched for and placed many "pretty" rocks around their family cabin at the Lake of the Ozarks. Some of her favorite memories were at the cabin at the Lake where they spent many summers.

She will be remembered for her generosity and supportive nature. Marcie cherished any activity that revolved around spending time with family and friends. Many of these times include large family gatherings where she would cook wonderful meals and share her fabulous pies, a good game of cut-throat pitch, or when she would beat everyone at dominos. She enjoyed many roads trips throughout the United States with family and trips to visit her family in Alaska.

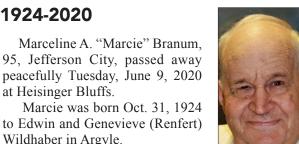
She was preceded in death by parents, Edwin and Genevieve; loving husband of 68 years, Ralph; son, Richard E. Branum; siblings, Doris Wankum, Ralph Wildhaber and Francis "Franny" Wildhaber; brothers-in-law, Victor Schmitz and Greg Wankum; and sisters-in-law, Arlene Wildhaber and Laurine Wildhaber.

She is survived by daughter, Charlotte "Susie" Moody and husband Michael of Anchorage, Alaska; daughter-inlaw, Mary Branum of Jefferson City; siblings, Bernice "Sis" Schmitz of Westphalia, and Kenneth Wildhaber of Jefferson City; grandchildren, Craig Branum and wife Anita, Chuck Branum and wife Christine, Ryan Moody and wife Melissa, Katie Moody and Sarah Moody; seven great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Mary Anne Wildhaber; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was conducted Friday, June 12, at Immaculate Conception Church with the Reverend Don Antweiler officiating. Graveside services and entombment were in the Mausoleum of Resurrection Cemetery.

Memorial contributions suggested to the Samaritan Center or Immaculate Conception Church for Masses. Arrangements entrusted to Freeman Mortuary, Jef-

ferson City



to Edwin and Genevieve (Renfert) Wildhaber in Argyle. She was married May 15, 1946,

1941-2020

Robert Niekamp

Robert"Bob" William Niekamp, 79, Linn, passed away Friday, June 12, 2020, at Westphalia Hills.

Bob was born April 18, 1941, to Raymond and Anna (Haslag) Niekamp in Linn.

He was united in marriage Aug. 24, 1968, to Evelyn Hamburg at St. George Catholic Church in Linn.

Bob was a 1959 graduate of Linn High School.

He and Evelyn purchased the family farm and raised cattle, hogs, and grain crops. Bob was also a photographer for over 45 years. He was a lifelong member of St. George Catholic Church in Linn, a member of the Osage County Pork Producers, Professional Photography Association, Osage Squares, and the Young Farmer's Association; he was a past St. George School Board member and past president and member of St. George Parish Council, past member of the FFA advisory board, past 4-H leader and taught 12th grade CCD.

Bob enjoyed woodworking, painting, square dancing, playing Preference, camping and spending time with his children, and grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by parents, Raymond and Anna; and brother-in-law, Al Kremer.

Heis survived by Evelyn, spouse of 51 years; sons, Kenneth Niekamp and his wife Tracy, Dennis Niekamp and his wife Cathy, all of Linn, and Gary Niekamp and his wife Kelly, of Wardsville; daughters, Paula Peters and her husband Scott, of Linn, Karen Crutchfield and her husband Richie, of Jefferson City, Diane Niekamp of Linn, Lisa Terry and her husband Curtis, of Loose Creek; grandchildren, Derek, Caleb and Logan Peters, Hailey Jo, Olivia and Clay Niekamp, Kaylee, Kristine and Mike Niekamp, Brady, Blake and Kinsey Niekamp, Dalton, Luke and Grayson Crutchfield, and Grace, Carter, and Jack Terry; sisters, Mary Ester Kremer of Loose Creek and Anna Mae and husband John Wilding, of Hermann; along with many nieces, nephews and friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, June 16, at St. George Catholic Church in Linn with Fr. Daniel Merz as the celebrant. Interment followed in the St. George Parish Cemetery. Memorial contributions suggested to the St. George Renovation Fund or to Masses.

Arrangements entrusted to Morton Chapel, Linn.

Allen Richardson 1950-2020

Allen Lee Richardson, 70, Linn, passed away Tuesday, June 9, 2020, at General Baptist Nursing Home in Linn.

Allen was born Feb. 11, 1950, to Melvin Earl and Irma (Thien) Richardson in Washington.

He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam Conflict. He was preceded in death by parents, Melvin and Irma Thien and brother, Dale D. Richardson.

He is survived by sisters, Sharon Hess of Thayer and Diane Bock and husband Kenneth of Cave Creek, Ariz.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, June 16 at Countryside Memorial Gardens with full military honors with Roger Jett officiating.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home Owensville.

Agnes Kever 1946-2020

AgnesCatherine(Broker)Kever,74, Frankenstein, passed away Monday, June 15, 2020, at SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital in Jefferson City.

Agneswasborn Jan. 13, 1946, to John P. and Gertrude M. (Kremer) Broker in Frankenstein.

She was united in marriage April 24, 1965, to Leonard R. Kever at Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church in

Frankenstein. They celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary in April.

Agnes attended St. Mary School in Frankenstein and was a 1964 graduate of Fatima High School in Westphalia. She worked for the state of Missouri until her children were born and then was able to stay at home with her children for several years while babysitting local area children and enjoying being a homemaker. In 1986, Agnes went to work at Mid America Bank in Linn where she stayed for 26 years until her retirement in 2012. She was an active member of Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, St. Ann's Sodality, and the Ladies Quilting Circle.

Agnes was a wonderful and loving mother, so dedicated to her family. She loved helping other people, was a thoughtful caregiver and lived by her strong, Christian faith which included saying her daily prayers.

She loved gardening and was an amazing cook. She made the very best pies. She loved embroidering, crocheting, making crafts, sewing, and was an avid quilter, even until her final days. Agnes enjoyed walking daily and going to the farm with her husband to check the cows or help with any work that needed to be done. She especially loved spending time with her grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by sister, Betty Trippensee; brothers-in-law, Ronald Trippensee, James Kever, and Linus Kever; sister-in-law, Wilma Kever; and her mother-in-law and father-in-law, Legora and Werner Kever.

She is survived by husband, Leonard; two sons, Douglas and Russell, both of Frankenstein; daughter, Joan (Allen) Doerhoff of Henley; beloved grandchildren, Austin, Madelyn, and Henry Doerhoff; brother, Elmer and wife Gerry Broker of Frankenstein; sisters, Mary Alice and husband William Stokes of Frankenstein and Cathy and husband Virgil Borgmeyer of Meta; as well as numerous dear nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Visitation will be held from 4 - 7 p.m. Thursday, June 18, with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m., Friday, June 19, both at Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church in Frankenstein with Fr. Daniel Merz as the celebrant. Interment will be in the Garden of Gethsemane Cemetery in Frankenstein.

Memorial contributions suggested to Our Lady Help of Christians Parish or St. Mary School.

Arrangements entrusted to Morton Chapel, Linn.

Raymond Dudenhoeffer

1926-2020



Freeburg, passed away Thursday, June 11, 2020, at the University of Missouri Medical Center, Columbia. Ryamond was born Nov.10, 1926,

to Peter and Margaret (Reinkemeyer) Dudenhoeffer at Freeburg.

Raymond Casper Dudenhoeffer, 93,

He was united in marriage June 18, 1955, to Viola Marie Redel, in Argyle. To this union, two children were born.

Ray was a U.S.Army veteran and served in Germany during his military career. A man of excellent character, Ray's

"Honorable Discharge" is a testimonial of honest and faithful service to his country. He was a lifelong member of the Holy Family Catholic Church and a longtime member of the Paul A. Hasenbeck Memorial American Legion Post 317, both in Freeburg. During his working life, Ray had been employed by the Quaker Window Products Company, Freeburg, in the Order Department for 38 years prior to his retirement.

He was preceded in death by son, Daniel Ray Dudenhoeffer; his parents, Peter and Margaret; brothers, Hubert Peter Dudenhoeffer, Philip Joseph Dudenhoeffer and Ignatius "Bud" Dudenhoeffer; sister, Agnes Frank and brother-in-law, Norbert Frank.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 65 years, Viola of the home in Freeburg; daughter, Dina Libbert, and husband Loyd, of Freeburg; grandchildren, Ryan Libbert and wife, Erica, Heather Phipps and husband, Neil, Missy Bexten and husband, Jesse, Megan Bauer, Nathan Dudenhoeffer and wife, Kristina, and Danielle Holterman and husband, Glen; great-grandchildren, Thomas, Maya, Toby, Kylie, Carter, Brayden, Isaiah, Noah, Alex, Molly, Jonah, Abigail, Alex, Ethan, Jordy, Jayce, Eli, Joella, and Cole; sisters-in-law, Mildred Dudenhoeffer and Martha Dudenhoeffer, both of Freeburg, and Jo Dudenhoeffer of Jefferson City; nephews, nieces and other relatives and friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, June 15, in the Holy Family Catholic Church, Freeburg, with the Rev. Matthew Flatley as the celebrant. Interment, with full military honors by American Legion Post 317, was in the Holy Family Cemetery, Freeburg. Pallbearers for Ray were Ryan Libbert, Thomas Libbert, Glen Holterman, Jayce Tobin, Eli Tobin, Jesse Bexten, Neil Phipps, and Nathan Dudenhoeffer.

Memorial contributions suggested to Holy Family School. Arrangements entrusted to Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home, Vienna.

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Bernard Boillot 1953-2020



Bernard Paul "Ben" Boillot, 67, Jefferson City, passed away Saturday, June 13, 2020, at his residence.

He was born Jan. 13, 1953, to Lester Rathel and Mary Ann (Dudenhoefer) Boillot in Jefferson City.

He was united in marriage April 9, 1983, to Diana Marie Williams in Jefferson City at St. Peter Catholic Church.

Ben was a 1971 graduate of Linn

High School.

He was employed with the Missouri Department of Conservation for 35 years as a survey crew supervisor until retiring Sept. 1, 2007. During his retirement he enjoyed working at Menards. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie No. 2693.

Ben was an avid Jack Daniels Collector, relishing his bi-yearly visits to Lynchburg, Tenn. to their distillery. He enjoyed deer hunting, target shooting with his brother, Vincent, and Friday night bingo at the DAV. His best times were with his family and taking care of his mother, especially when they went to Sunday morning breakfast.

He was preceded in death by father, Lester and brotherin-law, Brian "Kip" Williams.

He is survived by mother, Mary Ann of Linn; siblings, George and wife Norma of Washington, Mary Catherine and husband Roy Jones of Westphalia; Margaret Ann and husband Curtis Thessen of Lebanon; Joseph and wife Barb Boillot of Columbia; Vincent and wife Penny Boillot of Linn; Eugene and wife Sandy Boillot of St. Louis and Charles Boillot of Union; brother-in-law, Bill and wife Lanie Williams of Wardsville; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m., June 18, at Dulle-Trimble Funeral Home with prayer service at 3:30 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday, June 19, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with the Rev. Joshua J. Duncan officiating. Interment will be in Resurrection Cemetery in Jefferson City.

Memorials contributions are suggested to Immaculate Conception Catholic Church or to Disabled American Veterans.

The general public is welcome to attend the services while following social distancing guidelines. Please stay six feet apart and avoid close contact. Disposable masks will be provided by Dulle-Trimble Funeral Home if needed.

Arrangements entrusted to Dulle-Trimble Funeral Home in Jefferson City.

Those wishing to send condolences to the family may do so at the www.dulletrimble.com website.





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Morrison aldermen consider options for **sidewalk** repair

BY LARRY HUNT UD STAFF WRITER

Morrison aldermen are considering options for the repair of the sidewalk that has collapsed from old age, which will require machinery capable of lifting heavy blocks.

"Something you might consider, the special road district has a rubber tired loader that will move those blocks," said Alderman Steve Nolte, who received seven votes in the June 2 election.

"Would they be willing?" Alderman Jason Koenigsfeld asked. He was reelected June 2 with eight votes, and elected by his peers to continue serving as president of the board.

"I think something can be worked out," Nolte replied.

"I have heard stories there weren't any blocks available," Koenigsfeld continued. "They are pouring concrete."

"There is plenty at Mid Missouri," said Alderman Rick Pinrod.

"I talked to Mike Rackers at Osage County Concrete and told him I was looking for some block," Koenigsfeld responded. "He asked how many and I told him 15, 18, I don't know. He said come and get them for \$35 per block. I don't know now that I will need that many, because I did something a little different on mine.

Freeburg trustees increase water, sewer rates by 5%

BY NEAL A. JOHNSON UD EDITOR

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Freeburg trustees at their meeting Monday, June 8, approved an increase of 5% in water and sewer rates, beginning with the July reading.

Mayor Darryl Haller noted the system will need to be overhauled soon.

"It's a ticking time bomb," said Public Works Director Todd Feeler, noting the system was built in 1967.

"We have to save up for this because no one wants sticker shock in five or 10 years when water rates would have to double or triple to pay for it," said Haller. "We can take a little bit here. If you want any kind of assistance from the government, you have to meet their criteria."

Freeburg last raised rates by 10% in 2017, and previous to that, rates increased by 11% in 2012.

A 5% increase will mean an additional \$3.30 per month for residential customers, which includes both water and sewer. Non-residential customers will see an increase of \$1.65 for water only.

"I think five percent is a good number for now," said Haller. "We can do that more often, and that way people aren't being hit with a big number all at once.'

Trustees agreed rates can be reviewed each year to ensure the system repairs can be funded.

It was noted that Holy Family Parish and School have always had a flat rate for unlimited water and sewer, but will see an increase this time of 5%. Further, meters will be installed to track the amount of water for billing purposes moving forward, eliminating the flat rate.

In related news, trustees agreed to allow residents one sewer exception per year when they fill their pools. That means residents will be charged for the water, but not the sewer, since pool water does not drain into the sewer system.

"We're charging them for something they're not using," said Trustee Shane Zimmer.

It's important for residents to understand that to qualify for the exception, they must contact Feeler before filling the pool so he can read

the meter. He will then read the meter upon completion, and that figure will be adjusted on the sewer side.

FREEBURG TRUSTEES Dale Struemph, left, and Shane Zimmer, are sworn in at last Monday's meeting.

Haller said he thought that had always been the case, but realized that while the issue has been previously discussed, no formal action had been taken.

* A street-paving project was approved through Capital Paving of Jefferson City at a cost of \$102,120. This project will include East Walker Street, from Hwy. 63 to Poplar Street, Oliver Street, with a smooth transition from Cyprus Street, CR 522, from Rt. P to the end of the city limits and a patch on Maple Street.

PHOTOS BY NEAL A. JOHNSON

Feeler said the intersection of Oliver and Cyprus streets is not connected well, and every time he blades for snow, asphalt is ripped up. "We're actually going to raise

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Meta woman arrested for meth

A non-functioning brake light led to a traffic stop at Meta Friday night, and that began a sequence which resulted in the arrest of Danica Poston, 36 of Meta, for possession of methamphetamine.

Deputy Matthew Cowan in his probable cause statement noted that Poston did not have a driver's license, and admitted it was not valid, which was confirmed by Osage County 911.

During a consent search of the vehicle and a purse, Cowan found a clear bag containing a rock of crystal substance, which he tested positive for meth.

Poston was booked and released pending charges.

Chamois R-1 adopts FY 21 surplus budget

BY THERESA BRANDT UD STAFF WRITER

Chamois R-1 school board mem- continue.

statute will be put back in place last year." or how long the shortfalls will

souri, no one is sure whether the in a slightly better situation than

The school is expecting another \$48,000 from state formula funding in June, along with federal and state reimbursements.

Meta aldermen sign contract with Nickolaus, get immediate help

BY NEAL A. JOHNSON UD EDITOR

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Meta aldermen last Wednesday entered a contract with Nathan Nickolaus of Lauber Municipal Law, LLC, and received immediate answers on a few issues as he attended the meeting.

Nickolaus, who works in the Jefferson City office, previously represented the city of Meta, and said the entirety of the Lauber firm works exclusively with municipalities. Alderman Otto Wankum said his main

objective is to accomplish the goals the

board has in a timely and affordable fashion, which is not always easy to do since Meta is a relatively small municipality.

Nickolaus agreed, and said that all of the cities he represents are small in nature.

"This is what we do," he said. "It's not just about giving you legal advice. It's about helping you with whatever projects you have in mind."

Economic development and management issues are two examples Nickolaus provided, noting that he has city administration experience with Jefferson City that See Meta on Page 7



I know if I call Mike and tell him what we need and he has them sitting there, there will be no problem."

A discussion began about having heavy enough equipment to haul block from Linn or elsewhere when they need them without hiring someone to haul them. Each block weighs 3,900 pounds, and will be used for the base of the sidewalk that collapsed. There will be a footing that will be needed before the block could be set.

"There is no reason for us to tear up our equipment if we can hire someone," said Koenigsfeld.

In other business, aldermen are still working to resolve water-pressure problems in town, which predate the repair of the city reservoir, and are intermittent. It is hoped that a new pump will solve the problem.

* Resident Torrey Slack is working with the city to clear brush and grass so the sidewalk can be repaired near his father's property.

"He (Slack) said he would help us do whatever we think needs to be done," said Koenigsfeld. "I told him if he wanted to cut up some more brush I would come down and help him."

The brush will be removed to a safe area where it can be burned. Slack also has said he will spray weeds and weed-eat around machinery when he his finished cutting silage. It is his father's

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bers at their meeting last Wednesday approved a surplus budget for the 2020-21 school year, with projected revenues of \$2,555,953 and expenditures of \$2,552,289, leaving the school district with a windfall of \$2,664.

"I finished this budget on June 1, which was prior to the district knowing that the withholding (from the state) was going to take place next year," Superintendent Lyle Best said. "We need to adopt (a budget) so we have one, but for working purposes I've already ripped this one up."

Gov. Mike Parson has since announced that he is waiving the statute that says hold harmless school districts cannot receive less money from the foundation formula.

'We have been a hold harmless school district since the conception of that, which is 2006," Best explained. "What that basically means is that you have a set amount of money the state formula pays every year. It is a fixed amount you get every year and they cannot lower that. The governor waived it at this time because he thought all districts should share that loss equally."

What that amounts to for Chamois is about 3.5% less money from the state formula fund. Chamois was expecting to receive \$1.8 million from formula funding, and that loss is not built into the approved budget. The school district was already expecting a reduction of \$90,000 for next year due to lower local taxes and projected losses as a result of the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Best does not agree with this unprecedented move by the Parson.

"I understand the shortfalls," he said. "I really do, but when they are like schools should share in the loss, I kinda feel like we never share in the gain. I'm not sure I agree with the sentiment."

Since waiving the statute is unprecedented in the state of Mis-

"We're trying to figure out how long that impact might be," Best said. "Everyone was surprised this happened."

Best noted that salary and benefits will not be changing from the proposed amounts in the 2020-21 budget, which includes a \$2,000 per year increase in the base salary for certified teachers. There is a 4% increase built in for non-certified staff members, and a 2% increase for administrative staff. Best hopes they will be able to look at other areas where it might be possible to trim things up and get the budget as close to balanced as possible.

There are some bright spots for the school district in looking at its financial situation.

"One thing to consider is if we start off the year with a prorated formula but as revenues come in, there could be a nice rebound and it is possible that by the end of the year we would be looking at larger payments closer to 100%," Best said.

He also noted that the sales tax numbers are looking a little higher than what was projected.

"They haven't seen growth," Best admitted. "But they also haven't seen a consistent drop off."

Best also asked the school board to look at reverting the ceiling back up on the levy to try to recoup some money. The school board is only able to look at changing these numbers on even-numbered years. Currently the rate is set at \$4.87.

"It poses the question do we need to set this back to where it was a couple of years ago?" Best asked. "The ceiling is still above it, what the voters approved was \$6.00 per \$100 assessed valuation."

Best also updated the board on the school's current budget.

"We are doing really well this year, and I feel we are in a really good spot," Best said. "Compared to last year, revenues are down about \$7,000 through May, but expenditures are down \$120,000 in the same time frame. We are

"We have requested about \$20,000 for our food-service program, which operated while the school was closed," Best said.

Best plans to draw some funds from the \$15,000 that is due to the school from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) from Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds. The school also requested \$6,000 from the CARES fund through Osage County.

"I don't feel like we are going backwards this year," Best said. "We're in a good spot so we shouldn't have to see a reduction in services or programs for students going forward, at least not for a year or two. We can go through a couple of difficult years and there shouldn't be a sense of urgency or knee-jerk reaction to start slashing things, because that's going to have a negative impact on the students. We've saved up money for a rainy day and that's what this is."

In related news, the board approved amending the 2019-20 budget to reflect actual amounts as of June 30.

In other business, board members approved the recent election results with President Steve Cramer and Vice President Angela Hagenhoff reelected to serve. Both were sworn in.

Officers were also nominated, with Cramer and Hagenhoff elected to continue in their roles, and Jennifer Keilholz appointed as the secretary/treasurer.

There were 12 write-in votes for the vacant position on the board, all of whom received one vote each. Of those 12 potential people, only Rebecca Mehmert, Melissa Strope, Torrey Slack and Dawna Keilholz were willing to serve on the board. Mehmert was elected unanimously to fill the position.

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Linn Planning and Zoning Commission approves subdivision development

BY THERESA BRANDT UD STAFF WRITER

The Linn Planning and Zoning Commission last Thursday approved variance requests for the Baldwin Hills Estate subdivision being developed by Caleb Bax west of Hwy. 89. The requests approved by the board included a rear lot set back of 10 feet. Currently Linn's standard rear set back is 25 feet. The board also granted a variance for the utilities easement which they approved for 50 feet, which includes the roadway. The current standard utilities easement is 60 feet.

The board granted these variances contingent on feedback from the Linn Utilities Superintendent Larry Fredrich.

Bax and his partners are developing a tract of land off Hwy. 89, with the bulk of the land currently zoned as agricultural. Bax tore down an existing house, which will be the entrance to the new subdivision that will eventually be developed into 95 to 100 single-family homes. The project will be broken down into three phases, with the first phase including 33 to 34 lots.

Bax discussed plans for the subdivision with Linn's Planning and Zoning Chairman Neal A. Johnson, who explained that the homes would be 1,500 to 1,600 square feet. All the homes would have brick fronts and

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Editorial/Opinion

A NEW ADVENTURE

The First Amendment to the United States Constitution spells out five rights that are guaranteed by our government. If you ask any random person on the street what those rights are, most would fail.

They would be able to name some but not all five. Take a moment. How many do you know? One that most people are familiar with is freedom of speech - closely related to my favorite, freedom of the press.

Our founding fathers saw the need to stop the government from controlling its citizens, so the first amendment keeps our elected officials from just that.

These freedoms cannot be denied by the government. But, they are currently under attack by a mob, a far-left mob to be more specific.

The mob is made up of those who want to control dialog. If you do not agree and conform to them 100 percent, you are to be shut down by any means necessary. Apologies count for nothing as they try to stifle any speech that does not conform to their rigid standards.



The following is just some of the evidence. • The editor of the Philadelphia Inquirer, Stan Wischowski lost his job last week for giving the green light to a headline. You may wonder what caused the publication to fire their editor of 20 years, who had diversified their newsroom and helped the paper win a Pulitzer. The headline that lost him his job, "Buildings Matter, Too."

• A white lecturer from UCLA, W. Ajax Peris, is under investigation for, in part, reading MLK's 'Letter from a Birmingham Jail' out loud to his students.

Freedoms under attack

• A progressive data scientist at a research firm accurately retweeted an African American Princeton scholar's work showing that peaceful protests are more effective over violence. He was fired for it.

• A black female principal of a Chicago high school is under pressure to resign because, among other 'problematic' acts, she urged students to "not participate in violence or looting."

• James Bennet lost his job recently as the editorial page editor of the New York Times for running an anti-protest editorial by Arkansas Republican Senator Tom Cotton entitled, "Send in the troops."

• Reporter for the Intercept, Lee Fang is being called a racist for daring to tweet an interview he had with a black man who said, "I always question, why does a Black life matter only when a white man takes it?... Like, if a white man takes my life tonight, it's going to be national news, but if a black man takes my life, it might not even be spoken of... It's stuff just like that that I just want in the mix."

Matt Taibbi, a progressive contributing editor at Rolling Stone, published an article on Friday entitled "The American Press Is Destroying Itself." Look it up on the Internet. It is worth your time.

In it he says, "The leaders of this new movement are replacing traditional liberal beliefs about tolerance, free inquiry, and even racial harmony with ideas so toxic and unattractive that they eschew debate, moving straight to shaming, threats, and intimidation. They are counting on the guilt-ridden, self-flagellating nature of traditional American progressives, who will not stand up for themselves, and will walk to the Razor voluntarily."

Closer to home the publisher of the Washington Missourian Bill Miller was forced to resign last week after running, what was considered to be, a racist cartoon. The cartoon, while insensitive, did contain an element of truth — the complete stupidity of the "Defund the Police" movement.

Taibbi noted in his article that polls show 65 percent of Americans oppose defunding the police, including 62 percent of Democrats, with just 15 percent of all people, and only 33 percent of African-Americans supporting it. With all the coverage it's been getting and the support from many Democrats in power you would think that most Americans want the police to be eliminated.

Taibbi understands that all of this, "guarantees that opinion writers and editors alike will shape views to avoid upsetting colleagues, which means that instead of hearing what our differences are and how we might address those issues, newspaper readers will instead be presented with page after page of people professing to agree with one another. That's not agitation, that's misinformation."

When a mob can control what is or is not published, said on Facebook, or tweeted on Twitter then we have lost our freedom of speech.

The First Amendment to the United States Constitution is a part of the United States Bill of Rights, adopted in 1791, that protects (1) freedom of speech, (2) freedom of religion, (3) freedom of assembly, (4) freedom of the press, and (5) right to petition.

CAPITOL REPORT

Legislation signed into law to allow extended absentee voting by mail (SB 631)



by TOM HURST **State Representative 62nd District**

In order to protect both the health and the voting rights of citizens during the COVID-19 pandemic, members of the General Assembly approved legislation that will allow extended absentee voting by mail for the 2020 elections. Governor Mike Parson recently signed the bill into law, saying it "provides Missourians with a safe and secure way to vote while still safeguarding our elections and ballot process." The legislation will allow any registered voter worried about exposure to COVID-19 to cast a mail-in ballot during the 2020 elections. Registered voters will have to request a person or by mail before receiving their 2020 mail-in absentee ballot. To prevent voter fraud, the mail-in option also includes the requirement that voters submit a notarized statement under penalty of perjury with their ballot. Additionally, to prevent ballot harvesting, voters will need to return their notarized mailin ballot in an envelope postmarked by U.S. Mail.

Parson said the mail-in option provides a safe, secure, and legal way for Missourians to vote during the pandemic.

Parson said, "We are not against voting by mail for people who have a reason. Our current law allows for that, and this bill allows for that. What we are against, and what President Trump is against, is voting absentee without a reason and without a signature verification. That is a non-secure way to handle voting absentee, as is ballot harvesting. Signing SB 631 ensures this will not happen in the state of Missouri.' The bill also expands the existing absentee ballot system to allow absentee ballots for those who are in an at-risk category for contracting or transmitting COVID-19. This would include individuals who are sixty-five years of age or older; live in a licensed

mail-in voter application in chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma; have serious heart conditions; are immunocompromised; have diabetes; have chronic kidney disease and are undergoing dialysis; or have liver disease. Voters who use this option will not need a notarized statement with their ballot.

"Any Missourian affected by COVID-19 should still be able to vote, including those who are sick or considered atrisk," said Parson.

Both of the mail-in voting provisions contained in the bill will expire on December 31, 2020.

The bill also contains other provisions dealing with the following areas:

•Investigative powers for he Secretary of State

Governor Parson has stated that "If you are afraid to vote, don't vote." That shows a contempt for democracy, and this type of attitude might be in keeping with the US now being ranked as a "Flawed democracy" by one organization

Five states, including red state Utah and the District of Columbia have had mail voting exclusively for years. None of them have raised any significant concerns about the integrity of such.

If voting by mail was so rife with corruption, it should have been identified by the Electoral Integrity Commission, head by Chris Kobach. The commission disbanded after one year with nothing of significance being found.

In fact, voter fraud is extremely rare. According to the Brennan ernment would be trying to make Center for Justice, the actual rate voting easier, not harder. of voter fraud between since 2,000 is 0.00000044%.

eliminate those long voting lines that always seem to occur in poorer, Democrat leaning precincts. The GA vote conducted just this week, appears to be the latest example.

Some say that "If you can stand in line for a cupcake, you can stand in line to vote". Well, I can leave the line if it is too long, and I certainly will not stand for 2 hours or even more, and certainly not in an adverse outdoor environment.

Donald trump is doing everything that he can to suppress voter turnout, in a desperate bid to stay in office. This goes back to before Paul Weyrich who stated in the 1980s, "I don't want everybody to vote. The less the people who vote, the better our chances".

In a real democracy, the gov-

BLAINE'S BULLETIN Missouri gets back to work

Immediately following Memorial Day festivities at Lake of the Ozarks, we saw daunting national headlines like "Crowds pack venues in Missouri's Lake of the Ozarks, ignoring social distancing" and "Americans defy COVID-19 social distancing rules to celebrate Memorial Day holiday." After reading these headlines, one would think this weekend of lake-goers visiting their favorite establishments and businesses that responsibly opened up in an effort to stay afloat was going to lead to the end of the world. But here we are, nearly three weeks later



Third District hasn't seen anything close to the spike in COVID-19 cases the national media was predicting. Instead, Memorial Day weekend can now be seen as an example of people's willingness to safely get back to work, support their favorite local businesses, and find a sense of normalcy after the last couple of months.

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by Blaine Luetkemeyer Many parts of the country **3rd District** have begun reopening, and Congressman we're seeing positive results. Last week, the United States Labor Department released the jobs numbers for May. While unemployment numbers were, unfortunately, expected to rise surpassing those of the Great Depression, they surprised economists and government officials alike by dropping, showing our economy is healing faster than anybody had realized. Our economy gained 2.5 million new jobs in May, the most historic rise in employment since the Department of Labor started keeping track of this data. While that was only a fraction of what was lost due to coronavirus shutdown, this is outstanding news for American workers, businesses and families. It also shows how eager we are to get back to work and back out in our community. For the last two weeks I've talked about the non-COVID related risks facing our country. Studies have shown that unemployment can lead directly to a multitude of health risks. Suicide, mental health issues, domestic violence and substance abuse have all been proven to increase during economic downturns. People have also been forced to forgo heart surgeries and cancer treatments because even hospital services were partially shut down due to the virus. Hospitals across the country are reporting that they have more than enough capacity for COVID patients and others who are in need. It's time that we let people get back to making a living and allowing those who need medical care to get it. Next week, Phase 1 coronavirus restrictions are set to expire. Because Missouri is surpassing expectations in its recovery, workers and businesses should receive more flexibility and greater ability to provide for their families. Phase 1 included restricted openings for businesses, more testing and more PPE equipment, and as people have started to cautiously get back to normal life, we are learning to live with the virus. Of course, there are parts of this country that are more susceptible to spreading the virus. They, just like all of us, need to exercise caution and look after our at-risk population, but we cannot allow blanket shutdowns when the health risks associated with unemployment are in many cases, just as life-threatening as the virus. While opening the economy is absolutely critical, it will not eliminate the health risk for those who are vulnerable or susceptible to getting coronavirus. Information on how to keep yourself healthy and keep from getting others sick can be found at health.mo.gov and CDC.gov/coronavirus or by calling Missouri's 24-hour coronavirus hotline at 877-435-8411. As we reopen, we should remain vigilant and conscious of the fact that the threat of the virus still exists and is frightening for some. That said, we can continue to take care of the at-risk population without threatening Missouri's society as a whole and get back to normal life. It's time we start doing it. CONTACT US: As always, for those of you with Internet access, I encourage you to visit my official website. For those without access to the Internet, I encourage you to call my offices in Jefferson City (573-635-7232) Washington, Mo. (636-239-2276), or Wentzville (636-327-7055) with your questions and concerns. If you want even greater access to what I am working on, please visit my YouTube site, Facebook page, and keep up-to-date with Twitter and Instagram.

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be of any assistance to you at your state Capitol, please do not hesitate to contact us at 573-751-1344 or toll free at 855-440-4985. You may also reach my Legislative Assistant, Diane, at diane.lindsay@house.mo.gov. May God bless you!

Tom Hurst State Representative District 62

GUEST COMMENTARY Half of Missourians believe lockdown inspired them to make healthier life choices

long-term care facility; have

A survey conducted by Rehabs.com shows just over half of the Missourian's responding to questions about making healthier lifestyle choices during the COVID-19 pandemic have, indeed, made better decisions.

One in five respondents say their alcohol consumption has decreased the longer lockdown has continued.

And, the average American has learned to cook four new recipes since lockdown began.

Before lockdown, it was an easy task to go to the grocery store on your way home from a busy day and pick up a quick convenience meal for dinner. With the fast-paced frantic lifestyle people face in the outside world under usual circumstances, being in lockdown means many Americans have been able to take a well-deserved break and put their health first.

While there is no doubt about the harsh disruption the pandemic has caused to daily lives, it has certainly granted many the chance to improve unhealthy habits they may have fallen into over the years.

Rehabs.com, a provider of rehabilitation

resources and treatment information, conducted a study of 3,000 Americans to find out if they have adopted healthier choices during lockdown. Overall, half of Missourians (52 percent) say the lockdown has inspired them to make healthier lifestyle choices, such as quitting smoking, exercising more and drinking less alcohol. This is compared to the national average of 54 percent.

Broken down across the nation, it appears North Dakotans were the most motivated to change their ways during this time -77percent of residents there say the lockdown inspired them to make healthier life choices.

By comparison, Alaskans seem to have taken lockdown a little harder with just 33 percent saying they have made positive lifestyle changes over the last few months. Known for their love of outdoor activities, perhaps this is unsurprising as their healthy lifestyles are likely at a higher level anyway.

Of course, most people have a specific life-

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Recall that President Trump had stated that "Republicans would never be elected again if it were easier to vote." I feel that is a good indicator of the motive of not allowing mail in voting.

No one should have to risk their health, and even their life to exercise their right to vote. In WI, about 70 people tested positive for C-19 after voters had to stand in line for up to two hours, which should also not happen in a well-managed election.

Voting by mail might well help

Governor Parson has signed a bill to allow voting by mail, but for people not designated as high risk, the ballot must be notarized. Given that 5 states have implemented vote by mail exclusively for years, there is no reason for this bothersome requirement.

Why are Donald Trump and Governor Parson, and generally speaking, the people who run the Republican Party so afraid of the voters? The answer appears obvious to me.

> Sincerely, Frank J. Thomeczek

REPORT FROM THE 6TH DISTRICT Helping Missourians get back to work

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

Seems like every day, there's some new piece of bad news making its way across the headlines.

From the spread of COVID-19, to unrest in our streets, to financial concerns facing many Americans, I believe it's easy to adopt a pessimistic outlook on the state of our world today. So how about some good news for a change?

According to the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, in May, the U.S. added 2.5 million jobs. That's no small accomplishment. Given everything that's going on, these job numbers are a welcomed surprise.

From my perspective, this data shows that our economy is starting to gear back up following the devastating effects of the coronavirus. As states start to reopen, it's great to see Americans are beginning to navigateanewnormalandareable to support themselves and their families once again.

One of the tools hoping to help Missourians get back to work in the near future is House Bill 2046. This legislation, which I handled in the Missouri Senate and which was passed out of the General Assembly several weeks ago, is a comprehensive jobs bill. It contains the Expanded Workforce Act which will help individuals who gain valuable, hands-on experience through a federally-approved apprenticeship program earn an industry license.

Also included in HB 2046 is language expanding opportunities for license reciprocity. I believe this provision is incredibly important because it provides trained professionals more opportunities to work in our great state by removing unnecessary red tape.

I'm looking forward to more good news like May's job numbers in the months ahead.

I'm also optimistic the governor will sign HB 2046 into law in the coming weeks, and that more Missourians will be able to get back to work.

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designated as single-family homes with 90% of the homes having basements. There would not be any rentals, student housing or duplexes.

"He (Bax) is also going to make every property owner comply with the dust-free ordinance," Johnson said. "There will be no gravel driveways, everything will be paved."

Bax would like to see houses going up by the fall of 2020.

Bax had originally come to the Planning and Zoning Commission requesting a variance for the main and side streets that will be a part of the subdivision.

City Clerk Carrie Grellner noted that the plans for the street fall within the guidelines listed for the city of Linn. The main street accessing the subdivision will be 32 feet wide including curbs. The City statutes require a 31' wide street. The side streets which are planned at 29 feet wide with curbs and the city requires 28 feet. Planning and Zoning Commission members agreed there was no variance needed for the size of the streets.

The question remains about whether parking would be allowed on these streets. Grellner had discussed the issue with Linn Police Chief Richard Bray, and he would like to see no parking on these streets to be able to accommodate snowplows and emergency vehicles.

Bax agreed and would prefer

that these streets remain no-parking zones. He noted that each house should have sufficient parking.

Grellner plans to consult with ChiefBray on his thoughts on having parking, either limited to one side of the street or limited to times that snow removal is necessary.

There were some concerns from the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the reduction for the rear setbacks.

"The only thing is the way these houses look like these wedges look like some of the houses are right on top of each other," Johnson said. "Is there going to be enough room between the rear of the properties?"

"If you compare these lots to the Cedar Park subdivision these lots are bigger," Bax assured the committee members by phone. "The Cedar Park lots are .2 and .25 acres while our smallest lot is .29 acres, which is abnormal. Most of our lots are .35 acres or larger with the bigger lots specifically in the second and third phases."

"What about the storm water?" Vice Chair Micheale Kroeger asked. "That's always something to think about here in Linn. We could seriously have some water issues." "The city of Linn does not have a

place for storm drainage," Bax noted. "We are going to run the lines to the nearest creek or valley.'

"I want to make sure that we aren't

flooding someone else's property," Kroeger said. "We don't know where they are going to dump it."

"Department of Natural Resources will determine where it's going," Johnson said.

Bax will need a Storm Water Permit from the DNR.

"I believe all of us are in support of this project," Johnson said to Bax. "We are excited to see that development and we appreciate what you are doing."

* The Planning and Zoning Commission also approved a three foot by six foot, two-sided electronic messaging board for Ron Helmig, owner of Barefoot Storage & Event Center.

Originally Helmig was approved for a sign on a pedestal by the Linn City Pool.

"He has since asked because he wants to put in an LED sign similar to what Legends Bank, Three Rivers and Muenks Insurance have up," Johnson said. "I don't recall any other businesses asking for a variance to put up a flashing sign anywhere else on Highway 50 or Main Street." There is an ordinance on the books

that stipulates no flashing signs. "I spoke with Mayor (Dwight) Massey and he believes the hope was to keep Linn from becoming 'little Las Vegas," Johnson said. "They didn't want a bunch of neon, flashing signs all over the place. He has done

it right and asked for our approval. I'm not going to comment about the others for not coming to us, but moving forward any flashing signs need to be approved by a variance is my recommendation."

* Mike Ely has asked that the commission vacate Second Street. The street was a part of the original plan for the city and has never been developed. Second Street runs between his house on Benton Street and the Stieferman's property.

Grellner noted that she can only remember one other street that had been vacated in Linn and that was before she was city clerk.

"The Board of Aldermen is the ones who are going to have to vacate a street," Grellner said

The land will have to be surveyed as a first step and Grellner questioned who would be responsible for the survey cost.

"My recommendation would be for the property owners to get together and take care of the survey," Johnson said. "Then they could take it to the Linn Board of Aldermen. We certainly support the idea but we can't approve to vacate a street."

* The Planning and Zoning Commission approved the addition of a two-car garage to the property of Ryan Thomas at 907 East Lee Street, and approved a privacy fence for the property of Jarold Osterhoff at #1113 East Jefferson Street.

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in certain situations.

"One of the frustrating things for me is you have stuff that needs to be done, and you have bureaucracy you have to go through to get it done, but we're also trying to get it done by spreading the cost over the total population, and you can only stretch a buck so far," said Wankum. "We need help navigating that bureaucracy so that we don't come out on the short end off the stick. If we start taxing people to the point where they can't afford it, they're going to move out."

Nickolaus said he understands how small towns want to avoid new taxes, and believes he levels of bureaucracy.

At the local level, Meta's vision is determined by the aldermen and mayor, and Nickolaus said it's his job, along with other city employees, to make the vision a reality.

"If you're having trouble getting what you want to work, we can fix that," he said, adding that he and employees will focus on the details while the board remains free to view the big picture. "You have a lot of say in how things go, a lot more than you might think."

At the state level, the bureaucracy is usually attached to funding for various projects in the

said the cost can be split between municipalities can successfully maneuver through the different form of grants and small-interest loans, and the federal level is a constant thing, and cannot be changed.

> "We can help you get through it, but that's not your big problem," said Nickolaus. "It's the state and local levels that more directly affect you."

> His experience with state agencies will also come into play, Nickolaus said.

> Alderman Ivie Helton was glad to hear that, noting that there have been times in which aldermen simply did not know how to proceed with various goals and projects, and posing

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machinery, but he wants to make it look better, "Until it is his problem."

* Morrison was notified that Gasconade County has \$1,725,307 in federal COVID-19 aid as part of the CARES Act. There are applications for reimbursements available for medical expenses, public health expenses, and payroll expenses among other things related to the shutdowns for public health and safety.

* Alderman met for the second time in the city hall building June 9, because it allowed for social distancing, and in the near future, it will be the permanent home for city business. The intent is to have everything moved into the building with the help of aldermen and their families, and have telephone service moved and air conditioning installed by June 30.

* Ongoing work on the city hall building continues with pumping water out of the basement so support posts can be installed while the floor is dry, and there need to be more lights in the basement. A new sump pump will be needed so the water can be

pumped out when needed without someone turning it on. The guttering needs repair and an outside water hydrant needs to be capped. The bathroom can have water restored in a matter of a few minutes in the near future.

* Mayor Melissa Strope received nine votes in June 2 election.

* The grace period for water service shutoff ends June 30.

* Tobey Malone's driveway has been repaired.

* Work continues with sewer issues.

* Street lights have been replaced and potholes repaired.

* Twenty business licenses have been issued for fiscal year 2020-21.

* Surveying for easements and property lines for the reservoir project have yet to be completed.

* In the treasurer's report, expenditures for May totaled \$7,001.68, and income was reported at \$4,807.69. Available funds total \$39.082.27.

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style concern they have always wanted to address.

Of those surveyed, 56 percent say they have started eating healthier since it began.

This was followed by 35 percent of respondents taking up more exercise, and 7 percent quitting drinking and smoking.

In fact, it seems Americans are either running low on liquor or the thrill of drinking has worn off, as over one in five people (22 percent) say their alcohol consumption has decreased the longer lockdown has continued.

Broken down by gender, 36 percent of men say this is the case, as compared to 10 percent of women.

When visits to the outside world are limited, regular trips to the grocery store or nearest takeout are not so easy. This means fewer processed convenience foods — such as microwave meals and freezer pizzas — and more homecooked, wholesome dinners. This is possibly why a significant 43 percent of respondents admit their diet has improved since the start of lockdown.

Moreover, because there is no need

for an afternoon commute when working from home, it helps to have some extra time in the evenings to prepare a healthy meal. Cooking for yourself and/ or your family can get repetitive if you are doing it every single day, multiple times per day.

However, many people appear to have embraced this opportunity to fine-tune their skills in the kitchen — the average American learned to cook four new, innovative recipes since lockdown began.

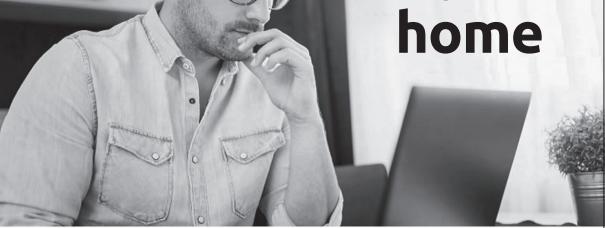
"Even though some are afforded the gift of time with commutes and rushhour traffic no longer being a daily issue, anxiety and depression surrounding the pandemic are still conditions being felt by many," said Dr. Lawrence Weinstein, chief medical officer for American Addiction Centers."With more time available, unhealthy habits such as increased substance and/or alcohol use can persist. For those who may be dealing with those issues, making better lifestyle choices such as lessening alcohol intake, adapting a better diet and exercise not only improves physical health, but are beneficial for mental health as well."

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that about three inches, which will help get water off the street too," said Feeler. "The water runs right across the road, and hopefully, with a little more thickness, it will help."

A ditch would also be beneficial, Feeler added.

He noted that the paving project should also help with water issues on Walker Street.

Village Clerk Allen Gradel said \$105,000 has been allotted in the budget for overlays and sealing.

"I know it's a lot of money, but hopefully this will take care of things for a while," said Haller.

Capital Paving was the only bidder on the project. Feeler will get the project scheduled as soon as possible.

* Trustees approved a bid from Feeler Tree Service of Belle to cut down four trees at a total cost of \$1,425.

Feeler said he might take care of one of the trees in question, but trustees agreed that with brush removal, it was worth the cost to have it done.

The wood will be cut and anyone that wants it can get it, but Feeler said it's mostly junk wood.

* Liquor licenses, which are due by July 1 each year, were approved for Eagle Stop and T&L Zip Stop (both of which sell packaged alcohol), Rykers, a new request from Anthony Rudkin, who plans to open a business at the former Johnny B's location, and Holy Family Parish for its picnic.

* Business licenses were approved for the aforementioned Rykers, along with Hilke's Car Wash LLC, another new venture in Freeburg.

* Haller asked Feeler to repaint the crosswalk and courts at Holy Family School, and offered a power-washer adapter to clean it first.

* In his regular monthly financial report, Gradel presented figures showing general fund income for May of \$17,532.58. The village has \$21,167.25 in general revenue checking and \$522,073.92 in a general-revenue money market. Sewer system checking stands at \$11,582.56 and the sewer money market balance is \$188,868.11. The purchasing account has a balance at \$1,340.28. The total on hand in all accounts, not including water is \$745,032.12. The total for all accounts is \$1,258,534.47.

* In financial news, general revenue bills were approved in the amount of \$3,857.28, sewer bills totaled \$539.38, and water bills were approved in the amount of \$608.61.

* Water Clerk Cindy Struemph reported that from April 1 through May 5, a total of 3,023,502 gallons of water were produced and 2,917,000 gallons were sold. A total of 106,502 gallons (4%) were lost.

* Last month's water leak was finally tracked down at Quaker Window Products. Haller estimated about 2,400 gallons per minute were being lost, but the issue has been resolved, and the cost assessed to the company will be \$300 for three days worth of water loss.

* Haller reminded residents that the village has an ordinance requiring that grass be maintained, with a maximum height of six inches.

* Trustees declined an offer from the Department of Natural Resources to collect samples from the lagoon once per week and deliver them to Jefferson City for COVID-19 testing. Feeler said it would require a full day between collections every four hours and time to take it to Jefferson City. Trustees said there were too many other duties to allow Feeler to spend a day each week on this project.

* The Lions Club fireworks show is planned for July 2 at the ball field.

* Zimmer told colleagues that the Legacy Riders will be coming through town Sunday, June 28, at about 9:30 a.m. The group of motorcycle riders support veterans, and Zimmer encouraged everyone to offer a show of support as they come through.

* Trustees tabled until next month further discussion of whether to hire Riley Steinman as a full-time employee.

* The next meeting was set for Monday, July 6, at 6:30 p.m.

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had to learn to work with superintendents that I didn't particularly agree with at first. You learn to get along, and the absolute most important thing is the kids. What kind of education are we supplying them? What kind of future do they have? I'll speak my mind and everybody knows where I stand. The hardest thing I was involved in, bar none, was when we had to make a million-dollar cut."

Dudenhoeffer told the board that he has three children in the district, and said he would like to be more involved with the school.

"I now run a company, and I have management opportunities," said Dudenhoeffer.

In making his motion to appoint Niederhelm to fill the vacant seat, board member Tye DeCramer said Niederhelm's experience is a key factor.

"He's been here, and nothing against the other two, and even you Hannah, you are great applicants, and I hope you do (run) for the next election," said DeCramer. "In the situation we're in right now, I think Sam has the best experience. With some of the issues going on at the school, he's been here for it, and knows the background. I do applaud you for applying."

After Niederhelm was sworn in to complete the remainder of the open seat, he was elected by his peers to continue serving as president of the board. Gravedoni was elected to serve as vice president, Mark Meyer was elected to be the secretary, and Naomi Klouzek is the board treasurer. Superintendent Dena Smith was appointed as the custodian of records.

During the public forum portion of the meeting, Cliff Thomeczek spoke in favor of Niederhelm.

"I know it's not an easy position to fill," said Thomeczek. "You're subject to scrutiny over every decision you make. You end up being in charge of or responsible for people you don't personally supervise. It's a difficult position to be in. I support his placement back with the board. I think he has the experience, he has the knowledge, and I think he's done a very good job. Until recently, I've heard very few complaints. People may not like some of the decisions that are made."

Frances Boswell congratulated those who earned their seat in the June 2 election, but also voiced her support of Niederhelm being appointed to the vacant seat.

"With everything going on, with the budget year and the lawsuit, I think it's good to have someone who has the knowledge of that situation, and the continuity, to stay on the board," Boswell said. "As a parent and former member of the PTO, that continuity is a necessary thing, and I think him being voted back in would be a good thing."

Barb Lehmen, who retired from the Linn R-2 school district, served as secretary to the school board.

"I have experience and knowledge of what an excellent board member Sam is," said Lehmen. "He is dedicated to the school, the children, and has extensive knowledge and history with the board, and I think the board should take this opportunity to retain Sam on the board by appointing him to fill the vacant position."

Cindy Sieg told the board she is the parent of a fifth-grader in Linn, and grew up here, which she said puts her in a unique position to offer support for Niederhelm.

"I want to encourage the school board to consider Sam filing the vacant position," said Sieg. "He's been on the board for the last nine years. He was involved in passing the bond issue that got our elementary school built. He's active member of our community, and he's had to make some hard decisions. Whether you agree with those personnel decisions or not, Sam didn't make them on his own. He was one of a unanimous vote, and it seems like the people who are upset with the outcome of that vote are raging at Sam and Dena (Smith). I voted for Sam in the past and I would do it again."

Sieg added that many people voted for Niederhelm, including her, and said it would be dishonorable to allow the opinions of the others who voted for Niederhelm to go by the wayside because he didn't win.

"I like Sam as a board member because of my experience with him," Sieg said. "When I call Sam with an issue, he calls me back. He acts like I'm the only thing going on in his world, and is focused on what I have to say. I appreciate that. In the coming months, there's not going to be a school district in the state that won't face a financial crisis, and I would appreciate having someone with Sam's background and experience here on the board to shed some light on those things that arise."

When making the choice between the four

candidates at the June 9 meeting, Gravedoni provided his thoughts, noting first that Dudenhoeffer has run in previous elections, and has lived in Osage County for more than 37 years.

Hunt is a two-term board member, during which he served as president, after 43 years of teaching at R-2 before retiring.

Niederhelm is completing his third term, and has lived in the district for more than 20 years.

"Since this is a temporary position, whoever is appointed will have to run for reelection next year," said Gravedoni.

"It's probably more important to have someone who has been through board training, because anybody that hasn't won't have time to get it."

Gravedoni said the next training opportunity for new board members is in October at Lake of the Ozarks through the Missouri Association of Rural Education (MARE), but added there might be other training options through the Missouri School Boards'Association (MSBA).

He also said he would lean toward a candidate who has run for election to the board.

DeCramer, Lori Greer and Meyer agreed, and Klouzek said she reviewed 2017 election results, which included Niederhelm, Hunt and Dudenhoeffer.

Swann, a district resident for two years, has never run for a school board seat, Gravedoni noted.

At Monday's meeting, Swann questioned the reasoning behind the decision not to consider her for the appointment.

"I was told there were other candidates who have lived in Linn longer and who have either served on the board or served on the school board at some point," said Swann. "I wasn't born in Linn or grew up in Linn. We actually made conscious decision to move here a couple years ago, knowing full well at the time we didn't know anyone here, or have any family here. However, I don't think those reasons alone should be sufficient for determining whether or not I'm qualified to be on the board."

Swann said she understands there are a lot of difficult aspects to the board, including a difficult budget, but noted she worked for the state of Missouri for six years in various budget positions.

"I think there should have been other qualifications taken into account than how long I've lived here, or had an opportunity to run in the past," Swann said. "If that truly was the only thing taken into consideration, it gives me a slight bit of concern. I know there have been people that have been hired in the school who haven't lived here a long time."

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Chamois R-1 • from page 5

* Meal prices were set for the 2020-21 school year, with student lunches to increase by \$.10 to \$2.55, while adult meals went up \$.10 as well, to \$3.30.

Breakfast prices remained the same for both adults and students with students paying \$1.30 per meal and adults paying \$1.50 per meal. Extra milks will continue to cost \$.30 each.

* The board approved service agreements for the 2020-21 school year, with providers to remain the same.

- Speech and language therapy will be provided by Ability Network. The rate has not been increased this year with the pathologist costing \$115 per hour and the assistant costing \$60 per hour.

Counseling services will be provided to the school district through Ability Network at a cost of \$115 per hour. Best noted that the school did not utilize this service very frequently.

Occupational therapy will be provided to the school district by the Special Learning Center at a rate of \$68 per hour for an occupational therapist and \$40 per hour for an occupational therapist assistant.

- Milk and dairy product delivery was awarded to Prairie Farms/Central Dairy. These rates are subject to current market costs and can vary.

- Pest control services was awarded to Haveners Termite and Insect Control Inc., at a rate of \$38 per visit to treat the cafeteria. This is the same rate as last year.

- The school will continue to contract propane with Three Rivers Propane for a rate of \$.91 per gallon. Last year's rate was \$1.08 per gallon.

* The district received two bids for the purchase of the school bus that was totaled out by the insurance company during the recent hailstorm. The board accepted a bid of \$675 from Schollmeyer Garage. Also bidding was Ely Backman (\$551.50).

* High school graduation is scheduled for Saturday, June 20 at 11 a.m.. Students have been mailed their tickets with each graduate receiving 10 tickets. Graduation practice will be Friday, June 19.

Graduates and their families will be seated with social distancing guidelines in place.

"Some people are going to be pretty far away from the stage," Principal Jeremy McKague said. "At graduation practice we are going to draw for spots. It will be random."

For those families that are not seated close to the stage, the school will provide an opportunity for the family to come forward as the graduate receives their diploma so that they can take pictures.

Only two board members will be seated on stage to help hand out diplomas.

"This will be a somewhat limited ceremony," Best warned. "We are not going to be able to incorporate the band and we are taking out the reading of scholarships and awards."

The scholarships and awards will be printed out and handed out with the programs.

"The speeches, the slide shows and the flowers will all be included," Best said.

The administration is still trying to figure out the best way to hand out diplomas whether that will be a personal hand off without the traditional hand shake or if the diplomas will be placed on a table for the graduates to pick up is still to be worked out.

"Everybody is welcome," Best said. "Graduates will be outside in a line afterwards where they can receive congratulations."

The graduation ceremony will be recorded and uploaded to YouTube for viewing the day following graduation.

* There is a lot of speculation about what the 2020-21 school year will look like.

"Discussion has been very limited, and it somewhat feels premature because no one knows about the next three to four weeks," Best said. "Things change every day, and it's two months before school starts."

The school district has opted to stay with its original start date of Aug. 26. If everything goes well with the summer school session the school district will also have a "Jumpstart" session for students in kindergarten through sixth grade, from Aug. 3-7.

"I think a lot of people I've talked to really want to get things going and have everyone back in school because they feel like for all of the reasons its good for kids to be in school and for all the additional reasons of lessening the burden at home for people still trying to go back to work," Best said.

Currently, the school district is hoping that all the students will be able to come back to school on Aug. 26, and school can go back to normal with some procedures in place, including extra cleanings and limiting contact between students. But the district has been directed to also have a contingency plan in place in case that is not possible.

"The only alternative plan that we have spent some time on is a model that would split kindergarten through 12th grade into two groups and they would come to school every other day or every other week," Best said. "We would try to keep families together so they would go to school on the same day. The only reason we would look at that approach would be if we need to keep the numbers down for social distancing."

Best also noted that the school districts may feel obligated to provide long-distance learning for students whose families are not comfortable with them attending school in person.

Right now, there are no mandates for how the schools should resume classes in the fall.

"I don't know that there are going to be requirements," Best said. "It just might be what you're comfortable with based on data, based on cases, based on what we (the board) think will be the best for the students."

Best does not believe that there is going to be mandated statewide guidance for all of the schools and he doesn't believe that there will be statewide closures in the fall.

"I think it is going to be local decisions if you have to close down either through the school district or the local health department," Best said.

The school has purchased several thermal scan monitors to help teachers and staff take temperatures of students who may be showing symptoms of COVID-19.

The school has altered the offices for the secretaries in both the elementary and high school offices to limit traffic into the offices.

The school board will revisit this issue in July.

* Bills were approved in the amount of \$46,519.

* The board approved a transfer of \$30,000 from Fund #1 to Fund #4 for future capitol projects, including building improvements and renovations such as tuck-pointing, HVAC improvements, asbestos abatement, parking-lot resurfacing, technology network and infrastructure improvements and transportation improvements.

* The following school district balances were reported: General Fund (\$1,335,086), Special Fund (\$116,268), and Capitol Projects fund (\$1,492,736).

REPORTS

Best went over several bills that were passed in the state legislature that may have an impact of school districts:

- House Bill #1682 allows school districts to treat vaping and vaping products the same as they would smoking. Best noted that most school districts were doing this already.

- House Bill #1854 makes the use of public funds for political purposes a Class A misdemeanor. Best noted that this may restrict schools from promoting bond and levy issues in the future.

— House Bill #2120 encourages lead poison testing in schools' water systems.

-Senate Bill #739 requires contracts that are over \$100,000 and with companies with over 10 employees not have discrimination policies against Israel.

— Senate Bill #676 allows property owners to protest their property assessment if the cost increase is 50% of the property's value.

* Repairs from the recent hailstorms are in progress for the siding, gutters and windows. The roof repairs will begin in late June to early July.

* Greenhouse materials have been delivered to the school and are waiting on the staff to have time to construct it.

* Asphalt repairs and resurfacing for the parking lot are scheduled for the end of June.

* In the elementary principal's report, it was noted that 30 students have enrolled for summer school, which is set to begin this week. Students will be split up into two groups and will be kept separate for lunches and recess.

Court Records • from page 2

Mark E. Heidbrink, Linn, pleaded guilty to speeding (11-15 over); fined \$70.50.

Jaden L. Hoskins, Jeferson City, pleaded guilty to defective equipment; fined \$100

Brittany C. Maupins, Jefferson City, pleaded guilty to speeding (11-15 over); fined \$70.50.

equipment; fined \$100.

\$1,500.91.

\$2,146.62.

home and \$350.

amount of \$605.37.

Mary A. Steen, Linn,

CIVIL CASES

Center v. Tisha M. Ash-

more, Bonnots Mill, suit on

file; judgment entered for

plaintiff in the amount of

Center v. John Banks, Linn,

suit on file; judgment entered

for plaintiff in the amount of

Al v. Veronica M. Cook Et

Al, Linn, suit on file, court

orders plaintiff full legal and

actual possession of mobile

v. Howard Elkins, Clinton,

N.C., suit on file, judgment

entered for plaintiff in the

ments Inc. v. Ryan Fain Et

Al, Loose Creek, court or-

ders plaintiff full legal and

actual possession of the

Jefferson Bank of Mis-

souri v. Adrian A. Helmig

Et Al, Belle, suit of file;

judgment entered in favor

of plaintiff in the amount of

souri v. Jeremy I. Helmig

Jefferson Bank of Mis-

premises and \$3,730.05.

\$18,906.83.

Golden Years Apart-

Midland Funding, LLC

Richard M. Moffat Et

Capital Region Medical

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Navy Federal Credit Union v. Matthew B. Lee, pleaded guilty to defective Belle, suit on file; judgment entered for plaintiff in the amount of \$3,468.70.

payments of \$100.

Et Al, Belle, suit of file; judgment entered in favor

of plaintiff in the amount of

Center v. Christal Jacobs,

Meta, suit on file; judgment

entered for plaintiff in the

amount of \$28,216.71. Ex-

cution stayed upon monthly

Capital Region Medical

\$18,906.83.

Richard M. Moffat Et Al v. Megan L. Orando, Et Al, Mt. Sterling, suit on file, court orders plaintiff full legal and actual possession of mobile home and \$350.

Osage County Children's Division v. Nathaniel L. Bay, Belle, court orders respondent to pay \$55 per month child support and provide health insurance for the child.

Capital Region Medical Center v. Dwayne E. Thompson, Belle, suit on file; judgment entered for plaintiff in the amount of \$3,373.61.

Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC v. Myra Wipfler, Chamois, suit on file; judgment entered for plaintiff in the amount of \$1,961.61.

JUDGE CRAIG E. HELLMANN

Tessa M. Coonrod, Owensville, probation status hearing; defendant admits violating terms of probation, which is revoked, and defendant sentenced to five years in the Department of Corrections.

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noting that there have been times in which aldermen simply did not know how to proceed with various goals and projects, and posing "yes or no" questions was not helpful.

"There's probably things out there we can take advantage of, but we don't know how to get started or get involved, so that's what we need," she added

Nickolaus informed the board that a one-day training for city officials will be coming up soon and recommended each of them to consider attendance.

Alderman Steve Sherrell told Nickolaus that old, rundown houses are one of the city's main concerns.

'Code enforcement is a problem in every small town," Nickolaus said, adding that he would need to serve as the city's prosecutor in these cases.

"We've talked about all kinds of scenarios on how to handle these things," said Helton. "We've even taken some to court and actually won, but we don't have a way to get reimbursed for the money the city puts into repairs."

Hoffman agreed. "If we're going to spend thousands of dollars to fix someone's property, we should get

that property," he said. Sherrell added that in one case, the land was given to the contractor who cleaned it up.

"You're almost there," Nickolaus said. "But there are ways to do it without the city owning a bunch of property."

Property owners were offered an opportunity through a demolition grant, but even with the city's offer to pay the \$500 fee, no one agreed to do it.

Nickolaus said the best approach is to use a mechanic's lien instead of a tax lien, because with the latter, the city doesn't collect until the joined MRPC, and disproperty is sold.

By statute, the city is

to the Water Tower Fund, \$35,000 to the Motor Fuel Fund, and \$49,250 to Capital Improvements.

The Water Fund anticipates revenues of \$47,000 and expenditures of \$39,700; the Park Fund shows revenues of \$7,750 and expenditures of \$6,400; the Motor Fuel Fund anticipates revenues of \$5,900 and ex-

penditures of \$40,000, with the transfer from the Operating Fund to cover street improvements; in the Capital Improvements Fund, a beginning balance of \$61,300 will be increased with the

transfer from the Operating Fund by \$35,000, and with expenditures of \$65,000, the fund will have a balance of \$31,300; the Water Tower Fund has a beginning balance of \$28,400, and with a transfer of \$25,400 to cover maintenance repairs, the balance will remain at \$28,400; and the Sewer Fund has a beginning balance of \$8,884.75 with no expen-

ditures. * Aldermen approved an amendment to the 2019-20 budget in the amount of \$16,000, which was transferred from the general fund to Motor Fuel Fund to pay the balance due Jefferson Asphalt.

* Aldermen gave authorization to Mayor Harold Libbert to determine the date of the city's fireworks display. That decision will be based on the availability of an operator for the event, which will be held July 3 or 4. An ad will be run once the decision is made.

* Meta found itself in a situation in which help received for floodplain administration was not contracted, and the city had some options regarding a bill in the amount of \$1,161 to the Meramec

Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) for services. Buechter explained that

while Meta joined the city cussions about floodplain administration took place. there was never a contract in place, and hours available through MRPC for city Kenny Loethen told the business could not be used for floodplain services. She said the city could demonstration can still be pay the bill and sign a conarranged. He added that it tract for services moving makes no sense to put money forward, pay the bill and in the old mower, which is contract with someone else in poor shape. for floodplain services, or refuse to pay the bill, which gested finding out how much would mean Meta would it would take to at least make no longer be a member of it useable, since selling it would not bring much more MRPC. Aldermen agreed it was than scrap-iron prices. better to have an agency well-versed in the nuances before we make the deterof floodplain management mination it's too much for handle this service, and apus to fix," said Wankum. "I proved payment of the bill also think if we get a new and authorized the mayor mower, we hold on to the to enter a contract for FY old one, unless it costs us 2021. A contract for MRPC's too much to fix, as a backup. regular membership was Just because you buy a new also approved. one doesn't mean it's going * Official results from to last very long.'





need access to the right-ofway owned by the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT).

Buechter explained the city will need a work permit to access the land while constructing the wall.

Aldermen also agreed to add a flagpole. Nickolaus suggested the

city seek an easement.

The plan is to advertise for the project as soon as the right-of-way issue is resolved.

* A business license was approved for Southwestern Bell, which pays half the fee twice per year. * A discussion of raises

and bonuses for city employees was tabled until next month. MAINTENANCE

UPDATE

However, Wankum sug-

"We should know that

initials of whatever alderman put it there so he can speak with that person directly regarding issues.

Specifically, a big issue this time of year is cut grass on the roadway, and aldermen want it blown off the road as quickly as possible. Stumpe noted there are a lot of residents that cut grass, which creates clippings on the highway, and Loethen said it blows away as soon as a car passes.

Alderman Lawrence Hoffman said he understands on a steep hill it is impractical to go back and blow the grass off the road, but said in flat areas, it should not be an issue.

"I'm not telling you guys to go blow off grass from

Burglary • from page 1 -

deputies promised not to take him to jail. Jackson told deputies she didn't know what was going on, a statement she would later change.

During transport to the jail, Jackson told Jarvis they were having car trouble and pulled into to driveway, but insisted that she and her dog went to a nearby pond, where she met up with Gehlert 15 minutes later.

Capt. Shaffer reported that Gehlert admitted during transport to the jail to being in the car driven by Brown, along with Jackson. Gehlert further said that Brown was driving poorly on Rt. Y, which caused Jackson to become distressed. His claim is that he and Jackson were let out of the vehicle at the residence next door to the driveway in which Brown and his car were initially spotted.

When Brown was questioned, he advised Gasconade County deputies that his vehicle had been stolen that morning from the park in Belle, and he had recovered it at the park in Bland. In fact, he said he was just about to visit the Maries County Sheriff's Office to report the car stolen.

During a consent search of the vehicle, Carnes found a toy John Deere chainsaw and a white trash bag full of clothes, which Brown said had been left in the car by whomever had stolen it.

According to Brown, he did not know Jackson or Gehlert.

Carnes noted in the PC statement that he had seen similar toys at the residence in Belle, and that the variety of female clothing appeared to be about Jackson's size. Brown also told deputies there was a pellet gun between the driver's seat and center console that was not his, which Carnes seized.

As Brown was taken to the Osage County Jail, he told Carnes that he had lied about his car being stolen because he had just gotten out of prison.

Another lie clarified is that Brown had known Gehlert as a friend for about a year.

When Gehlert asked for a ride to his aunt's house, Brown obliged, adding he believed the residence at which he was parked belonged to Gehlert's aunt. Gehlert reportedly brought the bag of clothes with him. Jackson had accompanied Gehlert to Brown's house.

According to court documents, Brown said he parked in front of the residence, as Gehlert said he needed to get a few things from the house, where he claimed to have been living with his aunt.

Jackson and Gehlert went around to the back of the house, according to Brown, and returned moments later with the toy chainsaw. The pair then returned to the residence, and Brown said he honked his horn once to indicate he was leaving, but told Carnes that he did not leave at a high rate of speed, and was unaware that anyone had pulled up behind him. Further, Brown said he did not commit a burglary or see anyone who did.

Jackson's account differed in virtually every detail. She told Carnes that Brown had arrived at her aunt's house in Belle looking for Gehlert because he needed help working on his car. Jackson said Brown drove them to Lange's Creek on CR 735 or 737 to work on the car there.

While they were looking at the vehicle, Jackson said she went for a swim in the creek. When they left the creek, the car started acting up, so they pulled into the residence in question to continue working on it.

Admitting she did not know who lived there, Jackson said she walked to the rear of the house with her dog to the pond, and was alone there for about 20 minutes. She said she heard a horn and saw a truck pulling into the driveway. Brown drove away, and because she didn't know whose property she was on, Jackson said she fled into the woods. It was later that she found Gehlert walking along the creek. Jackson claimed ignorance of how the toy chainsaw made its way into the vehicle, but guessed it had been in the house. She denied committing burglary to the residence or sheds, but said a soda can that had fallen from the back of the car when Brown left was hers.

Gehlert's version of the situation was interesting. He said he couldn't remember if he called Brown and asked him for a ride or walked by his residence. Either way, Gehlert said he asked that Brown take him and Jackson to Lange's Creek to swim. After they left, Brown's erratic driving led Gehlert to ask to be let out, which is how he said they wound up at the residence in question. He changed his previous statement that they had exited the vehicle at the house next door.

According to Gehlert, he and Jackson began walking toward Belle because he feared there was a warrant out for his arrest, and he did not want to be seen. Further, he said that Jackson was with him the whole time, and he never heard a

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minimum bid to recoup the cost of the machine.

* One light is out at the ballpark but due to the difficulty of finding someone with the proper truck to handle changing lights at a height of 80 feet, and the fact that it is a costly venture, aldermen agreed to wait until a few more need to be changed

before taking action. * Buechter told the board that the new maintenance building is coming along nicely with Cahill's providing an update of each part of the project.

WATER UPDATE * City Clerk Deidra Buechter reported 411,626 gallons of water were pumped

during the month of May, with 358,181 gallons sold, every resident that cuts it, and 53,445 gallons of water lost, or 12.98% * A total of \$2,725.06 in water sales were recorded, with \$1,051.44 collected for trash service, \$130 in late fees, and \$87.29 collected in sales tax. Total charges were \$3,993.79 with a previous positive balance of \$292.43, and payments received in the amount of \$3,881.02, leaving a positive balance of \$179.66.

META ALDERMEN Otto

Wankum and Steven Sher-

rell (above) are sworn in by

City Clerk Deidra Buechter.

Attorney Nathan Nickolaus

(left), who was retained

by the city of Meta at last

Wednesday's meeting, lis-

tens to a discussion about

nuisance properties before

offering suggestions.

allowed to have a contractor do the work and attach a mechanic's lien, which is much more enforceable, Nickolaus explained. "You can force a sale of the property that way," he said.

The idea would be to buy out the contractor's share of what's owed, and use the mechanic's lien to collect what's due the city.

Aldermen agreed the idea is to break even, and one benefit is that a clean property is more attractive to potential buyers, which would in turn raise local property taxes.

In many cases, property owners no longer live in Meta, and don't care about upkeep.

"If you're an absentee landowner, it will cost say \$20,000 to tear the rundown house down, or you do nothing, maybe cut the grass once in a while, but it's really out of sight, out of mind," said Nickolaus. "What we have to do is change the equation and make that house a pain in their side.

Moving forward, Nickolaus said he believes its important for him to be at every meeting, but said if that gets to be too costly, the city is not obligated. Further, he said that should the city be dissatisfied with his services, there is no notice required to stop the agreement.

In other business, the board approved a budget that anticipates revenues of \$149,650 in the Operating Fund, with a beginning balance of \$83,300, and expenditures of \$117,150. The budget will include a

transfer of \$130,000 to cover the cost of the new maintenance building, presenting a net balance of \$6,150. Also to be transferred is \$25,400

the June 2 election were reviewed and accepted.

Otto Wankum received 16 votes and Steven Sherrell had 15, with one write-in; both were sworn in last week. Also, an ordinance authorizing the city of Meta to forgo an election if the number of candidates equals

the number of open positions passed by a 12-4 margin. * Each year, there is a

need to advertise for a backup water operator, though it's been really difficult to find one. Chief Water Operator Harold Libbert will continue in his role, and Nickolaus provided a recommendation that could help satisfy the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

* Bid specifications for a retaining wall to divert water away from City Hall were discussed, but there is some question about the process, since the city will

but for whatever you cut, I'm asking you to do what you Maintenance employee

can," said Hoffman. board the search for a a new "We try our best," said mower is still in flux, but a Loethen.

> Wankum said the bottom line is that everyone has a part to play in making the city of Meta look as good as it can.

"Just because we haven't done something in the past doesn't mean we can't start doing it now," he said. "Ouite frankly, that's the job. We don't have to like any job. but it is what it is."

* Fence posts at the park have been installed and new concrete poured.

* Loethen noted that Brandon Ottens is interested in purchasing the city's pitching machine, which originally cost \$1,800. An older unit bought for \$100 is also available for use by * Loethen and fellow teams practicing at the field, maintenance employee but it's the newer model that Mitch Stumpe continue to interests Ottens. Hoffman work on a list of projects outsaid the item would have to lined recently by aldermen, be declared surplus before it and Loethen asked that the could be posted for sale by board at City Hall with this bid, and aldermen agreed list be accompanied by the there would have to be a **FINANCIAL NEWS**

* In her regular monthly financial report, Plassmeyer noted income/deposits totaled \$13,988.56 and debits of \$77,955.51 for a balance on hand as of May 29 totaling \$368,783.83; the money market balance was \$139,925.78; the escrow account totaled \$910; and two certificates of deposit total \$51,907.78 and \$122,703.39, respectively, giving the city total funds on hand of \$684,225.78. A total of \$77,882.12 in expenses were paid in the month of May.

* The next meeting of the board will be held at 6:30 p.m. July 8.

horn. In addition to claiming he never went into the residence or sheds, Gehlert said he saw no one else do so, adding he had never seen the toy chainsaw. He also told Carnes the vehicle had not broken down. Bonham has requested charges on all three suspects for burglary in the second degree, property damage in the second degree, and stealing.





Linn Elementary Gym in Linn, Missouri

To participate, fill out the form on the back. Entry forms and photos must be mailed or emailed to msosagecounty@gmail.com

We will have 3 categories: Junior Princess 8 - 11 Princess 12-16 • Queen 17 -22

> This year's theme is **Beach Bound**

Prizes awarded are \$100 for Queen; \$50 for Princess and \$25 for Junior Princess



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Community News UNTERRIFIED DEMOCRAT



The 'Roaring 20s'

That was the theme of this year's Junior/Senior Prom at Fatima High School held Friday, June 12. Members of this year's prom court were, (Above) left to right, Ellie Crede, Paul Boeckman, Adrienne Fechtal, Carson Klebba, Ryann Muenks, Mason Stuecken, Avery Orscheln, Brett Werner, Queen Madison Berhorst, King Jaden Hoskins, Prince Lucas Laux, Princess Karli Struemph, Ethan Flores, Cora Winkelman, Naden Luebbert, Emma Luebbering, Nathan Troesser, Alani Jaegers, Joseph Schwartz, Natalie Thoenen. (Right) Prom Queen Madison Berhorst and Prom King Jaden Hoskins. (Far Right) Prom Prince Lucas Laux and Prom Princess Karli Struemph.

COLLEGE CLIPS

CENTRAL METHODIST UNIVERSITY

SPRING 2020 DEAN'S LIST FAYETTE -- Central Methodist University provost Dr. Rita Gulstad announced this week the students included

on the Spring 2020 Dean's List. Morgan Cecilia Becker, Freeburg, was among more than 780 students who met the requirements for placement, including a grade point average of 3.50 or higher for the semester.

MISSOURI STATE RELEASES SPRING 2020 DEAN'S LIST

SPRINGFIELD - Each semester, students at Missouri State University who attain academic excellence are named to the dean's list. The following local students were included on this list:

Argyle Gina Wieberg Belle

Nicole Chase Anna Reinkemeyer Westphalia Breanna Kempker Megan Lackman Brandy Lueckenhoff Regina Stegeman

TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES SPRING 2020 PRESIDENT'S LIST

Jessica Riegel

Loose Creek Sarah Wieberg

Westphalia

Maria Kloeppel

Emily Massman

The following local students were named to the Spring 2020 President's List:

Argyle Nathan Winter Belle Evan Thierry Freeburg Megan Hodge

Linn Kelsey Brandt

> TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY **ANNOUNCES SPRING 2020** VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC **AFFAIRS' LIST**

The following local student was named to the Spring





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Andy Rolwes **Bonnots Mill** Amber Dudenhoeffer Carly Muenks Freeburg Gabrielle Eisterhold Jordan Pope Linn

EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE SPRING 2020

PRESIDENT'S LIST

The following local students were named to the Spring 2020 President's List at East Central College: Belle Jozlyn Louise Belcher Shanna Marie Simpson

EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE SPRING 2020

VICE PRESIDENT'S LIST The following local student was named to the Spring 2020 President's List at East Central College: Belle Brookelyn Paige Heck

Sawyer Abel Named to Southeast's Spring 2020 **Dean's List**

CAPE GIRARDEAU-- Sawyer Abel of Belle, has been named to the Southeast Missouri State University Dean's List for academic achievement during the spring 2020 semester.

2020 Vice President for Academic Affairs' List at Truman State University: Belle Kayla Snyder Linn **Brianna Shoults**

TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES **SPRING 2020 GRADUATION LIST**

The following local students graduated from Truman State University following the 2020 spring semester:

Argyle Nathan Edward Winter Belle Evan R. Thierry, Magna Cum Laude Freeburg Megan Amanda Hodge, Magna Cum Laude

SFCC ANNOUNCES SPRING **ACADEMIC HONORS**

Sedalia--State Fair Community College has named the following students to the president's list and dean's list for

SFCC President's List SFCC Dean's List (3.50-3.99 GPA) (4.00 GPA) **Bonnots Mill** Madison J. Mebruer Noah J. Muenks Linn Amber L. Schulte Aspen B. Brune Westphalia



Contingent on the state allowing Harbor Place to open for visitors, we are asking the following:

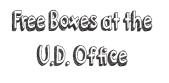
- Please call and schedule your visit.
- Practice continued social distancing.

HARBOR PLACE

- No more than 3 visitors per resident at a time.
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the building.
- If you have been sick or been around someone sick please do not visit
- You will be required to have your temperature checked prior to entering the facility.

It has been a long few months but we have made it this far with no one sick and we would really like to keep our residents and staff healthy.

Our residents have missed you dearly. We cannot wait to have you come.





Anniversary

Elizabeth H. Bure

Linn

Meta

Nelsons Celebrate 50 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nelson are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on June 20, 2020.

Paul Nelson and Linda Schneider of Loose Creek, were married June 20, 1970, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Otto. Reverend Aurthur J. Schauer officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson have two children, Heather Duffield and Travis Nelson and one granddaughter, Megan Duffield, all of Jefferson City. The couple will celebrate their anniversary with a trip scheduled at a later date.

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Community News UNTERRIFIED DEMOCRAT

FOURTH GRADE

Gerloff and Logan Halbert

Gerloff and Victor Slack

Victor Slack and Levi Weed

Art Award: Raigen Cramer

Music Award: Erica Bledsoe

Math Award: Brie Keilholz

Science Award: Brie Keilholz

SRI Award: Brie Keilholz

Art Award: Carley Brandt

Music Award: Carley Brandt

Band Award: Emma Mehmert

Language Arts Award: Victor Slack

Social Studies Award: Levi Weed

Math Award: Grayson Gerloff

Science Award: Raigen Cramer



Principal's Award (no missing homework and no re-

ferrals): Raigen Cramer, Kylie Garstang and Grayson

Principal's Advisory Team: Raigen Cramer, Grayson

SRI Award: Erica Bledsoe, Raigen Cramer, Grayson

SRI High Point Winner \$25 winner: Raigen Cramer

Pizza Hut Book-It Award: Raigen Cramer, Grayson

Six Flags Read to Succeed Award (6 hours of reading):

Angel Babor, Erica Bledsoe, Brayden Cotton, Raigen

Cramer, Will Froment, Kylie Garstang, Grayson Gerloff

Knowledge Bowl: Raigen Cramer, Grayson Gerloff,

Principal's Award (no missing homework and no re-

Principal's Advisory Team: Oliver Carter and Brie Keil-

SRI Star Award (completed the program twice): Brie

SRI High Point Winner \$25: Brie Keilholz (288 points)

Knowledge Bowl: Oliver Carter, Brie Keilholz and

Principal's Award (no missing homework and no re-

ferrals): Dakota Bledsoe, Max McKague, Evert Meh-

mert, Jack Schollmeyer, Savanah Sieg, Jaxon Wuelling,

Principal's Advisory Team: Max McKague and Evert

Language Arts Award: Max McKague

Social Studies Award: Jack Schollmever

Math Award: Max McKague

ferrals): Carley Brandt and Oliver Carter

Language Arts Award: Oliver Carter

Social Studies Award: Brie Keilholz

Gerloff, Alex Ruvacalba and Logan Wiegand

Chamois Elementary Awards 2019-2020

Gerloff

(172 points)

and Victor Slack

FIFTH GRADE

holz

Keilholz

Emma Mehmert

SIXTH GRADE

and Kaden Wuelling

Mehmert

KINDERGARTEN

Principal's Award: Olivia Kuschel, Carson Miller, and Cali Starke Language Arts Award: Olivia Kuschel Math Award: Olivia Kuschel Science/Social Studies Award: Olivia Kuschel SRI Award: Olivia Kuschel SRI Award: Olivia Kuschel, Carson Miller, Cali Starke and Carsen Wolf-Keller SRI High Point Winner: \$25 cash: Olivia Kuschel (123 points) Pizza Hut Book-It Award: Cali Starke Six Flags Read to Succeed Award (6 hours of reading): Cali Starke Art Award: Olivia Kuschel Music Award: Olivia Kuschel

FIRST GRADE

Principal's Award (no missing homework and no referrals): Marilyn Carr, Wyatt Jones **ELA Award:** Manuel Leyva Math Award: Xavior Wideman Social Science (Tied with 100% Averages): Marilyn Carr, Liam Halbert, Wyatt Jones, Manuel Leyva, Hunter Nevins-Katona, Heaven Stone, Sophie Thompson, and Xavior Wideman SRI Award: Marilyn Carr, Manuel Leyva, Sophie Thompson, and Xavior Wideman SRI High Point Winner \$25: Sophie Thompson (139

points) Pizza Hut Book-It Award (completed all 6 months of the reading program): Hunter Nevins-Katona, Heaven Stone, and Sophie Thompson

Six Flags Read to Succeed Award (6 hours of reading): Sophie Thompson

Art Award: Sophie Thompson

Music Award: Sophie Thompson

SECOND GRADE

Principal's Award (no missing homework and no referrals): Olivia Hord, Boone Kuschel, and Will Kuschel ELA Award: Olivia Hord Math Award: Will Kuschel Social Sciences Award: Olivia Hord SRI Award (100 points): Olivia Hord, Boone Kuschel, Will Kuschel, Mark Mitchem and Jaelyn Thoenen SRI Star Award (200 points): Olivia Hord SRI Most Points \$25: Olivia Hord (251 points) Pizza Hut Book-It Award (20 points a month): Olivia Hord Six Flags Read to Succeed Award (6 hours of reading): Dorain Meyer Art Award: Olivia Hord

Music Award: Olivia Hord

Chamois Jr. High and High School School Awards 2019-20

Art Awards:

Exploratory Art 7 – Kendall Mitchem Exploratory Art 8 - Madeline Gerloff Art – Tyler Brandt Drawing – Claire Brandt Painting – Claire Brandt Ceramics – Claire Brandt Sculpture - Claire Brandt, Chloe Holloway **Band Letter Award:** Destiny Bledsoe Kaylee Sieg Levi Theissen Stacia Theissen Joseph Zimmer **English Awards:** English 7 – Rylee Davis English 8 – Madeline Gerloff English I – Carter Brandt English II – Caine Schaben English III – Veronica Slack English IV – Stacia Theissen FACS Awards: Child Development – Abigail Keilholz Health - Hunter Nolte, Abigail Keilholz Family Resource Management – Julissa Mitchem History Awards: American History – Carter Brandt World History – Abigail Keilholz Government – Destiny Bledsoe Mathematics Awards: Math 7 - Caleb Keilholz Math 8 – Madeline Gerloff Practical Math – Julissa Mitchem Algebra I – Tyler Brandt Algebra II – Emely Farmer Geometry – Tyler Brandt Calculus - Claire Brandt Science Awards: Earth Science – Caleb Keilholz Life Science – Madeline Gerloff Physical Science – Tyler Brandt Biology I – Caine Schaben Biology II – Katie Keilholz Anatomy/Physiology – Seth Mitchem Academic Letter/Excellence Pin: Chloe Holloway Seth Mitchem Devin Warren **Destiny Bledsoe** Katie Keilholz Kaylee Sieg Carter Brandt Tyler Brandt

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County Arrest Report

bond.

The following were arrested, taken into custody or released in Osage County between Monday, June 8, and Monday, June 15:

Crystal Hill, 33, of Otterville, was taken into custody Monday, June 8, by the sheriff's department on allegations of unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana or synthetic cannabinoid; court ordered release.

Daniel Orpeza, 59, of Russellville, was taken into custody Monday, June 8, by the sheriff's department on allegations of possession of marijuana or synthetic cannabinoid and driving while revoked or suspended; court ordered release.

Walter LeRoy Roberts, 37, of Owensville, was taken into custody Tuesday, June 9, by the sheriff's department to serve five days of shock time; time served.

Denver K. Robb, 33, of Jefferson City, was taken into custody Wednesday, June 10, by the sheriff's department for allegations of possession of marijuana or synthetic cannabinoid; released, pending charges.

Villibaldo Calderon, 43, of Kennett, was arrested Friday, June 12, by the sheriff's department on a warrant from another agency and allegations of unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; still in custody.

Cory Wayne Simpson, 51, of Jonesboro, Ark., was arrested Friday, June 12, by the sheriff's department and held on a warrant from another jurisdiction.

Heather Marie Jackson, 31, of Bland, was taken into custody Friday, June 12, by the sheriff's department on allegations of burglary,

Von A. Brown, 20, of Belle, was taken into custody Friday, June 12, by the sheriff's department on allegations of burglary, second degree; released following expiration of 24-hour hold.

second degree; released on

Danica Starr Poston, 36, of Meta, was taken into custody Friday, June 12, by the sheriff's department on allegations of possession of a controlled substance; released following expiration of 24-hour hold.

Devin Gehlert, 33, of Belle, was taken into custody Friday, June 12, by the sheriff's department on allegations of burglary second degree; released following expiration of 24-hour hold.

Courtney E. Golden, 26, of Columbia, was taken into custody Saturday, June 13, by the sheriff's department on allegations of possession of a controlled substance (two counts) and unlawful possession of drugparaphernalia; released

following expiration of 24hour hold. MatthewCurtisPhipps, 30, of Westerville, Ohio, was taken into custody Saturday, June 13, by the sheriff's department on allegations of possession of a controlled

substance (two counts), unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia and a fugitive from justice warrant out of Ohio; still in custody.

Michael James Keller, 55, of Festus, was taken into custody Saturday, June 13, by the sheriff's department on allegations of possession of a controlled substance (two counts) and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; released following expiration of 24-hour hold.

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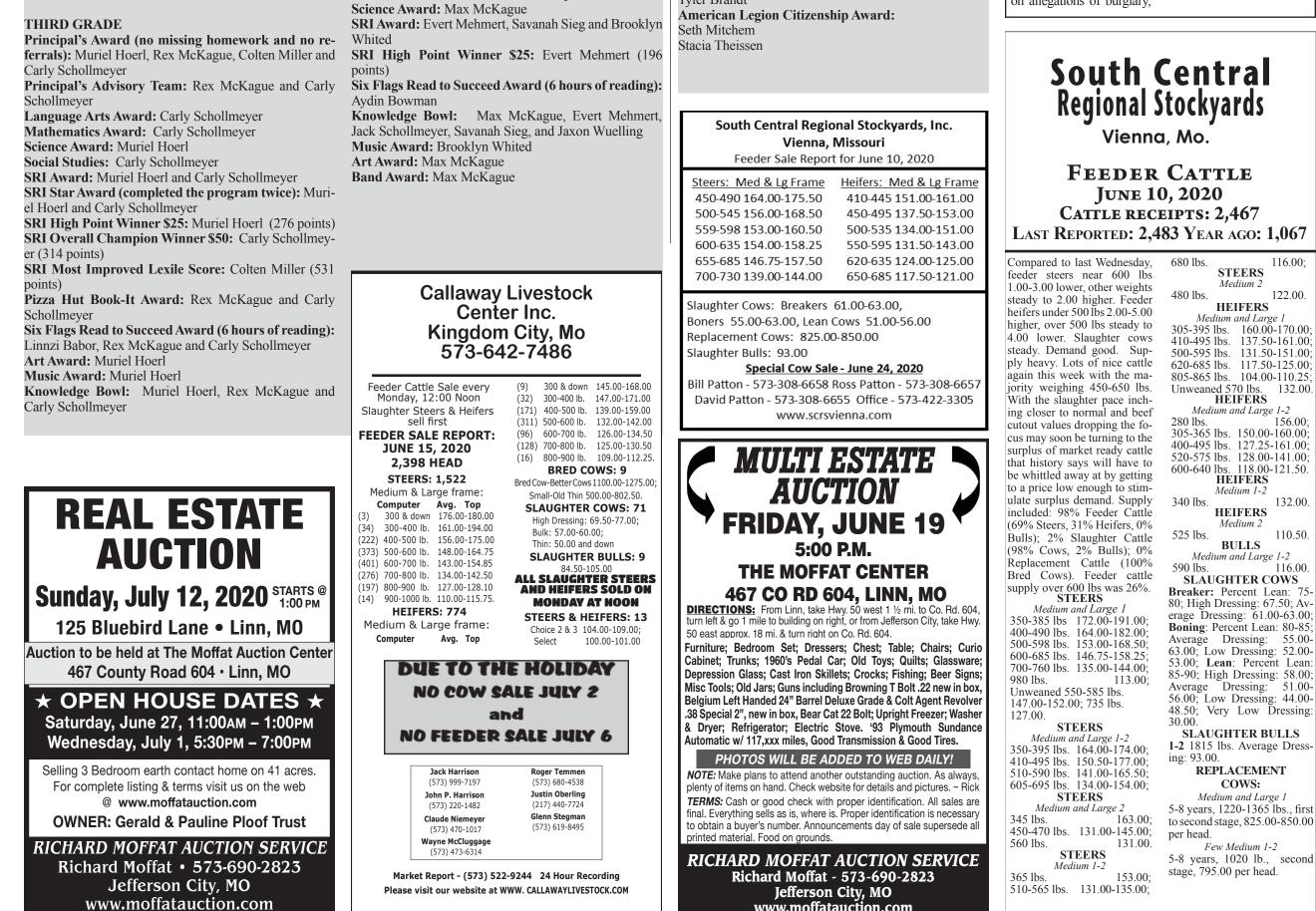
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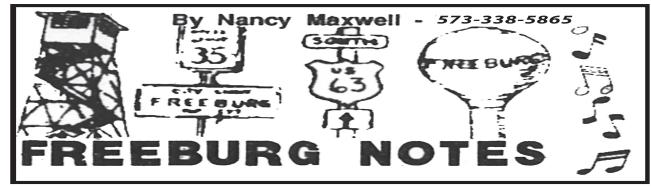
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Community News

UNTERRIFIED DEMOCRAT



Good morning. Sure has been a lot of traffic up and down our county road this weekend. Saturday was really busy with folks going and coming from Ed Grellner's sale and farmers traveling up and down with bailers, rakes, and loads of hay trying to get it all done before the next round of rain came – not to mention all the folks going to the river to try and cool off!!

Joe and Irma Richter attended the baptism last Sunday of their great-grandson, Harper Humphrey, at Sacred Heart Church in Eldon. Harper is the son of Deidra Richter and Brent Humphrey.

Kenny Falter and daughter, Lilly, enjoyed a quick weekend vacation in sunny Destin, Fla. last weekend. They got in some fishing before the storm moved in and changed their plans.

Our sincere sympathy to Lorraine and Roger Stuecken and Mary Lou Reichel and their families on the death of their nephew, Bruce Sieg, age 55 of Bonnots Mill who passed away Tuesday at Capital Region Medical Center in Jefferson City.

He was united in marriage to Jennifer Zimmer who survives at the home.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday at St. Louis of France Catholic Church in Bonnots Mill. Interment was in the parish cemetery.

Congratulations to Jacki Hutchison who was recently named President of Fatima High School FFA for the 2020-21 school year.

Betty Kating enjoyed lunch Tuesday with her daughter, Donna Delaney in Jefferson City.

Our sincere sympathy to Mary Ann Wildhaber and family on the death of her sister-in-law, Marceline "Marcie" Branum, age 95 of Jefferson City who died Tuesday at Heisinger Bluffs.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday at Immaculate Conception Church in Jefferson City. Graveside services and entombment was held at the Mausoleum of Resurrection Cemetery in Jefferson City.

Driving through town can't help but notice all the stuff going on at the former Johnny B's Sports Bar in town. Seems the place has been bought by Ryker Interprise. Co-owners are Anthony and Kaieley Rudkin and Willie Jones, formally from the state of California. The guys are totally gutting the whole building all the way down to the brick walls. They are very interested in trying to make it look like it did in 1905 when the bank was first built. If anyone has any old pictures of the inside of the bank please let me know. They are hoping that they will have things completed for a mid-August opening of the "1905 Restaurant and Tavern", as it is being called.

Carl and Phyllis Sandbothe enjoyed the weekend at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Kirk and Sheila Bailey and son, Tyler, of Jefferson City visited Saturday with her parents, Ron and Paralee Kloeppel.

June 22 at 6 p.m. Good luck.

Our sincere sympathy to Viola Dudenhoeffer on the death of her husband, Ray, age 93 who died Thursday at the University of Missouri Medical Center in Columbia.

Ray was the son of the late Peter and Margaret Dudenhoeffer.

He is survived by daughter, Dina and Loyd Libbert of Freeburg; grandchildren, Ryan Libbert; Heather Phipps of Fenton; Missy Bexten of Columbia; Megan Bauer of Freeburg; Nathan Dudenhoeffer and Danielle Holterman of Freeburg; 19 great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Mildred Dudenhoeffer and Martha Dudenhoeffer of Freeburg and Jo Dudenhoeffer of Jefferson City.

He was preceded in death by son, Daniel Dudenhoeffer in 2010; his parents and brothers; Hubert Dudenhoeffer, Phillip Dudenhoeffer and Ignatius "Bud" Dudenhoeffer; sister, Agnes Frank.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday at Holy Family Church. Interment with full military honors by the Paul A. Hasenbeck American Legion Post #317 was held in the parish cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers were Ryan Libbert, Thomas Libbert, Glen Holterman, Jayce, Tobin, Eli Tobin, Jesse Bexten, Neil Phipps and Nathan Dudenhoeffer.

Ray was the second longest member of the Paul A. Hasenbeck American Legion Post #317. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him – he was a kind man and a pleasure to know.

Joe and Irma Richter attended the First Communion Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Eldon Sunday morning as their great-grandson, Harper Humphrey was among the young people to receive the sacrament.

Fatima High School has set a date for a few of their summer camps – the high school boys and girls soccer summer camp is scheduled for July 27-31 from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus field; the youth soccer camp for students in grades 5-8 will be July 27-30 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus field; high school girls basketball camp will be June 22-25 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. and youth volleyball camp will be June 22-23 with grades 3-5 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and grades 6-8 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Dance camp has been scheduled for June 24-25 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the multipurpose room and June 26 at 5:30 p.m. in the high school gym; the rescheduled wrestling camp will be July 27-30 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the multipurpose room.

Roger and Lorraine Stuecken enjoyed the weekend in Overland Park, Kan. visiting with their daughter, Stacia and Joe Miller. They helped Joe celebrate his birthday.

Happy birthday also to Emmett Wieberg who celebrated his 4th birthday June 13; to Gary Wieberg who celebrated his 69th birthday June 12; to Berry Welschmeyer who celebrated his 54th birthday June 11; to Katie Toebben who celebrated her 21st birthday June 12; to Eustis Redel-Sharisin who celebrated his 13th birthday June 13; to Stanley Boehm who celebrated his 66th birthday June 13; to Taylor Woodward who celebrated her 21st birthday June 13; to Fr. Bill Debo who celebrated his 58th birthday June 14; to Clem Rudroff who celebrated his birthday June 13; to Harrison Stratman who celebrated his 14th June 13: to Ethan Holterman who celebrated his 28th birthday June 14; to Billie Haines who celebrated his 10th birthday June 14; to Cooper Berhorst who celebrated his 11th birthday June 14; to Chris Reichel who celebrated her 65th birthday June 16; to Josie Winkelman who celebrated her 14th birthday June 14; to Kamryn Lee who celebrated her 8th birthday on June 15; to Erika Platt who celebrated her 15th birthday on June 17; to Paula Fick who celebrated her 53rd birthday on June 17.



Receiving their First Communion at Holy Family Church are left to right, front row, , Fr. Bill Debo, Spencer Berhrost, Riley Steifermann, Addie Kampeter, Trinity Massman, Kamryn Lee and Ben Struemph. Back row, teacher, Sister Linda Maune, Brayden Reichel, Ty Hutchison and teacher, Heather Hutchison.

PHOTO SUBMITTED BY NANCY MAXWELL

Holy Family School has openings for an Early Childhood/Elementary teacher and part-time After School Care (3:30 to 5:30 p.m.) for the 2020-21 school year. If interested or have questions contact the school principal, Debbie Reinkemeyer at: dreinkemeyer@holyfamilyfreeburg.com.

Kevin and Pam Richter hosted a graduation party Sunday in honor of Macy's high school graduation. Helping Macy celebrate were Jim and Bev Loehner of Koeltztown; Connie Richter; Brittany Stamp and children, Raylon and Wyatt of Koeltztown; Taylor Humphrey, Lillina Redel of Jefferson City; Bernice Heckman of Wardsville; Brenda Heckman of Meta; Holly Heckman and children, Lilly, Addie and Hunter of Meta; Mildred Dudenhoeffer, Darlene Falter, Haven Richter and friend, Kyle Tellman of Independence; Jim Werdenhausen of Meta; Sharon Engelbreckt of Meta; Linda and Doug Bexten of Westphalia; Janice Huhn of Westphalia; Tom and Karen Bax; Steven and Nancy Maxwell; Ronnie and Marianna Werdenhausen of Mary's Home; Steve and Katy Werdenhausen and children, Saige, Ava and Gavin, of Meta; Doug and Bev Struemph and son, Evan; Joe and Irma Richter; Rhonda Richter of Jefferson City; Holly and Tucker Kesel of Jefferson City; Deidra Richter and son, Harper of Eldon.

Ron and Paralee Kloeppel attended a graduation party Sunday for his great-niece, Kaitlyn Sandbothe, at the home of her parents, Greg and Kim Sandbothe in Wardsville.

The Freeburg Lions' Club and the City of Freeburg are proud to sponsor the 23rd

consecutive 4th of July fireworks display Thursday, July 2 at the Lions' field.

The fire works show will begin around dusk (9:20 p.m. or so). A ceremony honoring our armed to bring lawn chairs and blankets to sit on if you want – social distancing is recommended – wearing masks is your choice.

To fund the fireworks show the Lion's Club and City of Freeburg are donating half the cost of the fireworks and they are asking private donations to help cover the rest of the cost. A donation in any amount will be greatly appreciated. Send your donation to: Freeburg Lions' Club Fireworks Display; c/o Ryan Stuecken, P.O. Box 95, Freeburg, 65035 no later than Friday, June 26th. The good news is that even if you can't donate something for the show you are still more than welcome to come up and enjoy the evening with family and friends. This NOT a fundraiser – in case of inclement weather they will reschedule.

Virginia Bax and Mary Lou Reichel enjoyed the weekend shopping and relaxing at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Mark your calendars – the Sacred Heart Parish will be hosting a blood drive Monday, July 6th from 2 to 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please help them reach their goal – you never know who's life you might save.

Dates for the new parish directory for Holy Family Parish have been rescheduled for Oct. 24; Oct. 29, 30, 31; Nov. 25, 27 & 28. Weekday times will be 2 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. More details to follow.

That will do for this week. Have a good week, enjoy the sunshine and remember "Yesterday is a cancelled check; tomorrow is a promissory note and today is ready cash. Lord, help me to use today wisely."

You don't buy life insurance for yourself.

Our sincere sympathy to Kenny Maasen and family on the death of his granddaughter, Jovie Anna Maasen, daughter of Dustin and Alycia Maasen of Linn who was stillborn June 12.

A private graveside service was held at the Linn Public Cemetery.

The 12U girls softball team will play at Westphalia Monday, June 22 at 6 p.m. Good luck, girls.

Ken and Betty Kating along with their children, Vicki and John Kuhlman of Centertown, Donna and Dave Delaney of Jefferson City, Joyce and Rick Jury of Taos, Cindy Kaulberg of Jefferson City and Sandy and Doug Kremer of Loose Creek enjoyed supper Friday at BJ's Restaurant in Linn. The gang was celebrating Ken and Betty's 65th wedding anniversary. They enjoyed cake and ice cream at the home of Sandy and Doug after supper.

Happy anniversary to Corey and Michelle Innis who celebrated their 4th wedding anniversary June 11; to Romeo and Lisa Bexten who celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary June 11; to Ken and Christy Fick who celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary June 13; to Dan and Betty Berhorst who celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary June 12th; to Liz and Sam Rothove who celebrated their 6th wedding anniversary June 14; to Jerry and Marlene Haller who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary June 13; to Dennis and Jonie Bruemmer who celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary June 13; to Brian and Alicia Gillispie who celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary June 16; to Jamie and Becky Wiles who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary June 17; to Ryan and Lisa Stuecken who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary June 17th.

The 6U boys T-ball team will play at Vienna I Monday,



services members past and present will proceed the fireworks show between 8 and 8:30 p.m. with members of the Paul A. Hasenbeck American Legion Post #317 presenting arms, raising the flag and offering a firearms salute.

This event is free and open to the public – there are bleachers at the Lion's field but you are welcome



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Community News

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Chamois Lions Club News

The Chamois Lions Club held their regular monthly meeting on Monday evening, June 8, 2020 at the Chamois Community Center. Twelve Lions and two prospective new members, Debbie Gastreich and Kelly Head, were present for the dinner and business meeting.

Prior to the dinner, Lion President Beth Sieg led the Chamois Lions in the Pledge of Allegiance and Lion Steve Duncan offered the table prayer. The Ladies of St. Mary's Catholic Church served a delicious dinner of ham and cheese, various salads, fruit, homemade pickles, bread, and chocolate cake.

Prior to the start of the business meeting, Lion President Beth Sieg called on Lion Steve Duncan to induct two new members into the Chamois Lions Club. New Lions inducted were Debbie Gastreich and Kelly Head, both of whom were sponsored by Lion Robin Lieneke. The history of Lions Clubs International (LCI), the history of the Chamois Lions Club, a brief overview of Lions projects, an explanation of the Lions Club's colors, and an explanation of the Lion's motto of "We Serve" were shared with the new Lions prior to the administration of the Lion's oath and the presentation of the Lion's lapel pin. Lions Gastreich and Head were welcomed into membership in the Chamois Lions Club.

Lion President Sieg presided at the business meeting. Copies of the minutes of the May 11, 2020 meeting had previously been distributed electronically by Lion Secretary Robin Lieneke and paper copies were available for those Lions who prefer paper. Lion Treasurer Nelson Sieg presented the financial report and Co-Building Chairman Randy Thoenen provided some information on Chamois Community Center finances and maintenance issues.

With all Chamois Lions Club liaisons to other Chamois civic groups absent, Lion President Sieg dispensed with the usual reports from these other organizations.

Four items of old business were addressed.

Brief discussion focused on the major Chamois Lions Club community projects with some new information to report since the last Chamois Lions Club meeting. A

top priority is to construct new trash receptacles for Main Street and possibly fabricate new signs for local business-Another priority is to finish the second story of the es. Old Bandstand at the Chamois City Park. Additional funds are still needed to complete this project and Lion Building Co-Chairmen Randy Thoenen and Dale Hackmann hope to meet with contractor Jeff Keilholz on a revised cost estimate. One project was completed during the past month. Lion Randy Thoenen reported that electrical contractor Craig Schaefer had repaired the ball park lights at the Chamois City Park. A new light bulb and ballast were installed and a wire reattached on the light that was not working. The ball park lights are all now functional.

Lion Mark Mehmert has been working on the joint project between the City of Chamois and the Chamois Lions Club to install additional security cameras at the City Park. Lions Mark and Debbie Mehmert presented a report on a proposed system and a demonstration of the security system recently installed at their home. Lion Mark Mehmert presented a proposal to purchase an Arlo Pro 2 Wireless Home Security Camera System. The system would use wireless cameras with up to a 10-camera base station. The cameras would be battery-operated and operate on a WiFi connection. In response to questions, Lion Mehmert reported that the cameras could be used both inside the Chamois Community Center and outside with a focus on the park restrooms, park pavilion, and even the RV camp ground. The cameras are simple to install, simple to adjust the direction the cameras face, and can be disguised. The system cameras and hard drive would need to be checked on weekly by someone and the batteries in each camera would need to be changed monthly. Following much discussion, Lion President Sieg volunteered to check on the security system video once a week and Lion Mark Mehmert volunteered to change batteries once a month. The Chamois Lions Club then voted to purchase a 6-camera system to start with the capability to add four more cameras at a later date.

In response to the maintenance issue with the commercial grade stove in the Community Center kitchen discussed at the last meeting of the Chamois Lions Club, Lion Lana Hackmann reported on research she has performed. The current stove operates on propane. At present the pilot light must be manually lit and there is a problem with the oven maintaining a constant temperature. Lion Hackmann presented two options to consider. Perhaps the commercial grade stove and oven can be repaired. There is a repair person in Holts Summit who will be asked to take a look at the stove. If repair of the current stove is not feasible, then the Chamois Lions will look into the purchase of a used stove. There are some used gas stoves on the market which would require the additional purchase of a conversion kit to burn propane. There are fewer propane stoves on the market. The Chamois Lions Club voted to first see if repair of the commercial grade stove is possible and if not to pursue the purchase of a used stove, hopefully propane. If a stove is to be purchased, Lions Lana Hackmann and Connie Smith will look for the stove.

The Chamois Lions Club Scholarship Committee reported on 2020 scholarships awarded to Chamois High School graduates. The \$500.00 E. E. Turner Scholarship was awarded to Stacia Theissen and the \$500.00 Chamois Lions Club Scholarship was awarded to Claire Brandt.

Three items of new business were introduced and discussed.

Lion Steve Duncan reported on behalf of the Nominating Committee and presented a slate of officers for the 2020-2021 Lions Club year. Officers nominated include President Rev. Ron Stair, First Vice President Mark Mehmert, Second Vice President Dale Hackmann, Third Vice President Beth Sieg, Secretary Robin Lieneke, Treasurer Nelson Sieg, Lion Tamer Norm Zweifel, Tail Twister Lana Hackmann, Membership Chairperson Jessica Hackmann, LCIF Coordinator Robin Lieneke, Club Service Chairman Steve Duncan, Marketing/Communications Chairperson Debbie Huff, and Directors Susan Sundermeyer, Duane Paulsmeyer, Randy Thoenen, and Mark Lieneke. The Chamois Lions Club unanimously elected the slate of officers as presented.

As a follow-up to the discussion on scholarships presented for school year 2020, Lion Randy Thoenen provided an update on funds maintained in the E. E. Turner Scholarship Fund. A certificate of deposit (CD) held at Peoples Bank in Rhineland recently matured and the funds have been moved to Heritage Community Bank. The funds will be invested in CDs with maturities staggered so as to provide available funds each year to fund the scholarship awarded.

In response to questions about Chamois Day and the possible effects of COVID-19, the consensus of the Chamois Lions Club is that the event will be held as scheduled. Plans for Chamois Day will be discussed at the July meeting. Chamois Day will be held on Saturday, September 19, 2020.

June birthday wishes were extended to Lions Josephine Witthaus and Kay Schwinke. Congratulations were extended to Lion Rev. Ron Stair and wife Jo on their 46th wedding anniversary. Prayer concerns were voiced for community members to include Lions Bill and Jeanne Best, Orville Whithaus, and Reuben Kormann.

To conclude the meeting, Lion President Sieg called on Lion Steve Duncan to share a joke. Lion Duncan shared a list of the 2019 Darwin awards. These awards are presented to those persons who have exhibited an incredibly dumb action during the past year. For example, a man walked into a Louisiana convenience store, put a \$20 bill on the counter, and asked for change. When the clerk opened the drawer, the man pulled a gun and asked for all the cash in the register. The clerk promptly provided the cash, the man took the cash and fled, leaving the \$20 bill on the counter. The total amount of cash the crook got from the cash drawer....\$15.

The next meeting of the Chamois Lions Club will be on Monday evening, July13, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Chamois Community Center. Interested citizens who would like to serve their community are welcome to visit and learn more about becoming a member of the largest service organization in the world. Please contact any member of the Chamois Lions Club about visiting a meeting.

KMOS SUMMER SCHOOL

KMOS - a Public Broadcasting Service station and service the University of Central Missouri College of Education - is broadcasting summer school programming for kindergarten and first grade, second and third grade, and fourth and fifth grade. Programming schedules follow:

KINDERGARTEN-FIRST GRADE

DATE	LESSON	
Wednesday, June 17	131 Reading: Compare and Contrast Characters	
	Phonics: Distinguish Vowels	
Thursday, June 18	134Graphing Data	
Monday, June 22	137Shapes	
Tuesday, June 23	140U.S. Symbols	
Wednesday, June 24	143 Reading: Nouns and Verbs & Phonemic Awareness	
Thursday, June 25	146 Measuring with Objects	
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SECOND-THIRD GRADES

DATE LESSON **Applications being accepted for Osage County CARES** Act funds

Commission received \$1,597,311 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic (CARES) Act funding and is now ready to begin accepting applications from cities, political subdivisions and public agencies for reimbursable COVID-19 expenses that they have incurred, beginning March 1. The county can reimburse costs up to Dec. 30. Any funds not spent must be returned to the U.S. Treasury.

Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) has been assisting Osage County and the other seven counties in the Meramec Region review the act, develop an application and administrative process that would meet audit requirements. MRPC staff will be handling the grant administration for Osage County.

ST. JAMES—The Osage County ment entity. Reimbursable expenses can include payroll expenses for public safety, public health and health care, expenses to improve telework capabilities, expenses of providing paid sick and paid family and medical leave to public employees or expenses and expenditures related to the provision of grants to small businesses to reimburse the costs of business interruption caused by required closures.

> Each applicant must complete a certification form, where they agree to comply with funding requirements, including repaying the reimbursement grant if the expenditure is deemed ineligible in the future. The application asks for contact information and detailed description of the cost

requests will be directed to Kelly Sink at MRPC, where staff will review the application, make sure the request is eligible for funding and verify that the documentation meets the requirements for a Single Audit. A verified application will then be forwarded to the Osage County Commission for review and approval. Those that are approved will be forwarded to the county treasurer for payment to the applicant. MRPC staff will maintain files for the county and track all requests and expenditures.

Persons with questions about Osage County grant can contact Kelly Sink at MRPC at 573-265-2993 or by email at Kellysb@meramecregion. org.



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Wednesday, June 17	132 Fractions and Fairy Tales	
Thursday, June 18	135 Fractions and Fairy Tales	
Monday, June 22	138 Fractions and Fairy Tales	
Tuesday, June 23	141 How Many Whoppers? & Fractured Fairy Tales	
Wednesday, June 24	144 How Many Candies? & Fractured Fairy Tales	
Thursday, June 25	147 How Much Ketchup? & Fractured Fairy Tales	
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Monday, June 22 Tuesday, June 23 Wednesday, June 24 Thursday, June 25	 138 Fractions and Fairy Tales 141 How Many Whoppers? & Fractured Fairy Tales 144 How Many Candies? & Fractured Fairy Tales 147 How Much Ketchup? & Fractured Fairy Tales 	

FOURTH-FIFTH GRADES

DATE	LESSON		
Wednesday, June 17	133 Review: Compare and Order Fractions		
Thursday, June 18	138Review: Figurative Language		
Monday, June 22	139 Review: How to Add Fractions		
Tuesday, June 23	142Review: The Civil War		
Wednesday, June 24	145Review: How to Subtract Fractions		
Thursday, June 25	148Review: Text Features		
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State Tech building elasticity into the fall schedule

With many colleges across the state looking into more online courses this fall, the State Technical College of Missouri is taking steps to assure that students will complete the fall of 2020 semester on campus.

State Tech will build three "flex weeks" into the fall schedule. If none of the flex weeks are used most programs will end the regular semester the day before Thanksgiving on Nov. 25th.

"While we don't expect to have to close campus as a result of COVID-19, this flexible schedule will allow us to close a program or the campus for a short period of time without losing valuable hands-on education," said President Shawn Strong.

The plan, still being de-

veloped, means State Tech State Tech. "On May 30th, we were

will look at a variety of strategies to ensure that the able to have one of the hands-on class time students receive will NOT be reduced. Strategies could include eliminating non-instructional days, extending class periods, or additional evening or Saturday labs. Most State Tech programs use a cohort model, meaning students in a particular program take all of the

cohort model makes social distancing, contact tracing, and even cleaning fairly straight forward compared to other colleges.

Due to COVID-19, State Tech moved to remote learning to finish out the spring semester. Remote or online education isn't an ideal alternative for the first class hands-on education students get at

first in-person graduations in the country. The same characteristics that allowed us to have an in-person graduation are the same reasons we will be on-campus this fall. Our location, size, and delivery methods help ensure we can provide a safe environment for our students," said President Strong. same classes together. This

State Tech is currently in the middle of their summer semester with the fall semester scheduled to begin the week of August 24th, 2020.

For additional information, please contact Brandon McElwain at 573-897-5351 or by email brandon. mcelwain@statetechmo. edu

MRPC has created a webpage on its website where Osage County application information can be found. The URL is https://www.meramecregion. org/cares-act-funding-opportunity-for-meramec-counties/.

"This will help our government and local cities within our county with the burden of unforeseen expenses," **Osage County Presiding** Commissioner Darryl Griffin said. "These expenses helped to keep our citizens and visitors safe. The commission recognizes MRPC's purpose is to be helpful to its members. They are professional and understand the CARES Act. We are striving for consistency throughout our region and believe they have the expertise in helping us get this accomplished.'

Under the CARES Act, counties can provide grants to businesses to reimburse the costs of business interruption cause by required closures. The U.S. Treasury has provided very little guidance on this provision. Osage County is awaiting additional federal guidance before it offers a business grant program.

Disbursement of CARES Act funds must be directly related to expenses from COVID-19 incurred during the period that begins March 1 and ends December 30 that were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27 for the state or governincurred and how they are COVID-19 related. The form also provides a list of eligible expenditure, and applicants are encouraged to review that list before applying.

Applicants will then list expenses on an application spreadsheet and attach invoices and proof of payment. Osage County reimbursement

Combined, counties in the Meramec Region have been awarded a total of \$23,278,689. The state of Missouri passed out a total of \$520,925,478 to counties within the state. Funding distribution was based on population. For more information, visit treasurer.mo.gov/COVID.

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Osage Men's League Mid Season Tourney June 15-20 at Taos Country Side Fields







MONDAY'S OPENING round of the Osage Men's League midseason tournament at Taos featured a lot of good action, including a throw by Cole Edison to first during the game between Sinquefield Acres and Mary's Home. At left, Austin Russell secures a catch at short. Above, Kendric Lock tracks down a fly ball for Sinquefield.



SMASH BROTHERS left fielder Ryan Gartner makes a great catch as shortstop Alex Faddoul converges on the play. Below, Noah Thoenen leaps to corral a high throw to second. At right, Dontaye Edwards swings for a hit in Monday's tournament game against Luecke's Roofing.









ELI BERNSKOETTER of Payne Renovations makes an over-the-shoulder catch as umpire Henry Bax looks on. Above right, Matt Jungmeyer of the Renegades slides safely into third as the ball gets away from the Payne defender. Below left, first baseman Joe Jungmeyer covers the play for an out as pitcher Chris Green approaches. Below right, Payne outfielder Garret Welschmeyer fires back to the infield.







LUECKE'S ROOFING hitter Brennan Hoeller, left, puts the ball in play, and above, Austin Muenks smashes the ball to right field as Brady Weavers awaits his turn.



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) 20OS-CC00012 JOSEPH STEINMAN. HIS HEIRS, SUCCESSORS,

ASSIGNS AND/OR DEVISEES. DEFENDANTS

PLAINTIFF

VS.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION The state of Missouri to the

above named or described respondents, greetings: You are hereby notified that an

action had been commenced 42-16tp against you in the Circuit Court of the County Osage, in the state of Missouri, affecting the title to the following described lands and tenements, to wit:

A parcel of land, part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 15, Township 41 North – Range 10 West of the 5th P.M., Osage County, Missouri, is more particularly described as

follows: Commencing at an iron pipe, the northeast corner of Lot 6, Block A of the City of Argyle; thence along the north line of said City of Argyle, S 89°49'07" É. 25.73' to an iron rod on the north line of said City of Argyle, east of County Road 532, and the POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel of land hereinafter described: thence along a line, parallel with the easterly line of said County Road, N15°02'41" W, 96.43', to an iron pipe, the southwest corner of a parcel of land described

in Osage County Records Book 198, Page 305; thence along the south line of said parcel of land, S 89°02'59" E, 176.10' to an iron rod, the northwest corner of a parcel of land described in Osage **County Records Book** 240, Page 305; thence leaving the south line of said parcel of land described in Osage County Records Book 198, Page 305, along a line of said parcel of land described in Osage County Records Book 240, Page 305, S 0°36'18"W, 92.34' to an iron rod; thence continue along said parcel line, N 89°03'46" W, 20.60' to an iron rod on the east line of a parcel of land described in Osage County Records Book 520, Page 67; thence leaving said parcel line described in Osage County Records Book 240, Page 305, along the east line of said parcel described in **Osage County Records** Book 520, Page 67, N 0°41'50"E, 75.00' to an iron rod; thence leaving said east line, along the north line of said parcel of land, N 89°03'46" W, 105.00' to an iron rod; thence leaving said north line, along the west line of said parcel of land S 0°41'50" W, 75.00' to the north face of a 2.5 steel fence corner post in concrete, the northwest corner of Lot 5 of said Block A; thence leaving said west line, N 89°49'07 W, 24.48' back to the POINT OF BEGINNING. The parcel of land described herein contains 0.165 acres and is subject to all easements and rights of way of record. which said action is returnable on the first day of the next term of said court to be held at the courthouse in the City of Linn in the county and state aforesaid, on the 5th day of August, 2020, when and where you may appear and answer or otherwise defend such action: otherwise petitioners's petition will be tak-

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June 10, 17 and 24, 2020

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IN THE 20TH JUDICIAL

D.O.B. 09/08/2008 Estate No. 19OS-JU00019 AMANDA WARD AND

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

Amanda Greliner 1014 Est Main Street P.O. Box 828

Linn, MO 65051 You are further notified that, unless you file an answer or other pleading or otherwise appear and defend against this action within 45 days after June 10, 2020, judgement by default will be entered against you. June 5, 2020

> Beth A. Billington, Clerk

June 10, 17 and 24, 2020 and July 1, 2020 IN THE 20TH JUDICIAL **CIRCUIT COURT OF OSAGE COUNTY,** MISSOURI

In the Estate of **TONI L RIDENHOUR** Deceased.

Probate Division

Estate No. 20OS-PR00019 NOTICE OF LETTERS OF **ADMINISTRATION GRANT-**

defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo. personal representative of the Date of decedent's death: estate of TONILRIDENHOUR, September 3, 2019 decedent, by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court Date of first publication: of Osage County, Missouri. May 27, 2020 The personal representative's

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ITEMS FOR BID

1 – 2005 Miller Millermatic 251 MIG welder, set up for .035 wire and gas (tank not included) \$750 minimum bid

1 – 1974 Johnson Propane Gas Forage Model #133. \$175 minimum bid

1 – 2000 Miller Thunderbolt XL AC/DC 225/150 amp Welder (good)

3 - Lincoln AC/DC 225/125 Amp Arc Welders (as is condition-salvage)

1 – 1978 Jet 16" Abrasive Cut Off saw on rolling stand \$250 minimum bid

- 2001 Sandblaster PK Lindsay Model 100D \$250 minimum bid

1992 Chevrolet Suburban 2500, 129,000 miles \$500 minimum bid

50 Robe Hooks

Herdsman Solar 6 Solar Fencer, 9 Corner Donut Insulators, 20 - 5" T-Post Insulators, Electric Fence Poly Wire, 1/2 Roll 6" Woven Wire \$200 minimum bid

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Ameren, Three Rivers seek territorial agreement

JEFFERSON CITY — In a filing announced June Service Commission, two electric utilities seek to exchange customers and territories in portions of Cole and Osage counties.

Union Electric Company (doing business as Ameren Missouri) and Three Rivers Electric Cooperative have filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) in which Ameren seeks to sell a portion of its electric sys-

tem to Three Rivers. Ameren also seeks

11 by the Missouri Public PSC authority to transfer approximately 258 of its current customers to Three Rivers while Three Rivers seeks to transfer approximately 270 of its current customers to Ameren.

The application also seeks Commission ap-

ties

proval of an electric territorial agreement between Ameren Missouri and Three Rivers Electric Cooperative which establishes exclusive service territories for each in portions

of Cole and Osage coun-

Applications to intervene and participate in this case must be filed no later than July 10, 2020, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Mo., 65102, or by using the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS) at www. psc.mo.gov.

wishing to comment should contact either the Office of the Public Counsel (Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Suite 650, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Mo., 65102-2230, telephone 1-866-922-2959, e-mail opcservice@opc.mo.gov) or the Public Service Commission Staff (P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Mo.,

Individual

citizens 65102, telephone 1-800-392-4211, e-mail pscinfo@psc.mo.gov).

The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency that represents the general public in matters before the Commission. Ameren Missouri serves approximately 1.28 million electric customers in Missouri.

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CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION AND PARTY EMBLEMS FOR OSAGE COUNTY, MISSOURI

State of Missouri SS Secretary of State

The following are candidates for nomination to be voted for at the Primary Election to be held in the state of Missouri on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in August 2020, being the 4th day of August 2020, who have filed in the office of John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State, written declarations of candidacy as candidates for nomination, and are entitled to be voted for at such primary as required by law

Also included are the party emblems for the Republican, Democratic, Libertarian, Green and Constitution parties.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY EMBLEM



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Antoin Johnson, 12200 Barcelona Ave., St.Louis, MO 63138

Eric Morrison, 8805 Hunter Ave., Kansas City, MO 64138-3731

Robin John Daniel Van Quaethem, 1040 N Elizabeth Ave., St.Louis, MO 63135

For Lieutenant Governor

Gregory A. Upchurch, 529 Caulks Hill Rd., St.Charles, MO 63304

Alissia Canady, 8710 Newton Ave #3905., Kansas Čity, MO 64138

For Secretary of State Yinka Faleti, 4317 Forest Park Ave., St.Louis, MO 63108

For State Treasurer

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For Attorney General

Eric Schmitt, 106 Clay St., Jefferson City, MO 65101-1500

For U.S. Representative - District 3

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Adela Wisdom, 9942 Shrand Ln., Williamsburg, MO 63388

Blaine Luetkemeyer, 619 Main St., St.Elizabeth, MO 65075

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Lynette Trares, 210 Autumn Rose Ct., O'Fallon, MO 63368

For State Representative - District 61

Aaron D. Griesheimer, 803 Wilshire Dr., Washington, MO 63090

For State Representative - District 62

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For Public Administrator

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For Assessor

Jerry Baker, 568 Highway 89 S,

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CONSTITUTION CANDIDATES For Secretary of State

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GREEN PARTY EMBLEM



GREEN CANDIDATES

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For Lieutenant Governor

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For Secretary of State

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GILBERT BERNICE	8659 HWY 89 N	CHAMOIS
GILBERT CHARLES	34126 HWY 133	META
GOVE LARRY K	PO BOX 793	LINN
HALE-RUSH TWILIA	2003 HWY 50 W	LOOSE CREEK
HALEY LELAH	100 W JEFFERSON ST	LINN
HAYES JANET HEISLEN DALE	138 N LINNWOOD DR 155 CR 620	LINN LINN
HENDRICKS GERTRUDE	5667 HWY 133	META
HICKS CHARLES AUTUMN ME		LINN
HUDSON WILLIAM F IV	1706 HWY CC	LINN
HUEBLER PAUL E	PO BOX 644	LINN
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JACOBS CLINTON D	PO BOX 4	LOOSE CREEK META
JAEGERS NANCY A	115 HWY 89 S	LINN
JOHNSON VICKIE	4455 HWY 50 EAST	LINN
KEMP KENNETH W	66 CR 801	LINN
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LAUX STEPHANIE A	2298 HWY 133	WESTPHALIA
LAUX STEVEN P	2298 HWY 133	WESTPHALIA
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META COMMUNITY PARK	DORIS STUMPE	META
MILLER HARLAN	PO BOX 287	LINN
MILLER NELSON E	3892 HWY 50 E	LINN
MINCE AMBER	4222 HWY U	LINN
NEU LYN	C/O LYN D WITTMAN	LOOSE CREEK
NEUNER CHARLOTTE M NEUNER EMILY	605 CR 302 605 COUNTY ROAD 302	LINN LINN
NIEWALD KENNETH H	503 E BENTON	LINN
OSAGE CENTER FOR WOMEN		
OWENS B E	196 HIGHWAY CC	LINN
PRATER JESS R	1049 HWY N	CHAMOIS
PRATER TAMIRA RECTOR JODY	1049 HWY N 2810 HWY 50 E	CHAMOIS LINN
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REED LEE R	PO BOX 122	META
ROBERSON WILLIAM	33836 HWY 133	META
S AND V JOHNSON ELECTRON		LINN
SANDBOTHE HENRY	144 SANDBOTHE LN	FREEBURG
SANDBOTHE JAMES SCHELL KAMPETER INC	111 WEST HWY P	FREEBURG META
SCHLEMP DALE E	103 N OLIVE 133 HOOT OWL LN	LINN
SCHLEMP LISA M	133 HOOT OWL LN	LINN
SCHLEMPER DALE E		LINN
SCHROEDER COLE	7050 HIGHWAY P	WESTPHALIA
SCHWARTZ CODY	PO BOX 327	WESTPHALIA
SEKIKAWA KIYOSHI SHAY BRITTANY	700 AGNEW RD APT 156 216 S 1ST ST	LOOSE CREEK
SPENCER JOE	710 E MAIN ST	LINN
STARR KALIE	1426 HWY 50 W LOT 45	LOOSE CREEK
STEGEMAN GREG	27 SCENIC ACRES LN	BONNOTS MILL
STROPE CALEB W	431 LOOSE CREEK HWY	LOOSE CREEK
STROPE EMILY M	150 N LINNWOOD DR	LINN
STROUPE DON STUART JAMES	2250 CR 303 82 HWY 133	LINN WESTPHALIA
TEMMEN DOLORES	4032 HIGHWAY 63	FREEBURG
THEISSEN MICHAEL TODD	PO BOX 363	LINN
TROESSER DWIGHT	3803 HWY 50 E	LINN
TROXELL REBECCA A	203 WOODLAND LANE	LINN
TRUAX ROBERT	202 S 4TH ST 181 GATED LN	LINN
VOSS WALTER C VOSS WESLEY	119 CR 305	LINN LINN
WELCH JOSHUAA	244 S 11TH ST APT 11B	LINN
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For State Representative - District 62

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For Surveyor

Tim Hamburg, 15 Mertens Lane, Loose Creek, MO 65054

REPUBLICAN PARTY EMBLEM



REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

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Mike Parson, 1458 E. 464 Rd., Bolivar, MO 65613

James W. (Jim) Neely, 5433 NW State RT D., Cameron, MO 64429

Saundra McDowell, 907 Carpathian Dr., Lake St.Louis, MO 63367

For Lieutenant Governor

Arnie C. AC Dienoff, 1202 Begonia Dr., O'Fallon, MO 63366

Mike Kehoe, 3589 Gettysburg PL. Jefferson City, MO 65109-6831

Aaron T. Wisdom, 9942 Shrand Ln., Williamsburg, MO 63388

Mike Carter, 139 Berkshire Downs Dr., St.Charles, MO 63376

For Secretary of State

John R. (Jay) Ashcroft, 112 Monterey Dr., Jefferson City, MO 65109-6129

Linn, MO 65051

For Sheriff

Michael Bonham, 110 Dogwood Drive, Freeburg, MO 65035

For Associate Circuit Court Judge

Sonya Brandt, 269 Swan Creek Lane, Linn, MO 65051

For 1st District Commissioner

John Glavin, 564 Dudenhoffer Lane, Chamois, MO 65024

John Trenshaw, 205 Trennoll Farm Lane Linn, MO 65051 (opposition)

For Coroner

AJ Probst, 109 N Linnwood, Linn, MO 65051

Russ Lumpkin, 32 County Road 600A, Loose Creek, MO 65054 (opposition)

LIBERTARIAN PARTY EMBLEM



LIBERTARIAN CANDIDATES

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For Lieutenant Governor

Bill Slantz, 1620 Congress Way, St. Charles, MO 63303

For Secretary of State

Carl Herman Freese, 1983 Freese Ln., Foristell, MO 63348

For State Treasurer

Nicholas (Nick) Kasoff, 125 Royal Ave., St.Louis, MO 63135

For Attorney General

Kevin C. Babcock, 1914 Withnell Ave., St.Louis, MO 63118

For U.S. Representative - District 3

Leonard J. Steinman II, 2217 W Edgewood Dr., Jefferson City, MO 65109-1851

SS. Secretary of State

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct list, containing the name and address of each person who has filed a written declaration of candidacy in my office and is entitled to be voted on at the primary election, together with a statement of the office for which he/she is a candidate, the party he/she represents and the order in which the candidates' party names are to appear on the ballot

I further certify the foregoing party emblems of the Republican, Democratic, Libertarian, Green and Constitution Parties, respectively, in accordance with Section 115.385, RSMo.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Seal of my office in the City of Jefferson, State of Missouri, this 26th day of May, 2020.



John R. Ashcroft Secretary of State

COUNTY CLERK/ELECTION AUTHORITY CERTIFICATION

I, Nicci Kammerich, County Clerk/Election Authority within and for the county of Osage do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct list as certified to me by John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State, State of Missouri, of the offices for which candidates are entitled to be voted for at the PRIMARY ELECTION to be held August 4, 2020.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have

hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal. Done at my office this 15th day of June, 2020.

Nicci Kammerich County Clerk/Election Authority

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IAN LAUGHLIN fires a pitch home in a Monday's 12U Sluggers' game against Belle. Below, Richard Luebbert scoops up the ball for an out.





Fatima Summer Baseball V at 6 & 8, JV at 7

Thursday, June 18 **Varsity**

SoBoCo @ Rock Bridge (Rock Bridge HS) Hickman @ Battle (Battle HS) Capital City @ New Bloomfield (NB HS) Jeff City @ Blair Oaks (Blair Oaks HS) Fulton @ Helias 1 (Legion) Fatima @ Helias 2 (Babe Ruth Field) Tolton - OFF (Tuesday Only) JV

Rock Bridge @ SoBoCo (SoBoCo HS) Battle @ Hickman (Hickman HS) Macon @ Capital City (CCHS) Blair Oaks 1 @ Jeff City (Vivion) Helias 1 @ Fulton (Fulton HS) Helias 2 @ Hallsville (Atkins Complex) **Blair Oaks 2 @ Fatima (Westphalia)** Tolton - OFF (Tuesday Only) Harrisburg - OFF

Tuesday, June 23 Varsity

Rock Bridge @ Hickman (Hickman HS) Battle @ Tolton (Atkins Field) Capital City @ Jeff City (Vivion) Blair Oaks @ SoBoCo (SoBoCo HS) **Fatima @ New Bloomfield (NB HS)** Helias 2 @ Fulton (Fulton HS) Harrisburg @ Helias 1 (Legion) JV

Hickman @ Rock Bridge (Rock Bridge HS) Tolton @ Battle (Battle HS) Jeff City @ Capital City (CCHS) SoBoCo @ Blair Oaks 1 (Blair Oaks HS) **Helias 1 @ Fatima (Westphalia)** Fulton @ Helias 2 (Babe Ruth Field) Blair Oaks 2 @ Hallsville (Atkins Complex) Macon - OFF

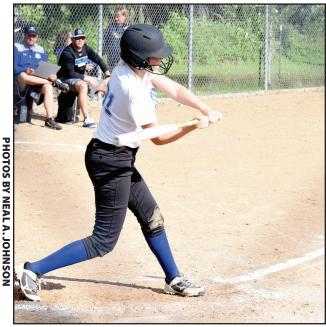
Linn Summer Baseball

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
6/22/2020	Belle	Belle	5:00
6/23/2020	Iberia	Iberia	6:00
6/29/20	Russellville	Russellville	5:00
6/30/2020	Belle	Linn	5:00
7/7/2020	Harrisburg/Macon	Harrisburg	5:30



FATIMA CATCHER Chesney Luebbering holds onto the ball for an out at home in last week's against Capital City.





CHAYCE GIER watches her pitch speed toward home in last week's game against Capital City. Above, Ellie Brune puts the ball in play. Below, Molly Kloeppel secures the ball but too late to tag the runner at third for an out. Below left, Karli Struemph delivers a hit with this swing.



COUPER BRYANT stares down a batter before delivering a pitch in Monday's game against Belle.

Summer Softball Info

Linn softball games scheduled thus far include the following: June 18 at Russellville, 5:30 p.m.; June 23 at Vienna, 6 p.m.; June 25, at home vs. Russellville, 5:30 p.m.; June 29, at home vs. Vienna, 6 p.m.; and July 8, at Fatima, start time TBA.

Fatima softball games on the schedule are as follows: June 17 at Southern Boone, 6 and 7:30 p.m., June 24 at home vs Jefferson City, 6 and 7:30; July 7 at Russellville, time TBA; and July 13 at St. Elizabeth, time TBA.





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Heather Cook

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Darrien Mebruer

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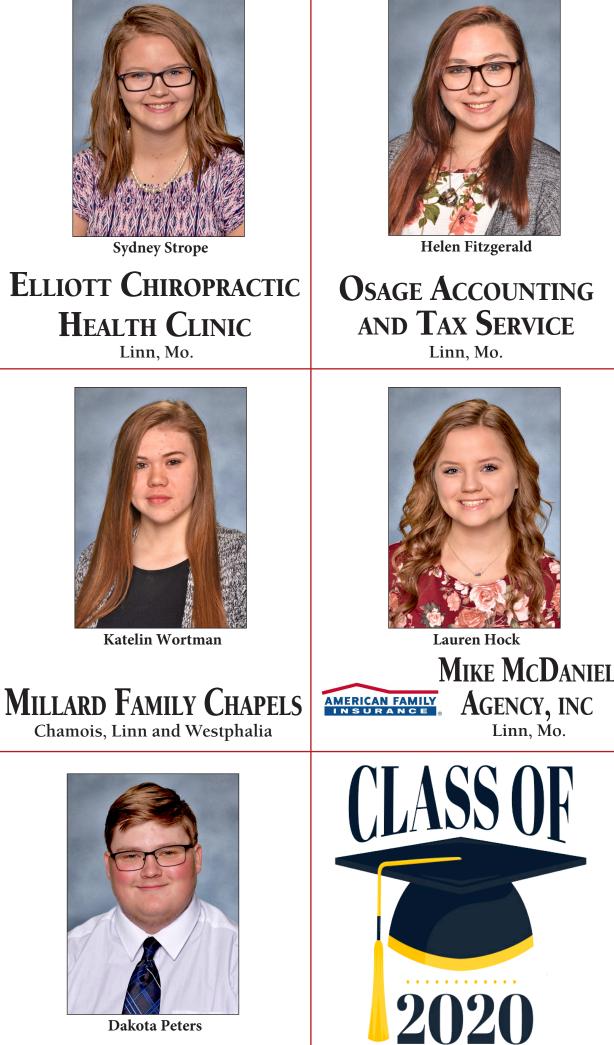






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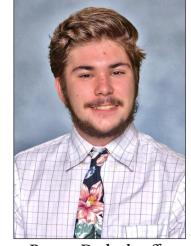
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Drew Temmen

Madelyn Huhn



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