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# Lene gets 30 years in murder plea agreement

On Friday, Feb. 21, Brendon Lene, of La Plata, entered a guilty plea before Adair County Circuit Court Judge Corey R. Moon and was sentenced to 30 years in the Missouri Department of Corrections for murder in the second degree with an additional 10 years added for an armed criminal action offense.

These charges arose as a result of the investigation of the murder of Jared Newman who was killed

on April 1, 2021, by Lene.

The authorized term of imprisonment for the offense of murder in the second degree is a term of imprisonment of not less than 10 years and not to exceed 30 years, or life imprisonment, in the Missouri

Department of Corrections. The authorized term of imprisonment for the offense of armed criminal action is a term of imprisonment of not less than three years and not to exceed 15 in the Missouri Department of Corrections. Per the

Revised Statutes of Missouri, the sentence for the armed criminal action will be served consecutively after the sentence for the murder sentence has been served.

This case was investigated by the Kirksville Police Department.



From left to right: Dr. Kent Blanke, Marie Murphree (Director, Kirksville Chamber of Commerce), Zac Burden, Dr. Adam Moore (Executive Director of Practice Management, Gutensohn Clinic, A.T. Still University-KCOM), Patrick Avila, Dr. Elangovan Balakrishnan (Medical Oncologist and Hematologist, Missouri Cancer Associates), Dr. Reed Cope, and Jim Clark (Facilities Director and Biomedical Engineering Director, NRMC).

# **Groundbreaking ceremony** held for new NRMC clinic

Groundbreaking for a cancer treatment center at Northeast Regional Medical Center's Out Patient Radiation Oncology Clinic

**By Marty Bachman Daily Express** 

A Groundbreaking Ceremony was held on Feb. 26 at Northeast Regional Medical Center's Out Patient Radiation Oncology Clinic. The new facility aims to improve access to cancer care for local residents, reducing the need for travel to distant treatment centers. The center will be located in existing office space within the George Rea building and is expected to be operational by summer 2025.

Northeast Regional Medical Center CEO Patrick Avila said that when he asked residents what was the most important service he could provide them, he was "overwhelmingly" told to bring radiation services back. He said that by collaborating with corporate and community partners, they were able to put a plan in place.

"So today, it's an honor to say that due to that hard work, that commitment, that persistence with these individuals, we are now in position to finally return radiation oncology services back to Kirksville in 2025,' Avila said.

He said that cancer care continues to evolve and that the number of individuals needing cancer care continues to grow.

"Cancer is personal for all of us," Avila said, sharing the experience of friends who have experienced the cancer treatment process. My guess is that most of you had cancer touch your lives at some way, in some fashion, at some point in your life."

He said that treatment was difficult in that patients had to drive 90 miles one way to the nearest radiation oncology clinic. He said that's 180 miles a day for nine minutes of treatment and with gas and meals, multiple times a week for multiple weeks, it starts to get expensive.

"The worst part wasn't the driving, it was the fatigue that came with the treatment," a cancer patient told Avila.

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# Missouri Public Service Commission orders staff to investigate Liberty Utilities

By Missouri Public Service Commission

JEFFERSON CITY — The Missouri Public Service Commission on Thursday ordered commission staff to investigate Liberty Utilities' electric, water and natural gas customer service and billing practices.

Liberty customers have testified during local public hearings and have contacted the Commission's Consumer Services Department with concerns about Liberty Utilities billing issues

"The Commission has had numerous inquiries, complaints, comments and testimony about issues with Liberty Utilities' billing and customer service," the commission said in its order. "These inquiries have come through the Commission's customer service hotline, comments and testimony submitted at local public hearings and constituent inquiries received by Missouri legislators. Because of these persistent concerns, the Commission will direct its Staff to investigate all the Liberty Utility companies operating in Missouri and file a report with any recommended actions to be taken by the Commission."

The commission's order instructs staff to provide reports every three months, beginning on April 30, to report on progress of the investigation and when it expects to complete its final investigation report.

Consumers who need additional information can call the Consumer Services hotline at 800-392-4211.

# Kirksville city officials to host presentations, tours to inform residents about Prop B: Purpose-Built

By City of Kirksville

Kirksville city officials invite residents to join city staff for multiple informational public events in March regarding Proposition B: Purpose-Built.

Presentations will happen at 5:30 p.m. on March 26, 31 and April 1 at City Hall. These sessions will examine each piece of

the proposal and offer residents a chance to ask questions and learn more about the project.

Additionally, there will be public tours of City Hall and the Kirksville Police Station throughout the month. Tours will occur at 11:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 12:30 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. every Tuesday and Wednesday in March. Tours will last roughly

30 minutes. Space is limited for each police station tour, so they ask that you register for your desired date and time by calling the station at 660-785-6945.

Both buildings will also be open for tours from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 29.

To learn more about Prop B: Purpose-Built, visit Kirksville. gov/p/purposebuilt.

## **Kirksville mayor gives 2025 State of the City address**

**By Marty Bachman Daily Express** 

Kirksville Mayor Zac Burden gave the 2025 State of the City address on Monday, Feb. 24, at the city's Economic Development Alliance Building on South Franklin Street. The event was hosted by the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce.

"I want to focus on an important value that seems ingrained into the very being of who we are here in the city of Kirksville," Burden said, opening his speech. "It's a value that's come through time and time again, and I would identify it as the spirit of a can-do attitude here in Kirksville."

He said that Kirksville history is replete with these can-do experiences, beginning with its small frontier town roots to becoming the largest city in Northeast Missouri.

"There's a can do spirit that makes that happen," he said, noting the examples set by area leaders that created a state university and the original Osteopathic medical school that is now world renown.

Burden spoke of how community members rallied to fight the siting of a hazardous waste facility northwest of Kirksville, and how they worked to instead build Hazel Creek Lake.

'A beautiful place that we can enjoy and also utilize as a drinking water source here in Kirksville," he said, noting another example; the expansion of Hwy. 63 to four lanes between Kirksville and Macon.

"That attitude permeates who we are as a people here in Kirksville," he said.

Burden spoke of the tiny home village at the Dogwood subdivision, which is being built on the site of what was once a "dilapidated trailer court." The four homes being built by students attending Kirksville R-III schools, came about as the result of what he said was hard work and dedication from many sources of which had to be coordinated.

Burden said that the homes were affordable and meet the needs of folks who are looking for different housing in the community.

"And it provided opportunities for the students over at the Kirksville Area Technical Center to get the skills they need to be successful in their careers here later on in Kirksville," Burden said. "This is a fantastic project, and one that under the direction of the council, we've asked the city staff to submit for recognition, because we want folks to know throughout this nation, that Kirksville is trying some unique things and doing them really well

with a can-do spirit behind them." Burden gave credit to the many community partners that came together to bring the Summer Games for the Missouri Special Olympics to Kirksville this year, 2025.

"This is a huge win for all of us as," he said. "Athletes and their families and their fans will be traveling here to North Missouri, perhaps some for the very first time, and getting to know us



Kirksville Mayor Zac Burden

as a people and getting to know our spaces really well. This is a chance for us to roll out the red carpet and for all of these folks, when they leave, to know us as a friendly people, a welcoming people and a happening place that they want to come back and visit again."

Burden spoke of the downtown facade renovation program, noting that work continues to be done despite losing a revenue source. He said they had an "infusion of capital" that came in through a grant that was put together both through the city and Kirksville Regional Economic Development. "to add more life into that project." Burden said that more building

renovations were "in the pipeline." Burden cheered the community's holiday efforts and their promotion of foot traffic in the downtown square. He was encouraged by new murals and "bright and beautiful art" in downtown Kirksville."

Burden said he was excited about the city's parks and recreation system, noting the upcoming opening of the first splash pad; the work being done on a soccer complex at North Park; and the city's recreation scholarship program, which is funded by local businesses and people in the community, allowing all kids access to the city's many sports programs, which can get expensive.

He said the city is in talks with the Missouri Department of Conservation to develop a park on Shepherd and First streets on the city's south side

"That's going to be something that's really worthwhile," he said, again noting the community's "can-do" attitude.

He said he was "excited" the city was going to begin construction on trails at North Park, which will be similar to sidewalk trails that surround Rotary Park; as well as the city's goal of turning old railroad lines into walking trails. Another one of those trails, he said, is the connection from downtown Kirksville to the FLATS Trailhead at Osteopathy and Missouri streets, that will eventually connect with Thousand Hills State Park.

Burden was complimentary to city staff in their ability to find grants to help make developments like these possible.

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Gary Dale Bell, 77

# Community

### KIRKSVILLE AREA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Wind Symphony I and **Invitational Band Concert**

A Wind Symphony I and **Invitational Band Concert** will be held on March 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Baldwin Hall Auditorium on the Truman State campus.

#### The Quilts of **Kay Beach reception**

A reception for The Quilts of Kay Beach exhibit at the Sue Ross Arts Center, 215 S. Franklin Street in Kirksville, will take place on March 6 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. A presentation will be made by Debbie Hudnall. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Wind Symphony II Concert

A Wind Symphony II Concert will be held on March 6 at 7:30 p.m. at Baldwin Hall Auditorium on the Truman State campus.

### **Northeast Spring Preview; MCCA-sanctioned** two-ring cattle show

The Northeast Spring Preview, MCCA-sanctioned tworing cattle show will be held on March 7-8 at the NEMO Fairgrounds. Check-in on Friday is from 3-6 p.m. Showmanship begins at 6 p.m. Check-in on Saturday is from 7-8:30 a.m. with showtime at 10 a.m. Entries: Showman App, \$50/head/ring. Grand \$500; Reserve \$400; 3rd Overall \$300; 4th Overall, \$200; and 5th Overall, \$100. For more information, call Amelia Frazier at 541-359-7275; Joyd Frazier at 573-321-0433 or Britanny Huffman at 660-216-5577.

#### **Forest Lake Area Trail System St. Patrick's** 5K & 1.5 Mile Walk/Run

The Forest Lake Area Trail System St. Patrick's 5K & 1.5 Mile Walk/Run will be held on March 17 at 5:30 p.m. at the Dukum Inn on South Elson Street in Kirksville. Get ready to lace up your lucky running shoes and chase the leprechauns through the streets of Kirksville. Dress in your best St. Paddy's Day gear, bring your friends and family, and enjoy a festive day of fitness, fun, and philanthropy. Don't forget to stick around for post-race celebrations at Dukum Inn. Register today at https://runsignup.com/Race/ MO/Kirksville/FLATSStPatrick-SKMileRace.

#### **Truman State Art Gallery Exhibit reception and** student awards

An opening reception and student awards will be held on Tuesday, March 18 from

5-6:30 p.m. in the Charlyn Gallery on campus. The Annual Juried Student Exhibition is always one of the highlights of the University Art Gallery schedule. Some of the best recent Truman student artwork is on display. The Art Gallery Exhibit will run from March 18 through April 25. Kevin Snipes will be the guest juror: Exhibiting New Works - Kevin Snipes in the Charlyn Gallery.

#### **Entrepreneur Speaker Series features Truman State alumnus**

Brian Gardner will speak from 12-1:20 p.m. March 18 in the Doug & Diane Villhard Innovation Lab located in the Pickler Memorial Library, as part of the TRU-Entrepreneur Speaker Series. Gardner earned a business administration degree from Truman in 1984. He went on to receive an AA degree in mortuary science from Kansas City Community College in 1986. Throughout his career, Gardner worked for, owned and operated a number of funeral homes in Missouri, including the Markland-Gardner Funeral Home and the Columbia Cremation Care Center. The Columbia Cremation Care Center was a new business he started from the ground

up in 2009 and served as president until his retirement in 2023. TRU-Entrepreneur Series events are a good opportunity for students to meet with seasoned entrepreneurs that will share their success stories, how they rebound from failure, their passion for making a positive impact and more.

#### **'The Wonder and the Worry' documentary** screening

The Wonder and the Worry documentary screening will be held on March 20 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Truman State University. Documentary filmmaker David Baker will screen his film, "The Wonder and the Worry," which has screens at festivals around the world. This event is open to the public, free admission, and will have light refreshments.

### **Spring Shoppers Delight**

Spring Shoppers Delight will be held don March 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Novinger Firehouse in Novinger. Come enjoy shopping wither 25 top vendors and crafter. Curbside Kitchen an Coffee Cravings will also be there. Vendor information is available by calling Lena Reardon at 660-341-0831.

#### Eyes on the Sky at **Thousand Hills State Park**

Eyes on the Sky at Thousand Hills State Park will take place on Friday, March 28, from 8-10 p.m. Come out to Thousand Hills State Park to take a look at the night sky. Learn about the importance of night sky to us and wildlife. There will be telescopes but everybody is welcome to bring their own telescopes, chairs, and binoculars.

# Case selected as a Missouri Youth **Pork Ambassador**

La Plata youth to participate in 2025 Scholarship Program

By Missouri Pork Association

OSAGE The Missouri Pork Association (MPA) announced the selection of Rachel Case from La Plata as a Missouri Youth Pork Ambassador. Her selection was announced at the Missouri Pork Expo on Feb. 18.

Rachel is the daughter of Jeffrey and Chanda Case. She is a freshman at the University of Missouri in Columbia majoring in human development and family sciences-child life. She hopes to obtain a career in working with children battling sickness in medical settings.

Rachel currently works for the Northern Missouri Research Extension and Education Center. She is currently involved with the Mizzou More than 4 Organization. While in high school, Rachel was active in her FFA chapter, serving as reporter, secretary, chaplin and president, and showing pigs.

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**Rachel Case** 

During the next year, Rachel will attend events such as the Annual Golf Tournament and Missouri State Fair. At the end of the program, she will receive a \$1,000 scholarship payable to a technical school, community college or four-year university.

The Missouri Youth Pork Ambassador program combines a scholarship opportunity with the chance to actively participate in Missouri's pork industry. It provides an opportunity for youth to develop strong relationships with both pork producers and allied industry members, while improving communication and leadership skills.



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# Obituaries

### OBITUARIES

### Gary Dale Bell

Oct 13, 1947 - Feb 24, 2025

Gary Dale Bell, of Novinger, Missouri, passed away peacefully in his sleep at his home in Iola, Texas, on February 24, 2025, at the age of 77.

He was born in Kirksville, Missouri, on October 13, 1947, to Charles and Imogene (Neely) Bell and graduated from Adair County R-I High School in Novinger in 1965. Then, he attended Northeast Missouri State College (now Truman State University) where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Education, Biology in 1969. After graduating, he taught secondary science classes at Reynolds County Schools in Ellington, Missouri. There, his love affair with the Ozark National Scenic Riverways began where he spent many years vacationing with his family and friends.



While still enrolled in college, he enlisted in officer training for the United States Marine Corps in 1968 and received an honorable discharge before enlisting in the United States Air Force in August 1969. He completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, and specialized training at Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Texas. After training, he served as a medical service specialist in the medical-surgical and OBGYN wards at Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base in Belton, Missouri, and Eielson Air Force Base in Fairbanks, Alaska.

After receiving an honorable discharge from the Air Force in 1973, he returned to Missouri with his family. There, he taught biology and chemistry at West Nodaway County High School in Burlington Junction, Missouri, before returning to Novinger to run cattle and farm corn and soybeans with his father-in-law. In 1983, he earned a Master of Arts in School Administration at Northeast Missouri State University (now Truman State) and completed coursework for a specialist degree in School Administration in 1985. He also enjoyed a lengthy career as a Rural Letter Carrier for the United States Postal Service in Novinger where he served for over twenty-five years.

He was a longtime member of the Novinger Baptist Church, where he was the Chair of the Trustees and taught Sunday School and Training Union. He also served as President of the Adair County R-I School Board for several years as well as the Novinger Cemetery Board. He wed Kathy Montgomery on May 31, 1969, and two children (Kristy and Angela) were born of the union. On December 2, 1996, he was united in marriage to Susan (Nagel) Jackson, and they enjoyed 28 years together.

Gary loved camping, fishing, and living on a farm where he raised cattle, horses, sheep, pigs, and chickens at various times. He was an avid animal lover, including his dog Loki and cat Precious. He spent many happy years trout fishing at Montauk State Park and finding "rocks with character" at Alley Spring in the Missouri Ozarks before retiring to Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Susan (Nagel) Bell; daughters, Kristy (Bell) Wade-Carroll and husband Larry of Katy, Texas, and Angela Bell of Houston, Texas; mother, Imogene (Neely) Bell of Novinger, Missouri; sister, Carolyn (Bell) Osgood of Lee's Summit, Missouri; brother, Bill Bell and wife Cathy of Novinger and Lee's Summit, Missouri; stepdaughter, Melissa (Jackson) Jerome and husband Kevin of St. Charles, Missouri; stepson, Brian Jackson and wife Marilyn of Peoria, Arizona; grandsons, Christian Wade, John Wade, and Troy Jerome; granddaughters, Carissa Jackson and Alexis Jackson; and great-grandson Kaison Garland; as well as multiple nieces, nephews, cousins, and other extended family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Charles Bell; his son-in-law, Bruce Wade; infant grandson, Raymond Frank Jerome; infant twin granddaughters, Rachel Michelle Jerome and Heather Nicole Jerome; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Visitation will take place on Friday, March 7 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Services will be held at the Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, Missouri on Saturday, March 8 at 2:00 p.m. with the Reverend Darrell Crooks presiding. Interment will be immediately following at the Novinger Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Gary may be made to the Novinger Cemetery Association, Adair County Humane Society, or the Adair County Historical Society. Memorials may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.

### **KIRKSVILLE AREA NEWS BRIEFS**

#### **Curtain Call Theatre Company auditions for** spring production of Neil Simon's 'Rumors'

Curtain Call Theatre Company announces auditions for its spring production of Neil Simon's Rumors. Auditions will be held: Thursday, March 6, 7-9 p.m.; and Saturday, March 8, 1-3 p.m. All auditions will be held at the Curtain Call Theatre building at 512 W. Elizabeth Street in Kirksville. Arrive at any point during auditions. No prior preparation is necessary. Performance dates are June 5-7 and June 12-14. Call (660) 342-0441 for further information or to arrange an alternative audition time.

#### **Art of John Tinsman exhibit** at Sue Ross Arts Center

The Art of John Tinsman exhibit will be on display at the Sue Ross Arts Center-Gaber Gallery, through March 28. A reception and presentation will be made by Daryl Schafer on March 27 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The gallery is located at 215 S. Franklin Street in Kirksville and is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### MOSI (Missouri-Southern Iowa) Art Guild invites artists to monthly meeting

The MOSI (Missouri-Southern Iowa) Art Guild encourages any artist, budding artist, and supporter of the arts to join them at their monthly meetings, 5:30 p.m., on the second Thursday of each month, typically at the Adair County Annex Building in Kirksville (March and April meetings will be held at The Crossing). MOSI will also exhibit at the Kirksville Downtown Art Walk on Friday, June 6, 4:30-6:30 p.m. For more information visit facebook.com/mosiartguild, The MOSI Art Guild | An Art Guild for Northeastern Missouri and Southern Iowa or email us at info@mosiartguild.org

#### **Truman State University organization** offers free tax assistance

A Truman State University's Beta Alpha Psi will host a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA) sessions from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. on March 29 in Violette Hall 1424. Beta Alpha Psi is an international scholastic and professional organization for financial information professionals. Clients who come to VITA should bring: social security cards for spouses and dependents; bank routing numbers and bank account numbers for direct deposit; wage and earnings statements such as W-2, 1098T and 1099; and a copy of last year's federal and state tax returns if available. VITA services will be completed by IRS-certified volunteers and will also offer free electronic filing to receive a faster return. Appointments are required. Community members who would like to schedule an appointment can call (660) 785-6064. For more information, visit bap.truman.edu/vita.

#### **City of Kirksville Parks and Recreation** Department's 2025 sponsorship opportunities

Interested in promoting your business/organization and supporting local community events and programs? The city of Kirksville's Parks and Recreation Department has a wide range of sponsorship opportunities for you that include:

- 6th Annual Kids Mini Mud Mile
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- Kids Touch A Truck and Magic Show

Click here to view the city's 2025 sponsorship opportunities: https://kirksville.gov/p/parks-recreation. For more information or to secure your sponsorship, contact Luke Callaghan at lcallaghan@kirksville.gov or by calling 660-627-1485.

# Northeast Regional Medical Center's new MRI offers expanded patient benefits

By Northeast Regional Medical Center

After a nearly four-month long project, the Northeast Regional Medical Center's new MRI unit is up and running. The new unit features a larger bore and updated software, which will support a more comfortable patient experience and enable shorter scan times.

In October 2024, the radiology entrance was temporarily closed and construction began in preparation for the new unit. The hospital's old unit, which had been in service since 2007, had limited capabilities.

To accommodate the larger unit the existing MRI zone had to be expanded and updated. During construction, NRMC was able to

continue providing MRI services to the community with a mobile MRI, which will be removed soon.

"We are thrilled that construction is completed, and the new unit is in place," said Trisha Roan, director of Medical Imaging. "The MRI zone even got new paint, countertops, and other needed upgrades."

One of those upgrades was a new MRI compatible patient monitor. The upgraded monitor offers expanded functionality.

"We can now scan patients with MRI-compatible implantable devices, which allows us to provide more services locally," Roan said.

With the completion of the project, the radiology entrance is now officially reopened. This means that patients visiting NRMC for medical imaging, lab appointments, and pre-admission testing will once again be able to register in the radiology lobby between the hours of 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Registration for all other services and procedures will continue to take place in the main entrance lobby.

NRMC continues to expand access to services. With the MRI project now complete, the next project to get underway is construction for the linear accelerator and radiation oncology program which will lead to the creation of a cancer treatment center. A groundbreaking ceremony for the new program is planned on February 26th. Radiation oncology services are expected to be operational by Summer 2025.

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"But there had to be a loved one, there had to be a partner, somebody that drove with them — so now that's two people making that drive every day," Avila said. "But if you have to work, you're missing your job for a big portion of the day. This is just adding another layer of stress and anxiety onto a process that is already filled with stress and anxiety."

Avila said that the George Rea Cancer Center was special to the community, both appreciated and respected.

Dr. Kent Blanke, vice chairman of Northeast Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees and a member of the community for 31 years, said that it's the alliance of Missouri Cancer Associates, A.T.

Still University and Northeast Regional Medical Center that helps each other and the entire community.

"I'm looking at great opportunity for growth for all three of us here," Blanke

Radiation Oncologist Dr. Reed Cope of Missouri Cancer Associates, said that he had been working on machinery that was dated and limited in what it could do.

"I'm just really excited for the opportunity for us to come up here and have up-to-date, state-of-the-art equipment to be able to treat patients on," he said. reiterating the burdens and inconveniences of having to travel for care. "It's a hardship on patients and we're really excited to have an opportunity to treat patients here locally and get great care here — and so we'll continue to do our best to treat these patients

well, and we're just really excited to be able to do it closer to home so that we can really focus on what's going on with their bodies and not how they're going to travel 90 miles each way to get the care that they

need." Kirksville Mayor Zac Burden said it was a day of celebration.

"There are a lot of different things that put Kirksville on the map, historically an education town, an agricultural hub, a place of commerce, but I think few things have put Kirksville on the world scene more than advanced medical care," Burden said, noting that.they were standing on the campus that was the birthplace of Osteopathic medicine. "We're standing at a facility that's going to continue to bring advanced care to people here in Kirksville. Anytime that we can all be a part of a victory over cancer in any form, is a day for celebration."

Burden said it was about bringing that care home to the community, to care well for the people who live here connected to existing services that are here to support the people who are going through treatment.

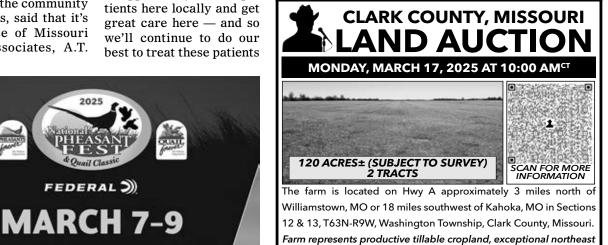
"Bringing these things home truly matters," he said. "And I'm so proud of Northeast Regional Medical Center for being able to pull off this feat. I congratulate you all on this good

work and I look forward to people being able to to celebrate other victories over cancer right here at this site."

According to hospital officials, a new entrance will be located on the east side of the building adjacent to the center. The current vault will be upgraded to appropriately support the new linear accelerator, a highend linacc that is preferred by radiation oncologists.

When the center is complete, many more cancers can be treated in Kirksville. Approximately 2,600 square feet of space will be dedicated to the radiation oncology program including a waiting room, clinic exam rooms and workstations.

When completed, the radiation oncology treatment center will operate alongside the infusion oncology center with both services within the George Rea building. Missouri Cancer Associates will continue to work in the same space and will continue to use their current entrance.





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### **HOME COUNTRY**

## **Memories** of Chicken, Alaska

hickens have forever had a place in our hearts and on our tables. Why is that? Well ... why not?

And so I'd like you to come with me back to the summer of 1970, 'way up north of Fairbanks, Alaska, to what was once the thriving gold mining village of Chicken, Alaska. I was on my way, hitchhiking with a canoe, to paddle down a stretch of the Yukon River and to see the cabin where Jack London spent the winter once upon a time.

Just as an aside here, hitchhiking with a canoe, or with a sled and 10 dogs, would make a lengthy how-to book all by themselves. It doesn't sound easy, does it? It isn't.

So what I would do on these "adventures" of mine, (my boss, Larry Fanning, referred to them as Slim's tin-cup trips because of all the scrounging I did) is go neat places and interview great people, and write stuff. My column in the Anchorage Daily News ... brace yourself ... was called "Slim's Column."

Truth in advertising. So I arrived in Chicken, Alaska, only to find I'd nearly doubled the local population. In the far-distant past,



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Chicken was an actual town. When the gold gave out, so did Chicken.

So what was left was "the business" consisting of a gas pump, a coffee pot, some postage stamps and a couple of nice folks. But there was something else, too.

There was not only an outhouse there, but it was electrically lighted. So where should I write my column? In an electrically lighted outhouse in Chicken, Alaska.

Naturally.

The raising of poultry this far north is uncommon, too many local varmints, including any resident sled dogs, eat them. So how did this gold camp get its name? Ahh ... the reason for that column on the wooden "desk" beneath that 20-watt bulb.

Chicken, Alaska, got its name because none of the miners there knew how to spell ptarmigan.

I'm Slim Randles, author of the book Packing the Backyard Horse, enabling you and your own Ol' Snort to have some camping fun in the back country. Packing the Backyard Horse, available on Amazon.com

### **ROBIN WRITES**

## Misery is might good conversation

randma didn't have much to say. Except for niceties and gruff opinions flung now and then, Grandma saved all her best talking for the Thursday afternoon visits from her grandma-aged girlfriends.

This was no Garden Club meeting. No Bible study. These visits were to talk about the same things each time: Symptoms. Remedies. Quack doctors.

We named the group 'Grandma's Sick Sisters.'

Grandma and her buddies oofed onto the couch, squishing bottoms together into one big loaf of buns. Once situated and satisfied with a glass of iced sweet tea or hot coffee, it was time for the discussion.

By unwritten but time-honored habit, the first to speak was the one most recently ailing. There was no confusion as to whose turn it was at each visit. The news had spread across phone lines at the moment of diagnosis, and each of them kept track.

Eyeballs pinged around the room and landed on Grandma's friend, Nancy.

"Well, I guess you heard about my hernia."

Grandma and her gal friends had, indeed. But the details were yet to be spilled. The ladies leaned forward; their combined motion made the couch frame crackle.

"Okay. Here's what happened. First, let me tell you how it all started..." All eyes were on Nancy, and she would make the story as long and pitiful as possible.



ROBIN GARRISON LEACH **ROBIN WRITES** 

The words she spoke next lilted like dish soap bubbles in the air above that couch.

Little 'POOFS' of exclamations popped each sentence she puffed out, giving room for the next part of the saga. The collective symptoms, diagnoses, and folk remedy recitations floated across the air and into my open bedroom door.

As a little girl, I shook my head at 'Grandma's Sick Sisters' meetings. Didn't they have anything else to talk about? Their lives must be sooo boring.

I would NEVER be like Grandma. I would have an interesting, vibrant life that I would share with interesting friends...

Yesterday, Rich stopped by to visit. It had been a while since we'd seen him—since before the holidays, the snowy weather, and the election. There was a lot of catching up to do.

Rich settled into an empty chair, clasped his hands together in interest, and started our soon-to-be-deep conversation.

"So. What's new?" I glanced John's way and felt his brain whirring. I was scouring my own mind, eager to have a meaningful conversation with someone other than John.

What would it be? Fires in California? The newest store opening in town? The toxic political environment? I felt my heart pick up speed. I leaned into the air among us, eager to be heard.

"You won't believe it. I had Covid, then John got it, and we were in a bad way for about two weeks. First, I got vertigo... scared the heck out of me...have you ever had vertigo?"

I didn't wait for an answer. I was full of medical verbiage, and it was emptying from my throat like pollution.

"I couldn't even walk without stumbling. John took me to the hospital, because I thought at my age this could be something serious. They say after 60, all symptoms like this should be taken seriously..."

Rich grunted in agreement, and I heard a "poof" above my head. The room dimmed, and all around me I could see those sturdy, ailing women who were part of 'Grandma's Sick Sisters.'

I had lived long enough to become a member. I had nothing better to talk about than doctor visits and new health tips from Readers' Digest.

Rich listened patiently to our whining, and then told us about his latest surgery. We nodded in commiseration and chimed in with caring mumbles.

I understand now, Grandma. Turns out, it feels pretty good to share your misery with

### THE ROCKWOOD FILES

## It looked like mine

Should cars get tattoos?

here are more than 283 million cars in use in the United States. Inside that gigantic number are more than 60 car makers and 1.200 different models. But only about 10 paint colors are used, and more than 70 percent of all those cars are black, white, gray, or silver.

What do all these numbers mean? Great question. It's not something a humble writer allergic to math can answer. I can spell "statistical probability," but that's about it. But I know from experience that there's a near certainty that most of us will have a close encounter with our car's identical twin. It's just a matter of when and how.

My first "when" happened over a decade ago in an elementary school parking lot. I'd just attended a school assembly, and a flock of parents streamed outside after it ended. With a baby on one hip and a toddler by the hand, I fished a keyfob out of my diaper bag and pointed it at my light blue Honda minivan as we walked toward it. We bought the minivan because it had automatic sliding doors — a "must-have" feature for a mom shuttling around little humans and big bags of groceries. But on that particular day, the doors didn't open.

So I pushed it again. The baby was starting to fuss, the toddler needed to pee, and I was losing patience with the dysfunctional door clicker. I blew out a frustrated breath and tried one last time. and the door finally slid open. I stepped forward to load the kids, diaper bag and purse into the van, but something stopped me. I stood there staring at things that didn't make sense. The three car seats were there, but they had far fewer crumbs of Goldfish crackers in them. There weren't any month-old french fry fossils on the floor. It was too clean.

That's when I heard a man's voice right behind me. I spun around to see him standing there, holding his own toddler by the hand. In his other hand was a Honda minivan keyfob that looked just like mine.

Him: (Nodding toward the van) "This one is mine."

Me: "What?"

Him: (Pointing) "I think yours is over

It took me a few seconds to realize that my door clicker had not opened the minivan door because this was, in fact, not my van. It turned out that the man behind me was not only a fellow parent but also a local police officer. (He'd probably been witnessing people doing



**GWEN ROCKWOOD** THE ROCKWOOD FILES

dumb things like this for years.) Thankfully, he understood this was less of a "breaking and entering" and more of a "right time wrong minivan" situation

Speaking of accidental crime, my favorite car twin story happened about a year ago in the parking lot of a deli. I'd just finished lunch with my mom and teenage daughter, but I wanted to get a refill of sweet tea before we left. Mom said she'd meet me in the car and walked out.

When my mom climbed into the car and buckled up, she spotted my open purse on the center console. She'd wanted to pay for our lunch, but I wouldn't let her. So she glanced back toward the restaurant to see if the coast was clear. Then she quickly took a twenty dollar bill out of her own wallet and slipped it into the purse gaping open next to her. She silently congratulated herself on a clever way of paying for lunch without persuading me to accept her money.

Then she heard a loud tap on the window and jerked her hand out of the purse. She looked up to see her teenage granddaughter standing next to the car. Kate: "Memaw, you're in the wrong

car." Mom: "What?"

Kate (pointing): "Ours is over there.

Mortified, Mom quickly unbuckled, threw open the door, and scrambled out of the seat. Then she reached over and retrieved the twenty-dollar bill she'd just put into a purse that definitely wasn't mine. She glanced around the parking lot, praying that the real owners weren't nearby because not only had she gotten into their car, it also looked like she was stealing money on her way out.

As luck would have it, the rightful owners were still eating, so we escaped without anyone knowing about the money she'd given and then taken back in only a few minutes. It was quite the caper for an 80-year-old, law-abiding Memaw.

The moral of these stories? Lock your doors. Hide your purses. Remember where you parked. And consider giving your car's door handle a distinctive tattoo. Statistical probability is tricky, and car twins are everywhere.

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### **PUBLIC HEALTH CORNER**

### **Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month**

time. Because symptoms

By Kirstyn Dietle, MPH, CHES®

Adair County Health Dept.

Welcome to the Public Health Corner: Colorectal **Cancer Awareness Month** 

March marks Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, bringing attention to the impact of colorectal cancer and the life-saving importance of early detection. Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the United States, but with regular screenings and healthy lifestyle choices, it is also one of the most preventable and treatable cancers when detected early.

### **Understanding Colorectal Cancer**

Colorectal cancer develops in the colon or rectum and often begins as polyps, which are abnormal growths that can turn cancerous over

may not appear in the early stages, regular screenings are critical for early detection and prevention.

### **Risk Factors & Prevention**

Several factors can increase the risk of colorectal cancer, including:

 Age (most cases occur in people over 50, though rates are rising among younger

• Family history of col-

orectal cancer or polyps • Diets high in red and

· Smoking and excessive alcohol consumption

processed meats

• Obesity and physical inactivity

To lower the risk of colorectal cancer, individuals

should: • Get screened regularly (starting at age 45, or earlier

if at high risk) • Eat a diet rich in fiber, fruits, and vegetables

• Maintain a healthy weight and stay physically active

· Limit alcohol consumption and avoid smoking

# The Importance of

Screening

Colorectal cancer is highly treatable when detected early, which is why screening is so important. Screening tests can find cancer before symptoms develop, increasing the chances of successful treatment. Common screening methods include:

 Colonoscopy: The most effective test for detecting and removing polyps.

· Stool-based tests: Such as the fecal immunochemical test (FIT) or stool DNA tests, which can detect signs of cancer.

By raising awareness and encouraging early detection, Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month helps save lives. This March, take action to protect your health and the health of those around you!

### **POETRY CORNER**

# **Greenwood Elementary School**

It's amazing how you thought... time was so slow... yet the years went by so fast.

As a youngster at play... the days blended together... making you feel this time would last. The younger you are... the more time drags...

at least in your mind you think it's so, But years later... when you get a chance to look back... you wonder where did all that time go?

I first experienced... a life altering change... without knowing it was going to happen. It was my first day of school... kindergarten with Mrs. Ray... and I took a mat for my daily

Now advanced to 1st... and we learned to read... we had fun with Dick and Jane,

Mrs. Shipman... had a lot of patience... and it's a wonder she could still remain sane. Mrs. Richardson... taught 2nd grade... and

another year of mental growth lay ahead, We tried to keep up... so much to learn... continual instruction each day she led. And on to 3rd... in addition to our studies...

Miss Heaberlin added some fun, After lunch... we'd toss our jacks on the floor... and at least 6 games at the same time would run. 4th grade... was heavy in reading... and book

reports had to be turned in,

From those reports... Mr. Reindel knew... if we had accomplished what should've been. In 5th grade... Mrs. Trent had a big project... involving each and every state,

With each state's map... identification was

made... for everything that made that state But 6th grade... was the year we looked forward to... with a responsibility to fill quite

That was the year... we wore the sacred badge and strap... the School Safety Patrol was

now in charge. Mrs. Gelbach... also made that year special...she gave us a Christmas project and what

an impact it made, We selected a family in need... collected numerous donations... and in their front room, all we had gathered was laid.

Now driving by... what once was a school... I find myself reflecting on the past, When Greenwood School... meant the world

to a young boy... he thought forever his school would last.

Daniel D. Donovan

# **Local History**

### TURNING THE PAGE

# **This Week** in Local **History**

**By Larry Evans** 

#### 110 Years Ago, March 3, 1915

The first automobile, owned and operated in Kirksville, was seven years old and still traveling the roads of Adair County. The car was a 20 horsepower 1908 Maxwell. It had two cylinders, and the body was the high type which was first made out of necessity. They looked somewhat like the family horse drawn carriage and were intentionally designed in that fashion to prevent them from frightening the horses they might encounter on the roads. The automobile was owned by Dr. G. A. Sparling and was purchased for Dr. Sparling by his son Nick. The Sparlings pioneered the way for the advent of automobiles in Kirksville. There was a considerable amount of doubt about its usefulness on Kirksville's rough and muddy streets and the dirt roads in the county. It was three years later before other automobiles were purchased by Kirksville residents. A couple of years after the Sparlings purchased their Maxwell, John M. Kennedy, also of Kirksville purchased a Cadillac which was also still running. The Sparling car was without a doubt the dean of automobiles in Kirksville. Although it looked quite peculiar alongside a long four-door model 1915 Maxwell, it was still running even though it was seven years old. The extreme difference in the looks of the older and newer model demonstrated how rapidly the automobile had progressed in such a few years. In the seven years that automobiles had existed in Kirksville, the number had grown from one in 1908 to 141 in 1914. It was expected that in 1915 the

### 110 Years Ago, March 6, 1915

number of cars in Kirks-

ville would jump to 175.

One of the hardest legal battles ever fought in Adair County Circuit Court was taking place. The case was that of Fausett versus Grim. Mrs. Cora Fausette was suing Dr. Edward Grim and Dr. Ezra Grim of the Grim-Smith Hospital for \$25,000 damages, alleging that through their negligence in medical attention and improper care, she was left insane for months during which time she was a patient at the state insane asylum at St. Joseph. The Grims performed an appendectomy on Mrs. Fausette which she claimed was improperly performed. The jury trial lasted for a week and heard testimony of expert witnesses including renowned doctors from St. Louis as well as Kirksville's own well-known Dr. George Still. The trial ended with the jury finding for the plaintiff, Mrs. Fausette, but she was only awarded \$1,000 of the \$25,000 she had asked for. The defendant immediately filed for an appeal.

### 105 Years Ago, March 2, 1920

The shimmy was a popular dance during the "Roaring '20s" that was often considered obscene. In the dance move the body is held still, except for the shoulders, which are quickly alternated back and forth. When the right shoulder goes back, the left one comes forward. In 1917, a dance-song titled



Emert Hilbert in Adair

County Circuit Court. The

association was headed by

Charles F. Gardner, presi-

"Shim-Me-Sha-Wabble" was published, as "The Jazz Dance", which included the "Shimmy-She", among others. It started the dance craze. In 1919 "I Wish I Could Shimmy Like My Sister Kate" was written and published as an up-beat jazz dance song. It furthered the craze which was introduced in Kirksville in early 1920. City fathers were at a loss as to what to do about it as it had been banned in other cities across the United States. L. M. Hicks, the proprietor of one of Kirksville's public dance halls, appeared before the city council to ask if he could permit the shimmy dance in his establishment. The council did not know what the shimmy was, and they could not give Hicks an answer. A councilman finally suggested that a sample be produced to demonstrate to the council so it could determine if the dance should be allowed in the city dance halls. After no volunteers could be found who would perform the shimmy for the council, a committee along with the Chief of Police, night watchman, and other officials decided to go to a dance hall to observe the shimmy. Once they were at the dance hall, the proprietor called for the shimmy, but none of the 25 plus patrons were willing to perform.

### 100 Years Ago, **March 1, 1925**

The presentation of "The Regeneration" a lecture/ play of the principles of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) by the Adair County Klan, No. 132, was well received by a large audience in the Kirksville High School auditorium. The house was full, and it was estimated that as many people were turned away as were admitted to the large auditorium. The play opened with the bugle call of the Klan and was followed by hooded members of the organization marching onto the stage and forming a cross. The next scene was the relighting of the fiery cross on Stone Mountain. The principles of the KKK were set forth in a series of short lectures by the Klanard. Between the talks a quartet of vocalists sang hymns. The five pillars upon which Klankraft was founded were explained— Home, God, Government, Honor, and School.

### 85 Years Ago, March 8, 1940

The articles of incorporation for the Kirksville **Community Nursing Home** 

dent, and Carl McGee, secretary. Its purpose was to provide nursing and hospital care for sick and infirm individuals whose income or available aid from other sources was such that they were not able to procure needed care and hospitalization in a for-profit institution. The project was sponsored by Drs. Harold D. McClure and Vernon H. Casner, who were at that time conducting the county hospital located on South Elson Street, McClure and Casner had already made preliminary plans to establish a nursing home in the Quinlin Hotel building which was to be modernized for a nursing facility. The doctors took over the county hospital when Dr. McClure was appointed county physician. In his tenure McClure made many improvements in the care of patients. They had originally planned to erect a new hospital, but the hotel building, which was convenient to the osteopathic school and the business district, could be obtained for a reasonable sum. The new facility would provide many more beds that were needed for additional patients. The Quinlin Hotel, a luxury hotel, was built near the turn of the twentieth century and flourished during the passenger train era. It was located on the west side of the Wabash railroad tracks near the Wabash passenger depot just south of West Washington Street. The hotel was a bustling business until the era of passenger train service began to wane. It then became an apartment building. Drs. McClure and Casner purchased it from Dr. Harry Still, who had purchased it when the hotel closed. The nursing home in the old Ouinlin Hotel was Adair County's first nursing home and was known as **Community Nursing Home** #1. It was operational until 1968 when a new nursing home (Twin Pines) was built on the site of Dr. A. T. Still's home on Osteopathy Street. After the building deteriorated into a state of disrepair, it fell victim to Kehrer Brothers Construction Company's demolition equipment. It was bulldozed and pushed into a ravine directly behind where it stood and was covered with dirt.

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### **EMBRACING LOCAL HISTORY**

# A Mineral Springs Health **Resort in Adair County** in the 1880s - Chapter 2

By Blytha Ellis, President

Adair County Historical Society and Museum

As we learned last week, in the early 1880s, a British immigrant, George Arthur Shaw Sr., successfully started a health resort on his farm in Adair County where he found two natural mineral springs. There he created a new town which he named New Baden. Some say it was eight miles west of Kirksville, and some say 11 miles.

Back then, the only way to advertise was in newspapers, and Mr. Shaw created a lot of hype with this medium. Here is an example:

#### **NEW BADEN SPRINGS**

Adair County, 11 miles west of Kirksville

The land on which these springs are located has been laid out by the County Surveyor in lots, blocks, and streets. All desiring to purchase lots had better apply early and get a choice of location. Size of Lots – 54 ft. by 108 ft.

Price per Lot — \$50.00

#### **GEORGE SHAW**

There is a sawmill one-fourth of a mile from these Springs where lumber can be purchased.

New Baden - All persons benefited by these waters will oblige by sending a card stating of what disease cured. The plot for the above town is with A.

M. Smith, Kirksville Real Estate Agent. Anyone wishing information or to purchase lots can do so by applying at

#### **GEORGE SHAW, Proprietor**

The Shaws also printed in Kirksville newspapers several testimonials from people who believed they had benefited from the waters at New Baden Springs. The following was in the May 10, 1882, issue of Kirksville's "Weekly Graphic":

### **New Baden Springs**

Mr. Geo. Sohn, one of our oldest and best-known citizens who resides some five miles north of Kirksville, speaking of the New Baden Springs says: 'I am 82 years of age and have been afflicted with disease of the kidneys since 1864. I have been using this Baden water at intervals since last August, and have derived more benefit from its use than from all the doctors and medicines I have tried.'

George Shaw published the following promotional statement in the spring of

#### **More About New Baden New Baden Springs** May 23rd, 1882

Thinking a few items of news from these Springs might be of interest to some of your numerous readers, and also do good.

The hills are covered by their brightest mantle of green. Creature comfort is also being attended to by those keeping boarding houses and restaurants. A good square meal can be had at any hour. Invalids are improving, some leaving and others coming. To say that good has been done is saying little. We have had and have still some bad cases. Miss T. Thomas left here last Saturday for home. She said her health had not been as good for 16 years. Miss Brown of Sullivan County is still here and will give evidence as to the good to be derived from these waters. Rev. W. McCann came here as most people, and doctors said, to die - no hope - bad cough - hemorrhage of the lungs — constant chilling. Yesterday, he could be seen with axe in hand, cutting and burning brush, fixing fence, etc. Let the people come and see for themselves. I do not wish to take up your valuable space, but we are asked so often about these springs, and know of no other way of communication with the masses except through the press.

Sunday was a lovely day for outdoor exercises and quite a large number of our citizens availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the country, the woods, and New Baden Springs.



#### New Baden Springs.

Mr. EDITOR:-They say the love of beauty is implanted in every heart, but more so the love of life, when beauty, health and pleasure are combined a great thing in life is obtained; It seems that all these are attainable at these springs. Every day beautiful ladies and their beaus from Kirksville, Macon city, Greencastle, and other places have made this place echo with sweet ringing laughter, something to be remembered throught lite. There are I understand several lady boarders from Kirksville staying here.

They had a large concourse of people at the springs on the 4th of July some 1500 and are now making preparations, for a Good Templar's picnic on the 19th of Aug., and I should say from the programme it is likely to be an interesting

The re are several wide awake business men located at the Spings and they are determined there shall be no lack on their part. Every one goes away satisfied, promising to come again.

Mrs. Garret arrived here on Sunday to stay. Mrs. Elliott from Fort Wayne arrived today. This is another case given up by doctors (consumption). GEORGE SHAW

In 1882, a large Independence Day celebration was planned at New Baden. Mr. Shaw announced this in the June 23, 1882 issue of the "Weekly Graphic":

### **NEW BADEN SPRINGS**

At a meeting called by request of the citizens of New Baden and surrounding district, arrangements were made to celebrate the Fourth of July. George Shaw was elected chairman, W. M. Rifenbreick, Secretary. Messrs. Loso, Dimmitt, and Bozarth, committee on arrangements. The Declaration of Independence will be read, public speaking by well-qualified men, vocal and instrumental music, dancing, swinging, glass ball shooting, and other amusements. All parties wanting to erect refreshment stands, swings, etc., must apply to the committee for terms. J. F. Custer is chosen to act as marshal. The committee is determined to maintain good order. All are invited to come.

After this grand Fourth of July celebration, a Templars' picnic was planned for August 19, 1882. The following items were found in the July 28, 1882, issue of the "Weekly Graphic":

You will note that the following article is signed by "Aqua," the Latin word meaning water. This seems to have been George Shaw's pseudonym. There were several articles written under this name. The pure mineral water never stopped flowing, and it seemed that George's great idea would last forever. But, alas, it would not.

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# News

### **JACKSON SPEAKS** TO KIRKSVILLE KIWANIS CLUB **ABOUT NEW COFFEE SHOP**

The Kirksville Kiwanis Club welcomed Audra Jackson to speak at their Feb. 20, meeting. Jackson is the

founder and owner of Kirksville's newest coffee shop: The Gathering Grounds. She presented on her new business, located at 2121 N. Baltimore Street. To learn more, visit www.the-gathering-grounds.com. Pictured, from left, are Kirksville Kiwanis Club Past President Elizabeth Clark, Jackson, and Kirksville Kiwanis Club President Ted Frushour. KIRKSVILLE KIWANIS CLUB

## Upcoming Northern Missouri road work

The following is a list of general highway maintenance work the Missouri Department of Transportation has planned in the Northern Missouri region for the next few weeks. All road closures and planned roadwork may be viewed on the Traveler Information Map at http://traveler.modot.org/map/. Inclement weather may cause schedule changes in some of the planned work. There may also be moving operations throughout the region, in addition to the work mentioned below.

Route P - March 12, Closed for culvert replacement operations from Northtown Road to Popular Lane in Kirksville between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

#### **Macon County**

Route K - March 3-6, Closed for culvert replacement operations from Kennedy Street to Route DD/AA near Macon between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. daily.

Route K - March 7, Closed for culvert replacement operations from Route DD/AA to Nova Street Near Macon between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

# **Local realtors hold annual awards** ceremony and officer installation

By Northeast Central Association of Realtors

The Northeast Central Association of Realtors (NECAR) held their annual awards ceremony and officer installation dinner on Thursday, Feb. 20. NEMR (Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company) was a sponsor and gave away a gift basket. The winner was Leah Doty of Heritage House Realty, Kirksville.

Jennifer, Chrisman, marketing and sales manager for NEMR, displayed a map for the realtors that showed NEMR's 2025 fiber internet expansion plans.

"It's an exciting time for NEMR," said Chrisman, "We are growing our fiber infrastructure, encouraging economic development, and providing good paying local jobs."



**NECAR Basket Winner Leah Doty of Heritage** House Realty, and Breanna Vanstrom, CEO of Missouri REALTORS.



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"I applaud our city staff who takes the opportunity to work hard to not just apply for grants, to not just win grants, to also then have to implement and properly document so that we can be successful in the next grant as well," Burden said. "There's so much hard work that goes into that, but it allows us to stretch the city coffers as far as possible and provide opportunities that we might not otherwise have the ability to take on in transportation."

Burden spoke of the new airport terminal that will begin construction this spring. He said it will meet the demands of modern air travel, including better space for security and the ability to handle an increasing passenger load. He said that they are also celebrating increased on-time flights now exceeding those of the city's previous carrier.

He said city officials are making improvements to 16 crosswalks that intersect with schools as well as making plans for other road improvements, particularly the city's older concrete streets.

He spoke of the city's water treatment upgrades, which he said would increase production capabilities, which will allow more growth in the city. Burden said the same strategy was employed with wastewater management, with the result being the water that's leaving Kirksville is cleaner than when it came in.

"What we continue to send out, continues to be better," Burden said. "It makes us good stewards of an important resource and I'm glad that we can continue to do that."

He said local officials have been working with state officials to better respond to storm emergencies, developing resources and tools to help better manage a response.

Burden recognized city staff and others that work on development of the city and their support of new growth in town. He said their attention to detail and understanding of community needs made Kirksville a "unique, distinct place to carry out business."

Burden then talked about the condition of city facilities, some more than 100 years old, and others dysfunctional, such as the city's police building, which was originally a bank; and the one fire station located in a former car dealership just north of downtown. He said the cost of repairs

on these facilities no longer made sense and that services, particularly 911, would be slow to upgrade due to the lack of space.

"For me, the responsible thing to do as the city council and the responsible thing for our community is to take action at this moment," he said. "And what does that look like? It looks like what we do well, all the time. It looks like a can-do attitude. I am asking the people of Kirksville to lean into that spirit. I'm asking the people of Kirksville on April 8 to pass Proposition B, a plan to fund purpose built buildings in our community that support citizen access and safety by collecting one penny for every \$3 spent."

Burden said he knew no matter how small the tax increase, it would burden some, and it was with those considerations that the plan was developed on how to do this in a way that burdens the people of Kirksville as little as possible. Kirksville voters will decide on the tax on April 8.

He said that the city's 20-year plan would cost millions less in interest and revenue estimates were conservative; the city was not going over budget, he said.

In ending, Burden said it was an honor to give the State of the City address, an honor to live in the community, and an honor to serve as a member of the city council and as a mayor.

"I'm happy to report that, yet again, the state of the city is strong and it's strong because of that can-do attitude that we've shown through time and time again that helps us achieve our very ambitious goals in this community," Burden said.

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# Hunter completes perfect season, **Tigers tie for 7th in Class 2 tourney**

By Henry Janssen

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Each of junior Austyn Hunter's three high school wrestling seasons have now ended with a win at the State tournament, but the third time around was finally taking gold instead of bronze.

"He wrestled a little bit more freely," Kirksville coach James Alter said. "He finally opened up."

Hunter came into Mizzou Arena with a 46-0 record and had no major scares up to the title bout, winning his first three matches by fall - his first round was a technical - before defeating Mid-Buchanan sophomore Cooper Kirkham (42-5) by 7-4 decision on Thursday.

"Everything we've worked for has paid off," Hunter said. "Changing your mindset in the off-season and not questioning everything (made the difference)."

The 157-pounder's body has matured and developed two times over in the off-seasons he mentions – the first of his two bronzes was in the 120-pound class.

Hunter's control over his bracket carried right up to recording



Junior 138-pounder Justin Schutter won his fifth-place match by decision, 8-5.

the first takedown of the championship bout midway through the first period. He said that giving three points right back in the second period gave him that much more initiative to finish.

"I struggled with staying in position mid-match, but I kept wrestling," Hunter said. "I think my mindset this year was top-level, and I just trusted in that."

Kirksville's seventh-place tie

in Class 2 was with Excelsior Springs. Fifty-five schools had at least one wrestler qualify. The Tigers' draw at 72 points was 19 behind sixth-place Cassville. Odessa had finalists up-and-down and won with 142 points, and Seneca and Ste. Genevieve were around 15 points off at respective second and third.

The Schutters' points were crucial to Kirksville finishing top-10,



Austyn Hunter finished his junior season 50-0, capping off his undefeated season with a Class 2 title versus Mid-Buchanan's Cooper Kirkham. Here, the junior 157-pounder wrenches the leg and records the opening three points as his coaching staff looks on. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

both placing fifth. Freshman Jason Schutter (44-14) fell Oak Grove's Kale Martin. Junior brother Justin (52-7) won by 8-5 decision against Ste. Genevieve's Owen Drury after a tough loss in sudden victory in the consolation semifinal.

Senior Jaden Crisp at 113 pounds and sophomore Ethan Hale at 120 both won opening matches before losing backto-back. Senior Luke Cahalan couldn't battle his way out of the 165-pound consolation bracket despite being a match short of guaranteeing sixth, and junior Brantley Kottwitz went loss, win, loss at 190.

"We took a couple of tough losses, but we've got some younger guys who got some experience from the tournament, and that's huge," Alter said. "Hopefully that keeps them hungry."

# Hall's shooting spectacle sparks **Green City into** Quarterfinal

By Henry Janssen

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The Gophers are headed for the Class 1 Quarterfinal after beating Brunswick (25-3), 71-61. As far as match-ups go on paper, a poor shooting night might have potentially cursed Green City's hopes to advance deeper into the postseason and remain undefeated. Ty Hall finished with 36 points to do more than just dispel that notion – he was bombs-away with high efficiency every possession.

The senior guard drained eight shots from beyond the arc, highlighted by four in the third quarter alone. Brunswick could have had a couple more defenders on the floor assigned to him and Hall was still going to let it fly.

"We just did a great job of finding the open shooter, and thankfully I just got rolling tonight," Hall said. "They knew what we wanted to do, they saw it on film, but our guys did a really good job of swinging it until we had an easy basket a lot of times."

The Gophers' five-point halftime lead, 34-29, got to 11 by the end of the third, and it wasn't that the Wildcats were turning it over or playing bad basketball – just the fact that two is worth less than three cost them and deflated them. Brunswick could have had a couple more defenders on the floor assigned to him and Hall was still going to let the thing fly. Sometimes it's just a shooter's night.

Green City won a game that easily could have gone any number of different ways, with the ultimate difference being a

talented shooter just having a showcase night. For example, it would have been different if the Gophers hadn't forced two of Brunswick's best players into early foul trouble lanky senior 6-foot-4 forward Troy Zeilstra picked up his second foul in the first quarter and freshman guard Balston Brown wasn't far behind. Green City made smart reads and passes against a long and versatile quarter-court press more times than it didn't, and the its quick decision-making helped them break it regularly.

The part that no one will forget is Hall's downright cold-blooded shooting performance to never let Brunswick hope to get back into the game. In a fast-flowing 71-61 final, it never felt like Brunswick could get over the deflation that came with every well-contested jumper Hall made.

The sharpest of Hall's 3-point daggers was probably with two minutes in the third quarter to give Green City a 52-37 lead. The Wildcats, exhausted and struggling with foul problems, never trimmed it to a manageable deficit down the stretch.

"This kind of game, there wasn't really a lot of coaching," Green City's Matt Ayers said. "It's fast-paced, we're beating the press with what we've worked on and then that turns into transition points.

"Three-pointers in transition aren't our bread and butter but, hey, if you're hot, shoot it."

As he was knocking down each of his eight 3-pointers on Monday night, Hall's full-on parabola of a jump shot gave



Green City senior guard Ty Hall had himself a game on Monday night, hitting a barrage from all over the place for 36 points in his team's 71-61 victory over Brunswick. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

the tightly-packed gym just enough time to wait silently with bated breath. Each time, the place erupted even before the ball had gone in - Hall just had one of those nights and his home crowd knew it.

Green City did, in fact, have other scorers - Jaden O'Haver posted 12 points, Xander Salas had seven, and Ivan Littrell hit a couple of threes in the fourth quarter to help seal Brunswick's fate.

Brunswick coach Colton Byrd tipped his cap to the Gophers.

"Of course we'd love to play this game again," Byrd said. "I couldn't tell you who the better team is. But the better team tonight won. Our guys will be frustrated with themselves for a while but that's a good team. For sure, that team could definitely win three more games for a title.'

EDITOR'S NOTE: MSHSAA has begun using home sites instead of neutral venues until the Show-Me Showdown (semifinals, third place, and championship).

# Tigers win NCMC, enter District as top seed with highly favorable path

By Henry Janssen

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The Tigers are outright North Central Missouri Conference champions, clinched with a blowout over struggling Marshall. Kirksville claimed the title a night after getting punched in the mouth by Chillicothe on Senior Night at home.

Kirksville got drained by Chilli (19-6) on Monday, 56-29, before turning around and winning in Marshall (6-19) on Tuesday, 64-37. Ironically, the Tigers were 93-93 across two nights but neither game was competitive.

The Tigers finish the regular season 12-12. With Mexico also .500 at 12-12. Hannibal is the only NCMC team that completed its regular season slate with a winning record, finishing 14-10. Kirksville finished 9-1 in the conference while Hannibal finished 8-2, and the two teams split the season series. The difference was the Tigers winning the most recent match-up on the Mississippi on Jan. 31, 62-58.

"These kids will be great leaders and great citizens," Kirksville coach Nick Totta said about his two seniors, Paishynce Fouts and Alia Puckett, on Monday night after the loss.

"As far as basketball goes, they're definitely two girls who've made our program better."



Alia Puckett slashes to the rim in her last-ever home game on Monday night as the Tigers fell to Chillicothe. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

Kirksville has to wait until March 6 to play again in a District hosted by Mexico. As the top seed in a sixteam district, the Tigers got a bye and await the winner of four-versus-five Wright City and Hallsville on March 4. Fulton (8-15) also has a bye as the two seed.

The Tigers' opening game of Class 4 District 8 play will be 5:30 p.m. on Thursday.

# North Shelby's physicality squashes La Plata district hopes

By Henry Janssen

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La Plata, the second-seeded host of the Class 1 District 10 tournament, fell to top-seeded North Shelby on Saturday night, 50-39, in a rough-andtumble affair. North Shelby's size and interior defense combined with La Plata struggle to hit jumpers until it was too late made all the difference.

The Bulldogs defeated Bevier and Bucklin-Macon County handily in the opening two rounds of the tournament. They finish their season 18-10, while North Shelby carries on with a 16-8 record.

Junior Layne Mack and sophomore Emmagin Travis both had 15 points for the Bulldogs. North Shelby's Mallory Griffin led all scorers with 20, posting 10 in both halves.

La Plata got to the line just eight times, converting five attempts. North Shelby was 13-of-21, including going 8-of-10 in the first half while the Bulldogs got to the stripe for just two attempts.

Bulldog coach Chad Zeigler said that losing just two seniors, including Izzy Joyce who was shut down for the year in November, gives his group encouragment.

"We have a really group of girls coming back, and we're all in next year," Zeigler said. "Of course you want to win these games, but a year



Sophomore La Plata guard Emmagin Travis makes the Bulldogs go, and coach Chad Zeigler said she'll be back and ready to roll in the 2025-2026 season. She finished with 15 points in Saturday's loss in the Class 1 District 10 title game. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

from now I'm excited to see if that's going to happen, and they all know that. These girls will be committed. They'll be hungry.

"North Shelby has played one of the strongest schedules that we've seen. Marion County had a great record and we had a solid season, but everyone knew North Shelby was the one (seed)."

# Green City's double-digit lead seldom in doubt in District title against Atlanta

By Henry Janssen henry.janssen@kirksvilledailyexpress.com

After taking a 21-10 lead late in the first quarter, Green City led by seven points or fewer only once in its win against Atlanta in the Class 1 District 11 championship in Green City on Saturday night, 74-58. Getting even that close took a furious Hornet surge after the Gophers extended the lead to as large as 18 points midway through the third quarter. That push proved to be all Atlanta had left in the tank.

Three of the losses in Atlanta's 20-8 season came against a now 27-0 Green City team. Each of those Gopher wins was by double digits. Atlanta averages 70

points a game, but 58 is the most the Hornets were able to muster against the Gophers in the teams' three match-ups.

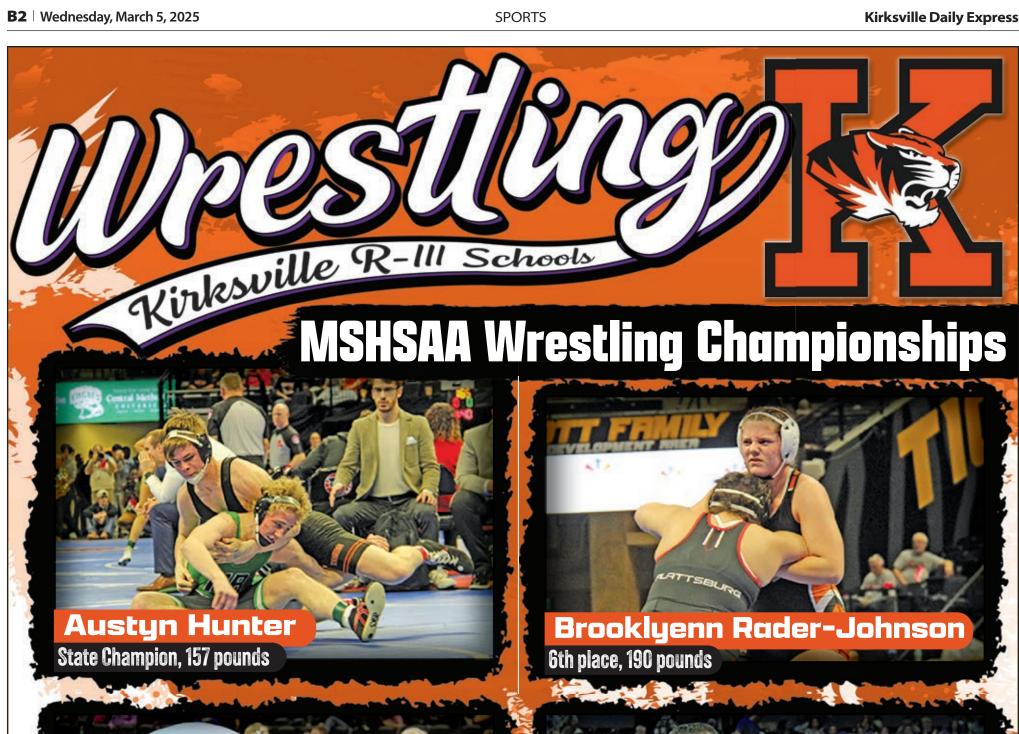
"I can say with confidence that we have some of the most competitive practices in the state," senior guard Xander Salas said. "Our depth makes it easier for us to simulate in-game situations in practice – I'm guarding this dude or I'm guarding this dude - so when we're giving each other credit as teammates a lot of it is behind the scenes."

Atlanta rolled out a bunch of Senior Green City guard different defensive looks, but none of them stopped the Gophers from scoring at will.

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Xander Salas, likely a shoo-in for a Class 1 All-State spot, slashes to the rim in Friday's win against Atlanta. HENRY













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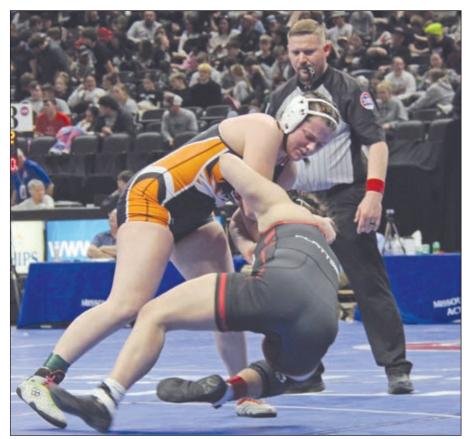
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# Sports



BrookLyenn Rader-Johnson, junior 190-pounder, finished sixth in Class 1 at the MSHSAA State Championship on Wednesday and Thursday. She won her first two matches of the tournament, lost by third-round fall in the semifinal, then suffered tough losses by decision back-to-back. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

# Kirksville girls' wrestling program has second unique medalist

By Henry Janssen

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BrookLyenn Rader-Johnson battled on Wednesday and Thursday to finish sixth in the Class 1 190-pound weight class at the State tourney. She trailed and was in danger in her opening match before the junior recorded a pin with 10 seconds remaining. She then won her next bout by major decision, but lost some tough ones after that. She was the only Kirksville representative in Columbia.

Rader-Johnson lost in the quarterfinals and then again in sudden victory in the consolation semis before a loss by 6-4 decision against Plattsburg's Kenlee Fish.

"We've just kept pushing, and our team has become pretty much a big family throughout the year," Rader-Johnson said. "I think it's a medal that represents us. I think it says a lot about all of these girls pushing to be better. I wanted to win a few more matches for them. Throughout the season, I was getting medals and just getting more confident, I guess."

Kirksville's only prior State medalist since the sport was introduced was Madisynn Crawford. She was on the podium both of the past two years, including finishing third in 2024 at 170 pounds.

# **Kirksville boys enter District** tourney off of road-heavy stretch

By Henry Janssen

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The Tigers played just one game at home in February, so neutral-site match-ups should make the Tigers feel right at home if Tyler Martin's team intends to surprise some folks and deal damage in the Class 4 postseason. By the time of this publication, Kirksville (16-10 overall, seeded third) will have played Fulton (10-14, seeded sixth), in the opening round of the District 8 tournament on Monday night. Moberly hosts the tournament.

"This is a really resilient group of guys," head coach Martin said after his team's Senior Night win on Feb. 24. "These guys have confidence to fight and claw their way throughout the course of a game, and that's huge late in the year."

The winner has a date with two-seed Hallsville on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Last week, Kirksville won its final home game versus Chillicothe, 45-41, in an intense and physical game before dropping its final regular season game at NCMC foe Marshall, 59-54, the following evening.

Kirksville has lost three of its last four, including giving one to Fulton on Feb. 14, 57-51.

The Tigers controlled the earlier game versus Fulton, 61-48, on Dec. 20 at home. Granted, Kirksville was playing some of its best basketball before the holidays and that in particular was a night where senior Cole Kelly couldn't miss - he has since been



Junior Bennett Fraser makes life tough on a Chillicothe ball handler last Monday.



In his final career game at home, Kirksville's Jace Kent battles his way around a Chillicothe defender in a 45-41 victory. The Tigers finished their regular season playing just one home game in the final 26 days. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

"We can take a punch and battle back, and this group doesn't play with the pressure of every basket matters. If we keep our poise and composure, we've seen that anyone is beatable."

EDITOR'S NOTE: The outcome of all postseason games are posted on MSHSAA. org within just a few minutes of a game's conclusion once the official scorekeeper has tallied points Lincoln attacks the and ratified the final score.



**Junior guard Cutler** rim in a win versus Chilli last week.

### DISTRICT

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Green City took a 34-22 lead into the halftime break before scoring 10 points within the first two minutes of the second half. Atlanta hit some threes to grind back to 53-46 early in the fourth quarter, but the Gophers dictated the tempo and pace from there.

"They're impressive on defense, they're physical kids," Atlanta coach Jason White said about the

Gophers. "If you're not going to get a shot up on every possession, it's hard to keep the pace. We threw out three different defenses against them which we'd talked about with our guys the past couple days but couldn't ever turn it into sustained offense.

"It was a battle for our guys tonight, we're flying at them and they're still

hitting shots. It's tough." White's team loses six seniors entering the 2025-

2026 season.

Green City's three main

scorers showed up on Saturday night. Ty Hall led all scorers with 25 points, Salas had 24, and Noah Tipton posted 14.

Atlanta's JJ White had 16 points in his final game, while Mason Reed and Grady Hruska both had 15.

"If we give up a run, they do what we do."

always regroup," Green City coach Matt Ayers said about his guys. "It's all them talking to each other. If they only heard my voice, we couldn't do a lot of the things this team does. We just have to stay locked in, stay humble, and











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#### NOTICE OF BUDGET AMENDMENT

A hearing to amend the Adair County budget is scheduled for March 12, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adair County Commissioners' office located at 106 W Washington St., Kirksville, Missouri. The proposed amended budget will be available for public review starting February 26, 2025 at the Adair County Clerk's office located at 106 W Washington St., Kirksville, Missouri. If you have input for consideration, please bring it forward to the County Commission.

INVITATION TO BID: The Adair County Health Department will accept Sealed bids for 1 new entrance/exit onto Jamison Street. Specification Sheet available by contacting the health department. Bids will be received by the Adair County Health Department Board of Trustees and Administrator located at 1001 South Jamison Street Kirksville, Missouri 63501 until 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 21, 2025 for the project known as "JAMISON STREET ENTRANCE/EXIT". Bids must be received at the above address no later than the date and time noted. Bids received after the stated date and time will be rejected. The Representative for this project is Lori Guffey, Administrator or Ron Stewart, Planner Adair County Health Department Phone: 660-665-8491.

### TRUSTEE'S SALE

### IN RE: Eugene D. Austin Sr. and Sarah L. Austin, husband and wife Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Eugene D. Austin Sr. and Sarah L. Austin, husband and wife dated May 5, 2021 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adair County, Missouri in Book 1115, Page 353 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 3:30 PM), at the South Front Door of the Court House, City of Kirksville, County of Adair, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Adair County, State of Missouri, to wit:

ALL OF LOT 11, TOWN AND COUNTRY MEADOWS SUBDIVISION TO KIRKSVILLE, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI.

to satisfy said debt and cost.

MILLSAP & SINGER, P.C., Successor Trustee 612 Spirit Drive St. Louis, MO 63005 (636) 537-0110 File No: 224969.031125.453642 FC

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. PUBLISH ON: February 12, 2025 02/19/2025, 02/26/2025, 03/05/2025

> IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE ESTATE OF: ROBBY LEE KING, Estate No.: 22AR-PR00031

#### NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF ROBBY LEE KING, Deceased.

You are hereby notified that the undersigned Personal Representative will file a Final Settlement and Petition for determination of the persons who are the successors in interest of the personal/real property of the decedent and of the extent and character of their interests therein and for distribution of such property, in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County, Missouri, on or about March 26, 2025 or [7 days after last publication] or as may be continued by the Court, and that any objections or exceptions to such Final Settlement or Petition or any item thereof must be in writing and filed within twenty days after the filing of such Final Settlement.

#### /s/Rodney King Rodney King, Personal Representative

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ATTORNEYS FOR ESTATE

BY: /s/Mark L. Williams Mark L. Williams

DATES OF PUBLICATION: February 26, March 5, 12, and 19.

### **Adair County Sheriff's Office**

The Adair County Sheriff's Office is accepting bids for one Transit Van. A bid package may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office at 215 N. Franklin St. in Kirksville or from the Adair County website

www.adaircountymissouri.com/government/bids-requested. Bids are due by March 21st by 4:00 PM local time.

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#### **COUNTY OF ADAIR, MISSOURI** Order #2025-1

The Adair County Commission hereby orders that the county ordinance 2011-12 should be fully repealed and struck from the Adair County Ordinances. The Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of this Order in a newspaper in Adair County within 30 days of today's date, and to ensure that such notice runs in such newspaper in three successive weeks.



Mark Shahan, Presiding Commissioner



Gayla McHenry, 2nd District Commissioner

INVITATION TO BID: The Adair County Health Department will accept Sealed bids for 5 heating and air conditioning units to be installed as found within the specification sheet. (Specifications available by contacting the Health Department). (Used and/or reconditioned equipment bids will not be accepted) Bids will be received by the Adair County Health Department Board of Trustees and Administrator located at 1001 South Jamison Street Kirksville, Missouri 63501 until 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 21, 2025 for the project known as "HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING REPLACEMENTS". Bids must be received at the above address no later than the date and time noted. Bids received after the stated date and time will be rejected. The Representative for this project is Lori Guffey, Administrator or Ron Stewart, Planner Adair County Health Department Phone: 660-665-8491.

### **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

For default in the payment of debt secured by a deed of trust executed by Willie J. Coleman, Hiedi R. Coleman, dated September 16, 2020, and recorded on September 17, 2020, Document No. 202000002495, in Book No. 1100, at Page 846-862 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Adair County, Missouri, the undersigned Successor Trustee will on March 14, 2025, at 1:00 PM, at the South Front Door of the Adair County Courthouse, Kirksville, Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash:

A tract of land situated in the Northeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 62 North, Range 16 West, the Northwest Quarter of Section 6, Township 62 North, Range 15 West, Adair County, Missouri and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron rod found on the South right of way line of State Route 6, from whence an iron rod found at the Northeast corner of said Section 1, bears NO0°26'07"E a distance of 149.88'; thence along a survey by Cleaver and Associates LLC, Order #12047 as follows: S00°26'07"W a distance of 439.46' to an iron rod found; thence S73°33'14"W a distance of 63.02' to an iron rod found; thence S12°36'40"E a distance of 38.95' to an iron rod found; thence \$25°24'14"E a distance of 118.19' to an iron rod found; thence \$20°12'08"E a distance of 77,15' to an iron rod found; thence N83°28'24"W a distance of 27.34' to an iron rod found at the Northeast corner of a survey by Cleaver and Associates LLC; thence along said survey as follows: S00°26'07"W a distance of 30.99' to an iron rod found; thence N83°28'24"W a distance of 157.99' to an Iron rod found; thence N46°49'09"W a distance of 51.63' to an iron rod found on the right of way line or Old Route 6, said point also being the Southeast corner of a tract of land surveyed by LS 1241 in Order #1105; thence along said survey, N02°43'03"W a distance of 623.56' to an iron rod found on the South right of way line of State Route 6; thence along said right of way line, N83°29'07"E a distance or 231.00' to the point of beginning. The above tract of land contains 3.2 acres more or less, subject to easements and restrictions of record, or not of record, if any. Per survey by Cleaver and Associates LLC, Order#12452, dated August 10, **2020.**, commonly known as 22116 Potter Trail, Kirksville, MO, 63501

Subject to all prior easements, restrictions, reservations, covenants and encumbrances now of record, if any, to satisfy the debt and costs.

SouthLaw, P.C. Successor Trustee

First Publication: February 19, 2025. For more information, visit www.southlaw.com

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#### **TRUSTEE'S SALE** IN RE: John Rice and Kimberly Rice, husband and wife Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by John Rice and Kimberly Rice, husband and wife dated April 3, 2023 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adair County, Missouri in Book 1149, Page 833 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 3:30 PM), at the South Front Door of the Court House, City of Kirksville, County of Adair, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Adair County, State of Missouri, to wit:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 3, PATTERSON'S FIRST ADDITION TO KIRKSVILLE, MISSOURI, THENCE EAST 103 FEET 8 INCHES, THENCE SOUTH 146 FEET 3 INCHES, THENCE WEST 103 FEET 8 INCHES, THENCE NORTH 146 FEET 3 INCHES TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI.

> MILLSAP & SINGER, P.C., Successor Trustee 612 Spirit Drive St. Louis, MO 63005 File No: 225725.040125.453380 FC

#### Notice

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Notice is hereby given that by an order of the Circuit Court of the County of Adair, Case No. 24AR-CV00960 made entered on the record on February 13, 2025, the name of Austin James Poole was changed to Nina Gwenavina Poole.

Notice is hereby given that by an order of the Circuit Court of the County of Adair. Case No. 24AR-CV00961 made entered on the record on February 13, 2025, the name of Rylee Lynn Starr was changed to Willow Rose Clark.

### **Adair County Sheriff's Office**

The Adair County Sheriff's Office is accepting bids for the Detention Center Food Service. A bid package may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office at 215 N. Franklin St. in Kirksville or from the Adair County website www.adaircountymissouri.com/government/bids-requested. Bids are due by March 21st by 4:00 PM local time.

#### **Adair County Sheriff's Office**

The Adair County Sheriff's Office is accepting bids for one Police Interceptor SUV. A bid package may be obtained from the Sheriff's Office at 215 N. Franklin St. in Kirksville or from the Adair County website www.adaircountymissouri.com/government/bids-requested. Bids are due by March 21st by 4:00 PM local time.

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# Ribbon-cutting held for The Gathering Grounds cafe

**By Marty Bachman** 

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Daily Express

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for "The Gathering Grounds" coffee shop, located at 2121 N. Baltimore Street in Kirksville. Founded and owned by Audra Jackson, she said their mission is to bring together people.

"My daughter went to college and we would sit in coffee shops and talk about life, and so I just wanted to have something in Kirksville where girlfriends and men groups and social groups and family could meet together,"

Jackson said. "So that's what we did. I started to envision this two years ago and put it to effect about a little over a vear ago when we built this."

Jackson said that it's a coffee shop and it's a cafe where they specialize in creating quality homemade foods.

"We make everything, pretty much in house, to be quality," she said. "It's all about quality and bringing people together and so far, the community has loved us and they have come here and gathered and there's lots of laughter and friends meeting."

Jackson said they have a lot of

social groups who reserve a back table, visit for a couple hours and have their meetings. She said that it's the atmosphere and the best roast coffees that bring folks to the cafe. Having tested coffee throughout the state and beyond, Jackson said that the Kansas City Roast at The Roasterie in Kansas City, and Messenger Coffee in Kansas City, were the best tasting coffees she had experienced and that's what she decided to serve at The Gathering Grounds.

The Gathering Grounds is open from 6 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and then Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.



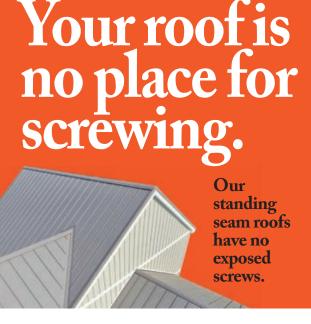






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# Ongoing KPD investigation leads to discovery of human remains

By Kirksville Police Dept.

The Kirksville Police Department would like to share some information regarding an ongoing investigation that led to the discovery of human remains.

In February 2023, detectives with the Kirksville Police Department received a vague third-party report of a possible homicide at an "abandoned house near Kirksville." Detectives conducted several interviews but were unable to obtain enough details to locate the house. On Jan. 2, 2024, the Kirksville Police Department received a "missing persons" report for the possible homicide victim. Patrol offi-

cers made several unsuccessful attempts to locate this person in Kirksville and detectives took over the investigation.

They determined the missing person and the possible homicide victim were the same. Additional research located a phone possibly belonging to the victim in the Boone County Sheriff's Department's possession. Detectives retrieved the phone and through the Kirksville Regional Computer Crimes Unit of the Kirksville Police Department, conducted a forensic download. Data retrieved from this phone led to a residence in Hurdland. Detectives contacted the Knox County Sheriff's

Department, who joined the investigation, bringing valuable information and logistics. Kirksville detectives coordinated with the Knox County Sheriff's Department on a search warrant on Feb. 25, for the Hurdland residence, which resulted in the recovery of human remains.

The victim's name is being withheld until the forensic examination is complete and the family is notified of the results.

"The Kirksville Police Department wants to express its gratitude to the Knox County Sheriff's Department, Boone County Sheriff's Department, Missouri State Highway Patrol, North Missouri Drug Task Force, Lewis County Sheriff's Department, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation," police officials said.

"This is a great example of many regional law enforcement agencies working together to solve a terrible crime and bring some closure to a familv." said Kirksville Chief of Police Scott Williamson. "I am so proud of the outstanding work of our detectives and thankful for the valuable assistance of all the other agencies involved.'

Anyone having additional information on this case should contact the Kirksville Police Department or the Knox County Sheriff's Department.

## **Highway Patrol provides** crime stats database

By Kirksville Police Dept.

Kirksville, did you know? The Missouri State Highway Patrol maintains a website covering crime statistics throughout the state. Showmecrime.mo.gov is a publicly available site where anyone can access the most current crime statistics for most cities and counties in Missouri, including Kirksville.

You can explore several crime categories and see how they have changed over the last few years. For example, in the city of Kirksville since 2021, burglaries have decreased by more than 55 percent, larceny (theft) has decreased by more than 45 percent, motor vehicle thefts have decreased by 60 percent, and total violent crimes have

'These great numbers reflect a cooperative effort by Neighborhood Watch Groups, the Adair County Prosecutor's

decreased by 20 percent.

Office, the work of our great officers, and our outstanding law enforcement partners at the Adair County Sheriff's Department, Truman State **University Department of** Public Safety, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and the North Missouri Drug Task Force," Kirksville police officials wrote in a press release. "We can continue this positive trend by working together as a community."

If you are interested in joining or starting a Neighborhood Watch Group in your area, contact the Kirksville Police Department at 660-785-6945 for details.

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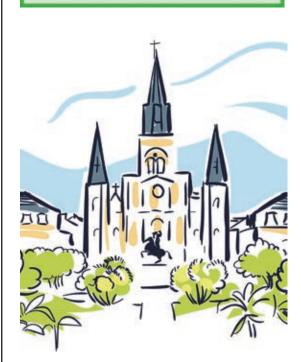
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**Hamilton Street Baptist Church** 802 W. Hamilton

www.faithkirksville.org

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups 10:15 a.m. Worship Service

**Rehoboth Baptist Church** 

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First Presbyterian Church (USA)

Communion 1st Sunday 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time. 11:00 a.m. Church School/all ages 5:30 p.m. College Fellowship

**Kirksville Church of Christ** 110 Pfeiffer Ave Elders/Pastors: Dan Green,

Dean Hansen 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11 a.m. Worship Weds 6:30p.m. Bible Study www.kvcoc.org

First Baptist Church 207 E. Washington Jason Marlin, Pastor

9:30 a.m. Bible Study for all ages 10:45 a.m. Worship & Kidz Worship firstbaptistkirksville.com

Faith United Methodist Church 1602 E. Illinois

Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship

**Southside Baptist Church** 1010 W. Burton Pastor: Aaron Rodgerson 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Preaching 6.30 p.m. Evening Service **First Church of God** 2900 S. Halliburton

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship www.firstchurchoflove.com **Central Church of Christ** 

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**Faith Baptist Church** 

Pastor: Brandon Rhea 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 12:30 p.m. Noon Lunch

The Crossing Church 810 E. Shepherd Ave. 9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Service

**Grace Community Bible Church** 

1501 E. Northtown Rd Benjamin Jorden, Pastor Affiliated with the Evangelical Free

**Church of America** 9:30 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 12 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m. Small groups KirksvilleGCBC@amail.com

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300 E. Washington Pastor: Choongho Kwon 9:30 a.m. Worship In Person & Online kvumc.org

**First United Methodist Church** 

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**Pure Air Baptist Church** 

807 Benton Way Pastor: Rob Linhart 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Evenina Service **Fellowship Baptist Church** 

1701 S. Jamison St., Kirksville Larry Gibson, Pastor 9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Bible Study fbck@sbcglobal.net

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9:00 p.m. Wednesday **Union Temple Church** Southwest of Kirksville Alan Coonfield, Pastor Every Sunday Evening

5-5:30 p.m. Bible Study

**Sugar Creek Baptist Church** 5 mi South on Hwy 3 Pastor, Virgil K. Jones

5:30-6:30 p.m. Church Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service **Hazel Creek Primitive Baptist Church** 2 mi. W. Greentop on Rt. K then 1/2 mi. S.

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602 E. Washington 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 Morning Worship

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112 W. Potter Jeremy Pingle, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Service

**Community Presbyterian Church** 210 N. Owensby, LaPlata, Mo Pastor Rev Jeff Carter 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Worship Service

1702 N Elson St Kirksville, MO Jeremy Broach, Senior Pastor

Chad Stearman, Associate Pastor Sunday 10 am - Morning Worship Wednesday 6:30 pm-8 pm Family Ministry

www.cornerstonechurch.faith **Countryside Christian Church** 

S. Boundary St. Rt. H, Troy Mills Preacher, Harold R. Engel 9:00 a.m. Worship

10:15 a.m. Bible Study www.countrysidekv.com **Gifford Christian Church** Minister: Darren Potter

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Lake Road Chanel 22963 Potter Trail

Pastors: Andrew Turner, 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship www.lakeroadchapel.org

**Church of God (Holiness)** 1601 N. Elson Pastor Ralph E. Wheeler, Jr. 9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship **New Hope Evangelical Church** 

620 Steer Creek Way 9:30 - 10:20 a.m. Bible Class 10:20 - 10:30 a.m. Fellowship time 10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship Sean Killin, Pastor 816-351-0623 Jim Maxev. Calling Pastor

660-665-6949 or 660-216-4183

First Assembly of God 2401 S. High St., Kirksville Shawn Meintz, Pastor Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:40 a.m. Worship Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Family Night www.kirksvillefirst.org info@kirksvillefirst.org First Liberty Full Gospel

1302 E. Filmore Rev. Fred Baker, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

**Novinger Baptist Church** 

Highway 6 & 149 Rev. Darrell Crooks, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

**First Christian Church** High & Harrison Timothy Polley, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Worship Service The Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter Day Saints

Kirksville First Ward Bishop John Grider 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sunday Services Kirksville Second Ward Bishop Isaac Ison 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sunday Services

**Trinity Episcopal Church** 124 N. Mulanix

Rev. Amy L. Fallon, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**Seventh Day Adventist Churcl** 1301 N. Elson

Kent Dunwoody, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sabbath School (Saturday) 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Saturday) Fellowship Dinner on 4th Saturday. 712-541-4675

**United Methodist Church** Brashear Charge, Brashear Lay Minister, Nancy Douglas 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship

7:00 p.m. Singspiration - 1st Sunday **Willow Bend Association East Center Community Church** 

10:45 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Pastor Terry Hunsaker 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 660-349-0052

**Baring Community Church** 11:00 a.m. Worship

**Downing Christian Church** 430 E. Prime Street Minister Walker Franke Associate Minister Larry Smith

9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Service 660-379-2329

**Willow Bend Church** Find Us on Facebook for Event Schedule

**New Hope Methodist** Church - Millard

9:15 a.m. Bible Stud

10:00 a.m. Worship **Greentop Community Church** Highway K, Greentop, Mo

Pastor: Lynae McFarland 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Trinity United

Pastor: Josh Botello 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 660-626-4446

**Fellowship Church** 

Lancaster United **Methodist Church** 

Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

**Shekinah Mennonite Church** 15981 Blueberry Way, Kirksville John Mark Miller, Pastor Roger Berry 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship

6:00 p.m. 2nd Sunday - hymn sing 6:00 p.m. 4th Sunday of month Topic **Bethel Community Church** 12 miles NE of Kirksville on Rt. T

Marvin Cross, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Kid's Klub/Youth Fellowship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Southeast Side of Square, Lancaster Lonnie Johnson, Pastor 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

**Lancaster Baptist Church** 

Rev. Earl Baker, Pastor 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 5:00 p.m. Evening Service **Winigan Christian Church** Ryan Crist, Pasto

**Grace Bible** 

**Baptist Church** 

Greencastle, Mo.

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service **First Baptist Church** Winigan, Winigan, Mo.

Sam Burkholder, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship **Fairview Baptist Church** 53610 Knob Hill Road, Pollock

Sam Burkholder, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening

**Bible Missionary Church** 508 S. Main St. Bro. Glenn Kiger, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

**LaPlata Christian Church** Scott McNay, Pastor

9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service **Queen City Christian Church** 

Justin Brinev. Pastor 9:30 a.m. Bible School 10:30 a.m. Communion/worship Hour

**United Pentecostal Church** 1502 E. Northtown Road David E. Brown, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

6:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Worship **Brashear Community Bible Church** Donny Powell, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

660-323-5305 First Baptist Church of LaPlata B. J. McAlpin, Pastor

9:00 am "Donut Hole" Fellowship 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Worship 6:00 pm Monday – AWANA

http://laplatafbc.org/ Email: laplatafbc@gmail.com **Hazel Creek Free Will Baptist Church** 8 mi. N.W. of Kirksville on Rt. B.

Tim Hodges, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship **Worthington Baptist Church** 

Worthington, Mo. Roger Busnell, Pastor 9.30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship The Salvation Army

1004 W. Gardner Brian and Michelle Bump, Pastors 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

**Queen City First Baptist Church** 6th at Washington St. Sam Burkholder, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

7:00 p.m. Evening Worship St. John's Lutheran Church ELCA North of Queen City go East on Rt. O Pastor Bill lammatteo-Code

11:00 a.m. Worship Service **Hurdland First Baptist Church** Robert Shobe, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

7:30 p.m. Sun. & Weds. Worship and/or Bible Study **Colony Baptist Church** 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. 4th Sunday worship

**Community Church** Meeting at the Fohn Family Center 404N. Elson 9:30 a.m. Sunday Small Group Bible

Study designed for adults **Locust Hill Community Church** Rt. I, Novelty, Mo William Gaines, Pastor

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship **New Harmony** Free Will Baptist

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship **Word Alive! Family Church** Hwv 63, Greentop Pastors: Robert Gange

3 miles West of Greentop on Rt. K

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship, Adult service, Childrens Church **Schuyler County Church** of Faith

Highway 136 East, Lancaster Sonny Smyser, Pastor 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Sunday Services 11:00 a.m. Adult Sunday Class 3rd Sunday Fellowship dinner 12 noon

**Gospel Outreach Church** 209 W. Washington Norman Keller, Pastor Gonda Manning, Co pastor 7:00 p.m. Thursday Services 7:00 p.m. Sunday Servic

**Victory Baptist Church** Of Greentop -Meets at the Willmathsville Community
Church on Hwy A.

10:30 a.m. Worship Union Temple Pastor Alan Coonfield Sunday evening worship 5:00 pm Bible Study

5:30 pm Worship

Pastor Joshua Wesley