

## Traffic stop leads to Belle man's arrest, recovery of stolen items

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Following a traffic stop in Belle at about 2:15 a.m. last Tuesday, July 6, Deputy Jesse Henson observed several items in the bed of the truck driven by Kerry J. Haines, 36, of Belle, which led to a charge receiving stolen property.



OSAGE COUNTY JAIL  
**KERRY J. HAINES**

Haines, who became irate and argumentative when Deputy Henson told him to exit the vehicle, was held in custody for driving without a valid license as authorities took inventory of the items in the vehicle.

Among the items found were several flat pry bars, hammers, and a DeWalt cordless chainsaw. On the battery attached to the cordless chainsaw, Deputy Henson observed the marking "DSL" in black marker. Due to communication with Owensville residents and law enforcement officials from Gasconade County, Henson said he knew the marking "DSL" to be the initials of a victim which had recently suffered an approximately \$15,000 loss as a result of a theft.

The inventory search of the vehicle yielded additional DeWalt cordless batteries, also labeled "DSL."

During the inventory of the vehicle, Deputy Henson seized the following property: a DeWalt XR 20V Brushless Chainsaw w/ battery - Labeled "DSL" (valued at \$150), a DeWalt 20V Lithium Ion Battery - Labeled "DSL" (valued at \$180 -pair of batteries), a DeWalt Flex Volt 60V Lithium Ion Battery 9.0 AH (valued at \$200), a Sony personal audio docking station, a Moultrie MCG 13238 Trail Camera, a Moultrie MCG 13202 Trail Camera, a Mr. Heater Buddy Heater, a BlueMax Brush Cutter/Trimmer 2 Stroke 42.7cc, a Stiletto 14oz Titanium Hammer with oversized handle (valued at \$135), an Eastwing Hammer, 460 Channel Lock pliers (valued at \$54), a Vaughan Super Bar Blue Flat Bar (valued at \$17), a Black Flat Pry Bar (valued at \$14), a large, Black Hexagon Pry Bar (valued at \$17), a Stanley stud-finder (valued at \$30), a

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## School starts

Students from Maries R-1 elementary (above) attend the open house Monday before beginning school today (Wednesday). The Maries R-2 school district hosted their open house Tuesday evening before beginning school Thursday. Belle second grade teacher Mis Seaver welcomes students into her classroom.



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## County commissioners, Bland aldermen restrict time on public comments agenda item

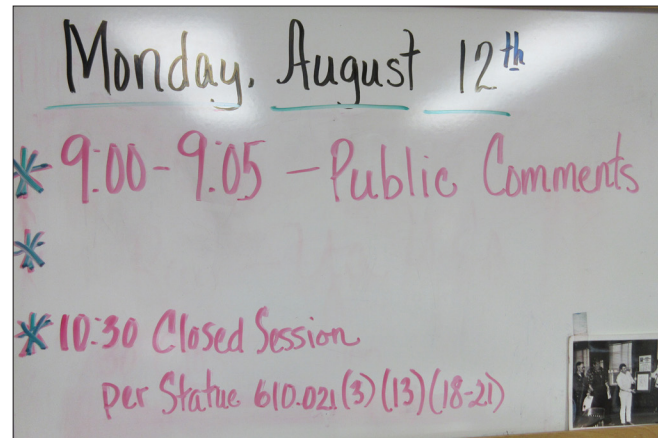
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Citizens who want to address any of the county commissioners will have more opportunity if they simply call them because as a group the Maries County Commission on Monday said citizens of the county will only be allowed to address them from 9 to 9:05 a.m. at the two public meetings they have on Mondays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

The commissioners met with Maries County Prosecuting Attorney last Thursday in executive session but no motions were made. The commissioners on Monday said they did not vote on reducing public opinions and voices at the meetings, but had simply decided to limit the time citizens can speak to the first five minutes of the meeting.

Presiding Commissioner Victor Stratman said the meeting had become "kind of a circus" and they wanted them to have a "more formal agenda." Stratman said they will start at 9 a.m. and have five minutes for people who want to come and do business with the commission. They also have to call the county clerk on a day before the meeting in order to get on the agenda. Stratman said the commissioners also want to be aware of what the citizen wants to talk about beforehand in order to keep the meetings more orderly.

When asked, Stratman would not comment on why the



commissioners have profoundly changed how they deal with county citizens' spoken opinions and concerns at their public meetings, or whose idea it was. He didn't want to discuss it further and quickly moved on to talking about the air conditioner bids.

Maries County citizen, Edna Smith, 78, a church-going widow who lives on MCR 522, who has been attending the meetings, commented she thinks the reason the commissioners are doing this is because of her. The commissioners did

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## Vienna City Council gives okay for Rodeo

Discusses marijuana fire code, ordinances

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VIENNA — The Vienna City Council gave its approval for a rodeo to be held at the horse arena at the Vienna City Park, leasing the arena to Chaney Beltz for the event.

Beltz was present at the July Vienna City Council meeting. He said the Missouri Rodeo Cowboy Association (MRCA) Rodeo will be held Sept. 6 and 7. He said information on the flyer for the rodeo says the proceeds will go to the Vienna Athletic Booster Club but Beltz thinks

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## Maries County Fair asking community to volunteer in food stand

The Maries County Fair Board is asking community members to give them two hours of their time by working a shift in the concession stand at the annual Maries County Fair, which will be held at the Vienna City Park Aug. 28-31.

This year the fair board is not contracting out the food concessions at the fair and instead, in an effort to make money, the fair board will be responsible for the main food concession stand. Because of this, they need volunteers from the community to help with The Caped Crusader Cafe behind the grandstand. Volunteers are especially needed to work two hours shifts on Friday and Saturday taking food orders, collecting money and serving the food. Hours of operation on Friday will be from noon until about 10 p.m. and on Saturday from 11:45 a.m. until 10 p.m. or later. To volunteer, sign up on the Maries County Fair Association's Facebook page through private messaging or contact Desiree Shockley at 573-422-3323, or Cindy Curtis at 573-308-5793.

The fair board members decided to take over the food concessions to try to increase the fair's profit, which has been becoming less and less each year. The board met last week and Treasurer Desiree Shockley reported the 2018 fair's total profit at

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## County selects propane provider, deals with no air conditioning in the county jail

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MARIES COUNTY — The Maries County Commission last week gathered information, bids and made decisions about several building issues.

The air conditioner for the Maries County Jail in the basement, the men's jail area, has been out of service since Aug. 1 and that area is becoming progressively more uncomfortable as the heat rises and the humidity increases.

Presiding Commissioner Victor Stratman spoke to several contractors who work on and install air conditioners and they came to the courthouse to look over the project.

The jail has its own air conditioning unit, which was installed when the basement was renovated for the sheriff's office in 1998. The commissioners received a couple of bids. On Monday the commissioners reviewed the bids. Rehagen bid \$9,287, Integrated Facility Services (IFS) of Rolla submitted a bid of \$7,386, and Berhorst Heating and Cooling gave a bid of \$5,812. The commissioners accepted the low bid by Berhorst and Commissioner Stratman contacted the company, which is now owned by Chris Fisher of Fisher Mechanical. He said they will get right on this job. Stratman said the air handler may be moved to an area where it is easier to work on and it may require some work by an electrician.

The commissioners also chose a new propane provider, giving the county's business to MFA Propane, the lowest bidder. The courthouse uses about 6,000 gallons of propane each year. MFA Propane bid \$0.98 per gallon. Other bidders were Three Rivers Propane \$1.05 per gallon, Lock's Mill \$1.00 per gallon, Dickneite Oil Company \$1.129 per gallon, and All Star/Capital Propane \$1.29. Stratman contacted MFA Propane and was told they will send a contract. After some discussion about it, he contacted the company again to see if MFA adds a service/delivery fee and was told the bid given of \$0.98 per gallon is the delivered price. Because the company did not have the county's propane contract last year, they will do a leak check also.

### TURN RIGHT

County Clerk's Deputy, Renee Kottwitz, said as a security measure they think using the safes to get in and hide from a person who comes into the courthouse to do violence is a good alternative if a way can be found to latch and securely lock them from the inside. The safes located in the county commission room, the collector's office, the circuit clerk and recorder's office, the treasurer's office, and in the Vienna License Office all are bulletproof and would make a secure and shielded place to get away from a person with a gun who means to shoot up the place.

Stratman looked at the safe in the county commission room and said he will check into this as he thinks it would be easy to

put some type of clasp that would secure the heavy doors on the inside of these large safes.

Kottwitz said the county clerk's office would be a prime target for a shooter as when people come into the building via the front door, the county clerk's office is the office on the right and people have a tendency to turn right first.

On Monday Stratman had a deadbolt apparatus he got at MFA and he thinks it could be mounted on the inside of the safe's door and will be a secure lock. However, he questioned what would happen if someone was locked in the safe and had a medical issue, which could happen during the ex-

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## A NEW ADVENTURE

# Reagan was talking about legal immigrants

Last week in the Gasconade County Republican a reader from Warrenton submitted a letter to the editor quoting the 40th President of the United States, Ronald Reagan:

*America represents something universal in the human spirit. I received a letter not long ago from a man who said, 'You can go to Japan to live, but you cannot become Japanese. You can go to France to live and not become a Frenchman. You can go to live in Germany or Turkey, and you won't become a German or a Turk.' But then he added, 'Anybody from any corner of the world can come to America to live and become an American.'*

*This I believe is one of the most important sources of America's greatness. We lead the world because, unique among nations, we draw our people, our strength, from every country and every corner of the world. Thanks to each wave of new arrivals to this land of opportunity, we're a nation forever young, forever bursting with energy and new ideas, and always on the cutting edge; always leading the world to the next frontier.*

Then the author went on to call our current president a racist for wanting to uphold the laws of the United States, laws that were voted on and passed by both Democrats and Republicans.

I believe Reagan was referencing legal immigrants

by **DENNIS WARDEN**



in that speech from his last day in office.

This gives me a wonderful opportunity to point out the difference between legal and illegal immigrants.

Let's get one thing straight, all Americans, with the exception of the small percent of Native Americans, can trace their ancestry to immigrants from other nations around the world. Most of those, including my family which has its origins from Prussia on my mother's side and Ireland from my father's side, came here legally.

According to the 2016 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics (the latest figures available), the United States admitted 1.18 million legal immigrants in 2016. Guess what, that makes the USA number one. In fact we allowed more legal immigrants that year than the next three countries combined — Germany

(1,051,000), The United Kingdom (350,100) and Canada (296,400). In the continuing argument over immigration policies that is rarely brought up.

In Trump's 2019 State of the Union speech he said he wanted to see the "largest numbers ever" of legal immigrants entering the country. "I want people to come into our country, in the largest numbers ever, but they have to come in legally."

To follow up on that, this summer the Trump administration nearly doubled the H-2B guest visa program, which brings in mostly Mexican workers.

The reason it's called illegal immigration — something Democrats running for president will not say — is they are breaking the law. Illegal differentiates from those seeking legal immigration.

In 2014 a leading politician in a message to Central American families said, "Do not send your children to the borders... if they do make it, they'll get sent back." That was said by President Barack Obama.

That was just one of many tough statements he made to stem the flow of illegal immigration from Mexico. In 2010, Obama said, "The presence of so many illegal immigrants makes a mockery of all those who are going through the process of immigrating legally."

During the Obama administration we deported three million illegal immigrants. Domingo Garcia,

president of the League of United Latin American Citizens says "The Obama and (Joe) Biden administration were terrible in their first term, his title of deporter in chief was earned."

Earlier this year House Democrats used a picture of migrant children in cages in a tweet to promote a hearing on immigration detention facilities to show, in their minds, how inhumane and racist Trump really is. Problem is the photo they used was taken in 2014 during Obama's term.

The Obama administration built those cages that hold immigrant children at the U.S. border with Mexico. The parents are separated from their children because they broke the law. State and local government take away children from citizens who break the law all the time. We report on it in this publication. Everyone seems shocked when it happens to someone breaking the law entering the U.S..

Using the same measurement that our letter writer had I can only assume that Obama is a racist. But of course no one says that because only a Republican president is considered racist for trying to uphold the laws of the United States.

NOTE: Just last week, the niece of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Dr. Alveda King said "I've had the experience of going head to head with genuine racists. President Trump is not a racist."

## MAIL BAG

### Chose your words responsibly

Mr. Warden,

Your editorial in defense of President Trump's hateful rhetoric that has been attacked by some Democrats as racist deserves a response. Mr. Trump's hostile speech attacking opponents has become so vitriolic that we are becoming numb to the hateful sentiments his words. And when his attacks are against people of color, as they often are, they can be seen as racist.

Mr. Trump's attacks have been most hateful toward minorities; the black congressman whose job it is to run the Congressional committee that oversees government agencies, the four congresswomen of color who dare to disagree with him, black athletes who protest, immigrants, legal and illegal, from Latin America, Muslims from all over the world.

Mr. Trump has every right to disagree with members of Congress. He has every right to promote his policies concerning immigration, homeland security, and political protests. But to attack an entire city and blame all the problems of the predominately black city on the congressman was wrong. Our urban centers, St. Louis and Kansas City, have many similar problems.

Mr. Trump's continued use of hateful language (telling non-white members of congress, American citizens, to go back to the countries they came from, calling non-white countries "...hole countries," referring to migration of brown-skinned

people as invasions and infestations, generalizing that Latin immigrants are criminals and rapists, suggesting that migrants from Latin America should be shot, urging non-white athletes who protest by kneeling be fired) seems to be strongest and most denigrating toward minorities. His failure to condemn white supremacists, the Klu Klux Klan or David Duke make it seem he is easier with his criticism toward white folks.

Racism is "prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed at someone of a different race based on the belief that one's own race is superior."

Perhaps it is just that the President uses negative, derogatory words are used on a regular basis against those he doesn't like. But these comments sound like antagonism directed at people of other races due to their perceived inferiority. Words matter. Let's all, including Mr. Trump, discuss the issues, not call people hateful names.

Finally, let's all, especially you, Mr. Warden, stop referring to the words or actions of a specific Democrat or Republican or Liberal or Conservative or race as the words or actions of all people of that general philosophy or group. All Democrats and all minorities do not agree nor vote the same. And I am sure you do not always agree with Steve Bannon and David Duke. Word choice in a public forum is a responsibility.

Terry Schwartz  
Vienna, Mo.

## Will it ever end?

Dear Editor,

In the weekend (of Aug. 3-4), there were two more mass shootings—one in El Paso, Texas, with 21 deaths and 26 injured, and one in Dayton, Ohio, with nine dead and 27 injured.

When will America stand up to this president and the Republican senate and Mitch McConnell and demand that something is done? This is how Adolf Hitler manipulated the masses in the 1930s that led to the second world war. The Republicans have bowed down to the NRA and their money for decades.

Some 80 percent of Americans are in agreement that gun control is needed. I'm not in favor of taking away guns per se or trashing the second amendment, but these assault rifles have no place in our culture, especially those with multiple ammo magazines, as many as 50 rounds or more. These are just made to kill people

and should only be allowed to be used by law enforcement or the military.

It has been estimated that there are over 393 million guns in the US already.

In the recent past there were mass murders in Las Vegas, Nev., on Oct. 1, 2017, with 58 killed and over 500 injured; on Nov. 5, 2017, in Sutherland Springs, Texas, more than two dozen were killed and many injured; On Feb. 14, 2018, at Douglas High School (in Parkland, Fla.) 17 students and two teachers were killed and many others injured; on May 18, 2018 at Santa Fe High School (in Santa Fe, Texas) eight students and two teachers were murdered and 13 wounded; on June 28, 2018 at Annapolis, Md., five were dead and many injured; on Oct. 27, 2018, at Pittsburgh, Pa., 11 were dead and many injured; on Nov. 7, 2018, at Thousand Oaks, Calif., 12 were killed and many injured; on Feb. 15, 2019, in Chicago, Ill., five were killed and many

were injured; and on May 31, 2019, at Virginia Beach, Va., 12 were killed and many were injured.

There have been over 300 multiple gun killings already in 2019.

Since 2016 when this president started his campaign, hate crimes are up 226 percent. That should tell you something right there.

This president said on national TV that he is a white nationalist. He loves Kim Jong Un and thumbs his nose at our friends. These are facts, folks, which no one can deny.

I will get trashed by the many gun nuts for presenting these facts, you can count on it. But, I don't care because I feel for these many who have lost loved ones. Someone needs to stand by them.

May God help us. Amen.  
Lawrence Wansing,  
Meta, Mo.,

## Respect for our courthouse

To the Editor:

The citizens of Maries County are proud of our courthouse. About 20 years ago, we voted to impose a sales tax to renovate the court house and make it handicap accessible. This was a great improvement and the court house and grounds look great. Joe does a good job of keeping it clean and neat.

However, recently at the outside

smoking areas, people have been throwing cigarette butts and packaging on the ground. Also people standing in these areas are putting their feet on the building and staining the concrete.

People have the right to smoke and probably don't think that their cigarette butt is a big deal, but hundreds of them make a real eyesore as do the skuffs on the side of the building.

Cleaning up these areas takes time that could better used inside or on the grounds. If you use these areas while you are at our court house, please dispose of trash properly.

Vic Stratman  
Maries County Presiding Commissioner

## HOMETOWN BOY

### New building provides home for State Historical Society

Our state's history found a new home. Saturday, there was ribbon cutting for a new building for our State Historical Society. MU president Mon Choi said we've waited 121 years for the society to have its own building.

An imposing structure on the north edge of MU campus holds more than history. It's called "Center for Missouri Studies." History classes will be held here.

You and I are in that historic collection. Anyone ever mentioned in a Missouri newspaper is in the newspaper microfilm collection. Most films go back to the papers' starts.

I've used those records for family history and much more. All of the collections will be much more assessable.

I first used the history library in 1957, writing my freshman English class term paper. That was on the "Honey Wars." That's a dispute between Iowa and Missouri, over where the state line would be placed. It seems the area teemed with hollow trees full of honeybees with valued honey.

This "war" affected my family and me. In part, it determined that I would be a Missourian, not an Iowan. The moving of the state line also affected an ancient family member. He served in both Iowa and Missouri state legislatures without moving from his house. The state line moved, not him.

I would have been an Iowan, based on family history. But, a house to rent when my parents married was a few yards south of the state line in Missouri. I was born in the suburb, South Lineville, Mo.

I'm a Missourian by birth. New mothers didn't go to hospitals for birthing then. Two grandmothers and a mid-wife came to tend my mother and me.

That birthplace set my path for education at MU in Columbia. That's fortunate as Missouri has the best Journalism School and Ag College compared to that other land-grant in Ames, Iowa. That's a personal bias.

I have connection with more recent history. I was shocked when a Historical Society editor met me on the building tour. She asked: "Aren't you the mule-history photographer?" Yep, Dr. Melvin Bradley, MU equine specialist, led me a couple of years making oral histories and photos of mule owners. That was my education in Missouri culture. We were, "The Mule State."

Fame came largely for supplying mules that provided power to fight World War One. Our mules went to war again in WW II. People around the world learned of our state's mules.

I was exposed to mules early, as a farm boy. My grandfather Dailey sold the first Model T Fords across a wide area.

He took mule teams in on trade. Those ended up on the farm owned by my father. I grew up with both mules and horses. That's when I learned mules are smarter than horses. That belief, shared by old mule men and women was told in many history interviews.

Those stories add a mass of papers, miles and miles of paper, in the SHSMO collection.

Former Sen. Kit Bond attended the dedication. He'd added 400 boxes of his papers after retirement.

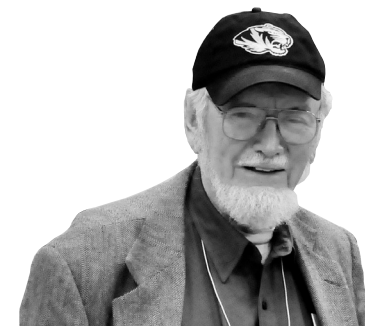
Many politicians who helped the building appropriation were there in bipartisan support. Leading off was Lt. Gov. Mike Kehoe. He was followed by Northwest Missouri State Sen. Dan Hegeman, an early sponsor.

The new center holds more than history papers. A library spreads out in impressive display. Also, large galleries hold Missouri Art particularly by Thomas Hart Benton and George Caleb Bingham.

I've delved into the microfilmed newspapers. Now, I plan to do more. Family historians will find all more accessible now on their trip to Columbia. In his introduction, Society leader Gary Kremer promised lots of free parking for patrons. MU campus isn't known for that. Come visit.

Several speakers noted the Center provides a link between town and gown. It has two front doors: North to the city. South to campus.

Tell your history link to duanedailey7@gmail.com.



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the city should get a donation as well, possibly receiving half of the profit for letting them have the rodeo there. Beltz said if the rodeo is successful he wants to have it every year.

He wants to have a beer garden at the event and Police Chief Shannon Thompson said he will need a license. Beltz said Tracey Shiver is helping him with the food concessions and she also has a license for the beer sales. Thompson said the city has an open container law and they can't leave the event with a beer. Beltz said the beer garden will be enclosed with ID's checked and they get tickets to buy the beer; they can't take a beer into the stands of the rodeo. South Ward Alderwoman and acting mayor at the meeting, Brenda Davis, said the beer can't be on any land the Tackett family donated to the city. Thompson said they don't want any trouble. Beltz said he knows there are risks with minors around, but they need to have a beer garden to make money.

Thompson said the best way is for the city to lease the horse arena to them, the same way the city leases a street to Visitation Parish twice a year. Davis said the city gives them a waiver. Clerk Sherry James said the rodeo company needs to show proof of insurance. Thompson said the insurance needs to cover everything involved. It's a liability policy. The lease releases the city from liability.

Beltz said he will check with Utilities Superintendent Shon Westart about parking. The rodeo is scheduled the weekend after the fair and he thought the horse trailers could be parked in the field by the motor sports area. North Ward Alderman Tyler James said parking is not an issue if it's dry. If it's wet, Beltz said they can park in the gravel parking lot and walk to the arena, adding that he's walked

farther at rodeo events.

Thompson asked him to talk to the rodeo contractor about the insurance, and lease the arena from the city and he'll be "good to go." Davis said once the city gives the lease, Chief Thompson will be his contact person to make sure all is in place.

Beltz said they want good attendance at the rodeo as that's how they make money. James made the motion to allow the lease and told Beltz he hopes it works out. The council approved the rodeo using the horse arena and allowing the beer garden.

Beltz restated his plans to give the city half of the proceeds. Clerk James said the city spends a lot of money on ballfields at the park. Beltz said the rodeo will make money on attendance, sponsors, selling food and beer, and raffle proceeds. If the rodeo is successful, they'll have one every year or possibly a bull ride event.

### IN OTHER BUSINESS:

• In old business, the council discussed the marijuana entrepreneur's effort to obtain the city's Thomas Coffey Industrial Development Park along Highway V. James said the deal is with the attorneys now but he thinks they are very close. The company, Hippo's, has until Aug. 17 to submit the paperwork to apply for the appropriate marijuana license through the state of Missouri. Davis said the contract is all pending upon the company getting the proper license.

• Clerk James read the Bill 19-03 Ordinance fixing the annual rate of levy for the real estate and personal property taxes within the corporate limits of the city of Vienna. The general revenue tax levy will be 0.6208 for the 2019 taxable year and the tax levy for Special Road District #8 will be .2313. The council held a public meeting at the beginning of the



PHOTO BY LAURA SCHIERMEIER

**JESSE JONES** (left), served as South Ward Alderman for the first time during Vienna City Council's July meeting. Chaney Beltz (center) received the council's approval to use the horse arena for a rodeo in September, and South Ward Alderwoman Brenda Davis (right) acted as mayor at the meeting in the absence of Mayor Jeremy Smith.

meeting to set the tax levies. The council approved the ordinance.

• Chief Thompson said he spoke with Fire Chief Mike Smith who talked about a training he had attended about fire hazards with the marijuana/cannabis oil manufacturing process and the use of compressed gas. Thompson said he's not sure what it all entails and he will try to obtain more information about it.

Davis said there are a lot of rules in the new marijuana law. The council members think they may need to pass ordinances to deal with the marijuana industrial process. James said they need to check with the attorney about these issues and make sure the city has done what it needs to do before any contract is signed. Davis said the council may need to have a public hearing for the people of the community to express their opinions. Clerk James said the contract the attorney is working with the company on is for the land.

Westart said the spec building in the industrial park does not have a suppression system and Vienna has no code for it. Thompson said the industrial park will be "like a fortress" if Hippo's is successful with its license and locates in the industrial park. Because of this, Thompson said it may be hard to get fire trucks inside and the air lock will limit the response.

Thompson said Smith was going for more training and the council will need his help to establish a fire code. James said they need to talk to the city attorney about all of their concerns.

The council members want to have the proper ordinances in place, but also do not want to pass ordinances that will change things on the company after the contract is signed. Research will need to be done to see what other communities are doing. Thompson said whatever the council decides to enact, it needs to do it soon before the contract is signed.

• It was the first meeting for recently appointed South Ward Alderman, Jessie Jones.

• In the financial report, Clerk James reported cash fund balances: General Fund \$59,264.39; Water Fund \$39,916.08; Street Fund \$41,526.14; and Sewer Fund.

Fund revenues and expenses were reported: General Fund revenues \$23,714.06 (seven percent of budget) and expenses \$29,622.43 (nine percent of budget); Water Fund revenues \$11,855.54 (seven percent) and expenses \$14,476.95 (10 percent); Street Fund revenues \$6,912.82 (seven percent) and expenses \$4,237.25 (six percent); and Sewer Fund revenues \$5,790.64 (seven percent) and expenses \$3,267.05 (seven percent).

## New employee



Connie Sandbothe was welcomed as the new, part time employee at the Vienna License Office. She will be working three days a week and Monday was her first day. Sandbothe recently retired after 20 years of working at the Department of Revenue in Jefferson City.

PHOTO BY LAURA SCHIERMEIER

## Contestants needed for County Farm Queen, Princess contests

Young ladies ages 12 to 19 years old can sign up to be part of the Maries County Fair's Farm Queen and Farm Princess contests. The contest will be held at the livestock barn at the Vienna City Park on the evening of Wednesday, Aug. 29.

Queen candidates must be 15 to 19 years old and Princess candidates must be 12 to 14 years old. The candidates compete against one another in a series of farm activities, and there will be a question portion of the contest. Each contestant will have to answer one random question in front of the judges. Fancy dresses are not needed as the appropriate farm attire to complete the tasks are t-shirts and jeans and for the question portion, the contestants are asked to dress in nice jeans, boots/shoes, and a nice button-up shirt. Hats are optional. The winners receive cash prizes.

Bailey McCully is in charge of this year's Farm Queen and Princess contest. Pre-registration is required by calling her at 573-301-3189 or by email mariescountyfair@aol.com. The registration form needs to be completed and to McCully by Aug. 26.

## Fair's Little Mr., Miss pageant contestants can dress up as their favorite Superhero

The contestants in the Maries County Fair's Little Mr. and Miss contest can dress up as their favorite superhero, myth, or legend as that is the theme of the 74th annual fair.

Contestants are needed for the annual Little Mr. and Miss Pageant to be held Wednesday, Aug. 28 at the barn on the fairgrounds, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The contestants, boys and girls ages 4-6 years old, may bring their favorite book, action figure or legendary prop. As part of the

contest, they will be asked questions about themselves and their favorite superhero, myth or legend.

Pre-registration is not required but is welcomed. There will be a table set up at the fair for registration that evening.

There will be prizes for the first, second and third place winners and all contestants will receive a super gift bag. Contact Bailey McCully at 573-301-3189 with questions or registration, or email her at mariescountyfair@aol.com.



## Trustee sale held on Maries County courthouse steps

The Trustees Sale held on the courthouse steps by Millsap & Singer, P.C. of St. Louis on a recent morning drew a bit of a crowd. The property for sale is located at Highway 42 West and Highway T near Vienna and was owned by Angel Soto and Leopoldina Goycochea. There were three bidders—the lien holder, Brandon Farrow, and Gerald Schwartz. The \$82,000 bid by Gerald Schwartz was the highest bid.

PHOTO BY LAURA SCHIERMEIER

## Holts Summit man injured in Vienna

A 79-year-old Holts Summit man was injured in a Friday afternoon accident south of Vienna on Highway 63.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol reported Albert J. Stricker, 79, of Holts Summit, received serious injuries and was flown to University Hospital in Columbia.

The accident occurred at 4:24 p.m. Friday when a 2001 Kia Optima, driven northbound by Conner L. Nelson, 25, of St. Robert, struck the rear of Stricker's northbound 2003 Honda Scooter and Stricker was ejected from the vehicle.

Both men were wearing safety devices. The Honda Scooter received total damage and the Kia received minor damage.

## MSHP arrests two Illinois men for boating while intoxicated

Two men from the state of Illinois were arrested in Maries County on Friday morning for boating while intoxicated.

According to a report by the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Tyler D. Hartry, 35, of Illiopolis, Illinois, and Cale C. Taft, 50, of Rochester, Illinois, both were charged with boating while intoxicated. Hartry also was charged with allowing a person under seven years old in a watercraft without a life jacket.

They both were held and later released from the Maries County Jail.

### Friends of the Maries County Library

## Annual Book Sale

Funds will be used for heating system at the Vienna Branch

**Sat., August 24 – Sat., August 31**

• 9:00AM–7:00PM (closed Sunday, August 25)

**Visitation Catholic Church Basement**  
108 N. Coffey Street • Vienna, MO 65582

Donations of gently used books accepted until **Fri., August 30th. Please drop off at back door of Vienna Library.**

*Volunteers for book sale are needed.*

*Air conditioned facility. No experience needed.*

Sign up at Heartland Library, Vienna Branch or call (573)422-9866. Flexible hours; note time you can work.

## The Maries County Bank

Pride in our past... Investing in your future.



## Community Calendar

### Vienna Senior Center Bingo

Monday, Aug. 19th | Lucky 7 Jackpot \$1150.00

### Maries County Fair Tickets & Arm Bands now available At G&W Foods and The Maries County Bank

### Maries County Beef Dinner Meeting

Monday Aug. 19th 6:00 p.m. Belle Community Center  
Reservations required due to limited seating. \$5.00 per person  
For more information or to reserve your seat call 573-422-3359 Ext. 1125

### Vienna Senior Center Quilt Raffle

Drawing will be held on September 2, 2019  
Tickets available at the Maries County Bank

### Vienna Heartland Library Book Sale

Saturday August 24th 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
August 26th thru August 31st 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Vienna Visitation Church Basement

Donations of gently used books will be accepted at the site  
Or at the Library. For more information call 573-422-9866

### Presentation on Diabetic Shoes

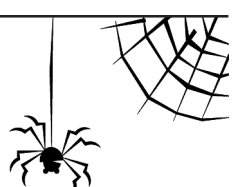
Thursday August 22, | 11:30 a.m. | Vienna Senior Center  
Brought to you by Sinks Pharmacy

### Holy Family Parish Picnic

Sunday Sept. 1, 11:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Freeburg MO.  
Serving Fried Chicken and Roast Beef with real Mash Potatoes  
Adults \$12.00 Kids 6-12 \$6.00 Under 5 Free  
Carry-outs available \* Country Store \* Bingo \* Live Music

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"The spider looks for a merchant who doesn't advertise so he can spin a web across his door and lead a life of undisturbed peace."

— MARK TWAIN

## AREA OBITUARIES

### Mark Duffin

Mark Rafael Duffin, 67, Pacific, formerly of Vienna, passed away Friday, Aug. 2, 2019, at Barnes Jewish Hospital, St. Louis.

He was born July 19, 1951, to Henry Michael and Virginia (Sages) Duffin, in Yonkers, N.Y.

He was united in marriage to Beverley Jane (Goldbach) Haddox, June 5, 2001.

Mark was raised in the Catholic faith. He moved to Vienna in 1977. After graduating from the police academy, he became a deputy in Vienna. He later moved to Pacific and joined the Carpenters Union Local 1839, working in construction in the St. Louis area, as well as on the Callaway Nuclear Plant, prior to his retirement.

He was preceded in death by parents, Henry and Virginia; and wife, Beverley.

He is survived by siblings, Woody Duffin and wife Nadine of Peyton, Colo., Brian Duffin and wife Wanda of Pagosa Springs, Colo., Deidre McGuigan and husband Terry of Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Craig Duffin and wife Theresa of Berthoud, Colo., and Danae Stuert and husband Tim of St. Charles.

Graveside services and interment will be held Friday, Aug. 16, at 11 a.m. in the Visitation Catholic Cemetery, Vienna, with Rev. Matthew Flatley officiating. Memorial contributions suggested to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Arrangements entrusted to Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home, Vienna.

### Linda Johnson



Linda Lee (McGehee) Johnson, 69, Dixon, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2019, at Barnes Jewish Hospital.

She was born Nov. 19, 1949, to Glenn Elwyn and Dixie Lee (Eader) McGehee, in Los Angeles, Calif.

She was united in marriage to Anthony George Johnson Sr., July 9, 1965, in Dixon.

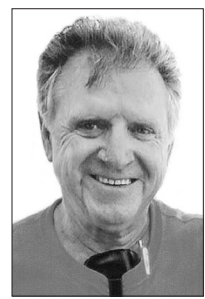
Linda had been employed by Enterprise Development Program (EDP Enterprises) in Fort Leonard Wood. She was an active member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Plato Chapter No. 240.

She was preceded in death by parents, Glenn and Dixie; husband, Anthony; and sister, Sue.

She is survived by children, Anthony George Johnson Jr. and wife Danielle of Taylorville, Ill., April Dawn Shull and husband Alfred and Theresa Lynn Johnson, all of Springfield, Ill.; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Aug. 10, in the Dixon Chapel of Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home. Interment was in West-Fairview Cemetery near Dixon. Memorial contributions suggested to the Shriners Children's Hospital.

### James Nichols



James William Nichols, 72, Bland, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2019, at his residence.

He was born Dec. 27, 1946, to William Audra and Luna Mae (Baty) Nichols, in Jefferson County, Ala.

He was united in marriage to Norma Recker, June 27, 1969, in St. Louis.

James served in the U.S. Army, receiving a purple heart. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Owensville and a member of Teamsters Local #688.

He was preceded in death by parents William and Luna.

He is survived by wife, Norma, of the home; children, Kimberly Bettis and husband Scott and James Nichols, all of Wentzville; sister, Kathy Humphres of Nashville, Tenn.; and five grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, Aug. 12, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Owensville with Fr. Wayne Boyer officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with full military honors. Memorial contributions suggested to Siteman Cancer Center.

Arrangements entrusted to Gottenstroeter Funeral Home, Owensville.

### Lloyd Workman



Lloyd Eugene Workman, 93, Vienna, passed away Friday, Aug. 9, 2019, in the Missouri Veterans Home, St. James.

He was born Dec. 3, 1925, to George Washington and Anna Emeline (James) Workman, at Vichy.

He was united in marriage to Jessie Etheleen Love, July 19, 1947, at Rolla.

Lloyd served in the U.S. Army during WWII. During his military career, he served as a squad leader, trained in Light Machine Gun Warfare 604, qualified for the Combat Infantry Badge GO 10 Headquarters 22nd Infantry, and was involved in various battles and campaigns in Central Europe. He was awarded and entitled to wear the American Theater Ribbon, the EAMET Ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal, the Victory Medal, the Purple Heart Medal and the Silver Star Medal. He was employed as a carpenter in residential construction for 35 years until retiring in 1982, when he moved to Vienna. He was a member of Carpenters Union Local 97, St. Louis, for over 70 years; the Lanes Prairie Lodge No. 531 A.F. & A.M., Vichy; the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8045, Argyle; and the Coffey Brothers Memorial American Legion Post 12, Vienna.

He was preceded in death by parents, George and Anna; wife, Jessie; siblings, David Christopher Workman, Dorothy Mae Dugmanics, Clarence Wilmer Workman, Ethel Bell Maxwell, George Avery Workman, Beulah Artelia Workman, Lucy Viola Sexton, Willard Lester Workman, Wilma Lorene Hayes and Leonard Doyle Workman; and granddaughter, Kelly Ann Thoele.

He is survived by daughters, Carol Ann Ball and husband Roger and Janet Sue Thoele and husband Bill, all of Fenton; sister-in-law, Billie Elrod of Vienna; and three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held (today) Wednesday, Aug. 14, from 4-8 p.m. and again Saturday, Aug. 17, from 9-10 a.m. with funeral services following at 10 a.m., all in the Birmingham-Martin Funeral Home. Interment with full military honors will be in the Vienna Public Cemetery.

## Citizens' Climate Lobby to offer free documentary series

The Rolla Chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby is offering a free documentary film series concerning the effects of climate change and possible actions to curb its effects on planet earth. The three-part series will be held the fourth Thursday of August, September and October. There will be free popcorn.

Phelps County Courthouse meeting room will host the first meeting Thursday, Aug. 22, beginning at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will feature the documentary *The Human Element*.

Rolla Public Library's meeting room will host the second meeting Thursday, Sept. 26, beginning at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will feature the documentary *Ice on Fire*, produced by Oscar-winner Leonardo DiCaprio.

The last meeting will be held Thursday, Oct. 24, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and will also be held in the Phelps County Courthouse Meeting Room. The featured film will be *Paris to Pittsburgh*.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES JULY 2019

Bradley James Hagenhoff, Meta, and Kelli Lauren Nelson, Meta. Joshua Steven Warren, St. James, and Madison Lee Summers, St. James. Nick Martin Rasmussen, Canon, Colo., and Jenna Kay Obenauer, Canon, Colo.

Justin Michael Weidinger, Vienna, and Rebekah Dean Woody, Vienna. Connor Harrison Michael, Belle, and Nichole Loraine Finn, Belle.

## MARRIAGE DISSOLUTIONS JULY 2019

John Campbell v. Samantha Campbell. Ashley Wiseman v. Todd Wiseman. man. Danielle Rollins v. William Rollins.

## MARIES COUNTY REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

**Bryan Wyss**, Linda Wyss, parcels in Section: 14, Township: 40, Range: 9, to Floyd Dewayne Edwards, Elizabeth Ann Edwards.

**Jason D. Dake**, parcels in Section: 20, Township: 40, Range: 9, to Bethany A. Weed.

**Alan D. Cortvient**, Stephanie M. Cortvient, parcels in Section: 34, Township: 41, Range: 11; Section: 33, Township: 41, Range: 11, to Josh Schaben, Ashley Schaben.

**City of Belle**, parcels in Subdivision: J. L. Birdsong Addition to the city of Belle, Block: 9, Lot: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, to Mid America Bank.

**Darrell W. Siesser**, Nancy K. Siesser (deceased), parcels in Section: 11, Township: 38, Range: 10, to David Michael Hannaford.

**Mr. & Mrs. B's Apartments LLC**, parcels in Subdivision: J. L. Birdsong Addition to the city of Belle, Block: 5, Lot: 10, to Tessa M. Swoboda.

**Amilio Calzone**, parcels in Section: 3, Township: 38, Range: 10; Section: 34, Township: 39, Range: 10, to Amilio Calzone (trustee), Amilio Calzone (trustee successor trustee), Amilio Calzone Revocable Living Trust.

**Mortgage Solutions of Colorado LLC**, parcels in Section: 35, Township: 39, Range: 7, to Secretary of Veterans Affairs an Officer of the United States of America.

**Robert L. Hance**, Jane E. Hance, parcels in Subdivision: Cedar Ridge, Lot: 18; Section: 20, Township: 41, Range: 7, to Mark A. Fricke, Paulette L. Fricke.

**Randy W. Ray**, Kelly F. Ray, parcels in Section: 2, Township: 38, Range: 11, to Austin Amos Atwell, Kayla Atwell.

**Matthew O. Fortner**, parcels in Subdivision: H.H. Johnson 2nd Addition Subdivision, Block: J, Lot: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Section: 20, Township: 41, Range: 7, to Larry Jenkins, Sharon Jenkins.

**Jesse Feeler**, Maria Feeler, parcels in Section: 15, Township: 39, Range: 10, to David Huffman, Shelby Schanzmeyer.

**Danny L. Blue**, (also known as) Danny Lee Blue, Jennifer Blue, (also known as) Jennifer Lynne Blue, parcels in Section: 5, Township: 38, Range: 10, to Gary R. Lober.

**William E. Colyer**, Crystal Colyer, parcels in Section: 15, Township: 38, Range: 11, to William Colyer Revocable Living Trust.

**Bettie Wadlow**, Floyd Wadlow (deceased), parcels in Subdivision: City of Vienna, Block: 6, Lot: 2, 3; Section: City of Vienna, Block: 13, Lot: 1, 3, to Jesse L. Jones.

**Anthony F. Johnson**, Margaret M. Johnson, parcels in Section: 5, Township: 39, Range: 8, to Ryan D. Betzner, Angela M. Betzner.

**Derrell Tracy Roseman**, Nichole Roseman, (also known as) Nichole Miller, Nathan Jett, Roxanne Jett, Christine Jett, Lisa Wilbanks, (also known as) Lisa Edwards, Lita Koets, Amanda Kinkead, Macey Gilbert Jett, Debra Jett, parcels in Section: 22, Township: 41, Range: 8, to James D. Whittington, Karen F. Jones.

**Amy Jean Asher**, parcels in Section: 5, Township: 40, Range: 9, to HDS LLC.

**Scott Cook**, parcels in Section: 19, Township: 41, Range: 7, to Rebecca Dotson, Thomas Dotson.

**Donald Keith Johnson**, Rebecca L. Johnson, parcels in Section: 20, Township: 39, Range: 11, to Walter G. Koon.

**Dalton R. Backues**, parcels in Section: 14, Township: 39, Range: 10, to Jeremy Mathew Neubert.

**Jack Ledbetter**, Bette Ledbetter, parcels in Subdivision: H.H. Johnson Subdivision, Block: E, Lot: 29; Section: 20, Township: 41, Range: 7, to Rick C. Campbell, Brenda G. Campbell.

**Elizabeth L. Schluemer** (trustee), Schluemer Living Trust, parcels in Section: 8, Township: 40, Range: 8; Section: 9, Township: 40, Range: 9; Section: 16, Township: 40, Range: 8, to Billy Cordsmeyer.

**Donald Gehringer** (trustee), Thelma D. Gehringer (trustee), The Gehringer Living Trust, parcels in Section: 25, Township: 39, Range: 7, to Tommy L. Martin, Jennifer L. Martin.

**Jeannine K. Branstetter**, parcels in Section: 13, Township: 39, Range: 7, to Philip E. Branstetter.

**Robert A. Lowe**, parcels in Section: 5, Township: 38, Range: 10, to Barton Edward McBroom, Jacqueline Lorene McBroom.

## MARIES COUNTY MENUS

### Maries County R-I Schools

**Wednesday, Aug. 14**  
Corn Dog, French Fries, Baked Beans, Sliced Apples

**Thursday, Aug. 15**  
Pepperoni Pizza, Garden Salad, Grapes

**Friday, Aug. 16**  
Spaghetti and Meat, Carrot Sticks, Breadsticks

**Monday, Aug. 19**  
Cheeseburger, Tater Tots, Baked Beans, Watermelon

**Tuesday, Aug. 20**  
Chicken Nuggets, Buttered Noodles, Green Beans, Strawberries

**Wednesday, Aug. 21**  
Turkey and Noodles, Carrots, Hot Rolls, Sliced Apples

**Thursday, Aug. 22**  
Taco Salad, Refried Beans, Cantaloupe

**Friday, Aug. 23**  
Chicken Alfredo, California Blend Vegetables, Texas Toast, Fruit Cocktail

### Visitation Inter-parish Schools

**Wednesday, Aug. 14**  
Chicken Nuggets, Macaroni and Cheese, Green Beans, Celery Sticks, Mixed Fruit

**Thursday, Aug. 15**  
Nachos, Beefy Cheese, Salad, Carrot Sticks, Pears, Cookie

**Friday, Aug. 16**  
Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, Peas, Carrots, Pineapple, Roll

**Monday, Aug. 19**  
Mini Sub Sandwich, Chips, Applesauce

**Tuesday, Aug. 20**  
Turkey, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Corn, Mixed Fruit, Bread

**Wednesday, Aug. 21**  
Taco with Meat and Cheese, Refried Beans, Peaches, Noodles

**Thursday, Aug. 22**  
Beef and Gravy, Rice, Green Beans, Celery Sticks, Pears, Roll

**Friday, Aug. 23**  
Mini Corn Dogs, Fries, Baked Beans, Pineapple

### Vienna Senior Center Lunch

210 Ball Park., Vienna  
Phone (573) 422-3834

**Wednesday, Aug. 14**  
Hamburger, Vinegar Cole Slaw, Fruit Salad, Macaroni and Cheese, Chicken Tenders, Brownie

**Thursday, Aug. 15**  
Beef and Broccoli, Oriental Blend, Pineapple Tidbits, Steamed Rice, Liver and Onions, Mashed Potatoes, Lemon Pie

**Friday Aug. 16**  
Omelets, Fruit Juice, Tropical Fruit Crisp, Whole Grain Waffle, Potatoes O'Brien, Biscuits and Gravy, Chicken Tenders, Meadow Blend, Coffee Cake

**Monday, Aug. 19**  
Chicken Parmesan with Spaghetti, Corn, Fruit Cocktail, Sloppy Joes, Three Bean Salad, Cookies

**Tuesday, Aug. 20**  
Blue Ribbon Pork Chop, Catalina Blend, Fruited Jello, Chicken Tortellini Salad, AuGratin Potatoes, Pudding

**Wednesday, Aug. 21**  
Hamburger Steak with Grilled Onions, Mediterranean Blend, Peaches, Chicken Tenders, Corn Flaky Potatoes, Fast & Fancy

**Thursday, Aug. 22**  
Roast Beef Sandwich, Peas, Baked Apple, Homemade Macaroni Salad, BBQ Chicken Bake, Tossed Salad, Chocolate Chip Square

**Friday, Aug. 23**  
Cheddar Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Mandarin Oranges, Biscuit, BBQ Pork Riblette, Wilted Lettuce, Peach Pie

### Vienna Senior Center Events

Monday, Aug. 19  
6:45 p.m. ....Bingo  
Friday, Aug. 23  
August and September Birthdays

### OATS Schedule

Aug. 19.....Jefferson City

## CHURCH OF CHRIST CORNER

### What is sin?

What is sin? Every dedicated preacher preaches on the topic of "sin" or at least should. In order to get a proper understanding of sin, we must look to the Bible for the answer.



by Randy Carr  
Liberty Church of Christ

1. "All unrighteousness is sin..." 1 John 5:17  
2. "Therefore to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin," James 4:17  
3. "...for whatever is not from faith is sin," Romans 14:23  
4. "Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness (i.e. transgression of the Law)," 1 John 3:4  
5. "...but if you show partiality (have respect to persons), you commit sin, and are convicted by the Law as transgressors," James 2:9

According to most any dictionary, sin is defined as, "the breaking of divine or moral law, especially by a conscious act." The passage quoted above (1 John 3:4) teaches that when one sins he has literally "missed the mark." God has a standard, and when one sins, he has failed to meet God's standard, thus "missing the mark." God's standard; God's Word will be what we will be judged by on the Day of Judgment (John 12:48); so, shouldn't we strive to obey it and live by it? Nothing good ever comes from sin. The more one understands the seriousness of sin, the more he appreciates the death of Jesus Christ on the "Old Rugged Cross." When we look at the cross, we should then understand more completely this passage: "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord," Romans 6:23.

## In Loving Memory of Glenn Donavon Ford

~ of Eugene, Missouri

Obituary Text: Glenn Donavon Ford 59 of Eugene Mo perished in a house fire November 14, 2016. He was born March 28, 1957 in Upland, California a son of Loren and Joan (Evans) Ford. Glenn was a graduate of Maries R-1 Vienna and attended Linn Tech. Glenn worked at Magraw-Edison, then found a job he really loved working at Missouri Wildflowers Nursery, which he enjoyed very much. Everyone there was like family to him, including his great friend and employer, Mervin Wallace. Glenn was baptized at an early age at Mo Co Mi Christian Bible Camp. Glenn is survived by two brothers, Alan and Norman (wife Donna) Ford, all of Jefferson City, one sister, Helen (husband Danny) Albertson, of Vienna Missouri, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and infant daughter, Cari Leigh Ford.

## Bland alderman resigns Monday, two employees also leaving

BY ROXIE MURPHY  
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BLAND—Resignations came in threes at the Bland city meeting Monday night following a 7:46 p.m. closed session for personnel, as Rachel Anderson, city and court clerk, Deborah Sherman, treasurer, and Alderman Josh Jarvis asked the board to approve their notices.

Mayor Lee Medlock said the resignations “struck him by surprise.”

“It started me asking questions, and lining things out with the clerk,” Medlock said. “We have quite a few applications and more coming in (for the clerks position).”

Both the clerk and treasurer submitted their official resignations and two-week notices on Aug. 7 to Medlock. The board chose not to convene prior to the scheduled Aug. 12 meeting to declare the positions vacant.

“We voted in closed session to have Alderman Diana Mayfield do the treasurer’s position — deposits and payroll — for

now,” Medlock said. “Sue Cole will be collecting water bills in the interim time until a clerk is hired.”

Medlock added that both Mayfield and Cole would be coming into the John L. Baxter Administration Building on Thursday, Aug. 15, and just Mayfield again on Friday, Aug. 16, to train with the clerk. The city will be advertising Anderson’s position, but not Sherman’s.

Anderson, who has been with the city for seven years, has served as the city clerk, court clerk and treasurer — sometimes all at once. She has accepted a city clerk’s position in Holts Summit.

“I believe this opportunity is a forward step in reaching my career goals,” Anderson said. “I do appreciate your attention and understanding at this time.”

Anderson told the board that she would inform the city’s professional contacts of her resignation as well, in hopes of making the transition smoother for the city.

“I will miss working with the council and the constituents of the city and hope that you all have much future success,”

Anderson wrote.

Sherman addressed the mayor and board in her letter, “As you are aware, I have verbally given my two week notice of resignation from my position as city treasurer for the city of Bland to the mayor as of Monday, Aug. 5.”

Sherman, who has been employed as city treasurer for about a month, said she has accepted a position in Jefferson City. “Thank you so much for the opportunity that you have given me to work for the city of Bland,” Sherman wrote.

Anderson said her official last day would be Aug. 21. Sherman noted that her verbal notice was given Aug. 5, so her last day would be Aug. 19. Following the board’s approval of the resignations with a 4-0 vote, Jarvis spoke.

“It’s my turn now,” Jarvis said. “We’ve been trying to sell our house for sometime, and it is now under contract.”

Jarvis’ wife, Mindy, has been ill with kidney failure and is on multiple lists to receive a transplant. However, Jarvis said his wife has struggled with the multiple

stairs in their home. With the house under contract, they are planning to move outside of the Bland city limits.

“We are getting stuff worked out to rent in Belle, which means I have to step down because I am going to be living outside the city limits,” Jarvis explained. “It couldn’t have come at a better time.”

Jarvis said he did not type a letter, as he was unsure how to explain the situation or how the process would work, but he would submit one as soon as possible. Anderson asked what his effective date would be.

“Immediately?” Jarvis questioned. “I’m not going to be attending next month’s meeting, as it falls on my wife’s birthday.”

Anderson explained that because the clerk and treasurer both need to be taken off the checking account, and special meetings will need to be held to declare vacancies, it would be better if Jarvis’ effective date was Sept. 1. “Sept. 1 then,” Jarvis said.

“When he submits an effective date, declare a vacancy on the board of aldermen,” Anderson told the board. “It needs to be done in a meeting and advertised at

least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.”

The board made a motion to remove Anderson and former treasurer Lyndsay Gray from the checking account and add Alderman Sherry Spradling. Sherman had not been with the city long enough to be added to the checking account.

“As soon as you have a special meeting to approve the minutes of this meeting, you may take them to the bank and make the changes,” Anderson said. “Someone will need to create your draft minutes and regular minutes for you.”

The board voted 4-0 to post a notice and hold a special meeting Tuesday, Aug. 20 at the administration building, and approved Jarvis’ resignation.

“We don’t have anyone in mind for the alderman seat,” Medlock said. “As for the clerk’s position, we hope to get someone qualified to do the work.”

Anyone interested in applying for the clerk’s position or filling the alderman’s seat should contact city hall.

## Recovered • from page 1

Milwaukee Carpenter Pen (valued at \$7), a Rigid No. 15 pipe-cutter, HK Porter 24” Series 2000 bolt-cutters, a camouflage welding mask, a Honda EB3500X generator, an Apple iPod, and assorted hand tools and wrenches.

Also located in the vehicle, but left secured in the vehicle, was assorted clothing, fishing poles, fishing tackle, propane regulators, gas cans, and unscratched lottery tickets. The vehicle was removed by Owens Towing of Belle.

The victims of the crime which reportedly occurred in Gasconade County met with Henson and Lt. Justin Carnes at the Osage County Sheriff’s Office, where the seized property was secured. The victims were able to identify the property of which they were deprived, and provide an estimated total cost of the loss.

In his probable cause statement, Deputy Henson noted that Haines has had multiple failure to appear warrants issued for his arrest in Maries County as well as Crawford County.

Bond was set at \$5,000. Three other Belle residents were also recently arrested in Osage County.

Ronald Lee Woods, 35, was arrested Friday, Aug. 9, by the Osage County Sheriff’s Department on an Osage County warrant. He was released on \$1,500 cash or surety bond the same day.

Erica Leeanne Smith, 28, was taken into custody Friday, Aug. 9, by the Osage County Sheriff’s Department on a 48-hour court-ordered hold. She was released Sunday, Aug. 11.

Jason William White, 40, was booked and released Sunday, Aug. 11, by the Missouri State Highway Patrol for allegations of DWI.

## BES, BMS begin free CEP breakfast, lunch program

BY ROXIE MURPHY  
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Parents of students at Belle Elementary School (BES) and Bland Middle School (BMS) will see a significant saving in the lunch line as the Maries County R-2 District is now able to offer free breakfast and lunch to every child through the Community Eligibility Program (CEP).

“We are thankful for the addition of the middle school in the Community Eligibility Program,” said Maries R-2 Superintendent Dr. Lenice Basham, who inherited the approval of the program from the efforts of former superintendent Dr. Patrick Call and former secretary Barb Howarth. “Dr. Call and Barb Howarth got the middle school to qualify.”

CEP is a program available through the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). Since all meals will be free for BES and BMS students, household applications for free and reduced lunches will not be collected from either school.

According to a public release from the district, studies have shown that children who are not hungry perform better in school. By providing school meals to all children at no charge, they are hoping to create a better learning environment for the students.

“We want our students to be able to focus on learn-

ing and not hunger pains,” Basham said.

With the qualifications met, the district will be able to offer free breakfast and lunch to students at BES and BMS for the next five years.

“I believe that it will have a positive impact on our students instruction,” Basham said.

The school meets the qualifications of direct certification when more than 40 percent of students enrolled in the building qualify for free or reduced lunch. BES became part of CEP in April 2017. Then in 2018, the district learned they could combine the number of BES families who received state aid with the amount of BMS aid-recipient families to perhaps qualify the middle school for the program.

The middle school failed to qualify for the program by five students in 2018 — meaning the school was five students short of 40 percent on free or reduced lunch applications. With the qualifying numbers so close, Call and Howarth decided to apply again. Applications for the program were turned in and approved by June 30.

Since BES was included in the successful 2019-20 application for BMS, their five year CEP approval starts over this year and will run through the 2024-25 school year.

Meals available through the program follow U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines for “healthy school meals.”

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not comment when Smith said this.

Smith and her neighbor had approached Eastern District Commissioner Doug Drewel about concerns they have with MCR 522 and a dangerous curve where oncoming traffic can’t be seen. They had safety concerns and none of this was addressed. Drewel would not speak to Smith and only did so one time when he accused her of interfering with a road worker Smith spoke to while the road worker was cutting brush in her area. Smith lives in the area of the county which known as Veto.

Smith said she enjoys attending the commission meetings and has learned a lot. She also attends some of the Phelps County Commission meetings and is able to speak freely. She said those commissioners have addressed her concerns in the past as she owns rental property in Rolla. Smith said she also likes to attend the Rolla City Council meetings when there is an issue she is interested in. She plans to continue attending the Maries County Commission meetings and if she wants to

speak, she will go through the new process of getting on the agenda and telling the county clerk what she wants to speak about.

Similarly, Bland Mayor Lee Medlock said July 15 that he wanted to implement a time limit on the “public comments” section of the agenda.

“I am in favor of citizens com-

ing up and voicing their opinion,” Medlock clarified, but added that interrupting the meeting to agree or include information was taking too much time.

He used the July 12 meeting as an example. There were some people on the agenda that spoke, but there was another one or two that weren’t on it. Anderson said one was called on to talk.

## Nicholson to tell story of receiving Operation Christmas Child shoe box

Elena Nicholson will tell firsthand her story of receiving a shoe box gift as a child at area churches Sunday, Aug. 25.

When Nicholson was eight years old and living in an orphanage in the former Soviet Union, she was given the first gift she had ever received — an Operation Christmas Child shoe box gift.

Nicholson will be sharing her story as the Operation Christmas Child spokesperson for our area at First Baptist Church, Owensville,

at 8:15 a.m.; First Baptist Church, Belle, at 10:30 a.m.; First Baptist Church, Hermann, at 2:00 p.m.; and at First Baptist Church, St. James, at 5:30 p.m.

Following the presentation in Hermann, there will be project leader’s workshops. In St. James, there will be a community shoe box packing party, workshop displays and ice cream following the presentation.

For more information, contact Linda Williams at 573-263-9550.

## Belle woman injured in Osage County

A Belle woman received moderate injuries in a one-vehicle crash last Monday at 6:43 a.m. at 1282 Highway D in Osage County.

According to the report by Missouri State Highway Patrol Corporal Coby E. Holzschuch, the accident occurred as Linda K. Workman, 60, of Belle, driving an eastbound 2000 Saturn LS, swerved to avoid striking a deer, traveled off the right side of the road, struck a ditch and overturned.

Workman received moderate injuries and was transported by Ozark Central Ambulance to Capital Region Medical Center. The Saturn received total damage.

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# Thompson recognized by Vienna City Council for 35 years of service to police department

Lonnie "Jay" Thompson was recognized by the Vienna City Council recently for his 35 years of service to the city as a police officer.

He retired at the end of 2018, ending a long career with law enforcement in Maries County. Thompson served as Vienna Police Chief for many years and recalled that he was only supposed to work 20 hours a month for \$4 an hour but sometimes he would work 20 hours in one weekend. He talked about the old 1976 patrol car that had wires showing on the tires. In 1986 the city bought a new Chevrolet patrol car for the first time.

There was no dispatching when he began as a police officer and he had a base radio which he took home with him. His 11-year-old son, Shannon, was the dispatcher.

The council members recognized Thompson's service at the July council meeting. The council members laughed when he told the story of how he began

working as a cop for Vienna in June and it was several months before he wrote a ticket. The youth of the community were testing him by doing things such as squalling tires or putting beer bottles on his car, but he didn't want to be tough on them, so he put up with a lot before finally writing that first ticket.

Vienna South Ward Alderwoman, Brenda Davis, who also is Thompson's niece, said Thompson had trained his son Shannon to be a good police officer also. She presented him with the plaque, recalling that his house had been egged several times during his tenure.

**LONNIE THOMPSON** retired from working with the Vienna PD at the end of 2018, having worked for the city as a law enforcement officer for 35 years. At the July Vienna City Council meeting, he was presented a plaque by council member Brenda Davis, who also is his niece.



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\$1,161.48. The 2018 fair had income of \$61,327.97 and expenses of \$60,166.48. There was a beginning bank balance of \$4,344.36. Shockley said in June they paid \$4,300 for insurance for the fair and now have cash on hand to begin the 2019 fair of \$5,505.84. Expenses for the 2018 fair were \$24,026.36 for general expenses, \$28,734.64 entertainment expenses, \$3,091.14 advertising expense and \$4,314.35 insurance.

The fair board members said they made cuts where ever they could. They have had several fund raisers including a murder mystery that made \$1,000, a BBQ in July that made \$1,000 and a BBQ was held Sunday, Aug. 11, at The Maries County Bank's parking lot. Shockley said this year is a make it or break it year for the fair and they are asking for the community to help them make a profit on the food stand in order to continue this now 74-year-old fair tradition in Maries County.

Helping the fair board with food this year is the Tasty Cravings food trailer operated by Terry Mings and Cindy Williams. They will be in the grandstand area and on the motor sports hill on Friday and Saturday. Other food trucks also are scheduled to be at the fair so there will be a variety of food available for fair attendees.

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citement and fearfulness an active shooter in the building would create. County Clerk Rhonda Rodgers said she will contact the county's liability insurer to get their opinion.

### THREE PEOPLE

The staff at the Vienna License Office reported that having a third person working from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of the month worked very well and they would like to keep doing it. Driver's license testing takes place on those Wednesdays, which makes it a busy day and having the additional person helping has worked out well. Western District Commissioner Ed Fagre said he is okay to keep having the three people working on those Wednesdays as long as the county can afford it.

Fagre said out of curiosity he went to the license office in Jefferson City and there was a very long line and only one person working there. People come from other counties to use the license office in the courthouse,

which is operated by Maries County. The local license office has professional and friendly staff and there are no long lines on most days.

### FEE INCREASES

Vienna License Office staffer Jennifer Roberson came to the county commission meeting to show the commissioners the fee increases that become effective in the license office on August 28, 2019.

All of the fee increases are agent/processing fees. The annual registration fee increases from \$3.50 to \$6; the biennial registration fee increases from \$7 to \$12; the replacement license plates/tabs fee increases from \$3.50 to \$6; the title application fee increases from \$2.50 to \$6; notice of lien fee from \$2.50 to \$6; the electronic transmission fee remains the same at \$2 and may now include emails as well as fax; the new notary fee is \$2; and the driver license/permit fee increases from \$2.50 to \$6 for a license/permit issued for three years or

less and from \$5 to \$12 for a license/permit issued for more than three years.

### LIKE CONCRETE

Stratman said Windy England of MCR 607 contacted him about people driving too fast on the county road. Edna Smith, who has been attending the county commission meetings regularly, said she experiences the same problem on MCR 522, among other issues she has. She said the road rock in front of her home is very fine and its like concrete and makes people drive faster.

There is not really any way for county roads to be policed because the speed limit is the same as on most other roads at 55 mph.

### ALL OVER THE PLACE

County Treasurer Rhonda Slone said the whole area where people smoke outside needs to be cleaned up because there are cigarette butts all over the place. There does not seem to be an easy solution because they can't control how people who don't work at the courthouse handle their cigarette butts. Stratman said they could make the whole courthouse campus smoke free or they can

put up cameras in the smoking area in hopes people will use the container meant to be used for discarded cigarette butts.

### AT&T BILLS

Fagre was looking at the bills from AT&T and asked Kottwitz if she understood what phones they are being billed for and Kottwitz said the AT&T bills are very confusing and she's spent a lot of time trying to figure them out. IT Coordinator Shane Sweno has spent literally hours on the telephone with AT&T trying to get it all straight. Sweno came and spoke to the commissioners and said AT&T appears to have charged the county \$300 in contract dismissal fees when the county does not have a contract with the company. They are trying to dispute this charge. Another charge of \$167 a month is for a phone that is disconnected. Twice during last Thursday's meeting the phone number was called and all present heard the voice recording saying the phone was disconnected. Sweno said he "put a big red X on that one." Stratman said maybe the county can get credit for

that. Fagre said anyone can see why the county "wants to get rid of AT&T."

In other business, Sweno said the .gov email is up and running as they transition to the new addresses. The county commission has its own email address now, which is commission@mariescountymo.gov.

### BUSY YEAR

County Clerk Rhonda Rodgers said 2020 will be a busy year and an expensive one, election wise. Filing for the county offices up for election in the August Primary Election and the November General Election will be open for a one-month period in the beginning of the year, in February. County offices up for election next year include both the eastern district and western district commissioner positions, sheriff, coroner, accessor, and public administrator.

Rodgers said Missouri's secretary of state is trying to get rid of the Presidential Preference Primary Election because it is expensive and does not accomplish anything.

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**LOAVES & FISHES** food pantry in Vienna during the month of August is requesting local donations of 12-15 ounce bottles of dish detergent. Donations can be left at local churches. The food pantry distributes food on the first Wednesday and second Thursday of each month.

**CONCRETE REPAIR** continues on Route 63 between Route 28 and Route 50 in Cole County. This project is scheduled for completion in November.

**ROADWAY PATCHING** continues through Thursday, Aug. 22, on Route N between Route 28 and Route 133.

**HEARTLAND REGION-ALLIBRARY**, Vienna branch, will host the Maries County Democrat Committee Meeting (tonight) Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 7 p.m.

**NOAH COLEMAN CHAPTER DAR** will resume meeting Aug. 17 after summer break. For more information text DAR to 573-512-0742.

**MISSOURI DAR'S** (Daughters of the American Revolution) are sponsoring the charity HIKE\*BIKE, Saturday, Sept. 21, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., in conjunction with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to raise funds for Missouri Fisher Houses for Military and Veterans. For more information, visit [www.fisherhouseinstl.org](http://www.fisherhouseinstl.org).

**FREE GUN LOCKS** are available at Warden Publishing's Owensville office at 106 E. Washington Ave. These have been provided by the Gasconade County Sheriff's Office.

**ANOTHER REPORT** of Hepatitis A in a Franklin County food handler has been released. Anyone who visited Bob Evans restaurant in Washington, Mo., between Aug. 3 and Aug. 10 is encouraged to receive vaccination by Saturday, Aug. 17. More information can be found on our Facebook page.

## Clarification

In the Aug. 7 edition of the Maries County Advocate, the article "Bland Corner Market bought by Kottwitz, Michel — to reopen as K&M Country Store, owner Kottwitz said they would offer 24-hour service. They owners later clarified Aug. 8 on their Facebook Page K&M Country Store that "we will not be open 24-hours a day, but will be offering 24-hours of pay-at-the-pump gas."

## Large tomatoes win Crum bragging rights

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Drew Crum, age 7, a second grader at Maries R-1 School in Vienna, this year gets to claim the bragging rights over his grandfather (G-Pa), Ellis Crum, Jr., for growing the largest tomato this garden season.

The two had a competition about who could grow the largest tomatoes and Drew succeeded last week with the two tomatoes (in front in photo) that together weighed five and a one quarter pounds. One of the tomatoes has a circumference of over 20 inches. Together, the two tomatoes in front measure 12 inches.

Drew is a son of Jason and Jessica Crum of Vienna. They don't have a garden at their home and Jessica confesses she has "a black thumb" rather than a green one. She doesn't do plants.

Tomato growing this summer was Drew's project and the first time he did it. They had cut down a tree that had large logs with holes in them. He used one of these hollowed out logs to put dirt in. Drew then planted two tomato plants. These weren't just any tomato plants. They had come from his mothers' parents, Mike and Debbie Johnson of Centertown. The plants were from German seeds Mrs. Johnson got from someone in southern Missouri some time ago. They produce less acidic tomatoes and the tomatoes from these particular seeds are nice, big, and tasty. The Johnsons plant a large garden and are good gardeners.

Drew was on top of this tomato project all summer long and was



PHOTO BY LAURA SCHIERMEIER

**ELLIS CRUM, Jr.** is pictured with his grandson, Drew Crum, 7, son of Jason and Jessica Crum of Vienna. He gave away most of his tomato crop this summer, giving them to people who are special to him.

dedicated to watering and caring for his two tomato plants. He put worms in the dirt as he'd heard this made the soil looser and was good for

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## Lincoln's attorney requests release of additional records, Judge to decide if entries are admissible

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VIENNA — A circuit court judge will decide whether or not recorded hotline calls will be entered on the record in the case of Shad Lincoln, who is charged in Maries County with seven felonies and one misdemeanor of statutory or attempted rape, sodomy, deviate sexual intercourse, and furnish or attempt to furnish pornographic material to a minor.

In the Maries County Circuit Court, Judge William Hickle will determine if any of the multiple calls to the children's division hotline by Lincoln's victim in the crimes he's charged with are relevant to the criminal case and will be admissible to the court record.

During law day proceedings in Maries County, Lincoln's attorney, Public Defender Matthew Crowell, objected to the motion to quash subpoenas for the hotline calls. During court, Judge Hickle called Christopher Lee of the children's division and put the call on speaker phone. Lee said there were several calls made by HR to the hotline, but these calls, some of which were assessments, are not relevant to Lincoln's criminal case. Crowell objected, saying the calls to the hotline by HR are relevant as they establish a pattern and a motive to lie. Crowell said he only received information about one such call.

A compromise was proposed. The children's division will provide the hotline call records by HR to Judge Hickle and he can review the records and determine what is relevant to Lincoln's case. Crowell said he is all right with the compromise. Maries County Prosecuting Attorney Anthony "Tony" Skouby said he objects because HR may have been a victim before, but, if Judge Hickle reviews the records he will go along with

the judge's suggestion. This will happen quickly as Crowell said scheduled depositions will depend on the decision Judge Hickle makes about whether or not the hotline calls are relevant to the case.

Lincoln's case has been moved to Phelps County on a change of venue and his next scheduled court appearance is in September. Lincoln has attempted to file a 180 day writ, a speedy trial request. Judge Hickle said all will be solved with the September court date.

In other circuit court action during Judge Hickle's law day:

• David M. Adair, 45, of Rolla, who is charged with three counts of resisting/interfering with arrest for a felony, pleaded guilty to all three counts but his attorney, Matthew Crowell, asked the court to postpone the sentencing for 30 days because Adair is getting a job. Judge Hickle noted Adair has three felony charges of resisting arrest. Prosecutor Skouby said

the sheriff has been notified of the offer. Crowell said Adair did not fight with the officer, but ran away. Sheriff's Deputy Bret Turnbough was the officer in all three instances and Turnbough has agreed with the recommendation. Skouby said Adair ran away three times.

Crowell said on each resisting arrest charge, Adair has agreed to withdraw his not guilty plea and enter guilty pleas.

Judge Hickle asked Adair how he plead on each charge with the dates of the resisting arrest of Dec. 18, 2018, March 15, 2018 and August 14, 2017, and Adair said guilty to each of the charges. Adair stood with his hands behind his back and clearly answered the judge's questions as he waived his right to trial and entered pleas of guilty to each charge. His range of punishment for the class E felonies is one day to four years in jail and a fine of \$10,000 on each charge.

Skouby said he, as the state, is

recommending a sentence of four years in prison on each charge and five years probation under the standard terms, and payment of \$150 to the law enforcement fund. Crowell asked the court to wait 30 days and to sentence Adair at the next law day. Judge Hickle asked why Adair should get probation. Skouby said no violence was involved in these crimes as he ran to avoid custody. Crowell said Adair has been to prison before. Judge Hickle said he's been to prison and yet he ran from custody. Crowell said in the most recent charge, Turnbough initiated the chase and sent the dog, Rico, after Adair who was injured by the dog.

Judge Hickle said they need to figure out the punishment. Judge Hickle said the court accepts Adair's guilty pleas. Crowell asked they wait 30 days for the sentencing so that Adair can "obtain sub-

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## 'Team Jess' breast cancer fundraiser to be held Aug. 31

BY ROXIE MURPHY  
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A fundraiser to help offset the medical costs of Belle native Jessica (Jones) Brightwell, 30, who was recently diagnosed with aggressive breast cancer, will be held Aug. 31 at Belle City Park.

Brightwell is the daughter of Shawn and Angie Jones of Belle. She, her husband Robert Brightwell, and family reside in Jefferson City.

Brightwell was diagnosed with one of the most aggressive forms of breast cancer earlier this year, and has been unable to work while she is receiving chemotherapy treatment, nick-named "Red Devil." Following the chemotherapy, she will have surgery and then radiation to hopefully eliminate the cancer.

"We are having a barbeque and auction fundraiser to help with medical costs," said Angie Jones.

The fundraiser will begin at 4 p.m. and include a meal choice of barbecued pulled pork, hamburger or chicken with a side of potato salad, cole slaw or green beans.

An auction will be held at 6:30 p.m.

"Baskets of goodies, quilts, talk of a load of gravel being donated, and metal welcome signs are just a few of the items on the auction," Jones said. "If you wish to donate a basket or baked goods, they can be dropped off at Hair Boutique, in care of Marsha Snitker, Tuesday through Friday, or call 573-308-8265."

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## R-1 prepares to use virtual classroom for Spanish courses

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VIENNA — The Maries R-1 School District may use a virtual learning classroom to teach Spanish at the high school because of the lack of qualified applicants for the foreign language course.

At the Maries R-1 School Board's July meeting, Superintendent Mark Parker said they have no applicants for the open Spanish teacher position at the school for the upcoming school year. They called around to other school districts to see what they are doing to find a Spanish teacher. Dixon school told them they advertised for a long time and had one applicant whom they hired. Other schools are transitioning to the LAUNCH Program for Spanish, which is a virtual classroom through the Springfield Public School.

It costs \$255 per semester per student, which Maries R-1 School will pay. Parker said it might save the district money, too. The district will notify parents that they are using a virtual classroom to teach Spanish. The LAUNCH Program meets all of the Missouri Learning Standards and students will receive high school credit the same way they did with a classroom with a teacher present physically.

The virtual school instruction takes place on campus and right now the administrators are looking at schedules and a seat at a computer for the students who will be taking Spanish I or II. Other districts use the LAUNCH Program successfully. Board Vice President Penny Schoene said they can try it for a year and if they don't like it, they still can learn from it.

In addition to hiring Coach Nicholas Lovell as the new VHS Baseball Coach, Athletic Director and PE Teacher, the school board also approved hiring Parker Hayes and Taner Helton as assistant baseball coaches. The two local men who are still working on their college degrees, will split the stipend and help Coach Lovell with the baseball team.

The school board also approved hiring elementary teacher Kaylee (Hemingway) Karnes as the assistant cheerleader coach. As a needed certified person, Karnes will assist head cheerleader coach Roberta Kilmer. Karnes replaces teacher Kimberly Obenauer who won't be serving as assistant cheerleader coach anymore.

## MoDOT develops two simplified tools to provide five-year road, bridge program information

In an effort to better communicate how Missouri's road and bridge revenues will be invested in the state's infrastructure for the next five years, the Missouri Department of Transportation has created the "Missouri Road and Bridge Program."

The new document is an abbreviated form of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) that was approved by the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission last month. It is accompanied by a new interactive map that displays project information in a visual format by location.

"The STIP is a federally required planning document with content defined by federal regulations," Transportation Planning Director Machele Watkins said.

"While federal regulations specify it is a public document, it contains a large amount of complex information that is not always easy to understand for our customers and planning partners."

She added, "The Missouri Road and Bridge Program presents simplified road and bridge project information in an easy-to-read format in an effort to more effectively communicate with partners, legislators and the public."

In addition, the map allows visitors to click on projects in locations statewide to get more information about the work planned in those areas.

The Missouri Road and Bridge Program, as well as the entire STIP and the interactive map, can be found on the MoDOT website: www.mdot.org

## Visitation Inter-Parish staff, students, families looking forward to good school year

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VIENNA — School began Tuesday for the 48 students attending Visitation Inter-Parish School (VI-PS) in Vienna. Principal Mrs. Marilyn Bassett said staff, students and parents all are looking forward to a good school year.

Bassett is in her third year as the school's principal. Before becoming principal, Bassett was a teacher at the parochial school. This year she will continue her principal duties as well as teaching social studies and geography to grades fourth through eighth and teaching English for grades seventh and eighth.

Other teachers and their duties include Mrs. Tammy Eads of Vienna who will teach math for grades fourth through eighth, English for grades fourth, fifth and sixth, and reading for grades seventh and eighth. Mrs. Sammie

Elliott of Rolla is teaching grades second and third and reading for fourth and fifth grades.

Miss Lisa Greunefeld of Columbia is teaching grades kindergarten and first. Mrs. LeAnn Kloeppel of Vienna teaches religion to grades second, third and fourth, science for grades fourth through eighth, and reading for sixth graders.

Other part time staff members include Parker Hayes who will be teaching computers and PE/health to grades kindergarten through eighth.

Mary Wansing will be teaching religion to grades fifth through eighth, Diana James will be the music teacher and Joyce Weidinger is the art teacher.

Cindy Ewers is the school secretary, Kathy Hale is the school cook, and Rita Schwartz is the volunteer librarian.

Bassett said students have the opportunity to participate in the PALS athletic league in the sports of volleyball, basketball, cross



STUDENTS AND parents at Visitation Inter-Parish School in Vienna seemed happy to be back in the school building on Saturday evening for the open house. The new school year began Tuesday, Aug. 13.

PHOTO BY LAURA SCHIERMEIER

country, and archery.

The VI-PS athletes and athletes from Sacred Heart Parish in Rich Fountain, and Holy Family Parish in Freeburg all come together to form these athletic teams to compete in the

PALS League.

Also, Bassett said some VI-PS seventh and eighth graders go to Maries R-1 for one quarter for agriculture class. Students also volunteer at the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry.



## Maries County Bank presents check to R-1 staff

Maries County Bank, Vienna branch, served breakfast to the R-1 staff Monday at their annual Welcome Back Breakfast and meeting. At the meeting a check was presented to the R-1 staff for the amount the Vienna Eagle Mascot Checking account earned for the 2018-19 school year. Presenting the check on behalf of the Maries County Bank were (from left) Nyla Bassett, loan officer and marketing director, Laura Miller, teller and Laurie Reeves, loan secretary. Accepting the check on behalf of R-1 schools were High School Principal Ian Murray, R-1 Elementary School Principal Shanda Snodgrass and R-1 Superintendent Mark Parker.

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## Four new teachers at R-1 schools

Four new teachers have joined the Maries R-1 staff. Teaching high school math will be Tom Evers (left) of Rolla; Shayla Willoughby will teach first grade; Nicholas Lovell will teach physical education and serve as athletic director and Vienna High School baseball coach; and Scott Mayberry will serve as fifth grade homeroom and teach fourth and fifth grade reading.

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## County's hay crop abundant, quality may be lacking

The hay crop in Maries County mostly has been baled. It was a slower process this year, but the quantity is abundant but there are some uncertainties about the quality of the hay.

Amy Neier, Maries County Soil and Water Conservation District's District Specialist 4, said the hay crop was slow to be cut this year because of the rain. As a result, much of the grass that was cut was more mature and often this lowers the feed value of the hay. Neier said the conservation district recommends that farmers get their hay tested.

The Total Digestible Nutrients (TDN) is an inexpensive test that gives hay crop producers a lot of good information about their forage crop. It tells how well cattle can digest it and utilize the feed value.

MFA can send off the hay to be tested or farmers can pick up a form at the conservation district and send it off themselves.

Among the information about the hay farmers can learn includes details on its feed value of protein, nutrients, energy and

digestibility. Neier said if the hay does not have enough nutrients, farmers typically supplement the hay with grain. Neier said the test is a good idea because the results let farmers know where they stand with the hay's nutritional value going into winter. Maries County is a cow-calf county with many

producers.

USDA estimates the number of all cattle and calves in the county at 61,000 head as estimated in June 2019.

Statewide, USDA estimates there are 4,350,000 head of cattle in Missouri.

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## Heartland Library switches to Evergreen, a new computer software program for libraries

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The staff members at Heartland Regional Library System have been working on an important change for some time. On July 24 the library branches “went live” with the new open source computer software program for libraries called Evergreen.

The switch from Evergreen from Sirsi required staff to do inventories and have everything it wanted to change over ready to go and also eliminating items it didn’t need to put on the new computer software program. It was a large group effort by the staff.

The libraries stopped using Sirsi July 21 and were not able to register new library cards or check books back in until after they went live with the new software program. It is anticipated once staff members are accustomed to using Evergreen, it will be much more user friendly and also will save the library system money.

The Evergreen Project develops an open source ILS (integrated library system) used by hundreds of libraries across the world. The software, also called Evergreen, is used by libraries to provide their public catalog interface as well as to manage back-of-house operations such as circulation (check-outs and check-ins), acquisition and cataloging of library materials, and sharing resources among groups of libraries and consortia on the same Evergreen system.

Evergreen is designed to be scalable and supports library operations ranging from a small high school to large state-wide consortia.

In her report to the library board at the July meeting, Library Director and Children’s Librarian Lisa Garro gave the board the details about the software program change. She also reported an increased amount of unbudgeted state aid that will allow the library to purchase more juvenile state books and nature discovery kits and renew subscriptions of Ancestry Library, newspapers,

com and World Book Online. She also ordered a new database called AtoZ Food America.

This spring the library system received \$6,445.56 in state aid and Garro said they’ve spent a little more than half of it on telescopes for patrons to check out, plus books, pocket guides of the moon and star charts. Each library branch will have four of the telescopes patrons can check out. The new telescopes that should be ready for checking out in mid to late August, are 4.5 Orion AstroBlast Reflector Telescopes with base and with Celestron 8-24 mm zoom lens.

Garro said she is developing a document of protocols for them to sign about taking proper care of the telescope and returning it in good condition so that others can enjoy using the telescopes also. Garro said she wants to work with the schools for students to use the telescopes. Library Board member Lerilee Huhman said she thinks the telescopes can play a role in STEM education.

Garro reported former library director Thea Roberts who has remained employed with the library in a different capacity has submitted a letter of resignation. Her last day working at the Iberia Branch is July 31.

Garro has been selected to be part of the MASL’s (Missouri Association of School Librarians) Show Me Committee to read and rate books to be nominated for 2012-22. She said most of the members of the committee are school librarians, but they always select a public librarian to participate.

Each member of the committee receives picture books (grades 1—3 reading levels) from publishers to read and rate in order to form their Show Me Nominated lists. This is a two-year commitment for Garro. The library may keep the books with the stipulation the books be placed in a library. She plans to divide them among the four Heartland library branches. She will attend the MASL Conference in the spring as part of the committee and present the books chosen to be nominated.

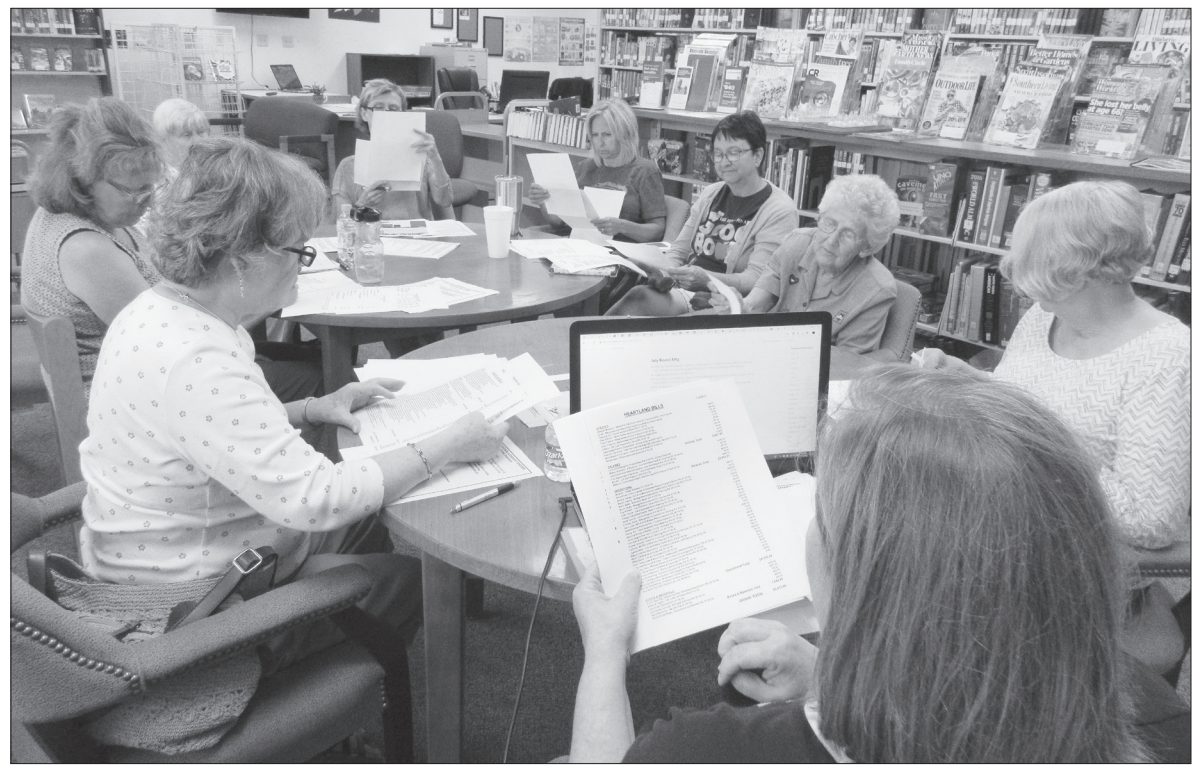


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**THE HEARTLAND** Regional Library System Board will be setting the library’s tax levies at the August meeting. The board members also will be recognizing Thea Roberts for her years of service to the library system as she has announced her retirement. Pictured are board members Ann Haring (left), Carole Cobb, Director Lisa Garro, President Nora Bond, Renee Holloway, Lerilee Huhman, April Noblett, Carole Wagner, and Rita Henderson. The photo was taken at the July Board meeting held at the Belle Branch.

Heartland Library is pairing up with the MU Extension office offering classes concerning garden care and food preservation. There are plans to schedule classes in the fall on nutrition to enhance sports performance. Garro said they hope to collaborate with school coaches and their sports teams.

Garro has been nominated to receive an award from the University of Central Missouri as 2019-20 will

mark their 100th year as a college. To celebrate they plan to recognize some of the university’s outstanding alumni, faculty, staff and students who have contributed to this ongoing legacy in preparing candidates for all levels of the education field.

The Maries and Miller County Library Boards will meet before the next meeting on Aug. 19 to set the tax rates for fiscal year 2020.

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stantial employment.” Judge Hickle agreed the sentencing can be deferred until Sept. 6.

• Michelle Belcher, 45, of St. James, appeared before the court. She was dressed nicely in a dress and represented by Crowell who told the court she will be withdrawing her not guilty plea and entering a plea of guilty on each of her two criminal charges. She is charged with possession of a controlled substance, and unlawful possession of a firearm which are both class D felonies.

Judge Hickle read her charges as on Dec. 9, 2018 she possessed methamphetamine and Belcher said guilty. On Dec. 9, 2018 she possessed firearms, a 22 rifle and a 30-30 rifle, which she should not have had in her possession because of a felony charge she pleaded guilty to in 2006. Belcher said guilty. The judge told her the class D felonies have a range of punishment of up to seven years in prison and a fine of \$10,000. Belcher began to cry and said she was not sure what to do. Crowell spoke to her about it and Judge Hickle said she has a right to keep her not guilty pleas and she has a right to a trial with witnesses. He told her she will waive these rights by entering a plea of guilty. She could receive punishment of seven years on each charge for a total of 14 years in prison.

Prosecutor Skouby said there is no plea agreement. Crowell said a couple of charges had been dismissed by the prosecutor. Judge Hickle said Belcher needs to be aware the court has a full range of the punishment allowable, which is 14 years in prison. Belcher remained hesitant and continued to cry quietly. She was clearly torn about the big decision she was about to make. The judge asked her if she wanted to continue with the pleas of guilty and she said yes. The

court found there was factual basis of a crime and accepted her plea of guilty in each of the two counts. He asked or a sentencing assessment report. Belcher’s sentencing hearing will be held in October. The judge asked her to stay in touch with her probation and parole officer.

• Michael D. Feeler, 31, of Walnut Grove, MO, failed to appear for his scheduled probation violation hearing. Skouby said Feeler was sent a notice about it and he requested a capias warrant. Feeler was sentenced to five years in prison for the 2016 felony charge of receiving stolen property, with the execution of his sentence suspended as he was placed on five years probation. He violated his probation and SKouby filed a motion to revoke it. Skouby said he had adjusted Feeler’s restitution payments from \$100 a month to \$50 as he owes \$2,005 in restitution. Feeler has not paid since April. Judge Hickle issued a warrant with a \$150 cash bond.

• Jimmie McKinney, 63, of Vienna, appeared for a case review. He is charged with the class D felony of DWI-aggravated, and the misdemeanors of driving while revoked/suspended-first offense, failure to register motor vehicle, and owner operated motor vehicle without maintaining financial responsibility.

Prosecutor Skouby told the court McKinney had problems with his bond condition as he is supposed to come to the sheriff’s office and “blow” for alcohol every day. However, Skouby said he “had a hick-up along the way,” which they have addressed. He had blown positive twice. Skouby said there have been no recent violations. Judge Hickle told McKinney he is “square with the court” and his next court date in September is for a pre trial conference. He

said good work with his reporting.

• Michael Tungate, 31, of Belle, was in circuit court for his final disposition and sentencing hearing. He is on probation for the class C felony in 2015 of unlawful possession, transport, manufacture, repair or sale of illegal weapon. Skouby said Tungate has admitted to his probation violation and is complying with his treatment. He has been reporting and his probation officer said he is doing better and recommended his probation be continued. Skouby said Tungate was caught stealing and used meth and he has had “personal difficulties in his life” and he thinks some shock time in jail is in order. He used THC after his motion to revoke and he resumed treatment. He has spent some time in the Crawford County Jail.

Judge Hickle ordered two days shock time in jail and continued his probation. Tungate is working now. The judge told him that a violation from this point forward “carries a risk” and wished him good luck.

• Skouby asked the court to grant an own recognizance (OR) bond for John Nelson, 37, of Dixon. Skouby said Nelson was injured with a fracture while in the Pulaski County Jail and was taken to a hospital in Springfield. He is charged in Maries County with delivery of a control substance. Skouby said he is requesting the OR bond because Maries County does not want to send a deputy to get him because they are short handed. Pulaski County is doing the same thing. Judge Hickle said he doesn’t have a problem with it. Nelson failed to appear for his pre trial conference. His trial setting is set for September and Nelson is ordered to appear unless he is hospitalized.



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**DREW CRUM** is seven years old and this year can claim bragging rights over his grandfather, Ellis Crum, Jr. The two had a bet who could grow the largest tomatoes and Drew succeeded last week with the two tomatoes (in front) that together weigh 5 and a quarter pounds. One of them is over 20 inches around and together the two tomatoes in the front measure 12 inches.

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plants. The first tomato he picked was big and as he picked them he began to give them to people who are special to him. He was proud.

His G-Pa JR. Crum also is proud, saying that compared to the tomatoes he harvested from his own garden, Drew had “plumb blown out of the water” his G-Pa with those large tomatoes.

The vine of the plants is so sturdy they had to use a tin snip to cut it. Drew said he liked caring for his two tomato plants. His G-Pa Crum said, “He’s a worker.”

Summer is coming to a close and school is getting ready to start and for the Jason and Jessica Crum family, all of their children will be in school this year. Eli, age 11, will be a sixth grader, Drew a second grader, and little sister, Trinity, age 4, will go to the preschool.

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The **Maries County R-II School Board** has declared the property owned by the district on Mitchem Street in Belle, Missouri, as surplus property.

Sealed bids will be required to be submitted to the District office by 12:00NOON on Thursday, August 22, 2019. The property is located between the houses of 106 and 201 on Mitchem Street.

Anyone with questions concerning the property should contact the District Office at 573-895-3800.

*The School Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.*

## Maries County R-II Schools

The **Maries County R-II School District** is now accepting bids for excavating and foundation work on the 2020-21 Building Trades house project. Interested parties should contact Andy Gehlert at 573-859-3843 for specific details and plans.

Bids must be received in the administration building at 503 W. Third St., by **3:00PM, Wednesday, Aug. 28, 2019**. Bidders can contact the administration office at 503 W. Third St., in Belle, MO (65013), or by phone at 573-859-3800, Tuesday through Friday 6:30AM-4:30PM.

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Assessed Valuation (AV) (by categories)	Estimated	
	Current Tax Year 2019-20	Prior Tax Year 2018-19
Real Estate	\$ 43,353,270.00	\$ 41,752,480.00
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<b>Adjusted AV Amount</b>	<b>\$ 72,308,958.00</b>	<b>\$ 69,798,872.00</b>
— New Construction (included in AV Amount above)	2,065,206.00	827,170.00

The following Tax Rates are Proposed by Fund:		
	Amount of Property Tax Revenues Budgeted	Property Tax Rate (per \$100)
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Capital Projects	- 0 -	- 0 -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,364,720.00</b>	<b>3.2703</b>

Total New Revenue (operating funds only):	\$ 98,211.00
New Revenue - New Construction/Improvements:	\$ 67,538.00
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Percentage of New Revenue from Reassessment:	1.3533%

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For more information contact:

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**City of Bland, P.O. Box 40, Bland, MO 65014**

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### OZARK CENTRAL AMBULANCE DISTRICT

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC TAX LEVY MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting will be held on **Monday, August 19, 2019 at 6:00PM** at the Ozark Central Ambulance District base, located at 1001 East First Street, in Belle, Missouri. The purpose of this meeting is to set the proposed tax levy for Ozark Central Ambulance District for the 2019 year.

Assessed Valuations	Gasconade County	Maries County	Osage County
Real Estate – Residential	\$ 9,521,300	\$ 25,562,890	\$ 10,712,770
Real Estate – Agricultural	1,229,450	– 0 –	– 0 –
Real Estate – Commercial	896,610	4,130,444	– 0 –
Personal Property	4,394,728	21,767,560	4, 409, 025
Local RR/Utility – Personal	42,512	416,268	– 0 –
Local RR/Utility – Real Estate	32,590	56,560	– 0 –
State RR/Utility – Personal	366,617	– 0 –	373,625
State RR/Utility – Real Estate	3,387,691	– 0 –	2,383,793
<b>Total Current Valuation</b>	<b>\$ 19,817,498</b>	<b>\$ 51,933,722</b>	<b>\$ 51,933,722</b>
New Construction	193,000	776,520	271,710
Increase in Personal Property	– 0 –	– 0 –	611,923
<b>Total Increase</b>	<b>\$ 193,000</b>	<b>\$ 776,520</b>	<b>\$ 883,633</b>

**PROPOSED TAX LEVY (per \$100.00 valuation) .2787**

Ozark Central Ambulance District | P.O. Box 666 | Belle, MO 65013 | 573-859-3168



**Missouri State Fair winners**

Grace Busch (above), 17, of St. James, received Reserve Champion Angus Senior Heifer honors at the Missouri State Fair FFA Breed Show on August 8 and Reserve Champion Hotel Steer in the OnFoot Open Steer Carcass Show & Live Evaluation Contest on August 12. Grace is the daughter of Drew and Tasha Busch. She attends Maries R-2 High School and is a member of the Belle FFA Chapter. Pictured (L-R) are Drew Busch, Dustin Dehein, Madison Busch, Ted E. Sheppard, Nikki Cunningham, Kevin Roberts, Show Judge, MO Cattlemen Representative, Victoria Busch, 2019 MO State Fair Queen Chloe Momphard, Lauren Gilbert, Mark Wolfe, and Chris Chinn. Tyler Johnson (right), 15, of Vienna, received the Champion Award in the FFA Turkey Competition on, August 11th. Tyler is the son of Brenda Johnson. He attends Maries R-1 High School and is a member of the Vienna FFA Chapter. Jerry Weller (below), of Belle, received second place in the Missouri State Fair horseshoe pitching contest for class A participants. Pictured (from left) are Melanie Zerr, Brady Fox, and Weller.



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**Vienna PD reports July activity**

The Vienna Police Department has provided the Vienna City Council with a summary of the police activity during July.

Vienna PD officers conducted 64 traffic stops, answered three alarm calls, responded to two disturbance calls, investigated 10 suspicious persons/vehicles, investigated three theft complaints that included counterfeit bills, shoplifting, business burglary with two stolen vehicles, and made one felony arrest for burglary and vehicle theft with one warrant issued for a second offender arrested in Cole County.

Officers investigated two motor vehicle accidents, conducted 147 business checks, investigated seven animal complaints, and investigated one nuisance complaint.

The police department conducted 31 other activities and calls for service, including assisting the sheriff's office with a drunk driver and with jail visitations. Other activities included well being checks, funeral traffic control, medical assists, motorist assist, reported traffic complaints, investigative follow-ups, executed a search warrant and recovered stolen property, responded to 911 hang-ups, child safety complaint, and a parking complaint.



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**Wieberg Red-E-Mix**

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Thank You Wieberg Red-E-Mix for the premiums, including Barrett's and Cav's. Thanks also to all who bought raffle tickets benefiting Erin Helmig. We would also like to thank everyone who came out and supported the 4-H and FFA kids, and all those who donated and attended the Greased Pig and Animal Scramble at the 2019 Belle Fair!



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