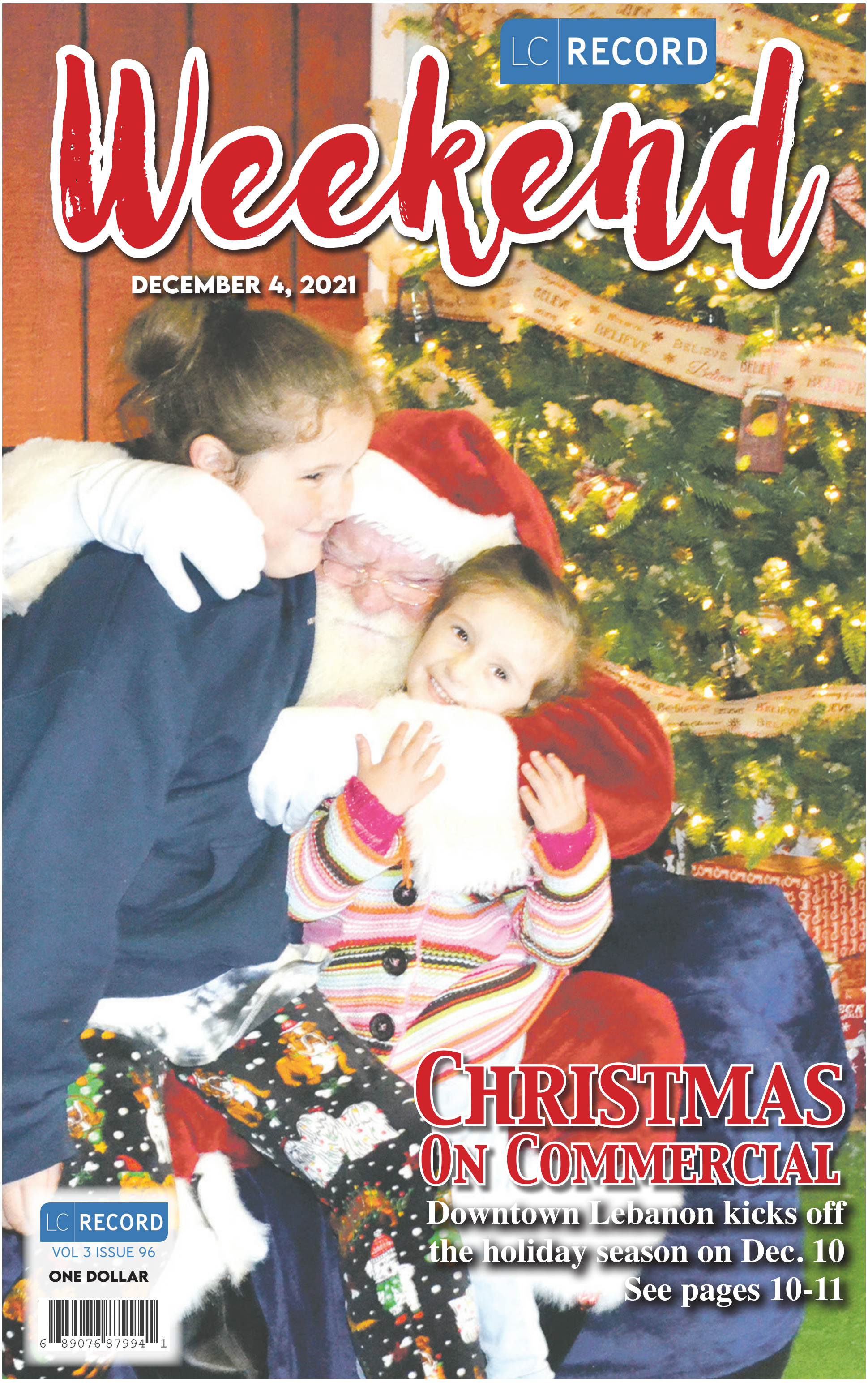
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# Weekend

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## CHRISTMAS ON COMMERCIAL

**Downtown Lebanon kicks off the holiday season on Dec. 10**

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## December Events

**DECEMBER 10**

- **Christmas on Commercial 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM.** Bring the family downtown where hometown Christmas memories will be made! DJ, food vendors, photos with Santa, caroling, hay rides, and a live Nativity scene will be a part of this celebration.
- **Winter Wonderland at the Gallery 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM.** Come join us for an evening of fun at the Lebanon Art Gallery! We will have craft vendors, artist vendors, interactive activities for kids, cookies, cupcakes, free cocoa, and so much more!! Admission is free, December 10th from 5pm-9pm!

**DECEMBER 11**

- **Holiday Storytime 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. at the Lebanon-Laclede County Library.** Help us celebrate the holidays! Storytime will begin at 10AM and be followed by crafts and a snack. An area will be set up for families to take their own photos. Santa will not be present at this event.
- **The Nutcracker Visits 4 Realms 2:00 PM. Cowan Civic Center.** Save the Date! School of Performing Arts presents The Nutcracker Visits 4 Realms. Tickets $10 and masks will be required at the recital.

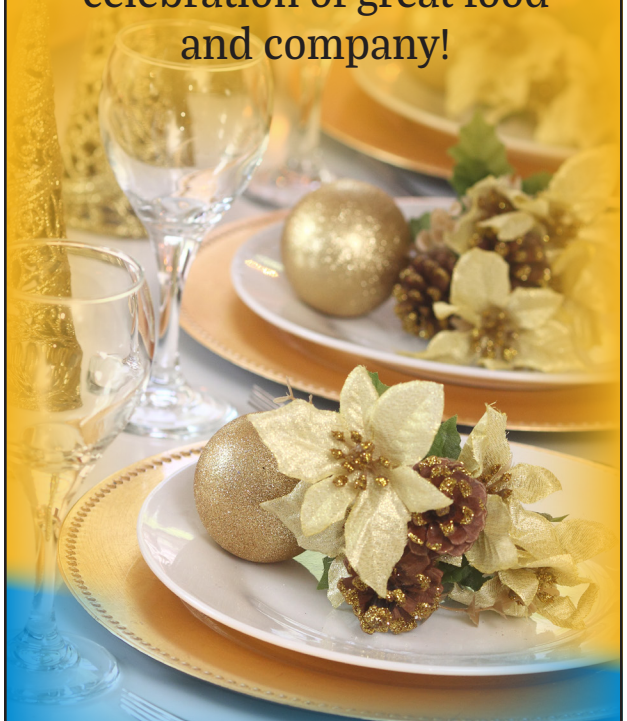
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COATS FOR KIDS EVENT — 2-4 p.m. at the Mumford Building at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church hosted by The Knights of Columbus 67871. Area residents who have a child in need of a coat may come for a free one. The child needing the coat needs to be present. FFI: Steve Norris 417-288-9116.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 6

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — noon Monday and Wednesday, 6 p.m. Friday, 5 p.m. Sunday at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church.

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7




ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — 6 p.m. every Tuesday at Southern Heights Christian Church. FFI: 533-4244.

LACLEDE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY — short meeting to reorganize at 7 p.m. at lower level of Hughes Senior Center.



DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS (DAV) & AUXILIARY CHRISTMAS DINNER — 5:30 p.m. at VFW Hall, 1617 N. Lynn.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8

LEBANON HOST LIONS CLUB — noon at T's Redneck Steakhouse.

NAMI— MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT GROUP — for mentally ill, family and friends welcome, 10-11 a.m. and 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Lebanon-Laclede County Library. FFI: 417-718-1616.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9



HAPPY QUILTERS — 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Lebanon-Laclede County Library.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

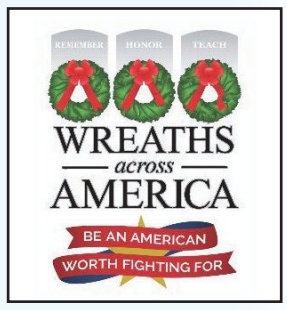


THE NUTCRACKER VISITS 4 REALMS — 2 p.m. at Cowan Civic Center presented by School of Performing Arts. Tickets $10.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

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### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18




NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY — 10 a.m. ceremony at Mount Rose Memorial Park Cemetery on South 5. Public invited to attend and help place wreaths throughout the cemetery.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

AMERICAN LEGION — 8 a.m. at American Legion Hall. National Commander Paul E. Dillard will host free breakfast with all local veterans Bring a buddy. FFI: Howard Reagan 417-718-0486.



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# VIEWpoints

# LHS student job shadows at Laclede County Record

*Editor's note: Abigail Twenter is a Lebanon High School senior participating in the GOCAPS job shadowing program. Last week, she wrote an About Town for our publication. She has pictures featured in this edition and will have more stories in upcoming editions. We wanted to give Abigail a chance to introduce herself and the program to our readers.*

My name is Abigail Twenter, and I am a senior at Lebanon High School. My parents are Paul and Angie Twenter, and I have two siblings, Halle, and Daniel. My family has always pushed me to try my best in everything that I do, so because of that, I have always been extremely passionate about learning and continually growing my knowledge for the future.

I have been involved in several honors programs throughout my school years such as Lebanon High School University (LHSU), National Junior Honor Society (NJHS), National Honor Society (NHS), and the A+ program. All of these programs have helped me to grow in my academics and professionalism. I get to help my community and peers around me by volunteering with Lebanon High School University and the A+ program. In Addition to that, I am also a part of the Lady Jackets Tennis team, recently completing fourth and final year.

Currently, I am enrolled in the Greater Ozarks Centers for Advanced Professional Studies (GOCAPS). This program introduces students to real world opportunities through different job shadow and internship positions. Students go through six weeks of boot camp where we learn public speaking and how to act professionally. I have gone through two of the six internship positions that are open to us. My first position was with Jacy Overstreet, the Communications Director for Lebanon Schools. While working with her, I got to attend school board meetings, work on announcements for the district, and tour the schools. Now, I am interning with Fines Massey at the Lebanon Daily Record, writing articles, and getting to see how the publication process works.



Twenter

This is all preparing me for my future in college and the workforce. After high school, I plan to attend college at Missouri University and get my master's in Business Management. From there I want to start work at a book publishing company and work my way up to a top executive position. When I was young, I always loved to read, but I really started to read more avidly when I was in middle school, and my love for books and literature has grown since. So, because of my interest in literature, a job at a publishing company has always been my dream.

## Letter to the editor

# Reader explains Medicare plans

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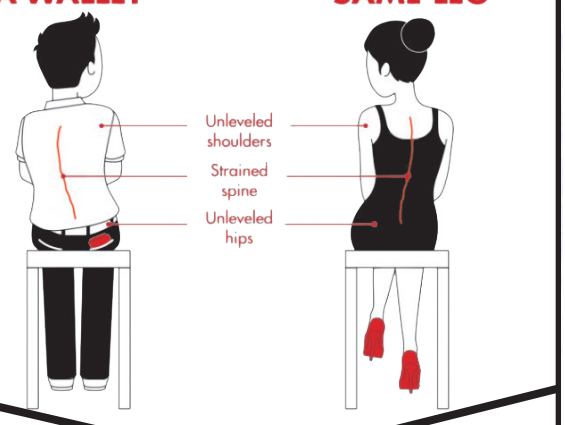
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*Arlene Veasman*
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# Pedestrian killed by car in Conway

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A Richland woman was killed when she was struck by a vehicle at 5:20 p.m. Wednesday on Martingale Drive, just east of Conway.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Ricky D. Langdon, 56, of Conway, the driver of a southbound 1996 Toyota Camry struck two pedestrians walking in the roadway, Kenneth L. Harting, 29, and Anna Marie R. Kelley, 29, both of Richland.

Kelley was pronounced dead by Laclede County Coroner Steve Murrell.

Harting was airlifted to Mercy Hospital Springfield, with what the Highway Patrol described as serious injuries.

The driver was reportedly wearing a seat belt.

# Park Board, Council discuss future of parks

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Lebanon City Council and the Lebanon Park Board discussed park needs at a joint work session meeting Thursday.

In August, Lebanon voters approved a half-cent sales tax to replace the park levy on real and personal property.

Mayor Jared Carr said the meeting was to discuss how the funds will be used for park facilities and the five year master plan the park board is working on.

Parks Director John Shelton talked about park needs, which he said included identifying new parks and a park connectivity plan.

Shelton said another major need will be deciding what to do about the aging Boswell Aquatic Center. Options include renovating it, building a new center or replacing it with splash pad facilities which would require less maintenance and staff expense.

"Maybe one at Atchley, one at Boswell, they wouldn't have to have life guards and would be open more hours and there would be less maintenance and building costs," he said.

Carr said the city planned to conduct another survey of city residents in February-March. The results will help with park decisions, he said. Shelton said the Park Board would begin working on the five year plan and would include input from the survey. The next city council meeting is set for Dec. 13.



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**The Lebanon City Council and Lebanon Park Board met** Thursday night in a joint work session to discuss the parks' master plan.

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# OEM hosts emergency training session

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**The Laclede County Office of Emergency Management Wednesday and Thursday hosted** Department of Homeland Security and FEMA funded training for emergency workers. Professionals from all over the United States were in attendance.

The Laclede County Emergency Management Agency this week hosted a training session for emergency workers from across the country.

The class included emergency response, disaster management and active shooter incident management.

Monroe Manley, training specialist with Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, was one of the main instructors. He said they had a cooperative agreement with FEMA and provides training to communities.

He said he wants people taking the classes to become more prepared and more aware of what they may have to deal with beyond their daily responsibilities.

"When these things happen, they happen in a hurry," he said. "Everything I teach, teaches them to prevent, protect and mitigate."

Manley said in one class, they discuss incidents that may exceed the community's current capabilities.

"For instance, the ice storm in 2007, exceeded the current capabilities here, so how do you plan for that handle the gaps between needed capabilities and current capabilities and how you fill those gaps," he said.

Instructor Jacob Hyre was teaching the critical infrastructure protection security program. He said they focused on terrorism, natural hazards, physical and cyber threats.

"We discuss what things are critical to your community and how do we make those things more resilient and prepare for emergencies," he said.

Those taking the classes included private sector people from Cox Health, one from the Citadel in South Carolina and an emergency management director from Iowa. The Homeland Security Director for Missouri was also present.

OEM Director Randy Rowe said he had been trying to get the class to come close to Lebanon for years.

"We were fortunate enough this year to actually bring it to Lebanon," Rowe said.

# Commission, rural fire departments address radio issues

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The Laclede County Commission is working with rural fire districts to possibly take over a radio tower used for dispatching rural fire departments.

Laclede County Presiding Commissioner Randy Angst said the commission is working with the Lebanon Rural District Board to transition the central repeater tower located on YY Highway from ownership and maintenance by Lebanon Rural to the county.

Angst said this was to continue to provide the dispatch service that rural fire departments rely on, including Bennett Spring and Sleeper/Stoutland.

Laclede County Emergency Management Director Randy Rowe said each of the rural fire departments have their own frequencies so they could function in their assigned regions without the repeater, but having it enhances mutual aid.

"Anytime there's a major fire, and this year, we've had 17 major fires, MFA was the big example, we had to pull in 27 different departments, as they come in, they can tell us where they're at, so we can get the engines and water supply lined up, without this we couldn't talk to those coming in outside our area," Rowe said.

Rowe said the tower could also be used as a backup if the 911 MOSWIN system went down.

Angst said Lebanon Rural recently changed radio systems, and as a result, they "no longer need solely for themselves the analog dispatch repeater located on this tower, so in order for them to transition, which they have, they wanted that repeater to be taken over by other rural fire districts or possibly the county commission."

He said the tower is critical for mutual aid among fire districts in the county.

"An example was given of when the MFA structure burned, this tower gives the fire districts the ability to be dispatched and without this, the northwest side of the county, there wouldn't be a way to dispatch rural fire," he said.

The county is in a position to continue the service, Angst said.

"The commission could take over the tower since some fire districts are not in a position financially to do so," he said. "The county has discussed taking this over and fund that through CDT ( County Developmental Tax) funds we use to help support rural fire districts," Angst said. "We believe as a commission we can take this on and continue to provide the services."

The commission and fire districts have been discussing details including whether to relocate the repeater and the lease agreement with the current owner of the tower.

The commission met with fire district representatives Wednesday evening to accommodate people with daytime work hours, Angst said.

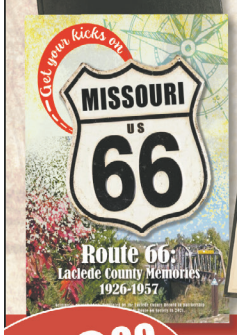
Angst said they were working out the details of how to keep the tower functioning during the transition so that dispatching can continue.

"We have an agreement that we're going to work through this so that the tower doesn't go dark," he said. "It was a meeting to make sure there was a smooth transition and to share their views on it."

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# Local News

# LPD officer helps put out burning car



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A Lebanon Police officer followed a car that had caught on fire Tuesday before it finally stopped so the blaze could be extinguished.

No one was injured in the incident.

Officer Christopher Carrasco said he saw a Ford Mustang traveling on East Route 66 at about 2:30 p.m.

"I was on Fremont heading toward Kum & Go by the hospital and saw from the corner of my eye this Mustang turn down towards Route 66. I noticed flames coming out from underneath the carriage near the tires and it took me a second because I thought, is that car really on fire or does it have something special hooked up? As he went down 66 I could see through the Taco John parking lot that the car was literally in flames from underneath," Carrasco said. "I went in behind him and he was leaving a huge trail of black smoke and I could see other vehicles behind him honking and waving, trying to get him to stop. I hit my lights and they all pulled over and waved me on to go get him, but he wasn't stopping at all. I let dispatch know there was a car in the county that was on fire, you could see flames coming off the bottom and back. It was likely he didn't even see the smoke."

Carrasco said the man told him he did not see the police car trying to pull him over because of the smoke, but finally pulled over because of the siren and realizing something was wrong.

Carrasco pulled the vehicle over at U-Pull It and people came running out with extinguishers.

"He was about to get out and then he jumped back looking at his car, went 'Oh my God' and I said 'Yeah, that's why I'm trying to pull you over, you're on fire' and he said 'I thought it was just overheating," he said.

Carrasco said the people were able to put out the fire.

"Everybody was really helpful," he said. "I made sure it was his vehicle, he had just purchased it from someone and it apparently had some issues."

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI**
**ASSOCIATE DIVISION**

Case No. 21LA-DR00174
IN RE :
J. L. R., MINOR, By his Next Friend,
Christi Reed
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Vs.
KERRY ALLAN REED,
Respondent.

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THE STATE OF MISSOURI to Kerry Allan Reed

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**CIRCUIT CLERK**
**By:/s/Jessica Miller, Deputy Clerk**

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF LACLEDE COUNTY, MISSOURI**

Case No. 21LA-CC00068
BRETT BURROUGHS and CINDY BURROUGHS, husband and wife
Plaintiffs,
Vs.
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SUBJECT to all restrictions, reservations and conditions whether of record or not.

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HEATHER OFFICER,
CIRCUIT CLERK
By /s/ Brenda Huntley,

**(12)4,11,18,25**

# City paints crosswalks, traffic islands

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Some street intersections in Lebanon are now a little brighter and pay tribute to the city and the Lebanon school district.

Street Department crews took advantage of the mild weather recently to paint and upgrade the traffic islands at the intersection of Jefferson Avenue and Elm Street. "The new design pays tribute to our city and to Jacket Nation," the city said in a Facebook post.

Lebanon Communications Manager Derek Gean said the new traffic islands were approved by council a few months back along with the crosswalks downtown.

"They are a form of thermoplastic that should last for quite a while. The crosswalks, and designs are all part of current efforts to improve our streets, beautify our city and help increase community pride," Gean said.

In September, the City Council approved purchasing the thermoplastic pavement marking material for the intersections of Adams and Commercial, Monroe and Commercial, Madison and Commercial, Jefferson and Elm and Washington and Commercial. The material was purchased from Geveko of Gainesville, Ga. for $40,380. The money came from the city's economic development Fund 45.



LCR photo/Abigail Twenter

**The Lebanon Street Department recently painted** the crosswalk at Commercial and Adams streets.

Lebanon Downtown Business District Executive Director Cynthia Honssinger-Coffman said the street markings are a colorful addition to the city.

"The Downtown Business District is excited to have colorful new crosswalks with unique Lebanon themes at the intersections of Commercial Street and Monroe, Madison, and Adams streets with Washington to follow soon," she said. "The crosswalk designs convey the message that Downtown Lebanon is a vibrant center of our community. We hope residents and visitors alike enjoy this special design feature."

She said the traffic islands at Jefferson and Elm "are a great welcome for our City. They help brand Lebanon by featuring our oak leaves and Yellowjacket pride."

The crosswalk markings include a Lebanon School District theme at the intersection of Adams and Commercial and Monroe and Commercial. A public safety theme is featured at Madison and Commercial. At Jefferson and Elm, the Lebanon Yellow Jackets, Lebanon Route 66 and the City of Lebanon leaves are displayed.

# A former Lebanon accountant has been charged with allegedly stealing $362K from her employer

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A former Lebanon accountant who pleaded guilty in 2013 to stealing from GreatLife Golf and Fitness has been indicted for stealing from her Springfield employer.

Carrie Leigh Long, 52, formerly Carrie Robertson, of Ash Grove, was indicted by a federal grand jury on Nov. 17 in a 24-count indictment that alleges she embezzled more than $362,000 from her employer. The indictment was unsealed and made public Nov. 18 after she was arrested and made her initial court appearance.

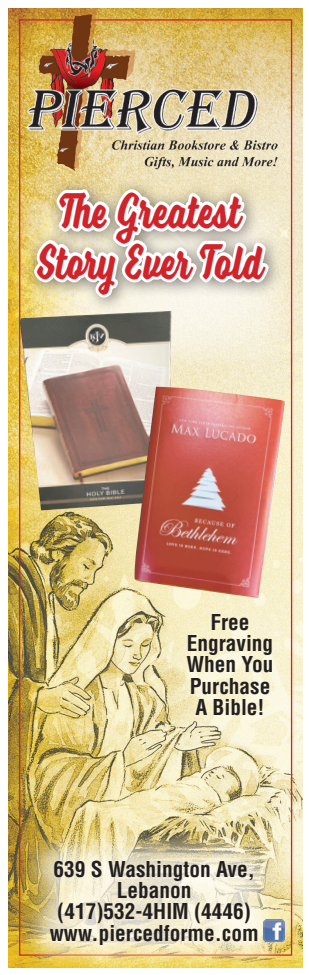
Long was employed by Executive Coach Builders, Inc. to provide in-house accounting services to the company and to Executive Bus Builders, Inc. The companies are headquartered in Springfield but do business worldwide with factories and sales offices in Missouri and California. The companies build luxury buses, coaches, and limousines. Long was hired in April 2014.

The federal indictment alleges that Long stole at least $362,175 from the companies from February 2016 to September 2020. Long is also charged with filing false tax returns that failed to report that income, as well as failing to pay approximately $902,226 of employment taxes the companies owed to the IRS.

The federal indictment charges Long with 17 counts of wire fraud, six counts of failure to pay employment taxes, one count of obstructing the administration of internal revenue laws, and five counts of filing a false tax return.

In 2013, Long pleaded guilty in Laclede County Court to stealing $91,255.95 from GreatLife Golf and Fitness in Lebanon. She was sentenced to five years of probation and 30 days in jail. She also was ordered to pay back the money to the local golf course.

Financial discrepancies at GreatLife were reported to the Laclede County Sheriff's Office in 2012. The business provided more than 80 forged checks to the police. Long was working as an accountant for the business. At the time, she claimed she had planned to pay the money back before the forgeries were discovered. Part of the money was used for a family vacation to Mexico, according to court records.






# SPORTS

## Lady 'Jackets win 2 games at Fair Grove

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The Lebanon High School girls' basketball team recorded two wins at the Fair Grove Invitational this past week and were scheduled to face Fair Grove in the championship game on Friday night.

On Tuesday, the Lady 'Jackets (2-0) defeated the Logan-Rogersville Wildcats in the opening game, 65-37.

Junior Raegan McCowan had 24 points on 11-22 shooting, senior Kori Cromer added 14 points, and Makayah Alexander scored 12 points in the win.

Lebanon jumped out to an 18-12 lead at the first quarter and held the Wildcats to just four points in the second quarter while scoring 22 points to take a 40-16 lead into the locker room at halftime.

The Yellowjackets defeated Ava on Thursday night in the semifinal round, 58-44. A surgical first quarter lifted LHS to a victory, outscoring the Bears, 23-12. However, the team was outscored in the second and fourth quarters.

McCowan led all scorers with 25 points and seven rebounds. Senior Jocee Pettyjohn had four assists in the contest while senior Chloe Shivers recorded two steals.

The LCR will have coverage from Friday's championship game in the Wednesday edition.

## Wrestling competes in Iowa

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Submitted photo
Lebanon sophomore Drew Bowling wrestles Jordan Rial during the 2021 Dan Gable Donnybrook in Coralville, Iowa on Friday afternoon. Bowling defeated Rial, 6-0.

In the wrestling world, it's harder to find a more historic name than Dan Gable. On Friday and Saturday, the Yellowjackets wrestled at the prestigious Dan Gable Donnybrook held in Coralville, Iowa.

Due to press time, the LCR was only able to obtain matches up to 1:30 p.m.

At that time, here are the results:

106: Micah Perryman (Leb) lost to Evan Bratten (Dubuque, Iowa) via pin

113: Brice Helmig (Leb) def. Nate Fish (Linn-Mar, Iowa) via pin

120: Jonathan Perryman (Leb) lost to Brannten Westendorf via pin

126: Davis Joiner (Leb) def. Drew Metcalf via pin

132: Josiah Perryman (Leb) lost to Eddie Enright via pin

132: Drew Bowling (Leb) def. Jordan Rial via dec. 6-0

138: Taydem Johnson (Leb) loss to Drew Cooper via dec. 11-7

152: Andrew Dent (Leb) loss to Grant Boddicker via pin

## LHS boys' basketball picks up first win over Salem

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Hard defense and timely makes on the offensive end from the Lebanon Yellowjackets secured them their first win of the 2021-22 campaign.

Lebanon (1-1) outscored the Salem Tigers (0-3) 32-22 in the final two quarters on the way to a non-conference victory on Tuesday night in Boswell Auditorium.

"Our main key (on Tuesday) was just to play as hard as you can," Lebanon head coach Ryan Toombs said. "Forget about the rest of it and just play hard. We knew we were going to come in and get a lot of pressure on them in the full court and half court. That is definitely what won us the ball game. We outplayed them with our defensive effort I felt like."

Shooting struggles continued in the first quarter as the Tigers jumped out to a 14-5 lead to start the game, but Lebanon responded with a 8-0 run in the final 1:30 of the first quarter with two three-pointers from senior Isaiah Anderson and a layup from senior Bennett Schnitzer to cut the deficit to 14-13.

The Yellowjackets came out strong in the second quarter, forcing a handful of turnovers from the Tigers with a full court press and easy baskets to take a commanding 28-21 lead.

"It took some time and any time you press you know the ball has to go through the hole before you can go on a run," said Toombs. "Finally, we started to open it up, made a few shots, and turned them over. It was just a matter of time before we built our lead up a little bit."

For the game, Lebanon made six three-pointers in the game, shot 15-30 (50%) from the free throw line, and had 13 turnovers. Salem recorded six three-pointers, finished 10-19 (52%) from the free throw line, and had 21 turnovers.

"As our legs get underneath us and our football guys get into basketball shape, we will see the ball fall a lot more," Toombs mentioned. "I think our decision making will improve and I thought when they (Salem) pressured us down the stretch, we did a really good job and got some shots to fall to help build the lead a little bit."

Anderson finished the game with a game-high 23 points while sophomore Caleb Ray had 14 points in the game. Toombs praised Ray for his toughness on both ends of the court after the game.

"I've already told him (Ray) he is one of the best on ball defenders I have ever coached," he said. "He worked his tail off to shut their point guard down (on Tuesday) and wouldn't let him get to his right hand. He knows how much space to give a guy, when to crowd him, and when to pressure him. He does a good job of being in his stance all the time. He sets the tone defensively.

"(Caleb) plays a ton of basketball. He works hard in the offseason. We will lean on him to pressure the ball and handle the ball. It isn't an easy thing to ask of a kid who is 16-years-old. He does a great job of doing both."

The junior varsity team defeated the Tigers 71-39 and were set to play in the Strafford JV tournament on Thursday night. The freshman team defeated Kickapoo and Catholic in the Rogersville tournament.

The varsity team will be back in action next Tuesday night in a non-conference home game against the Marshfield Blue Jays.

"We have got to value our time in practice and get better," Toombs said. "We just need to play as hard as we can and we will put them in positions to compete with each other to get their legs underneath them. I'm really excited about this group and I feel like when they get fresh and in shape we just need to build a little confidence and that is the biggest thing I'm taking away from this win."

**Box score/Stats:**
Salem 14 7 7 15 — 43
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Lebanon: Isaiah Anderson 23, Caleb Ray 14, Michael Ryan 7, Peyton Mitchell 4, Austin Hendrix 4, Matthew Archer 3, Ian Carr 2, Bennett Schnitzer 2, Tristan Wilson 1

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# Christmas On Commercial

## Downtown Lebanon kicks off the holiday season on Dec. 10

By Steve Smith



Christmas season comes back to Downtown Lebanon on Dec. 10 for the annual Christmas on Commercial celebration.

The annual holiday event, a celebration of Lebanon's Main Street, will be held from 5 until 9 p.m.

Lebanon Downtown Business District Executive Director Cynthia Honssinger-Coffman said plans are underway to make the third annual event "the best yet."

Activities are scheduled for up and down Commercial Street throughout the night. Even the big man himself will be Downtown. Santa Claus is coming to town and will be greeting children at Cackle Hatchery. Kids can get free photos with Santa.

Festival goers can enjoy three stylish ways to travel Commercial Street. Hogan Land Title will be providing hayrides, Holman-Howe Funeral Home has sponsored carriage rides and First State Community Bank is providing sleigh rides. There will be hayrides and horse drawn carriage rides courtesy of Hogan Land Title and Holman Howe Funeral Homes.

The Downtown merchants are hosting a variety of fun activities including face painting, an ugly sweater contest, a Christmas-themed photo booth, letters to Santa, a Christmas bazaar craft show and plenty of snacks and Christmas music.

A live nativity scene and caroling will be held at the west end of The Market. Food trucks will be parked at the east end. A DJ will be playing Christmas music through the event.

"We hope everyone will come out and enjoy this special holiday event sponsored by Hogan Land Title of Laclede County and First State Community Bank," Honssinger-Coffman said.

Christmas on Commercial is an annual, family-centered holiday celebration that brings people together in the heart of Lebanon - the Downtown Business District, she added.

"It's a time to have fun as a community, see friends and neighbors, make memories as families," she said. "We all can benefit from some hope and joy right now, and Christmas on Commercial is an opportunity for both."

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>
> - Cynthia Honssinger-Coffman

Hungry attendees can visit food vendors at The Market or see the civic groups who will be offering hot dogs, roaster nuts and Frito pies on Commercial Street.

Christmas on Commercial Event Chair Jennifer Early said more than 40 businesses are participating

She said activities also include carolers at the Post Office and traveling carolers walking up and down Commercial Street.

Emergency personnel, fire trucks and police cars will be at the corner of Commercial and Madison.

"Something fun can be found in every block of Commercial Street in the Downtown District," Early said. "Our planning committee has been meeting each month, we are excited to see all the new family fun activities this year. Our hope is that Christmas on Commercial will continue to grow every year not only in activities but also making memories."

At the newspaper office, a Twinkles Tree of Joy will be set up so children can pick a candy cane off the tree and receive a special toy that goes along with the number on the candy cane.

When the kids go to Cackle Hatchery and see Mr. and Mrs. Claus they each receive a Twinkle's Community Coloring Book and crayons sponsored by the Laclede County Record and local businesses.

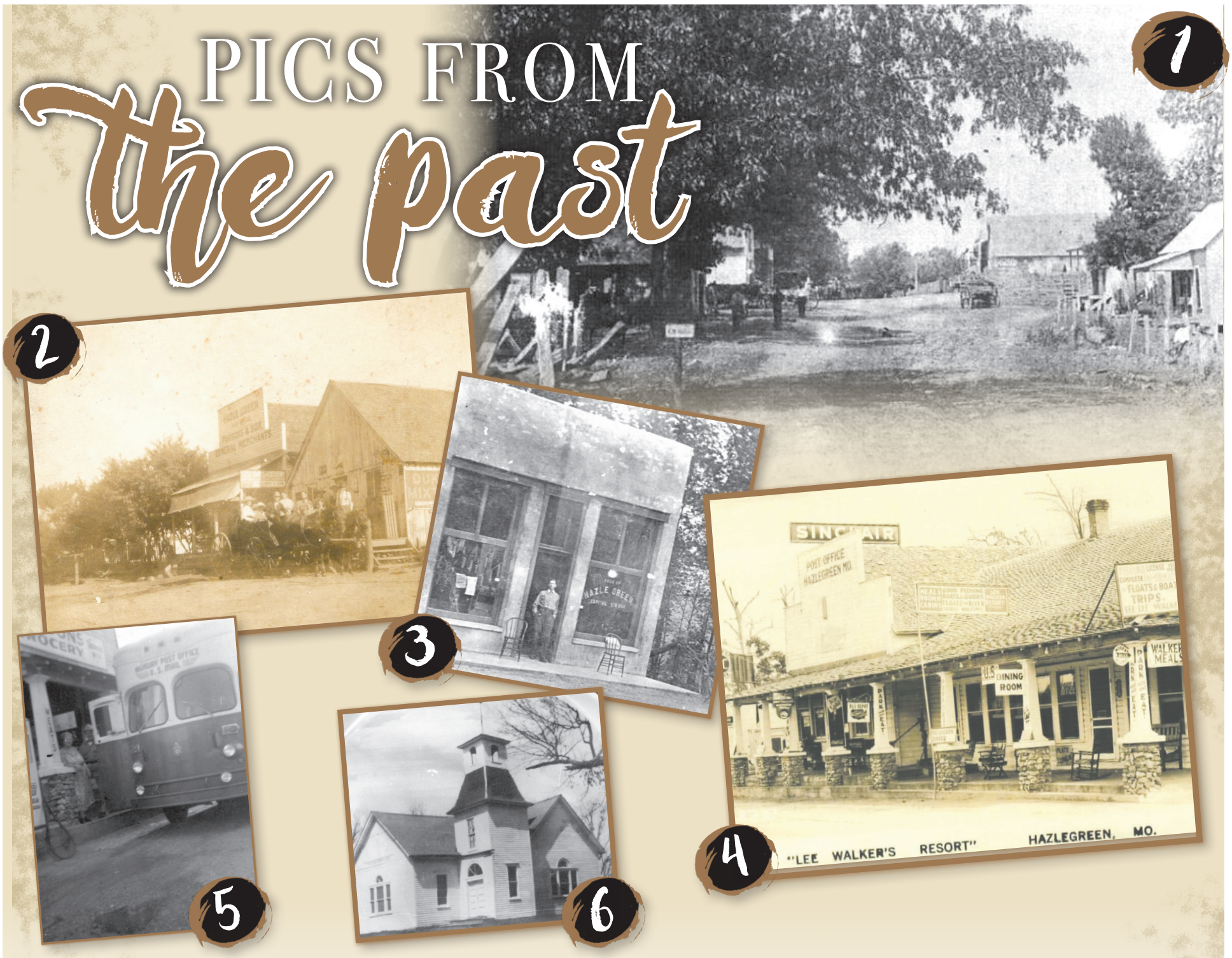
The Wednesday (Dec. 8) edition of the Laclede County Record will have a map of all the activities Downton for Christmas on Commercial.



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**Clockwise, from top left, a child walks** by Christmas decorations lining the fronts of a business on Commercial Street during the 2020 Christmas on Commercial event. Top right, Mr. B (Don Brenton) performs Christmas songs from the Lebanon Publishing office the same year. Second row left, a young girl enjoys some popcorn during the 2019 Christmas on Commercial. Center, children play parts in a live nativity scene from the 2019 Christmas on Commercial. Right, event goers walk up and down Commercial for the event, admiring the decorations. Third row, left, families took Christmas photos during the 2019 event. Right, people check out Vintage Flower Market during the 2020 event.

# PICS FROM the past




## Hazelgreen was once a Route 66 tourist stop

**1 One of the oldest towns in Laclede County was Hazelgreen,** located 16 miles east of Lebanon on old Route 66. In 1820, the first white settler to enter Laclede County, Jesse Ballew, settled on the Gasconade River near Hazelgreen. Jack and Andrew Brazier built the first store at Hazelgreen in 1870. The name granted as "Hazelgreen" since there were many hazel nut bushes near the store at that time. At one time there were two stores across the street from each other. One of these stores was later turned into a resort, "Parsons Lodge." This store was torn down in 1954 for the new four-lane highway. Shown is the village of Hazelgreen in the early 1900s.

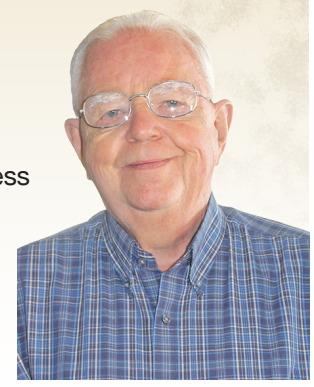
**2 Parsons Store** at Hazelgreen in the early 1900s.

**3 The Bank of Hazelgreen** in 1912 with Charles Carter, cashier, standing in front. The bank was chartered in 1910 and operated until about 1920. The building remained for many years and is now gone.

**4 Walker's Resort was** located next to the Hazelgreen Store and Post Office, ran by John and Lola Walker and Lee and Alva Walker. The last person to run the Hazelgreen Store was Jack Southard. This photo was taken in the 1930s era.

**5 Alva Walker** was the last postmistress at Hazelgreen when the post office was closed in 1958. She is shown with the postal bus making its last stop.

**6 The Hazelgreen Methodist Church was** organized in 1876 and was torn down in 1954 when the new highway was built. A new church was later constructed.



**KIRK PEARCE**
**HISTORIAN**




# Kiwanis Club seeks shopping volunteers

Submitted photo
**A volunteer hugs** a child she helped shop during last year's Kiwanis Club Shop with Kids event. The civic club hosts the program each year in which volunteers buy clothes for children in need.



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The Lebanon Kiwanis Club needs extra volunteers to help some local kids get a chance at Christmas shopping.

The club is planning its annual Shop with Kids event Dec. 7, 8 and 9 mornings and afternoons, and is looking for some adults to help the children with their shopping.

"Lebanon Kiwanis has a shopping program this time of year that provides less fortunate children in our community with new, nice, and warm clothing," Sean Clearbrook of the Lebanon Kiwanis Club said. "Our club actually has fundraisers and collects donations all year long to pay for this program. Around $30,000 is raised to provide $100 worth of new clothing for just under 300 kids."

Clearbrook said all that is needed now are the volunteers.

"You simply sign up as a volunteer and be at Wal-Mart for one or more of the six scheduled time slots," he said. "You will be paired up with a child and you will not only help them shop for new clothing but you will make a new friend. Besides making this child extremely happy and proud to have new clothing you are likely to have a life changing experience yourself as well."

He said the program has been going on for more than 50 years.

"It gets larger and larger as the need gets larger," he said. "There are a lot of less fortunate children in our county and we work with the schools. They bus in about 285 kids this year from each of the Laclede County schools.

He said this will include kids from Conway, Gasonade, Joel E. Barber, the Lebanon schools ages K-8.

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# Kiwanis

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"Kids will be bused in and they'll walk in the front doors at Walmart," he said. "We need to have volunteers to go one-on-one with these kids, there will be about 50 kids coming off the bus and we'll need upwards of 50 volunteers to match up with them so they can go to the clothing area and shop. All they need to do is volunteer their time, they don't have to pay for anything. They simply meet the child, become friends with them and go out and shop for about an hour."

Clearbrook said it is a rewarding experience.

"I did it myself as a volunteer 20 years ago and to say the least, it was life changing, growing up poor myself, I have a great appreciation for folks that want to help provide and give that kid an opportunity," he said.

He invited people to sign up to volunteer and be a part of the event.

"We've already done the hard part. We just need you to be there. Bring a friend with you or get a group together from work or church," Clearbrook said.

Anyone interested in volunteering to help out can call 417-594-0810. Information is also available on the Lebanon Kiwanis Facebook page. Signups are available at signup.com/go/EkrMMCY.





Submitted photos

**Volunteers help kids** in need shop during the annual Lebanon Kiwanis Club event. The local civic organization is seeking volunteers for this year's event. Volunteers take children around Walmart and help them buy clothing items they need.


Thank you to these wonderful sponsors for donated toys for Twinkle's Tree of Joy! Your kindness is sure to make the children of our community feel the spirit of Christmas.



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# obituaries

## JACOB WILLIAM KEY

ROLLA, MISSOURI



JACOB WILLIAM KEY

Jacob William Key, 20, of Rolla, died Sunday, Nov. 26, 2021, in Lebanon.

He was born March 13, 2001, in Columbia, Mo. to Nicholas Robert and Sarah Cathryn Henry Key.

Jacob graduated from Ava High School. He was currently a junior at Rolla S&T. He enjoyed kayaking, hunting and fishing (all the things he did with his best friend, granddad). He loved his family and friends deeply. Jacob was a competitor in all his pursuits. From the time he could play games as a toddler all the way through fall semester of junior year at the university, Jacob sought opportunities to be challenged and to excel. He earned many honors and awards academically and in his running endeavors. He was honored to attend Boys State and to be a state finalist in the VFW Voice of Democracy speech competition. His approach to academic excellence was apparent in high school as well as all five semesters at S&T. He was honored to be a student representative for the Ava Chamber of Commerce. He enjoyed helping younger students with math and he spent every Sunday morning for four years volunteering at Children's Church. He served wherever help was needed, whether the task was big or small.

He was saved and baptized when he was in the second grade.

Jacob is survived by his parents, Nick and Sarah Key, and sisters, Grace and Elle Key of the home in Lebanon; his maternal grandparents, Bill and Pat Henry of Ava; paternal grandparents, David and Mary Key of Troy, Mo.; special friend, Carly Fox, also a student at Rolla S&T; many aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services for Jacob William Key were held at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, 2021, at First Baptist Church in Lebanon with Pastors Oren Alcorn and Matt Taylor officiating.

Burial was in Ava City Cemetery following the Celebration of Life service. Visitation was from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday at Shadel's Colonial Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials have been suggested to Pat Souder Henry Scholarship Fund or Salvation Army.

Donations can be left at or mailed to Shadel's Colonial Chapel, P.O. Box 948 or 1001 N. Lynn, Lebanon, Mo. 65536. Sign guest book at www.shadelscolonialchapel.com.

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## ZACHARY JACOB "ZACK" KIEFFER

FORT LEONARD WOOD, MISSOURI



ZACKARY JACOB "ZACK" KIEFFER

Zachary Jacob "Zack" Kieffer, 26, of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., died Monday, Nov. 27, 2021, in Lebanon.

He was born June 15, 1995, Dubuque, Iowa to Jacob Jon Kieffer and Elizabeth Chaney Kieffer.

Survivors include his wife, drill Sgt. Emiley Kieffer, his parents Jacob Kieffer of Galena, Ill. and Elizabeth Kieffer and his brother, PFC Nicholas Kieffer of Bettendorf, Iowa; parental grandparents are Russ and Judy Kieffer of Galena, Ill. and maternal grandparents Michael and Mary Ann Chaney of Cordova, Ill.; his paternal uncles Matthew, Nathan, Justin, Ben, and Aunt Amanda Kieffer and their respective families; his maternal uncle Mark Chaney and aunts Elissa Heitzler and Maura Kelley and their respective families, also many friends and colleagues.

A military service with military honors for Zachary Jacob "Zazh" Kieffer was held from 1:30-2:00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, 2021, at the Fort Leonard Wood State Veterans Cemetery.

His body has been cremated under the direction of Shadel's Colonial Chapel of Lebanon.

Sign guest book at www.shadelscolonialchapel.com.

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## LUTHER ELLIS "BUD" MASSEY

LEBANON, MISSOURI

Luther Ellis "Bud'" Massey, 82, of Lebanon, died Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2021, in Mercy Hospital Lebanon.

He is survived by three children, Tammie O'Neail (Kelvin) of Cadet, Mo.; James Massey of Springfield, and Tommy Massey of Lebanon; stepson, Kelly Malicoat (Liz) of Aurora; four grandchildren, Chris Massey (Leann) of Cadet, Mo.; Jessica Williams of Cadet, Mo.; Jennifer O'Neail (Justin) of Cadet, Mo., and Heather O'Neail of Cadet, Mo.; 11 great-grandchildren, Kaylie Matthew, Tabitha, Charles, Hannah, McKenzie, Brayden, Lydia, Clara, Makayla, and Marissa; two sisters, Carolyn McGee of Nixa and Phyllis Graves (Roger) of Waynesville; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services for Luther Ellis "Bud" Massey will be held at noon Monday, Dec. 6, 2021, in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert. Burial will be in the Palace Cemetery of Evening Shade.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until time of service at noon Monday in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Bud Massey and may be left at Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert.

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## WILLIAM KENTON SCOTT

LEBANON, MISSOURI



WILLIAM KENTON SCOTT

William Kenton Scott, 65, of Lebanon, died Friday, Nov. 24, 2021, after a valiant battle with stomach cancer.

He was born on Aug. 1, 1956, to George W. and Ollie Mae Scott.

William was an Army veteran. He worked at Regal Beloit for many years and truly loved his job.

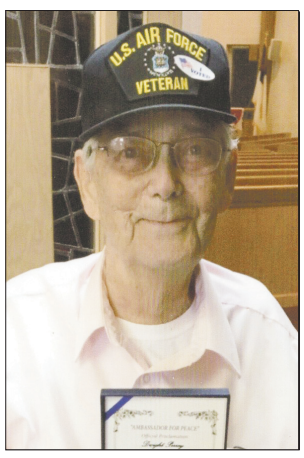
He is survived by his brothers, Allen Joseph Scott of Linn Creek, Mo. and Jimmy Scott of Arkansas; sisters Mary Melvin (Larry) of Kentucky; Dorothy Fertal (Al) of California; Barbara Dampier (Roy) of Lebanon; Georgia Guthrie (John) of Kansas City, Mo. and Deborah Monnahan (Hobart) of Lebanon; many nieces and nephews, also many friends and family.

A Celebration of Life for William Kenton Scott will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021, at Hedges-Scott Funeral Home in Camdenton. All are welcome. Arrangements have been placed under the care of Hedges-Scott Funeral Home of Camdenton.

Expressions of sympathy may be shared online at www.hedgesscottfuneralhomes.com.

## DWIGHT FRANKLIN "BUD" PERREY SR.

GOODLAND, KANSAS




DWIGHT FRANKLIN PERREY SR.

Dwight Franklin "Bud" Perrey Sr., 92, of Goodland, Kan., formerly of Lebanon, died Friday, Nov. 24, 2021.

He was born Feb. 20, 1929, in Lebanon, Mo. to Elmer F. Perrey and Lillian Mary Perrey.

Bud was preceded in death by his wife of 38 years, Patricia L. Perrey (nee Shaw), and his brother, John Perrey.

He was born in Lebanon and attended school here where he graduated from Lebanon High School. His father Elmer Perrey was a local businessman in Lebanon and owned Perrey's Firestone Store where the Laclede County Record office is now located. Bud was the manager of the theatre in Goodland for over 20 years. For many, he was simply known as "Uncle Bud." He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean conflict and was honorably discharged on Nov. 20, 1952. He had an inquisitive mind with many interests including those of pilot, beekeeper, and ham radio operator. For many years he served as an AARP volunteer preparing tax returns for individuals. He was a devoted member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and served the church in many capacities.

He is survived by his son, Dwight Perrey, Jr., a sister, Marilyn Torrence, nieces and nephews Skip Perrey (wife, Sheila), Jennifer Kutscher, Jill LeBlanc (husband, Charlie), Louis Torrence (wife, Rose), Catherine Nedelka (husband, Steve), Perrey Torrence (wife, Dionne), and extended family David Knudson (wife, Roberta), Lisa Knudson, and Noah, Lucas and Grace Holz.

A memorial service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2021, at 1 p.m. MST (2 p.m. CST). Burial will be in the Kansas Veterans' Cemetery in WaKeeney. Kan. The family would ask that you consider a donation to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Goodland, Kansas, or to a charity of your choice.

## SGM (RET) MICHAEL AUSTIN CLANCY

ST. ROBERT, MISSOURI

SGM (Ret) Michael Austin Clancy, 68, of St. Robert, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 2021, in his home.

He is survived by his wife Jenita Clancy of the home; four children, Justin Clancy (Leslie) of York, Pa.; Joshua Clancy of Rolla; Christina Hopping (Gerald) of Rolla, and Stormy Messer (Clayton) of Terre Haute, Ind.; four grandchildren, Brennan Clancy, Gavin Clancy, Ellie Clancy, and Troy Hopping; one brother, Jim Clancy (Cyndie) of St. Ann; several other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 3, 2021, in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert.

Burial with military honors was in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery of Waynesville. Visitation was held from 10 a.m. until time of service at 11 a.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of SGM (Ret) Michael Clancy and may be left at Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert. Online condolences can be sent at www.memorialchapelsandcrematory.com.

## LC FIRE

**LEBANON FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT**

**December 2**

00:16 EMS Call 500 Block of Bland

09:20 EMS Call Mutual-Aid Given 11900 Block of Orchid

10:28 Motor Vehicle Accident Mutual-Aid Given Ostrich & Cole

12:11 Carbon Monoxide Detector 300 Block of Smith Rd

13:20 Grass Fire Mutual-Aid Given 22100 Block of Hwy MM

19:25 EMS Call 500 Block of Bland

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BLUE, 206,XXX MILES.....$7,200
2007 PONT G6
SILVER, 119,XXX MILES.....$4,200
2011 DODGE G. CARAVAN
SILVER, 158,XXX MILES.....$6,500
2012 CHEVY MALIBU
BLUE, 81,XXX MILES.....$6,750
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# obituaries

## CORRINE EVELYN ROCKDALE

ELKLAND, MISSOURI



CORRINE EVELYN ROCKDALE

Corinne Evelyn Rockdale 91, of Elkland, died Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2021 in her home.

She was born Aug. 15, 1930, in Irwin, Pa. to John James Fruit Lang and Eva LaSalle Rice.

Boots spent most of her working years as a registered nurse and retired as such.

She was preceded in death by her husband "Rocky" Roy L. Rockdale, her parents, sister and brother.

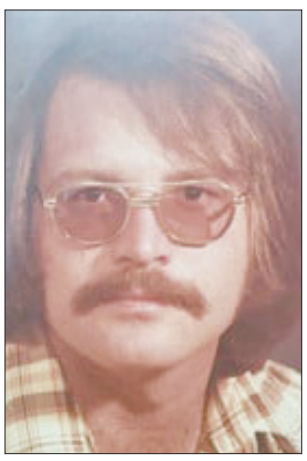
She is survived by her son William K. Martin and his wife Christine of California, son James A. Martin and his wife Katerine of Washington; son Michael G. Martin of Nevada; daughter Patricia A. Pilkington and her husband Michael V. Pilkington of the home, and daughter Debra J. Hunt and her husband Terry Hunt; grandchildren, Heather Lane and her husband Eric Lane, Travis Cornelia and his wife Micayla, Seth Pilkington, Jonathan Martin and wife Elizabeth, Aaron Martin and wife Jessica, Mathew Martin, Christian and Collin Martin, Kiel, Brooklyn, and Aiden Martin, Angel R. Martin, and Amber Boshears. Great-Grandchildren: Madison, Grace, and Evelyn Lane, Brennen, Aliyah, and Savannah Cornelia, A.J. Martin and wife Maria, Scott and Taylor Martin, Kylie and Cody Martin, Caitlyn, Caylee, and Carley Cardoza; great-great-grandchildren, Dominic Martin and Bryston Cardoza.

A celebration of life will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday Dec. 4, 2021, at Pisgah Baptist Church in Long Lane.

CANTLON OTTERNESS & VIETS

## JOHN ELDON RAY

BUFFALO, MISSOURI



JOHN ELDON RAY

John Eldon Ray, 68, of Buffalo, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 2021, in his home.

He was born July 22, 1953, in McNary, Ariz. to Eugene and Jewell (Dodson) Ray.

On Feb. 9, 1980, he married Phyllis.

John was preceded in death by Phyllis, his wife of 41 years; his parents Eugene and Jewell Ray; his sister Fran Richards.

He is survived by his children Tyrel Ray, Maryanne Farley, Barbara Ginther, and Michael DePew; siblings Donna Valquez, Frank Ray, and Wesley Ray; grandchildren Heather McGaha, Alisha Waggoner, Ashley Ginther, Johnathan Ginther, Xavier DePew, Darrion DePew, Jewel DePew, and Jade DePew; great-grandchildren Cole, Kiara, Octavius, Lyla, Brooklynn, Madilynne, and Jaxson.

Visitation will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2021, in the Cantlon-Otterness and Viets Funeral Home in Buffalo, Missouri.

CANTLON OTTERNESS & VIETS

## ALICE "PUNKIE" MURRAY

WAYNESVILLE, MISSOURI

Alice "Punkie" Murrray, 78, of Waynesville, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 2021, in the Dixon Nursing and Rehab of Dixon.

She is survived by two brothers, Herman Murray of Richland and Randy Murray (Vickie) of Lacey's Spring, Ala.; one sister, Edna Nelson (Bill) of Columbia; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, 2021 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

Private burial will be in the Waynesville Memorial Park Cemetery of Waynesville.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Alice "Punkie" Murray and left at Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville /St. Robert. Online condolences can be sent at www.memorialchapelsandcrematory.com.

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## FRANK NEWTON NEAS

MARSHFIELD, MISSOURI

Frank Newton Neas, 95, of Marshfield, formerly of Conway, died Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2021, at Glenwood Healthcare in Seymour.

He was born April 2, 1926, in Marshfield, Mo. to Jay Richard and Zenith Gertrude (Buck) Neas. On Jan. 28, 1952, he married Audrey Neas. He was preceded in death by his parents; his grandson, Matt; brothers Ralph and Edward; sisters Doris, Ruth and Vaun.

Frank grew up on a farm in Conway with seven siblings. He enlisted in the Army at age 18 so he could serve his country during World War II. He is survived by his wife Audrey Lawanda (Phipps) Neas of Marshfield; his daughter, Teresa (Mark) Wickizer of Ozark; his sons, Richard (Susie) Neas of Rogersville; Jeff (Missy) Neas of Springfield; his sister, Carolyn Johnson of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; his brother, J.R. Neas of Springfield; six grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Frank Newton Neas will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, 2021, at the Marshfield Christian Church, under the direction of Fraker Funeral Home Inc. of Marshfield. Visitation will be from noon-1 p.m. prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a memorial contribution to Marshfield Christian Church and left in care of Fraker Funeral Home, Inc., P.O. Box 85, Marshfield, Mo. 65706.



# We've played this game before

HBO Max's "8-Bit Christmas" isn't the next "A Christmas Story" that it had hoped it would be, but it is an entertaining enough holiday movie that will give you a small break from watching the same movies every year.



**FINES MASSEY**
**LCR EDITOR**

Based on a book by Kevin Jakubowski, who also wrote the screenplay, "8-Bit Christmas" feels more like the Christmas episode of a sitcom than a full-fledged movie. The name says it all in this one-note idea. For those of you who weren't in on the video game craze of the 80s, 8-bit refers to the power of the then state-of-the-art video game console that was the Nintendo Entertainment System. Released nationwide in fall 1986, the NES was the must have Christmas toy of the year. Right up there with Cabbage Patch Dolls, which also get a shout out in this nostalgia laden movie, they were one of those 80s toys that had parents fighting each other in the aisles for a chance to bring home one for their kids.

"8-Bit Christmas" takes all that 80s holiday nostalgia and bundles it up in a film that often plays fast and loose with the timeline. The aforementioned Cabbage Patch Doll craze happened a few years before Nintendo, though they're portrayed as happening in the same season, but I digress because this isn't really a movie that you are meant to think too deeply about.

The movie is framed with a future voice over storytelling device much like the movie it so badly wishes it was, "A Christmas Story." In present time, Jake Doyle (Neil Patrick Harris) is a father trying to explain to his daughter, Annie (Sophia Reid-Gantzert), the importance of Christmas through a story about his youth. In a weird way, it's kind of Harris reliving his "How I Met Your Mother" days except it's "How I Got a Nintendo," a story he tells his daughter while playing the system on a visit to his childhood home for the holidays.

In 1980 something, a young Jake (Winslow Fegley) wants nothing more than a Nintendo for Christmas, but his parents, like many back then, were afraid that video games were going to corrupt their children and refuse to buy him one. Their feelings are sealed later when the one rich kid in Jake's neighborhood who already has a Nintendo goes into a video game induced rage that ends with a TV getting destroyed and a dog getting hurt. The parents of the town band together and get the local stores to stop selling the evil console.

Despite their parents' insistence that they'll never get one, Jake and his friends concoct a plan to get a Nintendo on their own. Just like in "How I Met Your Mother," the movie takes you through the ups and downs, the close calls and almost wins of the pre-teens' efforts to get the video game system. The problem is, nothing is particularly inventive about any of the things that happen. It all feels pretty run of the mill and stereotypical plot wise, leaning more into the nostalgia bait than actual story.

The people in the movie are good for the most part. The ragtag group of kids are fun, but none of them ever really stand out. Zahn and Raphael are good as the parents, but they'll never reach the iconic heights of Ralphie's parents in "A Christmas Story."

As you probably guess, the movie ends, telling a heartwarming story, tugging at the heartstrings and exploring the true meaning of Christmas. I'll admit that the sentimental ending did touch me, but in a more manipulative than deserved way. There's nothing inherently bad about "8-Bit Christmas," but there also isn't anything classic about it either. While it's a welcome addition to the pantheon of Christmas movies, it's not one that I ever see getting 24-hour a day marathons every season on cable TV, and I doubt you'll be watching it again next year.

*"8-Bit Christmas" is available on HBO Max.*



**ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20**
Aries, when life gives you lemons, you should make lemonade. Take that to heart and try to see the silver lining when an obstacle gets in your way.
**TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21**
It's one thing to stand by your views, Taurus. It's another to stubbornly refuse to listen to others when they make good points. Be open-minded this week.
**GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21**
You may be juggling too much at one time, Gemini. If you're finding it difficult to manage your time, reach out to a friend or colleague for help. They're ready and willing.
**CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22**
Cancer, lately you have been a person of few words, and others may be wondering what is going on. Confide in someone close to you if the need arises.
**LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23**
Leo, if you are up for an adventure, look to those around you for inspiration. Maybe you'll overhear a coworker talking about a dream getaway.
**VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22**
Virgo, you may start to rethink a decision you made a while ago when an unexpected hiccup occurs. Reevaluate your decision-making process.
**LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23**
Good times are ahead, Libra. Focus on the fun that is coming your way and make an effort to include more good times in the weeks ahead.
**SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22**
Scorpio, a situation at work will require the utmost patience and perseverance. The outcome will be in your favor if you take a measured approach.
**SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21**
You could use a night out with friends, Sagittarius. Make a concerted effort to get together and invite the people whose company you most enjoy.
**CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20**
Capricorn, you may have to reexamine your priorities. Don't let something pull you in one direction when a friend or family member may need you more.
**AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18**
Aquarius, you're not much of a fan of waiting games, but you will have to stick things out a little longer until your plan can come to fruition. Patience will pay off.
**PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20**
Avoid overzealous spending in the weeks ahead, Pisces. Find ways to be generous with your time rather than with your wallet.

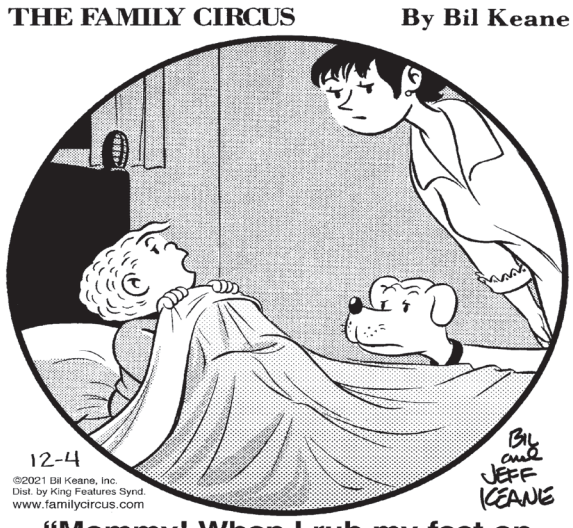
## HERMAN BY JIM UNGER




"Just how do you expect me to cook with these cheap saucepans?"

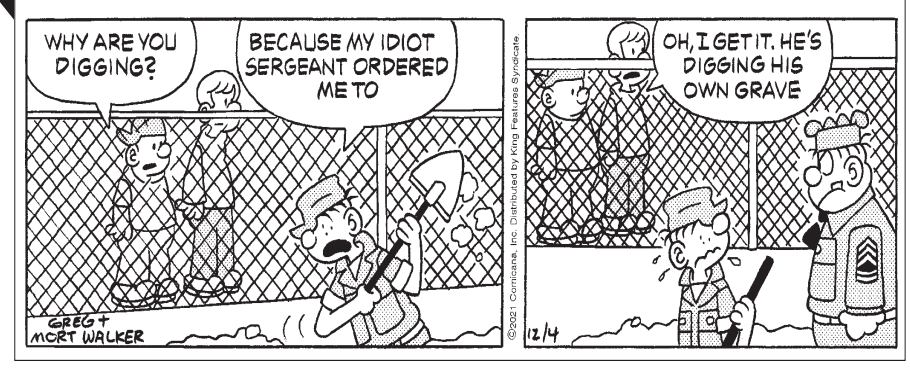
## FAMILY CIRCUS BY BIL KEANE






"Mommy! When I rub my feet on this blanket, there are SPARKS under here!"

## BEETLE BAILEY BY MORT WALKER






# Dear Abby

## WOMAN NOT HAPPY WITH HER LIFE AT COMMON MILESTONE

DEAR ABBY: For years, I've heard about what and where a woman "should" be in her life once she turns the big 3-0. She should have a thriving career, be married with kids -- or at least engaged -- and have a full sense of her worth and knowledge. I recently turned the big 3-0, but my cards aren't all stacked that way. I have never had a romantic relationship. Most of the men I wanted to start one with only wanted sex with me, and a relationship with someone else. As I entered my late 20s, I began rejecting men who showed signs of wanting only a sexual relationship, and now I seem to have no takers at all. The fact that I have gained weight hasn't helped, either. It's not like once I meet a guy the first thing I say is, "Hey, I want a meaningful relationship." I'm beginning to worry that something is wrong with me. What should I do? -- THIRTY BUT NOT FLIRTY

**DEAR THIRTY: There is nothing wrong with you, just as there is nothing wrong with getting to know someone before embarking on a physical relationship. (In fact, I recommend it.) However, to eliminate a man because you think he "only" is interested in having sex with you was jumping the gun. I wish you had mentioned WHERE you were meeting men. You may have better luck if you figure out what interests you have in common with the men you meet, and develop relationships based on them. And, because you suspect the weight you have gained may have something to do with your problem, resolve to become involved in physical activities that will get you out of the house and into an environment where you'll not only get some exercise, but also meet some eligible prospects.**

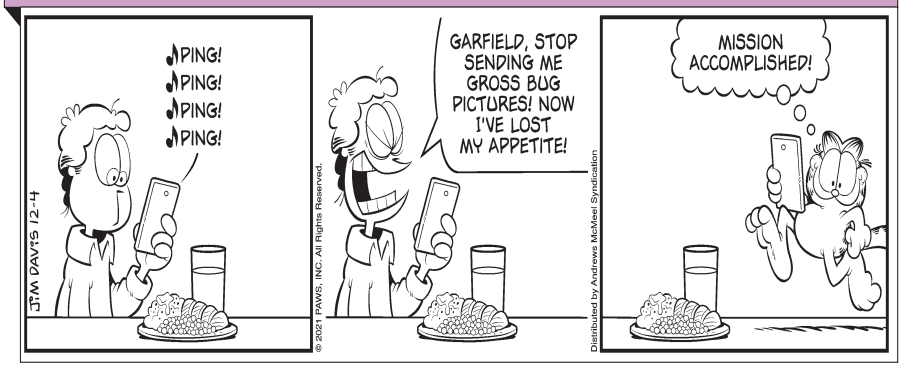
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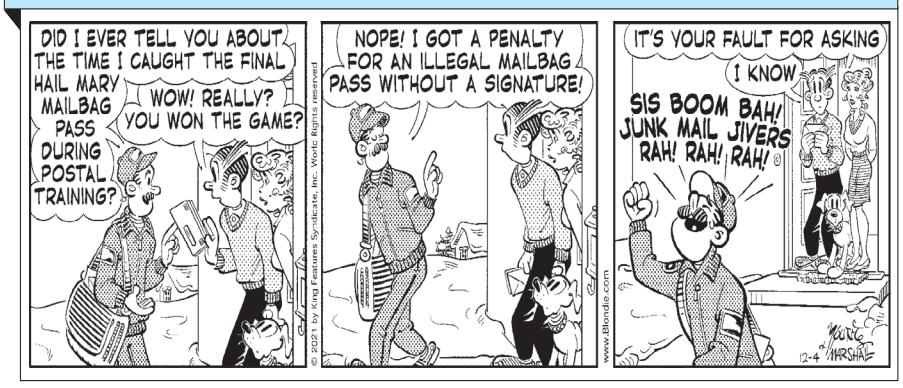
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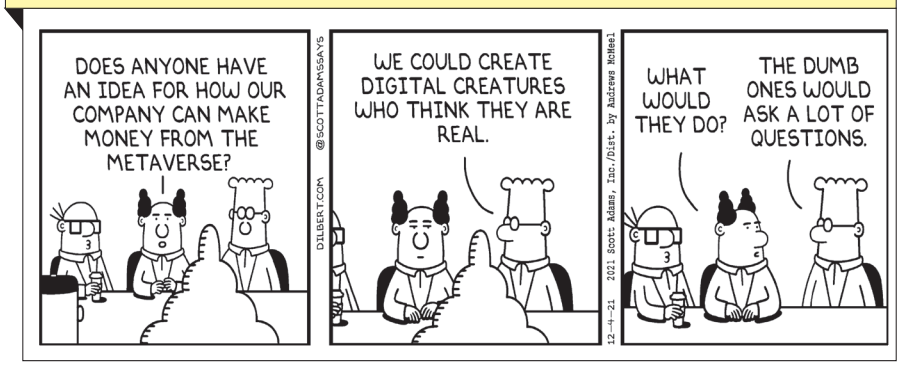

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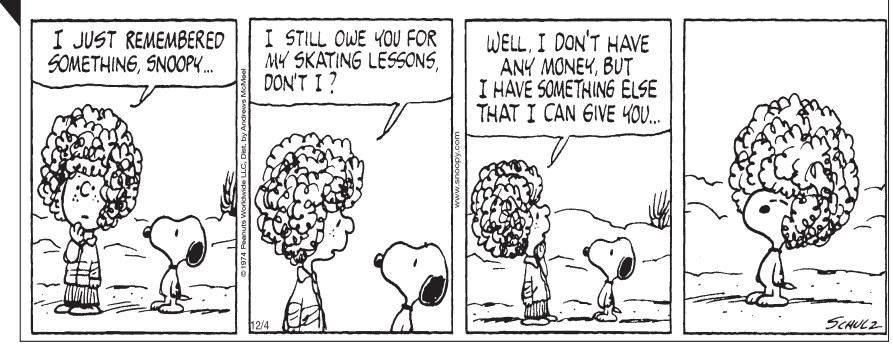

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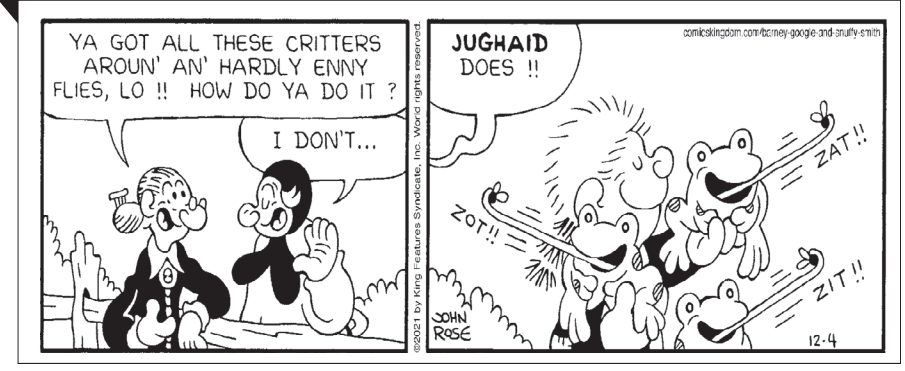

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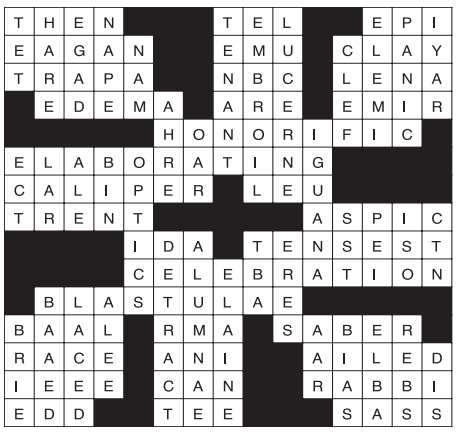



## BARNEY GOOGLE AND SNUFFY SMITH BY FRED LASSWELL



# FUN & Games

## CROSSWORD



**CLUES ACROSS**
1. One who manufactures
6. Science degree
9. Database management system
13. Desert
14. Inventor Musk
15. Welsh valley
16. Round Dutch cheese
17. Saying
18. Comedian and TV host
19. Uppermost portions of the brain
21. City in Transylvania
22. Where astronauts go
23. Men's hairstyle
24. Indicates position
25. One point east of due south
28. Businessmen may have one
29. Grass part
31. Running back Gurley
33. Unwavering
36. Options
38. Annoy
39. Greek mountain
41. Pastas
44. Fishes
45. Wrap
46. Potentially a criminal (slang)
48. Seize
49. The Constitution State
51. Upset
52. 1991 men's Wimbledon champ
54. Central Chinese province
56. Predisposition
60. A notice of someone's death
61. One-time Kentucky Rep.
62. Swiss river
63. Dried-up
64. Finger millet
65. __ Allan Poe
66. German river
67. Brew
68. Kenyan river

**CLUES DOWN**
1. Millisecond
2. Acts as military assistant
3. Knot in a tree
4. Husband-and-wife industrial designers
5. The Ocean State
6. Point the finger at
7. Parts in a machine
8. Midway between northeast and east
9. Portray precisely
10. Blister
11. Mental illness
12. Nose of an animal
14. What students receive
17. Semitic peoples
20. Beats per minute
21. Family of drugs
23. Atrocious
25. Type of microscope (abbr.)
26. __ or bust
27. Icelandic poems
29. A citizen of Pakistan
30. Very pale
32. Metric linear unit
34. Sea eagle
35. Biblical judge of Israel
37. Isaac's mother (Bib.)
40. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
42. Cool!
43. Large hotel room
47. Type of boat (abbr.)
49. Picked
50. Type of hookah
52. Attack
53. Directs
55. Belgian WWII resistance fighter
56. Finished negotiation
57. Heroic tale
58. Middle Eastern country
59. Protein-rich liquids
61. Malaysian Isthmus
65. Spielberg's alien

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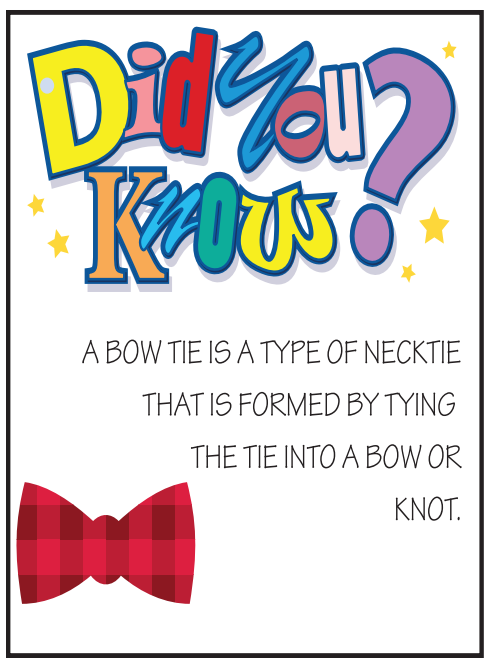
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**Fun By The Numbers**

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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**Here's How It Works:**
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!







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# ABOUT town

By Steve Smith

## Leslie Mott-Lawson

Leslie Mott-Lawson is bringing her experience in agriculture to her new position as the 4-H Youth Development Educator for Laclede, Dallas and Camden counties.

Mott-Lawson has been with the MU Extension almost two years and started her current position Oct. 1.

"I work with the associates to direct the 4-H program and the direction we want to go. I try to expand how we do our programming and draw in more kids and more volunteers," she said.

According to Mott-Lawson, Laclede County has a variety of 4-H activities and groups for the youth of the area, including a big horse group, dog agility, livestock judging, dairy cattle, sheep, robotics, arts and crafts and a cake decorating project will begin soon.

"A lot of the time when people think 4-H they think of animals, but we do a whole lot of different things," she said.

Currently, 104 young people are registered members. Registration opens Oct. 1 and continues throughout the year.

Mott-Lawson is originally from the Grovespring area and was active in FFA and 4-H when she was a kid.

"We grew up showing sheep, goats and horses. It helped us build our skills and our knowledge," she said.

Mott-Lawson is a graduate of Lebanon High School and Missouri State University with a degree in agriculture education.

Her original plan was to teach high school agriculture and FFA.

"Then I found this, it allows me to work with kids of different ages, kids that are interested in a variety of things," she said.

Mott-Lawson likes her job because she is able to see kids learn more about subjects they are interested in.

She formerly worked as a 4-H Youth Program Associate in Camden County.

"Now I'm over Laclede, Dallas and Camden counties. There should be a YPA in Dallas and Camden soon. We're working on the hiring process," she said. "It's a big learning curve to go from one county to three because 4-H is a little bit different in every county."

Mott-Lawson's mother and stepfather are Lynn and Becky Maxey who farmed with other family members. She is married to Mitchell Lawson and they live on a farm in the Grovespring area.



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