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Submit Christmas traditions

The 'family' at *Mound City News* would like to invite everyone to share (in brief) with our readers, a favorite family Christmas tradition. Include as many details as necessary, being sure to mention its origin. Bring the tradition story by the *Mound City News* office at 511 State Street or mail it to PO Box 175, Mound City, MO, 64470. Be sure to sign the story and have it in by Monday, December 19.

Letters to Santa

As always, the tradition at *Mound City News* is to collect letters to Santa. Kids may bring their letters by the office at 511 State Street to put in the special box for publication, so Santa can read them and get the presents ready. If the office is closed, or one would prefer to mail it, send the Santa letters to PO Box 175, Mound City, MO, 64470. Letters need to be received by Monday, December 19, to be included in the paper.

Mound City Elementary to carol downtown

The Mound City Elementary students have "tweaked" their Christmas traditions this year. Instead of the customary business gifts and carols, students have adopted 15 community members. Students and families have donated items to be delivered on Friday, December 16, between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. to the citizens.

Following the bus route deliveries, the students will be dropped off at Dollar General, where they will parade up the middle of State Street singing Christmas carols. All business staff members are invited to step outside and sing along. The route will be from Dollar General to Mound City Thriftway and back to the school.



Goose & Duck Numbers on the Refuge

GEESE - 59,072
DUCKS - 49,215



Enchanted evening presented by the Kansas City Chorale

The Kansas City Chorale- Performed at the State Theater in Mound City, MO, on Saturday, December 10, with 145 people attending the event that rang in the holidays. The chorale members were thrilled with the beauty and history of the little theater, and the crowd was equally thrilled with the beauty of song the group brought to the stage. A host of spiritual Christmas arrangements was offered by the group of 24 singers, three instrumentalists (flute, oboe, and bassoon) and the conductor, which made the evening a delightful experience for all. "We were so pleased with their performance and many of those who attended were so appreciative of the performance," commented State Theater board member, Linda Boultinghouse. "The Christmas songs, as well as the series of songs in Latin, were just so enjoyable. They have such incredible talent and voices." Charles Bruffy, a Savannah, MO, native and Missouri Western State University graduate, was the conductor for the chorale. His wit, class and pleasing personality added yet another element of enchantment to the evening. The closing of the chorale's performance featured a sing-a-long. Andy Heath, who has strong Mound City connections, was invited to the stage to perform. Andy, who has performed in Carnegie Hall, Notre Dame, St. Peter's Basilica and the great concert halls of Europe, sang a solo for the audience, and took part in the Christmas sing-a-long. Andy and the chorale received a standing ovation from the Christmas inspired audience. Ideker, Inc., the State Theater Arts Council and the Missouri Arts Council sponsored the enchanted evening.

Funeral services held for Trooper Fred Guthrie, Jr.

A public funeral was held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 14, for Missouri State Highway Patrol Water Division Trooper Fred Guthrie, Jr., age 46, and his K-9 partner, Reed, at the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Liberty, MO. A procession to the Knob Noster Cemetery in Knob Noster, MO, followed the service.

Trooper Guthrie and his K-9 partner, Reed, disappeared while on flood duty near Big Lake, MO, on August 1. Trooper Guthrie's patrol truck was found, still running, near where a huge portion of State Highway 118 had been carved out by swift floodwaters that had inundated the area since June.

K-9 Reed's body was recovered a day after the incident, located approximately 100 yards from where Tpr. Guthrie's patrol truck and boat were located. On September 28, 2011, Colonel Ronald K. Replogle, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, regretfully announced the official death of Trooper Frederick F. "Fred" Guthrie, Jr., following court procedures recognizing his demise.

Exhaustive searches for Trooper Guthrie were executed by the patrol and volunteers in the weeks and months that followed, with the searches often occurring from daylight to dark. Utilizing the utmost in man, machine and canine power, the search for Trooper Guthrie continued in earnest, and officials indicate the search for his body will continue. Canine searches as well as a river search have been executed in the past week. A grid

search on foot will take place on December 28.

Guthrie was a combined 17-year veteran of the former Missouri State Water Patrol and Missouri State Highway Patrol, Water Patrol Division. In 2008, he received the state Medal of Valor for rescuing a woman who was thrown from her boat during a thunderstorm and was clinging to a buoy at Smithville Lake in 2007. K-9 Reed was a 5-year veteran with the Water Patrol division.

The healing process can now begin for Trooper Guthrie's wife, Teresa; their 3 children; his parents; the troop; and many other relatives and friends. The family requests memorials to the MASTERS (Missouri Association of State Troopers Emergency Relief Society), 5287 Highway 67 North, Poplar Bluff, Missouri 63901.

Gov. Jay Nixon ordered that the flags of the United States and the State of Missouri at all state government buildings statewide be flown at half-staff on Wednesday, December 14, in honor of Frederick "Fred" Guthrie Jr.

"Trooper Fred Guthrie demonstrated great courage several times in protecting Missourians on our waterways," Gov. Nixon said. "It was while he was protecting Missourians from floodwaters this summer that Trooper Guthrie made the ultimate sacrifice, a risk that every law enforcement officer bravely and willingly accepts as part of their sworn duties. My thoughts and prayers, as well as those of the First Lady, are with his family and colleagues as they mourn his loss."

Schools to dismiss for winter break

The Mound City R-2 School will be dismissing for winter break on Friday, December 16, 2011, at 12:30 p.m. No classes will be held from Monday, December 19, through Monday, January 2. School will resume at Mound City R-2 at the regularly scheduled time on Tuesday, January 3, 2012. There will be a teacher in-service on Monday, January 2.

The Craig R-3 School will be dismissing for Christmas break on Tuesday, December 20, at 12:45 p.m. School will resume on Tuesday, January 3, 2012, at the regular scheduled time. There will be a teacher in-service on Monday, January 2.

South Holt R-1 will be dismissing for winter break on Friday, December 16, at 12:40 p.m. School will resume on Tuesday, January 3, 2012, at the regular scheduled time.

Nodaway-Holt R-VII will be dismissing for Christmas break on Wednesday, December 21, at 1:00 p.m. School will resume on Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at the regular scheduled time. A teacher in-service is scheduled for Tuesday, January 3.



Over 30 'scrappy' lap quilts- Have been given to residents of the Oregon Care Center in Oregon, MO. The quilts were pieced, tied and donated by Joann Holstine of Mound City, MO. The nurses and staff at Oregon Care Center distributed some of the quilts on Monday, December 12. Pictured above receiving quilts were, left to right, front row: Beulah Stains, Marvin Schenk and Marge Schenk. Back row personnel included: Chris Myers, Penny Smith, Sara Hays and Jean Prussman.

Scrappy quilt giving benefits many

Joann Holstine of Mound City, MO, retired from her day job in December of 2009, and began her own working world of benevolence. Joann wanted to give to others, something her parents had taught her from an early age. With that goal in mind, two benevolent projects presented themselves.

Joann started quilting many years ago, having learned when Nettie Pearl Kuhn decided the next generation needed to be taught the skill. Joann used the knowledge to make and hand stitch many quilts for her family over the years.

Joann was on one of her fabric purchase visits to Fabrics Unique, near Craig, MO, where the owner, Ava McCarthy, was holding a

class on how to make scrappy quilts. Ava took Joann aside and showed her how to make the scrappy quilt blocks. After making a partial quilt block, Ava sent Joann on her way. "I have never seen anyone who can make the same thing over and over and over," stated Ava, but a lot of people benefit from it." Joann has been making scrappy quilts in earnest ever since.

Ladies have donated fabric to be used by Joann for her compassionate project. She buys tablecloths, sheets, shower curtains, and a myriad of fabric pieces for the bright backs of the quilts. With arthritis making her hands less nimble, Joann tacks the scrappy quilts.

"The quilts are not for

sale," Joann stated, and added, "They're not perfect, but they're bright." She uses bright colorful fabrics in the scrappy quilts, and makes special ones that men may like that are one piece with farm or hunting themes on them.

Joann recently took a second batch of quilts to the nursing home in Oregon, MO, for the residents there to enjoy. The recent delivery made a total of 30 quilts that have been given to the residents there. The residents' faces lit up when the lap quilts were given to them on Monday, December 12.

Joann once gave a teacher

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Glen Cooksey, Oregon Care resident. Was pleased to receive this 'farming' lap quilt made by Joann Holstine. Glen, a Mound City resident, received this gift on December 12.

Letter to the editor

To The Voters of Holt County:

As the 2012 Election year approaches, it is time to prepare for the upcoming elections: the Presidential Preference Primary Election in February; the General Municipal Election in April; the Primary Election in August; and the General Election in November. This will be an active year. This is also the time when the 2010 Census figures are used to review the population in the county's various political subdivisions. Holt County has 4,912 citizens. There are 3,616 voters registered in Holt County at this time, with 3,412 considered active. After reviewing the census data and the registered voter numbers, it is apparent that changes are needed in our county's polling places.

As the Election Authority of Holt County, it is my job to determine the best locations for polling places that meet the needs of the voting population and to balance those needs with the increasing cost of elections. Under the current polling place system: Northwest #1, Craig, has 373 voters; Northeast #2, Maitland, has 368 voters; West #3, Big Lake, has 228 voters; Central #4, Mound City, has 1,181 voters; Southwest #5, Forest City, has 247 voters; and Southeast #6, Oregon, has 1,219 voters.

After discussing the situation with many of Holt County's voters throughout the county over the past year, I have determined the most cost effective solution is to redefine the polling place boundaries based on the school district boundary lines. That decreases the number of polling places from six to four with locations in Craig, Maitland, Mound City and Oregon. The polling places in Big Lake and Forest City will be closed.

Under the new system, 542 voters will vote at Craig Church of the Nazarene; 365 voters will vote at the Nodaway-Holt R-7 School; City Hall at Mound City will have 1,282 voters; and the TJ Hall Building in Oregon will have 1,427 voters. Craig will see an increase of 169 voters, mainly from the Big Lake area. Maitland will see a decrease of 3 voters, who will vote in Mound City. Mound City will see an increase of 101 voters and Oregon will see an increase of 208 voters.

Voters will continue to vote for all the issues and offices available in the past. The location of the polling place is the only change. The new polling places will be used starting with the February 7, 2012, Presidential Preference Primary.

As always, Absentee Voting is available by mail or in person at the courthouse for anyone who may not be able to vote at their assigned polling place on Election Day.

Kathy J. Kunkel
County Clerk and Election Authority

some quilts for her autistic students, and Joann is already lining out other avenues to dispense her charitable gifts. She has even 'paid it forward', teaching another lady how to make the quilts for residents at a children's home.

Having forgotten the knitting skills Mary Gillis taught her in Girl Scouts, Joann had to brush up on these skills in order to become proficient at her next benevolent goal. She took a lesson from local 'knitting expert', Marjorie Field, and the needles have been clicking ever since. Approximately 250 sock hats later (since last August), one could say Joann has mastered the skill. She picks up yarn at garage sales,

clearance racks and goodwill stores; and people have even given her yarn for this passionate pursuit that has gifted all 250 of the hats.

Joann enjoys the 'work' that allows her to stay engaged quietly at home, although she states about the wealth of projects, "My granddaughters have joked that there will be door prizes for everyone that comes to my funeral. Everyone who attends my funeral will be given a lap quilt, a sock hat and two brooches (a collection habit)."

NorthwestCell to hold "12 Days of Giveaways" holiday shop local text promotion

Christmas will come a bit early this year for 12 lucky area texters. In an effort to support local businesses throughout northwest Missouri, locally owned and operated cellular service provider NorthwestCell is awarding over \$1,000 worth of prizes during its "12 Days of Giveaways" holiday shop local promotion from now through December 22.

To enter, text the word HOLIDAY to the number 448888 once each day and YES when prompted. No area code is necessary, and you will be automatically entered to win the designated prize of the day. All phone carriers can participate, and winners will be chosen at random and notified via phone by a NorthwestCell representative.

"The economic health of our coverage area has strong roots at the local level, since money spent at local businesses is re-invested into our communities," said Roger Bundridge, General Manager of NorthwestCell. "We pride ourselves on customer service. We believe that giving back to the customers is an important way for us to thank them for patronage the past year, all while showcasing some of the local businesses that contribute to the vitality of our communities."

Daily prizes include gift certificates from My Favorite Muffin, Bearcat Lanes, Downtown Car Wash, Hangar, Jock's Nitch, Maryville Florist, Pagliai's Pizza in Maryville, MO; The Smokehouse in Graham, MO; Wabash Junction restaurant in Stanberry, MO; K&T Bar & Grill in Parnell, MO; Casey's; and the Grant City Skating Rink.

Additionally, two tickets to two Bearcat basketball games, a signed football from retired Northwest coach, Mel Tjeerdsma, a case of Mound City jelly, an oil change from Laukemper Motors of Mound City, a hour massage from Denise Drummond at Northwest Chiropractic in Maryville, computer clean-up from Midwest Data Center in Rock Port, Mound City and Tarkio; a Northwest-Cell gift certificate, and cash will be given away.

For more information or to view the calendar with corresponding prizes, visit nwmcell.com, facebook.com/nwmcell, or call (660) 582-3334.

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tionwide cellular service to residents of Atchison, Holt, Nodaway, Worth and Gentry counties. NorthwestCell focuses on serving customers by providing the four C's- coverage, customer service, cost and community commitment.

Mound City Board of Education meeting

The regular Board of Education meeting for the Mound City R-2 School District was held on Wednesday, November 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the junior high building. Seven board members, Mrs. Forehand, Mrs. Buttrick, Mrs. Seitz, Mr. Sharp, Mrs. Loucks and Mr. Eaton were present.

Mrs. Forehand and Mrs. Buttrick gave reports on curriculum and activities in their classrooms.

The board members evaluated and reviewed the following programs: Vocational-Family and Consumer Science, Vocational Agriculture, and Business, Gifted Education, Homeless/Migrant, Early Childhood Special Education, and Special Education. The Drug Free School Report will be reviewed at the December meeting.

Cards were read from the Dean Johnson family, Amy Baker and Yonts family, Mr. and Mr. Fred Guthrie, Sr., and the Worth County Superintendent.

The board unanimously approved the minutes of the October 19 meeting, the financial report, the April 3, 2012, Board of Education Election and the changing of the December board meet-

ing date to coincide with the Christmas Office Luncheon on December 14 at 1:00 p.m.

The 2010-11 audit was approved. Mrs. Seitz and Mr. Sharp reported on various upcoming school functions.

Mr. Eaton discussed a letter from MASA's Executive Director, Roger Kurtz, outlining "Ten Facts You Won't Hear at the Capitol". He also read a letter of resignation for retirement from High School Principal, Chris Sharp. Board members accepted the retirement letter. The board will discuss at the December meeting the mid-term graduation request by Kaylee Brady.

The board moved into closed session for personnel matters and legal matters. Following closed session, the board went to open session and adjourned.

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RESIDENT OF THE MONTH

DORIS TAYLOR



Doris Taylor is this month's resident of the month at Tiffany Heights. Doris has two sons and has been married to husband, Keith, for 57 years. Doris graduated from Mound City High School and lived in Alaska for 3 years. She also lived in St. Joseph, MO. Doris has one brother, Virgil Miles.

The staff says Doris is a very sweet person!

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Nutrition site news

Volunteers at the Nutrition Site in Mound City during the week of December 5, 2011, were: Judy Scroggins, Chris and Linda Boultinghouse, Paul and Yvonne Markt, Tami Paulson, Art Davis, Wayne White, Louella Riley, Marla and Alaina Riley, Paul Grant, Barb Hanlon, Pepe Wright, Marta and Mallory Burton, Jenny Binder and kids, Roma Chaney, Addie Trimmer, Phyllis Parker, Lela Boyd, Gary and DeeAnn Heck, Pat Groves, Sue Schmidt, Yogi Swymeler, Sandra Cowherd, Dallas Kurtz, Linda Elton and Marjorie Field.

Delivering meals the week of December 19, 2011, will be: **Craig** - Monday - Pat Groves and Sue Schmidt.

Mound City - Monday and Tuesday - First Christian Church; Wednesday and

Thursday - Concordia Lutheran Church; and Friday - Closed for Christmas.

Oregon and Forest City - Monday through Friday - Faith Fellowship Church.

The Mound City Nutrition Site has a dumpster in the parking lot to recycle bagged paper, cardboard (broken down) and bagged plastic. The site also recycles cell phones, ink cartridges, aluminum cans for cancer (Helping Hand) in two purple cans by the front door, and VHS tapes for MERIL (Independent Living). There are also drop boxes for box tops for the school.

The December product of the month is flour. The drawing for the month will be held Friday, December 30.

Upcoming activities at the Mound City Nutrition Site are:

December 19 - Exercises from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.; GED classes from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with Sandra Cowherd.

December 21 - Exercises from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.; Birthday Party at 11:30 a.m., sponsored by Dave and Dorothy King.

December 23 - Closed for Christmas.

If anyone can volunteer with preparing or serving cinnamon rolls and/or donuts, please call Addie Trimmer at 660-442-5889.

The upcoming menu at the site is:

Monday, December 19 - Baked potato bar with chili and cheese and turkey, broccoli, peaches and peanut butter cookies.

Tuesday, December 20 - Ham loaf, scalloped potatoes, winter mix and apple crisp.

Wednesday, December 21 - Birthday Party- Turkey and dressing casserole, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cranberry salad, hot rolls and pumpkin pie with topping.

Thursday, December 22 - Hamburger on a bun, oven potatoes, green beans and mixed fruit.

Friday, December 23 - Closed for Christmas.

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Carl L. Blodgett

Carl LeRoy Blodgett of Huntersville, NC, passed away Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at the age of 72. He was born in Albany, MO, on May 5, 1939. He attended school and resided in Mound City, MO, until he joined the U.S. Air Force at age 17. Carl then went on to work for RCA in Brazil. He then worked for NASA in Mission Control from the 1980's until his retirement in 2001.

Carl was preceded in death by his father, John Donaldson Blodgett in 1968, and his mother, Sara Nelson Blodgett in 2011.

Carl is survived by his three children, Kimberly Renee Blodgett of Saluda, NC, John Parker Blodgett of Houston, TX, and Kandice Lynn Blodgett of Mooresville, NC; and his four grandchildren, Charles Leland Gibson, Madeline Claire Hobbs, Terrence John Hobbs and Andrew John-Parker Blodgett.

Carl should be remembered for his caring, giving, loving and humorous nature as well as his extreme intelligence. He was a wonderful father and man. Carl shot skeet all around the USA, and was a fan of both greyhound racing and Texas Hold'em.

There will be a personal memorial service held in Brevard at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family is asking for donations for the cost of cremation. For more information, call 704-230-9905. Arrangements were under the direction of Willis-Reynolds Funeral Home in Newton, NC.

Elizabeth F. Andrews

Elizabeth Frances Andrews, 91, of Wichita, KS, retired department manager at Henry's, passed away Monday, December 12, 2011. She was born in Craig, MO, to Leonard Wright and Christena Guiliam. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church and enjoyed square dancing.

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her daughter, Annette Atkins, in 2001; two brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include Elizabeth's husband of nearly 71 years, Edward "Ted" Andrews; son-in-law, Melvin Atkins; grandchildren, Greg (Ann) Atkins, Lindsey (Mike) Clark and Amanda Atkins.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 17, at 1:00 p.m. at Resthaven Mortuary in Wichita, KS. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be sent to the First Presbyterian Church in Wichita.

Condolences may be offered at www.resthavenmortuary-cemetery.com.

Dorothy I. Stull

Dorothy Ilene (Hunziger) Stull of Oregon, MO, was born in Holt County, MO, on August 7, 1930. She was one of four children of Robert Frederick and Inez Lucille (Derr) Hunziger.

Dorothy graduated from Oregon High School, and then from Maryville, MO, State Teachers' College. She later taught at Brush College rural school. On December 26, 1948, she married Thomas Leon Stull in St. Joseph, MO. They became parents of four children.

Tom and Dorothy lived in St. Joseph for many years before returning to Forest City, MO, in 1992. Thomas passed away in 1995. Dorothy passed away on Tuesday afternoon, December 6, 2011, at the age of 81.

In addition to her husband, Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; infant son, Robert Leon; grandson, Travis Stull; great-great granddaughter, Clara Wofford; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Betty and Harold Hughes, Helen and George Ott and Mary and Chester Ott.

Survivors include Dorothy's daughter and son-in-law, Eileen and Jim Morton, son, Douglas W. Stull, and son and daughter-in-law, Roger D. and Donnetta Stull, all of St. Joseph; brothers and sisters-in-law, Tom and Shirley Hunziger of Oregon, and Max and Jackie Hunziger of Forest City; sister and brother-in-law, Helen and Lewis Miller of Oregon; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Edward Dean and Jean Stull of St. Joseph, and Bill and Virginia Stull of Elwood, KS; nine grandchildren, Tammy Allen, Jamie Johnston, Shelley Wofford, Nicole Stull, Roger Stull, Jr., Jason Stull, Melissa Clay, Tara Lynn Stull, and Eric Butner; 10 great-grandchildren, Cody, Tyler and MacKenzie Allen, Sam Johnston, Callie and Evan Stull, Hannah, Sophia and Lukas Butner, and Haley Clay; one great-great-grandchild, Brooklyn Allen; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Dorothy was a member of the Forest City Christian Church. She enjoyed crossword puzzles and sewing.

Funeral services were held on Friday, December 9, 2011, at the Chamberlain Funeral Home in Oregon. Interment was held at the Maple Grove Cemetery near Oregon.

Memorials may be directed to the charity of the donor's choice, or to the Oregon Care Center staff. Online condolences may be left at www.chamberlainfuneral.com.



Frederick F. Guthrie, Jr.

Frederick F. Guthrie, Jr., 46, Platte City, MO, died August 1, 2011. He was born July 28, 1965, to Frederick Freeman, Sr., and Elizabeth (Steele) Guthrie at Beale Air Force Base, CA. He married Teresa Draper May 27, 1989.

Fred graduated from the University of Central Missouri majoring in Biology and minoring in Criminal Justice in May, 1993. Trooper Fred Guthrie served with the Missouri State Water Patrol for 17 years; then with the Missouri Highway Patrol after the January, 2011, merge. While with the patrol, Trooper Guthrie was a firearms instructor, a member of the Water Patrol S.W.A.T. team, and a K-9 handler.

Trooper Guthrie received numerous awards for the act of heroism he performed on June 22, 2007, during a severe storm at Smithville Lake. Those awards included Missouri Department of Public Safety Employee of the Month in both June, 2007, and November, 2007; Missouri State Employee of the Month - December, 2007; Northwest Missouri Law Enforcement Award for Valor Gold Award - 2007; State of Missouri Medal of Valor - 2007; Missouri State Water Patrol Distinguished Service Citation for Valor in February, 2008; and National Association of State Boating Law Administration (NASBLA) Missouri Boating Law Enforcement Officer of the Year - July, 2008.

On November 18, 2011, Trooper Guthrie was awarded a posthumous "Officer of the Year" award by the Metropolitan Chiefs' and Sheriffs' Association for his ultimate sacrifice on August 1, 2011, while patrolling floodwaters in Holt County.

Trooper Fred Guthrie was an active participant in his community. He was a North Suburban Football League

Coach from 2004 through 2006. He was a baseball coach in the Mid-Continent baseball league where he was the coach of his son's baseball teams. He coached youth basketball for the West Platte Youth Basketball program, coaching the teams for both his boys as well as his daughter. He also helped assist in coaching a traveling basketball team, the Midwest Mavericks, for his daughter, Amber. He was residing as the Vice-President of the Quarterback Club at West Platte High School.

Trooper Fred Guthrie was very outgoing and enjoyed meeting and visiting with new and different people. He had an enjoyment of life that will be passed on to his children. He had a love of the outdoors that included hunting, fishing, and trapping, all of which he enjoyed doing with his family and friends. He was very active in his children's activities and could always be heard at their sporting events cheering them on. There are several adults and children alike that are sporting a nickname handed to them by Fred. He was greatly loved and will be missed, but not forgotten.

Fred was preceded in death by his partner (K9 Reed), as well as his maternal and paternal grandparents.

Survivors include Fred's wife, of the home; three children, Amber Guthrie, Dylan Guthrie, and Cody Guthrie, all of the home; parents, Independence, MO; two sisters, Wendy Viers, Greenwood, MO, and Kerri Guthrie, Independence; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and a great-niece.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 14, at the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Liberty, MO. The family suggests memorial gifts to the Missouri Association of State Troopers' Emergency Relief Society (MASTERS) in lieu of flowers. An online guest book and obituary may be found at www.meierhoffer.com.

News from Tiffany Heights

To start the season out right, the residents at Tiffany Heights in Mound City enjoyed a craft session on Monday, December 5. They designed and made a candy necklace. Each necklace held a candy cane, some red and white beads, and a couple of pieces of wrapped hard candy. Shirley Jackson assisted with the group and also provided the residents with their favorite homemade breads and jellies.

Residents held their monthly resident council meeting on Tuesday afternoon. This month they chose Jamie Heming as the employee of the month. Jamie works in the dietary department and has worked for Tiffany Heights for thirteen years. In her spare time, Jamie enjoys spending time with her grandchildren, shopping and traveling. Residents were reminded of the upcoming Christmas Tea.

It has become a tradition for the residents to have a picture day in front of the Christmas tree and Wednesday afternoon they did just that. Amy Jenkins was the photographer. All residents who wanted their picture taken will have them in their rooms.

Bingo volunteers on Thursday were Shirley Jackson, Jean McCall, Barbara Hanlon, Gordon Robbins, Pat Johns and Lucille Stull.

Barbara Hanlon assisted with glamour nails during the morning on Friday. Pastor Paul Grant and Barbara Hanlon provided Bible study, also

during the morning. Residents has a special treat when the Girls' Choir from Craig, MO, did caroling in the halls. The kindergarten and first grade classes visited during the afternoon on Friday. The students sang several Christmas songs and then the residents enjoyed pictures and visiting. Everyone enjoyed cookies and punch and the children received a candy cane before returning to school.

Pastor Crystal Karr presented the continuation of the Advent Journey during the afternoon on Saturday. Residents had games of choice after the session.

Larry Brickey and church family provided Sunday morning services. The Church of God in Craig conducted afternoon worship services. Late in the afternoon, residents enjoyed the caroling of the New Life Apostolic Church family.

We will be CLOSED Friday, December 16.

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Area Church Information

CORNING

St. John's Lutheran Church

112 Walters Street

Worship Service will be held at the Concordia Lutheran Church in Mound City

CRAIG

Craig Presbyterian Church

Worship Service, 9:15 a.m. *Rev. Leland LaRose, Pastor*

There will be a session meeting following church.

Sharp's Grove United Methodist Church

4.5 mi. north of Craig on Hwy. 59 • *Rev. Crystal Karr*
Worship Service, 8:45 a.m.

Craig Community Church of the Nazarene

105 S. Ensworth Street • *Keith Knaak, Pastor*
Sunday School, 10 a.m., Worship Service, 11 a.m.
Wed. Night Bible Study, 5:30 p.m., Wed. Kingdom Kids, 3:30-5:00 p.m.,
Wed. Night Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Church of God

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St. Peter's Lutheran Church

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FILLMORE

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GRAHAM

Graham Union Church

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service, 6:30 p.m., Wednesday night, 7 p.m.

United Methodist Church

Connie Ury, Pastor

Sunday School, 9 a.m., Worship, 10:15 a.m.

MAITLAND

First Christian Church

4th and Ash • *Bill Gazaway, Pastor*

Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., Worship Service, 10 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship, 7 p.m., Wed., Youth Rallies, 7 p.m.

United Methodist Church

217 S. Maple Avenue • *Connie Ury, Pastor*
Worship Service, 9 a.m.

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Community of Christ

1410 Nebraska Street • *Theresa Mackey, Pastor* 660-446-2048
Sunday School, 10 a.m., Worship Service, 11 a.m.

Christian Fellowship

18080 Hwy. 59 • *Jim Brown, Minister*
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Concordia Lutheran Church

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Bible Class or Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.,

First Christian Church

402 E. 5th Street • *Paul Grant, Pastor*
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.

Mound City Baptist Church

1308 Savannah Street • *Pastor Nathan Lowe*
Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Worship Service, 11:15 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Study, Larry Brickey, 6:30 p.m.;
Sl@m City Youth Group, 6:30 p.m. - 816-616-0347

Mound City United Methodist Church

312 E. 7th St. • *Pastor Crystal Karr*
Sunday School, 9 a.m., Sunday Service, 10 a.m.

New Liberty and Big Lake Baptist Churches

County Road 140 • *Richard Lionberger, Pastor*
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Churches have now combined.

New Life Apostolic Assembly

U.P.C.I. - 307 E. 6th, Mound City • *Pastor Scott Jordan*
Worship Service, 11 a.m.
Life Night Bible Study & Revolution Youth Group
Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.
www.newlifeapostolicassembly.org - 660-442-3441

OREGON

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

303 Grand, Forest City • *Father Peter Ullrich, OSB*
Pastor and Parish Administrator

Oregon Church of the Nazarene

207 W. George • *Keith Knaak, Pastor*
Sunday School, 8 a.m., Worship Service, 9 a.m.

New Point Christian Church

24135 Stone Hill Rd. • *Brian Buck, Minister*
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Fellowship Dinner, 4th Sunday of month following church

REGIONAL

River of Hope Fellowship

Presently meeting at: 304 East 4th St., Mound City
442-0197 or 442-6305 • *Pastor David Showalter*
Sunday School, 9:15 a.m., Worship, 10:30 a.m.

SKIDMORE

St. Oswald's-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church

30996 X Avenue, Skidmore, MO
2nd Sundays - 11 a.m., Morning Prayer service by Lay Reader
4th Sundays - 11 a.m., Eucharist Service



Five generations

Marjorie Frost, center- Of St. Joseph, MO, is pictured holding her great-great-granddaughter, Jayli Korbyn Farr of Mound City, born Friday, September 9, who makes the fifth generation. Standing in the back row, left to right, are Larry Farr, father, Mound City; Barbara Landes, great-grandmother, St. Joseph; and Donna Corbin, grandmother, of Mound City.



The Spanish-style home- Of Robert and Kris Gibson, located at 301 Weightman Road, sits in a perfect location overlooking the Mound City Golf Course and the Mound City Vineyards. The 1970's home, with its new addition and complete remodel, had a very open and inviting feeling. The spacious living and dining room were added to the home, offering a great room for the family of five to enjoy the view and make memories. The large Christmas tree, pictured above, was placed in the middle of the space and decorated with family ornaments. It overlooked a cozy living area complete with stockings hung by the fireplace. The dining room table nearby was beautifully set with *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* plates set among other festive tableware. Greenery, small Christmas trees, letters to Santa and other Christmas touches throughout the reverse story and a half home lent themselves to a nice cozy Christmas for the entire family.



Perched in the bluffs- The home of Jamie and Alyssa Barnes, located at 19467 Highway E, was a mixture of grandeur and country warmth for guests of the 2011 Christmas Tour of Homes. The original two-bedroom farmhouse, despite many additions over the years, still had the look and feel of a country Christmas home. It was decorated with many antiques and primitive touches, and created a cozy atmosphere that flowed from room to room with the wide, dark planked tongue-and-groove flooring. The fireplace and hearth in the great room (shown above), along with several Christmas trees in the large space, seemed to call one to settle in for a cold winter's night. The galley style kitchen opened up to a breathtaking dining room that overlooked Squaw Creek Wildlife Refuge and the beauty of the farmland along the Missouri River bottom. The table was clad with pewter place settings, and name cards invited the family in for a meal.



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Christmas Tour of Homes a huge success

The 2011 Christmas Tour of Homes, sponsored by the State Theater Arts Council, was a huge success. The tour, which included four homes and a church, was held on Sunday, December 11, in Mound City, MO.

The State Theater was open that day for purchase of tickets, and many guests toured the theater, which was decorated as well. Ticket sales for the event were well over 200. Great weather and

a longer tour time may have added to the success of the event.

Each of the four homes, as well as the church, with various decorating styles, beautifully incorporated the Christmas theme into the tour. The State Theater Arts Council was so pleased with the graciousness of the home owners and the overwhelming response of the many who attended the tour.



Many quilts that have been stitched- Over the years by ladies of the First Christian Church, were displayed in the church's basement on Sunday, December 11, during the Christmas Tour of Homes. The congregation is celebrating its 160th year at 402 East 5th Street. The quilts hanging on the wall were just two of the many that were beautifully displayed throughout the basement. The small quilts on the bench were some of the 50 lap quilts made this year by members of the Circle of Ruth for residents at Tiffany Heights. The church's sanctuary was beautifully decorated and lit for Christmas as is customary.



The sound of Christmas carols- Greeted guests to the Gary and DeeAnn Heck home at 1516 Nebraska Street during the Christmas Tour of Homes on Sunday, December 11. Peggy Ann Edwards sat at the entrance of the home playing Christmas music at the baby grand piano. The spectacular table setting shown above could be seen throughout the great room area. A nativity set, one of several, sat atop the island counter just beyond the table. Showcased throughout the home was the beautiful cherry hardwood that wrapped visitors to the home in the warmth of family and invited one to sit and ponder the true meaning of Christmas.



The Justin and Hilari Courtney home- Located at 1403 Paxton Road, greeted guests from the Christmas Tour of Homes with a beautifully decorated staircase. The staircase rose and split, opening up to a great room below before winding up to two beautiful children's rooms. A breathtaking nativity picture graced the staircase. A John Deere tree and princess trees graced the children's rooms. A large tree filled the great room, and three other trees graced the main floor. In the basement, what had the pretenses of a 'Man Cave', were two trees decked out in hunting motif. The area pictured above sat at the base of the steps. Old Santas sat among pine cones and pheasant feathers. A larger tree, decorated in much the same fashion, stood in the living room area that housed a perfect area for entertaining.

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The DAR Good Citizen students from the six area schools- Are pictured with the DAR co-chairmen of the Good Citizen program. Pictured front row, left to right, are Linda Lee, co-chairman, Tarkio, MO; Blair Million, Oregon, MO, scholarship contest winner; Taylor Miles, Mound City; and Lauren Clark, Fairfax, MO. Back row: Kelsie Sipes, Craig, MO; Abby Athen, Tarkio, MO; Josie Crow, Rock Port, MO; and co-chairman, Susan Slaughter, Skidmore, MO.

DAR Good Citizen students attend William White Chapter meeting

William White Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), met Tuesday, December 6, at Sharp's Grove Church near Craig, MO. The ladies of the church served a delicious dinner. This was the last meeting they will serve the William White Chapter. The members appreciate the many years of dedication and wonderful meals they have provided.

Mary Lee Privett, Regent, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of the National Anthem. Faire Schoonover served as chaplain and gave the opening prayer.

Special guests were the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizen students from the six area schools. They were introduced, along with their parents. The students in attendance were Abby Athen, Tarkio; Lauren Clark, Fairfax; Josie Crow, Rock Port; Taylor Miles, Mound City; Blair Million, Oregon; and Kelsie Sipes, Craig. Linda Lee, co-chairman of the committee, gave a short dialogue on the program.

The DAR Good Citizens' program and scholarship contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. Students selected as the school's representative must have the qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism to an outstanding degree. The students were chosen by their school's fac-

ulty and their peers as outstanding citizens.

The contest consisted of two parts. For part one, the student described how he/she tried to manifest the qualities of a good citizen. Part two was an essay administered under the supervision of a faculty or DAR member. The essay had to be completed in one sitting, within a two-hour time limit, and without assistance or reference materials. The winning entry is advanced through state and national levels of judging.

The essay chosen to represent William White Chapter in the state competition is Blair Million, South Holt.

The meeting was opened by Regent Privett with the DAR ritual and devotions. The Sunshine report was given on all members and their families. A nominating committee was appointed for election of new officers and delegates were elected for the State Convention in May.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 6, at the Mound City United Methodist Church. Reservations can be made with Regent Privett.

Anyone interested in becoming a DAR member should contact a local member for more information. It is an organization open to those women that can prove an ancestor had an active part in the establishment of the United States of America.

Bob Hall joins Nodaway Valley Bank



Longtime Maryville, MO, banker, Bob Hall, has joined Nodaway Valley Bank (NVB) as Senior Vice-President of Business Development. Hall began his banking career with Nodaway Valley in 1974, after graduating from Northwest Missouri State University (NWMSU) in Maryville. He went to work for the former Citizens State Bank in 1978, and served as president from 1986 until 1992, when the bank was merged into Bank Midwest. Hall has provided leadership for the bank's branch and lending functions in northwest Missouri.

Hall has been active in regional economic development, serving on the boards of the Nodaway County Industrial Development Authority, the Maryville In-

dustrial Development Corp. and the Nodaway County Senate Bill 40 board. He also serves on the Farmers Mutual Insurance Co. Board of Directors and has been active in the Maryville Elks and Jaycees, as well as the Maryville High School Athletic Boosters and the NWMSU Booster Club.

Bob and his wife, Karen, are the parents of Daron Hall of Maryville, and Cara Phillips and Amy Maragos of Kansas City, MO, and have two grandchildren. They are members of the Wilcox United Methodist Church.

"Bob brings a wealth of experience to our bank," commented NVB President, James G. Robinson. "We look forward to many new customer relationships because of Bob's extensive connections throughout the area."

"Nodaway Valley Bank's longevity and rich tradition as a strong community bank is second to none in northwest Missouri, and particularly Nodaway County," commented Hall. "I am grateful for the opportunity to pursue the balance of my career in a community bank environment."

Community Services, Inc., moves to new location in Mound City

Community Services, Inc., serves the five county regions of northwest Missouri by addressing the needs of low income individuals, families and communities who are struggling with the effects of poverty. Community Action Agencies administer Community Services Block Grant funds to support efforts that reduce poverty, revitalize low-income communities, empower low-income individuals and families, and to mobilize communities to identify and address the causes of poverty in the designated service area counties. In addition to the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Programs, Community Services, Inc. administers the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Program, Weatherization Program and Head Start Program.

Due to the reduction in funding for the Community Services Block Grant, Community Services, Inc., will be making some changes in the outreach offices. The central office will remain at 1212B South Main Street in Maryville, MO. The phone number is 660-582-3113. The operating hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Anyone in the five county regions, which include Atchison, Gentry, Holt, Nodaway and Worth, may call this office for services.

Cathy Davis, Atchison/Holt County Director, will be moving to the resource apartment at the Mound City Public Housing, 801 Evans Circle Dr., #34, Mound City, MO. Community Services, Inc., will be in operation at the new location on Wednesday, December 14. Operating hours for Holt County in the Mound City office will be Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office will be closed for lunch from 12:00-12:45 p.m. The phone number at the Holt County office is 660-442-5722.

Community Services will continue to administer and distribute the Food Commodities through the Second Harvest Food Program. The next distribution in January will be from the new location. Two of Community Services, Inc., programs that have been very successful in local communities are the Back to School Fair and the Holiday Program. The Back to School Fairs next year, both for Atchison and Holt counties, will be organized by Community Hospital-Fairfax, MO. Community Services, Inc., will continue to refer the students that are eligible to attend. The communities have supported this very important project with donations and volunteers for many years. Community Services, Inc., staff hopes the communities will continue to support those school age children in need of this service.

Donations to Community Services, Inc., are always welcome. Community Services, Inc., has an emergency fund specifically for each county. Approximately 100% of the funds donated go to help those in need in the community. The funds are utilized to assist neighbors in need with rent assistance, utility assistance, food, clothing, gas, and various household necessities.

Community Services, Inc., will continue to administer the Salvation Army fund for each county. If a donation to the Salvation Army is designated to a specific county, the funds will be used in that county for a variety of emergency needs.

Community Services, Inc., continues to strive to fulfill its mission, "To empower the people of need in northwest Missouri to achieve their goals and to improve their quality of life."

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This Week's History

From the *Mound City News* archives

50 Years Ago - 1961

- The annual Christmas Ball was held at the Mound City gymnasium. Denny Smith and Linda Travis were crowned Mr. and Miss Christmas. Music was furnished by a freshman group from Shenandoah, IA, called, "The Echoes".

- Peggy Nauman reigned as "Snowflake Queen" over the annual Christmas Dance, "White Exotica", at Tarkio College in Tarkio, MO.

- Santa Claus spent the afternoon at Dick's Rexall Drug Store listening to the wishes of children. Store owner, Ray Dick, supplied the children with a picture, and "Flunk" Dunigan was credited with helping at the event.

- The Craig FFA held its annual Christmas Ball, "Snowflake Whirl", at the gym. Glen Nowling was crown "Mr. Christmas" by FHA president, Jana Schooler, and Robert Jackson was named attendant. Alva Stoner served as emcee. Pam Gray and Donna Beesley, accompanied by Karla Dukes, sang "Silver Bells"; and Wanda Singleton read everyone's special wish list to Santa.

- Navy Ens. Robert L. Crow of Oregon, MO, served aboard the anti-submarine warfare support aircraft carrier, USS Bennington, a unit of the first fleet, which took part in Exercise Black Bear.

25 Years Ago - 1986

- The Pettijohn-Eiser Funeral Home, an Oregon funeral home for 20 years under the ownership of John M. Sheryl Eiser, was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Greg Chamberlain of Rock Port, MO.

- The Mound City Community Building fund drive received generous contributions totaling \$12,000.

- Charles and Carolyn Joyce Pecora of Clariton, IA, purchased Audrey's Motel from Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Heck of Mound City. The couple built the motel in 1976, about the time I-29 was completed here.

- Miss Mindy Young of Burlington Junction was hired by the Holt County R-2 Board of Education to fill the vacant 5th grade position of Mrs. Marjorie Viets, who retired due to health reasons.

- Mrs. Leah Kurtz, of Forest City, MO, was presented with a plaque by Farm Bureau President, C.R. "Dick" Johnston, for her 2 years of service to the Women's Committee for the first district. Mrs. Ann Roetger, of Bigelow, MO, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

- The adult choir of the Oregon Methodist Church presented a cantata, "He Started the Whole World Singing", under the direction of Mrs. Anita Kurtz.

10 Years Ago - 2001

- An annual performance report from the state listed Mound City School among the top 10 out of 63 in northwest Missouri.

- The Mound City City Council voted to create a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district for a proposed Dollar General store in downtown Mound City.

- The South Holt School Board had a multitude of guests at a board meeting due to controversy over a Chris Crutcher book called, "Whale Talk". Several parents argued the book contained language not appropriate for freshmen.

- A new Rodgers organ, replacing a smaller 1968 model, was hoisted into the balcony of the Concordia Lutheran Church.

- A \$15,000 state grant was awarded to the Mound City science lab, providing a wealth of technology and safety equipment.

- The home of Leo and Karla Buckles won the Mayor's Christmas Decorating Contest.

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Holt County Commission minutes

The Holt County Commission met Monday, October 17, 2011, at the Holt County Courthouse in Oregon, MO, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

Assessor Carla Markt met with the commission to discuss upcoming United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) public hearings on Missouri River management. She, County Clerk Kathy Kunkel and Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood attended and offered testimony related to the USACE's management practices and the Flood of 2011.

Wayne Flanary, University Extension, joined the commission to discuss various items of importance at the Annex Building including use of the space by the Career Center, gas meter protection and appliances.

County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel reported on sales tax figures through September 30, 2011, and the Tax Increment Financing District payment schedule. Use Tax has seen growth with the many construction related projects underway due to the flooding. Sales tax is rebounding due to heavy rock hauling and in-county fuel purchases. The re-opening of I-29 has helped sales tax proceeds through the end of the fiscal year.

Sheriff Scott Wedlock joined the commission to provide an update on the installation of new radio equipment secured by grant funding through the MoKan Regional Council of Governments. The county's match is approximately \$30,000, which commissioners agreed to pay from 911 sales tax funds. Discussion was held on the overhead phone lines from the sheriff's office to the 911 equipment shed. GIS mapping updates were also discussed and the upcoming move to phase 2 wireless capabilities in the dispatch center. Maitland and Forest City address audits were not yet complete.

Ken Ideker and Paul Ideker, representing Greenfield Construction LLC's new rock quarry on Raintree Drive, north of 59 Highway, east of Oregon, requested that the county roadway receive a chip and seal surface to enhance the roadway

and reduce dust from the highway intersection to the driveway of the quarry. The Idekers agreed to apply the chip and seal coating and to maintain it while necessary for the operation of the quarry. The roadway will be widened to allow for semi-trucks to pass safely; and drainage concerns in the right-of-way road ditches shall be addressed under the guidance of First District Commissioner Bill Gordon. The commission agreed to the request and directed County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel to draw up a contract as such.

Emergency Management Director Gary Parker met with the commission to discuss flood recovery efforts.

Brenda Nelson, R.N., Holt County Health Department Administrator, appeared before the commission with a guest, Vernita McMurtrey, from the Missouri Health Insurance Pool. Ms. McMurtrey gave a presentation on the benefits of the state and federal insurance pools available to Missouri citizens without insurance benefits.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann met with the commission to report on truck repair work, continued road rock application and excavator work.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, October 24, 2011.

The Holt County Commission met Monday, October 24, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

Minutes from the September meetings through October 17 were presented by County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel. Commissioner Holstine made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Gordon seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Aaron Luce and Dale Holstine, board members of Holt County Levee District #9, approached the commission to discuss plans for repair of the severely damaged levee system. The U.S. Corps of Engineers has yet to schedule a meeting time with the board to assess the damages to the system, and Mr. Holstine received a letter from the

USACE asking the district to consider "non-structural repairs". The letter outlining these measures states these "projects help restore the natural floodplain and reduce future flood damages that affect flood control works". Increased Environmental Benefits are outlined in the letter including: "improved access to the floodplain, benefitting spawning and survival of native fish species; increased potential for developed habitat connectivity and ecological productivity; increase in native riparian vegetation; more opportunities for habitat restoration for endangered Pallid Sturgeon (chutes, backwaters, wetland); provides area for natural river processes to occur (erosion, deposition, shallow water coves, wetland formation, channel evolution". Neither the County Commission nor Levee District #9's board members were interested in pursuing this option.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann joined the commission to report on various road projects. Commissioner Gordon reported the chip and seal project on Raintree Drive, north of 59 Highway, was complete to the new rock quarry operated by Greenfield Construction LLC. Greenfield is responsible for the cost and maintenance of the improvement.

Commissioners reviewed the Burn Ban, and determined to leave it in place as the conditions are still unfavorable for open burning.

Discussion was taken up for nomination of a county person to the Missouri River Task Force, a USACE board looking at options for repair of levee systems damaged by the 2011 Flooding. Commissioners wished to appoint Morris Heitman of Mound City to the position, with Commissioner Sitherwood agreeing to contact him. The Commission agreed to cover expenses necessary to attend these task force meetings for Mr. Heitman, in light of the importance that Holt County has a voice in the process.

Commissioners, Assessor Carla Markt and County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel prepared to attend the annual Missouri Association of Counties' conference in Tan-Tar-A, Lake of the Ozarks. Mr. Sitherwood, Mrs. Markt and Mrs. Kunkel are giving a presentation complete with photos, data and flood stories at the conference.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, October 31, 2011.

The Holt County Commission met Monday, October 31, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

Assessor Carla Markt reported on recent property review of the flood damaged areas in the county. She anticipated removing 1.2 to 2 million dollars of assessed valuation from the property tax rolls for 2012.

Sheriff Scott Wedlock met with the commission to report the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Disaster Recovery Center at the Mound City United Methodist Church had closed. He also discussed communication issues including portable radios.

Emergency Management Director Gary Parker joined the commission and Sheriff Wedlock to discuss ongoing emergency management issues.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann reported on various matters of the

Road and Bridge department and presented updated contracts from the county's engineer, Phil Schrick, PE, for review. Watershed studies are underway to determine the correct size of corrugated metal pipe installation for work in the northeastern area of Holt County.

Commissioner Gordon requested the county commission enact a Burn Ban effective November 1, 2011, until further notice or significant rainfall or snow. Following discussion, Commissioner Gordon made a motion for the ban. Commissioner Holstine seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Sheriff Wedlock submitted a proposal for the jail keep to increase to \$35 on January 1, 2012. Commissioner Holstine made a motion to accept his proposal. Commissioner Gordon seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Wednesday, November 2, 2011.

The Holt County Commission met Wednesday, November 2, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

The special meeting of the county commission was held to discuss the National Emergency Grant (NEG) secured through the Northwest Regional Council of Governments to aid in disaster recovery.

In attendance were Bill Kirk, FEMA; Miranda Brummett, Workforce Investment Board; Russell Burge, Big Lake State Park; Kim Milward, Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments (NWRCOG) - Career Center; Tye Parsons, NWRCOG, Director; Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann; and County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel.

Discussion was undertaken on the specifics of the grant of \$2.2 million, which was approved for nine counties in Missouri impacted by the 2011 flooding. The grant funds are available for 12 months, with a focus on hiring temporary employees to help with debris clean-up, re-ditching, painting, power-washing and so forth. There is also a humanitarian component to the NEG, which allows for paperwork management, and equipment resources.

Employment through the program is filled through the Workforce Investment Board, Career Center, with priority to citizens who were flooded and then those who are long-term unemployed. All worksites must be public and benefit the recovery process.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, November 7, 2011.

The Holt County Commission met Monday, November 7, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

Missouri Department of Agriculture Director, Jon Hagler, met with the county commission to discuss agricultural issues related to the flooding in Holt County. He also presented \$80,000 of grant assistance funding checks to levee and road districts in Holt County. Mr. Hagler gave \$10,000 each to: Corning Special Road District, South Union Township Road District, Fortescue Road District, Union Township Levee District, Big Tarkio Levee District,

Corning Levee District, Levee District #9, and Levee District #10.

A public hearing for the formation of Holt County Levee District #15 was held in the courtroom at 10:00 a.m. In attendance were Lisa Yocum, Lillian Wright, Dennis B. Wright, Phil Morris, Glen Morris, Gail Heitman, Beverly Haer, James Haer, Steve Cunningham, Johnny Haer, Eddie Drewes, Pam Vohs, Arnie Kreek, Joseph Riemer, Tye Parsons, and Brian Tubbs.

Presiding Commissioner Sitherwood opened the hearing and yielded the floor to Attorney Brian Tubbs, representing petitioners for the formation of the district. Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the designated lands within the proposed district, generally which follows the eastern bank of the Big Tarkio River from Interstate 29 to the north boundary of the Union Township Levee District, following that boundary south to the northern boundary of Holt County Levee District #10, then north along the western boundary of the Little Tarkio Creek to Interstate 29, then northwesterly to the starting point along the southern side of Interstate 29, excluding the city of Craig.

Mr. Tubbs presented a petition and request to form the district, as well as a proper survey of the district's boundaries and each parcel of ownership within said district. Commissioner Sitherwood called for questions or discussion. Hearing none, Commissioner Holstine made a motion to create Holt County Levee District #15 as proposed. Commissioner Gordon seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Nomination for a three-member board was called with Johnny Haer, Eddie Drewes and Steve Cunningham nominated from the group assembled. Commissioner Gordon made a motion to appoint Johnny Haer to a 3-year term; Eddie Drewes to a 2-year term; and Steve Cunningham to a 1-year term. Commissioner Holstine seconded the motion. Approved unanimously. Holt County Treasurer Gay Quick will serve as treasurer of Levee District #15 according to the Missouri Revised Statutes. The board possesses all powers afforded by such statutes, including the ability to enter into bonded debt, issue warrants and levy taxes for the construction and maintenance of a physical levee to protect the lands within the district.

Following the hearing, the county commission met with Brenda Nelson, R.N., Health Department Administrator, regarding the upcoming disaster planning meeting to meet grant requirements. The meeting was set for December 12, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. at the TJ Hall Building in Oregon.

Mrs. Nelson also discussed a nursing position, which will be open at the Health Department. She will prepare a job description and the county will advertise for the position.

The county's annual Christmas Dinner is set for Monday, December 12, 2011, at noon at the TJ Hall Building.

Sheriff Scott Wedlock joined the commission to discuss the Deputy Sheriff Supplementation Grant funds, which are part of a state-wide program to help increase Deputy Sheriffs' salaries in rural areas. He has completed the grant documents and anticipates funding in 2012.

The commission was joined by Levee District #15 Board

Members and attorney to discuss a request for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the sum of \$500,000. The newly formed district is eligible to apply for funds, with the county commission acting as the grant sponsor. Commissioners agreed to request the funds on the district's behalf.

Tye Parsons, Arnie Kreek and Joseph Riemer, NWRCOG, met with the commission to discuss the county's overall application for CDBG grant funds for emergency repair work on eight levee and drainage districts. Commissioners adopted an Application Resolution, requesting the funds. Commissioner Holstine made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Gordon seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Commissioners also reviewed an Anti-Displacement Plan, with NWRCOG Director Parsons. Commissioner Holstine made a motion to adopt the plan. Commissioner Gordon seconded the motion. Approved unanimously. Various certifications were signed and approved for the grant process.

Renee Miller, Oregon, appeared before the commission to request the use of the courthouse on Saturday, December 3, 2011, for Christmas Around the Square. Santa will use the space to greet children and take photographs. Commissioners approved the request.

Wayne Flanary, University Extension Agronomist, joined the commission to discuss land damage and repair due to the flooding and upcoming webinars related to disaster recovery.

Commissioners adjourned the meeting until 5:00 p.m.

At 5:00 p.m., commissioners held a Community Development Block Grant Hearing for levee district repair. Members of Union Township Levee District, Canon Drainage District, Levee District #9, Levee District #10, Forest City Levee District (L-497), Corning Levee District (with Mill Creek and private levee), Big Tarkio Levee District and Levee District #15 were in attendance.

A request for funding in the sum of \$7,497,000 is as follows:

Union Township: Damage estimate \$1.38 million with the Corps paying 80%, grant request \$207,000.

Canon Drainage: Damage estimate \$1.79 million with the Corps paying 80%, grant request \$216,000.

Levee #9: Damage estimate \$1.6 million with the Corps paying 80%, grant request \$331,000.

Levee #10: Damage estimate \$2.4 million with the Corps paying 80%, grant request \$476,000.

Forest City Levee: Damage estimate \$4.1 million with the Corps paying 0%, grant request full amount.

Corning Levee, et al: Damage estimate \$1.2 million with the Corps paying 0%, grant request full amount.

Big Tarkio Levee: Damage estimate \$465,000 with the Corps paying 0%, grant request full amount.

Levee #15: Damage estimate \$502,000 with the Corps paying 0%, grant request full amount.

Grant proposal will be submitted by December 15, 2011. An environmental review is underway, but is a key component to the funding. Not one shovelful of dirt can be turned on these projects until the grant dollars

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are approved, or the grant application is null and void. The program has \$10 million available for fiscal year 2011, and priority is given to those levees that have Corps program funding.

Commissioners approved all grant requests and further underscored the need for CDBG grant funding to make repairs from this devastating flood.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, November 14, 2011.

The Holt County Commission met Monday, November 14, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel reported on the FEMA Individual Assistance program close-out she completed November 9. At this time, FEMA has helped 197 registrants with housing assistance totaling \$747,573. An additional 103 registrants have had other needs' assistance with \$10,926 issued. This program is funded in addition to flood insurance, homeowners' insurance and other similar programs. Many of Holt County's families impacted by the flood have found that insurance payments are not enough to offset their property loss and out of pocket costs associated with the flood. Many applicants continue to appeal their claims; therefore additional assistance may be issued. Public assistance to rebuild roads and infrastructure on public lands is still pending.

Presiding Commissioner Sitherwood discussed the county's floodplain ordinance with the commission. Mr. Sitherwood is the floodplain coordinator; however the ordinance has not been modified in many years. Language in the ordinance identifies the Assessor of Holt County as the floodplain coordinator. Assessor Carla Markt turned over the position many years ago to the commission, and is not interested in resuming the position now. Under the ordinance, the county must complete Substantial Damage Estimates for every structure in the floodplain following this event. Mr. Sitherwood made a request to the State Emergency Management Agency for assistance in this matter. Mrs. Markt has agreed to provide the parcel data information and field survey notes in an effort to assist in the damage estimate. The Northwest Regional Council of Governments is also interested in helping the county meet the requirements through a cooperative agreement. Commissioners tabled any changes to the ordinance at this time pending further review.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, November 21, 2011.

The Holt County Commission met Monday, November 21, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

Michael Rinehart, Missouri Department of Transportation (MODOT), appeared before the commission to discuss repairs to state highways destroyed by the flooding.

Brenda Nelson, R.N., Health Department Administrator, reported she is having trouble with a freezer

used to store vaccines. Commissioners advised her to check with Lowe's for warranty information.

Randy Arnold, Arnold Insurance Services, presented the county's group health insurance renewal. After review of coverages that exceed \$800 per person per month, Mr. Arnold recommended the county take the renewal offer of Blue Cross and Blue Shield (BCBS) of Kansas City at 7.9%. Commissioner Holstine made a motion to accept he BCBS of KC with two options for enrollment by county employees: a \$2,500 deductible coverage at \$578.17 per person per month or a \$3,500 deductible coverage at \$532.52 per person per month. The county had previously agreed to cover \$500 per person per month for a health insurance premium; the remainder is the responsibility of the employee. Commissioner Gordon seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Phyllis Dannar, Holt County Cancer Fund, approached the commission to request the use of the courthouse on Saturday, December 3, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a cookie walk fund raiser. Commissioners agreed to her request.

Sheriff Scott Wedlock met with the commission to discuss matters of his department including recent radio upgrades and the need for additional electrical work in the jail to meet ongoing needs and plumbing problems. Commissioners reviewed the jail departmental budget in general revenue and determined that some work should be completed before the end of the fiscal year if possible. Sheriff Wedlock agreed to make the appropriate contacts.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann shared with the commissioners requirements for the 2012 budget for road rock, corrugated metal pipe and lumber. Bids were planned for Monday, December 12. He also reviewed preliminary plans for placement of a roadway pipe on Holt Road 120. The location was recently redesigned for a pipe rather than a large bolt-together arch pipe at considerable savings to the county. This project would meet specifications for soft-match credit in the BRO program. Mr. Biermann reported that all the CART rock is applied for the 2011 year in the Common Road District. Special Road Districts were responsible for applying their own rock with private haulers this year. Mr. Biermann also reported he's had a request for the county to push in the roadway banks on Holt Road 130, west of 113 Highway. He will add this project to the list of requests. He also requested the commissioners approve replacement of windows in the County Barn at Mound City. An estimate of \$1,240 from Hugh Nauman Construction is referenced. Commissioners agreed to the work. Additional discussion was taken up on Holt Road 290, which will be a FEMA project from 2011 Flood damage.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, November 28, 2011.

The Holt County Commission met Monday, November 28, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

Assessor Carla Markt discussed matters of her department with the commission including early budget preparations.

Brenda Nelson, R.N., Health Department Administrator, gave a recent health inspection review of various restaurants in the county and various other matters of her department.

Gary Parker, Holt County Emergency Management Director (EMD), appeared before the commission for an update.

Kirk Larson, Midland GIS, Maryville, MO, gave a presentation to the commission, Sheriff Scott Wedlock, Assessor Markt, EMD Parker and County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel about a WebGIS program that would make the county's data layers accessible in various departments and provide limited data access to a public audience. Mrs. Markt anticipated utilizing the service as a subscription-based access point for realtors and title search companies. The 911 system and other county departments would have access to the data including house addresses, parcel ownership, roadway names and aerial photography.

Chad Higdon, Congressman Sam Graves' Office, met with the commission to discuss ongoing issues with levee repair, FEMA, Corps management and overall flood recovery.

Tye Parsons, Director, Northwest Regional Council of Governments, joined the commission to present a Memorandum of Understanding between Holt County and NWRCOG for work on the National Flood Insurance Program. NWRCOG will assist the county in completing the Substantial Damage Estimates of each structure in the incorporated areas of the Holt County floodplain at no cost to the county. Commissioner Gordon made a motion to enter into the agreement. Commissioner Holstine seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Aaron Luce, Oregon, appeared before the commission to request sponsorship for repair of a private agricultural levee on his property in the floodplain. He was seeking grant funds through the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) to make repairs. The NRCS required the county sponsor the project, as it is not covered in a levee or drainage district and is not eligible for FEMA or Corps repair funding. Commissioners agreed to be the sponsor for the project.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann met with the commission to discuss work on Holt Road 130 and tube replacements.

Commissioners took up the cost of group health insurance for county employees. In lieu of raises for employees in 2012, commissioners agreed to increase the county's participation in the cost of the plan to \$532.52, which is the full premium for the high deductible \$3,500 plan. That is an increase of \$32.52 per person per month for the coverage from the base of \$500.00. Employees are paying \$46 per person per month in 2011 for \$2,500 deductible coverage. If an employee elects to increase their deductible, the county will pay 100% of the premium, and employees will no longer pay \$46 per person per month for coverage. Employees who choose the higher deductible will benefit \$390 in additional premium paid by the county, as well as recouping \$46 per month in their paycheck, or \$942 a year in benefit. Employees who choose to stay with a \$2,500 deductible will continue to pay \$46 per month for the coverage, with the county contributing \$532.52 to their plan premium each

month.

Commissioners discussed County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel's invitation to Washington, D.C., to testify before a subcommittee of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee regarding the 2011 Flood. Following discussion, commissioners agreed to pay for the trip from general revenue funds allocated to the ongoing flood expenses, rather than the county clerk's regular budget. Mrs. Kunkel will provide written testimony about the effects of the flood on the county's tax rolls, infrastructure and its citizens. She will also take the witness stand for questions related to the county flooding for four out of the last five years, and the Corps management practices related to those events.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, December 5, 2011.

The Holt County Commission met Monday, December 5, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., with Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner Don Holstine present.

County Clerk Kathy J. Kunkel reported on cash balances of the county's various funds to date and as budget officer she offers consideration for amending the 2011 budget to allow for expenditures from the recently instituted Sheriff's Revolving Fund. Money in that fund was deposited with County Treasurer Gay Quick, following an audit of the Sheriff's Office by the State Auditor's Office in July. No appropriation exists for expending the funds in fiscal year 2011. Expenditures of \$1,747.75 have been drawn on the fund without budget appropriation. The fund has an anticipated ending balance for 2011 of \$7,000. After discussion, it was determined that budget documents will be secured at the onset of 2012 from the sheriff for appropriations in 2012.

Glen Payne, Oregon, requested a variance from floodplain compliance for a new agricultural building he plans to erect on property

he owns in the floodplain. Commissioners discussed the building requirements and issued the variance. Commissioner Holstine made a motion as such. Commissioner Gordon seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Brenda Nelson, R.N., Health Department Administrator, gave a recent health inspection review of various food service locations in the county and plans for a disaster response meeting on December 12, 2011.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann joined the commission to discuss roads in the county that need work before winter weather sets in, including Keystone and Ironwood roads. Commissioners reviewed current budget allocations with Mr. Biermann and directed him to utilize additional patch gravel to fix roadways with excessive traffic as weather

permits this winter season.

Sheriff Scott Wedlock reported on electrical work underway at the jail.

Wayne Flanary, University Extension Agronomist, discussed the 2012 budget preparations with the commission. He anticipated a level budget and is working to bring in additional funds from classes to offset rising costs.

Commissioners discussed the state of the mausoleums in Holt County, particularly the Mound City mausoleum, located at the Mount Hope Cemetery. The building is in significant disrepair. Funds in perpetual trusts are not available for repairs. Commissioners agreed to look into what can be done with the structure in the future.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, December 12, 2011.

Cell phone use banned for commercial motor vehicles

Beginning January 3, 2012, commercial motor vehicle drivers are banned from using handheld mobile phones and push-to-talk cell phones while driving. The ban is being implemented by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration and the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration after research indicated drivers distracted by hand-held phones pose a safety risk to themselves and other motorists.

Specifically, the rule prohibits drivers from reaching for, holding, or dialing a mobile phone while driving, and applies to commercial motor vehicle truck and bus drivers who operate in Missouri as well as interstate drivers. School bus drivers and those driving vehicles designed to carry nine to 15 passengers are included.

The ban applies when the vehicle is in operation on the highway, when temporarily stopped on the highway for traffic, or when waiting at a stoplight, stop sign or other traffic control device.

Drivers can use a hand-held cell phone only if the vehicle is stopped in an area safe for parking a commercial vehicle, or to communicate with law enforcement or other emergency services to report emergencies.

"It's about safety," said Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Motor Carrier Services Director Jan Skouby.

"Any steps that can be taken to reduce fatalities is something MoDOT will support in any way it can."

The new rule affects all commercial motor vehicles operated in interstate commerce with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,001 pounds or more or a vehicle transporting any amount of hazardous materials requiring a placard. Also affected are drivers of vehicles operated solely in intrastate commerce with a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 pounds or more or a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,001 pounds or more carrying any amount of hazardous materials. The new rule includes all contracted school bus operations and shuttle buses. Intrastate carriers who are currently exempted from the federal regulations by the state of Missouri will remain unaffected by the new rule.

The use of hands-free devices is allowed; however, drivers can only use hands-free phones and headsets if the phone is in their reach while being restrained by a seat belt in the driver's seat. Dialing a hands-free phone while in motion is allowed only if it can be done by striking a single button.

The use of CB radios, other two-way radio communication or electronic devices are not included in the ban.

To review the full federal regulation, visit <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-12-02/html/2011-30749.htm>

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, AT 10:30 A.M.

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Short Legal: 167 ac. m/l in Sec. 19, Twp. 64N, Range 38W, Atchison Co., MO.
2011 Taxes: \$787.74. Corn base acreage: 84.3. Soybean base acreage: 61.2. Total base acres: 145.5. 2011 DCP Payment: \$2,648.00. **Please Note:** All "base acres" listed on this farm with the FSA will transfer to the new owner.

Primary Soil Types: Shelby, Marshall and Judson, with Colo along the creeks and draws.
Details: This farm is conveniently located on MO Hwy. 46, minutes from I-29, halfway between Omaha, NE, and Kansas City, MO. Shelby and Marshall soils will produce top yields on this well kept land and if you care to hunt, abundant wildlife is possibly the best kept secret. Improvements include some terracing; and more tillable acres to be gained with some dozer work. This farm would make an EXCELLENT homestead location!

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Holt County traffic violations

The following traffic violations that occurred in Holt County were paid through the Missouri Judiciary Fine Collection Center:

Leslie Holland Bradley - Of Rogersville, TN, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 11-15 Mph). Case filed on November 15, 2011. Case disposed on December 5, 2011. Fine Amount: \$55.50.

James S. Capoot - Of Lees Summit, MO, Pursuing/Taking/Killing/Possessing Or Disposing Of Wildlife Illegally. Case filed on November 12, 2011. Case disposed on December 5, 2011. Fine Amount: \$74.50.

Rhonda Sue Cecil - Of Rock Port, MO, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 11-15 Mph). Case filed on November 15, 2011. Case disposed on December 5, 2011. Fine Amount: \$55.50.

Stephanie M. Davis - Of Smithville, MO, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 11-15 Mph). Case filed on November 5, 2011. Case disposed on December 7, 2011. Fine Amount: \$55.50.

Debra Lyn Donner - Of Scottsdale, AZ, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 16-19 Mph). Case filed on November 11, 2011. Case disposed on December 2, 2011. Fine Amount: \$80.50.

Bradley E. Gannaway - Of Oronogo, MO, Failure To Register Mtr Vehicle. Case filed on October 17, 2011. Case disposed on December 4, 2011. Fine Amount: \$30.50.

Adam J. Horan - Of Kansas City, MO, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 16-19 Mph). Case filed on November 18, 2011. Case disposed on December 5, 2011. Fine Amount: \$80.50.

Kody D. Lundy - Of Lincoln, NE, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 20-25 Mph). Case filed on October 23, 2011. Case disposed on December 5, 2011. Fine Amount: \$155.50.

Tina Louise McDaniel - Of

Kansas City, MO, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 16-19 Mph). Case filed on October 27, 2011. Case disposed on December 2, 2011. Fine Amount: \$80.50.

James E. Mitchell - Of Knoxville, IA, Failed To Register Nonresident Comm Mtr Veh (Reciprocal Agreement). Case filed on September 23, 2011. Case disposed on December 2, 2011. Fine Amount: \$130.50.

James E. Mitchell - Of Knoxville, IA, Operated As Motor Carrier Without Medical Certificate. Case filed on September 23, 2011. Case disposed on December 2, 2011. Fine Amount: \$80.50.

Michelle A. Nobbman - Of Omaha, NE, Driver/Front Seat Passenger Fail to Wear Properly Adjusted/Fastened Safety Belt. Case filed on November 21, 2011. Case disposed on December 1, 2011. Fine Amount: \$10.00.

Britton L. Norden - Of Mission Hills, KS, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 11-15 Mph). Case filed on October 29, 2011. Case disposed on December 2, 2011. Fine Amount: \$55.50.

Joshua E. Russell - Of Brownville, NE, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 11-15 Mph). Case filed on November 16, 2011. Case disposed on December 7, 2011. Fine Amount: \$55.50.

Adison B. Thompson - Of Lincoln, NE, Exceeded Posted Speed Limit (Exceeded By 11-15 Mph). Case filed on November 16, 2011. Case disposed on December 6, 2011. Fine Amount: \$55.50.

Michael Wayne Williams - Of Richmond, MO, Failed To Signal/Gave Improper Signal When Stopping/Turning Left Or Right. Case filed on October 23, 2011. Case disposed on December 7, 2011. Fine Amount: \$30.50.

The best gift of the season

Buying local is the most lasting gift one might give this year. It is a way to purchase items for loved ones while supporting the sustainability of the rural community. Thinking of what a person truly wants or needs and giving gift certificates from locally owned businesses that provide those services can be the most meaningful gift of all. More practical gifts like a subscription to the local newspaper or a gift certificate from a local restaurant, photographer, housekeeper, hair salon, or detailing their car might mean more than all the shiny boxed gifts sets in the world.

In a time when job and dollars seem harder to come by, gifts that support products and services from people who work and live in the community is more important than ever. Through taxes, payrolls, and the business owner's own local purchases, that reinvestment stays where people live

and more money goes back to the local community. According to the *Andersonville Study of Retail Economics*, for every \$100 spent at local, individually owned businesses, \$68 returns to the local community. Additionally, according to the Small Business Administration (SBA), small businesses account for 65% of new jobs created.

People are beginning to realize that the benefits of shopping locally are much more than the product. In addition to finding quality, unique gift ideas for everyone on those Christmas lists this holiday season, consumers can help themselves and their communities when they keep their dollars local.

Northwest Missouri Enterprise Facilitation is a not for profit organization that supports the development of small businesses. All services are free and confidential. For more information call 816-262-5158 or go to www.nwmef.com.

Holt County real estate transfers

Mattie Lavone Thornton and Lawrence Nichols Thornton to MJ Irrevocable Trust, Blue Springs, MO; A tract of land in the Northwest one-fourth of Section 31, Township 62 North, Range 38 West, see record for full description.

Estate of Dean Arthur Borchardt, by trustee, to Clint Ackman, McConnell, IL; All of Lots 20, 21 and 22 in Block 14 in Mound City Extension Company in the city of Mound City.

Estate of Roberta W. Skinner, deceased, to Roberta W. Skinner Trust; The Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 61, Range 39.

Roberta W. Skinner Trust, by trustee, to Jayson L. Johnson, Ruth Elaine Johnson, Kirby L. Rosier and Kim J. Rosier, Mound City, MO; The Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 61, Range 39.

Holt County to Golden Triangle Energy, LLC, Craig, MO; All of the West one-half of Section 13, lying Northeast of the railroad right-of-way, except a tract of ground conveyed to Louis C. Felumb and Mary Mildred Felumb, husband and wife, beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 13, Township 62 North, Range 40 West. See record for full description.

Clay Hollingsworth and Lynda Hollingsworth to William Michael Hollingsworth, Maitland, MO; A tract of land in the Southwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 62, Range 38.

Denise McAfee and Terry McAfee to Aaron Payne, Forest City, MO; A tract beginning at the Southwest corner of Block 103, original town of Forest City, see record for full description; and a tract beginning at the Northwest corner of Block 104, original town of Forest City, see record for full description.

Bryon Fink Trust, by trustee, to Paul Romer and

Leann Romer, St. Joseph, MO; Part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 11, Township 59 North, of Range 37 West, see record for full description.

Sportsman Lodge MO, LLC, to Roberta L. Feist, Overland Park, KS; All of Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 7 and a tract of land in Block 6 in the original town of Bigelow.

William J. Dunning, Joyce A. Dunning and Audrey E. Dunning to William J. Dunning, Joyce A. Dunning and Audrey E. Dunning, Maysville, MO; All of Lot 27 in Ideker Subdivision No. 5 in the Village of Big Lake.

Robert R. King to Cameron Tally, Amy Tally, Evan Tally and Lori Tally, Mound City, MO; The South Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 63, Range 37, and the North 12 rods of the East 26 rods and 11 feet of the Southeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 63, Range 37.

Brenda L. Guidry to Vincent Beyer, Mound City, MO; Commencing at the Northwest corner of what is known as the George C. Price tract, see record for full description.

Erma Lillian Heits, by A.I.F., to Kary Ann Nowling, Craig, MO; All of Lot 8 in Block 12 and the Northwest 8 feet of Lot 9 in Block 12 in the original town of Craig.

Phyllis J. Morris to Yocum Service, Inc., Mound City, MO; Commencing at a point on the east line of West Street coinciding with the southwesterly corner of the Chicago Burlington and Quincy Railroad company right of way and being approximately 625 feet generally south of the railroad depot, see record for full description.

Yocum Service, Inc., to Jonathan L. Russell, Forest City, MO; Commencing at a point on the east line of

West Street coinciding with the southwesterly corner of the Chicago Burlington and Quincy Railroad company right of way and being approximately 625 feet generally south of the railroad depot, see record for full description.

Jonathan L. Russell and Sarah L. Russell to Yocum Service, Inc., Mound City, MO; A tract of land beginning at the intersection of a line extending from the East to West border line between Lots 4 and 5 of Block 12 in the original plat of the town of Bigelow, see record for full description.

Amelia Louise Hees Trust, by trustee, to Michael Douglas Mosiman, Marilyn Louise Erganian and Patricia Jean Raines, St. Joseph, MO; All of Blocks 20 and 21 in Chuning's Addition to the town of Bigelow, see record for full description.

Robert D. Parsley, by successor trustee, Willa I. Parsley, by successor trustee, and Lucille M. Russell, by A.I.F., by successor trustee, to Wells Fargo Bank, Fort Mill, SC; All of Lot 4 in Block 10 in Western Addition in the city of Oregon.

JKM Land Limited LP to Golden Age Farm, LLC, Versailles, KY; Tract A: The Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 20, Township 63, Range 38. Tract B: The West 30 acres and the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 63, Range 38; The North Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 63, Range 38; and the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 63, Range 38.

In Re: Survey for Kirby Rosier to Kirby Rosier; A tract of land in Section 2, Township 61, Range 39.

In Re: Survey for David Lehmer to David Lehmer; A tract of land in Section 14, Township 60, Range 38.



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The 7th and 8th grade band- Entertained the audience with four instrumental pieces during the Christmas Band Concert on Sunday, December 11, at the Mound City gymnasium. Mr. David Reiter, right, directed the band.

Christmas Band Concert held Sunday

The Mound City middle school and high school Christmas band concert, under the direction of David Reiter, was held on Sunday, December 11, at the Mound City gymnasium with many parents, grandparents and friends present. The concert opened with the 5th grade band playing *Assorted Compositions* by O'Reilly/Williams. Band members included: Maggie Baker, Destiny Diggs, Aaron Grant, Bailey Hayworth, Wyatt Kerns, Kyrstin Peters, Tristin VanderHeide, Gracie Caton, Josiah Foust, Destiny Grover, Desiree Hufford, Dylan Marrs, Paige Quilty, Hannah Wedlock, Emma Derr, Emma Gibson, Justyn Hall, Donovan Kemerling, Victoria Nauman, Brylie Schwebach and Noah Young.

With only 10 members, the 6th grade band played three pieces, titled: *Chorale and March*; *Irish Folk Ballad*; and *A Holly Jolly Christmas*. Members of the band included, Alex Carver, Quentin Lenz, Bayleigh Portman, Jacobi Tunnell, Sylvia Foust, Wyatt Meyer, Bailee Schueth, Madison Hopkins, Austin Pankau and Tucker Schwebach.

The 7th and 8th grade band students combined to present four different pieces, including: *Entry of the Nobles*; *Ozark Folk Suite*; *Grey Oak March*; and *A Contempo Christmas*. Band members include: Austin Acton, Malori Davis, Joeigh Eaton, Cooper Hollis, Adrienne Messer, Sean Shepherd, Emily Wedlock, Dominique Wilcoxson, Kenzie Ashford, Mequilla Rader, Kendey Eaton, Brendon Jenkins, Tasha Ritchie, Ben Shifflett, James Wheeler, Chandler Wilson, Maggie Caton, Jordan Diggs, Harley

Garman, Montana Kunkel, Hillary Russell, Ashley Tudor, Rebecca Wheeler and Megan Wotten.

The 25-piece concert high school band focused on Christmas pieces: *A Jubilant Christmas*; *Angels We Have Heard on High*; and *The Nutcracker Suite*, which contains *Elves' Dance*, *Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy*, *Waltz of the Flowers*, and *Trepak*. Members of the high school band included: Eryn Acton,

Lily Forehand, Chance Hollis, Dayne Messer, Rikki Miller, Devin Nauman, Randy Smith, Emily Thomas, James Walker, Lena Ashford, Hailey Garman, Paige Kunkel, Carina Metzgar, Shaylin Miller, Elijah Poe, Dillon Stroud, Hayston Wilson, Abbey Forehand, Lily Grant, Chelsea Killin, Jake Meyer, Sara Murphy, Luke Sanders, Sarah Schoonover and Samuel Wilson.



The 6th grade band- Entertained the audience with three instrumental pieces during the Christmas concert on Sunday, December 11, at the Mound City gymnasium. Mr. David Reiter, right, directed the band.



Junior high Lady Panther- Joeigh Eaton, headed to the basket during Mound City's basketball contest with the Craig/Fairfax Lady Bulldogs on Thursday, December 8. The Lady Panthers finished with a 22-21 loss in Fairfax. CFX's Emma Morris, left, reached to defend, while Pantera Womeldorff looks on (back).



Mound City's Kenzie Ashford, #13- Looked to pass from the wing during the junior high Lady Panther contest with Craig/Fairfax. The Lady Bulldogs defeated the Lady Panthers, 22-21, on Thursday, December 8, in the last game of the season.

Mound City junior high girls finish season with tough loss

The Mound City junior high basketball teams travelled to Fairfax, MO, on Thursday, December 8, to play the Craig/Fairfax (CFX) teams, where neither Panther team got to shoot a single free throw in the contests. The games were the season ending performances for each team, except the Mound City boys' team, which had a game on Monday, December 12, at Falls City, NE.

The girls' game was a slow scoring affair, as the Lady Panthers failed to capitalize on layups in the first quarter, resulting in a 4-4 tie. The CFX Lady Bulldogs held an 11-10 lead at the half, and finished with a 22-21 win.

Emily Wedlock and Kendey Eaton led the junior high Lady Panthers with 6 points each. Adding to the score was Mae Sanders with 4 points, Kenzie Ashford with 3 points and Carley Baker with 2 points.

Alyssa Garrison led CFX with 10 points. Goldie Barnes added 4 points. Ryan Hop-

kins and Halle Sutter had 3 points each, and Emma Morris had 2 points in the win.

The junior Lady Panthers finished the season with a 10-2 record. "We had a great year," commented Coach Jason Tenney. "They are a great group of girls to work with. They're hardworking, athletic and fun to watch."

The Mound City boys started out trailing 13-6 after the first frame, and, after two more slow scoring quarters, were down, 34-16. The Panthers finished with a 46-27 loss.

Hunter Holstine led the junior high Panther team with 17 points. Jaden Derr added 4 points. Scoring 2 points each were Ben Shifflett, Kyler Miles and Chandler Wilson.

Garrett Ball led the Hornets with 14 points. Brody Cooper added 10 points, Jayton Johnson, 9 points, and Jake Dougherty, 8 points. Finishing with 3 points was Sam Hinrichs and Dakota Allen scored 2 points.

Community Christmas Dinner to be held Christmas Day

Plans are being finalized for the 3rd Annual Community Christmas Dinner that will be held at the First Christian Church in Mound City. This dinner is designed for people who will be celebrating Christmas on a day other than December 25 and would otherwise have to cook for themselves.

Since Christmas falls on Sunday, the meal will be served at 12:30 p.m. Come to church and stay for lunch.

This free event will be hosted by Dennis and Cindy Reule in memory of their parents, Herb and Bea Reule and Junior and Betty Yocum. Both families were known for their hospitality. People would make it a point to "make a delivery" to the Reule farm at mealtime because they were always asked to

stay and eat. An observation made by a visitor at the Yocum house was that he didn't know how the front door didn't need to be replaced regularly because it was always swinging open and closed with people coming and going. To honor the heritage of these two families and, most importantly, God, the Community Christmas Dinner is offered.

Now when asked the "What are you doing for Christmas?" question, the response can be, "I'm going to the Community Christmas Dinner, why don't you join me?" To ensure that enough ham and turkey are cooked, please call the First Christian Church office, 660-442-3104, and leave your name, phone number, number of people who will be attending, and your address if you will

need transportation. Dinners can be delivered, but since this is about sharing the day together, all are encouraged to join with others at the church.

LEGAL NOTICE

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
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DONALD LEE BLEVINS, Plaintiff,
v.
DAVID C. BLEVINS, Case No. 10HO-CC00059
TERRI A. WHITE
AND THE ESTATE OF JAMES P. BLEVINS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Take notice that on January 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., on the order of the Honorable Roger Prokes, Circuit Judge of Holt County, Missouri, the Sheriff of Holt County, Missouri, will sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the real property described as follows:

Tract 1

All of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; the Southwest Fourth of the Southwest Fourth of the Northwest Quarter, lying North and East of the public road running through said tract; also Seven (7) acres off of the West side of the North Thirty (30) acres of the East Sixty (60) acres of the South half of the Northwest Quarter; and also a tract described as follows: Beginning Ninety-two (92) rods West of the center of Section Twenty-One (21); thence North Forty (40) rods; thence West Twenty-Eight (28) rods; thence South Forty (40) rods; thence East Twenty-Eight rods to Place of Beginning, all in Section Twenty-One (21), Township Sixty-One (61) North of Range Thirty-eight (38) West of the 5th P.M., Holt County, Missouri.

Tract 2

All of the Southeast One-Fourth of the Southwest Quarter of Section Sixteen (16), Township Sixty-one (61), Range Thirty-eight (38) lying South of Blair Creek, And Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty-one (21), Township Sixty-one (61), Range Thirty-eight (38); thence North Forty (40) rods; thence West Sixty (60) rods; thence South Forty (40) rods; thence East Sixty (60) rods to the Place of Beginning, Holt County, Missouri.

Tract 3

The South half of the Southeast Quarter of Section Sixteen (16) and the West Thirty (30) acres of the Northeast Quarter of Section Twenty-one (21), all in Township Sixty-one (61) North of Range Thirty-eight (38) West of the 5th P.M., Holt County, Missouri, excepting, however, a tract, commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northeast Quarter of said Section Twenty-one (21); thence North Fifteen (15) feet; thence East Fifteen (15) rods to the Westerly line of the public road; thence down said Westerly line of said road to the South line of said Quarter Section; thence on said line to Beginning.

Tract 4

Commencing at the Northwest Corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section Twenty-one (21), Township Sixty-one (61), Range Thirty-eight (38); thence East on Half Section Line 14.86 chains; thence South 5 degrees West 8.60 chains; thence North 86 1/2 degrees West 2.45 chains; thence North 79 3/4 degrees West 4.71 chains; thence North 68 degrees West 2.18 chains; thence North 47 degrees West 1.47 chains; thence North 37 1/2 degrees West 6.36 chains; thence .64 chains to commencing corner, Holt County, Missouri, variation 8 1/4 degrees East.

Also, Commencing 60 rods West of the center of Section Twenty-one (21), Township Sixty-one (61), Range Thirty-eight (38); thence North 40 rods; thence West 32 rods; thence South 40 rods; thence East 32 rods to Beginning, Holt County, Missouri.

Tract 5

The Northeast of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty-one (21); the East half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty-one (21); The North Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section twenty-one (21); the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty-one (21), except the West 7 acres thereof; and the West half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section Twenty-one (21), all in Township Sixty-one (61) North, of Range Thirty-eight (38) West of the 5th P.M., Holt County, Missouri, situated in the county of Holt, Missouri. Said sale shall take place and be conducted at the North Door of the Holt County Courthouse. Date: December 7, 2011.

Scott Wedlock, Sheriff
Holt County, Missouri



Mound City's Ben Shifflett, #12- Darted past CFX Hornet Brody Cooper, #44, during the Panthers' game with the Hornets on Thursday, December 8, in Fairfax. The Panthers suffered a 46-27 loss.

Panthers split with Rockets

The junior high Panthers travelled to Burlington Junction, MO, on Monday, December 5, to play the West Nodaway Rockets in basketball. The Panther girls finished with a 51-2 win, while the Panthers fell to the Rockets, 51-28.

The junior high Lady Panthers used eight different girls in the first half to take a 33-0 lead by the break. The girls finished with a 51-2 win.

Leading the scoring for the junior high Lady Panthers was Brittany Webster with 12 points. Emily Wedlock had 8 points. Kendey Eaton and Kenzie Ashford each scored 7 points in the win. Tallying 4 points in the win were: Tess Phillips, Jessica Johnson, Joeigh Eaton and Sydney Ireland. Mae Sanders scored one point.

The West Nodaway Rockets took off with a 22-4 lead in the first quarter, and the Panthers could not recover. The Rockets extended a 33-10 halftime lead to a 51-28 game win.

Three Rockets scored in double digits, while the Mound City Panthers were

led by Hunter Holstine with 16 points. Kyler Miles added 5 points, Chandler Wilson 3 points, and Ben Shifflett and Jaden Derr had 2 points each.



Panther Kyler Miles- Headed to the basket during the junior high Panther game against Craig/Fairfax on Thursday, December 8, in Fairfax, MO. Kyler scored 2 points in the 46-27 Mound City loss.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

Final date for names to appear on the Bigelow Independent Road District annual election ballot for board members will be Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. Candidates' names must be submitted to the Secretary of the Board, Tom Tubbs, at 22906 Farmers Dr., Bigelow, MO 64437; or by calling 660-442-5678.

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Nodaway-Holt junior high finishes season against CFX

The Nodaway-Holt junior high girls' and boys' teams entertained the Craig/Fairfax (CFX) Bulldogs/Hornets in their final games of the season, Monday, December 5, in Graham, MO. The Trojan teams split with the CFX teams for the wins.

In the girls' game, the Lady Trojans quickly took an 11-5 first quarter lead. Nodaway-Holt finished with a 38-29 win.

Frankie Lemar led the Trojans with 24 points and 5 assists. Jordan Long scored 4 points and pulled down 10 rebounds. Jaylee Holmes scored 4 points and secured 7 rebounds. Samantha Keith scored 2 points and had 7 steals. Kristen Keith scored 2 points and had 5 rebounds. Macie Bohannon pulled down 10 rebounds in the win.

The Nodaway-Holt girls finished the season with a 14-2 record. The girls had a very successful 2011 season. They won the Nodaway-Holt Tournament,

finished second at the South Holt Tournament and finished in a tie with CFX and Mound City for 1st in the conference.

"We had a lot of participation this year with 14 girls, which is great," remarked Coach David Carroll. "I believe the girls had a lot of fun and improved as the season progressed."

The boys' contest saw the CFX boys jump out to a 15-3 first quarter lead. The Hornets went on to win 56-18. Carey Volner led the Trojans with 4 points. Scoring 2 points each were Kaiden Vance, Eli Sloniker, Zachery Walker, Dakota Leeper, Randy Harrison and Brody Day. Kevin Lance and Brandon Newton each scored 1 point. The Trojans finished the season with a 3-11 record.

With only three 8th graders on the roster out of 13, the team was battling experience all season. The Trojans took third in the Nodaway-Holt Tournament.

"Although the team is small and young, the boys played hard and improved as the season progressed," commented Coach David Carroll.

Girls' Season Statistics
Points: Frankie Lemar-134, Jaylee Holmes-107, Macie Bohannon-73

Rebounds: Macie Bohannon-106, Jaylee Holmes-88, Jordan Long-76

Assists: Macie Bohannon-22, Jordan Long-21, Frankie Lemar-20

Steals: Macie Bohannon-47, Frankie Lemar-44, Samantha Keith-27

Blocks: Macie Bohannon-13, Jordan Long-7, Jaylee Holmes-5

Boys' Season Statistics
Points: Brandon Newton-76, Brody Day-69, Randy Harrison-28

Rebounds: Brandon Newton-65, Brody Day-55, Kevin Lance-49

Assists: Brody Day-11, Brandon Newton-6

Steals: Brody Day-35, James Chesnut-19

Blocks: Brandon Newton-5, Brody Day-5

Nodaway-Holt entertains North Andrew

The Nodaway-Holt Trojans entertained the North Andrew Cardinals in non-conference basketball competition on Friday, December 9, in Graham, MO.

The first quarter of the girls' game was a back and forth battle with teams finishing the quarter tied at 12. The second quarter was also very tight, but Megan Rosenbohm hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer to give the Lady Trojans a 30-23 lead at the half. The Lady Trojans were able to open up the lead in the third quarter and Megan hit another buzzer beater to give the Lady Trojans a 49-34 third quarter lead. Nodaway-Holt was able to contain the Lady Cardinals in the fourth quarter to finish with a 60-49 win.

Megan Rosenbohm led the Lady Trojans with 43 points, 11 rebounds and 8 points. Krysta Beattie added 12 points and 5 rebounds. Bailee Lance scored 2 points and pulled down 9 rebounds. Darcy Brown scored 2 points and had 4 rebounds. Amanda O'Riley scored one point.

Kalli Devers and Darcie Gallagher each did well passing the ball, with Darcie having 3 assists and Kalli having 4 assists.

"I felt the girls showed a lot of improvement tonight on the defensive end," Nodaway-Holt Coach David Carroll commented on the win. "North Andrew is a very tall team and we did a good job defending them and blocking them out."

The home opener saw the Trojans suffer through an atrocious night of shooting, as they dropped their first game of the year with a 48-37 final. Nodaway-Holt jumped out to a 10-7 lead after the first quarter of play. Scoring was difficult from then on, however, as the Trojans managed only 8 points in the second period and trailed 21-18 at the break. The scoring drought continued in the third quarter. Scoring just 4 points, the hosts trailed 30-22 going into the final eight minutes. With just over four minutes remaining, the Trojans mounted a small run and pulled within four

points. A pair of baskets by North Andrew quickly negated any further run. The Trojans were forced to foul, and the Cardinals connected on their last nine of ten free throws. Nodaway-Holt hit just 22% of its shots (13/59) and only 43% of its free throws (10/23).

Brandon Saxton led the Trojans with 19 points and 15 rebounds, followed by Zach Lemar with 8 points, Nick Patterson had 5 points, Josh Schafer had 3 points, and Derek Lemon had 2 points.

"North Andrew has a talented group of players that played well, Coach Jackson is doing a great job," commented Nodaway-Holt Coach Terry Petersen. "We are normally a good shooting team, but we aren't going to win many games with the way we shot against North Andrew. We had good looks at the basket, but couldn't convert. We need to become more consistent on both ends of the floor as the season progresses."

South Holt defeats CFX

The South Holt Lady Knights travelled to Craig, MO, on Tuesday, December 6, for a conference game with the Craig/Fairfax (CFX) Lady Bulldogs. Four Lady Knights scored in double figures to get the win.

The two teams went head to head, with the Lady Bulldogs edging an 11-10 first quarter lead over the Lady Knights. South Holt finished the second frame, outscoring CFX by one, to tie the game 25-25 at the half.

In the third period, the Lady Knights established a 40-34 lead. Blair Million tacked up 10 fourth quarter points to help lead the Lady Knights to a 63-42 victory.

Blair Million led the scoring for the Lady Knights with 13 points. She also added 3 rebounds, 2 assists, and a steal. Darian Kurtz had 11 points and 8 rebounds. Sarah

Costello and Emily Cox had 10 points each. Sarah added 2 rebounds and 2 steals. Emily added 5 rebounds, 2 assists and a steal. Chelsea Acton scored 9 points, pulled down 11 rebounds, and had 2 assists and 3 steals. Cami Scroggins had 5 points, 2 rebounds, 9 assists and 4 steals. Mac Prussman had 3 points, 3 rebounds, 6 assists and 2 steals. Rachel Binder had 2 points and Shelby Eaton had a rebound.

Rebecca Geib led the Lady Bulldogs with 24 points. Darian Burke added 7 points, Nicole Heits, 4 points, and Kelly Dougherty, 3 points. Scoring 2 points each were Aleasha Ball and Brooklyn Morris.

In the boys' contest, both teams appeared stagnant in the first quarter, scoring only 5 points each. The Knights tacked up a 14 point second

quarter to take a 19-12 lead by the half. Following another low scoring quarter, the Knights held onto a 25-18 lead. They finished with a 35-30 win over the Hornets.

Mitch Mueller and Chase Howell had 8 points each. Mitch added 4 assists and a steal. Chase had 2 rebounds and 2 steals. Jeremiah Bragg and Kylynn Sisk added 6 points each. Jeremiah led the team in rebounds with 9, and he had a steal. Kylynn had 3 rebounds and a steal. Jakob Allen had 4 points and 2 rebounds. Mac Kelly added 2 points, and Billy Brock had 1 point, 7 rebounds, 2 assists and a steal.

Grant Hopkins led the CFX Hornets with 10 points. Keifer Nemyer had 9 points, Jase Barnes, 6 points; Wyatt Drewes, 3 points; and Thauan Andrade, 2 points.



(Inset) South Holt Elementary Principal Ted Quinlin, above left- Takes the 'pie' punishment dished out by elementary student, Wyett Williams (right). Obviously, Wyett was just one of the many participants in the contest that raised nearly \$100 for the South Holt After Prom Committee.

South Holt administrators get a 'piece of the pie'

(Top) The three South Holt school administrators took it in the face- During the half-time of the South Holt girls' basketball game with the Mound City Panthers on Friday, December 9. Pictured above, left to right, elementary principal, Ted Quinlin; superintendent, Bob Ottman; and high school principal, Pat Ryan, had multiple 'pies' thrown and/or rubbed on them by pie throwers willing to spend a dollar a pie for the opportunity. Many students and adults acquired the cash necessary for multiple trips to the front line. Mound City Superintendent Ken Eaton got in on the fun as well. The event raised nearly \$100 for the after prom committee at South Holt. Future pie events are being considered.

Nodaway-Holt beats Stewartville

The Nodaway-Holt Trojan teams travelled to Stewartville, MO, on Tuesday, December 6, to play the Cardinals in basketball action.

The Nodaway-Holt Lady Trojans jumped out to a 17-7 first quarter lead and went on to win 47-37. Megan Rosenbohm led the Trojans with 27 points, 8 rebounds, and 13 steals. Krysta Beattie scored 10 points. Darcie Gallagher scored 8 points and Brittany Shipps scored 2 points. Amanda O'Riley had 5 assists.

Head coach David Carroll of Nodaway-Holt commented about the game, "The girls got off to a good start and then seemed a little flat from there on. A positive of the game was that the girls who did not get a lot of minutes in the Mound City Tournament

played and did very well."

The Nodaway-Holt Trojans, led by Zach Lemar and Nick Patterson with 7 points each, jumped out to an 18-8 lead after one period of play. The lead grew to 12 early in the second quarter, but the Cardinals' ability to break the Trojan press kept them within striking distance. Brandon Saxton's bucket just before the halftime buzzer gave the Trojans a 34-25 lead at intermission. Stewartville continued to stay within 7-10 points until three minutes left in the third quarter. A 6-0 run at the end of the third period gave the Trojans a 49-33 lead heading into the final stanza. Stepping up their defensive pressure, the Trojans went on an 11-0 run to break the game open. All Trojan players played in the final 4 minutes and the final tally read 72-40, Nodaway-Holt.

Scoring for the Trojans were Brandon Saxton with 17, Zach Lemar 15, Nick Patterson 11, Josh Schafer 9, Stephen Schniedermeyer 6, Derek Lemon 5, Justin Dearmont 4, Cody Schniedermeyer and Brice Shamberger, 2 each, and Jackson Beattie 1.



Lady Trojan Krysta Beattie- Made this short jumper for Nodaway-Holt during the contest in Stewartville, MO, against the Cardinals on Tuesday, December 6. Krysta scored 10 points in the 47-37 win.



Derek Lemon- Looked to shoot in the Trojans' game with the Stewartville Cardinals on Tuesday, December 6. Derek finished the Nodaway-Holt 72-40 win with five points.

CRAIG COMMUNITY CALENDAR

(ITEMS MUST BE AT THE MOUND CITY NEWS BY NOON MONDAY)

Dec. 12-16 - Varsity Basketball at NW Missouri Tourney - TBA

Dec. 20 - Craig Community Committee at Craig City Hall - 6:30 p.m.

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day!

Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve

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Alex Phillips, #22- Made this basket for the Lady Panthers. It was two of Alex's 17 points in the 66-44 win over the Lady Knights on Friday, December 9, in Oregon, MO.



Knight high scorer Jeremiah Bragg- Totalled 24 points in South Holt's 69-66 win over the Mound City Panthers on Friday, December 9, in Oregon. Jeremiah also led the team with 14 rebounds.



South Holt's Chase Howell, left- Defended Mound City's Ben Luna shot as the two teams battled for a win on Friday, December 9. The South Holt Knights pulled out a 69-66 win over the Panthers.



South Holt's Sarah Costello, #35- Took this shot late in the game for the Lady Knights in the contest with the Mound City Lady Panthers on Friday, December 9. Sarah was being guarded by Lady Panther Jessica Kronenwett, #44.



Holidays in Holt County draws vendors and crowds

The first annual Holidays in Holt County was held at the newly remodeled Klub in Mound City, MO, on Saturday, December 10. There were 26 vendors who presented a great variety of quality items to a steady flow of people. There was a nice turnout for the event that raised \$350 for Community Services to assist flood victims. There was also a good response from visitors to bring nonperishable food items for the food pantry.

"We were so appreciative of the support that the community gave to the first annual event," commended event organizer, Jennifer (Long) Kelly. "We were able to raise \$350 and got a lot of food donations."

Eighty percent of the booths were by Holt County or Holt County associated people. The remodel at the Klub allowed vendors and shoppers good space, without being crowded.



(Right) Mr. and Mrs. Claus greeted children of all ages- During the afternoon hours of the Holidays in Holt County craft show on Saturday, December 10, at the Klub in Mound City, MO. Lauren Kelly was delighted to give Santa her list that included an Ipad Touch for herself and a Dora Jeep for her sister, Landey.

Mound City splits with South Holt

The South Holt Knights entertained the Mound City Panthers on Friday, December 9, for a non-conference matchup. The results were split for the night, as the Mound City Lady Panthers and the South Holt Knights came out with wins.

The Mound City Lady Panthers came out strong in the first quarter, tacking up 19 points, to establish a 19-11 lead. The Lady Knights narrowed the Lady Panthers' lead to 25-22 midway through the second quarter. A couple quick baskets by the Lady Panthers helped them regain a 33-24 lead at the break. Alex Phillips and Tori Ingram combined for 15 points in the third quarter to help bolster a 56-39 lead. The Lady Panthers held on for a 66-44 win.

The Lady Panthers were led in scoring by Alex Phillips with 17 points. She also had 3 rebounds and 4 steals. Whisper Parrish added 16 points, 4 rebounds and 9 steals. Tori Ingram had 11 points, 4 rebounds, an assist and 6 steals. Haylee Clifton

had 10 points, a rebound, an assist and a steal. Abby Haer had 8 points and a steal. Jordyn Pankau added 4 points. Josie Bomar had 4 rebounds and 2 steals. Carina Metzgar, Eryn Acton and Lena Ashford had a rebound each. Eryn Acton had a steal and Lena Ashford had 2 steals.

Emily Cox led the Lady Knights with 20 points and 7 rebounds. Chelsea Acton had 9 points, 5 rebounds, 5 assists, 2 steals and a block. Cami Scroggins had 6 points and 3 assists. Darian Kurtz added 4 points, a rebound and 2 assists. Sarah Costello had 3 points, 4 rebounds and an assist. Mac Prussman and Blair Million had 1 point each. Mac added 2 rebounds, 2 assists, 3 steals and a block. Blair added 5 rebounds and 4 assists.

In the boys' contest, a fast tempo game got the Knights off to a 21-11 first quarter lead. Both the Panthers and the Knights tacked up 20 second quarter points to finish the half with a Knight 41-31 lead.

The Knights doubled the Panthers' points in the third frame, and midway through the final frame, the Knights still had a ten point lead. The Panthers then mounted an amazing comeback behind the shooting of Lucas Schawang and Jeff Atkins. The two combined for 19 third quarter points to draw the game to within 5 points with 31 seconds left. The Panthers were down 67-66, with only 6.4 seconds remaining, but the Knights finished with a 69-66 win, making 12 of 21 free throws in the final period.

Mound City's Lucas Schawang had 26 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals and 2 assists. Jeff Atkins had 16 points, 5 rebounds, a block and a steal. Ben Luna had 7 points, 2 rebounds, a steal and an assist. Hayden Marrs and James Walker had 6 points each. James added 3 rebounds and an assist. Kase Newcomb and Luke Sanders had 2 each, with Kase pulling down 4 rebounds and Luke 2. Luke

added 2 steals and 2 assists, while Kase blocked a shot. Hayston Wilson had a point and a rebound. Brett Johnson had 2 rebounds and an assist.

Jeremiah Bragg led South Holt with 24 points, 14 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals. Mitch Mueller had 16 points, 3 rebounds, an assist and 2 steals. Kylynn Sisk had 15 points, 8 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals. Jakob Allen had 9 points, 4 rebounds and 2 assists. Billy Brock had 5 points and 3 rebounds. Chase Howell had 4 rebounds, 1 assist and 1 steal.

Mound City takes wins from King City

The Mound City varsity basketball teams travelled to King City, MO, on Tuesday, December 6, to play the Wildcats in a newly lit gym. The visit was the first in four years, as a snowstorm cancelled the games there in 2009. The Panthers and Lady Panthers came home with two wins.

The Lady Panthers jumped out to a 13-6 start, but found themselves with only a 24-21 lead at the half. In the third



Senior Panther Lucas Schawang- Finished his drive to the basket with two points for Mound City in its contest with King City on Tuesday, December 6. Lucas had 35 points in the 66-52 victory.

period, the Lady Wildcats capitalized on Mound City turnovers and cold shooting to take a 39-34 lead over the Lady Panthers. The Lady Panthers battled back and finished with a 52-49 win.

The Lady Panthers were led in scoring by Tori Ingram with 17 points. She added 5 rebounds, 3 assists, a block and 4 steals. Alex Phillips had 15 points, 4 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 blocks and a steal. Whisper Parrish had 6 points, 8 rebounds and 1 assist. Abby Haer had 3 points, 2 assists, a rebound and a steal. Josie Bomar added 3 points, 3 rebounds, an assist and a block. Taylor Miles had 2 rebounds.

The Mound City Panther team outscored the King City Wildcat team in each of the first three quarters. The Panthers established a 15-9 first quarter lead, and closed the half up 34-22. The Wildcats came out strong in the third frame, scoring 16 points, but the Panthers held on, finishing with a 66-52 win.

Lucas Schawang led the Panthers with 35 points, 4 rebounds, 8 steals and 7 assists. Jeff Atkins had 11 points, 3 rebounds, 4 steals and 2 assists. Hayston Wil-

son and James Walker had 8 points each. Hayston added a rebound and an assist, while James added 3 rebounds, 2 steals and an assist. Brett Johnson had 2 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals and 2 assists. Kase Newcomb added 2 points and a rebound. Luke Sanders had a steal. Ben Luna recorded 2 rebounds and 2 steals.



Senior Lady Panther Abby Haer- Pushed the ball up the floor for Mound City in the Lady Panthers' game against the King City Lady Wildcats on Tuesday, December 6, in King City. The Lady Panthers finished with a 52-49 win.

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December 20 - Story Time at Mound City Library - 10:30 a.m.

December 24 - Christmas Eve

December 25 - Christmas Day!

December 26 - GED Classes at Mound City Nutrition Site - 5:30-8 p.m.

December 27 - Story Time at Mound City Library - 10:30 a.m.

December 31 - New Year's Eve

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MOUND CITY R-2 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION FILING INFORMATION APRIL 3, 2012, ELECTION

The Mound City R-2 School District will hold an election for two board member positions for a three-year term at the General Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. The first day to file a Declaration of Candidacy for the board member position is Tuesday, December 13, 2011. The superintendent's office at 708 Nebraska St. will be open that day from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. School will be closed December 16 at 12:30 p.m. and will resume January 2, 2012, at 8 a.m. The office will be open occasionally between those dates, but you are encouraged to call ahead of time to make sure someone is in the office at 660-442-3737. The office is also closed January 16, 2012, for a holiday. Filing will remain open through Tuesday, January 17, 2012. 22/2tc

NOTICE OF ANNUAL LANDOWNERS' MEETING AND ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER

Notice is hereby given to the landowners lying, being and situate within the boundary limits of the Holt County Drainage District #2, of Holt County, Missouri, that the annual meeting of the landowners of said district and election has been called and will be Friday, December 30, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. at Killin Salvage, 300 Cherry Street, Bigelow, Missouri 64437, for the election of one Board Member, and for the transaction of such other business as may legally come before said meeting.

That the polls will open at 10:30 a.m. at the place and date specified herein and will close when the object of the meeting has been accomplished.

By Order of the Board,
Mark Sitherwood, President, and
Jeff Livengood, Secretary-Treasurer

23/3tc

Notice of Filing Deadline

Final date for names to appear on the Corning Special Road District annual election ballot for board member will be Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. Candidate's name must be submitted to the Secretary of the Board at the Rd. Dist. Office - 16178 Holt 110, Craig, MO. The office is open from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

By Order of the Road District Board,
Russell Grundel, President

22/2tc

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOLT COUNTY, MISSOURI - PROBATE DIVISION

To all persons interested in the estate of

BEVERLY A. GRAHAM, a disabled person.

In the Estate of Beverly A. Graham Estate No. 11HO-PR00030
On the 1st day of December, 2011, Edward S. Meng was appointed conservator of the estate of Beverly A. Graham, a person adjudicated disabled under the laws of Missouri by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Holt County, Missouri. The business address of the conservator is 30094 Holt 300, Oregon, MO 64473. All creditors of said disabled person are notified to file their claims in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court.

Date of first publication: December 8, 2011.

Karen L. Frede, Clerk of the Probate Division
of the Circuit Court of Holt County, Missouri

22/4tc

TRUSTEE'S SALE

IN RE: Donald E. Hall and Barbara L. Hall, Husband and Wife, Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Donald E. Hall and Barbara L. Hall, Husband and Wife, dated May 28, 2004, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Holt County, Missouri, at Book 359, Page 427, and modified by partial deed of release, the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note, will, on Friday, December 16, 2011, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (at the specific time of 12:25 p.m.), at the North Front Door of the Court House, City of Oregon, County of Holt, State of Missouri, sell at public venue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Holt County, State of Missouri, to wit:

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PUBLISH ON: November 24, 2011 12/01/2011, 12/08/2011, 12/15/2011
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WALNUT TREES FOR SALE

The City of Mound City is accepting sealed bids until 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2012, for ten (10) walnut trees, each measuring approximately 18-22" in diameter. The trees are located on City property adjacent to the wastewater lagoon system. Mail or deliver bids in a sealed envelope marked "Walnut Trees" to the City Clerk, 205 E. 6th Street, Mound City, MO 64470. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING PERIOD

City of Mound City

Candidate Filing for April 3, 2012, Election

Pursuant to RSMo. 115.127, notice is hereby given that the City of Mound City, Missouri, will hold an election for a Mayor for a two-year term, an Alderman from the North Ward for a two-year term and an Alderman from the South Ward for a two-year term at the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. The first day to file a Declaration of Candidacy for the positions is **Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. Filing will remain open through Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at 5:00 p.m.**

Qualified candidates for the above named offices must file in person at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 205 E. 6th St., Mound City, MO, during regular business hours which are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., excluding holidays. Candidates' names shall be placed on the ballot in the order they are received.

Patsy Smith, City Clerk, Mound City, MO

22,23,27

FILING NOTICE

The Maitland Fire Protection District of Holt County will hold an election for one Board Member position for a six-year term at the general municipal election, Tuesday, April 3, 2012. The first day to file a Declaration of Candidacy for the Board Member position is Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. Filing will remain open through Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. Anyone qualified to file for the position shall file at the Holt County Clerk's office at 102 West Nodaway, Oregon, MO 64473. 23/1tc & 27/1tc

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

The Fortescue Special Road District of Holt County will hold an election for one Board Member position for a two-year term at the General Municipal Election, Tuesday, April 3, 2012. The first day to file a Declaration of Candidacy for the Board Member position is Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. Filing will remain open through Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. Anyone qualified to file for the position shall file by calling Tom Bullock at 660-442-3382.

By Order of the Road District Board, Tom Bullock

23/2tc

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

The Village of Fortescue in Holt County will hold an election for THREE (3) Board Trustee positions for two-year terms at the General Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. The first day to file a Declaration of Candidacy for the Board of Trustees is Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. Filing will remain open through Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. Anyone qualified to file for the position shall file at the district's designated filing office, Holt County Clerk's Office, 102 West Nodaway, Oregon, MO, between those filing dates.

Charlie Triggs, Chairman of the Village Board

23/1tc

NOTICE OF FILING DATES

CRAIG MUNICIPAL ELECTION

The City of Craig, Missouri, will hold a municipal election on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, for the purpose of electing:

North Ward

One Alderman - Two-Year Term

South Ward

One Alderman - Two-Year Term

One Alderman - One-Year Unexpired Term

Filing dates for a Declaration of Candidacy are Tuesday, December 13, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. to Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. Candidates may file with the City Clerk at Craig, Missouri, City Hall Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 17, 2012.

Kary Nowling, City Clerk, (660) 683-5412

23/1tc

Notice of Election

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the Atchison-Holt Ambulance District of Atchison and Holt Counties, State of Missouri, that an election will be held within said ambulance district on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, beginning at 6:00 a.m. and closing at 7:00 p.m. of said day to vote upon election of one board member from each sub-division as follows:

1. Sub-District 1, which includes the Atchison County Townships of Colfax, Polk, Lincoln, Buchanan, Nishnabotna, Templeton and Dale, Holt County Township of Liberty
2. Sub-District 4, which includes the Atchison County Township of Clark, Holt County Townships of Minton, Bigelow, Union and Lincoln

who shall serve a three (3)-year term.

Persons wishing to file may do so at the Atchison-Holt Ambulance District Business office located at 303 South 3rd Street, Tarkio, Missouri. The filing dates are from December 13, 2011, through January 17, 2012, and must be made in person during regular business hours, which are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (excluding holidays).

Done by the order of the Atchison-Holt Ambulance District Board of Directors.

Gene Bradley, Director

23/1tc & 27/1tc

Atchison-Holt Ambulance District

CRAIG R-III SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION FILING INFORMATION

The Craig R-III School District will hold its annual school board election on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. Two members for terms of three years each will be elected. Persons interested may file at the Superintendent's office.

The first day for candidate filing is December 13, 2011, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Filing will end on January 17, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The district's office will be closed from December 21, 2011, through December 30, 2011, and January 16, 2012, and therefore will be unable to accept filings during those times. If school is closed for inclement weather the office will not be accepting filings. 22/2tc

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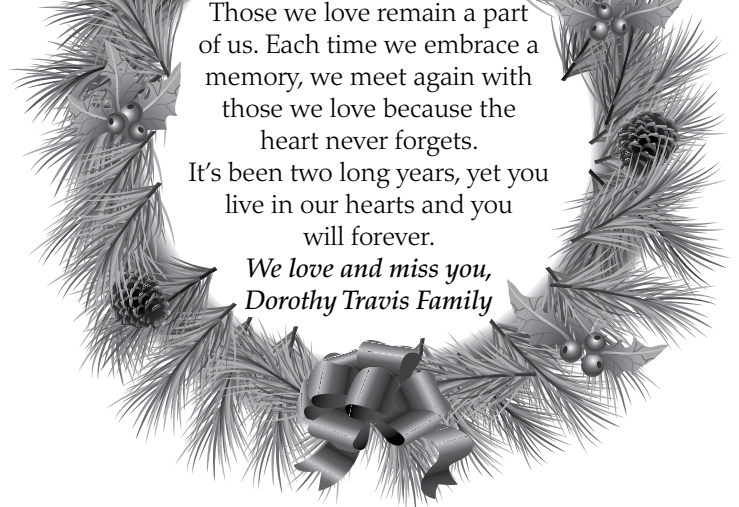
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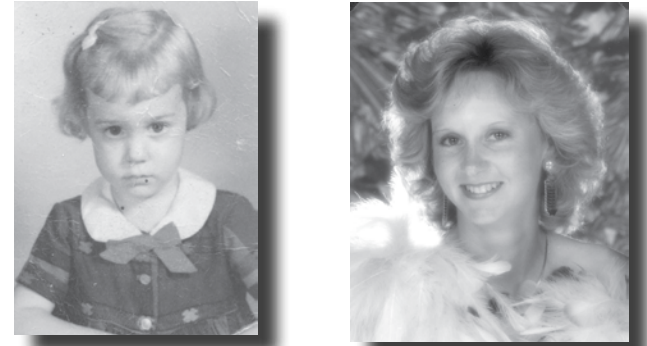
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Council approves financing for street improvements

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen for the city of Mound City was held on Thursday, December 8, 2011, at the Mound City City Hall. Mayor Russell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Larry Russell, Robert Heck, Jim Krueger, Jason Biermann, City Clerk Patsy Smith, City Collector Kelly Miller, City Employee Vince Beyer, Police Chief John Panning, Craig Buckles, City Attorney Brian Tubbs, Building Inspector Chris Krueger and Mark Stoner. Kristine Gibson joined the meeting at 6:30 pm.

There being no additions, deletions or corrections, Alderman Heck moved to waive the reading of the minutes from the November 10, 2011, regular meeting and approve them as presented, Krueger seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mark Stoner: Walnut Trees at Lagoon - Mark Stoner appeared before the council expressing interest in buying eight walnut trees at the lagoon and two at the tree dump that are 18-22" diameter and big enough to harvest. Stoner said none of the trees are close enough to the lagoon to cause any problems while being harvested. Council members agreed to advertise for bids for sale of the trees with bid opening at the January meeting. Stoner will have to submit a formal bid.

Old Business
 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): Scoring on 2011 Project & Potential for Future Project Funding - Council members reviewed the city's score of 65.3 out of a possible 100 on the CDBG application. The LMI (income) survey used for the street project application is good for another year, but the regional council has indicated CDBG will not be funding street projects in the next year. The city can apply for another type of grant, such as water or sewer, but would need to get it submitted as soon as possible. The council decided against submitting an application this year.

New Business

Davis Creek Bridge Project: Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - The regional council has submitted a Notice of Interest on behalf of the city to the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for funding replacement of the Davis Creek Bridge at the south end of State Street. The Hazard Mitigation program will only consider total replacement of the bridge and would not fund a repair project. Bob Burnett, Snyder & Associates, prepared a cost analysis with a total of \$297,160 including engineering, inspection and grant administration. The design extends the bridge approaches slightly, but does not have sidewalks. If the project is approved, the city's cost share would be approximately \$75,000.

Street Designation to Honor Panthers - Mayor Russell was approached about renaming a street in honor of the Panthers' induction into the Missouri State Hall of Fame for the 8-man football program. Russell spoke with Superintendent Ken Eaton who suggested somehow designating entrances to the football field instead of a city street. Actually renaming a street is not advised because of 911 concerns, but an honorary designation may be considered.

Public Hearings
 Ward (Voting) Redistricting - Mayor Russell opened the public hearing for discussion of the proposed change to the ward boundaries. No comments were presented from the public.

Floodplain Management Ordinance - Mayor Russell opened the public hearing for discussion of the proposed floodplain management ordinance. The only changes from the existing ordinance are to designate the building inspector as the floodplain administrator and the addition of a few new definitions. No comments were presented from the public.

Department Reports
 Police - The monthly report was reviewed and discussed.

Hiring Officer: Chief Panning and Alderman Heck recently in-

terviewed three applicants for the open position. Panning introduced Craig Buckles and recommended hiring Buckles as a full-time officer. Council members reviewed Buckles' application. After discussion, Alderman Heck moved to hire Craig Buckles as a full-time police officer, Biermann seconded. Approved unanimously. Buckles will receive a \$21,500 annual salary. Buckles will be looking for a place to live in town.

Sewer Department - Alderman Biermann reported the tear in the lagoon liner has not yet been repaired. Clerk Smith stated that the manufacturer said it would be best to wait until there is a contractor working in the area. Biermann will get contact information from the clerk to try to speed up the process. There is no update at this time on the issue of ammonia effluent from the lagoon.

Water Department - Enclosures for Meter Carts: The council discussed the need for inclement weather enclosures for the meter reading carts. Crowley received a quote from Utt's, Cameron, MO, of \$685 per cart for the enclosures which includes sweeps, brackets and installation. Alderman Biermann motioned to purchase enclosures for the two meter carts at \$685 each, Heck seconded. Approved unanimously.

Street Department - Alderman Krueger reported that the roof for the salt dome has been completed and the salt has been put back into the building. Krueger also noted it is believed the problems with the new spreader and hopper have finally been resolved. The truck was again taken back to Knapheide and the whole unit except for the spinner was replaced. Smith and Krueger discussed ongoing problems with the transmission in the 1995 Dodge pickup. The Certified transmission was installed by MC Auto & Truck in November, 2009, and has a 3-year warranty. The truck has been taken to Laukemper Dodge in hopes that the problems with the transmission and the warranty can be resolved.

Park/Pool Department - Pool:

Gives \$500 salary increase to full-time employees

Electrical Improvements - Clerk Smith and Randy Crowley met with Kent Klaas, CK Electric, to gather input on specifications for electrical improvements at the pool. Instead of specifically detailing the work to be done, the job will be bid as a design and build project. Each bid could be a little different, but with the same result of removing the electrical system from inside the pump house and relocating it to sealed, weather resistant enclosed structures outside. Each contractor will have to submit a schematic drawing with their proposal. Council members reviewed the summary of work that will be included in the bid packets. Mr. Klaas has been very helpful with the project and agreed to review the summary before the project is advertised. The council agreed that it will put the job out for bid after the January meeting with bid opening at the February, 2012, meeting.

Transfer from Park to Cover Pool Fund Deficit: Alderman Heck moved to approve the transfer of funds from the park fund to the pool fund to cover the \$2,500 deficit, Biermann seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Transfer Debt Service Balance to CIP Fund: Alderman Heck moved to approve the transfer of all remaining funds in the Pool Debt Service account, around \$1,857, to the new Capital Improvement (CIP) fund, Biermann seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

Ordinances
 Bill No. 12-8-2011(1): Establish New Ward Boundaries was placed on its first reading being for an ordinance entitled as follows:

An ordinance of the city of Mound City, Missouri, establishing and setting fourth new ward boundaries, providing an effective date and repealing prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict thereof.

Alderman Heck moved to adopt the bill, Krueger seconded. After further discussion, the bill was placed on its second reading and final passage and was read by title, considered and discussed. Ayes: Heck, Krueger and Biermann. Approved unanimously. The bill was duly numbered Ordinance #1189.

Bill No. 12-8-2011(2): Floodplain Management Regulations was placed on its first reading being for an ordinance entitled as follows:

Floodplain management ordinance.

Alderman Heck moved to adopt the bill, Krueger seconded. After further discussion, the bill was placed on its second reading and final passage and was read by title, considered and discussed. Ayes: Heck, Krueger and Biermann. Nays: none. Absent: Gibson. Approved unanimously. The bill was duly numbered Ordinance #1190.

Bill No. 12-8-2011(3): Provide for Regular Annual Election was placed on its first reading being for an ordinance entitled as follows:

An ordinance to provide for the regular annual election of the city of Mound City, Missouri, to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, designating the polling places therefore, providing for giving notice of such election, for the purpose of electing a mayor for a two-year term, an alderman from the south ward for a two-year term and an alderman from the north ward for a two-year term.

Alderman Heck moved to adopt the bill, Krueger seconded. After further discussion, the bill was placed on its second reading and final passage and was read by title, considered and discussed. Ayes: Heck, Krueger and Biermann. Nays: none. Absent: Gibson. Approved unanimously. The bill was duly numbered Ordinance #1191.

Administration
 Group Health Insurance Renewal: Tim Becks, Curtis & Associates, had submitted group health insurance proposals for 2012. The renewal with Blue Cross Blue Shield originally came in with a 9.3% premium increase, but Becks negotiated it down to a 0.5% increase for the same coverage. Alderman Biermann moved to renew the policy with Blue Cross Blue Shield with a 0.5% premium increase. Krueger seconded. Approved unanimously.

City Property & Liability Insurance: The council will consider whether members want to bid out the city's insurance coverage or stay with MIRMA.

Police Chief Accumulated Leave: Alderman Heck moved to compensate Chief Panning for one week of vacation time that he has been unable to take due to officer turnover, Krueger seconded.

Approved unanimously.

Merit Bonuses: Alderman Biermann moved to give merit compensation of \$500 to full-time city employees, Krueger seconded. Approved unanimously.

Monthly Financial Reports: The monthly financial reports were reviewed and discussed.

Reinvestment of Certificate of Deposit: Quotes for the CD were reviewed and discussed. Alderman Krueger moved to accept Citizens Bank and Trust's bid of .60% for investment of \$225,000 in a 12-month CD, Heck seconded. Ayes: Krueger, Heck and Biermann. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Meeting Date: The council set the next regular meeting for Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at 5:30 p.m.

Holiday Closings: With Christmas and New Year's falling on Sunday, City Hall will be closed on Mondays, December 26 and January 2.

Accounts Payable
 Alderman Heck moved to approve the bills paid subsequent to the November 10, 2011, meeting and to approve and pay the current month's bills as presented, Biermann seconded. Approved unanimously.

Alderman Gibson joined the meeting.

Joey McLiney, McLiney & Company: Financing Street Improvements - Mr. McLiney discussed an alternative to voting G/O bonds for street improvements by instead utilizing a 10-year lease as the financing method and paying for the debt with around \$50,000/year from the capital improvement sales tax (CIP) revenues. The CIP tax generates around \$70,000/year so there will still be funds remaining for other projects. This is similar to the current lease for street improvements, issued in 2008, and paid for with the transportation sales tax. McLiney presented a payment schedule which structures the lease payments for both projects into a total debt payment per year of around \$110,000. The proposal is for a total lease of \$535,000, which would put

around \$475,000 on the street project after deducting a 10% lease reserve and underwriting fees. Such a lease does not require a vote of the people for approval as it is considered a current expense that must be appropriated every year. The funds could be available in January, 2012, or at whatever point the city needs them. Mayor Russell is hoping to be able to do the project in conjunction with a Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) project in the area in order to garner better rates. McLiney would keep a close watch on the market to determine the best time to sell the lease. Alderman Krueger moved to hire McLiney & Company to underwrite a lease agreement for financing street improvements, Biermann seconded. Approved unanimously. The previous plans and specifications for street improvements, which were prepared for the CDBG application, will have to be reviewed to determine which streets are to be included in the 2012 project and to update cost estimates.

Alderman Gibson stated she is in favor of making improvements to the streets, but also feels very strongly that the remaining CIP funds should be invested in improvements to the park and pool for at least a few years.

VOTE TO CLOSE PURSUANT TO RSMO 610.0210(1), (3) & (13): Legal & Personnel - At 7:30 p.m., Alderman Heck moved to close the meeting pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1), (3) & (13) - Legal & Personnel, Biermann seconded. Ayes: Heck, Biermann, Gibson and Krueger. Nays: None. Approved unanimously.

Votes taken in closed session: Alderman Heck moved to approve a lump sum, one-time, salary increase for all full-time city employees of \$500, net of taxes, Krueger seconded. Approved unanimously.

Alderman Heck moved to come out of closed session at 8:05 p.m., Krueger seconded. Approved unanimously. Alderman Heck moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m., Krueger seconded. Motion approved.

Special Events

Tuesday, Dec. 13th thru Saturday, Dec. 24th
Come and Celebrate the 12 days Before Christmas with Us.
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\$500 CASH Drawings Every 15 minutes starting at 9pm through 11:45pm
\$1000 CASH Drawings at Midnight and 1am
\$2000 CASH Drawing at 2am
Registration will begin at 11am, same ticket for all drawings, one ticket per person.

Saturday, Dec. 31st: New Years Eve Bash!!
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\$1000 CASH Drawing at Midnight
\$500 CASH Drawings Every 1/2 Hour 1 am through 2am
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