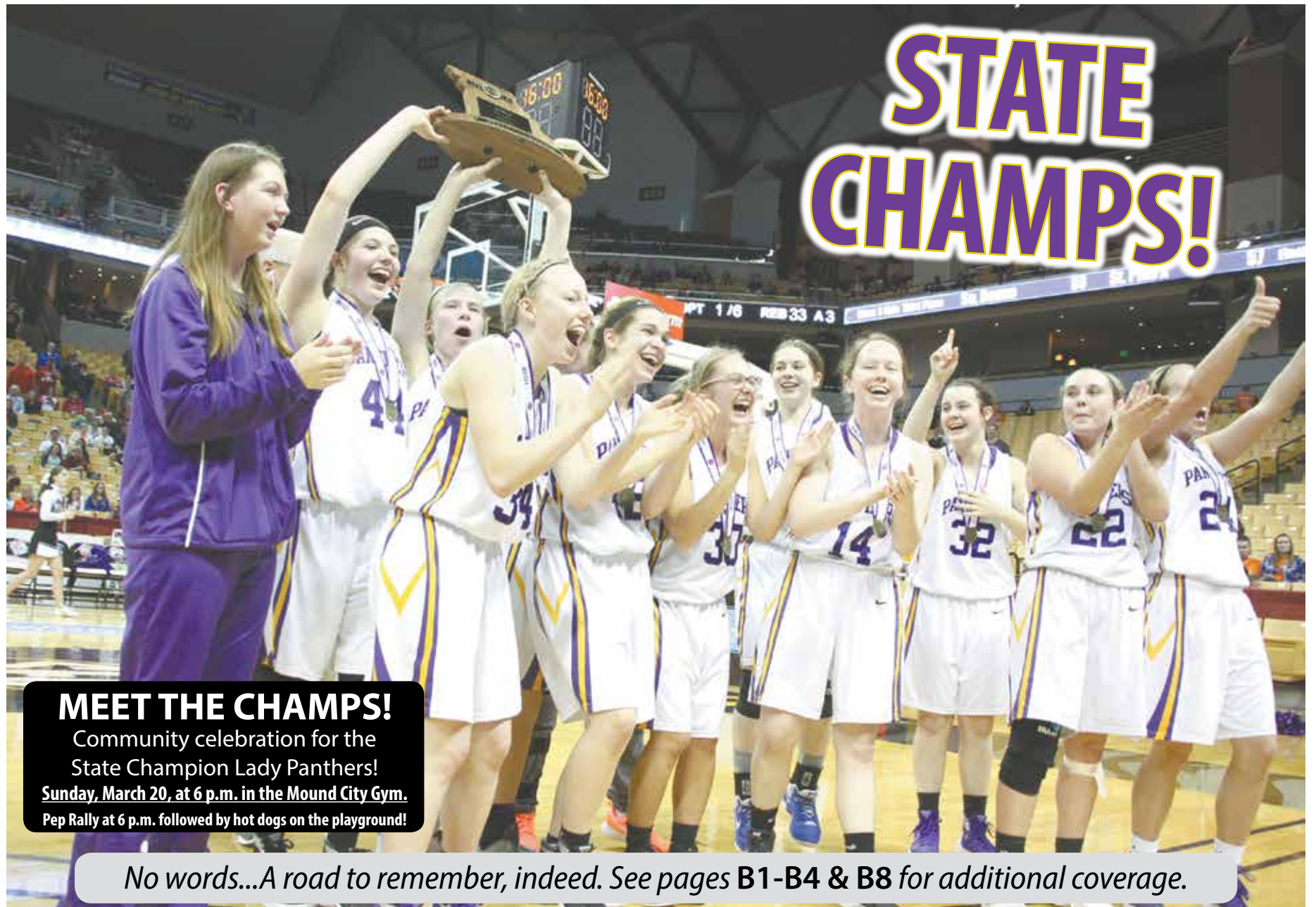


WITHOUT DOUBT...THE STATE'S BEST

The Mound City Lady Panthers travelled to Columbia last weekend and showed no mercy. The ladies closed the 2015-2016 season with the best finish, 30-1, in program history... and managed to grab the Missouri Class 1 State Title as well.



MEET THE CHAMPS!

Community celebration for the State Champion Lady Panthers!
Sunday, March 20, at 6 p.m. in the Mound City Gym.
Pep Rally at 6 p.m. followed by hot dogs on the playground!

No words...A road to remember, indeed. See pages B1-B4 & B8 for additional coverage.

AGRICULTURE WEEK
MARCH 13-19
SPECIAL SECTION INCLUDED THIS WEEK!

Mound City Fire Department Fish & Chicken Fry

The Mound City Rural Fire Department will be hosting a Fish & Chicken Fry on Saturday, March 19, at the fire station located at the north edge of Mound City. Serving will begin at 4:30 p.m. The "all you can eat" menu will consist of catfish fillets, carp, chicken and all the fixin's. Free will donations will be accepted at this non-district funded event. For those needing deliveries, simply call 660-442-6544 the day of the fundraiser.

Proceeds from the event will go to Josh and Angie Hall to put toward Rhett's final expenses.

Christian Fellowship Church to hold revival March 20-24

The Christian Fellowship Church in Mound City is hosting a revival from Sunday to Thursday, March 20 to 24, at 7 p.m. each evening. The event will feature Matt Miles of the Creation Truth Foundation. The foundation addresses key problems facing the modern Christian society. Miles will talk about the creation of life based on scriptures.

On Thursday, March 24, Miles will also go to the Mound City R-2 School for a presentation to the 5th through 12th graders from 9 to 10 a.m. in the gym. He will be displaying a large collection of dinosaur fossils and replicas for the students to see.

Rummage sale at Nutrition Site

The Mound City Nutrition Site will be having a Rummage Sale on Saturday, March 19, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Not only will there be clothes, housewares and other miscellaneous items for sale, there will also be coffee and cookies offered to shoppers. Proceeds from the event will go to benefit the Nutrition Site.

Steak supper at Maitland

There will be a steak supper at Maitland, MO, this Saturday, March 19. The Maitland-Graham, MO, Legion Post #256 will be serving a meal featuring an eight ounce steak with all the trimmings beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the American Legion Building in Maitland. The steak meal is \$12. There will also be a child's meal of hot dogs and chips served for \$3.



Jeanette Brookshier, second from left - Was the guest of honor at a reception at Farmers State Bank in Maitland, MO, on Tuesday, March 1, celebrating her retirement after 34 years at the bank. Pictured with Brookshier are, Tisha Abrams, left, Linda Long, second from right, and Kristin Russell, right, tellers at the Farmers State Bank in Maitland.

Jeanette Brookshier retires from Farmers State Bank

Max Summers, president of Missouri Farmers Bank, hired Jeanette Brookshier on March 1, 1982, as a teller at the bank in Maitland, MO. On Tuesday, March 1, 2016, Jeanette exited the bank for the final time as an employee.

A reception was held in Jeanette's honor on her last day at the bank, with cake and punch offered all day in the lobby of the bank.

In her 34 years at the bank, Jeanette moved up the ranks, beginning her career at Missouri Farmers Bank as a teller. She transitioned with the other personnel when UMB Bank took ownership of the bank several years later. In August, 2005, Farmers State Bank bought the

entity. Jeanette retired as the assistant vice-president and branch manager of the Maitland facility.

Tisha Abrams has been hired as a part-time teller to work with Jeanette's co-workers, Linda Long and Kristin Russell. David Frede, vice-president of the Mound City and Maitland Farmers State Banks and branch manager at Mound City, will now assume the branch manager duties at Maitland as well.

Jeanette is looking forward to spending more time with her husband, Bill, who farms and is an auctioneer. Jeanette is Bill's clerk at auctions. She is anxious to travel to visit family, especially her granddaughter in Colorado.

40 percent voter turnout for Presidential Preference Primary

There was a good voter turnout in Holt County for the Presidential Preference Primary Election on Tuesday, March 15, 2016. According to the unofficial election results, 1,317 people cast their votes, which is 40.01% of the registered voters in the county.

Results for Holt County are:

Democratic Party - Hillary Clinton, 128 votes; Henry Hewes, 0; Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente, 1; Bernie Sanders, 110; Keith Judd, 0; Willie L. Wilson, 0; Martin J. O'Malley, 1; John Wolfe, 0; Jon Adams, 1; and Uncommitted, 4

Republican Party - Chris Christie, 8 votes; Jeb Bush, 3; Ben Carson, 8; **Donald J. Trump, 504;** Marco Rubio, 69; Ted Cruz, 381; Rick Santorum, 0; Carly Fiorina, 1; John R. Kasich, 81; Rand Paul, 3; Jim Lynch, 0; Mike Huckabee, 4; and Uncommitted, 7

Libertarian Party - Austin Petersen, 0 votes; Steven Elliott (Steve) Kerbel, 0; Rhett Rosenquest Smith, 0; Cecil Ince, 0; Marc Allan Feldman, 0; and Uncommitted, 0

Constitution Party - Uncommitted, 0 votes.

Local veterinarian to close office in Mound City

Dr. Roy Wilson, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM), is closing his office in Mound City. He is citing the pursuit of personal and professional endeavors as the reason for making the difficult decision to close Rafter Cross Veterinary Services. The clinic served the animal needs in Holt County and the surrounding areas for eight years, starting at his farm outside of Craig, MO, in the spring of 2007, before moving into Craig. In 2011, the office was moved to Mound

City and continued to grow.

"I have had some great patients and clients during this time," stated Dr. Wilson. "I am thankful for the chance to serve in Holt County. Since childhood, it was my dream to be a mixed animal veterinarian in a farming community."

The Rafter Cross Veterinary Clinic will be open Monday, March 21, and Wednesday, March 23, for clients to pick up a copy of their animal's medical records.

Informal News Beat

As a newspaper guy, this season is what you live for.

Congratulations to Coach Petty, Coach Freemyer and the Mound City Lady Panthers on a record setting season. The 30-1 finish, along with adding the Missouri Class 1 State Championship to the trophy case, solidifies this team as the best in the history of the Mound City girls' program.

This team was a true class act. It's been fun watching these girls over the last few seasons. They have worked hard and no other team deserved the title more than Mound City.

I had no doubt in my mind that they were going to be state champs after watching Thursday's semifinal games. This team was on a mission and was not to be stopped. When the final buzzer sounded in Mizzou Arena on Saturday after the championship game, any weight on the team's shoulders was lifted. In the post-game interviews, Coach Petty mentioned that there actually hadn't been any talk of a state title amongst the team or coaches. It was always about the game at hand. The job Saturday was to beat Naylor, not to win a state title. Well, the girls did their job, it just so happened that a state championship trophy was awaiting them after the buzzer.

Tears of joy were shown, the normal big smiles were bigger and the crowd gave its last standing ovation of the season. It was a great weekend to be a Panther.

This season is in the books, but will be remembered for a very, very long time.

Please keep the Rhett Hall Family in your thoughts and prayers. This young man was a true inspiration to everyone around him and we should all strive to live the way he did. The world lost a warrior this week.

The Mound City Rural Firemen announced that the proceeds from this Saturday's Fish & Chicken Fry will go to the Rhett Hall Family. The community is invited to attend.

- Adam

Remembering

By Eugene A. Poynter

"Your home is your castle." I remember hearing that when I was a kid, do you? Guess that came from when the old countries - England, Ireland or wherever, were mostly comprised of individual castles, maybe located high on hills. Usually owning all the land around it, the castle owners controlled the people living on the land around the castle. Those people gave their allegiance to the castle owners until they were overrun by a larger, more powerful group of people. There would be a high wall around many castles with a deep wide moat filled with water, etc., with a draw bridge across it as the only way to get into the castle. At that point, those on the inside of the wall would determine who was a friend or an enemy approaching the castle and then the draw bridge would be let down or not. Over the years, the same thing kept happening, only in different ways, as civilization advanced to the present day.

My property (like others) where I live is my home. Like the old castle, my yard and fence are like a moat or should be, with the gate, if I had one; and the front and back doors, as well as the garage doors, represent the draw bridge and I should be the one who determines who is friendly or an enemy. That I can do, but I'm less able to protect my property than those old castle owners could. There are only a few legal ways I can do it without being held liable, depending especially on current laws, etc.

Just a few years ago, we didn't have to worry about whether or not the doors were locked on homes or automobiles either. Now you better be sure your insurance will be good from a break-in - things are sure different. According to stories from the past, we've had times of everyone trying to be friendly to times of "Keep the doors barred and the windows shuttered, don't open the door until you know who's on the other side". Remember when we put those little peep deals in the door so we could see?

Remember growing up, most doors didn't have locks? Ours that did, well we didn't even know where the keys were. There was usually a skeleton key, they called it, that would open any of them. Really, having things locked is more of a relief to the mind, but all could be opened one way or another if someone really wanted in.

Remember just a few years ago, according to ads on TV and in papers, you couldn't live without a security system of some kind? Depending on where you were living determined how long the response was to an alarm, or if there could even be one that would help. I read an article written by a reformed thief telling about how big an interesting challenge it was to be able to override or figure out the new alarm systems that came out. Signs of having alarm systems in yards or on houses made him want to see if he could get in. I

hope he did quit (thieving) however. One thing we did know, if you came in and forgot to disarm the system or accidentally set it off, you sure got an immediate response, for then they always worked.

We've always had the best security system anyway, right in our own neighborhoods when our lifestyle was different and we had time to look after what went on. That was different back in the old days, before everyone started moving around and our interests changed. We've lived where we've had watches set up and drive-by checks in the area to see what might not be quite right. Some didn't like it, but what affects one does others also. Now with the changes in our habits, security means more than ever. With both spouses working as the norm, having baby-sitters, everyone having cars, and people out walking, jogging, visiting and enjoying Mother Nature, society gives way to making it easier for ones to come in or come by to check houses over. One thing to remember is that we have persons here from most everywhere that do not intend to live as every day Americans, who may or may not be here illegally, and seem to think they can have what we have and not work for it. I'm looking for a place I can build a castle so I can get my rights back. Let me know if you see one, but I'm going to keep doing the old Army way, "Watch my back". You can help, keep an eye open.

News from Tiffany Heights

Residents enjoyed Bible study with Pastor Janis Rorda of the Mound City United Methodist Church on Monday morning, March 7, at Tiffany Heights in Mound City. During the afternoon, residents enjoyed making a seasonal craft. This month, they made a little luck of the Irish with green hats that also held shamrocks. They attached a ribbon of gold to hang them on their doors or in their rooms. Joan Smith assisted with the craft. Everyone enjoyed cookies and drinks after the craft.

On Tuesday, March 8, residents played volleyball. They enjoyed this game and many times points were not kept so residents could just see how long they could keep the volley going. During the afternoon, the staff held its monthly in-service meeting. This month, Mike Casey, Pharmacy Consultant, gave an in-service on the importance of cancer screening and improvements in the industry. Larry Crider, Maintenance Supervisor, reviewed fire extinguisher usage. Missouri Health Care Association recognized the Social Service Department and the local doctors for their dedication to the facility. Employees recognized for service were: Tina Robbins, four years; Erin Yocum, three years; and Nancy Reynolds, two years.

On Wednesday afternoon, March 9, residents had a word game. This session consisted of several trivia type games. Residents were first asked to answer one question by themselves and then it was opened to the group. Residents discussed information about the Presidents as this is an election year. A variety of information from foods, geography, sports and people was also discussed. It was interesting to find out was Bouil-

labaisse is. Peggy Ann Edwards played the piano before lunch on Thursday, March 10. Bingo volunteers were Jean McCall, Gordon Robbins, Lucille Stull, Denise Acklin and Kadee Crider. The winner of the game was Virginia Beal. Residents enjoyed having a special treat after the game. Lucille Norman celebrated her birthday and her family provided cupcakes for all. Britney Wright assisted with serving the cupcakes and drinks; and she also provided "News and Views" for residents to enjoy listening to the news from the local

papers.

Glamour nails were provided on Friday morning, March 11. During the afternoon, the residents had a celebration of "Great Things". They celebrated with ice cream sundaes. Those who participated in the last six months of the Walk and Roll program were also celebrated. No matter how far participants walked or rolled, they received a certificate for their attempts. The top three people from each hall in the Walk and Roll program were placed in a drawing with the winner receiving a dinner out or brought in. The top

walkers/rollers on the North Hall were Lillian Brickey, Carol Ball and Bob Justus. The winner was Bob Justus. The top three from the South Hall were Inez VanOrman, Barbara Deatz and Twyla Haer. Twyla Haer won the drawing. Everyone did a great job.

Games of choice were encouraged during the afternoon on Saturday, March 12. Communion was provided by the First Christian Church on Sunday, March 13. Afternoon services were conducted by the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Letter to the Editor

Editor,

Congratulations to the Mound City Lady Panthers! As team hosts for the Missouri State High School Basketball Championships in Columbia, we had the opportunity to spend time with the players, coaches, cheerleaders, and fans from Mound City. Everyone we met were warm and friendly representatives of their community, and you should be proud of the excellent impression they made in Columbia. We were privileged to get to know the Lady Panthers and coaching staff who were all shining examples of sportsmanship and dignity to everyone. Congratulations to the town, the high school, and most importantly, the TEAM! We hope to see the Lady Panthers back again for future Show-Me Showdowns!

Team hosts, Johann and Heather Wolter

Hunter Education Skills Day

Holt County conservation agents will host a Hunter Education Skills Day on Friday, March 18, at 6 p.m. at Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge near Mound City. Pre-registration is required and can be done by visiting the Missouri Department of Conservation's website and following the Hunter Education links. The Skills Day is part of the requirement to become hunter certified. Those interested should visit www.mdc.mo.gov to find out more information on exceptions, regulations and age requirements for becoming hunter certified.

Mound City Nutrition Site notes

Delivering meals the week of March 21-25, 2016, at the Mound City Nutrition Site will be:

Craig, MO - Sue Schmidt or Walter Groves.

Mound City - Monday and Tuesday - Christian Fellowship Church; Wednesday - Joe Laukemper; Thursday - Kim Kling; and Friday - Closed for Good Friday.

Oregon, MO, and Forest City, MO - Monday and Tuesday - Susan Lentz.

Oregon Only - Wednesday and Thursday - Methodist Church; and Friday - Closed.

Forest City Only - Wednesday and Thursday - Patricia Johnson; and Friday - Closed.

The Mound City Nutrition Site recycles cell phones, ink cartridges and aluminum cans for cancer (Helping Hands) in two purple cans by the front and back doors. There are also drop boxes for box tops for the school and donations to the food pantry as well as pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. The site is always in need of grocery sacks.

Bingo will be held on the first

and third Wednesdays of each month at 11:30 a.m. Aerobic exercises will be offered every Monday and Wednesday morning at 8:30 a.m. Tiffany Care Centers will be at the site every fourth Wednesday to offer a healthy/fun topic along with blood pressure screenings. The site hosts a birthday party on the third Wednesday of every month.

The product of the month for March is peaches in light syrup. Upcoming activities at the site include:

Saturday, March 19 - Rummage Sale/Bake Sale, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The site is still accepting good, saleable items. Coffee and cookies will be served until they are gone.

Wednesday, March 23 - Tiffany Care Center representatives will be at site to offer driving tips and blood pressure screening.

Friday, March 25 - Closed for Good Friday.

The Nutrition Site manager reminds everyone that a delicious hot meal is served at the site around 12 noon Monday through Friday for people 60 and over. Guests under the age of 60 are welcome too. Join in the fellowship with lots of laughter with old

and new friends. If a party of over five people are planning to have lunch at the site, please call 660-442-3324 before 9 a.m.

Upcoming Menu:

Monday, March 21 - Salisbury steak with brown gravy, corn, spinach and peaches.

Tuesday, March 22 - Roast pork, potatoes, gravy, broccoli and fruit cocktail.

Wednesday, March 23 - Ham and beans, coleslaw, corn bread and apple cobbler.

Thursday, March 24 - Chicken pot pie, mashed potatoes, buttered beets and applesauce.

Friday, March 25 - Closed for Good Friday.

March Community Food Pantry needs

Needed items for the month of March at the Community Food Pantry in Mound City are:

- Ravioli
- Shelf Stable Milk
- Cream of Chicken Soup
- Cream of Mushroom Soup
- Ketchup
- Canned Spinach
- Canned Kraut

Church volunteers are at the pantry at 1410 Nebraska Street on Mondays from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. to receive donations.

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OBITUARIES

William J. Sharp

Bill Sharp, 79, of Gladstone, MO, passed away Saturday, March 5, 2016, surrounded by his family. He was born March 20, 1936, in Mound City, MO, to Harold Bradford and Julia Mae (King) Sharp.



Bill joined the U.S. Air Force and served from 1955-1959. He was stationed at Yukota Air Force Base in Japan, and at Amarillo, TX. Bill worked in Kansas City, MO, for Braniff Airlines as a fueler, and later Allied Aviation, and then retired in 1992. He met Marcia Mueller, and on April 30, 1966, they were married in Arlington Heights, IL. They were blessed with two daughters, and he was a loving husband and father.

Bill loved to meet people and find a connection with them. He was known for his outgoing nature and ability to make everyone he met feel important. In his youth Bill loved to play basketball, and later enjoyed playing softball and fishing with neighbors at Lake Waukomis. In the last few years he became a grandfather and enjoyed watching the boys grow.

Bill is preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Charlene Botts, of Oakland, CA, and Helen Jean Smith, of Mound City; brother, Robert Sharp of Lee's Summit, MO; and some of his nephews and nieces.

Those left to cherish Bill's memory include his wife of almost 50 years, Marcia; daughters, Mandy Sharp and Joy (Kevin) Colvin; and grandsons, Kolter and Jett Colvin.

A memorial service was held at Terrace Park Funeral Home in Kansas City on Saturday, March 12, 2016. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to North Care Hospice House, www.kchospice.org/donate-northcare.

Dr. Jack A. Kinder

Dr. Jack A. Kinder of Ballwin, MO, passed away Friday, March 11, 2016, at the age of 82. Beloved husband of Laura Kinder (nee Webb); son of the late Ralph and Grace Kinder; father of Paul Kinder, Cindy (Brad) Barnhart, Sara Kinder and James (Abbie) Otten; loving grandfather of Joe Kinder, Katie Woolf, Brooke Enright, Ben Barnhart and Olivia Otten; great-grandfather of seven; loving brother of Barbara Heath, Marsha Hunziger and Jim Kinder; and dear brother-in-law, uncle, great-uncle and friend to many.

Jack dedicated his life for 49 years to the field of education where he made many contributions to improving the lives of children and the conditions for those who worked in elementary and secondary schools. As the Executive Director of Missouri State Teachers' Association, he directed the successful statewide initiative petition, Proposition C. He served as superintendent of schools in Hopkins, MO, Newton, KS, and Rochester, MN; and as adjunct professor at many universities across the country. President Ronald Reagan appointed him for two terms to the National Advisory Committee on Continuing Education and to the Board of Foreign Scholarships, the Fulbright Scholarship Program. Having retired in 1988, Jack returned to education in 1992 as the building administrator for Gateway State School for the Severely Handicapped for 15 years.

Jack was a member of the Manchester United Methodist Church, where he served on the Board of Trustees. Memorial services were held at the Schrader Funeral Home and Crematory in Ballwin on Tuesday, March 15, 2016, at 11:30 a.m. A private interment was held. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Friends may sign the family's online guest book at Schrader.com.

Rhett Dalton Hall

Rhett Dalton Hall, 14, of Mound City, MO, passed away Sunday, March 13, 2016, at his home with his family by his side, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born September 19, 2001, in St. Joseph, MO, the son of Angie (Johnson) and Josh Hall.



Rhett attended the Mound City R-II school. He loved being around friends and family, riding his four-wheeler, deer hunting and playing with his dog, Layla. He also loved to farm and drive tractors, and loved his trip to Universal Studios in Florida. Rhett was very proud of his Indian heritage and his involvement with the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). Rhett won second place in the Missouri Tar Wars poster contest.

Rhett was preceded in death by paternal great-grandfather, John B. Hall, Sr.; paternal great-grandparents, Lois Jean Cotton and C.F. Cotton; two maternal great-grandfathers, Wilbur Hector and Virgil Johnson; maternal great-grandparents, Gene and Ellen Cotter, and Henry and Midge Courtney.

Rhett's survivors include his parents, Josh and Angie, of the home in Mound City; brother, Rhylan Hall, of the home; paternal grandparents, Ann and John B. Hall, Jr., Mound City; paternal great-grandmother, Caroline Hall of Forest City, MO; maternal grandparents, Doug and Carla Johnson of Faucett, MO, and Jolita and Bart Courtney of Savannah, MO; maternal great-grandmothers, Georgia Hector, Judy Johnson, and Bonnie Brand; five uncles, Ryan Courtney, Craig Courtney, Jason (Carolyn) Hall, Chris Hall, and Dave (Barb) Cotton; six cousins, Cole Courtney, Justyn Hall, Jacob Hall, Wyatt Eilskov, Samantha Cotton and Austin Cotton; and his faithful dog and sister, Layla Maie Hall.

Rhett will be sadly missed by all his family members and friends.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 17, 2016, at River of Hope Fellowship, Mound City, with Pastor David Showalter officiating. The family received friends from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, at River of Hope Fellowship. The interment will be at the Baldwin Cemetery, south of Mound City.

Memorials are requested to the Rhett Hall Benefit Fund. Online condolences and the obituary can be found at www.ruppfuneral.com.



Good attendance at White Rose Restaurant for Jessica Lindsay benefit

A benefit for Jessica Lindsay - Was held on Wednesday, March 9, at the White Rose Restaurant and Gifts in Mound City. Delicious soups and salad bar were served to the large crowd, topped off with a fantastic dessert smorgasbord provided by River of Hope Fellowship. The free will offering collected nearly \$2,000 to be given to the Lindsay family. Jessica, the office manager at Mound City News, suffered a stroke last December and is undergoing rehabilitation in Omaha, NE. Her husband, Tommy, and six year-old daughter, Savanna, live in Tarkio, MO.

Easter Egg Hunt March 26

The First Christian Church at 402 East 5th Street in Mound City is sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 26. It will begin at 10 a.m. on the church grounds for children in the area.

Community Fun Run CANCELLED

The Craig, MO, R-3 and Mound City R-2 Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapters' 5K Bubble Run scheduled for this Saturday, March 19, at the Mound City Golf Course has been CANCELLED. The event to promote premature awareness for the March of Dimes has been cancelled due to various reasons.

Statewide tornado drill postponed to Thursday, March 17

The statewide tornado drill that was scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 2016, was postponed until today, Thursday, March 17, at 1:30 p.m. Sirens in Holt County communities will be sounding at 1:30 p.m. The drill was postponed because of inclement weather on Tuesday.

Experience the Magic at Celebrity Waiter Dinner

"Experience the Magic" at this year's Celebrity Waiter Dinner, a benefit for Community Hospital-Fairfax, MO. The event will be held on Saturday evening, March 19, at the high school gym in Fairfax. Doors open at 5 p.m. with the dinner and show to begin at 6 p.m. The theme this year comes from the wonderful

world of "Disney". For more information or ticket purchases, contact Community Hospital-Fairfax at 660-686-2211.

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Tuesday Club members try their hands at flower arranging

The Tuesday Club met Tuesday, March 8, at the home of Sandra Fuhrman in Maitland, MO. Following the business meeting, Judith Long presented an informative program on "Fresh Picked Flowers".

Judith gave tips on keeping flowers fresh longer and planning arrangements. She offered steps for arranging. Judith also shared some interesting recipes for flower preservatives. Following the discussion, members broke up into three groups and enjoyed doing their own arrangements trying to remember all of Judith's tips.

Members enjoying the de-

lightful program and delicious refreshments were Linda Creed, Sandra Fuhrman, Kris Gibson, Barb Heitman, Susan Laukemper, Judith Long, Debbie Loucks, Jane Meadows, Sheri Meadows, Kasey Miles, Jeanne Moore, Phyllis Parker and Kay Sitherwood. During the social hour, names were drawn for the flower arrangements. The lucky winners were Kay, Jeanne, Linda, Phyllis, Debbie and Susan.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 22, at the home of Brenda Ryan in Mound City. Barb Heitman will present the program.

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Holt County Historical Society serves St. Patrick's Day meal



(ABOVE) A large crowd gathered at the Mound City Nutrition Site - On Sunday, March 13, for a delicious St. Patrick's Day lunch prepared and served by the Holt County Historical Society (HCHS). Corned beef, cabbage and carrots or reuben sandwiches were served with Irish potatoes, topped off with dessert. Gerry Patterson attended to the corned beef all day Saturday to ensure its tenderness and tastiness according to Maxine Smith's time-honored recipe. Members of the society prepared the remainder of the meal, with Elizabeth Burnside churning out her "Galley" reubens. Proceeds from the meal will be used for HCHS projects throughout the county.

(BELOW) The Holt County Historical Society (HCHS) - Hosted a St. Patrick's Day lunch at the Mound City Nutrition Site on Sunday, March 13. A delicious meal of corned beef and cabbage with Irish potatoes or reuben sandwich with Irish potatoes fed a large crowd that attended to support the HCHS. Scrumptious desserts topped off the meal. Proceeds from the lunch will be used for HCHS projects throughout the county. Pictured preparing the food are, left to right, Elizabeth Burnside, Sally Waggoner and Rick Lentz.



MSHP makes arrests

The Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) made an arrest in Holt County at 12:04 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, 2016. Bradley T. Heffron, age 60, of Lee's Summit, MO, was arrested for a Class B misdemeanor of Driving while Intoxicated. He was taken to the Holt County Jail in Oregon, MO, on a bondable release.

A Colorado man was arrested in Holt County by the Missouri State Highway Patrol at 11:13 p.m. on Monday, March 14, 2016. Brandon M. Ellis, age 28, of Loveland, CO, was arrested and charged with: Felony Unlawful Possession of a Firearm; Possession of An Unlawful Weapon; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; and Possession of Up to 35 Grams Marijuana. He was taken to the Holt County Jail in Oregon, MO, for a 24-hour hold.

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This Week's History

From the *Mound City News* archives

50 Years Ago - 1966

- Two petitions for injunction were filed with the Circuit Clerk and Recorder of Deeds at the Holt County Courthouse. One had reference to the Craig-Mound City school consolidation and the other affected the Forest City-Oregon procedure. The Holt County School District R-III was listed as the plaintiff in one of the petitions, and the Forest City district in the other. Mrs. Adelia Waggoner, Holt County Superintendent of Schools, was the defendant in both matters. The injunctions were seeking to halt the established elections to consolidate the Mound City and Craig districts and the Oregon and Forest City districts.

- Kenneth Young was honored with a surprise farewell party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elbern Meadows. Kenneth had enlisted in the Air Force and was scheduled to leave March 17. After a variety of games, refreshments of sandwiches, chips and dips, doughnuts and soft drinks were served.

- The Holt County Welfare Office moved to new quarters located on the ground floor of the Pettijohn & Crawford building in Mound City.

25 Years Ago - 1991

- Area students on the 275 All-Conference Basketball Teams were: Dustin Acklin, Kolby Griffith, Anne Northup and Daniell Romine - Mound City; Clayton Kent and Marde Kent - Craig; Trevor Leeper, Lori Chesnut, and Heather Flanary - Nodaway-Holt; and Missy Miller - South Holt.

- Burglars sprayed foam into two alarms to keep them from working, cut telephone wires and kicked in two doors in an apparent bank robbery attempt in Craig, but they broke into the post office instead of the bank. "They thought they were breaking into the bank, but they missed it by just a little bit," Holt County Sheriff Melvin Hayzlett said. "It didn't look like they even went on into the post office after they discovered where they were."

- Dena Helfers, a 7th grader at Craig, won the championship trophy in the Holt County Spelling Bee. Troy Jones, an 8th grader in Mound City, won the second place trophy. Both students would participate in the regional spelling bee held in St. Joseph.

10 Years Ago - 2006

- Area students recognized with 275 All-Conference Basketball honors were: First Team - Dylan Rosier, Lauren Haer and Kallie Schoonover, Mound City; Brett Scheib, Oregon; and Derek Derr and Leah Gard, Nodaway-Holt. Second Team members were: Matt Brown, Nodaway-Holt; Travis Kelly and Brooke Young, South Holt; Amanda Geib, Craig; and Jamie Webster, Mound City.

- It took seven years to find out, but Mound City kids now knew how much a million looked like - or a million pop tabs. Proceeds from their sale to a recycling center would be given to the Ronald McDonald House at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City.

- Craig students that qualified for State Business Contests were Jill Haer, Cody Tubbs, April Voltmer, Amanda Geib, Caitlin Altena and Darcy Howard.

- Three Mound City students would attend the state Future Business Leaders of America competition. They were Jered Bare, Brittany Johnson and Jason Rogers.

What do you remember?

The Holt County Historical Society is looking for answers to these questions that have been submitted by researchers.

PEOPLE AND PLACES? RECOGNIZE ANYONE?

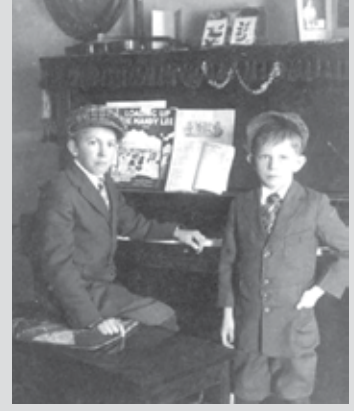
These photos have been in Holt County Historical Society files for a long time. Details about the pictures are unknown or who donated them. Any information would be appreciated.



Two fellows sitting on the running board of a car enjoying a cigar! Identification only says "Richards Engineer"?



These men are standing in front of a store; the faded writing on the window says "Brock Restaurant". Could this be in Forest City, Oregon, or Forbes?



This photo of two young men only says "Hopper Boys"?

The 2016 spring opening day for the Genealogy and Research Center will be Wednesday, April 6, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., with volunteers to assist with research.

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62nd year for Holt County Government/Bette Williams Day

This year marks the 62nd anniversary of Holt County Government/Bette Williams Day hosted by the county's American Legion Posts and Auxiliary Units. The 62nd event will be held at the courthouse in Oregon, MO, on Monday, March 21.

Registration will be held from 8:30 to 9 a.m. under the direction of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 190 (Oregon). Ramona Shields of Unit 256 (Maitland/Graham, MO) will open the general assembly at 9 a.m. for freshman students from the four Holt County schools. Foreign exchange students are also invited to attend.

The presentation of colors will be held prior to the *Pledge of Allegiance* led by Commander Larry Kurtz of American Legion Post 190 (Oregon). The flag folding ceremony will be demonstrated by Post 121 (Mound City). Lori Miller of Auxiliary Unit 121 (Mound City) will sing the *National Anthem*. Billie Banks of Unit 190 (Oregon) will give the invocation.

Commander Larry Kurtz will welcome the assembly. Event namesake, Bette Williams, will share the aims and purposes of Holt County Government Day. Williams is a member of Auxiliary Unit 190 (Oregon).

Ron Jones, 4th District American Legion Commander, a member of Post 100 (Maryville, MO); Missouri Department Historian Sharon Slagle of Auxiliary Unit 315 (Burlington Jct., MO); and 4th District Finance Officer Marlin Slagle of Post 315 (Burlington Jct.) will be the guest speakers.

Following remarks from the featured speakers, introductions of Legion Post and Auxiliary Unit members will be made by Betty Bendure of Unit 190 (Oregon). Introductions of school officials will be made by Phyllis Smith of Unit 121 (Mound City).

County officials will be introduced by Holt County Treasurer Gay Quick. County officials include: Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood; First District Commissioner Bill Gordon; Second District Commissioner David Carroll; Assessor LaDonna Jones; Associate Circuit Judge William S. Richards; Circuit Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Deeds Vicki Book; County Clerk Kathy Holstine; Collector Donna Cotton; Coroner Susan Lentz; Prosecuting Attorney Robert Shepherd; Administrator Ed Meng; Sheriff Scott Wedlock; and Treasurer Gay Quick.

Voter registration will be discussed by Clerk Kathy Holstine followed by a tour of the county offices. A lunch will be served at the T.J. Hall Building in Oregon from 12 to 1 p.m. Students, teachers, county officials, deputies and guests will be served the meal furnished by the county American Legion Posts, Auxiliary Units, county officials and donations from communities.

The afternoon general assembly will convene at 1 p.m. with a program by the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Announcements and adjournment will take place at 2 p.m.

After the event, students who attended will be invited to participate in an essay contest with the theme being "What I Learned at County Government Day". The essays are not to exceed 500 words, should be double spaced and identified by the student's name, but not the name of the student's school. The entries will be picked up at the schools no later than Saturday, April 9. Content, accuracy and appearance will be judged by out-of-area judges. First (\$20), Second (\$15), Third (\$10) and Honorable Mention (\$5) prizes will be awarded. The first place winner will also qualify for 4th District American Legion Auxiliary prize money and state competition prize money.



Mowing lawns is just around the corner

First come the robins, then the trees begin to bud - Showing the first signs of spring. Everyone is excited to get outside and begin the yard work. Jaden Derr, above, of Hiawatha Implement in Mound City, is keeping busy servicing John Deere lawn mowers in preparation for the lawn mowing season.

Council members conduct routine business at March meeting

Mound City Council members focused on routine business at their meeting on Tuesday, March 8, at City Hall in Mound City. Mayor Chris Krueger called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*. Those in attendance were Mayor Krueger, Aldermen Duane Nauman, Jim Krueger, Robert Heck and Kristine Gibson; City Clerk Annissa Brandon, City Collector/Deputy Clerk Tysha Davis, city employee Vince Beyer, attorney Brian Tubbs, Police Chief John Panning, Police Officer Cory McDonald, Mike Klosek, Sr., and Mike Klosek, III.

The minutes of the February 9, 2016, meeting were approved. The Kloseks were present to follow up on the city's trash service. Mayor Krueger stated that there were no concerns at this time and that the Kloseks were doing a great job.

Chief Panning reviewed monthly reports. He stated that he is in the process of purchasing a new radar gun. Officer McDonald and Chief Panning will be attending pipeline training in Maryville, MO.

A thank you letter was received from Jane Ball Grant to Officer Grant Gillette for his help with her mother, Phyllis Ball, during an illness. The mayor and council members stated their appreciation for all that the police department does for the community. Mr. Beyer stated that sand and paint were delivered for the water tower project. A motion was made, seconded and approved to change the water

bill and delinquent forms to a laser full sheet utility billing form and send statements to automatic pay customers.

Chief Panning stated that there are several potholes that need to be filled. Mr. Beyer said that cold patch will need to be ordered. Alderman Gibson said that there will be two cement slabs added to the pool property for additional sitting areas. The city will advertise for bids on the cement work locally for two weeks and open bids at the April meeting. Alderman Gibson will be in contact with Clerk Brandon with exact specifications.

Mayor Krueger stated that he had spoken to Troy Lawson about his building at 403 State Street and confirmed that progress has been made. The expired term of Greg Wilson on the Planning Commission was tabled until the next meeting.

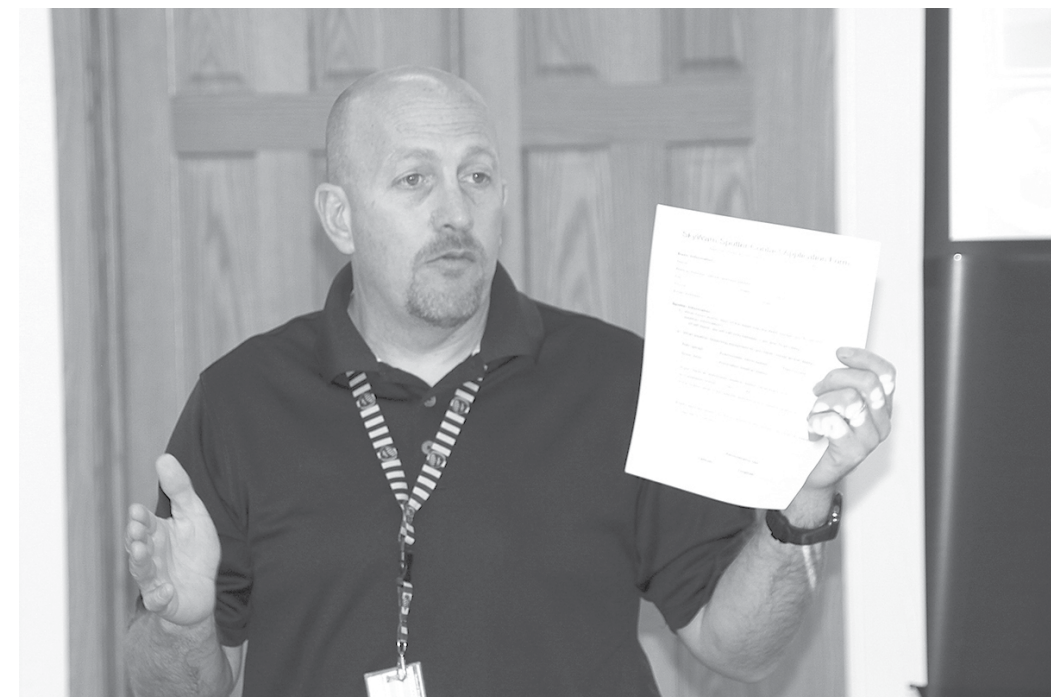
Financial reports were reviewed. Clerk Brandon reported that she had been in contact with Duane Smith of Smith Brothers Masonry. Mr. Smith said that he would look at the bricks on City Hall and decide what the best solution would be. Mayor Krueger stated that he is still working on the retaining walls at City Hall.

It was moved, seconded and approved to pay the current month's bills. The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. The next meeting of the Mound City Aldermen will be on Thursday, April 7, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.



National Weather Service Storm Spotter training held in Mound City

Storm Spotter training for Holt County residents - Was held at the Extreme Fireworks Building, Mound City, on Monday, March 14. Holt County Emergency Management Director Mark Sitherwood coordinated the meeting and introduced National Weather Service (NWS) Warning Coordination Meteorologist Andy Bailey from the Pleasant Hill, MO, NWS location. Over 30 people attended the class, including representatives from area fire departments, law enforcement and the ambulance district.



Andy Bailey, Warning Coordination Meteorologist for the National Weather Service (NWS) - Spoke to over 30 people at a Storm Spotter training session held at the Extreme Fireworks Building, Mound City, on Monday, March 14. The group learned how the NWS station at Pleasant Hill, MO,

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Two more Holt County bridges to undergo repairs; Markt reports on Missouri River meeting

The Holt County Commission met on Monday, March 7, 2016, at 9 a.m., at the Holt County Courthouse in Oregon, MO. Presiding Commissioner Mark Sitherwood, First District Commissioner Bill Gordon and Second District Commissioner David Carroll were in attendance.

County Clerk Kathy J. Holstine presented minutes for approval. The motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes.

Carla Markt, Oregon, joined the commission to report on her attendance at a recent Missouri River Recovery and Implementation Committee meeting in Kansas City, MO, related to a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for Missouri River management. Markt asked that the Holt County Commission prepare a response for the public comment period about the EIS, due out later in 2016.

Rick Lentz, New Point, MO, met with the commission, representing the Cowan Cemetery Board to discuss property ownership of the cemetery and liability protection for the board. After discussion, Mr. Lentz will investigate board insurance and will ask the cemetery board to consider signage to limit liability.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Daryl Biermann met with the commission to review bridge inspection information, including damage to a bridge over the Little Tarkio Creek on Holt 130 where it appears an excavator was walked over the concrete bridge deck without placing tires or other protective mechanisms. The bridge has substantial cracks in the concrete. Mr. Biermann has contacted the county's engineer, Phil Schrick,

to do a formal review of the bridge to make necessary repairs. A second bridge on Whispering Oaks Drive was identified by the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) inspection team with damage to pilings in the substructure caused by high water and debris resting under the bridge. Neither bridge is closed, but both will receive additional reviews and will require the county to take corrective action.

Commissioners took up a discussion to replace a 2001 John Deere grader stationed at the Oregon Road and Bridge Barn. The grader is in need of an estimated \$7,146 in repairs. Commissioners contacted Murphy Tractor to de-

termine if a state bid is available for new graders at this time.

Commissioner David Carroll reported that regular work completed by the Road and Bridge Department for the previous week included drainage ditches on Holt 140 and Holt 120, both east of Route N, that were cleaned and shaped. Road grading and shaping is progressing as weather permits.

Commissioners reviewed a five-year contract with DEVNET Inc., for tax and assessment computer software. Following discussion, Commissioner Sitherwood approved the agreement.

Being no further business, the commission adjourned until Monday, March 14, 2016.

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Bonnie Combs, left, of Mason, MI, and Jo Kinne, right, of Dansville, MI - Came to Ava's Quilt Shop north of Craig, MO, for a day of quilting and visiting.

Ava's Quilt Shop hosts group from Michigan

For the second time in five months, a group of ladies from Michigan came to Ava's Quilt Shop north of Craig, MO, on Friday, March 11. The first trip in October, 2015, was a chance visit to buy material because someone in Maryville, MO, had mentioned this "cute little quilt shop in Holt County."

Amie Firavich of Maryville, MO, started the Michigan to Missouri connection several years ago by taking her girlfriend, Elizabeth Gailey from Mason, MI, to get haircuts at a salon in Maryville, Studio 71. "I have come from Michigan four times since then to get a haircut," said Gailey. In October, several more ladies came with Gailey, including Firavich's mother, Jo Kinne of Dansville, MI. This trip, Kinne brought friends Kathy Davis and Bonnie Combs, both of Mason. "We all got our hair cut at the salon on Thursday and came to the quilt shop today," laughs Kinne.

Ava McCarthy, owner of the the quilt shop, had arranged for the ladies to have a quilt class while they were in town. Earlier in the week, McCarthy called two of her quilters, Judi Scarbrough of Mound City and Mary Bruntmyer of St. Joseph, MO, to help her out of a pickle. McCarthy had booked a doctor's appointment for Friday, March 11, and needed the two ladies to run the class. Without hesitation, Scarbrough and Bruntmyer stepped up to help out. "The time I spend at Ava's has been a godsend for me this past winter," remarked Scarbrough. "It has inspired me to concentrate on something besides myself."

Unlike what many people think, the time spent at the quilt shop is not a gossip fest. "Each week a group of God loving woman get together to sew, eat good food, lift each others' spirits and just make the day better," added Bruntmyer. "I love my time spent here as much, if not more, than the beautiful quilts that I have created here."

After a delicious lunch brought in by Scarbrough, Bruntmyer, Deanna Littles from Maryville and Twyla Smith from Big Lake, MO, the Michigan ladies sewed, visited and laughed the rest of the afternoon. Plans are being made for another trip to that "cute little quilt shop in Holt County."



A group of ladies from Michigan - Came to Ava's Quilt Shop north of Craig, MO, on Friday, March 11, to take a quilting class. The ladies have a Maryville, MO, connection and revisited the shop from an earlier trip in October, 2015. Pictured, left to right, are Deanna Littles, Maryville, Elizabeth Gailey and Kathy Davis, both of Mason, MI.



Judi Scarbrough of Mound City - Cuts out material for a group of ladies visiting Ava's Quilt Shop north of Craig, MO, on Friday, March 11. Judi attends quilt classes on Thursdays at the shop and helped teach the class on Friday.

The Community Foundation signs MOA with Communities of Excellence 2026

The Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri, Inc., has signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Communities of Excellence 2026 to serve as the backbone organization for a pilot in the 18-county region. This is one of three different pilots across the United States including San Diego County, CA, and Rochester, MN. The criteria is designed to keep the most important customers, stakeholders and drivers of quality of life and economic well-being, both in respective communities and throughout the region. It encourages leadership development and region wide collaboration to create an economic advantage for the area.

The foundation has found interest from funders to support the Regional Vitality effort of being a pilot for "Communities of Excellence 2026" because it is based on proven principles that help the region to become a leader in its areas

of focus. The Regional Vitality task force is comprised of volunteers from the 18-county region. The task force's purpose is to encourage face to face planning and relationship building across the region, so the team agreed that, starting in April, it will move to a rotating meetings' basis between the east and west side of the region, initially between Maryville, MO, and Chillicothe, MO. Each of the meetings will be open and designed to do a briefing on the status of Regional Vitality and the pilot. To encourage attendance, phone-in capabilities will be available.

The Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri, Inc., is a 501 (c) (3) public charity with a mission of encouraging and promoting charitable giving in northwest Missouri thereby improving the quality of life of its residents. In addition, the foundation provides services to help donors connect with causes now and forever.

Missouri State Highway Patrol provides safety tips for severe weather

Spring's varying temperatures and weather patterns are expected to bring thunderstorms the next several months. Thunderstorms can include heavy rains, thunder, lightning, tornadoes, straight-line winds, flash floods and hail. They can form quickly, and ALL thunderstorms are dangerous. A typical thunderstorm is 15 miles in diameter and lasts an average of 30 minutes. When they occur, seek shelter, and pay attention to weather reports and instructions. Secure loose objects outside if time allows to protect against dangerous flying debris in high winds. Postpone outdoor activities during thunderstorms.

Tornadoes can appear at any time of day, any day of the year, and may form during a thunderstorm. When a Tornado Watch is issued, this means to stay alert and aware. Watch the sky and listen to weather reports.

A Tornado Warning means a tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar and you should seek shelter immediately. An interior room without windows on the lowest floor is the safest shelter location. Do not seek shelter in a cafeteria, gymnasium, or other large open room because the roof might collapse. Immediately leave a mobile home to seek shelter in a nearby building. Overpasses are not safe. The construction of an over-

pass can create a dangerous wind tunnel effect. If you are driving, you should stop and take shelter in a nearby building. If you are driving in a rural area, drive away from the tornado to the closest building. If you cannot get away, seek shelter in a roadside ditch. Protect yourself from flying debris by covering your head with your arms, a coat, or a blanket. Be prepared to move quickly in case the ditch fills with water.

No matter what the forecast: If you're going to be on the water, you need a safe boating plan. During severe weather, stay off the water. Currents become swift and dangerous. Fixed objects and fast moving water are a bad combination: Don't go boating in these conditions. Floating debris can easily capsize or sink a boat. After heavy rains, lakes have more debris to watch for. Boaters should always keep an eye on the weather. When visibility decreases, boaters need to slow down. No matter what the season: Watch for changes in the weather. When you hear the thunder in the distance, respond to it. Don't wait until you see the lightning. Get to shore ... Get to safety.

When dangerous weather approaches, whether you are on land or on the water, implement your safety plan, postpone activities, monitor the weather and get to a safe place.

Road work in Holt County

Road work is being done by the Northwest District of the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) in Holt County. A resurfacing project is underway on Route 118 between U.S. Route 59 in Mound City and Route 111 near Big Lake, MO. Contractors from Chester Bross Construction Company are working with MoDOT to prepare the road for resurfacing. Crews are working on the shoulders of the project through Friday, March 18.

On Monday, March 21, contractors will begin pavement repairs on the portion of Route 118 between U.S. Route 59 in Mound City and approximately one mile west of U.S. Route 59. The pavement repair work will continue through Friday, March 25, 2016.

These first portions of the

project include lane closures and motorists should use caution and obey all road signs and flaggers. Resurfacing work is scheduled to begin in May.

All work is weather permitting and schedules are subject to change. MoDOT encourages all motorists to slow down, buckle up, eliminate distractions and drive safely to ensure everyone is able to "Arrive Alive".

For more information about this and other MoDOT projects, call 1-888-ASK-MODOT (888-275-6636) or visit www.modot.org/northwest and view the online Traveler Information Map. In addition, MoDOT provides updated information on Twitter @MoDOTNorthwest and Facebook at www.facebook.com/MoDOTNW District.

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Fire Department installs new extrication equipment

The Mound City Rural Fire Department - Held a workday on Saturday, March 12, at the fire station in Mound City. The volunteers spent the day securing the new extrication equipment that was recently purchased to Truck 8. The department was trained on the equipment last fall. Pictured are J.R. Rother, left, and Jason Hall, right, as the stabilizing posts are placed on the back panel of the storage compartment of the truck.

Atchison County Extension and MO DNR schedule waste containers' collection

The University of Missouri (MU) Graves-Chapple Research Center, in conjunction with the MU Atchison County Extension Center and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR), is hosting a free pesticide and empty container collection event on Saturday, April 9, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Graves-Chapple Research Center located at 29955 Outer Road, Fairfax, MO. This is for Missouri farmer and household pesticides only.

All pesticides will be accepted including herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides and de-wormers. In addition, empty triple-rinsed plastic pesticide containers up to 30 gallons in size will be accepted. Other items such as paint, electronics, fluorescent bulbs and explosives will NOT be accepted. Pesticides and containers from businesses

cannot be accepted.

From 2012 to 2015, the Missouri Pesticide Collection Program conducted 26 events, collecting more than 193,700 pounds of waste pesticide. All materials collected are managed as pesticide and herbicide waste, are field characterized, sampled (if necessary), segregated and placed into proper Department of Transportation shipping containers with approved labels and markings. The waste is transported and managed at an approved licensed disposal facility where the waste is disposed of in a manner that is environmentally friendly.

For additional details, contact the MU Atchison County Extension Center, 201 Hwy. 136 East, Rock Port, MO, at 660-744-6213.



Frank Fritz, left, and Mike Wolfe, right - Of History Channel's *AMERICAN PICKERS* television show will be traveling through Missouri in May. The show is looking for characters with interesting and unique items to film.

AMERICAN PICKERS to film in Missouri

Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz and the *AMERICAN PICKERS* team are excited to return to Missouri! They plan to film episodes of the hit series throughout Missouri with filming scheduled for May.

AMERICAN PICKERS is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique 'picking' on History Channel. The hit show follows Mike Wolfe and Frank Fritz, two of the most skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques - from motorcycles, classic cars and bicycles, to one-of-a-kind vintage memorabilia.

As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank continue their mission to recycle America by rescuing forgotten relics and giving them a new lease on life, while learning a thing

or two about American history along the way.

AMERICAN PICKERS is looking for leads and would love to explore buried treasure. They are on the hunt for characters with interesting and unique items. Some of what they look for: vintage bicycles, toys, unusual radios, movie memorabilia, advertising, military items, folk art, pre-50's western gear, early firefighting equipment, vintage musical equipment, automotive items, and clothing. They are always excited to find things they've never seen before and learn the story behind it.

If there is someone with a large, private collection send the name of the collector, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos to: americanpickers@cinetflix.com or call 855-old-rust.

Fairfax FRB Growing Project to hold ceremony

The Fairfax, MO, Foods Resource Bank (FRB) Growing Project is starting its 10th growing season with a dedication service and wiener roast on Sunday, April 10. This will take place at a growing site two miles east of Fairfax on Highway 46 at 5:30 p.m., with the community welcome to attend.

Since organizing in 2007, the Fairfax FRB Growing Project has been helping farmers of Nicaragua, Armenia and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. In 2015, the Fairfax group donated \$21,400 to FRB. This was accomplished by farmers donating crop proceeds, a family raising pumpkins and gourds, cash donations, volunteers helping with harvest and corporate

sponsors, Fairfax AGChoice and Dow Chemical Company.

Seventy percent of the world's 795 million hungry people live in rural areas. With the help of FRB members, training on planting techniques, improved seeds and tools, access to water and financial training are helping millions of the poorest and hungriest people around the world to improve their health, livelihoods and futures through sustainable agriculture.

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The Presbyterian Church in Craig, MO - Boasted beautiful bunches of jonquils on Sunday, March 13. Trees in the area are budding and flowers have begun pushing up through the ground to announce the arrival of spring. A very mild winter and early spring has Mother Nature working overtime, with the hope that a late frost or snow will not harm the new growth.

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 Community celebration for the State Champion Lady Panthers!
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 Pep Rally at 6 p.m. followed by hot dogs on the playground!

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The 2016 Missouri Class 1 state basketball champions, the Mound City Lady Panthers - Raise their hands in victory after receiving the first place medals in a ceremony following a 57-45 win over Naylor, MO, on Saturday, March 12, in the Mizzou Arena on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. The team is, left to right, Joeigh Eaton, Kendey Eaton, Jocelyn Clayton, Tess Phillips, Kenzie Ashford, Emily Wedlock, Henna Kivilahti, Paige Quilty, Victoria Nauman, Deanna Clayton, Hannah Wedlock, Kameron Freemyer and Jillian Stiens.

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ROAD TO REMEMBER

LADY PANTHERS ARE STATE CHAMPIONS

The Mound City Lady Panthers played in the Missouri Class 1 State Championship game on Saturday, March 12, against the Naylor (MO) Lady Eagles. The Lady Eagles entered the game with a 23-7 record, two 6'1" players and scrappy guards. Mound City's speed and determination shut down much of Naylor's offense to notch one

final victory, 57-45, and claim the Lady Panthers' first state basketball title in the history of the program.

"This is unbelievable!" said Lady Panther Head Coach Derek Petty, smiling from ear to ear. "This was the greatest season in Mound City girls' history because of this team's tenacity and drive.

Victoria Nauman played some great minutes with Kendey Eaton on the bench with foul trouble. Kenzie Ashford and Deanna Clayton played great defense on their main scorer. Emily Wedlock, Tess Phillips and Kameron Freemyer shut down Naylor's all-state caliber players and Kendey took control in the second half," recounted Petty.

The Lady Panthers were led by Freemyer's 20 points, nine rebounds and four blocked shots. Eaton added 18 points for the Lady Panthers to make the double figures' list. Mound City finished the season with an overall record of 30-1 as 275 Conference champion with a record of 7-0, Class 1 District 16 champion and Missouri Class 1 state champion.



Senior Mound City Lady Panther Kenzie Ashford (22) - Lunges up and keeps the ball in play during the Missouri Class 1 state basketball championship game on Saturday, March 12, in Mizzou Arena at Columbia, MO's, University of Missouri campus. Ashford's voracious defense and hustle held down the offense of one of the Naylor (MO) Lady Eagles' top scorers, contributing to Mound City's victory over Naylor, 57-45.

CLASS 1 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GIRLS' BASKETBALL MOUND CITY vs. NAYLOR

Saturday, March 12, 2016 - Columbia, MO

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Mound City	10	12	13	22	57
Naylor	6	14	9	16	45

MOUND CITY STATISTICS

MOUND CITY LADY PANTHERS - 30-1, 7-0 275 Conference

PLAYER	POINTS	3-PT.	REB.	BLK.	STEALS	ASTS.
Kenzie Ashford	1	-	4	-	2	1
Deanna Clayton	2	-	-	-	2	-
Kendey Eaton	18	-	5	-	1	-
Kameron Freemyer	20	-	9	4	-	-
Victoria Nauman	-	-	1	-	2	-
Tess Phillips	9	-	6	-	2	-
Emily Wedlock	7	-	5	-	2	-



Junior Mound City Lady Panther Tess Phillips (20), front in white - Shows determination while completing a right-handed layup against the Glasgow (MO) Lady Jackets during the Class 1 semifinal game of the state championship in Columbia, MO. The game, played in the Hearnes Center on the campus of the University of Missouri, was won by Mound City, 57-52. Phillips had 14 points, including two 3-pointers and 6-6 free throws, two steals, one assist and five rebounds.



Senior Mound City Lady Panther Kendey Eaton (12), right - Brings the ball down the court against pressure from a Naylor (MO) defender in the Missouri Class 1 basketball championship game on Saturday, March 12, in the Mizzou Arena at the University of Missouri campus at Columbia, MO. Eaton sat much of the first half in foul trouble, but stepped up in the second half to score 18 points and take on her leadership role. Mound City won the game, 57-45, and claimed the school's first state basketball championship title.



Senior Mound City Lady Panther Emily Wedlock (24), center - Goes up strong for a shot under the basket against the Glasgow (MO) Lady Jackets and gets fouled during the semifinal game of the Class 1 state championship games on Thursday, March 10, at the Hearnes Center on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. Wedlock finished the game with 10 points, including 4-10 from the charity line, one steal, one assist and nine rebounds in Mound City's 57-52 victory over the Lady Jackets.



Sophomore Mound City Lady Panther Kameron Freemyer (44) - Takes a short jump shot in the game with the Naylor (MO) Lady Eagles in the Missouri Class 1 state basketball finals on Saturday, March 12, at Mizzou Arena on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. Freemyer's 20 points, nine rebounds and four blocked shots helped seal the victory over Naylor, 57-45, to bring home the team's first state basketball championship trophy.

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Lady Panthers defeat Glasgow in semifinal game; move into championship game with Naylor

The Mound City Lady Panthers made the trek to Columbia, MO, for the Missouri Class 1 State Championship games on Wednesday, March 9. The team's semi-game was with Glasgow, MO, on Thursday, March 10. The Glasgow Lady Jackets came into the game with a 24-5 record.

The game stayed close in the first half, with Mound City going into the locker room with a three point lead, 22-19. The Lady Panthers came out strong in the third quarter, at one time holding an 11 point lead, before the Lady Jackets began chipping away at the score again. The seven point advantage to start the fourth quarter proved to be enough to hold off Glasgow, with Mound City holding on for the win, 57-52.

"This was a great team win," stated Mound City Head Coach Derek Petty. "Kameron played great defense on their big post player. Kendey battled from a poor shooting first half to score 20 in the second half. Tess had big free throws down the stretch. Kenzie played excellent defense on their shooting guard. Emily almost had a double/double (10 points and nine rebounds). Victoria and Deanna gave us some quality minutes off of the bench."

Kendey Eaton finished the game with 25 points for the Lady Panthers. Tess Phillips and Emily Wedlock added 14 and 10 points, respectively. Kameron Freemyer led Mound City on the boards with 11 rebounds.



Sophomore Mound City Lady Panther Deanna Clayton (40) - Came off the bench throughout the game with the Naylor (MO) Lady Eagles in the Missouri Class 1 championship game in Mizzou Arena on the University of Missouri campus in Columbia, MO, on Saturday, March 12. Clayton and starter Kenzie Ashford shut down Naylor's main scorer with fantastic defense. Mound City won the game, 57-45, to become the first Lady Panthers' basketball state champion.



Senior Mound City Lady Panther Kendey Eaton (12) - Brings the ball down the court against the Glasgow (MO) Lady Jackets on Thursday, March 10, in the Class 1 state championship semi-final game at the Hearnes Center on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. Mound City defeated Glasgow, 57-52, to move into the championship game on Saturday, March 12. Eaton had 25 points, including two 3-pointers and 5-7 free throws, two steals, two assists and one rebound in the victory.

CLASS 1 STATE SEMI-FINAL GIRLS' BASKETBALL

MOUND CITY vs. GLASGOW

Thursday, March 10, 2016 - Columbia, MO

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Mound City	12	10	18	17	57
Glasgow	11	8	14	19	52

MOUND CITY STATISTICS

MOUND CITY LADY PANTHERS - 29-1, 7-0 275 Conference

PLAYER	POINTS	3-PT.	REB.	BLK.	STEALS	ASTS.
Kenzie Ashford	1	-	5	-	-	1
Deanna Clayton	-	-	1	-	-	-
Kendey Eaton	25	2	1	-	2	2
Kameron Freemyer	4	-	11	-	1	-
Victoria Nauman	3	1	2	-	-	-
Tess Phillips	14	2	5	-	2	1
Emily Wedlock	10	-	9	-	1	1



The Mound City Lady Panthers' student section - Was full of characters at the finals of the Missouri Class 1 championship game on Saturday, March 12, in Columbia, MO. The students made their entrance, single file, into the Mizzou Arena on the campus of the University of Missouri. All season, the group has dressed up to cheer for the girls, wearing hilarious costumes and putting on a show of enthusiasm and spirit. Pictured on the front row are, Chandler Monroe, Blake Shifflett, Kyree Howell, Chandler Wilson, Ben Shifflett, Kyler Miles and Riley Holstine.



The 2015-2016 Mound City Lady Panthers - Huddle around the Missouri Class 1 state basketball championship trophy coming home with them from Columbia, MO. The team defeated Naylor, MO, in the title game, 57-45, to be the first team in the history of Lady Panthers' basketball to be state champion. Smiling for the camera are, left to right, front row, Kendey Eaton, Kenzie Ashford and Emily Wedlock (the three seniors); middle row, Paige Quilty, Jocelyn Clayton, Hannah Wedlock, Henna Kivilahti and Victoria Nauman; and, back row, Joeigh Eaton, Deanna Clayton, Kameron Freemyer, Tess Phillips and Jillian Stiens.

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Lady Panthers head for "The Big Dance"

The Mound City Lady Panthers - Boarded the bus for a four hour ride to Columbia, MO, on Wednesday afternoon, March 9. The team was making the trek for only the third time in Lady Panther history - to play in the Missouri State Championship Tournament on Thursday-Saturday, March 10-12. The girls and coaches, excited to be making the trip, are, left to right, front row, Hannah Wedlock, Kenzie Ashford, Jocelyn Clayton and Deanna Clayton; and, back row, assistant coach Doug Freemyer, Henna Kivilahti, Tess Phillips, Emily Wedlock, Kameron Freemyer, Kendey Eaton, Victoria Nauman, Paige Quilty, Jillian Stiens, Joeigh Eaton and head coach Derek Petty.



CONGRATULATIONS to the Mound City Lady Panthers! So proud of you!
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Mound City Lady Panthers' head coach, Derek Petty, right - Is all smiles with his daughter, Anniston, left, after receiving the Girls' Class 1 state basketball trophy on behalf of his team on Saturday, March 12, at the Mizzou Arena on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. Coach Petty was also given the game ball and a basketball net. The Lady Panthers defeated Naylor, MO, 57-45, to become the first Lady Panther basketball team to win the state title.



Freshman Mound City Lady Panther Victoria Nauman (34), left - Watches the path of the ball during a free throw in the semifinal game of the Class 1 state championship against the Glasgow (MO) Lady Jackets on Thursday, March 10, in the Hearnes Center on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. Nauman came off the bench during much of the game and made a 3-point shot at a critical point in the Lady Panthers' 57-52 victory.



Senior Mound City Lady Panther Kenzie Ashford (22) - Looks for an open teammate as she moves the ball around the front court on Thursday, March 10, in the semifinal game of the Class 1 state championship games against the Glasgow (MO) Lady Jackets in the Hearnes Center on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. The Lady Jackets were defeated by the Lady Panthers, 57-52. Ashford accomplished her assignment of shutting down the Lady Jackets' shooting guard, while still having five rebounds, one assist and one point.



A sea of purple cheers the Lady Panthers into the Class 1 finals

Several hundred Mound City Panther fans - Made the trip to Columbia, MO, on Thursday, March 10, to cheer for the Lady Panthers in the semifinal game of the Class 1 state championship. The Lady Panthers took on the Glasgow (MO) Lady Jackets in the Hearnes Center on the campus of the University of Missouri. Despite a 6'1" center on the Glasgow team, Mound City won the game, 57-52, and moved into the championship game on Saturday, March 12. The Lady Panthers played the Naylor (MO) Lady Eagles on Saturday.



Freshman Mound City Lady Panther Paige Quilty (32), left - Comes off the bench to play in the Missouri Class 1 state basketball tournament on Saturday, March 12, at the University of Missouri's Mizzou Arena at Columbia, MO, against the Naylor (MO) Lady Eagles. The Lady Panthers' victory, 57-45, gave Mound City its first ever state basketball first place trophy.



Sophomore Mound City Lady Panther Deanna Clayton (40) - Came in off the bench during critical times in the semifinal game of the Class 1 state championships against the Glasgow (MO) Lady Jackets on Thursday, March 10, in the Hearnes Center on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO. The Lady Panthers won the game, 57-52, and moved on to the finals on Saturday, March 12, in the Mizzou Arena against the Naylor, (MO) Lady Eagles.

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- March 17 - St. Patrick's Day
- March 18 - Hunter Education Skills Day at Squaw Creek Refuge
- March 18-19 - "Krazy Kamp" at State Theater - 7 p.m.
- March 19 - Mound City/Craig FBLA 5K Bubble Run - CANCELLED!!!!
- March 19 - Mound City Fire Dept. Fish and Chicken Fry at Fire Station - 4:30 p.m.
- March 19 - Celebrity Waiter Dinner Benefit for Community Hospital-Fairfax at Fairfax, MO, Gym - 6 p.m.
- March 20 - Palm Sunday and First Day of Spring
- March 21 - Holt County Government Day at Courthouse in Oregon, MO - 8:30 a.m.
- March 22 - Story Time at Mound City Library - 10:30 a.m.
- March 23 - Mound City Boys' Golf at Mound City - TBA
- March 23 - 12-Step Drug and Alcohol Recovery Program at Hwy. 159 & I-29 near Mound City - 7-8 p.m.
- March 24 - Mound City HS Track at Early Bird Relays at Worth County (Grant City, MO) - TBA
- March 24 - Mound City R-2 Dismisses Early for Easter Break - 12:30 p.m.
- March 25 - Good Friday
- March 25 & 28 - No School at Mound City R-2 - Easter Break
- March 27 - Easter
- March 31 - Mound City Boys' Golf at Mound City - TBA
- March 31 - Mound City HS Track at Rock Port, MO, Triangular - TBA
- April 1 - April Fool's Day
- April 4 - Friends of the Mound City Public Library Meeting at Mound City Public Library - 5 p.m.
- April 5 - Mound City JH Track at Mound City Quad - TBA
- April 6 - Mound City Boys' Golf at Tarkio, MO - TBA
- April 7 - Mound City HS Track at Stanberry, MO, Invitational - TBA
- April 7 - Mound City Aldermen Meeting at City Hall - 5:30 p.m.

Deadline for Calendar Items is Monday Evening

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Mound City celebrates with Lady Panthers in send-off to Final Four games in Columbia, MO

The pep band played and the fans cheered - For the 2015-2016 Lady Panthers' basketball team during a pep rally in downtown Mound City on Wednesday, March 9. The team was headed to play in the Missouri State Championship Tournament on the campus of the University of Missouri (MU) at Columbia, MO. Mound City R-2 middle school history teacher and junior high coach, Ryan Osburn (with the microphone), fired up the crowd with a rowdy introduction of the players and a brief history of the team. State Street, blocked off for the rally, was filled with students and faculty from Mound City R-2 and Craig R-3, parents of the teammates and fans from the area. The team took off for Columbia on Wednesday afternoon and played a semifinal game on Thursday, March 10, defeating the Glasgow Lady Jackets, 57-52.



The varsity cheerleaders for the Mound City Lady Panthers - Cheered for the team at the Missouri Class 1 state basketball championship game on Saturday, March 12, at the University of Missouri's Mizzou Arena in Columbia, MO. The cheerleaders are, left to right, Maggie Caton, Hillary Russell, Mae Sanders, Emma Derr and Bailee Schueth. Not pictured are the varsity cheerleaders that are Lady Panther basketball players, Kenzie Ashford, Emily Wedlock and Paige Quilty.



Mound City shows their support for the Lady Panthers

A large crowd of fans gathered on State Street in Mound City - Wednesday, March 9, for a pep rally for the Mound City Lady Panthers, before the team departed for Columbia, MO, for the Missouri State Championship Tournament. Craig R-3 brought two busloads of students to help the Mound City R-2 students cheer on the Lady Panthers. Mound City R-2 pep band, under the direction of David Reiter, played the team's fight song. Ryan Osburn introduced the players. Three members of the 2006-2007 Lady Panthers spoke about their experience as the second team from Mound City to make it to the Final Four. The girls received gifts from the Panther Booster Club before the rally ended.



Junior Mound City Lady Panther Tess Phillips (20), right - Drives into the lane in the championship game of the Missouri Class 1 state basketball games. Phillips scored nine points and had six rebounds in the victory over Naylor, MO, 57-45. The game was played at Mizzou Arena on the University of Missouri campus in Columbia, MO, on Saturday, March 12. The Lady Panthers brought home the first state basketball championship trophy in the school's history.



Freshman Mound City Lady Panther Paige Quilty, center - Says a quick prayer before the team enters the Mizzou Arena for the Missouri Class 1 state basketball final on Saturday, March 12, in Columbia, MO. Mound City became state champion with a 57-45 win over Naylor, MO. Behind, Hannah Wedlock and Henna Kivilahti look to the floor with anticipation of the huge game at hand.

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

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day
 March 18 - High School Play at Craig R-3 - 6:30 p.m.
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Hailey Markt to receive her Missouri State FFA Degree

One South Holt FFA member in Oregon, MO, will receive her Missouri State FFA Degree at the 2016 Missouri State FFA Convention. Hailey Markt, the daughter of Andy and Meri Markt, will receive the greatest degree bestowed at the state level in the National FFA Organization. To receive this degree, Hailey completed more than 360 hours of systematic school instruction, earned and productively invested more than \$1,000 in her Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE), and has demonstrated exemplary leadership skills in her chapter and school.

Hailey is an active member of the South Holt FFA and currently serves as the chapter president. The Missouri State FFA Degree is indeed a great accomplish-

ment and the South Holt FFA is very proud of Hailey and her achievement.

The 88th Missouri FFA Convention will be held in Columbia, MO, in the Hearnes Multipurpose Building on the University of Missouri campus on Thursday and Friday, April 21-22, 2016. The State FFA Degree recognition will be held during the Friday evening session, April 22.

The South Holt FFA, in collaboration with the South Holt Student Council, will hold the annual blood drive Wednesday, March 23, in the new gym at South Holt High School. The drive will be held from 2 to 7 p.m. If anyone would like to set up an appointment in advance, please call Mrs. Aeschliman at 660-446-3454.



(LEFT) South Holt FFA member, Hailey Markt - Will be receiving her Missouri State FFA Degree at the 2016 Missouri State FFA Convention in Columbia, MO, on Friday, April 22.

“Dating for Dietrich” at Craig R-3 on Friday

High school students at Craig, MO, R-3 will be presenting the play, “Dating for Dietrich”, this Friday, March 18, in the school gym at Craig. The performance will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Heather McCoy directing. Fifteen students make up the cast for the play written by Kory Howard.

There will also be a dinner served before the play for those who wish to participate. The meal will be held at 5:30 p.m. Performance (with dinner) tickets are available as well as performance (only) tickets. Contact the Craig R-3 school for more information.

Open House for First Lego League in Mound City

The First Lego League in Mound City is hosting an open house on Saturday, March 19, to celebrate the league’s successful year. The celebration will take place in the basement of the Mound City United Methodist Church from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m., with lunch served after.

Members of the league are Joseph Wheeler, A.J. Olason, Riley Olason and Alex Calkin. The advisor is Joy Wheeler. The group will demonstrate the robotics that they have programmed since last fall and speak of the goals and missions they have attained.

Craig R-III to hold kindergarten screening/roundup

Craig (MO) R-III will host Kindergarten Screening/Roundup on Friday, April 8, 2016, at the school. To be eligible for the kindergarten 2016-2017 school year, the child must be five years of age by August 1, 2016.

Screening will begin at 9 a.m. and will include an assessment of language, motor and cognitive skills, and a vision and hearing check. Please bring the child’s

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If there is anyone who has not received information from the school about the screening, please contact the school at 660-683-5431 to schedule a screening appointment.

Roundup activities will include lunch, a bus ride, parent information and kindergarten readiness activities. The Craig R-III School looks forward to meeting the parents and children.

State academic honor for Cassidy Saxton

Cassidy Saxton, who is a senior at Nodaway-Holt High School in Graham, MO, has been selected as an “Honorable Mention” student in the 2016 Missouri Scholars’ 100, a statewide program that honors 100 of Missouri’s top academic students in the graduating class of 2016. The announcement was made by Ethan Sickels, principal at Nodaway-Holt High School. Cassidy is the daughter of Shelly and Jack Saxton.

Missouri Scholars’ 100 is a program sponsored by the Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals. Schools

across Missouri were invited to nominate candidates for this statewide recognition. The selection is based primarily on a formula using the student’s grade point average (GPA) and American College Testing (ACT) or Scholastic Assessment Tests (SAT) score. Each student nominated had to first meet criteria of an “Academic Decathlon”, which included ten “events” designed to assure the academic strength of the student. To meet the decathlon requirements, the student must have a minimum GPA of 3.750, a minimum ACT score of 29 or

a minimum SAT score of 1,900, be ranked in the upper ten percent of the class, and have taken upper level courses in mathematics, science, English, and foreign language. The student must also have excellent attendance, be an exemplary school citizen, and be involved in the school activity program.

Phil Lewis, Executive Director of the principals’ association, said, “Students who are selected to this program have taken a rigorous course of study and have maintained the highest academic standards. The Missouri Association of Secondary



Cassidy Saxton

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South Holt R-1 athletes receive post season basketball honors

South Holt R-1 (Oregon, MO) - Announces that four members of the girls' and boys' varsity basketball teams received post season honors for the 2015-2016 basketball season. Pictured are, clockwise from bottom left, Ashley Hunziger, 275 Conference 2nd Team; Alan Ottman, 275 Conference 1st Team (Unanimous Selection), Class 1 District 16 1st Team; TJ Mitchell, 275 Conference 2nd Team, Class 1 District 16 2nd Team; and Emma Ezzell, 275 Conference Honorable Mention.

The meaning of St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day, or the Feast of Saint Patrick, is a cultural and religious celebration held on March 17, the traditional death date of Saint Patrick, the foremost patron saint of Ireland. St. Patrick's Day was made an official Christian feast day in the early 17th Century and is observed by the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion, the Eastern Orthodox Church, and Lutheran Church. The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland, and celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish in general. Celebrations generally involve public parades and festivals, and the wearing of green attire or shamrocks. Christians also attend church services and the Lenten restrictions on eating and drinking alcohol are lifted for the day, which has encouraged and propagated the holiday's tradition of alcohol consumption.

St. Patrick's Day is a public holiday in the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, the Canadian province of Newfoundland and Labrador, and the British Overseas Territory of Montserrat. It is also widely celebrated by the Irish around the world, especially in Great Britain, Canada, the United States, Argentina, Australia, and New Zealand.

Saint Patrick was a 5th Century Romano-British Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland. Much of what is known about Saint Patrick comes from the Declaration, which was allegedly written by Patrick himself. It is believed that he was born in Roman Britain in the fourth century, into a wealthy Romano-British family. His father was a deacon and his grandfather was a priest in the Christian church. According to the Declaration, at the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders and taken as a slave to Gaelic Ireland. It says that he spent six years there working as a shepherd and that during this time he "found God". The Declaration says that God told Patrick to flee to the coast, where a ship would be waiting to take him home. After making his way home, Patrick went on to become a priest.

Krazy Kamp at State Theater March 18-19

The Mound City R-2 middle school's performances of Krazy Kamp will be Friday, March 18, and Saturday, March 19, at 7 p.m. at the State Theater in Mound City.

Directed by Jan Seitz, middle school and elementary principal, the play is a hilarious story of a boys' camp "hiding out" in a girls' camp and the calamity that ensues.

Declaration says that he spent many years evangelizing in the northern half of Ireland and converted "thousands". Patrick's efforts to convert, subjugate, and drive off the Pagans (specifically the Celts) were eventually turned into an allegory in which he drove "snakes" out of Ireland. (Ireland never had any snakes.) Tradition holds that he died on March 17 and was buried at Downpatrick. Over the following centuries, many legends grew up around Patrick and he became Ireland's foremost saint.

On St. Patrick's Day, it is customary to wear shamrocks and/or green clothing or accessories (the "wearing of the green"). Saint Patrick is said to have used the shamrock, a three-leaved plant, to explain the Holy Trinity to the pagan Irish. This story first appears in writing in 1726, though it may be older.

The color green has been associated with Ireland since at least the 1640s, when the green harp flag was used by the Irish Catholic Confederation. Green ribbons and shamrocks have been worn on St. Patrick's Day since at least the 1680s. The phrase "wearing of the green" comes from a song of the same name, which laments United Irishmen supporters being persecuted for wearing green. Throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, the color green and its association with St. Patrick's Day grew.

St. Patrick's Day, while not a legal holiday in the United States, is nonetheless widely recognized and observed throughout the country as a celebration of Irish and Irish American culture. Celebrations include prominent displays of the color green, eating and drinking, religious observances, and numerous parades. The holiday has been celebrated on the North American continent since the late 18th Century.

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Thank you to all who donated to the Soup and Salad Bar Benefit for Jessica Linsday on Wednesday, March 9, at the White Rose Restaurant in Mound City.

A special thanks to the following for various contributions to the event:

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