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Fairfax One Stop opens

First customer - The Fairfax One Stop Convenience Store opened on Monday, January 28, 2008. Pictured above is the store's first customer of the morning, Nola Ilsley of Fairfax, left. Owners, Rod and Shirley Wake, hope people demonstrate patience as they continue to work on getting things up and running in the store.

Presidential Preference Primary Election February 5

The Presidential Preference Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2008. Citizens of Atchison County can vote for a presidential candidate from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. at one of the following locations: Tarkio - Farmers State Bank; Westboro - Community Building; Fairfax - City Hall; Rock Port - Bank Midwest; and Watson - Community Building. Curbside voting will be available at all polling places for handicapped voters.

The Atchison County Clerk's office at the county courthouse in Rock Port will be open on Saturday, February 2, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon for absentee voting.

FHS basketball homecoming February 8th

The 2008 Fairfax High School Basketball Homecoming will be held on Friday, February 8th. This year's theme is "Meet Me in the Pound...It's Going Down."

Activities will begin on Monday, February 4th, with Spirit Week. The cheerleaders are planning to make this a fun-filled week. Spirit week days include: **Monday** - Mardi Gras Day (beads, hats, masks, etc.); **Tuesday**, - P.J. Day; **Wednesday** - Fake Your Injury Day; **Thursday** - Twin Day; and **Friday** - Green and White Day. The homecoming pep rally will be held on Friday, February 8th, beginning at 2:45 p.m. in the high school gym. The public is invited to attend and cheer on the Bulldogs.

Candidates running for president include the following: **Republicans** - Ron Paul, Fred Thompson, Mitt Romney, Rudy Giuliani, John McCain, Mike Huckabee, Virgil L. R. Wiles, Tom Tancredo, Duncan Hunter, Hugh Cort, Alan Keyes, and Daniel Gilbert; **Democrats** - Hilary Clinton, Barack O'Bama, John Edwards, Ralph Spelbring, Dennis J. Kucinich, Bill Richardson, Joe Biden, Christopher J. Dodd, and Mike Gravel; and **Libertarians** - Wayne A. Root, Daniel Imperato, George Phillies, Michael P. Jingoian, Steve Kubby, and Dave Hollist. A full ballot is found elsewhere in this week's issue.

The Bulldogs will host the Mustangs of North Nodaway for this year's homecoming games. The varsity girls' game will begin at 6:30 p.m. followed by varsity boys. Coronation will take place after the boys' game. Last year's king and queen were Courtney Stout and Michael Graves.

New hospital application approved to start building

Community Hospital, Fairfax, in Fairfax, MO, is one step closer to building a new hospital. On January 29, 2008, the Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee approved the "Certificate of Need" application for the construction of the new facility. The new hospital will be built just north of Fairfax on Highway 59. The groundbreaking will take place this spring.

Board of education offers three-year contract to superintendent

The Fairfax R-3 Board of Education met on Monday, January 21st, 2008. Monthly bank reconciliation at the end of December was \$483,035.20.

Budget comparison to last year follows: revenue last year was \$670,348.76, this year it was \$650,177.45. Expenditures last year were \$721,226.57 and this year \$749,979.06. The fund balance as of January 21, was \$1,080,394.34. Payment of bills for the month was \$23,986.01.

Ed Defenbaugh, Superintendent, reported that tickets to the New Theater in Kansas City, MO are available to staff members for Sunday,

March 30th. Following the Fairfax Tournament an approximate total of \$453.12 was made after expenses.

There are five residents filing for three positions on the school board. They are Rhonda Ball, Gregg Smith, Robert Gibson, Deanna Beck and Tony Mitchell. Mr. Defenbaugh proposed the school calendar to the board for the first viewing.

Dustin Barnes, K-12 Principal, reported there are 17 families enrolled in the PAT (Parents As Teachers) program. A group meeting was held in November on art development with Mrs. Scherber. A second meeting was held on January 24th, with Ann Martin as guest speaker. She focused on nutrition and healthy snacks.

The Fairfax and Craig Schools are finalizing the Fairfax/Craig athletic schedule for next year. The Optimist will be sponsoring a fourth grade basketball tournament on Saturday, February 9th. The county spelling bee will be held on Monday, February 18th.

West Nodaway has asked to get into the Fairfax Basketball Tournament next year. They would take the place of the combined Fairfax/Craig teams. Mr. Barnes has spoken with six area elementary schools in regards to their MAP incentives. He will be meeting with the elementary staff to see what they want to do next year.

The board voted to amend the budget due to unexpected expenses. The vote was seven in favor and none opposed. The playground committee is applying for a \$10,000 grant to put a rubberized surface under the new playground equipment.

The school has not been able to fill the school nurse position at this time. They are looking into options. A resignation letter was read and approved from Lory Ann Daugherty. Mrs. Daugherty worked at the Community for Kids' Preschool. In closed session the board voted to offer Ed Defenbaugh a three-year contract. The salary for this offer will be determined at a later date.

Ground Hog Day supper

The Fairfax Christian Men will be hosting their annual Ground Hog Day Supper. The supper will be held on Saturday, February 2nd, 2008, beginning at 5 p.m. in the Christian Church basement. A free will offering will be accepted. The Christian Men will be serving pancakes and sausage.

Chili cook-off

The annual Fairfax Elementary Chili Cook-Off will be held on Tuesday, February 5th, 2008, before the home game with Stella.

The cook-off will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The classes will make their chili during the day and then will serve it to the community that evening. The community will then vote for their favorite chili. The winners will be announced during the basketball game.

Five file for school board

In April there will be a race for the Fairfax R-3 School Board. The Fairfax R-3 School Board has three openings with five residents running for the positions. Residents filing are: Rhonda Ball, Gregg Smith, Robert Gibson, Deanna Beck and Tony Mitchell.

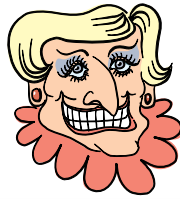
The City of Fairfax has two

seats open. City offices open are: north ward alderman, two-year term and south ward alderman, two-year term. Jack Kruse has refiled for his seat on the city council as south ward alderman. K.R. Pennel has filed for the north ward seat. The election is Tuesday, April 8, 2008.



1982 New Year's Baby gives gifts

Homemade caps - Pictured above is Thomas Southard, the 1982 New Year's Baby born at Community Hospital, left. He is presenting the hospital with two caps home-crocheted by his grandmother, Esther Southard, right, for the 2008 New Year's Baby at Community Hospital, Fairfax.



Ask Elsie Fae

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This Week in Fairfax

Friday, February 1st -
Varsity Basketball @ Craig, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 2nd -
Ground Hog's Day
Ground Hog's Day Supper @ Christian Church, 5 p.m.

Monday, February 4th -
Past Presidents
Basketball @ Stewartsville 6 p.m.

Tuesday, February 5th -
Optimist Club
Kiwanis Club
Quilt Guild
Basketball vs. Stella @ Fairfax, 5:30 p.m.
Elementary Chili-Cook off
Cheerleading Clinic 3:15 - 5p.m.

Wednesday, February 6th -
Ash Wednesday

Thursday, February 7th -
Hob Nob
Eastern Star

February Character Ed. Word of the Month
HONESTY- Being truthful in what you say and do.

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Delegate Selection - February 28, 2008

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I'LL ALWAYS REMEMBER DR. GEORGE

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He was the ultimate professor: imbued with wisdom, he had an insatiable appetite for learning. His studies in the field of Psychology were so significant that he was asked to come to Sweden to read his paper.

After I was older and common sense had kicked in, I was accorded the high privilege of frequent visits with Dr. George. It was always a learning experience.

Dr. George with his shared wisdom and knowledge has shaped and is still shaping the lives of those who had the opportunity to know and learn from Dr. George.

WHEN I WAS YOUNG AND ORNERY

At my age one begins to worry about the possibility of Heavenly Reprisals, so I am only too happy to confess my youthful sins that involved Dr. George.

The sole reason for my interest in attending college was to pick out, and pick up, a husband. Forgive me for bragging but my plans reached fruition before the end of the first semester of my second year.

If you attended college when I did -- and not many are still alive -- you will remember Dr. Thompson's 45-minute prayer in chapel.

It was during that first year that Dr. George greeted me with the news that someone had been keeping count and that I had 15 cuts in chapel, and almost that many in French. Dr. George assured me that that was a serious breach of conduct, and that I had been suspended for three days.

I lived in town with my family, and while three days of no classes had an enormous appeal, having to face the music at home gave me pause. The solution was simple. I decided not to share the news.

The next morning I dressed for school, left at the usual time and walked to the campus.

My first class that day was Psychology with Dr. George.

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I took my books and entered his room.

However, he did remember that I had been suspended and said, "You've been suspended. What are you doing here?"

Honesty has always been my best policy, and I replied, "I didn't have any place else to go."

At that very moment he saw material for a case study, and he let me stay.

On another occasion Dr. George asked me why I was such a show-off.

My indignant answer was, "I'm not a show-off! I even sit in the back of the room so you won't call on me to answer a question. I'm actually shy."

Dr. George apologized, but I don't think he believed me.

Sometime later, when I was older, but no smarter, I wrote a paper for his class. It was based on the proposition that several African countries had not progressed because children in those counties had not been potty-trained, and therefore lacked the tension needed for motivation.

Dr. George said my paper was well written, but lacked substance -- that is essential facts. He was kind enough to say what it didn't lack.

I have never known Dr. George to be wrong!

Letter to the community

Fairfax Community,

The day in September when Daltyn Burke was featured on the front page of the *St. Joseph News Press Gazette* sports page, I called his mother and read the article to her before she had even had the chance to get the paper.

After I made that 6 a.m. call to his mother, I began calling almost everyone I knew telling them to get the paper, acting like I was a proud mother. Of course, I am not his mother, Karen Burke is. I'm not even distantly related to him. But there's just something about that kid that draws you into his corner to cheer him on. It could be that he gets good grades, strives for the "Perfect Attendance" award each year, is a member of the Academic Team and even has a weekend job. Or it could be that even though he was recently named to the All-State football team, he is one of the most humble and kind youth you will ever meet.

The so-called "silver spoon" never came close to his mouth. Daltyn has worked for every accomplishment he has at-

tained. He has spent countless hours in the weight room and gymnasium, often alone or solely with his coach, never making excuses, only working to make himself better.

In 1946, the Dodgers manager, Leo Durocher, has been quoted as saying, "Nice guys always finish last." I guess the purpose of this letter is just to prove him wrong because the 600 people in Fairfax, MO, have living proof that nice guys don't always finish last, sometimes they are the All-State athlete and top in their class. In an attempt to raise a child even close to the caliber of Daltyn Burke, I put a picture of Daltyn playing football in my son Tony's room. It's a constant reminder to our family that it is still possible to be a highly moral and ethical "All-American Kid," even in this day and age. I urge you to thank Daltyn and all those young people who are striving to be a positive role model for the youth of this community.

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Farmer City Project to start construction this spring

Wind energy tax credit is key to more growth in northwest Missouri



Guest speaker - Pictured above is Mike Cowan who spoke to the Kiwanis Club about being a guide and outfitter in Alaska.

Kiwanis Club news

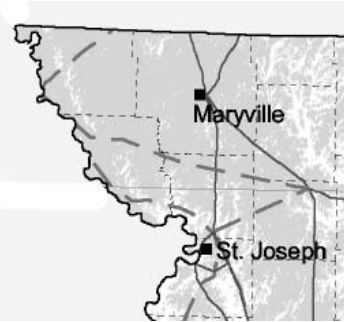
The Fairfax Kiwanis Club met on Tuesday, January 15th, 2008, with 19 members present. Guests included Mike Eighmy and Mike Cowan.

Mike Cowan was the guest speaker for the meeting. Mike is a registered guide and outfitter in Alaska. He spoke enthusiastically about his business Crosshairs Outfitters of Alaska. "Basecamp" is here in Fairfax, where he and his wife, Karen, now reside. Crosshairs specializes in Alaska big game hunting and fishing, specifically brown bear, moose, caribou, and salmon. His business operates out of Kenai, AK, on the pristine Kenai Peninsula; but the Cowans now call Fairfax "home."

It was announced that farm and city day will be Tuesday, February 19. The club also met on Tuesday, January 21st, with 18 members and two guests, Roger Martin and Bill Slaughter present. Bill talked about his mission trip to Guatemala.



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The United States has been installing more wind energy turbines than any other country in the world according to national reports. In 2006, an additional 2,454 megawatts were installed, bringing the nation's total installed capacity to 11,603 megawatts. Wind energy is fueled by the wind, so it's a clean fuel source. Wind energy doesn't pollute the air like power plants that rely on combustion of fossil fuels, such as coal or natural gas. Wind turbines don't produce atmospheric emissions that cause acid rain or greenhouse gases. Wind energy is a domestic source of energy, produced in the United States.

The nation's wind supply is abundant. Wind energy relies on the renewable power of the wind, which can't be used up. Wind is actually a form of solar energy; winds are caused by the heating of the atmosphere by the sun, the rotation of the earth, and the earth's surface irregularities.

Wind turbines can be built on farms or ranches, thus benefiting the economy in rural areas, where most of the best wind sites are found. Farmers and ranchers can continue to work the land because the wind turbines use only a fraction of the land. Wind power plant owners make rent payments to the farmer or rancher for the use of the land. Good wind areas, which cover 6% of the contiguous U.S. land area, have the potential to

supply more than one and a half times the current electricity consumption of the United States. Northwest Missouri is the best location of wind sources in the state. Current wind projects in Missouri are as follows: Conception Wind Project, Nodaway County, 50.4 megawatts, 24 units, developer is Wind Capital Group/John Deere Capital, power purchaser is Associated Electric Cooperative; Cow Branch Wind Energy Center, Atchison County, 50.4 megawatts, 24 units, developer is Wind Capital Group/John Deere Capital, power purchaser is Associated Electric Cooperative; and Loess Hills Wind Energy Center, Atchison County, 5 megawatts, 4 units, developer is Wind Capital Group/John Deere Capital, power purchaser is Missouri Public Utility Alliance.

Iberdrola and the Farmer City Wind Project Development are looking forward to a busy year in 2008 with the construction of

the first phase of the wind project. Starting this week, a staking crew will be out and about in the project area in preparation for the start of construction. The Farmer City wind project is planned in two phases. The project will be for 72 wind turbines in the Farmer City area in Atchison County. Construction plans are to start in April and be completed in December of 2008. The project developer is Mark Stacy, who can be reached at (307) 638-6091. The project's website is <http://www.atchisoncounty-wind.com>. Updates on this project will be posted on this site.

Coal, the most polluting fuel and the largest source of the leading greenhouse gas, carbon dioxide (CO₂), is currently used to generate more than half of all of the electricity (52%) used in the United States. Other sources of electricity are: natural gas (16%), oil (3%), nuclear (20%), and hydropower (7%). Congress is faced with the tax incen-

tives for wind energy set to expire at the end of 2008. The production tax credit (PTC) provides a 1.9-cent per kilowatt-hour (kWh) benefit for the first 10 years of a renewable energy facility's operation.

Strong growth in U.S. wind installations is now projected through 2008. With thousands of wind turbines sprouting nationwide, US renewable energy seems poised for a boom as long as federal tax credits don't suddenly evaporate. After years of start-and-stop growth, wind and solar-powered industries soared in 2007, thanks to three consecutive years of tax credits that provided a critical lift for both sectors. The wind energy impact has been huge. Nearly one-third of all US power capacity added last year, about 5,244 megawatts, was in wind energy. Overall, wind-generating grew by 45 percent last year, which was the equivalent of 10 large coal-fired power plants.

ABSOLUTE LAND AUCTION 345 Acres m/l Nodaway Co. Farmland — Selling in 2 Tracts —

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AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Steve Espey Auctions has been commissioned by the Schrier family to sell this farmland at public auction to the highest bidder. The owners are most sincere about placing this land in the hands of a new owner or owners, this auction is absolute. These tracts of land will be sold separately, and will not be put together. There is no buyer's premium. Be prepared sale day as the land may sell in your price range. All tracts are located in the Maryville School District. Please feel free to call the Auctioneers if you have questions about the farm. Soil type information will be available on sale day or can be obtained at the Nodaway County NRCS Office - (660) 582-7125, Ext. 3. See you sale day, Steve and Kermit.

Tract 1 - located on North side of road, includes 215 acres m/l with 198 acres in crops, no buildings, tilled and terraced with 2 ponds, has had good crop rotation management between corn and soybeans, regularly fertilized. Rural water available. Homesite on northeast corner to be surveyed off. True legal to be determined. TAXES: Approx. \$1,016.40 per year.

Tract 2 - located on South side of road, includes 130 acres m/l with 121 acres in crops, 26,000 bu. grain storage, open front implement shed, is tilled and terraced and has had good crop rotation management between corn and soybeans, regularly fertilized. Rural water available. Electricity supplied by United Electric Cooperative for grain storage. TAXES: Approx. \$483.15 per year.

TERMS: 10% down sale day to be escrowed at the office of John Baker, Attorney, entering into Real Estate contract on sale day. Balance due at closing in approximately 30 days at the office of John Baker, Attorney for the seller, 124 E. Third Street, Maryville, MO., when clear title and possession will be given. Buyers will be responsible for 2008 taxes. Please have your financing approved by sale day so you are able to pay cash at closing. Your bidding is not contingent upon financing. Espey Auctions and his representatives are exclusive agents for the seller. The land is being sold "as is, where is" and each potential bidder must base his or her bids on his or her own, personal inspection of the property. Announcements made day of sale take precedence over printed advertisements.

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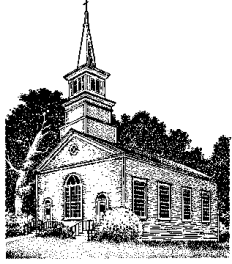


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Area Church Directory



Fairfax United Methodist Church

Pastor Mike Eighmy

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
Promise Keepers - Wednesday mornings at 6 a.m.,
Thursday, January 31 - Choir Practice, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 6 - Ash Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.
Thursday, February 7 - Choir Practice, 6:30 p.m.

Fairfax Christian Church

Pastor Adam Magill

www.fairfaxchristianchurch.com

Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
Taped worship service, Thursdays, 2 p.m. on Channel 61
God Squad Wednesday, 3:15 - 4:30 p.m.
SELAH Youth Team, Sundays, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday, 6 - 7 p.m.
Choir, Wednesday, 7-8 p.m.

Fairfax Presbyterian Church

Rev. Nancy Profit

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Taped worship service, Mondays, 6 p.m. on Channel 61
Session meets second Monday of the month, 7 p.m.
Nite Owls meet first Monday of the month, 7 p.m.

Fairfax Baptist Church

Robert Lilly, Pastor

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Sharp's Grove Methodist Church

Dr. Pamela Brakhage, Pastor

Coffee and rolls fellowship, 8:30 a.m.
Worship Service, 8:45 a.m. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Family night, first Sunday of each month, 6:00 p.m.
Men's Fellowship, third Wednesday, 7:00 a.m.

St. Oswald's In-The-Fields

Regular services, second and fourth Sundays, 11 a.m.

Church of God

Craig, Missouri

Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.

St. John's Lutheran Church LCMS

Corning, Missouri

W. James Lowmaster, Pastor

Sunday School @ Corning - Adult Bible Study, 10:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship @ Corning, 9 a.m.

Weekly quote to ponder:

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Announce birth of son

David and Kaitlin (Seymour) Roberson announce the birth of a son, Ethan Adi, born December 28th, 2007, in Haifa, Israel. Ethan weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Lane and Aimee Seymour, Fairfax. Paternal grandparents are Phil Roberson, Clarksville, TN, and John and Sara Kerr, Hamilton, AL.

Maternal great-grandparents are Dale and Dorthie Seymour, Fairfax, and Claudia Baker, Linn, MO. Paternal great-grandparents are Sidney and Peggie Roper, Bartlesville, OK.

February OATS bus schedule

The Atchison County OATS bus schedule for the month of February, 2008, follows:

Fridays, February 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 - Rock Port, MO, and Watson, MO, in-town service.

Mondays, February 4, 11, and 25 - Tarkio and Westboro, MO, in-town service.

Tuesdays, February 5 and 26 - Atchison County to Shenandoah, IA.

Thursdays, February 7 and 21 - Fairfax, MO, to Tarkio.

Tuesday, February 12 - Atchison County to Maryville, MO.

Thursdays, February 14 and 28 - Fairfax to Rock Port.

Monday, February 18 - Holiday - Presidents' Day.

Thursday, February 21 - Committee meeting at Tarkio.

The Atchison County OATS bus driver is Donna Golden in vehicle number 1071. OATS transportation is available to anyone regardless of age or income. To schedule a ride, call one of these area contacts: **Tarkio** - P. Jackson, 736-5738; **Fairfax** - B. Paris, 660-686-3568; or **Rock Port** - H. Fentiman, 660-744-2370.

Son for Hills

Joe and Jennifer Hill of Craig, MO, are pleased to announce the birth of their baby boy, Jonquin Joseph Micheal Hill. Jonquin was born at Community Hospital, Fairfax, in Fairfax, MO, on Friday, January 25, 2008, at 3:32 p.m. Jonquin weighed eight pounds, one ounce. Besides by his parents, Jonquin is welcomed by siblings, Jaelynn Faith, age six, and Jaecey Hope, age three.

Maternal grandparents are Ronnie and Janice Rehm and David Trauernicht of Craig. Paternal grandparents are Gary and Sherry Price of Fairfax, MO. Maternal great-grandparents are Marjorie McDowell of Mound City, MO; Arnold Rehm of Craig; and Johnnie and Ella Marie Trauernicht of Craig. Paternal great-grandparents are Corky Price of Tarkio and Arch and Sue Agnew of Craig.

60th wedding anniversary for Carters

The family and friends of E.C. and Helen Carter of Oregon, MO, are requesting a card shower in honor of the couple's 60th wedding anniversary. E.C. and Helen were married February 14, 1948, at the Baptist Church in Fairfax, MO. Cards of congratulations will reach the couple at 700 North Jefferson, Oregon, MO 64473.

Holtz gives nuclear energy program at Sorois meeting

Judy Holtz presented a program on nuclear energy and nuclear power plants to the Fairfax Sorois members on January 21st, 2008, at the Fairfax Methodist Church.

Before explaining how the boiling water reactor works at the Cooper Nuclear Station near Brownville, NE, Judy introduced terms such as matter, elements, atoms and sub-atomic particles and how they are incorporated in the production of electricity. The Cooper Station began producing electricity on July 1, 1974. Using about six pounds



Peregrines announce birth of son

Brandon and Jennifer Peregrine, Tarkio, MO, with love and joy announce the birth of a sweet baby boy. Bo Logan Peregrine was born on Thursday, January 24th, 2008, at 1:20a.m. at St. Frances Hospital and Health Services in Maryville, MO. He weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Kent and Janice Ray, Fairfax. Paternal grandparents are Bill and Cathie Peregrine, Burlington Junction, MO. Maternal great grandparents are Deanie Ray and Keith Ray, both of Rock Port, MO.

of uranium, it can produce eight hundred megawatts of electricity.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission very strictly regulates nuclear power production. There has not been any death or injury in the United States due to the shipment of nuclear materials nor the release of nuclear materials into the environment. The United States has approximately 100 nuclear power plants that provide twenty percent of our nations electricity. The next Sorois meeting will be February 4th.



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GROUND HOG SUPPER

Saturday, February 2nd

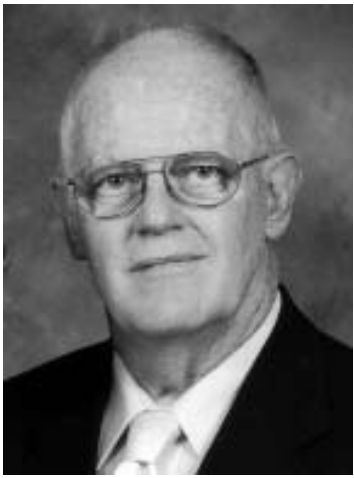
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Obituary



Don McCartney

Services for Don McCartney of Tulsa, OK, formerly of Tarkio, were held on Saturday, January 26, 2008, at 2 p.m. at Woodlake Assembly of God Church in Tulsa. Reverend Ted Heaston officiated; Reverend Ron Siex read the obituary; and Reverend Ed Bateman gave the eulogy.

Don McCartney was the son of Eugene and Anna Umbarger McCartney of Tarkio. He was born at home on August 23, 1936, and passed away Wednesday, January 23, 2008, at the age of 71 years.

Don attended a country school close to home and then traveled five miles to Tarkio High School. After high school, he went to the University of Missouri in Maryville, MO, where he met his wife, Janis James. They both were in the Tower Choir. After a whirlwind romance, they were married and soon became farmers on the home place where they farmed for 26 years.

After their four children, Reta, Mark, Marvin, and Janene, graduated from high school, Don and Janis left the farm and moved to Tulsa, OK. That was 25 years ago this month.

Don was always involved

in the Production Credit Farming Board. He served nine years on the Fairfax, MO, School Board where his children attended school. He was active in the Fairfax Methodist Church as a lay leader. For five years, Don and Janis had their own traveling puppet ministry named "The Gospel Gang". School children helped in the performances and named the puppets. They also participated in 25 Lay Witness Missions in the midwest. These groups would travel to other churches to help them revitalize.

Upon moving to Tulsa, Don worked as a landscape engineer and later as maintenance engineer for 19 years, coupled with his privately owned heating and air conditioning business. Don and Janis went to Costa Rica on a long mission trip in the 90's where they built churches, schools, and educated the local people.

While retired, Don restored his red tractor to show at tractor show clubs. He would travel to other states all summer for these shows. After acquiring more International Harvester red tractors, he joined and became chaplain of another tractor pulling club where he won over 70 trophies. He also loved performing in the Olio at the Spotlight Theatre on Riverside once a month and belonging to "Round the Benders" group. He would share his tongue twisters and quips that he memorized in the shower or bath at retirement centers.

Needless to say, Don enjoyed anyone he ever met and through all the health problems, he never complained. He always said he would make the best of all that was happening to him.

After the turn of the century and retirement, Don and

Janis spent their winters in southern Texas. There, they ran the annual talent show at their RV park with over 300 attending twice a day to see 15 super acts of entertainment. Then, during the week, they spent time singing at karaoke shows throughout the Texas valley.

Don and Janis made Woodlake their church home, where they were involved in many activities including Don's Men Huddle Group. Don especially enjoyed driving Woodlake's people mover for different groups.

Don's beloved God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit sustained him through it all until his journey into heaven was complete on January 23.

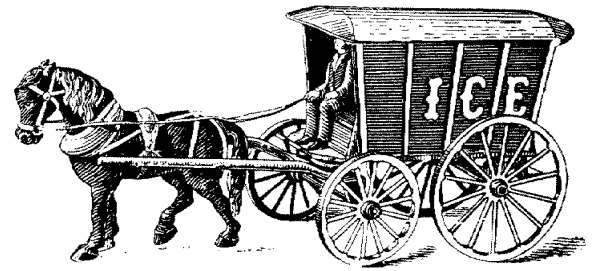
Don is survived by his wife of 51 years, Janis; four children, daughter, Reta and husband, Jim Massing, of Gower, MO, son, Mark and wife, Susan, of Nixa, MO, son, Marvin of Tarkio, and daughter, Janene and husband, Leonard McEnaney, of Tarkio; brother, Bob and his wife, Pat, of Bella Vista, AR; sister, Dorothy Phillips and husband, Carmen, of Bella Vista; brother-in-law, Wayne James and wife, Dixie, of Elmo, MO; and all his grandchildren, Nathan, Evan, Taylor, and Shelby McCartney, Shawn Daugherty, and David, Rachel, and Denise McEnaney.

Memorials may be given to Woodlake Assembly of God, 'Light for the Lost', 7100 East 31st Street, Tulsa, OK 74145.

Alumni banquet set for May 9th

The time has come to start thinking about making plans to return to Fairfax High School for the alumni banquet. The 2008 Fairfax Alumni Banquet will be held on Friday, May 9th, 2008. The Fairfax High School Class of 1958 will be honored during this year's banquet. Watch the *Fairfax Forum* for more information on the banquet and for making reservations.

Do You Remember?



January 30th, 1958

Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Sly announce the birth of a son, David Paul, who was born at the Fairfax Community Hospital on January 27.

Bill Oswald and Swede Johnson caught a catfish weighing 62 pounds.

Plastering of the rooms in the new hospital addition is underway.

February 3rd, 1983

Hunter Grocery is celebrating 70 years of continuous business on the same corner.

Dan Fries put up a new metal building where the old Olver Machine Shop was.

David Wayne Gomel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gomel, was baptized on January 30, at the Fairfax Methodist Church by Rev. Fred Lawson.

January 29th, 1998

Contest winners for the new school addition are Courtney Sinkhorn, Keison Nemyer, Devin Adams, Tyler Heits, Kaylyn Sly, Shelby Zirfas, Tayne Thompson, Jesse Simmons, Lacy Moore and Troy Simmons.

PFC Matthew Johnson completed basic Marine Corp. Boot Camp.

Amber Oswald and Eric Davis were the 1998 Basketball Homecoming Royalty.

Although words seem inadequate, we would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown to us during John's illness and passing.

Thank you to the Atchison-Holt Ambulance District for the quick responses and caring attitudes. Thank you to the doctors and nurses at Clarkson Hospital. Thank you to Dr. Hunter and Dr. Burke as well as all the hospital nurses and staff that went out of their way to make a difficult situation easier, the personalized care we received could not be matched; and to Shawn Minter and Davis Funeral Home employees and Dr. James Shrieves for making John's service comforting and special. Thanks to Rev. Rusty Smith for his visits and prayers with John and family.

Thank you to the United Methodist Church members for providing the dinner.

Thanks to everyone for cards, food, flowers, prayers, visits, phone calls and memorials. John was a friend to everyone he met. God bless all of you.

The Family of John Hardy




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Fairfax wins battle of the Bulldogs
Team work - The Fairfax Bulldogs hosted the East Buchanan Bulldogs on Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008. The Fairfax boys won the close battle, 42-41. Pictured above is Fairfax's Jacob Beck, right, as he prepares to pass inside to teammate, Tyler Heits, #14.



Cheering on the Bulldogs
Go Big Green! - Pictured above are Fairfax Cheerleaders as they cheer during the girls' game on Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008, at Fairfax. Left to right, Jill Riley, Kristi Sons and Emily VanGundy.



Up, up and away
Shooting over the defense - Pictured above is Fairfax Lady Bulldog, Colleen O'Riley, right, as she shoots over the East Buchanan defense on Tuesday night, January 22nd. Fairfax won the contest 51-35.



Defense
Fairfax hosts Eash Buchanan - Pictured above is Fairfax's Daniel Umbarger, left, as he defends an East Buchanan player during the non-conference contest on Tuesday, January 22nd, in Fairfax.



Smith concentrates
Fairfax wins - Pictured above is Fairfax Senior Lady Bulldog, Leslie Smith, right, as she concentrates on defending the East Buchanan player during the non-conference basketball game held in Fairfax on Tuesday, January 22nd. Fairfax won the game 51-35.

Basketball teams to Stewartsville

The Fairfax High School Basketball teams will be playing at Stewartsville, MO, on Monday, February 4th, 2008, at 6 p.m. This game was just added to the schedule.

Tarkio Golf Club annual meeting Feb. 13

The Tarkio Golf Club annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 13, 2008, at 7 p.m. in the Farmers State Bank Community Room at Tarkio. The agenda for the meeting will include: minutes of the 2007 annual meeting, the financial report, remarks by the president, an open discussion, and election of board member (one for a three-year term - Carla Summa is outgoing board member, elected in 2006 to fulfill Carolyn Staashelm's term). Retained board members are H.A. Hawkins, elected in 2007; Morris Ray, elected in 2006; Steve Hoffrogge, elected in 2006; and Bill Fox, elected in 2007.

MSHSAA district football assignments

The Missouri State High School Athletics' Association (MSHSAA) district football assignments for the 2008 and 2009 seasons have been announced. Tarkio is in the Class 1, District 16, bracket with Albany, King City, and Rock Port (Independent). The Grand River Conference schools are: Tarkio, King City, Albany, Polo, Penney, Maysville, Gallatin, and Princeton.

In eight-man classification, Fairfax will be combining its football team with Craig and will be known as the Craig team. In District 3, along with Craig, are Mound City, Nodaway-Holt, South Holt, and West Nodaway. Schools in the 275 Conference are: Craig, Mound City, Nodaway-Holt, South Holt, West Nodaway, North Nodaway, Stanberry, and Worth County.

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Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Feb. 5	S.E. Consolidated	Fairfax	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 14	N.E. Nodaway	Ravenwood	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 22	Nodaway-Holt	Fairfax	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 25-Mar. 1	District Tourn.	Ravenwood	TBA

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Community for Kids' Star of the Week



Kendall's favorite color is pink and she loves to eat spaghetti. She enjoys going to Mimi and Papa's in Ravenwood. Miss Hux adores pigs because they are pink. Her favorite holiday is Valentine's Day because people send cards. In the car, she enjoys listening to "Nobody's Perfect" by Hannah Montana. She takes pleasure in reading Cinderella "because I have the movie too."

Kendall Elaine Hux is Community for Kids' Star of the Week. Shane and Nichole Hux of Mound City, MO, are her proud parents. On September 4th, 2007, Kendall celebrated her 4th birthday.

Kendall is fond of preschool because "we get to play in the loft." She is passionate about Fairfax because "I go to mommy's big school."

Northwest Missouri State University's 2007 fall honor roll

The Office of the Registrar at Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, MO, announces the students who were named to the Academic or President's Honor Roll at the end of the 2007 fall trimester. To be included on the Academic Honor Roll, a student must carry a minimum of 12 credit hours and attain a grade point average of 3.50 or above on a 4.0 scale. Students named to the President's Honor Roll have attained a perfect 4.0 grade point average for the trimester. Listed by hometown and either the President's or Academic Honor Roll, Northwest's fall 2007 trimester honor rolls from Missouri include:

Fairfax - President's, Katy Heitman and Dustin Stoner; and Academic, Shelby Fisher, Megan O'Riley, Miles Smith, and Hannah Porter.

Rock Port - President's, Ashley Pfeil and Geraldine Wilson; and Academic - Melinda Bell, Brett Chamberlain, Adam Hance, Reven Herron, Kaley Johnson, Donald Parsons, Laura Thomas, and Travis True.

Atchison County Spelling Bee

The Atchison County Spelling Bee will be held in Tarkio on Monday, February 18, 2008, at 3:30 p.m. The Atchison County Spelling Bee, held every year, is an opportunity for Tarkio, Fairfax, MO, and Rock Port, MO, elementary and junior high students to show their spelling skills in competition.

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Fairfax R-3 Menus

Monday, February 4 - Breakfast - Cereal, pop tart, juice, and milk; and **Lunch** - Chicken fajita, lettuce, cheese, taco sauce, sour cream, peaches, and milk.

Tuesday, February 5 - Breakfast - Breakfast cinnamon pizza, sausage patty, juice, and milk; and **Lunch** - Meatball and mozzarella hot pockets, tator tots, peas, chocolate chip bar cookie, and milk.

Wednesday, February 6 - Breakfast - Cereal, donut, juice, and milk; and **Lunch** - Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, French fries, carrots, no bake cookie, and milk.

Thursday, February 7 - Breakfast - Pancakes, bacon, syrup, juice, and milk; and **Lunch** - Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, peach crisp, and milk.

Friday, February 8 - Breakfast - Cereal, mini muffin, juice, and milk; and **Lunch** - Hot dog on a bun, potato wedges, corn, butterscotch pudding, and milk.

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BULLDOG PRIDE

Elementary Broadway

By: Jessica VanGundy

On Elementary Broadway this week is Shanna Gilpin. Shanna is in the first grade and her teacher is Mrs. Twilla Clark. Her best friend is Katie Baker, her favorite food is macaroni, and her favorite color is blue. "The Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly" by Simms Taback, is her favorite book. Her favorite sport is softball and her favorite class is art. When Shanna grows up she wants to be an art teacher.

Fairfax FCCLA shines at STAR events!

By: Leslie Smith

On Monday, January 21st, 2008, the Fairfax FCCLA chapter traveled to Mound City, MO, for the annual STAR event competition. There were six participants that competed and placed with at least a silver or gold medal. Alicia Clark, freshman, received a silver medal for her presentation on Chapter Showcase-Junior division. Nikki Graves, senior, received a silver medal for the Knowledge test that she took. Colleen O'Riley and Leslie Smith, seniors, received a gold medal for their presentation on Chapter Showcase-Senior division. Amber Lewis, senior, and Chelsea Miller, sophomore, also received a gold medal for their Illustrated Talk presentation and will continue on to state. The state competition will be held in Columbia, MO. Congratulations to all who participated and good luck at state!

The Bulldog sports' scoop

By: Tyler Heits

On Thursday night, January 24, 2008, the Fairfax Bulldogs traveled up to the popcorn capital of the Midwest, Hamburg, IA. The girls started things off going lights out on the Wild Cats. They won decisively with the score of 55-35. Following the girls game the boys had to play. It was a close game, but they left Hamburg with a win and the score ended up 50-47.

Student/teacher perspective

By Tommy Shepard

Q. What do you think of when you hear the name "Martin Luther King Jr.?"

A. Tyler Heits - "I Have A Dream" speech.

Jessica VanGundy - His famous speech.

Mrs. Hux - Inspiring leader.

Whitney Harrington - Civil Rights movement and the fight for freedom.

Tabatha Theas - Freedom

Special section in Feb. 14 issue

There will be a special section in the Thursday, February 14, *Tarkio Avalanche* and *Fairfax Forum* newspapers. This section will feature information about and photographs of the Tarkio and Fairfax chapters of Future Farmers of America (FFA); Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA); and Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). All of these high school organizations will be celebrating weeks of national recognition in February.



Senior Spotlight

By: Whitney Harrington

Jake Bradbury is in the Senior Spotlight this week. He is the son of Jim Bradbury and Becky Wilson. He is also the grandson of Rex Bradbury and Henry and Toni Wilson.

Jake enjoys hunting, fishing, and spending time with his girlfriend. Jake's interests include playing sports such as football and basketball. Something that he will never forget about high school is winning the District Basketball Tournament two years in a row.

One of Jake's favorite quotes is, "The truth is you don't know what is going to happen tomorrow because life is a crazy ride, and nothing is guaranteed," author unknown. He likes to drink pop, and his favorite kind is Coke. He also likes any kind of food there is and he enjoys listening to Eminem/Rap. After high school Jake plans to attend Northwest Missouri State University.

Financial Aid Night February 7

Financial Aid Night was cancelled on January 17, 2008, due to inclement weather. The meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, February 7, 2008. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Fairfax School Library. Atchison County High School seniors and their parents are encouraged to attend the meeting to find out about how to apply for financial aid, which will help them with college expenses.

College visits

By: Jacob Wennihan

On February 6th, 2008, the juniors and seniors will be attending college visits at the high school in the counselors room. Representatives will be coming from North Central Missouri College and Missouri Western College. The Missouri Western representative will be at the school at 10:00 a.m. and the North Central Missouri representative will be here at 12:45 p.m. At these visits the reps will be talking to the students about enrollment into college, the cost of college, and will be asking students what they want out of college. At the end of the visit, the floor is open for questions.

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**CITY OF FAIRFAX STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
JANUARY 1, 2007, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007**

GENERAL	
General Fund Bank Balance from 1/1/07 to 12/31/07	
RECEIPTS	
Franchise Utility Tax	38,996.92
RP Utility Tax	2,477.08
Property Tax	28,411.02
Financial INST Tax	1,455.36
Interest on Checking	507.27
Penalties	6,001.86
Election Co. Clerk	15.00
Surtax	1,800.01
Peddler Permits	50.00
Photo Copies, Faxes	167.70
Municipal Court	34.00
Reimb. FEMA	2,147.33
Spec. Assess, Mic	128.44
Redeposit Returned Checks	1,742.04
Transfer From Waste	5,000.00
Interest Fin INST Tax	60.00
<u>Total Receipts For General</u>	<u>88,994.03</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Salaries	28,235.27
Payroll Taxes	6,340.61
Legal Adv. Election	220.49
Insurance, Bonds	5,928.78
Utilities	2,593.62
Postage	356.32
Dues Educ. Meetings	1,054.50
New Equipment	2,089.40
Repairs, Supplies	2,227.40
Transfer to Fire Dept.	18,000.00
Mileage	59.16
Misc.	1,286.55
Return Checks	1,523.04
Audit	261.00
Bank Box Rent	22.50
Bank Charges	128.34
Transfer to St. Light	2,700.00
Transfer to Park	2,500.00
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>75,526.98</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	97,906.56
TOTAL RECEIPTS	88,994.03
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	75,526.98
ENDING BALANCE	111,373.61

STREET LIGHT	
RECEIPTS	
Property Tax	6,800.04
Surtax	537.81
Interest on Banking	20.65
Transfer From General	2,700.00
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>10,058.50</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Aquila	11,388.66
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>11,388.66</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	1,896.57
TOTAL RECEIPTS	10,058.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	11,388.66
ENDING BALANCE	566.41

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ENDING BALANCE	566.41

PARK FUND	
RECEIPTS	
Property Tax	6,572.18
Interest on Checking	21.26
Surtax	444.34
Transfer from General	2,500.00
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>9,537.78</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Salary, Labor	3,276.83
Payroll Taxes	707.53
Utilities	1,345.11
Repairs and Supplies	1,155.71
Seed, Fertilizer, Chem.	248.90
Insurance	1,205.51
Park Activities	850.00
Gas, Oil	363.91
Misc.	221.43
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>9,374.93</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	246.37
TOTAL RECEIPTS	9,537.78
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	9,374.93
ENDING BALANCE	409.22

STREET REPAIR	
RECEIPTS	
Local Sales Tax	32,382.79
Motor Vehicle Tax	24,931.42
Interest Collected	85.07
Reimb.	1,163.13
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>58,562.41</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Transfer from Street Repair Reserve	30,000.00
Gravel, Trucking, Oil Patch	5,796.78
Salaries	13,117.21
Payroll Taxes	4,725.81
Insurance	2,097.07
Repairs, Supplies	3,143.79
Gas, Oil	1,498.19
Utilities	1,291.60
Street Sign	89.13

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Uniforms	687.63
Chemicals	98.58
Reimb.	99.99
Mainstay	1,160.84
Transfer to Police	2,500.00
Backhoe Payment	4,403.10
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>70,709.72</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	17,411.55
TOTAL RECEIPTS	58,562.41
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	70,709.72
ENDING BALANCE	5,264.24

POLICE FUND	
RECEIPTS	
Cig. Tax	189.44
Vehicle Stickers	2,365.00
Interest Collected	43.82
Transfer Street Repair	2,500.00
Municipal Court	10.50
Dog Tags	22.00
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>5,130.76</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Insurance	2,405.15
Vehicle Repair	15.85
Legal Publication	48.00
Vehicle Stickers	272.06
Postage	53.67
Fuel	59.35
CVC LET	8.13
Legal Fees	2,789.10
Mic	5.00
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>5,656.30</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	7,996.62
TOTAL RECEIPTS	5,130.76
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	5,656.30
ENDING BALANCE	7,471.08

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BEGINNING BALANCE	7,996.62
TOTAL RECEIPTS	5,130.76
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	5,656.30
ENDING BALANCE	7,471.08

WATER WORKS	
RECEIPTS	
Water Sales	103,760.70
Water Deposits	2,925.00
Interest Collected	208.71
Annual State Fee	1,168.72
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>108,063.20</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Salaries	34,482.24
Payroll Taxes	10,568.38
Deposit Refund	2,538.25
Repairs, Supplies	11,040.26
Chemicals	17,375.17
Utilities	10,368.47
Insurance	3,378.19
Sales Tax Reimb.	1,416.99
Gas, Oil, Tires	2,088.01
Postage	675.52
Dues, Education	80.00
DNR Fees Permits	340.00
Transfer to WWO Res.	5,000.00
Uniforms	923.22
Publication Legal	241.25
Mainstay Retirement	1,937.04
MO-One Call	21.60
Back Hoe Payment	4,403.11
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>106,877.70</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	47,784.08
TOTAL RECEIPTS	108,063.20
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	106,877.70
ENDING BALANCE	48,969.58

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Salaries	34,482.24
Payroll Taxes	10,568.38
Deposit Refund	2,538.25
Repairs, Supplies	11,040.26
Chemicals	17,375.17
Utilities	10,368.47
Insurance	3,378.19
Sales Tax Reimb.	1,416.99
Gas, Oil, Tires	2,088.01
Postage	675.52
Dues, Education	80.00
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BEGINNING BALANCE	47,784.08
TOTAL RECEIPTS	108,063.20
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	106,877.70
ENDING BALANCE	48,969.58

SOLID WASTE	
RECEIPTS	
CD	14,126.61
Customer Collection	42,012.07
Interest Collected	35.29
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>56,173.97</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Residential Pick-Up	31,428.60
Postage	392.17
Transfer to General	5,000.00
Burn Pile	693.86
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>37,514.63</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	9,465.26
TOTAL RECEIPTS	56,173.97
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	37,514.63
ENDING BALANCE	28,124.60

DISBURSEMENTS	
Residential Pick-Up	31,428.60
Postage	392.17
Transfer to General	5,000.00
Burn Pile	693.86
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>37,514.63</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	9,465.26
TOTAL RECEIPTS	56,173.97
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	37,514.63
ENDING BALANCE	28,124.60

SEWER FUND	
RECEIPTS	
Customer Collection	31,870.27
Interest Collected	175.82
DNR FEE	387.00
FEMA	3,288.33
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>35,721.42</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Retirements	736.42
Salaries	9,950.98
Payroll Taxes	2,614.17
Insurance	1,254.01
Postage	485.94

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Seminars, Education	30.00
Lab Fees	80.00
Repairs, Supplies	1,146.91
DNR FEE EPA Permit	387.21
Uniforms	235.56
Drainage District Tax	88.04
Transfer to CD Sewer Reserve	19,632.00
MO-One Call	124.71
Sales Tax	202.00
Fuel	238.63
Flood Expense	2,599.25
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>39,805.83</u>

BEGINNING BALANCE	45,669.54
TOTAL RECEIPTS	35,721.42
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	39,805.83
ENDING BALANCE	41,585.13

FIRE DEPARTMENT	
RECEIPTS	
Rural Fire Dist. Reimb	6,276.07
Interest Collected	56.47
Transfer from General	18,000.00
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>24,332.54</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Volunteer Stipend	2,075.00
Insurance	6,001.79
Utilities	7,218.57
Repairs, Supplies	2,886.30
Equipment Purchase	1,048.00
Gas, Oil	256.58
Education, City Fees	441.68
Misc.	20.00
Flood Issues	95.45
Fire Truck Payment	6,289.59
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>26,332.96</u>

DISBURSEMENTS	
Volunteer Stipend	2,075.00
Insurance	6,001.79
Utilities	7,218.57
Repairs, Supplies	2,886.30
Equipment Purchase	1,048.00
Gas, Oil	256.58
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Misc.	20.00
Flood Issues	95.45
Fire Truck Payment	6,289.59
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>26,332.96</u>

BEGINNING BALANCE	7,272.90
TOTAL RECEIPTS	24,332.54
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	26,332.96
ENDING BALANCE	5,272.48

WATER WORKS OPERATING FUND	
RECEIPTS	
CD	27,307.47
CD	4,979.84
Tower Rental	2,400.00
Transfer from WWO	2,400.00
Interest on CD's	88.21
Reimb.	0.00
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>37,175.52</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Atchison County Wholesale	5,000.00
Tower Rental	2,400.00
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>7,400.00</u>

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Atchison County Wholesale	5,000.00
Tower Rental	2,400.00
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>7,400.00</u>

BEGINNING BALANCE	20,044.42
ENDING BALANCE	13,909.32

STREET REPAIR RESERVE	
RECEIPTS	
Transfer from Street Repair	30,000.00
Interest	84.38
Reimb., Asphalt	93.40
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>30,177.78</u>
BEGINNING BALANCE	5,019.56
TOTAL RECEIPTS	30,177.78
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	NONE
ENDING BALANCE	35,197.34

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TOTAL RECEIPTS	30,177.78
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	NONE
ENDING BALANCE	35,197.34

POST FUND ACCOUNT	
RECEIPTS	NONE
DISBURSEMENTS	
Exchange Bank Charge	2.00
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>2.00</u>

BEGINNING BALANCE	9.28
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	2.00
ENDING BALANCE	7.28

MUNICIPAL COURT BOND ACCOUNT	
RECEIPTS	NONE
DISBURSEMENTS	
Exchange Bank Charge	2.00
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>2.00</u>

BEGINNING BALANCE	24.83
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	2.00
ENDING BALANCE	22.83

SEWER RESERVE BOND ACCOUNTS	
RECEIPTS	
Interest Collected	44.61
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>44.61</u>

BEGINNING BALANCE	83,344.62
TOTAL RECEIPTS	44.61
ENDING BALANCE	83,389.23

CD'S	
SOLID WASTE	14,126.51
WATER WORKS RESERVE	26,408.74
WATER WORKS RESERVE TOWER	4,891.86
SEWER RESERVE	40,015.43
<u>TOTAL AMOUNT OF CD</u>	<u>85,442.54</u>

**SUBMITTED BY
BECKY WILSON, CITY CLERK**



Sixth grade girls' basketball team

Fairfax Sixth Grade - Pictured above are members of the Fairfax Sixth Grade Girls' Basketball Team. Left to right, front row - Boo Cooper, Emma Morris and Brooklynn Morris; and back row - Alyssa Lewis, Kelly Dougherty, Baylee Lewis and Crystal Yocum. Not pictured is Katie Beck.



Fifth grade boys' basketball team

Fairfax Fifth Grade - Pictured above are members of the Fairfax Fifth Grade Boys' Basketball Team. Left to right, front row - Kolbe Cooper, Trevor Brown, Randall Brown, Garrett Ball, Calyn Clark and Jarod Lilly; and back row - Robert Eddy, Jase Barnes, Coach Jim Bradbury, Jayton Johnson and Jacob Dougherty. Not pictured are Blake Bradley and David Bungenstock.



Sixth grade boys' basketball team

Fairfax Sixth Grade - Pictured above are members of the Fairfax Sixth Grade Boys' Basketball Team. Left to right, front row - River Bradbury, Spencer Gibson and Keifer Nemyer; and back row - Grant Hopkins, John Lang, Trevor Radley, and Logan Kephart. Not pictured are Steven Gibbons and Tanner Chaney.

Absolute Large Farm Machinery

AUCTION

From St. Joseph, MO: Go north on Hwy. 169 17 miles through Union Star, MO, 1 mile east of Union Star on Hwy. 169, turn south on State Hwy. F and go 1.7 miles to auction site.

Friday, February 22nd, 2008
10:00 a.m.

Blizzard Date: Sun., Feb. 24th, 10 a.m.

Auctioneer's Note: Due to Alan Schnitker's untimely death, the following will be sold at public auction without reserve. Sale Order: Small Items and Miscellaneous, Cars and Trucks, Tractors, Combine and Heads, Bulldozer and AC Loader, Grain Carts, Implements, Unassembled Top-Line All Steel Building. This auction contains a very limited amount of small items, so be ready to roll at 10 a.m. All buyers must register for a bidding number and furnish a letter of credit.

TRACTORS AND BULLDOZER:

CAT CHALLENGER Model MT765B, Ser. AGCMT765JAMS61420, 340 actual hours, show room condition
NEW HOLLAND 8870 front wheel assist, Ser. 070BP227-1, 3,194 hours, new front rubber, 50% rear w/duals, rear rubber 18-4 R46
FIAT-ALLIS BULLDOZER Ser. 79107864 B38 006, tilt blade and ROPS, new motor w/less than 700 hrs., extra motor for this dozer will sell for parts, ran low on oil; Vail v-ripper, 3-knife, will sell separately
ALLIS CHALMERS heavy duty loader, Mod. HD 9, w/front hydraulic lift bucket

GRAIN CARTS:

Kinze 840 Grain Cart w/rollover tarp, 30-5L 32 rubber
Ficklin CA 13000 Grain Cart w/rollover tarp, 600 bu. cap., 24-5-32 rubber
(2) Parker Gravity Flow Wagons

COMBINE AND HEADS:

Case 2388 Axial-Flow Combine
JD Mod. 893 8-Row Corn Head
Case Mod. 1020 Bean Head, Ser. JJCO331348, 24 ft.
Unverferth HT-30 Head Trailer

PLANTING, SPRAYING AND TILLAGE EQUIPMENT:

2003 Kinze Mod. 3600 16-row Planter w/interplant
Great Plains Mod. 2812 Folding Drill, Ser. GPC1504
JD 24' Wing-Fold Disk
IH 13' Disk
72' Mayrath Auger w/swing-away hopper
60' Mayrath Auger
Hardi Navigator Pull-Type Sprayer, Ser. 4181, 1000 pto., W/1,000 gal. poly tank, 80' wing-tilt booms, flushing rinse, elec. controls., foam markers
3 pt. 250 gal. Poly Tank Sprayer w/fold booms, foam markers

Water Wagon, alum. tank
Case IH Mod. 4800 Vibra-Schank Field Cultivator w/harrow attachment
Brent Mod. 8CV2000 32 ft. Field Cultivator
Wil-Rich 24' Field Cultivator
Blue-Jet Sub-Tiller, 7-knife
Bush Hog Mod. 2620 Shredder, 20 ft.
Lindsay Grain Cleaner

CARS AND TRUCKS:

(Titles for everything including those not running)
1996 Mustang Cobra, 4.6 litre eng., 67,433 actual miles, black w/black leather, 5 spd. man. trans., sharp, runs great, always shedded
1991 Cadillac Deville, has some damage, but runs
1970 Chevy Suburban, should be running by sale day
1953 (Anniversary Edition) Ford F100 Pickup, metal work good (not running, motor is free)
1974 Chevy C-60 10-Wheeler w/22'x4'5" steel bed, dual spring double axle
1963 Chev. Mod. 80, 2 ton, 15'x 4'4" wooden bed, rollover tarp and near new rubber
The following vehicles have set for some time, will need work and repair, or salvaged:
1963 GMC 2-Ton Truck
1955 GMC 2-Ton Truck

TRAILERS:

1990 2-Wheel Homemade Trailer
1974 2-Wheel Flatbed Trailer

MISCELLANEOUS:

Huskee Power Washer
Large lot of large implement tires, some mtd. on rims
1 lot Power Tran and hydraulic fluids in 55 gal. drums
1 lot hand tools, small electric tools, several coils aluminum guy wire
Grain Dryer for iron

TOP LINE STEEL BUILDING: 60'X90' all steel building, low quonset style, 13'4" tall sides, 54'6" clear span, 16' 6" center, doors not included. THIS BUILDING WILL SELL AS DELIVERED BY THE MANUFACTURER. BUILDING IS UNASSEMBLED AND WILL SELL AS IS, WHERE IS. ALL INSPECTIONS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BUYER. A CERTIFIED MANUFACTURER'S DRAWING WILL BE INCLUDED WITH THE BUILDING. WE BELIEVE THIS BUILDING TO BE COMPLETE (UNASSEMBLED) AS IT APPEARS LAID OUT ON THE GROUND, HOWEVER, THE ALAN SCHNITKER ESTATE NOR THE AUCTION COMPANY WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILTY FOR MISSING PARTS. This building will be the last item to sell auction day. To inspect the drawings prior to auction day, contact the auctioneers, GREG AND JOE.

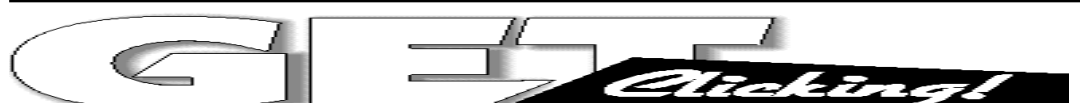
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County commission meets

The Atchison County Commission met on Tuesday, January 15, at the Atchison County Courthouse in Rock Port, MO. Brian Tharp, Fisher-Tharp LLC Trailer Manufacturing, was present to visit with the commissioners about leasing the old Highway Barn to utilize it as a larger workspace for his expanding business. The commissioners requested that he look at the space with Road and Bridge Supervisor Adam Meyer and they would consider the proposal. The commissioners felt this would be a great use of the facility, but wanted to check with legal council about

the proposal before moving forward. Mr. Tharp also inquired about being placed on the list for steel bids. The commissioners instructed him to give his name and mailing information to the Road and Bridge Department and he would be placed on the bid list.

The commissioners continued to review the Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ) Ordinance and language changes to add the new cluster for wind development. The commissioners will continue to discuss changes with legal council before presenting to the EEZ Board.

Pinochle Club

The Pinochle Club met at the Daybreak Cafe on Wednesday afternoon, January 23rd, 2008, with Nancy Gaines as hostess.

At pinochle, Betty Martin won high score; Jerry Whittington, second high; Mary Graves, traveling; and Phyllis Ball, low. Others present were Carmie Fletemeyer, Nancy VanGundy, Norma Bradfield and Nancy Gaines. Phyllis Ball received a gift from her secret pal. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 13th, at the Daybreak Cafe with Mary Graves as hostess. This will be a Valentine grab exchange.

Atchison County Democratic Caucus

All Democrats in Atchison County interested in participating in the delegate selection process should gather at the Farmers State Bank Community Room in Tarkio on Thursday, February 28, at 7 p.m. (the doors will close at 7:30 p.m.). The February 28 meeting is the first level of a multi-tiered Delegate Selection Process in Missouri. It will eventually lead to the selection of Democratic delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention, which will be held August 25-28 in Denver,

Colorado.

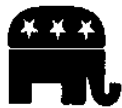
Persons elected on February 28 will attend the Congressional District Convention on March 27 and have the opportunity to get elected as a Congressional District National Delegate or Alternate. They will also be able to attend the Missouri State Democratic Convention on May 10. Delegates and alternates will be allocated to presidential candidates to accurately reflect the expressed presidential preferences in the February 5 Presidential Primary.

Participation is open to all voters who wish to participate as Democrats, who are residents of and registered voters in Atchison County, who are at least 18 years of age, who declare themselves to be Democrats, who are not members of any other political party, and who have voted in the February 5 Primary Election.

OFFICIAL SAMPLE BALLOT PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY ELECTION - FEBRUARY 5, 2008 ATCHISON COUNTY, MISSOURI

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the February Presidential Preference Primary Election will be held in the County of Atchison on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 as certified to this office by the participating entities of Atchison County. The ballot for the election shall be in substantially the following form:



REPUBLICAN PARTY



DEMOCRATIC PARTY



LIBERTARIAN PARTY

FOR UNITED STATES PRESIDENT Vote for ONE

- RON PAUL
- FRED THOMPSON
- MITT ROMNEY
- RUDY GIULIANI
- JOHN MCCAIN
- MIKE HUCKABEE
- VIRGIL L. R. WILES
- TOM TANCREDO
- DUNCAN HUNTER
- HUGH CORT
- ALAN KEYES
- DANIEL GILBERT
- (UNCOMMITTED)

FOR UNITED STATES PRESIDENT Vote for ONE

- HILLARY CLINTON
- BARACK OBAMA
- JOHN EDWARDS
- RALPH SPELBRING
- DENNIS J. KUCINICH
- BILL RICHARDSON
- JOE BIDEN
- CHRISTOPHER J. DODD
- MIKE GRAVEL
- (UNCOMMITTED)

THERE WAS A PUBLIC TEST, AS PER 115.233 RSMo, OF THE AUTOMATED VOTING EQUIPMENT. THE TEST WAS PERFORMED IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION ROOM ON JANUARY 16, 2008 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10:00 A.M. AND 4:30 P.M.

FOR UNITED STATES PRESIDENT Vote for ONE

- WAYNE A. ROOT
- DANIEL IMPERATO
- GEORGE PHILLIES
- MICHAEL P. JINGOZIAN
- STEVE KUBBY
- DAVE HOLLIST
- (UNCOMMITTED)

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE WILL BE OPEN SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND, 2008, FROM 8:00 A.M. UNTIL 12:00 NOON TO ALLOW ABSENTEE VOTING OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

CURBSIDE VOTING WILL BE AVAILABLE AT ALL POLLING PLACES FOR THE HANDICAP VOTER

VOTER ID REQUIRED
AT ALL
POLLING PLACES

THE FOLLOWING POLLING PLACES WILL BE OPEN ON THE 5TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2008, PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION DAY FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

TARKIO -
FARMER STATE BANK
North & South Tarkio
Colfax

ROCK PORT -
BANK MIDWEST
North & South Clay
West Clark & Polk
Benton & Templeton

FAIRFAX -
CITY HALL
North & South Clark
North & South Dale

WESTBORO -
COMMUNITY BLDG.
East Lincoln
West Lincoln

WATSON -
COMMUNITY BLDG.
Buchanan
Nishnabotna

DONE BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF ATCHISON COUNTY,
MISSOURI THIS 10TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2008.

Vote

Susette M. Taylor
County Clerk, Atchison County

Unofficial Election results may be viewed at acmoelections.org

Corn stalks as forage

Livestock producers have increased feed costs as grain crops and forage prices have increased. The three regional livestock specialists in northwest Missouri, Shawn Deering, Albany; Jim Humphrey, Savannah; and Amie Schleicher, Rock Port, have been looking at how to utilize ethanol by-products. One alternative they are suggesting is the use of corn stalks as a feed with ethanol by-products.

Growers are concerned about the amount of nutrients that are removed when corn stalks are baled or harvested from the field. Corn stalks on a per ton basis remove about six pounds of phosphate and about 24 pounds of potassium. This is in addition to crop removal from harvesting corn grain. Soils buffer the changes in soil test levels so the removal is not readily observed from soil tests if taken yearly. However, if one would remove high yields of corn stalks over a long period of time, you would see nutrient levels measured by soil tests decline.

Using corn stalks as a resource is a good alternative if you keep at least some residues in place on highly erodible land or choose fields that are level. Next, rotate fields that you harvest stalks from. This will prevent quick drawdown of soil test nutrient levels. For more information, contact Wayne Flanary, Regional Agronomist, University of Missouri Extension, at 660-446-3724.

County commissioners' meeting

The Atchison County Commission met on Thursday, January 17, 2008, at the Atchison County Courthouse in Rock Port, MO. Road and Bridge Supervisor Adam Meyer was present to set the next bid date for steel. Mark Stacy, Project Manager for Farmers City Wind, LLC, and John McKnight, Land Acquisitions Manager, Western Division, with Iberdrola Renewable Energies USA, were present to visit with Meyer and the commissioners about a Master Right-of-Way Agreement. They would like to enter into an agreement with the county for the use of county right-of-ways in conjunction with their Farmers City Project. Atchison County Clerk, Susette Taylor, had a master agreement on file that had already been approved by the county's legal counsel. She

provided a copy to Mr. Stacy and Mr. McKnight for their legal review. If both parties approve of the document, the legal exhibits will be inserted before signing.

Atchison County Development Corporation (ACDC) Executive Director, Ann Schlueter, was present for the meeting and reviewed the timeline for the passage of the new ordinance and the application for the Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ) with Mr. Stacy and the commissioners. Mr. Stacy was advised as to the details of the application and told that it should be complete and ready to submit to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone Board at its January 31, 2008, meeting. Mr. Stacy agreed to have the application complete and ready for review.

Prosecuting Attorney Dan

Smith was present to report to the commissioners that he had forwarded a letter to Safeco Insurance in regards to Bridge #2030019 on 290th Street over the Old Nishna Drainage Ditch in regards to the offer to settle for the damages incurred on June 18, 2007. He will continue to work on the settlement and agreed to keep the commissioners informed of the progress.

New address for SSG Bradfield

Eric Bradfield is headed to the Zabul province of southern Afghanistan and while he is there he would love to hear from family and friends. His address is: SSG Eric Bradfield, D CO 1-4 INF, FOB LAGMAN, APO AE 09355.

Atchison County candidate filing requirements

Candidate filing for the positions of Atchison County North District Commissioner, South District Commissioner, Sheriff, Assessor, Public Administrator, Coroner, Township or Ward Committeeman, and Township or Ward Committeewoman for the August 8, 2008, Primary Election will open Tuesday, February 26, and close Tuesday, March 25, 2008. Candidates can file at the Atchison County Clerk's office on the first floor of the Atchison County Courthouse, located at 500 South Washington in Rock Port, MO.

Candidate qualifications and requirements may be viewed at www.sos.mo.gov/elections/2008primary/2008offices.asp. Candidates wishing to file must have proof of identity, such as a voter notification card, Missouri driver's license, birth certificate, or other form of certified or photo ID. Candidates filing must have a copy of an affidavit filed with the Department of Revenue affirming that the candidate is not currently aware of any delinquency in the filing or payment of any state income taxes, personal property taxes, real property taxes on the place of residence, as stated on the declaration of candidacy; or is not a past or present corporate officer of any fee office that owes any taxes to the state, other than those taxes which may be in dispute. Candidates may obtain this form by linking

to the website dor.mo.gov/tax/candidates, or request one in the county clerk's office. Candidates will not be allowed to file a declaration of candidacy without this form. Also, a \$50 filing fee payable to the candidate's political party is required.

Candidates for county offices must file in person with the Atchison County Clerk and Election Authority except members of the armed services on active duty or persons who are unable to appear in person because of physical disabilities, who may file by certified mail. Persons eligible to file by certified mail should contact Susette Taylor, Atchison County Clerk, at 660-744-6214.

Candidates filing can receive information on campaign finance reporting or personal financial disclosure by reaching the Missouri Ethics Commission at (800) 392-8660 or (573) 751-2020. Information will be given to all candidates filing. Information can also be found at www.moethics.mo.gov/Ethics/generalinfo/Generalinfo.a

spx. For more information regarding Atchison County elections or candidate filing, contact Atchison County Clerk and Election Authority, Susette Taylor, at 660-744-6214, or view the new election website at www.acmoelections.org.

Corn yields continue to increase

By Wayne Flanary, Agronomy Specialist, University of Missouri Extension, Holt County

This past week, Dr. Bill Wiebold, University of Missouri Extension State Crop Specialist, showed corn yield data. The data, over decades of corn research, showed how corn yields have increased and that the genetics that increased yield were from increased population and the ability to handle stress. The data he showed was very interesting in that corn breeders over time have spent time managing crop stresses and continuing to add traits that allow more plants per acre.

Those who are promoting biotechnology have given growers the impression that farmers will

reach very high corn yields in the future. However, the data from this research indicates yield increases will be from genetic packages such as drought tolerance.

One part of the data showed corn planted at a very low plant population. This planting contained different hybrids from each decade and then measured for yield. The yields at this low population stayed the same and did not increase across decades of time. If the genetics of yield had been changed, the data would have showed a yield increase over time with better genetics. For more information, contact Wayne Flanary, Regional Agronomist, University of Missouri Extension, at 660-446-3724.

Pre-Owned Sweethearts

<p>TRUCKS & SUVS</p> <p>2007 Silverado 3/4 Ton 4x4 - Diesel, Allison, crew cab (2 in stock)</p> <p>2007 Chevy 1/2 Ton 2x4 Ext. Cab - Flex fuel, V-8, 9,000 miles, 5 Year/100,000 Mile Warranty - \$22,995</p> <p>2007 Dodge 1/2 Ton Quad Cab 4x4 - 20,000 miles - \$21,995</p> <p>2006 Jeep Wrangler - 12,000 miles RIGHT HAND DRIVE - \$17,995</p> <p>2006 Chevy 1/2 Ton Ext. Cab 4x4 - 30,000 miles, leather</p> <p>2006 Ford Escape 4x4 - Sun roof, leather, low miles</p> <p>2005 Jeep Liberty - 4 dr., 4x4, diesel</p> <p>2004 Chevy 3/4 Ton Crew Cab 4x4 - Diesel - \$24,995</p> <p>2004 Chevy Trailblazer Ext. 4x4 - 7 pass.</p> <p>2004 Chevy Trailblazer - \$13,995</p> <p>2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee - \$14,995</p> <p>2003 Chevy 1/2 Ton 4x4 - Reg. cab - \$8,995</p> <p>2002 Chevy 1/2 Ton Ext. Cab 4x4 - leather - \$11,995</p> <p>2001 Ford Explorer 2x4 - \$7,995</p> <p>2000 Chevy S-10 X-Cab - 4 cyl., auto. - \$5,995</p> <p>1998 Mercury SUV - V-8, only 98,000 miles</p>	<p>CARS</p> <p>2008 Grand Prix - Red, sun roof, leather - \$16,995</p> <p>2008 Impala LS - \$15,995</p> <p>(2) 2008 Impala - 4 dr., low miles</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p>2007 Pacifica AWD Leather \$21,995</p>  </div> <p>2007 Dodge Caliber - \$13,995</p> <p>2007 Buick Lucerne CXL - Leather, silver - \$23,995</p> <p>(2) 2006 Chrysler 300's from \$19,995</p> <p>2006 Dodge Charger SXT - 4 dr. - \$15,995</p> <p>2006 Impala - 5 Year/85,000 Mile Warranty - \$12,995</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p>2005 Cobalt 4 dr. \$9,995</p>  </div> <p>2004 Hyundai Elantra - \$6,995</p> <p>2003 PT Cruiser - Woody, classic - \$9,495</p> <p>2002 Sunfire Coup - Sun roof - \$5,995</p>
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