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"Thank you for YOUR Service"

Veterans Day was originally known as Armistice Day to honor the living veterans of the First World War, Veterans Day has been made into a holiday which includes service members of all eras. Veterans Day is a national holiday of remembrance and recognition of all those who served regardless of branch or duty status, Reserve or active they all will be honored.

The wonderful celebrations of the early Armistice Days should not be forgotten as Americans celebrate Veterans Day. The Revolutionary War hero Nathan Hale said he regretted that he had "but one life to lose for my country." Please take time to give thanks for those who have served, pay respect to those who have come home, and honor those who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

"Thank you for YOUR service" does not even begin to express our gratitude to all our service men and women past and present.



Pictured above is the Veterans Memorial located on 24 highway



A World War I era marching band participates in a parade



Soldiers establish telephone communication between division and Corps Headquarters.
Pictures received via email

Harvesting the Crops



Pictured above is a corn field. after the crops were taken off in Levasy, MO.

Farmers work all year long, sometimes seven days a week to plant, cultivate and bring their crops to fruition. It's not an easy job, they have many obstacles to overcome, the most prominent is the weather. Mother Nature can be cruel, dumping large amounts of rain, which in turn can cause flooding and loss of crops. Extremely hot summers can burn out literally thousands of acres of cropland. Some years farmers are lucky and have what is called a bumper crop, which helps them to purchase equipment necessary to work the land.

When you hear the phrase from sun up to sun down, the farmer knows exactly what you are talking about. Days are long, sometimes family time is limited, but without these dedicated men and women, we wouldn't have a fresh food supply.

I've known many a farm family who has both husband and wife working outside jobs to keep the farm producing and bills paid.

Farming is a very rewarding profession and I am proud to live in a farming community! Thank you farmers



Pictured above is a combine in Levasy, MO. harvesting a soy bean field

New Sidewalks in Downtown Buckner

The City of Buckner is replacing the old sidewalks in downtown Buckner, with new ones. The West side of Hudson street is getting all the sidewalks replaced and they look great.

Plans are to replace the sidewalks on the East side of Hudson Street after the new city hall is finished.

Downtown Buckner is looking good!



Pictured above is the ground work for laying the new sidewalks.



Pictured above are some of the newly laid sidewalks in downtown Buckner



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***Veterans Day
November 11, 2014***

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Pictured above is the new Buckner City Hall/multipurpose building on Hudson Street in Downtown Buckner. It's coming along nicely

Thank You

Kirk Kellough and his family would like to thank everyone for their cards, flowers, gifts, and prayers for his sister Teresa Kellough, who passed away at her home in September.

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Please remember

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November 11, 2014***

Quantrill-related biography complements 140-year-old predecessor

**By David W. Jackson
The Orderly Pack Rat
October 20, 2014**

Blue Springs, MO. The Orderly Pack Rat today released a major biography complementing five preceding chronicles of Civil War-era Confederate Capt. William Clarke Quantrill that date back nearly 140-years-ago. This is the first-ever biography of the infamous guerrilla's wife, Kate King, published to commemorate the 85th anniversary of her death and mysterious burial.

Quantrill was, perhaps, the Confederacy's number one persona-non-grata, most famous for leading the 1863 charge to burn Lawrence, KS, and massacre many of its male inhabitants (in retaliation, it should be noted, for a host of prior atrocities against Missourians in the border conflicts between Kansas and Missouri). John N. Edwards published *Noted Guerrillas* in 1877 the first biography of Quantrill, which was followed nearly 35 years later in 1910 by William E. Connelley's *Quantrill and the Border Wars*. First-time co-authors Virgil D. Hoftiezer, Ph.D., and Vicki P. Beck introduce their 2014 release of *KATE In Fact and Fiction* to document the Life and Legend of Sarah Catherine "Kate" (King) Quantrill-Evans-Batson-Head, aka. Kate Clarke.

The author's 20-year collaboration introduces 13-year-old Sarah Catherine King, who defied her parent's orders and soon ran-off their Blue Springs, Jackson County, MO, homestead with the dashing Quantrill. From the outset of the Civil War—that had been mounting along the Missouri-Kansas border since 1854—Quantrill and "Kate" were the quintessential 'star-crossed lovers' who were said to have eventually eloped. Kate was recognized by Quantrill's followers, though no historian has yet uncovered a marriage record. They traveled as "Capt.

and Mrs. William Clarke." And, after Quantrill was murdered in 1865, Kate continued to live an independent life as "Kate Clarke." Co-author Vicki P. Beck said, "She was a remarkable woman."

Quantrill-related biography complements 140-year-old predecessor, page 2 of 2
Kate was at Quantrill's deathbed in a Louisville, KY, hospital, and stood at his original gravesite (Quantrill's bones would later be dug-up, disbursed, and re-buried in two separate graves in the 1990s . . . fodder for an entire book itself). To survive, Kate returned in mourning to St. Louis, MO, where she had lived in refuge, and began or continued a life of prostitution, quickly becoming a well-known madam for more than a decade. Modern-day Busch Stadium is the exact site where Kate Clarke's house of "social-evil" was located.

Fast forward 60 years and two surnames later when Kate, then known as Sarah C. Head, ended up back in her hometown of Blue Springs, MO. Kate died at the Jackson County Poor Farm in near complete anonymity. Her pauper gravesite, obscured for decades, is now documented and marked thanks to Hoftiezer, a King descendant, and long-time Quantrill historian Donald R. Hale.

Co-author, Virgil Hoftiezer, writes, "Kate's story is an enigma buried in the cloak of history, a mystery with a sad ending, a story waiting to be told." For the rest of Kate's full, true-life story, "you gotta buy the book!" he added.

If you are commemorating the Sesquicentennial (150th Anniversary) of the Civil War . . . are nominally aware of the Missouri-Kansas Border War and Civil War that followed, and want to know more personal details of life at that time . . . are familiar with Quantrill's connection to American History . . . wish to explore St. Louis' attempt in the 1870s to reform/regulate the world's oldest profession, prostitution . . . or, may be intrigued by a hearty woman who lived life as she found it while blazing an incredible path . . . *KATE In Fact and Fiction* is your next non-fiction "must-read."

**Remember
November 4, 2014
is Election Day!**

Are you interested in a career in criminal justice?



The **Missouri Sheriffs' Association** offers 16 — **\$1,000 scholarships** each year to college-bound Missouri high school seniors who intend to pursue a criminal justice career and will be attending a Missouri college or university.

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- ★ Applicants must have a good reference from his/her school counselor.
- ★ Applicants need to demonstrate financial need.
- ★ Applicants are required to have a 2.0 GPA or greater.
- ★ Applicants should be active in extra-curricular activities.
- ★ A paragraph must be attached to the application detailing his/her goals 10 years after high school graduation.

The award was established in 1988 in honor of former Scott County Sheriff John Dennis. Dennis served his county for 24 years and, in 1963, was elected president of the Missouri Sheriffs' Association. In 1976, Dennis retired from the office of sheriff following a successful campaign for the Missouri Senate seat in District 27, a position he held until his retirement from state government 1992. In 1988, Dennis was presented a Distinguished Service Award at which time the establishment of the **John Dennis Scholarship Fund** was announced.

TO APPLY:

Visit www.mosheriffs.com and follow the scholarship link to learn more, or email karen@mosheriffs.com. The application must be returned to the Audrain County Sheriff's Office, 1100 Littleby Road, Mexico, MO 65265, no later than January 31 of each year.



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Union Pacific shares its commitment to public safety

Each year prior to and during harvest, all agriculture professionals are reminded to be aware and practice safe driving procedures when bringing in their crops. Many fields are adjacent to Union Pacific Railroad tracks and producers often use private railroad crossings to travel from field to field. Union Pacific urges producers to stay safe when crossing the tracks while they are working in the fields during this year's harvest.

According to the Federal Railroad Administration, 250 people died and 943 were injured in 2013 as a result of grade crossing incidents across the United States.

Union Pacific shares its commitment to public safety through various channels such as community events, media outreach, law enforcement partnerships and collaboration with Operation Lifesaver. The UP CARES (Union Pacific Crossing Accident Reduction Education and Safety) public safety initiative brings together communities in a collaborative and caring effort to promote railroad grade crossing and pedestrian safety.

"As agriculture producers harvest their crops this year, we want to remind them to approach railroad crossings with caution and take the extra time to be sure a train is not near because you never know when a train will come along," said Robert Morrison, Union Pacific Chief of Police.

To increase awareness of railroad safety during harvest, Union Pacific safety team members have provided elevator operators in Nebraska with grade crossing safety information in the form of a visor card that is attached to a weigh scale ticket holder. Drivers are then given the safety information when they receive their weigh ticket.

"It can take a mile or more to stop a train and by the time a locomotive engineer sees you on the track, it would be too late," said Lawrence Wenko, Union Pacific director – Public Safety.

"Locomotives and rail cars overhang the tracks by at least three feet on either side of the rail and loose straps hanging from rail cars may extend even further. If your combine or tractor are too close to the tracks, you can be hit by the locomotive or a rail car," added Wenko.

Union Pacific has reduced grade crossing accident rates by 15 percent from 2003 - 2013. UP CARES initiatives promote pedestrian and driver safety through a variety of outreach efforts:

Grade crossing education and enforcement, during which motorists violating rail crossing signage and laws are educated about the dangers of such actions. Related "positive enforcement" initiatives reward drivers who operate safely at grade crossings.

Safety trains, which host local law enforcement, media and public officials and provide them the opportunity to ride in the locomotive cab and see traffic violations from a locomotive engineer's point of view. This activity also allows Union Pacific to connect with community leaders and help them better understand the railroad's focus on safety.

Communication blitzes, which educate the public via community events, media outreach and paid advertising. Media outreach coincides with safety trains in UP communities.

Do not become a railroad statistic; use caution when approaching and crossing railroad tracks this harvest.

Napoleon United Methodist Church

**28th Annual Turkey Dinner will be
Sunday November 9th from 11:30-1:30.
Turkey with all the sides
and homemade pie.
Take-outs available, free will offering.**

6th ANNUAL OVER THE EDGE RAISES \$110,000 FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS MISSOURI

The sixth annual Over the Edge on October 4 in St. Louis was a thrilling success, raising over \$110,000 and counting. One-hundred men and women from around the area rappelled 17 stories from the roof of the Hyatt Regency St. Louis at The Arch in support of the 17,142 athletes of Special Olympics Missouri.

Online fundraising continues. Organizers of Over the Edge still hope to raise an additional \$40,000 to reach the event goal of \$150,000. Donations can be made at www.somo.org/edge.

Awards will be given for:

- Top Corporate Team by Money Raised: Shop 'n Save (\$42,979)
- Top Corporate Team by Members: Shop 'n Save (38 Edgers rappelled)
- Top Family Team by Money Raised: Holden/Moran (\$5,810)
- Top Family Team by Members: Holden/Moran (4)
- Top Individual Fundraiser: Doug Woodruff (\$5,500)
- Top School Team by Money Raised: Saint Louis Priory School (\$1,000)

The 2014 event was hosted by St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and St. Louis County Police Department and sponsors include Hyatt Regency St. Louis at The Arch, Shop 'n Save and McCarthy.

For more information about Over the Edge, please contact Stacy Jones, Partnership Manager, at 314-961-7755 or sjones@somo.org.

Special Olympics Missouri is a year-round program of sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. More than 17,000 athletes participate in 21 Olympic-type sports throughout the state. Special Olympics provides people with mental disabilities continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage and experience joy as they participate in the sharing of gifts and friendship with their fellow athletes, their family and friends, and communities across Missouri.



**Elect Rep.
John
Mayfield**



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District**

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Leighann Briggie
Asia Crownover
Chase Fox
Gracie Hager
Sydney Rukavina
Bryce Sowerby

7th Grade
Nathan Davis
Katelyn Dickey *
Shelby Holliday
Alannah Nowak *
Macy Rodenberg
Elliot Zeiler

8th Grade
Savannah Crowley
Mitchell England
Alaina Harris
Carleigh Jenkins
Sammie Jo Leach
Trey Shannon
Emma Williamson

9th Grade
Valerie Barnett
Gavin Collins
Ben Cook
Mark Dickey *
Elizabeth Fahrmeier *
Aliceia Hearn *
Jordon Hill
Caitlin Niendick *
Kiera Paige
Shelby Potter
Makaylyn Ryun
Taylor Shaw *
Kelsi Southard *
Macie Ward
Olan Zeiler *

10th Grade
Samantha Blystone
Tessa Bushell
Erin Clavin
Danielle Davis
Kelsey Gray
Duncan Hughes *
Carington Key
Ashlyn Mitchell
Abbie Soendker *
Monica Thornburg
Jaymie White

11th Grade
Neal Barnett *
Brock Beckemeyer
Keely Brockmeyer
Shelby Bushell
Ryan Collins
Kate England *
Samuel Fahrmeier
Natalie Fierro
Amanda Grumke *
Elizabeth Harris
Adriana Hearn
John Meierer *
Aleah Sellon
Morgan Weedman

12th Grade
Allison Baker
Miranda Block
Drake Garrison
Mikayla Lohsandt
Alex Rodenberg
Madison Thornburg

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**1st quarter B honor roll
Wellington/Napoleon School
District**

6th Grade
Dalton Baer
Aaron Baldwin
Madison Bolten
Brennan Bottcher
Matthew Strickler
Aaron Dehn
Aaron Galloway
Audrey Garrett
Quintin Hamilton
Amanda Hearn
Jalen Hill
Miles Hodson
Kayla Johnson
Sydney Nieweg
Blake Peterson
David Smith
Dixie Tennison
Avery Todd

7th Grade
Bria Bushey
Maximus Caton
Nathaniel Florence
Keylea Gray
Kenny Manning
Olivia Pence
Gage Portell
Cheyenne Quick
Savana Scarborough
Dallas Walls
Garrett Walters
Connor Weedman
Lain Woody

8th Grade
Samantha Baldwin
Jorand Blystone
Justin Ford
Lexie Garrison
Austin Hall
Topanga Hilker
Marisa Merritt
Joseph Rukavina
Emmett Scarborough
Scout Schaberg
Halee Schlup
Gabby Sisson
Travis Young
Colton Zeysing

9th Grade
Jared Beckner
Dillon Brisbin
Harlie Coleman
Allyson Engelmoehr
Josephine Fox
Jennifer Michael
Shoni Shelton
Makayla Theriot
Marcus Williams
Stone Willoughby

10th Grade
Matthew Block
Wyatt Bottcher
Dylan Brockmeyer
Chris Gammill
Carla Helberg
Devin Hill
Kimmie Hopkins
Levi Markley
Kyndal Mitchell
Nic Mitchell
Gessica Mulvey
Josh Quick
Max Rodenberg
Allison Russell
Austin Ryun
Megan Schnittker
Ashley Smith
Sonny Tennison

11th Grade
Gavin Baker
Andrew Ballew
Kaylee Brockmeyer
Blake Gray
Tristan Green
Zach Jenkins
Nathan Jones
Sam Kirchhoff
Clayton Mais
Amanda Parker
Hunter Pence
Kyle Scarborough
Luke Schaberg
Bradley Smith
Alex Strickler
Caleb Williams

12th Grade
Michael Brisbin
Drew Bunch
Charlotte Coleman
Tori Florence
Morgan Fox
Mariah Hammond
Devin Jump
Jared Michael
Abbie Thompson

Proud to be an American

by

Lee Greenwood

If tomorrow all the things were gone,
I'd worked for all my life.
And I had to start again,
with just my children and my wife.

I'd thank my lucky stars,
to be livin here today.
' Cause the flag still stands for freedom,
and they can't take that away.

And I'm proud to be an American,
where at least I know I'm free.
And I wont forget the men who died,
who gave that right to me.

And I gladly stand up,
next to you and defend her still today.
' Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land,
God bless the USA.

From the lakes of Minnesota,
to the hills of Tennessee.
Across the plains of Texas,
From sea to shining sea.

From Detroit down to Houston,
and New York to L.A.
Well there's pride in every American heart,
and its time we stand and say.

That I'm proud to be an American,
where at least I know I'm free.
And I wont forget the men who died,
who gave that right to me.

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Happy Veterans Day!

**Please take time to thank those who
have served and are serving our GREAT
country!**



Wellington/Napoleon School District

Character students of the month:

**Kelsey Gray 10th grade and Cheyenne
Quick 7th grade**



Fort Osage School District Sets Tax Rate Important mainly because of the people in the conversation.

The tax rate in the Fort Osage R-1 School District will increase by ten cents for the tax year. This increase in the current school tax levy is the direct result of a drop in assessed valuation (AV). The following are the assessed valuation figures from the past seven years:

2008	\$281,456,270
2009	\$273,935,626
2010	\$262,507,251
2011	\$259,002,207
2012	\$256,546,753
2013	\$256,860,548
2014	\$256,106,755

In sharing information with the Board of Education regarding our assessed valuation, Dr. Mark Enderle, Superintendent of Schools, said, "Our valuation increased every year from 1994 to 2008. Even with modest 2% annual growth, our AV should be about \$315,000,000 right now instead of \$256,106.755. Eventually this will bounce back, but it looks like it's going to be a long, hard slog."

The Fort Osage Board of Education met on September 30, 2014 at 7:30 a.m. in a public hearing and set this year's tax rate at \$5.6998 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

The tax rate breaks down as follows:

Special Fund	\$2.6898
General Fund	\$1.8600
Debt Service Fund	\$1.1500

The adopted tax levy information is now forwarded to the Jackson County Clerk's office.

NOVEMBER EVENTS AT THE MID-CONTINENT PUBLIC LIBRARY BUCKNER BRANCH
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Storytime for Families -- every Thursday at 10:00 a.m.
 All ages are welcome. No registration is required.

Mad Science Presents Moving Motion – Saturday, November 1 at 2:00 p.m.

Join us to catapult into Newton's three laws of motion. Watch as the Mad Scientist yanks a cloth from under dishes and sends crash test dummies flying. You will enjoy our hands-on activities that get you laughing and thinking. Ages 6 to 13, but all are welcome. Registration is required.

Adult Book Group – Monday, November 3 at 7:00 p.m.
 Registration is not required.

Village Crafters – Wednesday, November 12 at 2:00 p.m.

Parsley, Sage, Rosemary and Thyme: Cooking with Fresh Herbs – Thursday, November 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Fresh herbs are easy to grow in even the smallest of yards or patios. Growing them is only half the fun. You will learn how easy it is to cultivate herbs and add them to your meals. Herb-infused tea, roast beef sandwiches with several different herb spread choices, sage crisps, and lemon thyme cookies will be served. Several other easy recipes will be included, and methods for cultivating these plants will be discussed during class. This is a two-hour class, so it begins earlier than other programs. Adults. Registration is required.

Teen Creativity – Thursday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us to express your creativity through original print, video, audio, or visual works. Wondering what we are planning? Call the branch for more information. Teens. Registration is not required.

Let's Make Something Sweet – Thursday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Do you have a sweet tooth? Are you craving chocolate? Come learn how to make chocolate peanut butter cups and Snickers bars. At the end of class you will take home the candy you made as well as the recipes. Adults. Registration is required.

The library will be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 27.

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PSA

The Gazette's policy on PSA's is we print them on a first come, first serve basis as space allows and they need to be submitted 2-3 weeks before the scheduled publication date. Some examples of PSA's are engagements, birth announcements and church and community events.

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John Mayfield

John Mayfield is a lifelong resident of the 20th District. He raised his family here and understands the diverse needs of our district.

John Mayfield is serving his first term as State Representative, but John has always been involved in the Independence community. In Jefferson City, John is a strong voice for local businesses and families.

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