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MoCHIP—Child Identification & Protection Program: Keeping Missouri Kids Safe!

Buckner, Missouri—July 21, 2015— With more than 217,000 children processed through the MoCHIP Child ID program in 9 years, MoCHIP is clearly a presence in the community. Taking place at the Fort Family Fun Day event held at Fort Osage High School on Saturday August 8, 2015 the Missouri Masonic Family will be on hand to further ensure the safety of area children FREE OF CHARGE.

No parent wants to believe that the unimaginable could happen to them, though nearly 2,000 children are reported missing or abducted in the United States each day. The peace of mind MoCHIP provides to Missouri families is invaluable. GIRLS and BOYS ages 11-21 are statistically most susceptible to become missing. Once the child is processed through the program, which generally takes only 15 minutes, the parent is armed with a single pre-printed envelope that instructs authorities in the event of an emergency, something a parent in crisis would undoubtedly have trouble with, and a proactive measure

to combat the time sensitivity involved in recovery. Within a matter of minutes the MoCHIP CD can be loaded into a computer directly from a police officer's automobile and entered into the Amber Alert system.

Deemed "one of the most comprehensive child recovery and identification programs in the nation," by The National Center for Exploited and Missing Children NCEMC—the Missouri Masonic Child Identification & Protection Program, MoCHIP is solely sponsored by the Masonic Children's Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Missouri Masons. The program consists of five major components—digital photographs, digital fingerprints, vital child information and emergency contacts, a dental bite impression, and two laminated ID cards. The photographs, fingerprints, and child data are burned onto a mini-CD that is compatible with the AMBER ALERT system already in place. The dental impression provides a virtual diagram of the child's biting surface,

which, like fingerprints is unique to each individual, and further supplies enough saliva to provide a DNA sample that can also be used as scent source for trained canine search teams. Combined, this five-part process provides a dramatic, time-sensitive recovery tool for authorities.

On the day of the MoCHIP event, parents are urged to gather pertinent information about such as, doctor, dentist, and emergency contact and phone numbers, allergies, medications, and parent work, cell, and assorted phone numbers. Information Collection Forms and Permission slips can be downloaded from the mochip.org website and filled out ahead of time. Height charts and scales are available at the event to facilitate the most current details regarding the child. As would be expected, security and privacy are of utmost importance. All information and specimens are collected on site, processed and provided to the parent or legal guardian in a yellow

envelope. At the end of each event, databases are erased using state-of-the-art software. The only item retained by the Masonic Children's Foundation is the signed permission slip.

**Sponsoring Masonic Lodge:
Buckner Lodge # 501**

Event Date: August 8, 2015

**Event Time:
10 AM to 2 PM**



The New Casey's is now open in Buckner!



The new Casey's General Store is now open in Buckner, MO. The store is still located on 24 highway across from O'Rielly's and a spokesperson said they are happy to be back.

The older store was torn down, and the adjacent lot to the east of the building was purchased and the new store is double in size with twenty gas pumps including diesel.

As you enter the front doors, you will notice that the cash register is near the center of the store, as opposed to being directly to your right as you walk in.

The Pizza station and food services was located to your right and is now located to the left of the store. This area is much larger than it was in the

old facility.

They still have fantastic donuts, pizzas and other food items on their menu.

The rest rooms are located on the right hand side as opposed to the opposite side where they were in the before.

Coolers are along the walls and are always freshly stocked with many items including milk, pop and other refrigerated items.

It might take a few visits to be able to locate all your favorite food and beverage items, but the new expanded store is well worth your trip to Casey's!

Please support your hometown businesses.

Jackson County, MO Sheriff's Office Warns Against Scam

In recent weeks, the Jackson County, Missouri Sheriff's Office has been contacted by individuals inquiring if they had criminal charges.

When investigating the circumstances, investigators learned the victims were contacted by a male caller identifying himself as a Captain with the Jackson County, Missouri Sheriff's Office. The caller advised the victims they had a warrant for their arrest and directs them to call a phone number to "make this all go away".

The Jackson County, Missouri Sheriff's Office would like to remind everyone it does not solicit any funds over the phone. In addition, all business relating to payment of fees is conducted and collected in person.

Should anyone receive a similar call, do not follow the caller's directions, and call the Investigations Division at 816-541-8017.

Tuscono's Caters Fund Raiser

A fund raiser was held at Longview Mansion on Wednesday July 22, 2015. The fund raiser was for Parenting Children with learning disabilities. Only a few catering services/restaurants were invited to this event. Tuscono's served food for approximately 400 people. All food and services were donated.

Rene' stated that "It was for a very worthy cause and they enjoyed the event and being invited to cater it."



Pictured above L-R: Heather Synder, Emiley Rinacke, Rene' Kellough, Kirk Kellough and "Sal" the resident chef.
Photo submitted by Rene'.

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First Day of School for Fort Osage School District is August 18, 2015

First day of School for Wellington/Napoleon School District is August 20, 2015



Obituary

Larry Carl Gorham, Sr., passed away unexpectedly of a pulmonary embolism on July 19, 2015, at St. Mary's Hospital, at the age of 71. Larry was born on June 11, 1944, in La Plata, MO to Stanley Eugene and Deloma Ethel Gorham. He had been a resident of Buckner, MO, since 1973. Larry was a steel worker for Armco Steel/GST in the #2 Rod Mill, and retired from there in 1999. He had a great love of the outdoors and could often be found hunting, fishing, or searching for mushrooms. He was a wonderful, patient teacher to the neighborhood kids, whom Larry cared for as his own. He had a quiet, caring soul, with a dry sense of humor. He is survived by his wife, Rose, of 50 years, children: Tracy (Scott) VanHooser, Larry (Stacy) Gorham, Jr., and Kelly (Bryan) Tennison, and brother, Robert (Carol) Gorham. He also leaves behind his grandchildren, Mikayla, Logan, and Dalton, step-granddaughter, Ashley, and great-grandchildren, Brady and Ella, as well as many family members, and his beloved dog, Maggie. Larry was

preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Donald Gorham, and sister, Ann Watrous.

A private memorial service is planned to celebrate his life. Online condolences may be expressed at www.speakschapel.com (Arr: Speaks Buckner Chapel 816.650.5555) Speaks Buckner Chapel, 300 Adams, Buckner, MO 64106, 816-650-5555



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Please remember that FOSD and Wellington/Napoleon School District will be starting classes soon!

Drive Safely!



Random thoughts on aging....

The biggest lie I tell myself is ..."I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."

Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes and come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller!

Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet!

I don't trip over things, I do random gravity checks!

I don't need anger management. I need people to stop pissing me off!

Old age is coming at a really bad time!

Lord grant me the strength to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can and the friends to post my bail when I finally snap!

I don't have gray hair. I have "wisdom highlights".

Teach your daughter how to shoot, because a restraining order is just a piece of paper!

If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would've put them on my knees.

The kids text me "plz" which is shorter than please. I text back "no"..... which is shorter than "yes".

I'm going to retire and live off of my savings. Not sure what I'll do that second week.

When did it change from "We the people" to "screw the people" ???

Even duct tape can't fix stupid but it can muffle the sound!

Why do I have to press one for English when you're just gonna transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?

Of course I talk to myself, sometimes I need expert advice!

Oops! Did I roll my eyes out loud?

At my age "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for.

And, of course? Have I sent this to you already or did you send this to me?

Thanks Carla!

Recipes

Chicken Soup with Lime and Cilantro

*Yield: 5 cups
Serving size: 1 cup*

Ingredients

- 1 quart *Homemade Chicken Broth or canned reduced-sodium chicken broth*
- 1 whole chicken breast, *skinned, boned, and split, or 2 skinless, boneless breast halves (about 3/4 pound)*
- 3 *tablespoons fresh lime juice*
- 1/4 *cup coarsely cilantro leaves*

Directions

Bring the broth to a simmer in a large saucepan.

Add the chicken; cover and simmer over low heat until it is just cooked through, about 8 to 10 minutes.

Remove and shred the chicken. Return it to the broth; add the lime juice and bring the soup to a boil.

Ladle into soup bowls; sprinkle with cilantro.

Microwave S'mores

1 box graham crackers

1 bag small, mini marshmallows

Milk chocolate candy squares

Break the graham crackers in half-

Put 3-6 chocolate squares on one side of graham cracker

Place enough mini marsh mellow to cover the graham cracker

Place in microwave for 10-15 seconds until marsh mellow have melted the chocolate

Take out of micro wave, place other half of graham cracker on top

Enjoy!

Make sure the s'more is not too hot before eating

Drop off locations for The Gazette

- *Heating and Cooling Co. downtown Buckner
- *Wellington/Napoleon School
- *Metcalf Bank
- *Buckner Thriftway
- *Buckner Public Library
- *Buckner Elementary School
- *Levasy City Hall
- *Misty's
- *Laundromat in downtown Buckner
- *Paper box in 24 highway shopping center
- *Paper box on corner of S. Hudson and Washington street in downtown Buckner
- *Senior Center
- *Nadler's Meats-Wellington, Mo.

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From the Editor

One of my very best friends, Liz has been sick for about four years. She has gone through several stomach surgeries, neck surgeries and even had a pace maker put in last September.

Through all of this she remained optimistic and basically rolled with the punches. She is close to 70, retired and she and her husband Mac, run the Food Pantry in Fairmount. It is simply volunteer work and they do it with grace, dignity and compassion.

They are both very active in their church, spend time with their adult grandchildren, one even lives with them, while she goes to college.

She never asks anyone for anything, worries about everyone having enough to eat, kids having school supplies, etc. Mac has been a Scout leader for 20 plus years, first with his son and then his grandsons. Both of Liz and Mac's children, Pam and Billie are now adults, each with a son and daughter of his own.

For the past several months she has been losing weight and the doctors just couldn't figure out what was wrong with her. Gradually her stomach kept hurting and the pain was getting worse.

She made an appointment with the original doctor that did her stomach surgery, only to find out that he had left his practice and moved to another state. As with all specialists, they seem to have a long waiting list, and this new one was no exception.

Once she got into the new doctor,

he ran some tests, and took some x-rays. Their worst fear, pancreatic cancer, was found. It was so small that the doctor decided to just wait and see if it would get any bigger. He stated that sometimes they just stay one size. Liz took the news with faith and confidence that she would be okay. I on the other hand, being not so optimistic wanted to know why they couldn't do anything now. I know that all lumps, bumps, tumors etc. can't be detected right away, and disrupting them, might cause it to increase in size.

Four weeks have passed and she is still losing weight, sick to her stomach and in pain. The specialist she is seeing is the only one around and can't get her in until August 20. Of course I was furious, but Liz has complete faith that it will be fine.

The point of this editorial is to encourage individuals to see their physicians on a regular basis, and if in doubt about something, get it checked out. Of course, Liz did all of this and I still have faith that she will be okay.

There are many well educated physicians in our greater Kansas City area, and if you aren't happy with yours, don't give up, just find another one. All personalities are not the same and you have to do what is best for you.

Have a GREAT week and please keep Liz and her family in your Prayers! Gretchen

Special Olympics Missouri Athletes Return from World Games as Champions!

(Jefferson City) The 13 athletes from Special Olympics Missouri who competed at the 2015 Special Olympics World Games as part of Special Olympics USA returned from Los Angeles Monday as champions. Missouri had an athlete compete in tennis and 12 athletes from around the state compete in softball. The results from competition are below:

Tennis

Bobby Williams (Lee's Summit) -- GOLD MEDAL in doubles, SILVER MEDAL in singles

Softball -- SILVER MEDAL

Allen Cameron, Springfield
James Johnson, Wright City
Tim Kunz, Jackson
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Wellington-Napoleon - 11-Man Football 2015-2016 Junior Varsity Schedule

8/21/2015 at Lone Jack	9/25/2015 7:00 PM
8/28/2015 7:00 PM West Platte	Concordia
9/4/2015 7:00 PM Santa Fe	10/2/2015 7:00 PM at St. Paul Lutheran (Concordia)
9/4/2015 Santa Fe Cancelled	10/9/2015 7:00 PM at Orrick
9/11/2015 7:00 PM at Lexington	10/16/2015 7:00 PM Sweet Springs with Malta Bend
9/18/2015 7:00 PM at Crest Ridge	

Welcome to www.wntigers.net

WE'RE NEW, IMPROVED, and MOBILE

Welcome to the new WN R-IX web site. We have been working hard for the past few months to redesign the web site, and we will be making additions over the course of the next several weeks and months. You will notice links along the top of the District home page to find items as: Parent Portal, Tiger Text, etc. The site will continue to evolve and keep you up to date on important school activities and information. While the site won't be a daily newspaper by any means, it is certainly our goal to keep the content fresh and exciting in an effort to entice you to return often.

MOBILE ACCESS

We are excited to tell you that the new web site is adaptable for viewing on all mobile devices and that you have a choice on your viewing preference.

The next time you view our website on a tablet or smartphone, our web site will automatically detect your mobile device, display the mobile view and will remember it each time you return. If you change your mind, look for the Full Site/Mobile link on the footer of the web site to toggle back and forth.

In addition to view choices, the mobile view offers additional features. You can learn about them and some interesting facts about mobile access by clicking here.

ALSO, be sure to visit the calendar component of the web site. Sign up for weekly or monthly reminders for the events and activities you are interested in. Click here for more details, including instructions for clipping events.

So, take a look now, and then keep checking in with us from time to time; hopefully you'll notice the changes, the new features, etc. Thanks for visiting and come back again soon.

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Assistant Principal Hired at Fort Osage

Dr. Jason Snodgrass, Superintendent of Schools, is pleased to announce Mr. Danny Knapp as Assistant Principal at Fire Prairie Upper Elementary School. Knapp will begin his duties effective July 2015. Knapp is replacing Mrs. Sarah Brown who will assume the role of elementary principal in the Piper School District.

"I am honored to become a member of the Fort Osage family! It is a privilege to join a district who has such a good reputation of being collaborative, innovative, and student centered. I look forward to continuing my career in Fort Osage and building positive trusting relationships with the school community. I am excited to work with students, staff, parents,

and patrons in our quest of preparing all kids for success now, and in the future." said Knapp.

Knapp comes to Fort Osage from Clinton County R-III in Plattsburg where he was middle school principal and activities director for one year, and elementary principal for two years. Prior to that, he spent 13 years as a teacher of special services in the North Kansas City School District, Liberty School District, and Lafayette County School District.

Knapp was a graduate from the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg with a Bachelor of Science in Education. Majoring in Special Education, he had an emphasis in Behavioral Disorder and Educable Mentally Handicapped. Knapp also holds a Master of Education in Administration K-12, and a Specialist in Educational Administration from William Woods University.

Information about the Fort Osage School

Established in 1949, The Fort Osage R-1 School District is about 20 miles east of Kansas City, Missouri, and encompasses 132 square miles of Eastern Jackson County, including northeast Independence, the communities of Buckner, Levasy, Sibley, Atherton, and a portion of Sugar Creek, as well as many acres of unincorporated land.

The school district serves as a center to this unique blend of rural, small town, and suburban atmospheres. The Central Campus, featuring the

Fort Osage High School, Ninth Grade Center, Osage Trail Middle School, Career and Technology Center, and the Gragg Administration Center is located at 2101 North Twyman Road near the intersection of U.S. 24 Highway and Missouri Highway 7.

Fire Prairie Upper Elementary School is located east of the Central Campus. The school district operates five elementary schools, an Early Childhood Center, and an alternative school, Lewis and Clark Academy.

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Buckner Elementary School School Supply List

- Kindergarten**
- 24 yellow #2 wood pencils
 - 4 boxes crayons (24 count)
 - Classic color washable markers
 - 4 bottles liquid glue (4oz) or glue sticks
 - Plastic school box
 - 3 boxes facial tissue
 - 4 black dry erase markers
 - Gallon Ziploc bags (girls only)
 - Quart Ziploc bags (boys only)
 - Pkg. loose leaf construction paper
 - Pkg. playdoh (boys only)
 - Pkg. napkins (girls only)
 - Backpack (no wheels)

- First Grade**
- 36 yellow #2 wood pencils
 - 2 boxes of crayons (24 count)
 - Classic color washable markers
 - 2 bottles liquid glue
 - Plastic school box
 - 2 boxes facial tissue
 - 6 black dry erase markers
 - 4 plain color pocket folders with prongs
 - 2 plain color spiral notebooks wide rule
 - 2 large erasers
 - Pkg. loose leaf construction paper
 - Scissors
 - 2 pkg. index cards
 - Earbud earphones
 - Backpack (no wheels)

- Second Grade**
- 36 yellow #2 wood pencils
 - Crayons (24 count)
 - Classic color washable markers
 - Bottle of glue
 - 2 glue sticks
 - Plastic school box
 - 3 boxes facial tissue
 - 24 black dry erase markers
 - 2 large erasers
 - Ziploc sandwich bags (girls only)
 - Ziploc gallon bags (boys only)
 - 4 two pocket folders (red & blue, no brads)
 - 2 spiral notebooks wide rule
 - Fiskar children's safety scissors
 - Pkg. index cards
 - Earbud earphones
 - Backpack (no wheels)

- Third Grade**
- 72 yellow #2 wood pencils
 - Crayons (24 count)
 - Classic color washable markers
 - 2 glue sticks
 - Plastic school box or pencil pouch
 - 3 boxes facial tissue
 - 4 dry erase markers (black preferred)
 - Ziploc sandwich bags (girls only)
 - Ziploc quart bags (boys only)
 - Ruler
 - 8 folders (2 red, 2 green, 2 yellow, 2 blue)
 - 2 spiral notebooks wide rule
 - 3 large erasers
 - Earbud earphones
 - Backpack (no wheels)

- Fourth Grade**
- 72 yellow #2 wood pencils
 - Crayons (24 count)
 - Colored pencils
 - Bottle of liquid glue
 - 2 boxes facial tissue
 - 4 Wide rule composition notebook
 - 2 plastic two pocket folders
 - Spiral notebook of graph paper
 - 2 Three ring binders, 2"
 - Earbud earphones
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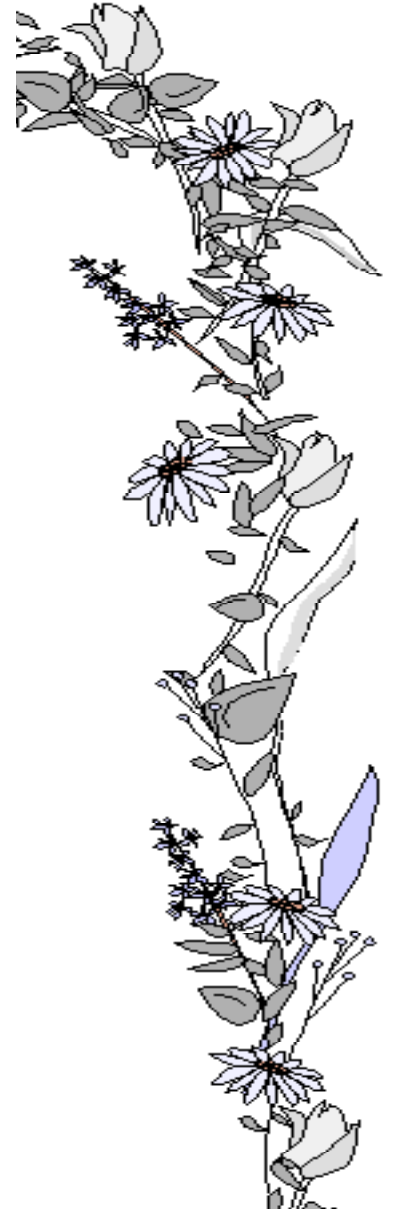
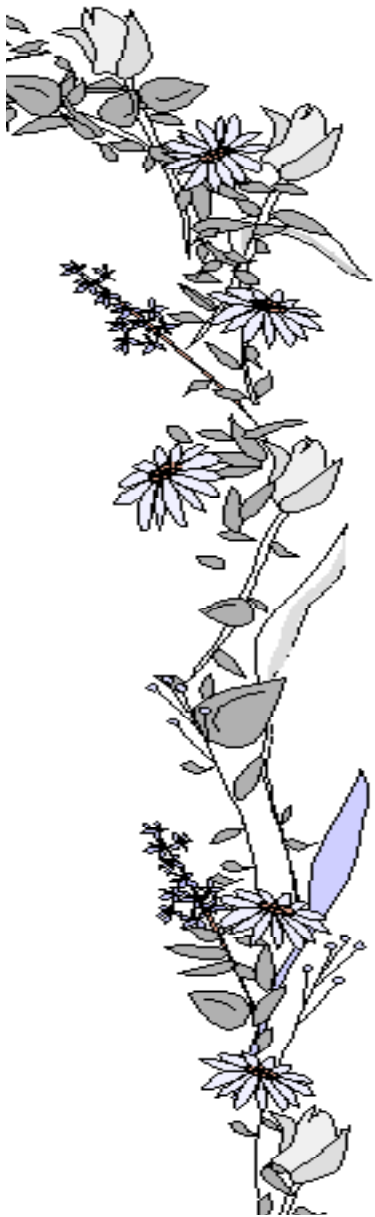
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No one wants to think that the unimaginable could happen to them, but according to statistics, nearly 2,000 children are reported missing or abducted each day in the United States. Gathering all of the information law enforcement officials need after the fact can be a daunting task, especially under duress.



According to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC.ORG), a current good quality photo is the single most effective tool in locating a missing child. The NCMEC encourages parents to be prepared by assembling their child's photos and vital information ahead of time.

MOCHIP is a comprehensive child identification program designed to give families of a measure of protection against the ever increasing problem of missing and abducted children.

This program is provided **"FREE OF CHARGE"**

How does it work?

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<p>The program consists of five major components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital Photographs • Digital Fingerprints • Child Information and Emergency contacts • Dental bite impression • Two (2) laminated ID cards <p>Together, these five measures provide a powerful identification and recovery tool.</p>	 <p>The digital photographs, digital fingerprints and Child Information and emergency contacts are given to the parent or guardian of the child on a mini-CD computer disk. The information on the disk is compatible with the format required by the "AMBER ALERT" program.</p>	 <p>The dental bite wafer provides an impression of the biting surface of the child's teeth, which like fingerprints, are unique to each individual. The wafer also collects enough saliva to provide a DNA sample and a source for a scent for trained canine search and recovery teams.</p>
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Featured business of the Month Second Chance Thrift & Consignment



Rookies Bar and Grill (formerly Tonahills Last Change Bar) Closes in Buckner

Rookies Bar and Grill has closed on 24 highway and Central Street in Buckner, MO.

The building was originally purchased and renovated by owner Gary Tonahill and opened for several years as Last Chance Bar and Grill. It was leased approximately a year ago and renamed and reopened as Rookies.

The building now has new tenants who are planning on doing some renovations to the building and the new business will open sometime in September. We will keep you posted as to the new venture and the exact opening date. Welcome to Buckner!



Pictured above is just one of the windows decorated in Royals items and theme. It is Preferred Bank, located in Napoleon, Mo. Please visit our neighbor to the East and enjoy the displays.

Each month The Gazette Newspaper will be featuring a "Business of the Month." This month Second Chance Thrift & Consignment has been chosen.

Second Chance Thrift & Consignment is located in the 24 highway shopping center (previously where Dollar General was located.)

The business has literally hundreds of items for sale in a variety of categories, ranging from clothing, furniture, toys, household, books and list goes on.

If you are looking for a great bargain, please stop by Second Chance Thrift & Consignment. Enjoy shopping and thank you for locating your business in Buckner!