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**Schools have changed in appearance over the years, but they still have the same values, ethics and wonderful teachers**



**Pictured above is Halls Memorial School, located in Levasy, MO.**

Halls Memorial School located in Levasy, Mo. served the area community for many years. It is frequently rented out for weddings, birthday parties and other activities.



**Buckner Elementary School is a one story building with a modern flare.**

This beautiful, fairly new, modern building was once the home of a two story brick building that housed a gym and auditorium on the second floor. It was built in 1865 and named Memorial Hall.

Rooms in the lower level, housed k-12th and then as more people moved to our area the building took on some expansions..

Millie Harden taught in the old building, along with Mildred Struwe, and Pam Mershon,.

As our communities grew a new addition where the cafeteria is was built and all fifth grade classes were in one room with 4 different teachers. Lloyd Williams was principal, in 1969.

For more information on our schools, please visit the Mid-Continent Public Library in Buckner.

**These two beautiful old brick buildings are over 100 years old and still standing!**



This beautiful old building located on the corner of Hudson Street and Washington in downtown Buckner is getting a face lift! New windows are being installed and much needed side walks with concrete steps have replaced the old concrete that was crumbling due to age. This building at 326 S. Hudson St., Buckner, MO. is over 100 years young!

As you can see this is a work in progress and our community is happy to see someone taking such an interest in our community!

We will keep you updated as the restoration process continues and are excited to see the Downtown Area coming to life.



**Building located at 327 S. Hudson, Buckner, Mo.**

This historic old building has had many purposes over the years, including a flea market and flower shop,.

The large display windows in the front of building look nice decorated for the holidays and to use as display windows for vendors located in the building. Soon it will have an entire new look and be a place to shop in for many items for years to come.

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**Please enjoy the beautiful weather!**

*Obituaries*

**Ricky “Rick” Steve Yates**

**Rick Yates**

Rick was born September 5, 1958, in Dallas, Texas. He was a cabinet maker and loved his grand kids, kids, music, dogs, chickens and his garden, hunting, and fishing. He also enjoyed watching football, baseball, Mavericks, hockey and westerns.

Rick was preceded in death by his parnets and one brother, Roger Yaters.

His survivors include his wife, Betty Yates of the home, two daughters: Amber Coffman (Jason) and Maggie Howard (Michael), all of Independence, two grandchildren Steven and Sarah Howard, two brothers, Victor Yates and Robert Yates, both of Independence and one sister, Annette Yates of Warrensburg, and a host of nieces and nephews.



**Jack Snead**

Jack Snead, longtime resident, business owner and friend to many, passed Monday, August 14, 2017.

Jack ran Sneads Safety Sales for 35 plus years and was a volunteer fireman when he got out of high school in 1960. He was also a quarterback in high school. Jack loved his Facebook page and enjoyed keeping the community up to date on happenings in the area. He also loved his cat Liz and his family and friends.

He leaves behind his daughter Angie, son in law and three grandchildren

Visitation will be at 5 pm with a memorial services at 6 pm. Royers funeral home in Independence, MO.

Rest in peace Jack, you will be missed.



**Jack Snead with daughter Angie Snead Streker**

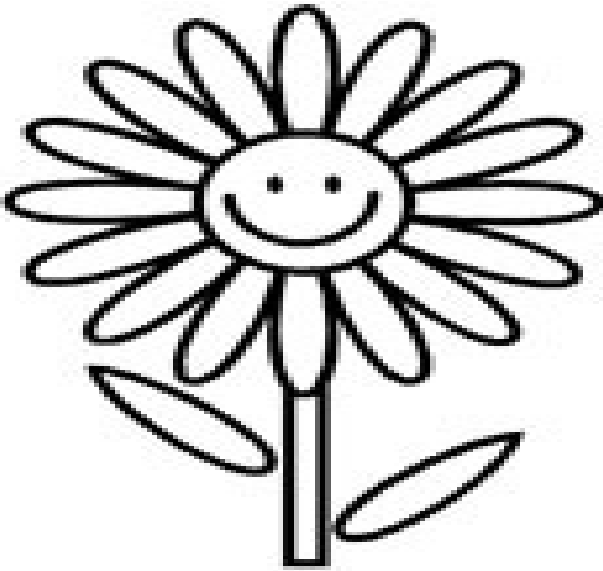
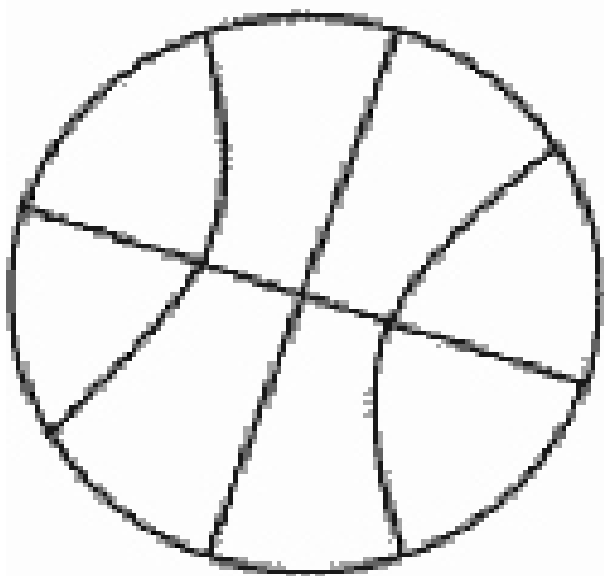
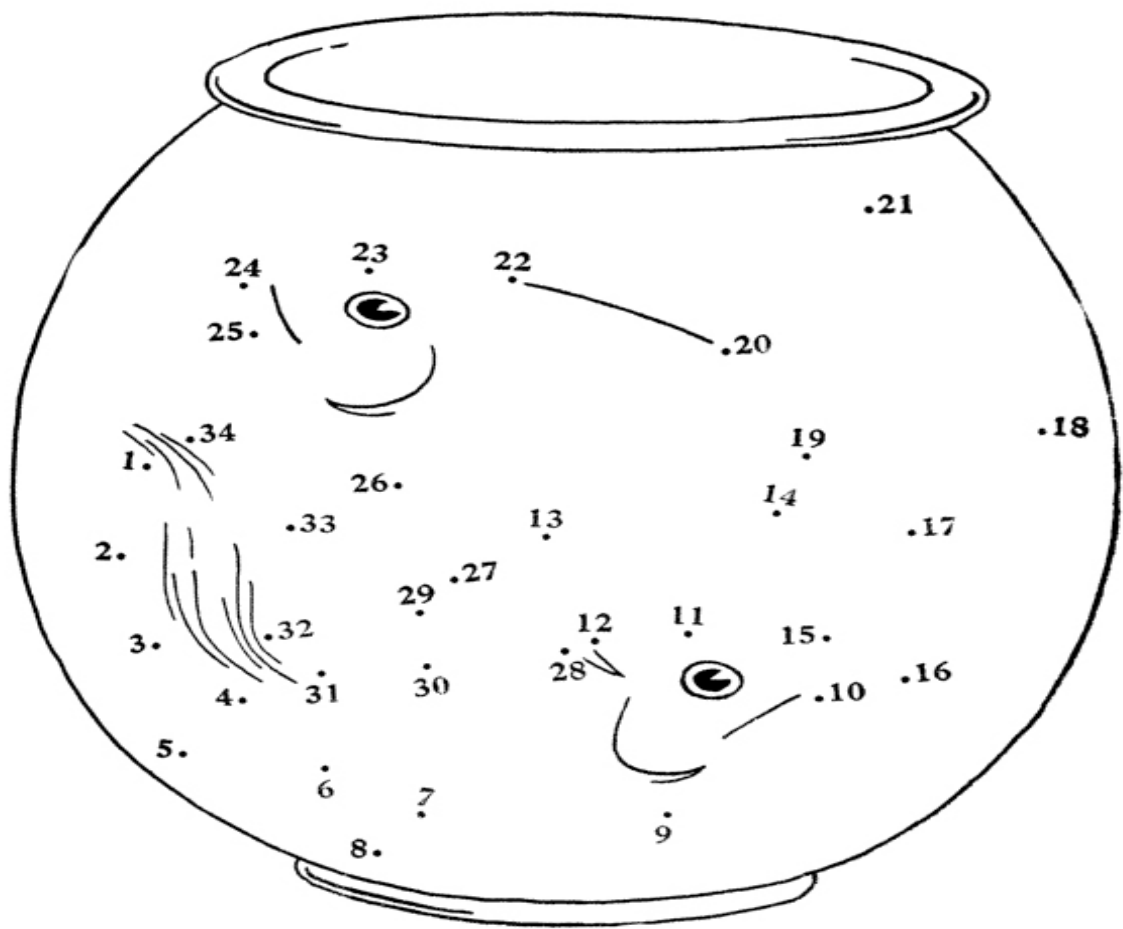
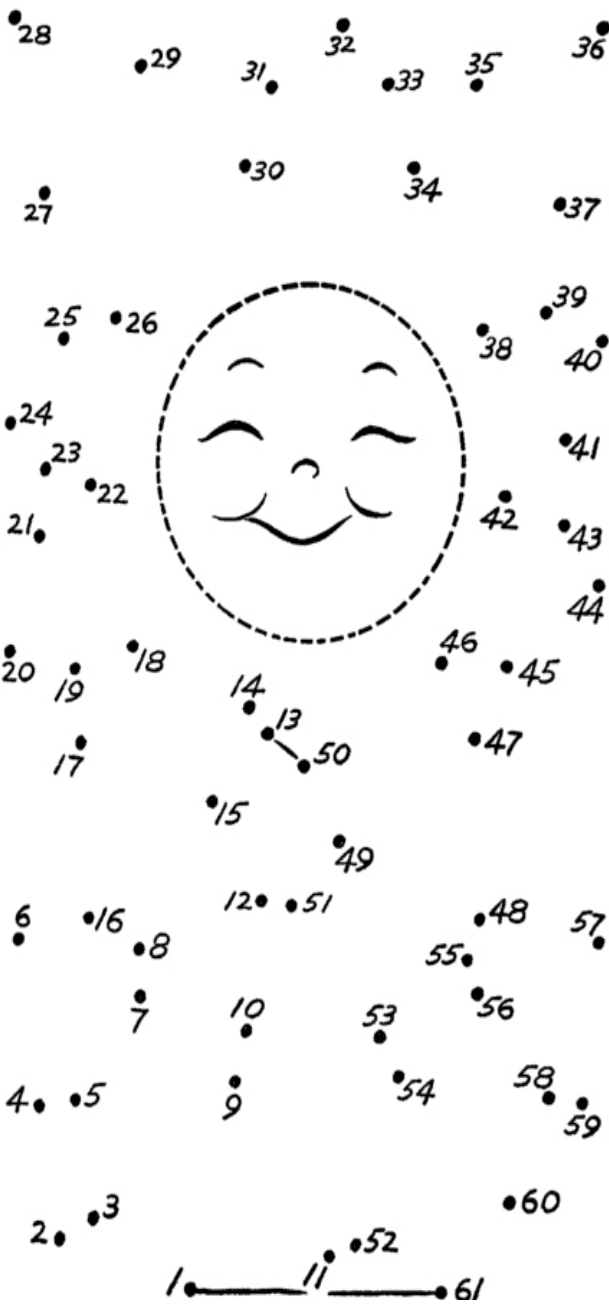
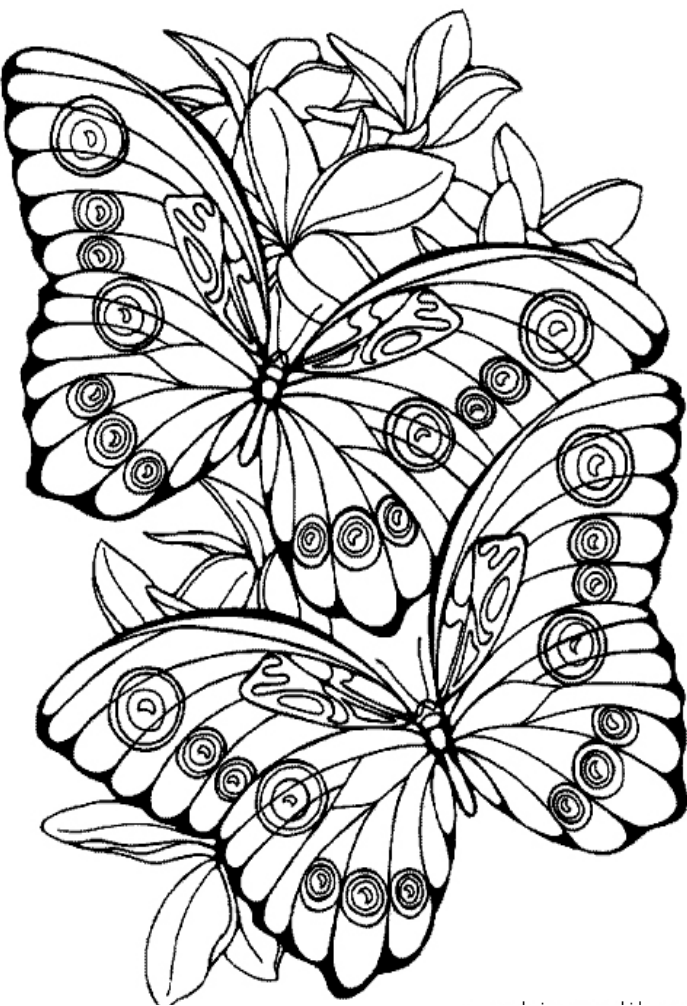
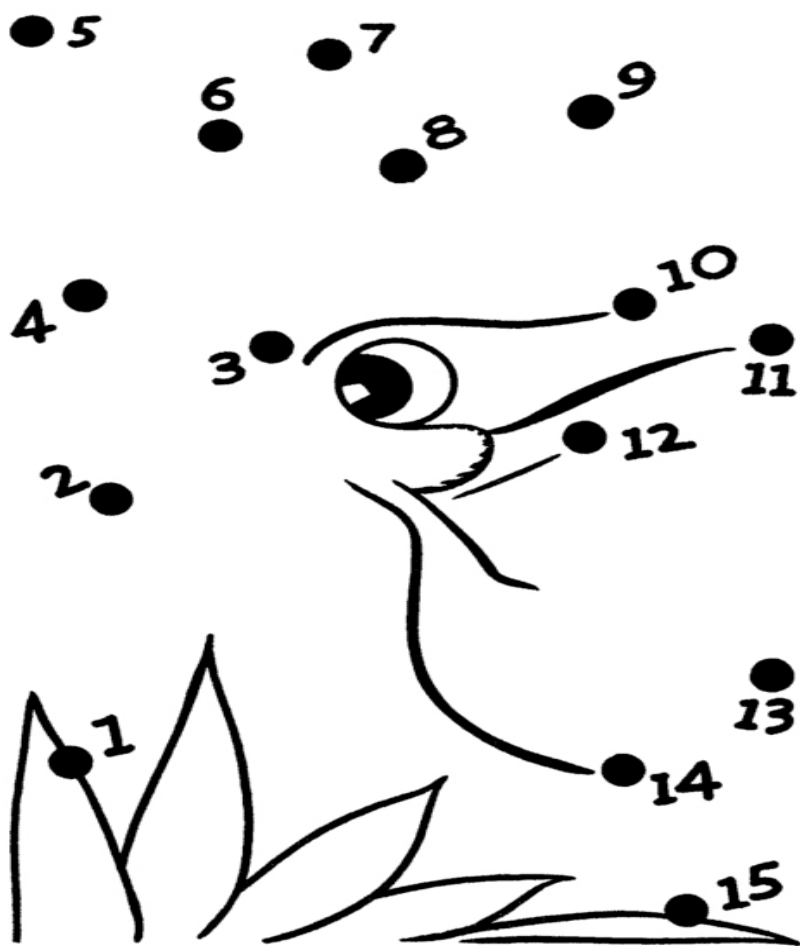
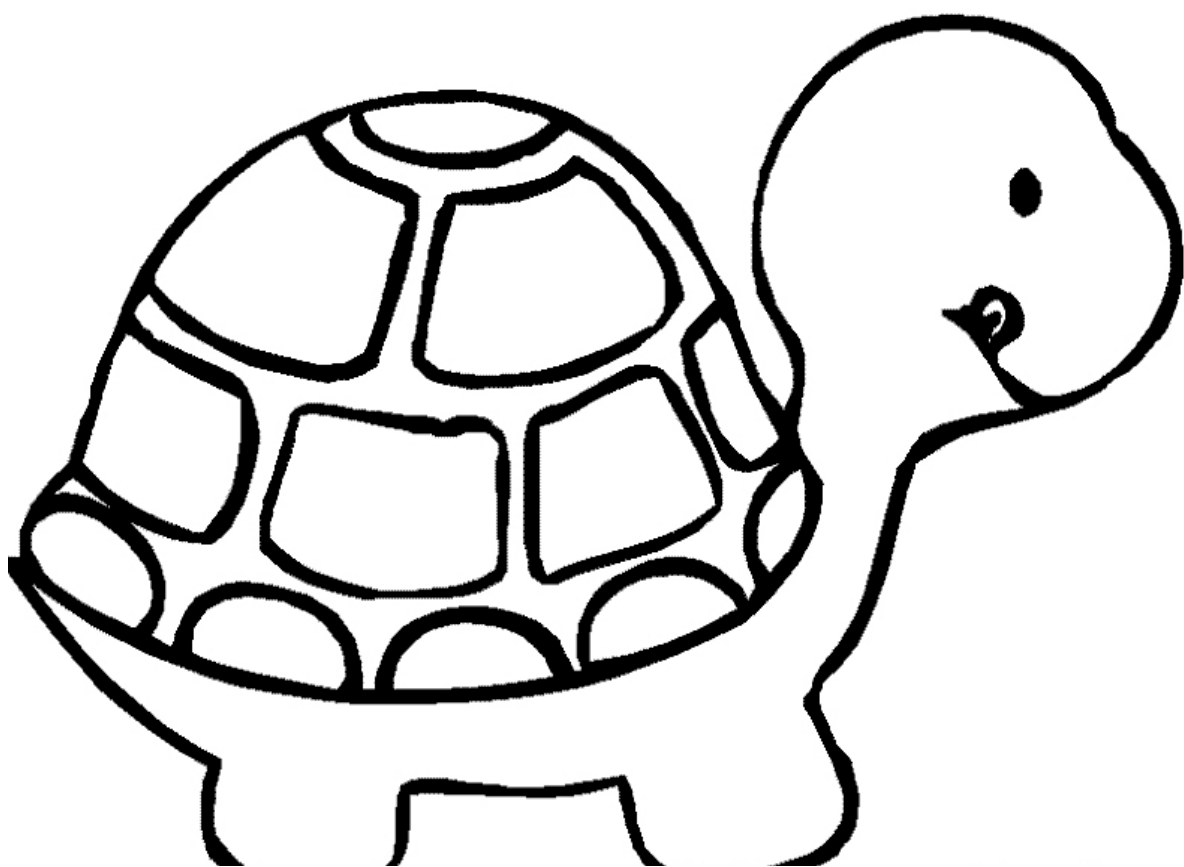
**Free Clothes Closet at First Baptist Church, Buckner, MO.**


Our clothes closet if very full and with the fall and winter months coming we would love to see some of these summer clothes go to some good homes. We do have fall and winter clothes as well. We have received several items that have tags on them still. These would be great for starting school. We have newborn to adults. Please call and make sure someone is there to go thru them, It is open to everyone no requirements.  
First Baptist Church - Buckner 816-650-5632

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The Kids Page



| <div><div><div>Supply Lists</div><div></div></div><div>Buckner Elementary</div><div>2017 - 2018</div></div>  |   |   |  |   |
|---|---|---|--|---|
| Kindergarten  | First Grade   | Second Grade  | Third Grade  | Fourth Grade  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 24 yellow #2 wood pencils</li><li>• 4 boxes crayons (24 count)</li><li>• 6 bottles liquid glue (4oz) or glue sticks</li><li>• Plastic school box</li><li>• 3 boxes facial tissue</li><li>• 6 black dry erase markers</li><li>• Gallon Ziploc bags (girls only)</li><li>• Sandwich Ziploc bags (boys only)</li><li>• Pkg. loose leaf construction paper</li><li>• Pkg. playdoh (boys only)</li><li>• Pkg. napkins (girls only)</li><li>• Backpack (no wheels)</li><li>• 2 plain, solid color folders</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 36 yellow #2 sharpened pencils</li><li>• 4 boxes of crayons (24 count)</li><li>• 2 pkg. classic color washable markers</li><li>• 1 bottle liquid glue</li><li>• 4 large glue sticks</li><li>• Plastic school box</li><li>• 2 boxes facial tissue</li><li>• 6 black dry erase markers</li><li>• 4 poly (plastic) two pocket folders with brads, plain colors</li><li>• 2 plain color spiral notebooks - wide rule</li><li>• 2 large erasers</li><li>• Pkg. loose leaf construction paper</li><li>• Scissors</li><li>• Earbuds</li><li>• Backpack (no wheels)</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 36 yellow #2 wood pencils</li><li>• Crayons (12 count)</li><li>• Classic color washable markers</li><li>• 2 glue sticks</li><li>• Plastic school box</li><li>• 2 boxes facial tissue</li><li>• 2-4 black dry erase markers</li><li>• 2 large erasers</li><li>• Ziploc sandwich bags (girls only)</li><li>• Ziploc gallon bags (boys only)</li><li>• 4 two pocket folders (no brads)</li><li>• 2 spiral notebooks - wide rule (1 red/ 1 blue)</li><li>• Fiskar children's safety scissors</li><li>• 2 pairs earbuds</li><li>• Pencil Sharpener</li><li>• Backpack (no wheels)</li><li>• Post Its</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 72 yellow #2 wood pencils</li><li>• Crayons (24 count)</li><li>• 2 glue sticks</li><li>• Plastic school box</li><li>• 3 boxes facial tissue</li><li>• 4 dry erase markers (black preferred)</li><li>• Folders - 1 each of red, green, yellow and blue</li><li>• 2 composition notebooks</li><li>• Earbud earphones</li><li>• Spiral notebook of graph paper</li><li>• Two 1" solid color binders</li><li>• Backpack (no wheels)</li><li>• Post Its</li><li>• Pencil pouch for 3 ring binder</li><li>• 5 tab dividers</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 72 yellow #2 wood pencils</li><li>• Bottle of liquid glue</li><li>• 2 boxes facial tissue</li><li>• 4 Wide rule composition notebook</li><li>• 2 plastic two pocket folders</li><li>• Spiral notebook of graph paper</li><li>• 1 Three ring binders, 1 1/2"</li><li>• Earbuds</li><li>• Backpack (no wheels)</li><li>• Post Its</li><li>• 1 pkg. wide rule notebook paper</li><li>• Markers</li><li>• 1 pkg. erasers</li><li>• Crayons</li><li>• Folder-3 prong plastic</li></ul> |

Letter to the Editor  
Obama Care

The article 'Obamacare wrecks havoc on Healthcare in Missouri' was published on July 12, 2017. It was submitted via email and included a release from the NRSC, the National Republican Senatorial Committee. One cannot deny that Obamacare, Missouri Healthcare and Missouri Senator Claire McCaskill are all important subjects to write about. Upon reading the first paragraph, I certainly do not dispute that this release from the NRSC is alarming. I was alarmed enough by its distortion of the truth to write this rebuttal.

Town Halls held by our members of Congress are not "protest talkathons", instead these are a chance for constituents to speak up about concerns. At her Statewide Town Halls, Senator Claire McCaskill heard from thousands of Missourians who were scared of losing their healthcare and she was urged to oppose any repeal and replace legislation. More than 200,000 Missourians have gained insurance since ACA, the Affordable Care Act, otherwise known as Obamacare, took effect. But 96,000 Missourians fall into the "coverage gap" that exists between eligibility for Medicaid and the eligibility for marketplace subsidies, 83% are working families. This "coverage gap" is a result of our Missouri legislature declining to expand Medicaid eligibility. Our legislature has let ideology get in the way of helping our neighbors. Healthcare should not be a partisan issue - every elected official needs to take the responsibility to look out for the well-being of their constituents.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City recently announced that it will not be in the 2018 Missouri ACA market. This announcement comes amid the uncertainty and ambiguity over how the current administration and Republican Congress will change the law. With this in mind, Senator McCaskill introduced a bill that would allow any consumers in "bare" counties without ACA insurers to buy into the DC HealthLink plan that is available to members of Congress and their staffs. Claire also backs bipartisan legislation to renew Medicare programs that are critical to rural communities and Medicare patients. Admittedly, no one said the Affordable Care Act was perfect, the intention was to fix as we saw the need. And we need a bipartisan effort to make sure all Americans receive the best possible and affordable healthcare. Let us all move forward with positive solutions while leaving the partisan bickering behind.

Sincerely,

Cindy Winfrey

Sibley, Missouri, Aug. 11, 2017



Pictured above is Halls Memorial School in Levasy, MO. It’s a well kept, all brick building with the fire escape on the right side of picture still in its original condition, minus a few decades of weathering.

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*Please remember*  
  
*School has Started!*  
  
*Please drive carefully!*



# Food For Thought

**A minute with GOD**  
**I spent a minute and hope you**  
**will too.**

**I LOVE THE OPENING SENTENCE:**

With what is going on in the world these days, Heaven could end up a ghost town.  
My name is GOD. You hardly have time for Me. I love you and will always bless you.  
I am always with you. I need you to spend 60 seconds of your time with Me today.  
Don't pray, just praise. Today I want this message to go across the world before midnight. Will you help? Please do not delete it and I'll help you with something that you are in need of. Just dare Me! A blessing is coming your way. Please drop everything and pass it on. Why are prayers getting smaller, but bars and clubs are expanding? Why is it so easy to worship a celebrity, but very difficult to engage with God?  
Think about it, are you going to forward this or are you going to ignore it because you think you will get laughed at? Forward this to all your friends, (I did), or just delete it. 80% of you won't. GOD said if you deny me in front of your friends, I will deny you on the Day of Judgment.  
When one door closes, God opens two. If GOD has opened doors for you, send this message to everyone...

**Obituary Policy**

The Gazette Weekly Newspaper publishes obituaries sent to us via email from Funeral Homes. We ask that the funeral home email us at [www.gazetteweekly.com](http://www.gazetteweekly.com) with the obituary with the families consent. A picture may be included with the obituary via email. There is No charge for this service. Thank You

*Weddings, engagements and birth announcement policies*

The Gazette Weekly is happy to include your wedding, engagement and birth announcements. These announcements need to be sent to us via email, at [www.gazetteweekly.com](http://www.gazetteweekly.com), with the consent of the individuals emailing these announcements to The Gazette. You may include a picture via email. There is no charge for this service. Thank You.

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**Our Children are our future!**

**Please encourage and support**  
**them in their school,**  
**home, life and future!**

**School has begun**

**Please watch out for our**  
**children!**

**Have a great 2017-18**  
**School Year!**

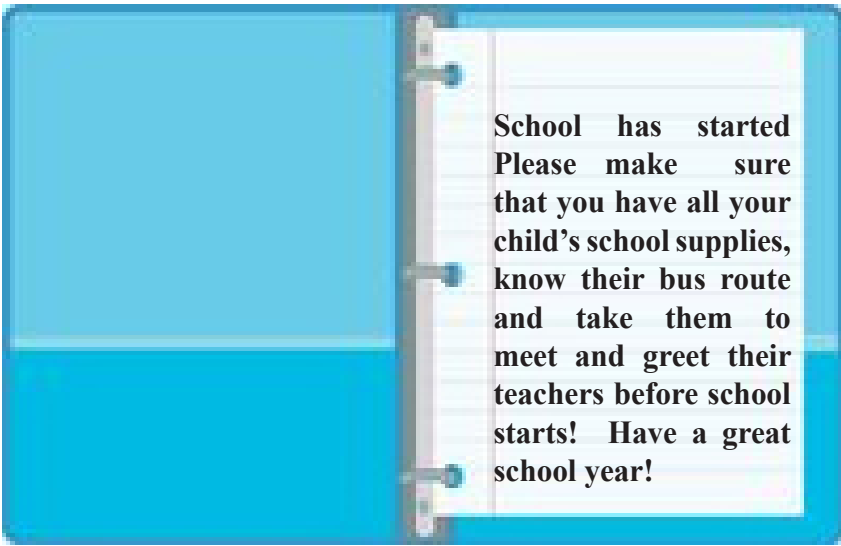


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Please make sure  
that you have all your  
child's school supplies,  
know their bus route  
and take them to  
meet and greet their  
teachers before school  
starts! Have a great  
school year!



*School has begun for the  
2017/2018 school year*

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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.

*School has started!*

*Please drive carefully!*

*Our children are OUR future!*

*Have a  
Great  
Week!*

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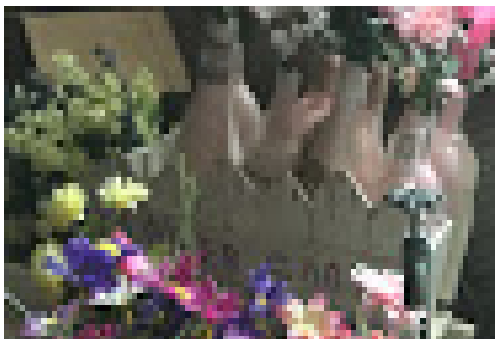
**Industrial grade outdoor fire pits for sale.**  
Industrial grade outdoor fire pits for sale. I, Aaron Gibbs have designed and built these long lasting fire pits out of a combination 3/16" tread plate and 1/4" plate steel. Pieces have been cut on a CNC plasma table. They have an access door in the bottom for ash clean-out also. Welded together for years of service. Great for the outdoor man-cave guy in your life. I have 4 ready for delivery to the general area. Priced at 250.00 with discounts available for multiple orders and military. Please call Aaron at 816-807-6907.



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*Internet Flower Shop  
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This is a joint business effort between the The Gazette Newspaper  
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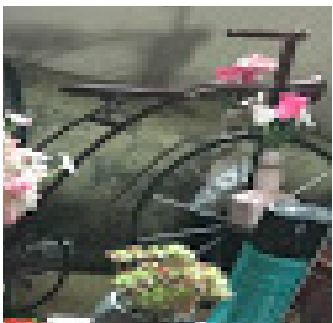
The internet flower shop will be open  
for business in 4-6 weeks!

It will offer a variety of silk flowers with  
fair prices for any occasion!

FREE delivery in the Buckner, Sibley,  
Levasy, and Napoleon areas

Website will be listed along with  
products in the next edition of

*The Gazette!*



*Internet Flower Shop Coming Soon!*



Have you ever wanted to send some flowers to a friend or loved one, but really did not want to get out of your house? Or, you wished you could see something similar to what you wanted, but there were not any pictures available to see?

Well, here is an answer to your flower questions! Soon, there will be a website that will provide pictures of many flower arrangements, vases, and other popular vessels to place your flowers in.

You will be able to choose what color and type of artificial flower you want. We will have many different flowers to choose from, colors of vases, baskets, etc. to pick from, and we will also offer mason jars in a variety of colors and sizes including clear ones.

All individuals are unique and so are their taste in flowers. From contemporary to modern, rustic to formal, crystal to mason jars, lace to burlap, we have a choice for everyone.

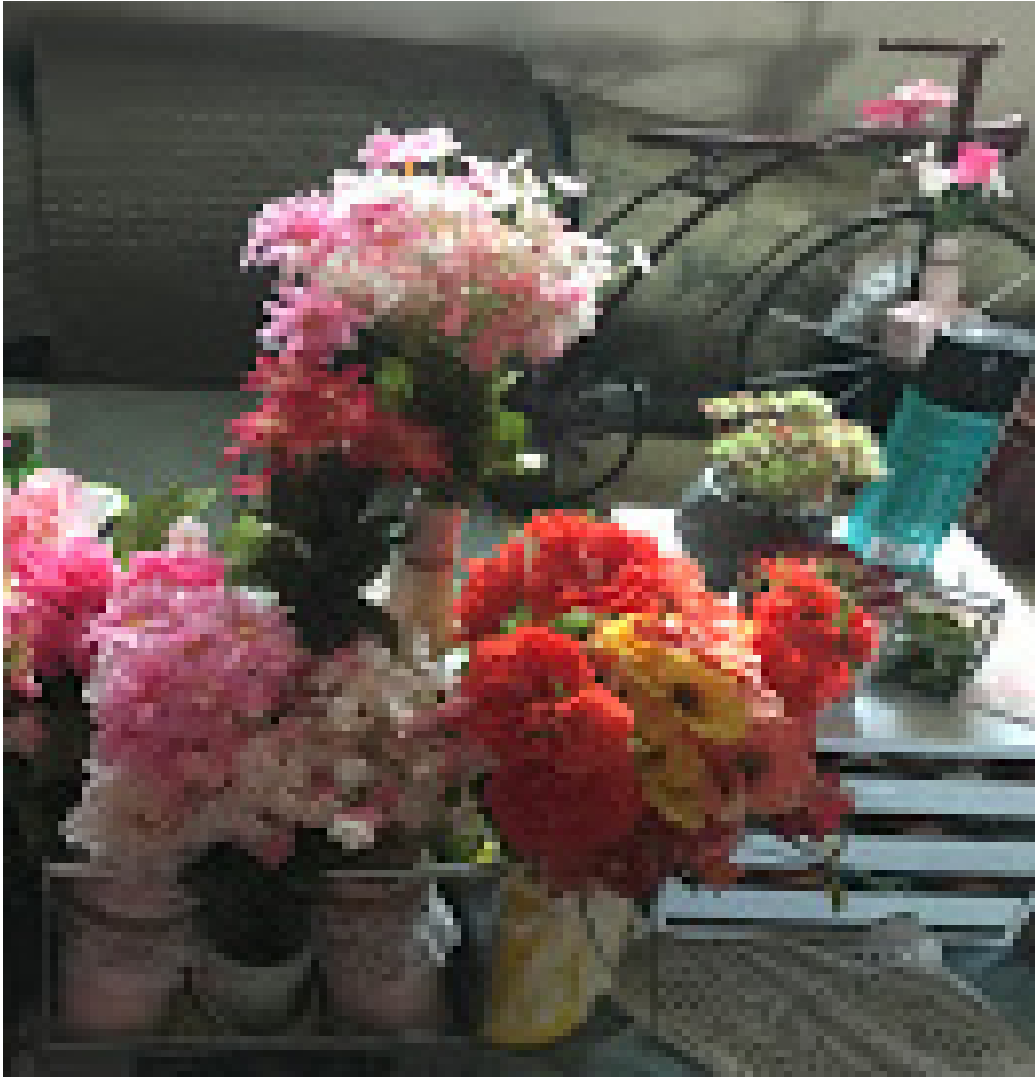
This is strictly an internet website. No storefront will be provided.

Payment can be made by Master Card, check by phone or pay pal. Free delivery will be offered to residents in the Buckner, Sibley, Levasy, Wellington/Napoleon areas, with a minimum of a \$25 order.

All other orders will be delivered by one of the three means of shipping and costs will vary between carriers and will need to be paid for before the delivery is completed.

This new business venture is a joint venture between The Gazette Newspaper and Buckner Village Florals.

We stand behind our products, have resided in the Buckner area for 47 years and have published The Gazette Newspaper for 23 years. Please email us at [editor@gazetteweekly.com](mailto:editor@gazetteweekly.com) for more information.



Pictured to the left is some beautiful flower arrangements in mason jars in any color or flower type you would like. Also, pictured is an old fashioned bicycle with an arrangement on the horn and both baskets on the side of the front wheel.