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COMING UP

Aug 8 Breakfast meeting
Aug 13 Board Meeting
Aug 14 Youth Soccer Signup Deadline
Details Here!
Aug 15 Breakfast meeting
Aug 16 Pool closes for public swimming
Aug 22 Breakfast meeting
Aug 23 6p Doggie Swim Day at the Pool
Cattlemen Days Rodeo coming up Aug 28-29!

TAKE A MINUTE TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO MADE US STRONG:

Carroll Sapp – 1987
“Buddy” Glascock – 1988
William Burnett – 1992
Remus James – 1994
Ron Marley – 1997
Cecil Vaughn – 2001
Billy Jo Sapp – 2004
Marvin Sappington – 2004
Arcie Sapp – 2005
Kenneth Nichols – 2006
Lahmon Wren – 2007
Joe Smith - 2009
Jimmy Jo Calvin- 2009
Bob Sappington – 2010
Florence Hahn 2011
Clifford Caldwell-2013
Mel Rupard-2013
Ernest Woods—2013
John Johnson—2013
Michael Dalton--2013
Jim Moore--2016
Carl Long--2016
Don Jones-2017
Clay Austin-2017
Sharon Donley-2017
Ben Nieman- 2017
Nick Kimbler- 2018
Barbara Perry- 2018
Jacob Zagorac- 2019
Joy Woods- 2021
Steve Walsh-2021
Kristi Savage Clarke 2022
Wes Donley 2025
Louise Martin 2025
Rev. Elmer Schiefer 2026
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Don't forget to get out and vote this Tuesday, Aug. 4th. For more information, go to <https://www.boonemo.gov/clerk/>

Breakfast: Aug. 8- Chris Felmlee, Leigh Kottwitz, & Loren Plank
Speaker-

We will host Bingo this Friday, with a \$1,000 horse race. If you usually help on Team one, but are not available, please let Barrett Glascock or me know so we can work on coverage.

Dorise Slinker, Carole Iles, and Tony Ash provided a delicious breakfast this morning of egg, meat, and cheese sliders, an apple cinnamon roll bake, and blueberry bread pudding to highlight all of our regular favorites. Barrett shared that the Kroeckel family that spoke to us last week are now fundraising for two additional trips, which will require \$100,000. Please watch for upcoming fundraisers and help as you are able.

After helping with breakfast this morning, Tony Ash shared information about his and his wife Aubrey's life as foster parents. A foster parent is someone who steps in when a parent isn't available. Tony was a Columbia Police Officer for eighteen years and Aubrey was a teacher. They have been together for 27 years. They have been involved in the lives of numerous children through KVC Missouri and have adopted several of them. The child many of us remember is Legend, who came to stay with the Ashes when he was two days old because of his mother's drug problem. He stayed with them for 3 1/2 years and now has returned to live with his mother after she has been drug-free for 3 years. They are still involved in his life and have become friends and mentors to his mother as well.

There are currently 325 children in foster care in Boone County, with another 157 on waitlists while they live in group homes of some sort. Every foster parent receives a stipend, depending on the needs of the child. as well as Medicaid coverage for health care. Tony said that the best way to help foster parents, outside of accepting what they are going through, is to provide a meal, respite time, and a listening ear. If every faith community in Boone County worked with one child, that would provide enough help.

After Tony was finished with his presentation, he drew for the Attendance drawing. Lisa Barnum, Jessica Ward, and John Dougan had their chance at riches, but with their absence, the pot will have a chance to grow.

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