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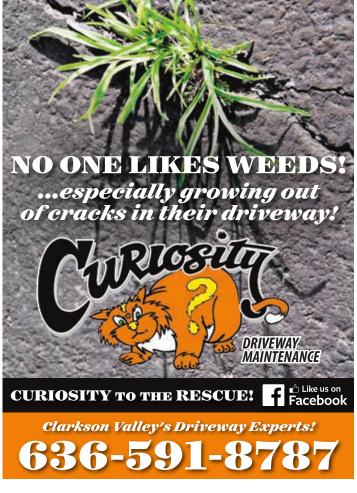












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# Mayor's CIPIACIO



Mayor Scott Douglass

The summer heat may be over, but the elections seem to heat up to boiling more often than my morning tea. I am not writing to endorse any candidate – instead, a review of the Missouri Constitutional Amendments on the ballot. It seems to me that during a Presidential election, other important issues receive little attention. As a result, at voting time

many of us feel short of information to make our decisions. An example: The proposed Amendments to the Missouri Constitution on the November ballot. So here is a brief review:

#### Amendment 1 (ABR) – Renew Parks & Conservation Tax

The wording of this original (1984) amendment and subsequent iterations requires voter approval every 10 years. Thus, it was automatically referred to the 2016 ballot. Previous versions of this amendment were approved in 1996 and 2006. No new costs to the State. A "yes" vote will continue the current tax.

#### Amendment 2 (Ci) – Campaign Contributions

The ballot will list four stipulations for limiting campaign contributions for State and/or Judicial office. It would limit contributions to \$2,600 for candidates to statewide office or the legislature.

#### Amendment 3 (Ci) – Increase Tax on Cigarettes

The language is clear. At least 75 percent of the revenue generated from these taxes would be devoted to increasing access to early childhood education programs. Around 10 percent of the funds would go toward grants for Missouri healthcare facilities. And approximately 5 percent would be devoted to smoking-prevention programs. Note: Tobacco company Reynolds American provided financial support in obtain the signature for this ballot placement. Estimated revenue to the State ranges from \$263 million to \$374 million annually with limited implementation costs.

**Proposition A (Ci)** is only on the ballot proposing an increase of 2 cents every two years 'til 2021, arriving at a total of 23 cents. The revenue would be used to fund transportation projects.

In the event that both Amendment 3 and Proposition A pass, the measure with the most affirmative votes supersedes the other.

# Amendment 4 – Extending Sales Tax to Previously Untaxed Services

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to prohibit a new state or local sales/use or other similar tax on any service or transaction that was not subject to a sales/use or similar tax as of Jan. 1, 2015? Potential costs to state and local governmental entities are unknown, but could be significant. The proposal's passage would impact governmental entity's ability to revise their tax structures. State and local governments expect no savings from this proposal. A "yes" vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to prohibit a new state or local sales/use or other similar tax on any service or transaction. This amendment only applies to any service or transaction that was not subject to a sales/use or similar tax as of Jan. 1, 2015. There is no way to effectively address future impact on revenues.

#### Amendment 6 (LR) – Voter ID Requirement

The following text would be added to the constitution:

Section 10 – A person seeking to vote in person in public elections may be required by general law to identify himself or herself and verify his or her qualifications as a citizen of the United States of America and a resident of the State of Missouri by providing election officials with a form of identification which may include requiring valid government-issued photo identification. Exception to the identification requirements may also be provided for by general law.

The () indicate: ABR – automatically place on ballot; Ci – by a citizen initiative; LR – placed on ballot by State Legislature.

It's your decision to make.



# Clarkson Valley Recycling Results through August 2016

July recycling tonnage: **21.00**August recycling tonnage: **27.23**YTD tonnage: **182.39** 

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# your publishers Here's To A Fun And Fabulous Fall!

October in Missouri is simply the best! Warm days and cool nights make it so wonderful to get outside and have fun with our family, pets and friends! Deanna and I simply love being able to get out and take long hikes and enjoy the changing of the leaves. It is, by far, our favorite month of the year!

Are you heading to the pumpkin patch? How about fall sports for the kids? Maybe you have an adult costume party for Halloween? If you have any of these planned or any other fall activities where you can get some cool pics, please share them with us – they make great features in your *Clarkson Valley Living publication!* 

We are excited to see the pics you have of your family for Halloween – it is one of the favorite features

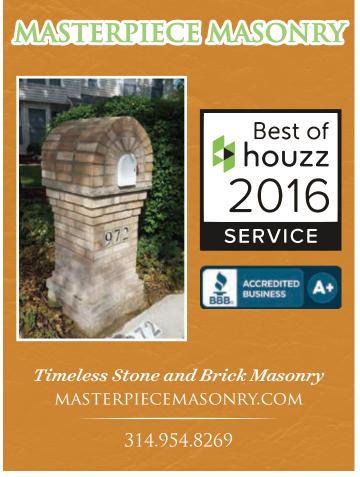
that we share each year. There is just something about seeing everyone throw on their costumes and have some Halloween fun! So, please, take lots of pics from your Halloween night or your parties, and submit them to us so we can feature them in a later edition of *Clarkson Valley Living!* 

Check out our ghoulish pic. Deanna likes to say that I look like this every day before I have my first cup of coffee – she might be right! We love the fun of Halloween, and we love being the publishers of your *Clarkson Valley Living!* Have a wonderful fall and a fun Halloween!



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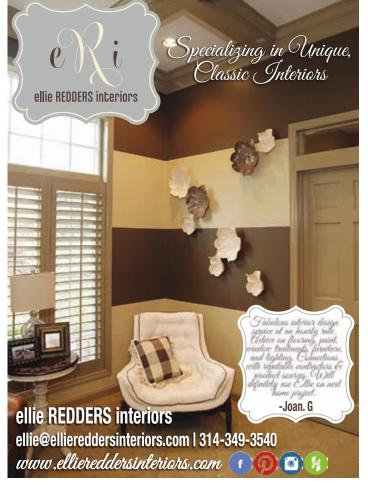
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- 2. In the Northern Hemisphere, autumn begin in September, when does it begin in the Southern Hemisphere?
- 3. What language does the word autumn come
- 4. In poetry, what emotion is autumn associated
- 5. Prior to the 16th century, what was autumn referred to as?
- 6. Why do leaves change color in autumn?
- 7. What do people refer to the moon as in the fall?
- 8. When is the autumn equinox in the northern hemisphere?

# Sudoku

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# Fun on the Lake!

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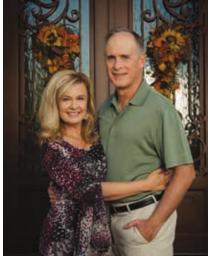
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Answers elsewhere in this issue

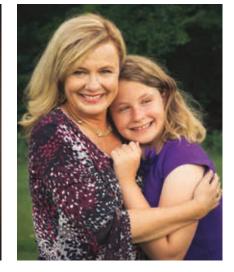
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# MEET THE DESLOGE FAMILY: Tom, Terrie, Jeffery, Faith and George Terrie, and article written by Kristy Howard and sponsored by Kehrs Mill Dental Arts.

Photography by Kim Eichelberger, co-owner

Hello, Clarkson Valley, from the Desloge family of five! We are Tom and Terrie, and our three children, Jeffery, 15; Faith, 11; and George, 9. We relocated to Clarkson Valley three years ago into Forest Hills, and have never been in a neighborhood where it is so warm, connecting and family-friendly. Most of our activities center around Forest Hills Country Club and neighborhood. The club has excellent golf and swim programs for youth, and it provides great opportunities to make friends for life. During the 4th of July, we love the golf cart parade and the excellent fireworks display.

Our daughter, Faith, was diagnosed with cerebral palsy at 8 months, and the reason we love our neighborhood is that the families and their children are kind and supportive to my special-needs daughter. Due to her in-utero brain injury, she often has behaviors that are not easy to deal with. It is hard for her to enter into a new environment without much anxiety, so we really appreciate everyone around here. It does take a whole village to raise a child, especially one with special needs.

As for Tom, he is a native to St. Louis and attended DeSmet, and then went on to study at Notre Dame. After graduating, he went to work for Watlow Electric and worked as

a salesman in Germany. Later, he moved to Nashville, where I grew up, to start a business. We met there while I was working my way through Belmont College, and then married and moved to St. Louis in 1996 while Tom was working for Watlow. Presently, he is the Vice President of Sales for KE2 Therm Solutions. The company is based in Washington, MO, and they manufacture commercial refrigeration controls.

After graduating from Belmont College, I went and worked as a chaplain for CCA and for Joyce Meyer Ministries.

I have spoken in churches, at women's retreats and bible schools while raising children, and have always been involved in church. I spent 18 years in prison ministry, as well, and at one point was the chaplain of a large prison in Nashville. Recently, I have developed and founded Missouri's first sensory and motor room using the state-of-the-art Snoezelen Equipment. These rooms are called Play Differently, and their purpose is to allow special-need parents to have a respite while their children play with a purpose in a therapeutic environment. I also really enjoy playing tennis as well, when I am not driving carpool for three kids that all attend different schools!

Our oldest, Jeffery, a sophomore MICDS and has been very involved in the junior golf program at Forest Hills, played on the MICDS varsity team his freshman year (which recently won state) and also played JV basketball last year. For the past two years he has been of Breakdown St. Louis, a youth leadership group, which goes into schools and puts on a production at area high schools to help teens address critical life decisions such as drugs, sex, alcohol, etc. As a result of Jeff's involvement, he was awarded the Presidential Service Award for his 150 hours of service his freshman year to the community. Also, last year, he was awarded the Wilma Jean Messing Award for qualities of citizenship, scholarship, and selfless service to his school.

Our daughter, Faith, attends Promise Christian Academy, which is a school dedicated to children with special needs. Her condition is what drove me to create Play Differently, so that special-needs children can have play areas suited to their needs. Faith enjoys swimming, jumping on the trampoline and watching Barney videos. Barney never loses his touch; I guess he is timeless!!! She also loves waving to neighbors and feeling the wind in her hair when riding in the golf cart!

Our youngest, George, is on the Forest Hills swim team, where, this year, was awarded most improved swimmer. He also enjoys basketball, golf, and tennis. His favorite basketball team is the Golden State Warriors. George is starting fourth grade at Covenant Christian School.

Our family is unable to participate together in activities such as bike riding, rollerblading, golfing or tennis due to Faith's limitations, but we do many other things instead! We play family football, and Faith runs around being our cheerleader! She also loves to eat, so we go to the club to eat dinner EVERY Sunday night where we play games at the table taking turns asking questions such as, "If you

could be famous, who would you be; say one thing you would do to make a change in the world..." We have family game night, with our favorites being Apples to Apples, Monopoly, and Clue. (Faith loves stealing the game pieces!) Our family enjoys traveling, and once a year we take the boys to a Notre Dame game (we are BIG fans!) and also on an adventurous trip such as the Riviera Maya, Grand Canyon, etc. This year, we took them to Hawaii. With Faith along, we have enjoyed vacations at Disney and Universal. Special-needs kids love theme parks!



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Photos submitted by Clarkson Valley parents

August brought the start of another sure-to-besuccessful school year for the kiddos of Clarkson Valley. Both parents and kids alike were all smiles for the start the first day of school!



Our family feels it important to give back to the community, and we are involved in Play Differently, Gateway 61, and Breakdown St. Louis. At Christmas, we like to provide dinner and presents for a family, and one year, we gave gift cards to workers at Chesterfield Mall who had to work on Christmas Eve!

Please say "hi" if you see us around!



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Side Note: Please keep your eye out for an article featuring Terrie Desloge and her involvement with special-needs children in an upcoming "Making a Difference" article.

The Desloge family's professional photos were taken by Clarkson Valley Living's Meet Your Neighbors photographer Kim Eichelberger, who co-owns and operates Eichelberger Photography: EichPhoto.com, 636-734-1486, KevinAndKim@EichPhoto.com.



first grade, at St. Clare of Assisi



(freshman) and Andrea Randall (junior)



Seth Hoy ready to drive his truck to his LAST first day of high school at Christian Brothers.



Aniston Blanner (Pre-K) at Lord of Life



Makayla (grade 6), Chelsea (grade 3), Camille (kindergarten) at St. Clare of Assisi School



Taylor Ries, third grade; Boe Ries, first grade; and Charlie Ries, fourth grade



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Clarkson Valley resident Kay Weeks with Caroline Westphal of Assistance League

# RESIDENT KAY WEEKS SHARES HER PASSION FOR ASSISTANCE LEAGUE

Article written by Caroline Westphal



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n a warm, sunny August morning, a school bus full of happy, boisterous children, aged kindergarten through fourth grade, arrives at Assistance League of St. Louis headquarters in Ellisville to participate in the Operation School Bell (OSB) program. Over the next two hours, 20 Assistance League volunteers will greet, entertain and fit 60+ deserving children with new uniforms: two pairs of pants, three shirts, a fleece pullover, socks, underwear, a toothbrush and a new book of their choice. Each child receives the attention of a caring volunteer who assures the child receives the perfect fit. While awaiting a fitting, children are engaged in fun activities with Assistance League volunteers, including story time, building Lego structures, and coloring works of art. Some days, an Assistance League volunteer performs a professional magic show. Children chatter excitedly in anticipation of receiving their new uniforms and books. This fun-filled and rewarding day will be repeated 58 times during the 2016-17 Operation School Bell season, culminating in the fitting of over 3,400 St. Louis-area school children. Since the program's inception in 1988, more than 68,178 children have received new school clothing.

"For students to be able to come to school in a nice, clean uniform, that's a blessing for those children and their families," says Jeffrey Rhone, director of family and community engagement for St. Louis Public Schools. "They feel like there's someone who cares about them and who wants them to be successful. Also, it allows them not to have to worry about having the latest fashion. They can just concentrate on learning."

Operation School Bell is only one of six philanthropic programs operated by Assistance League's crew of dedicated volunteers. Right on the heels of Operation School Bell in number of children served is the Steps to Success program, which provides new athletic shoes and socks to area school children. Last year Assistance League members visited 30 elementary schools to properly fit and provide athletic shoes and socks to 3,308 children.



Jennings School District staff and officials, and Assistance, Willie Moore (school/home coordinator), Erline Brooks (AL volunteer), Dr. Art McCoy (superintendent), and Dr. Lyndsay Cowles (student support specialist). Front: two students.







Assistance League's other philanthropic programs include **Project ROSE**, whose volunteers deliver gift bags containing clothing, personal care and household items for women and their children in four area shelters: **My Own Fun Stuff**, whose members deliver activity kits to hospitals, schools, and agencies; **Operation Hug**, whose volunteers supply teddy bears to comfort children and adults in traumatic situations; and **Assistance League Outreach**, which provides short-term assistance through agencies to individuals in need. Proceeds from the organization's resale shop, **Fantastic Finds**, contribute to the support of these programs as do funds from the annual fall gala and spring Authors Brunch. This year's gala, themed "**Imagine!...** Lions and Tigers and Bears, OH MY!," will be held at the Atrium at Edward Jones on Oct. 8, 2016.

## How can you help Assistance League of St. Louis?

Make a monetary or in-kind donation. Visit www.alstl.org, for more information.

Book our public relations chairman, Jayne Foley, to talk with your organization. Call 636-227-6200 to schedule.



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Assistance League member and Clarkson Valley resident Kay Weeks has been an Assistance League of St. Louis volunteer for several years. She has contributed her volunteer talents as a past Vice-Chairman of the fall gala and chairman of the Sponsorship committee. She continues to serve as an invaluable member, seeking sponsorships and participating in the Public Relations Committee.



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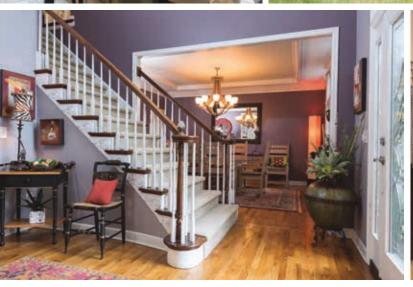




















# The Peckinpaughs Bring California Style

Zo Zheir Dunhill Home

Photography by **Kim Eichelberger**, co-owner of Eichelberger Photography. Article written by resident Jill Peckinpaugh and sponsored by DiPasquale Painting.

The Peckinpaugh family, consisting of my husband, Dave, me (Jill), and our two teenagers, Samie (19) and Max (17), made a big move from Poway, (outside of San Diego) CA, to Missouri five years ago. Upon moving to St. Louis, finding the right home and neighborhood was top priority. Our search led us to Dunhill Farms in Clarkson Valley, and we immediately fell in love with the neighborhood and surrounding area. My husband runs a large global incentive travel company locally, and l am personal stylist for a California-based clothing designer.

We took on the mission of slowly making changes to our new home, creating a twist on California meets the Midwest. Our master bathroom was the first challenge we took on by gutting it and bringing

it up to date, and adding a more Zen-like style and style. With the kitchen area being the only room that was remodeled before we purchased it, we knew it also needed more work to feel like our home. We replaced lighting fixtures to match our taste and changed paint colors to soften the look. The biggest change we made is taking off the window panes on all the windows, making the outside feel like an extension of the inside of our home, while bringing in more light.

When coming into our home, you will see how we have showcased our family travels, starting from the dining room and office space, and then throughout our home along with family antiques, artwork, and furniture crafted by friends, all, of course, incorporating our relaxed California style.

The outside of our home is still a work in progress! We started by taking out 25-year-old hedges that lined the front of the home, and replaced them with a mixture of native flowers, lavender and plants that bloom all season. It feels to us like a French garden, including a slate-paved sitting area out front for sipping wine and enjoying the front yard, making the home more inviting. We love our "treehouse" view overlooking our pool and backyard, and having beautiful, mature trees lining the creek behind. We couldn't be happier here!







We've featured some great homes in Clarkson Valley and would love to share yours, as well. Have you recently remodeled, redecorated or built on an addition, a man cave or a new wine cellar? Simply contact Kristy at Kristy. Howard@N2Pub.com to be featured.



# kids will be kids

# Meet Kylie, Weston, **And Theodore Grieshaber**

Article written by mom, Jamie, directly from the mouths of her babes, and sponsored by Chesterfield Montessori School.

Hey, Clarkson Valley! Meet the Grieshaber kids: 5 -1/2-year-old kindergartener Kylie, 4-year-old preschooler Weston, and 1-year-old Theodore (who goes by Theo). They are the pride and joy of their parents' eyes, and we are excited to feature them this issue. Here's what Weston and Kylie had to share when mom, Jamie, interviewed them:



#### What's your favorite movie?

Weston: "The eagle one. It's a flying one" (explains while flapping arms; I'm still unsure what he's thinking of). "I also like Shrek, Paw Patrol and Blaze."

Kylie: "Mommy, I have six favorite movies, is that okay? Frozen, hmmmm, Pet Shop, hmmmmm, Olympics, and I like Paw Patrol, and I like watching Barbies, and I have one more. Frozen Fever."

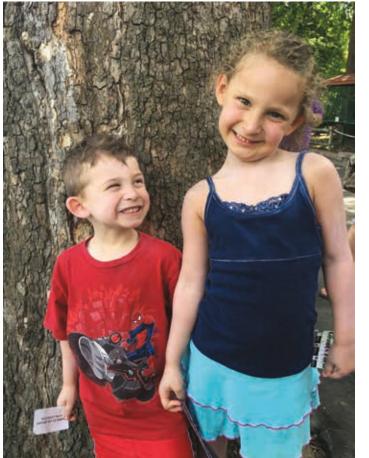




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#### What's your favorite music?

Weston: "Umm... Up Town funk you up."

Kylie: "Kidz Bop [Pandora station] and Jesus Station [Joy FM]."

#### What sports do you play?

Weston: "Uhhhh, soccer ball. Uhhhh, baseball and floot-ball.

That's all I do, Mommy."

Kylie: "Gymnastics and dance parties."

#### What musical instrument do you want to learn to play?

Weston: "Uhhhh, chocolate."

Kylie: "I want to learn something. A guitar!"

# What are your favorite things to do, or what do you want to

Weston: "Candy and practice swimming at Matt and Amy's, and playing on a clean playground. I don't want to do anything else." Kylie: "I want to learn pumping on swings."

#### What has been your favorite family vacation?

**Weston:** "The Hot Dog Place." **Kylie:** "Kansas City at the house."

#### What does Daddy do for work?

Weston: "He works on people's 'puter labs." (He's in IT.) Haha.

#### What does Mommy do for work?

Weston: "You go for runs."

#### What is an upcoming challenge you have?

Weston: "My big-kid school."

Kylie: "When I have to grow up. When I'm 6 I'm going to do lots of stuff that's hard."

#### What is something unique about you?

Weston: "I don't know. I want to think about it."

Kylie: "I'm tough."

#### What do you want to be when you grow up?

Weston: "I want to be a Spiderman, and I want some webs to

Kylie: "I want to be a gymnastics girl."

#### What do you think about your sister, Weston?

Weston: "I lover her. I love Teddy too."

#### What do you think of your brothers, Kylie?

Kylie: "Teddy is so squishy, and I love him. I love Weston, too."

#### Do you have anything else you want to share?

Weston: "Nope, I think that's it."

Kylie: "It hurts when you brush my hair."



**Hey kids** – do you want to be the superstar of the neighborhood? Do you want to share with the neighborhood any and all things that are important to kids your age? All you have to do is ask your parents to email Kristy at Kristy.Howard@N2Pub.com.







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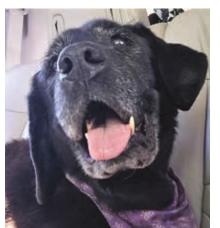
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Article written by **Coco** herself, with a little help from resident **Kristy Howard**. and Dorie and Claire Taiclet, and sponsored by Oxi Fresh Carpet Cleaning.

What's up, Clarkson Valley? My name is Coco, and I have been living with my human family, the Taiclets, for 15 years in Clarkson Valley! I am 16 and soon will be 17, which makes me 112 in dog years!!! I think I am the most beautiful black dog around, but, in my old age, I have lost my youthful body and gained some grey hair. You will see me hanging out (flat on the ground) in front of my house, and I am told that I am one of the sweetest dogs ever. You certainly can visit me but I'm a people person, and I'm not too fond of other people's pets. I like to be the top dog on my property! I used to be Dorie and Claire's constant companion and "babysitter" when they were in preschool!

Why did my parents name me Coco? Well, my dad is in the chocolate business and runs Harry London and Fannie May. My family didn't want to call me Harry Fannie (even though I have one!), so I became Coco. I think has something to do with an ingredient in chocolate, the cocoa bean... SO UNFAIR because I can't eat the stuff anyway!

So, for all of you other dogs out there, I have the COOLEST family! What other dog has their own Instagram page like me, huh? My family loves me sooo much that they document what I do and all my cute faces. Feel free to follow me at @coco\_taiclet! I really am lucky, though, because I was once a (hate to admit it) stray... and THAT'S a four-letter word in the dog world! I hung out at a farm where my future owners met me. I

# **precious** pets

guessed they liked me, and my dad came back and picked me up on Christmas morning... best Christmas EVER!!!

Yes, it is true, I am spoiled. Most of my siblings are in college or graduated, and my only sister left is Claire, so I am soaking up

the love! My family gives me Beggin' Strips or green beans (good for the waistline!). I also LOVE peanut butter! My best trick in my old age is I can sleep anywhere, any time! I am very ticklish, and I am terrified of water, but I do love to have a bath. My family hasn't caught on to this, but I can get ANYTHING I want if I pant like crazy! I have the mailman trained to give me two treats a day! I have been told I am a miracle dog because I had to have my spleen removed last year. Here I am, still alive and kickin' (not), so come see me when you can!



Do you have a pet and would like to share his/her story? Dogs, cats, horses, fish, and any other types of animals are welcome! Email Kristy at Kristy.Howard@N2Pub.com to have them featured in an upcoming issue.



young achiever

# meet meet

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This past summer began with a mission trip to Gonaives, Haiti, for Emma Gore, daughter of Dan and Kathy Gore. Emma is a sophomore at Westminster Christian Academy and lives in Dunhill. She and her mom, Kathy, traveled to Haiti with the St. Louis based Hope Community Project (HOPE).



Emma Gore (on right in grey T-shirt)



Emma was so touched by her experience that, upon her return home, she requested that friends and family donate to HOPE in lieu of gifts for her July 12 birthday. She raised over \$500 to help HOPE continue their ministry.





If you know of an outstanding youth (or you are one yourself!) who has had an accomplishment of some sort that should be featured, please email Kristy at Kristy.Howard@N2Pub.com



HOPE's main focus is orphan prevention. They work to help vulnerable families stay together through school sponsorships, medical care and economic development. Emma and her mom learned that many Haitian families struggle to find work in their impoverished community.

HOPE works with families through economic training and support in developing income-producing businesses such as raising poultry, harvesting salt, agricultural projects and food service. Emma and Kathy got to meet widow Dacoune, whom with HOPE, works to grow her salt-harvesting business. Thanks to the economic development ministry, Dacoune is able to support herself, her children, and some nieces and nephews.

We also learned that more than one in three Haitians die from a preventable disease. HOPE has a medical clinic to minister to the deeply impoverished. Their ultimate goal is to facilitate the development of a Haitian-run practice, where patients pay a small fee per visit.

HOPE's education project keeps families together by providing sponsorship for children to attend school. Many impoverished families sign their child(ren) over to an orphanage because they cannot afford the tuition, uniform and supplies costs for school. Can you imagine having to make that choice?



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# An Outdoor Oasis LOVED BY THE ENTIRE FAMILY

# outdoor oasis

of Eichelberger Photography. Article written by residents Nikki Greenberg and Kristy Howard, and



WE ARE THE GREENBERGS: DAVID, NIKKI, BRYCE, GIBSON AND Addisyn. Our family moved to Kehrs Mill Estates two YEARS AGO, AND ONE OF THE FEATURES THAT MOST ATTRACTED US TO OUR HOME IS THE "OUTDOOR OASIS." WE ALWAYS WANTED AN OUTDOOR AREA WITH LOTS OF ROOM AND USABLE SPACE, AND WE CONSIDER OURS ONE WE CAN USE NOW AS WELL AS INTO THE FUTURE AS OUR KIDS GROW OLDER. FOR EXAMPLE, WE LOVE THE IDEA OF RELAXING IN THE HOT TUB (NOW WE JUST NEED TO FIND THE TIME TO DO SO!), BUT UNTIL THEN, OUR KIDS (BRYCE, GIBSON, AND ADDISYN) WILL CONTINUE TO USE IT AS THEIR MINI-POOL. KIDS SPLASHING ALL OVER THE PLACE MAY NOT BE THE DEFINITION OF RELAXING, BUT IT CERTAINLY PROVIDES THEM ENDLESS ENTERTAINMENT.

Meanwhile, the fire pit provides a great gathering place for our terrific neighbors, friends and family, and I (Nikki) look forward to a peaceful evening of wine by the fire in the future. For now, the fire pit makes some pretty incredible s'mores. Speaking of cooking, the built-in grill provides fantastic meals without David having to clean the kitchen. One of these days, David plans to truly master the art of grilling.

The fountain in our front yard is one last feature that caught our eye the first time we drove up to the house. Not only does it continue to provide visual beauty, but the sound of running water is quite relaxing (unfortunately, also often drowned out by our loud children!). Ultimately, the area has all the necessary features that our family can use for years to come.





# Entertaining With Ease And Serving In Style

From the kitchen of resident Valerie Denton, and sponsored by Just Around The Corner Flooring

Whether it is a cocktail buffet, cocktail party, open house, or a reception, holiday entertaining can be easy. So before you send out the invites, what kind of party are you having? And what's the difference?

Cocktail Party - Offers light appetizers; guests usually stand to mingle, and lasts two to three hours.

**Cocktail Buffet** - Offers intimate seating areas with an array of hearty hors d'oeuvres, lasting two to three hours.

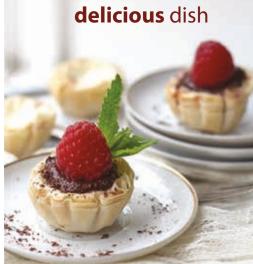
**Cocktail Reception** - Very formal, offering a large array of food items that replace a meal, lasting up to four hours.

**Open House** - Offers an open invitation between a start time and an ending time with duration of up to four hours; guests arrive when they choose and stay for a limited period of time.

Over the course of the next couple of months, I will provide you with some quick, easy entertaining tips and recipes to get you through this holiday season with a little less stress.

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#### Phyllo Cup Appetizers

The most versatile, easiest appetizers to prepare and serve are phyllo cups. Phyllo cups are found in the freezer section of the grocery. They can have cold filling or be pre-filled to bake. Prepping the cups is key, whether you fill now or later. Start by taking the tray out of the box, then gently peel back the plastic from the package, keeping it attached at one side.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Remove shells from carton, place empty shells on baking tray, keeping the plastic tray. Bake 3-5 minutes, allow shells to cool. Place cups back into plastic tray they were originally in, cover with plastic wrap, place back in the box, and they are ready to be put back in the freezer.

#### Party Time

Here are cold filling ideas that are simple and easy. The day of the party, remove cups from the freezer and fill. Place in the refriger ator if the filling needs to stay cold until the party.

#### Filling Options

- Deli chicken or egg salad
- Cold deli dip
- Instant pudding or mousse add mini chocolate chips, toffee bark, etc.
- Fresh fruit

#### **Garnish Options**

- Chives, toasted sliced almonds or smoked paprika
- · Chopped red pepper, parsley, cilantro
- Shaved chocolate pieces (in baking section of grocery)
- · Mint, whipped cream, crushed cookies

**Tip:** It is never too early to start cooking. Late October is the best time to begin making freezer appetizers and homemade cookies or cookie dough.



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# **Coffee Break**

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- 7. Harvest moon
- 8. September 23rd

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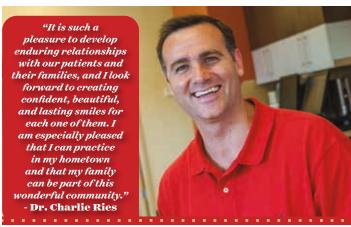


Max with mom, Becky, and sister, Caroline, after winning first place in Forest Hill Jr. Championship

# **amazing** athlete .....

# MEET TOP GOLFER **Max Floyd**

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Max in action

Max, son of Mark and Becky Floyd of Forest Hills, is a 15-yearold sophomore at Barat Academy in Chesterfield, MO. He makes academics and sports his top priorities, maintaining a 4.0 GPA while playing varsity golf. He was first introduced to golf by his father when he was 6 years and immediately fell in love with the game. He has taken advantage of Forest Hills Country Club's amazing Junior golf program and, since his first round of golf, has competed in Forest Hills Junior golf events as well as tournaments outside of the club.

Max has steadily improved his game through hard work and instruction from the great golf professionals at Forest Hills Country Club, including Marvin Herrod. Max has won many awards and tournaments over the years at Forest Hills including finishing first in the Forest Hills Junior Club Championship. Max's first year of high school golf exceeded everyone's expectations as he quickly made a name for himself by placing first in all of the regular season tournaments, second in Missouri State Class 1 districts, fourth in Class 1 Sectionals, and eighth place in the State tournament.

Max spent most of his summer on the Forest Hills golf course playing golf with many of the 250+ juniors at the Club. He also competed in two tournaments this summer hosted by the Accelerated Golf Tour, playing amongst a field of college and top-level high-school golfers from Missouri and Illinois. At 15 years old,



Third-place winner at the Annbriar Tournament (Max center).

Max was the youngest player in the field in both tournaments, which included highlights of finishing third in the Annbriar Tournament shooting 75-76, and finishing second in the St. Clair Tournament shooting 79-73. One of Max's goals this summer was to shoot under par, and in the month of August, that goal was reached as he shot multiple rounds under par, with his lowest score being 68!

As Max enters his sophomore year in high school, his goals are to continue to maintain excellence in academics and golf. He hopes to use what he has learned from his experiences in his first year of high school golf and have an even better finish at the 2017 State Tournament. Max knows that he wants to play golf at the college level, but hasn't really focused too much on those choices as he wants to enjoy his high-school experience for now. He doesn't take anything for granted, and he knows he will have to work hard to maintain his high level of play, and looks forward to future challenges, experiences and opportunities.

Clarkson Valley Living wishes the best to Max in his future endeavors!

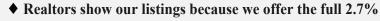


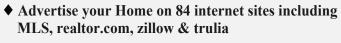
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The Encore Team

Encore Consignment Gallery, opened in 2013, has quickly become the gem of Lamp & Lantern Village. With a 10,000-square-foot showroom filled with upscale, "like-new" home decor that includes everything one might need to beautifully furnish a home, the Encore team has created a wonderful experience for consignors and shoppers alike!

Recently, I had the pleasure of catching up with Maureen Strobeck, one of the owners of Encore, to learn more about their story, services they provide and the passion that drives this amazing team to succeed.

"The store opened in 2013, and while we just celebrated our three-year anniversary, planning actually began in 2009," she explained. Maureen and her husband's jobs took them to Phoenix for seven years where they found upscale furniture consignment stores were a very big deal. Being fascinated by the concept, and knowing that the St. Louis market lacked anything like it, Maureen did a two-year stint as COO for a large consignment company in Phoenix in an effort to learn the business.

Upon her return to St. Louis, she drew on her 30-plus-year career in retail management and joined forces with her cousin Barb Lampe, an experienced interior designer who creates the in-store environment, and Karen Marschuetz, a 30-something social media director who understands the need to engage the customer outside the store through Facebook, Instagram and the like. Together, they brought the vision to life.

"Really, our main goal is to help clients solve problems," Maureen explained. "We have been through a lot of the things that they are going through – cross-country moves, total remodels, major downsizing, or moving a parent into senior living. As you can imagine, there is an emotional aspect of having to let go of things that are truly part of your life, and it can be overwhelming. We get that. Through our experience and with the help of a great store team, we make the transitions easier. And, with the shopper in mind, we take great care to present items as they would look in their homes with all the coordinating accessories."

Encore's concept allows designers, realtors and stagers to offer options to their clients to help them move on. "We have really attempted to create a full service experience for the community."

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# BLIND WINE TASTING At The Howards' Dunhill Home

Both neighbors and business partners alike had a great time at Bill and Kristy Howard's house for the first *Clarkson Valley Living* blind wine tasting!

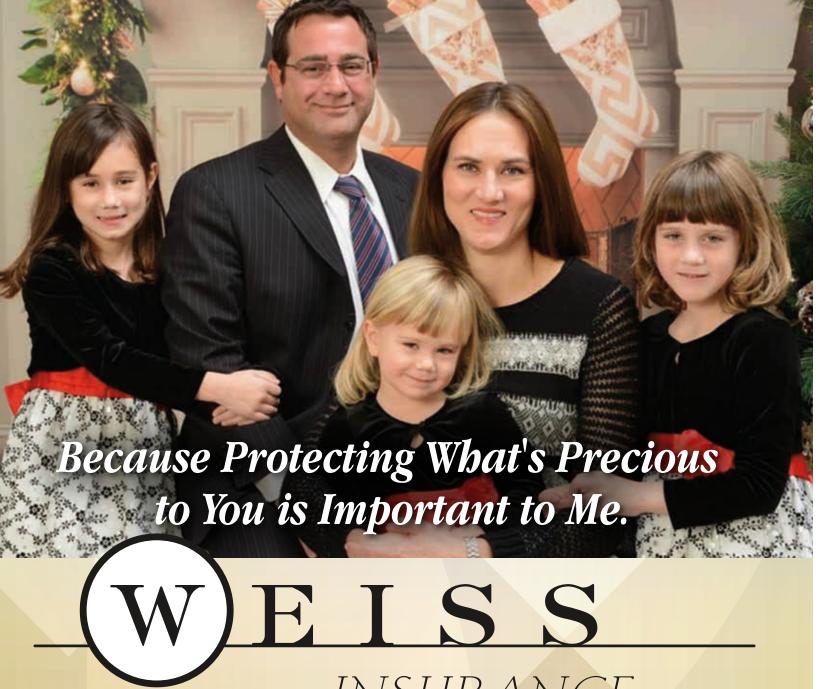
The Howards were great hosts and made everyone feel welcome at their lovely home. It was a delightful summer evening as we all enjoyed their outdoor oasis. The publishers of *Clarkson Valley Living* worked with Callier's Catering to provide great food for everyone to enjoy.

Each guest brought a bottle of wine (less than \$20), and everyone was able to "vote" for their favorite red and white wine. We cannot wait to hold another blind wine tasting again soon and meet even more of the great residents of Clarkson Valley!



Would you be interested in hosting a fun Neighbor Night Out at your house? It's easy! We do all the work, including arranging the catering! Contact Deanna at Deanna.Ley@N2Pub.com for more details.

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2102 Kehrspoint Dr.	Kehrswood	\$875,000	\$870,000	05/06/16	5	4	4,503	3
298 Herworth Dr.	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$825,000	\$790,000	08/03/16	4	6	3,458	3
1806 Kehrswood Dr.	Kehrswood	\$810,000	\$775,000	05/26/16	4	6	3,602	3
10 Forest Hills Ridge Ct.	Forest Hills Ridge	\$775,000	\$770,000	06/24/16	5	7	5,952	3
2171 Kehrs Ridge Dr.	Kehrs Mill Estates	\$740,000	\$740,000	08/22/16	4	5	3,683	3
30 Crown Manor Dr.	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$711,000	\$711,000	08/15/16	5	6	3,837	3
10 Forest Hills Ridge Ct.	Forest Hills Ridge	\$775,000	\$770,000	06/14/16	5	7	5,952	3
228 Whiting Ln.	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$679,900	\$679,900	05/06/16	4	4	2,840	2
8 Forest Club Dr.	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$659,000	\$624,000	07/28/16	5	5	4,000	3
2101 Kehrs Ridge Dr.	Kehrs Mill Estates	\$589,900	\$570,000	07/29/16	4	4	3,761	3
240 Whiting Ln.	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$589,000	\$557,000	07/22/16	4	4	2,998	3
246 Whiting Ln.	Forest Hills Club Estates	\$569,900	\$535,000	05/26/16	4	3	2,900	3
16719 Kehrs Mill Estates	Kehrs Mill Estates	\$549,000	\$530,000	06/02/16	5	4	3,022	3
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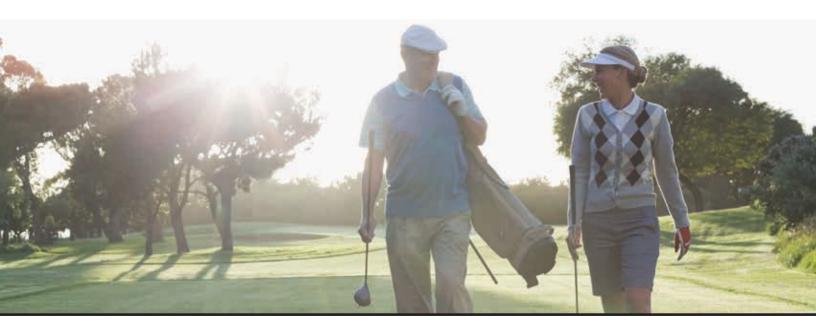
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