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# **TO THE CLASS OF 2023**

# Congratulations on your graduation from Owensville High School!

#### **BY KRIS ALTEMEYER**

Owensville High School Principal



It has certainly been an exciting year for the Class of 2023. The culminating year of their thirteen-year journey definitely was unique in a number of ways, and that should

make it all the more special for each of our 98 graduating seniors.

These seniors have accomplished a great deal over the past year and throughout their academic careers. A total of 38 of them have earned two years of free college tuition through the A+ Program. We had one student earn a Bright Flight scholarship due to her ACT score, with Ella Gehlert earning a 31. In all, the Class of 2023 earned nearly \$121,000 in scholarships, with a significant portion of that coming from our generous local scholarship donors. All of this hard work and support will give them an

invaluable head start on their futures.

The Class of 2023 will be attending a variety of post-secondary institutions, including State Technical College, Maryville University, East Central College, the University of Missouri-Columbia, Missouri State University, Missouri University of Science and Technology, State Fair

Community College, William Woods University, the University of North Alabama, Western Governors University, Freed-Hardeman University, Clemson University, Colorado Mesa University, St. Charles Community College, Central Methodist University, Central College of Cosmetology, and

Cleveland State University.

This year's graduating class has experienced a senior year that has

been full of great achievements and success. As is always the case, they have experienced some adversity and setbacks as well, but have handled them with a maturity and open-mindedness that gives me great confidence they will be able to overcome any obstacles they encounter on their future paths.

> Parents and families - you have much to be proud of with this group of young men

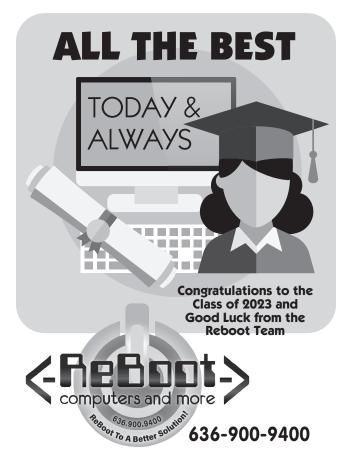
and women that you have raised and supported throughout these past 18 years.

The community is proud of them, our faculty and staff are proud of them, and I am certainly proud of them as well. Congratulations to the OHS Class of 2023,

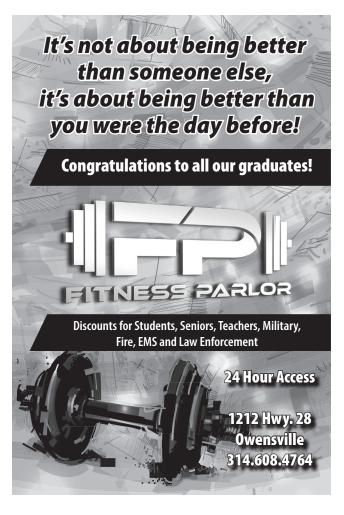
and we look forward to a celebration with our graduation ceremony on May 19th!

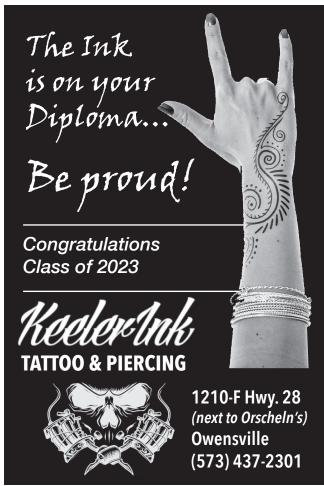
# **CLASS MOTTO:**

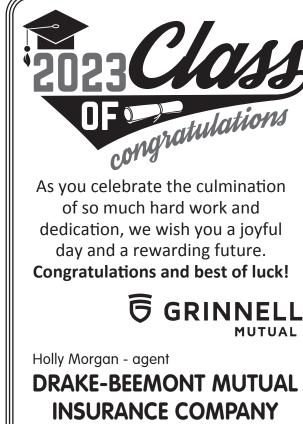
"Only the funniest things are forbidden." — Mark Twain



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# Local scholarships total over \$95,000

Class of 2023 Gasconade County R-2 Scholarship Recipients

### John R. Sommers Engineering Scholarship (\$16,000)

Joseph Skornia is the son of Joe & Teresa Skornia of Rosebud. Joseph plans to attend Missouri University of Science and Technology to earn a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

#### Frank and Elizabeth Schafer Scholarship (\$4,000)

Ella Gehlert is the daughter of Lucas and Sarah Gehlert of Owensville. Ella plans to attend Freed-Hardeman University to earn a degree in English and Communications.

**Kiana Guerrero** is the daughter of Erica Miller of Owensville and Miguel Guerrero of Owensville. Kiana plans to attend Saint Charles Community College to earn a degree in Psychology.

Aurora Maher is the daughter of Katie and Chris Maher of Gerald. Aurora plans to attend University of Missouri (Columbia) to earn a degree in Psychology.

**Lauren Shields** is the daughter of James and Kirsten Shields of Gerald. Lauren plans to attend Central Methodist University to earn a degree in Music Education.

#### **Michelle Barrick Memorial Scholarship** (\$2,000)

Ava McCormick is the daughter of Eric and Lauren McCor $mick of Rosebud. Avaplans to attend {\it East} central college to$ earn an Associate of Fine Arts majoring in Graphic Design.

#### Maries County Bank — Owensville Scholarship (\$2,000)

Will Lauth is the son of Chris and Brandi Lauth of Owensville. Will plans to attend East Central College to earn a Business degree.

## Maries County Bank — Owensville Scholarship (\$1,000)

Noah Holtmever is the son of Darian and Lisa Holtmever of Owensville. Noah plans to attend State Fair Community College to earn a degree in Computer Science.

#### Cantley English Scholarship (\$1,000)

**Avery Bastunas** is the daughter of Dana and Ryan Hampton and Pat and Heather Bastunas of Owensville. Avery plans to attend State Technical College to earn her degree in Medical Radiologic Technology.

Kaylee Fisher is the daughter of Casey and Alison Fisher of Owensville. Kaylee plans to attend Maryville University and earn her degree in Physical Therapy.

Ella Gehlert is the daughter of Lucas and Sarah Gehlert of Owensville. Ella plans to attend Freed-Hardeman University to earn a degree in English and Communications.

Brayden Kuebler is the son of Scott and Crystal Kuebler of Rosebud. Brayden plans to attend Cleveland State University to earn a degree in Film Directing and Producing.

Aurora Maher is the daughter of Katie and Chris Maher of Gerald. Aurora plans to attend University of Missouri (Columbia) to earn a degree in Psychology.

#### **Cantley Math Scholarship (\$1,000)**

Kiana Guerrero is the daughter of Erica Miller of Owensville and Miguel Guerrero of Owensville. Kiana plans to attend Saint Charles Community College to earn a degree in

Austin Luecke is the son of Steve and Sheri Luecke of Owensville. Austin plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

**Lauren Shields** is the daughter of James and Kirsten Shields of Gerald. Lauren plans to attend Central Methodist University to earn a degree in Music Education.

Gabe Soest is the son of Judy and George Soest of Bland. Gabe plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Mathematics Education.

Charles Whelan is the son of Sara and Tim Whelan of Owensville. Charles plans to attend Missouri State University.

#### **OHS Alumni Association**

### **Ivan Schaeperkoetter Family Founders** Scholarship (\$2,000)

Mercedes Baguio plans to attend East Central College in Union, to earn her degree in Elementary Education.

#### **Harvey Kraftzeck Family Scholarship** (\$2,000)

Molly Wnuk is the daughter of George and Tina Wnuk of Rosebud. Molly plans to attend Missouri State University-

## **David Bueker Memorial Scholarship** (\$2,000)

Kelby Schoenfeld is the daughter of Dina and Eddie Schoenfeld of Rosebud. Kelby plans to attend East Central College then University of Missouri to earn a degree in Nuclear Medicine.

#### Bo Decker Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000)

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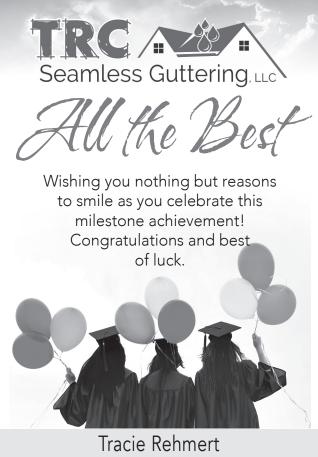


# A Word to the Wise:

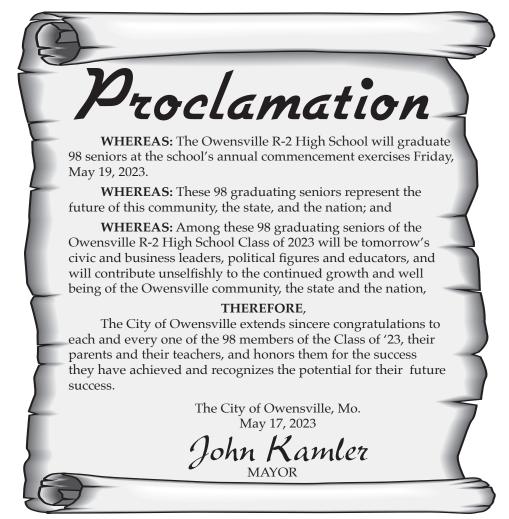
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# **Arts and Education scholarships**

Recipients of arts and education-related scholarships (from left) include Mercedes Baguio (Gasconade Co. R-2 MSTA Scholarship), Josie Wilka (Owensville Regional Arts Council Scholarship), Gabe Soest (Gasconade Co. R-2 CTA Scholarship), Emily Nichols (Gasconade Co. R-2 CTA Scholarship), Kelby Schoenfeld (Owensville Regional Arts Council Scholarship) and Peyton Adams (Gasconade Co. R-2 CTA Scholarship).

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# Marvin Kahle Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000)

Emily Nichols is the daughter of the late Shamarie Gammel and the late David Nichols. Emily plans to attend East Central College and earn a degree in Education.

# Gus and Alma Tappmeyer Scholarship (\$2,000)

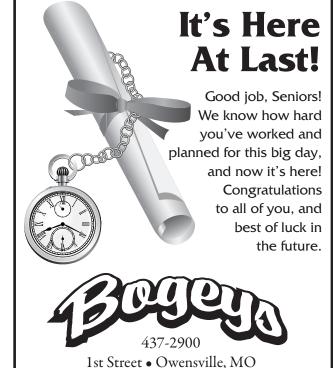
**Kylie Kitchen** is the daughter of Nathan Kitchen of Bland and Ellen Crosby of Owensville. Kylie plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Nursing.

# Ivan & Ramona Schaeperkoetter Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000)

**Alexia Alexander** is the daughter of Nicole and Jon Holaway of Rosebud and David and Kylee Alexander of

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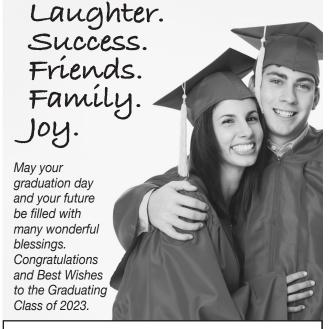
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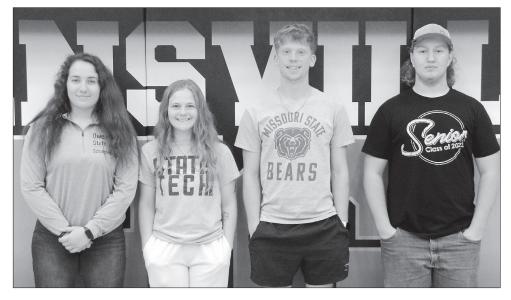
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# B.O.S.S. Memorial Scholarship

Recipients of the Bill Schmidt Memorial Scholarship (from left) include Kelby Schoenfeld, Gabrielle Hale, Charlie Whelan and Ashton Lindemeyer.



# Church scholarships

Recipients scholarships from area churches (from left) include Charlie Whelan (St. John's United Church of Christ Bem Scholarship), Molly Wnuk(St. John's United Church of Christ Bem Scholarship), Drew Copeland (St. John's United Church of Christ Bem Scholarship) and Will Lauth (St. John's United Church of Christ Bem Scholarship).



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Union. Alexia plans to attend East Central College in Union to earn a degree in Education.

**April Jahnsen** is the daughter of Kurt and Theresa Jahnsen of Bland. April plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Nursing.

**Saylor Richardson** is the daughter of Constance McIntosh and George Moody of Owensville Missouri. Saylor plans to attend William Woods University to earn a degree in Elementary Education.

#### **OHS Alumni Scholarship (\$2,000)**

**Avery Bastunas** is the daughter of Dana and Ryan Hampton and Pat and Heather Bastunas of Owensville. Avery plans to attend State Technical College to earn her degree in Medical Radiologic Technology.

**Wyatt Kramme** is the son of Travis Kramme of Owensville and Stephanie Morgan of St Clair. Wyatt plans to attend Missouri State University.

# Robert and Lynne Garlock Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000)

**Charles Whelan** is the son of Sara and Tim Whelan of Owensville. Charles plans to attend Missouri State University.

# Sophia and Walter Wacker Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000)

**Kaylee Fisher** is the daughter of Casey and Alison Fisher of Owensville. Kaylee plans to attend Maryville University and earn her degree in Physical Therapy.

#### **Oldfather Family Scholarship (\$1,000)**

**Payton Boyd** is the daughter of Mark and Teresa Boyd of Owensville. Payton plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Occupational Therapy.

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## CONGRATULATIONS, GRADS!

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### **Dolores and Ervin Reed Memorial** Scholarship (\$1,000)

Peyton Adams is the daughter of Jamie and Steve Adams of Owensville, Missouri. Peyton plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Elementary Education.

#### Owensville Lions Club Scholarship (\$1,000)

**Emily Nichols** is the daughter of the late Shamarie Gammel and The Late David Nichols. Emily plans to attend East Central College and earn a degree in Education.

Gabe Soest is the son of Judy and George Soest of Bland. Gabe plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Mathematics Education.

#### Gene E. Powell Memorial Scholarship By: American Legion Post #0587(\$1,000)

Katelynn Bertram is the daughter of Michelle Bertram of Gerald. Katelynn plans to attend Colorado Mesa University to earn a degree in Animation and Film.

#### **Carl Rose Memorial Scholarship By:** American Legion Post #0587(\$1,000)

Lauren Shields is the daughter of James and Kirsten Shields of Gerald. Lauren plans to attend Central Methodist University to earn a degree in Music Education.

#### **Gasconade County Threshers Association** Scholarship (\$1000)

Wyatt Bridgeman is the son of Mark and Michelle Bridgeman of Owensville. Wyatt plans to attend State Technical College of Missouri to earn a degree in Agribusiness.

### **Lyndon D. Ebker Memorial Scholarship Sponsored by: Gasconade County Threshers** Association (\$1000)

**Emily Nichols** is the daughter of the late Shamarie Gammel and The Late David Nichols. Emily plans to attend East

Central College and earn a degree in Education.

#### Owensville VFW Scholarship (\$1,000)

**Emily Nichols** is the daughter of the late Shamarie Gammel and The Late David Nichols. Emily plans to attend East Central College and earn a degree in Education.

## Gasconade Co. R-2 MSTA Scholarship (\$500)

Mercedes Baguio plans to attend East Central College in Union to earn her degree in Elementary Education.

#### **Gasconade Co. R-2 Community Teachers** Association Scholarship (\$400)

Peyton Adams is the daughter of Jamie and Steve Adams of Owensville. Peyton plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Elementary Education.

**Emily Nichols** is the daughter of the late Shamarie Gammel and the late David Nichols. Emily plans to attend East Central College and earn a degree in Education.

Gabe Soest is the son of Judy and George Soest of Bland. Gabe plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Mathematics Education.

#### **Gerald Community Foundation Scholarship** (\$700)

**Lauren Shields** is the daughter of James and Kirsten Shields of Gerald. Lauren plans to attend Central Methodist University to earn a degree in Music Education.

### **Dutchmen Way Scholarship Sponsored by:** Owensville Elementary School (\$500)

Ella Gehlert is the daughter of Lucas and Sarah Gehlert of Owensville. Ella plans to attend Freed-Hardeman University to earn a degree in English and Communications.

#### **Gerald Area Chamber of Commerce** Scholarship (\$500)

Hunter Boyer is the son of Phil and Colleen Boyer of Owensville. Hunter plans to attend Linn State Technical College in the Heavy Equipment Operations Program.

#### **Sue Gerlemann Memorial Scholarship (\$600)**

Peyton Adams is the daughter of Jamie and Steve Adams of Owensville. Peyton plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Elementary Education.

Landry Watson is the son of Tina and Chad Watson of Rosebud. Landry plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Business and Marketing.

#### PACCT Club Scholarship(\$500)

Gabe Soest is the son of Judy and George Soest of Bland. Gabe plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Mathematics Education.

Peyton Adams is the daughter of Jamie and Steve Adams of Owensville, Missouri. Peyton plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Elementary Education.

#### Garrett Braun Memorial Scholarship (\$500)

Avery Bastunas is the daughter of Dana and Ryan Hampton and Pat and Heather Bastunas of Owensville. Avery plans to attend State Technical College to earn her degree in Medical Radiologic Technology.

### **Mike and Bernice Rocnick Memorial Masonic** Scholarship (\$500)

Payton Boyd is the daughter of Mark and Teresa Boyd of Owensville. Payton plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Occupational Therapy.

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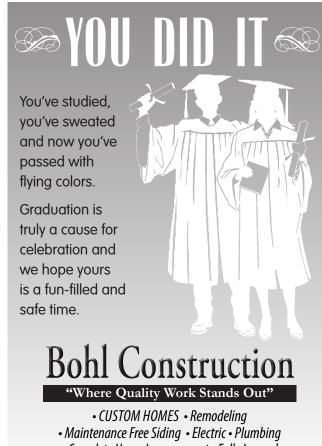
Drew Copeland is the daughter of Rick Copeland and Paula Copeland both of Owensville. Drew plans to attend Clemson University to earn a degree in Nursing.

Melissa Schnelting is the daughter of Terry and Rita Schnelting of Gerald. Melissa plans to attend Central Methodist University to earn a degree in Psychology.

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#### **Sheila Jett Memorial Scholarship Sponsored** by: Gasconade County Timing Association (\$500)

Wyatt Bridgeman is the son of Mark and Michelle Bridgeman of Owensville. Wyatt plans to attend State Technical College of Missouri to earn a degree in Agribusiness.

### **Owensville Youth Football Scholarship** (\$500)

Charles Whelan is the son of Sara and Tim Whelan of Owensville. Charles plans to attend Missouri State University.

# **Owensville Wrestling Club Scholarship**

Kelby Schoenfeld is the daughter of Dina and Eddie Schoenfeld of Rosebud. Kelby plans to attend East Central College then University of Missouri to earn a degree in Nuclear

Gabe Soest is the son of Judy and George Soest of Bland. Gabe plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Mathematics Education.

### **Dutchmen/Dutchgirl Athletic Booster Club** Scholarship (\$500)

Kylie Kitchen is the daughter of Nathan Kitchen of Bland and Ellen Crosby of Owensville. Kylie plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Nursing.

Gabe Soest is the son of Judy and George Soest of Bland. Gabe plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Mathematics Education.

#### **Gerald Lions Club Scholarship(\$500)**

Melissa Schnelting is the daughter of Terry and Rita Schnelting of Gerald. Melissa plans to attend Central Methodist University to earn a degree in Psychology.

**Lauren Shields** is the daughter of James and Kirsten Shields of Gerald. Lauren plans to attend Central Methodist University to earn a degree in Music Education.



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#### **Katie Rosena Heseman Memorial** Scholarship (\$200)

Savannah McClure is the daughter of Shannon and Josh  $Kramme of Owens ville \ and \ Mike \ and \ Jenn \ McClure \ of Sioux$ Falls SD. Savannah plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Preschool Special Education.

#### **Owensville Regional Arts Council** Scholarship(\$200)

Kelby Schoenfeld is the daughter of Dina and Eddie Schoenfeld of Rosebud. Kelby plans to attend East Central College then University of Missouri to earn a degree in Nuclear Medicine.

Josie Wilka is the daughter of Thomas and Angela Wilka of Owensville. Josie plans to attend Cleveland State University, majoring in Theater with an emphasis on acting.

#### Paul C. Baker Football Scholarship (\$300)

Trey Johnson is the son of Michelle Fricke of Owensville. Trey plans to attend State Technical College in the Electrical Distribution Systems program.

#### Dion Wright Memorial Scholarship (\$500)

Gabe Soest is the son of Judy and George Soest of Bland. Gabe plans to attend East Central College to earn a degree in Mathematics Education.

#### **James Bo Decker Memorial Award**

Charles Whelan is the son of Sara and Tim Whelan of Owensville. Charles plans to attend Missouri State University.





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# **Engineering Scholarship**

Joseph Skornia is the recipient of the John R. Sommers Engineering Scholarship.



# Congrats 2023 Graduates

We have to hand it to you for a job well done! Keep challenging yourselves in the years to come whether at college or on the job. We know you will continue to achieve great things, and we wish you the very best.

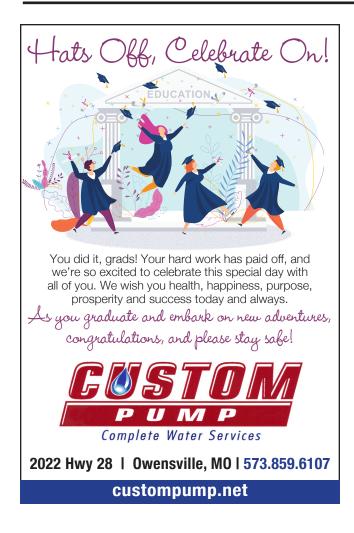


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# OHS' Class of 2023 qualify 39 for A+ funding

Owensville High School Class of 2023 members meeting qualifications for financial assistance through the A+ Grant Program and available for a group photograph, are pictured above. Thirty-nine students qualified for the program which provides up to two years of free college education for those attending a junior college or approved technical or trade school. These OHS graduates will benefit from the program which requires an attendance rate of 95 percent of higher over all four years of high school, 50 hours of approved tutoring and a cumulative grade-point average of 2.5 or higher throughout high school.







# GASCONADE Republican

# TO THE CLASS OF 2023

# From the superintendent

BY DR. JERI K. HARDY

**SUPERINTENDENT** 



Congratulations on completing this milestone in life! You have successfully completed this chapter and with the end of one chapter becomes the next new beginning. This is a great time to reflect back on the

ries of your time in the hallways of the schools in the Gasconade County R-2 School District. I hope you have fond memories of your peers, activities, teachers, and administration who have coached you through your growth into a young adult. This is also time to plan for your future and create a plan to obtain your goals. My hope is the education you have received at Gasconade County R-II has

laid the groundwork for the path you are choosing for your future and I wish you all a very bright future. Make sure you choose a career you love. If you are passionate about your career you will never have to

work a day in your life. Pursue your goals and dreams. Don't be afraid to go to where life takes you and remember the path home. I am proud of this accomplishment you have reached, and remember: "Once a Dutchmen, Always a Dutchmen."

Perseverance is the key to success. No matter how many times you fail, keep trying. Remember, FAIL is an acronym for the first attempt in learning. Never stop learning no matter how old you get. The key to the future is knowledge. And, you have a great start. The motto for the Gas-

conade County R-2 School District is Pride-Tradition-Excellence. I believe this motto is one to live by. Remember, as you begin to embark on your individual journey to have pride in where you come from, you don't forget the tradition which has been instilled in you by your family and your community, and to strive for excellence in all you do.

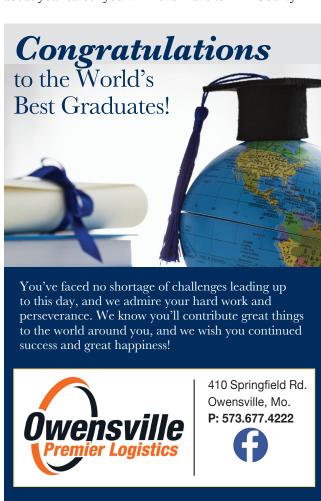
I would like to thank the Board of Education, Community, Parents, and Staff for their continued support during

this school year. It takes all of us working together to ensure we continue providing our students with the best education possible. Thanks for making Gasconade County R-2 great!



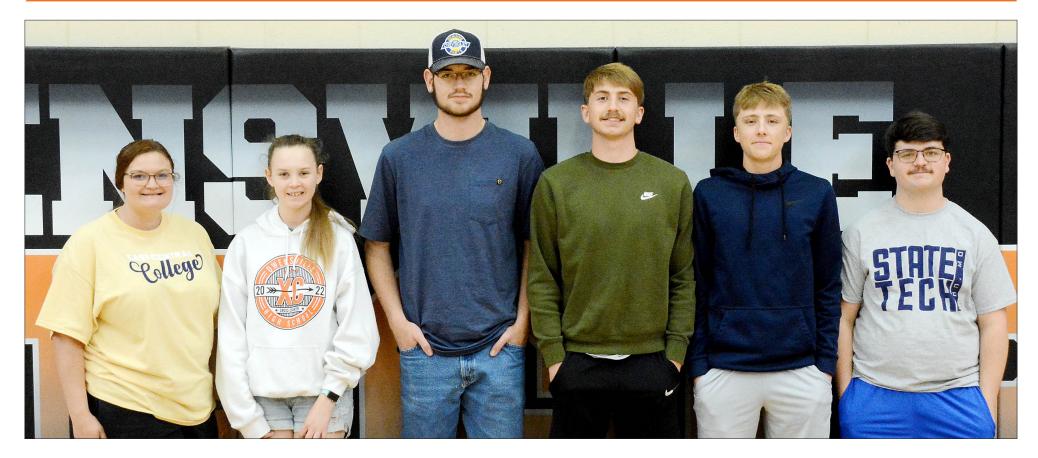
# Frank and Elizabeth Schafer Scholarship

Recipients of the Frank and Elizabeth Schafer Scholarship (from left) include Lauren Shields, Kiana Guerrero, Ella Gehlert and Aurora Maher.









# **Cum Laude OHS graduates of 2023**

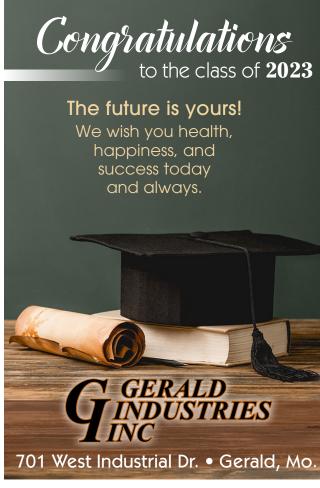
 $Graduating \ Cum \ Laude \ are \ Owensville \ High \ School \ Class \ of \ 2023 \ members \ (from \ left) \ Savannah \ McClure, Melissa \ Schnelting, Dalton \ Bailie, Bryce \ Payne, Will \ Lauth \ and \ John \ McCaffrey.$ 

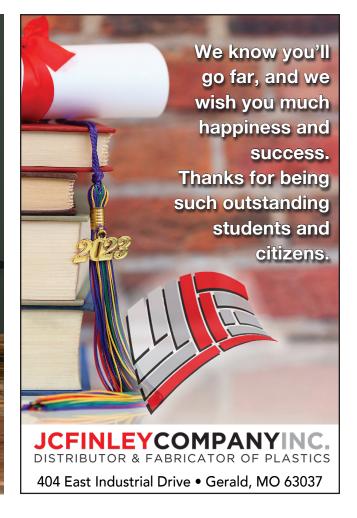
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Ella Gehlert Aurora Maher Lauren Shields Gabriel Soest

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# Magna Cum Laude OHS graduates of 2023

Graduating Magna Cum Laude are Owensville High School Class of 2023 members (in front, from left) Mercedes Baguio, Camri Jones, Josie Wilka and Madeline Johnsen; and in back, April Jahnsen, Josie Gerlemann, Gabe Soest, Erik Lottmann and Peyton Lairmore.

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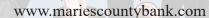
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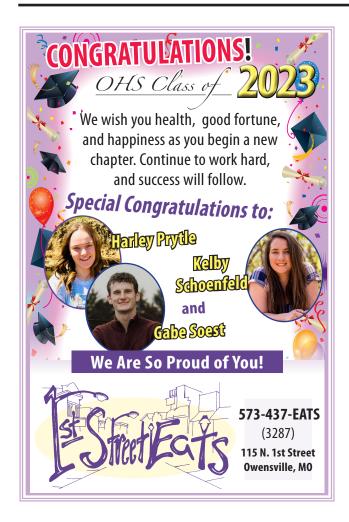


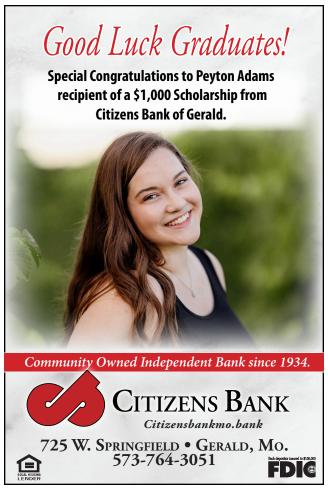


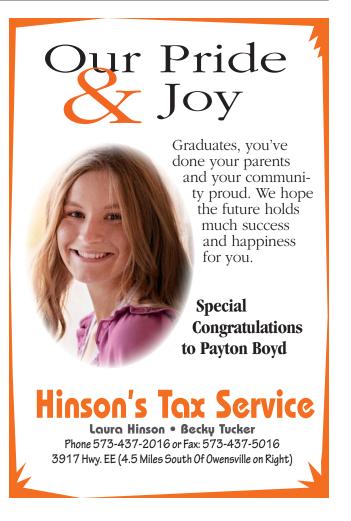


# **Owensville Alumni Association Scholarships**

Recipients of Alumni Association scholarships (in front, from left) include Molly Wnuk (Harvey Kraftzeck Family Founders Scholarship), Kaylee Fisher (Sophia and Walter Wacker Memorial Scholarship), Mercedes Baguio (Ivan Schaeperkoetter Family Founders Scholarship), Alexia Alexander (Ivan and Ramona Schaeperkoetter Memorial Scholarship), Avery Bastunas (OHS Alumni Scholarship), Peyton Adams (Dolores and Ervin Reed Memorial Scholarship) and Payton Boyd (Oldfather Family Scholarship); and in back, Emily Nichols (Marvin Kahle Memorial Scholarship), April Jahnsen (Ivan and Ramona Schaeperkoetter Memorial Scholarship), Wyatt Kramme (ÓHS Alumni Scholarship), Charlié Whelan (Robert and Lynne Garlock Memorial Scholarship), Gabe Soest (Bo Decker Memorial Scholarship), Saylor Richardson (Ivan and Ramona Schaeperkoetter Memorial Scholarship), Kylie Kitchen (Gus and Alma Tappmeyer Scholarship) and Kelby Schoenfeld (David Bueker Memórial Scholarship).









# Owensville Girls Volleyball Club scholarships

Recipients of scholarships from the Owensville Girls Volleyball Club (from left) include Drew Copeland, Maddy Crull, Josie Gerlemann, Molly Wnuk and Payton Boyd.



# **Daughters of the American Revolution** award

Ella Gehlert is the recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) award.

# Congratulations, Class of 2023



Graduating Summa Cum Laude are Owensville High School Class of 2023 members (in front, from left) Brayden Kuebler, Kiana Guerrero, Aurora Maher, Joseph Skornia, Molly Wnuk, Drew Copeland and Ella Gehlert; in the middle, Marina Kitchell, Katelynn Bertram, Lauren Shields, Kelby Schoenfeld, Kylie Kitchen, Landry Watson and Ávery Bastunas; and in back, Alexia Alexander, Austin Luecke, Charlie Whelan, Payton Boyd, Saylor Richardson, Peyton Adams, Emily Nichols, Kaylee Fisher and Wyatt Bridgeman.

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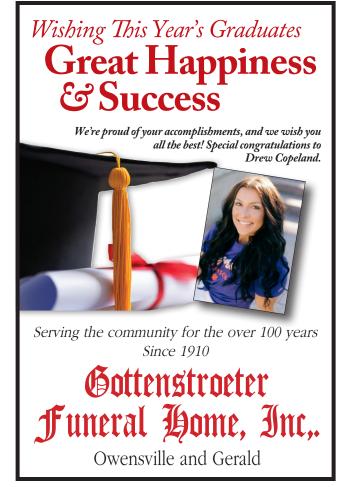




# OHS Art Club hosts first FRC Art Day

Owensville High School Art Club members helped stage the first Four Rivers Conference Art Day festival in February. Students from across the FRC met in Owensville for a day of interactive skills tests and group challenge where they created themed piece of headwear which was judged by guest presenters for the program. Gathering for a group photograph were club members including (in front, from left) Justice Ramirez, Maddie Johnsen (senior), Katelynn Bertram (senior), and Marina Kitchell (senior); and, in back, Anna Fulkerson, Katelyn Harbert, Eli Shields, Peyton Lairmore (senior), Amber Harbert, Ava McCormick (senior), and Anna Carlin.

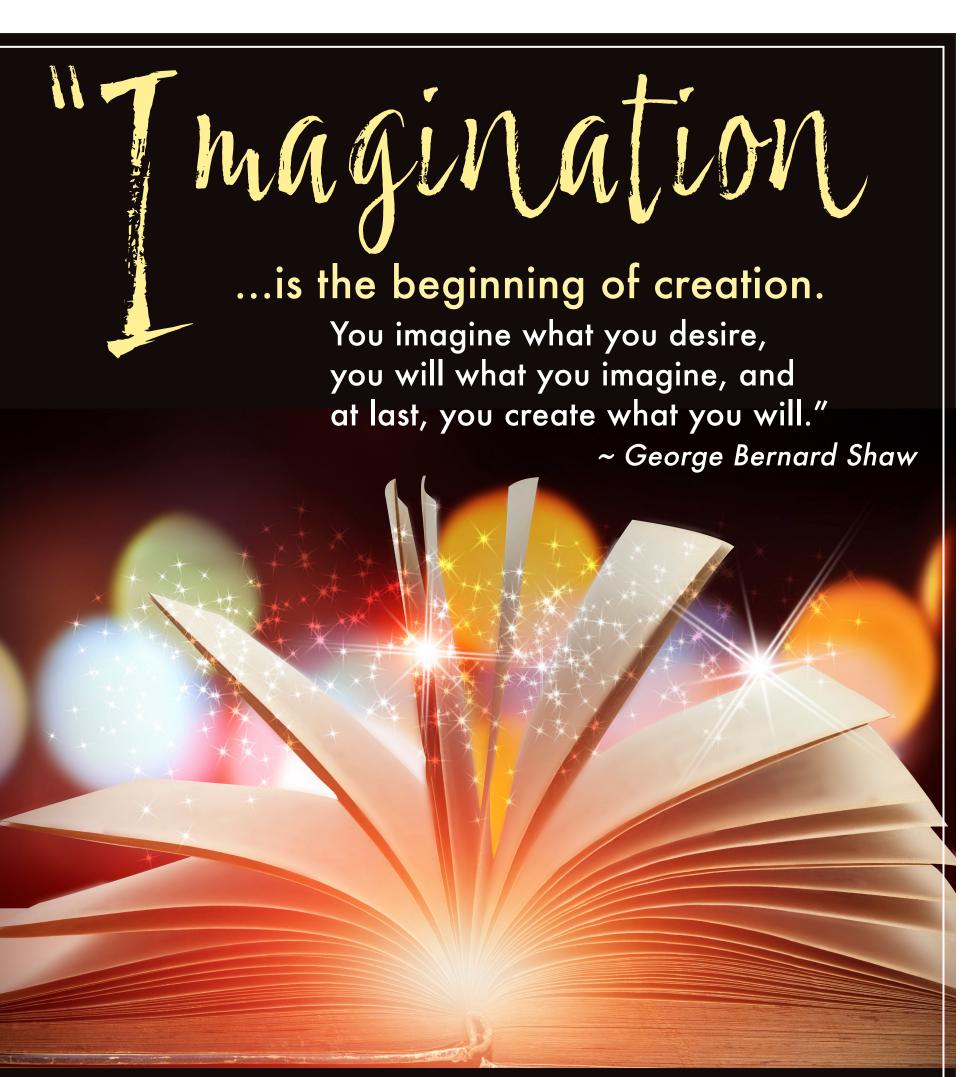








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# Misc. Scholarships

Recipients miscellaneous scholarships (from left) include Molly Wnuk (Heart of Community's Moose International Scholarship, Richard and Jeanne Cavender Scholarship), Ella Gehlert (Henry J. and Lucille J. Strauss Scholarship, Bright Flight Scholarship), Larry Piazza (Joe Luebbert Scholarship for Outstanding Students (Fire and Rescue) and Drew Copeland (American Red Cross Scholarship).



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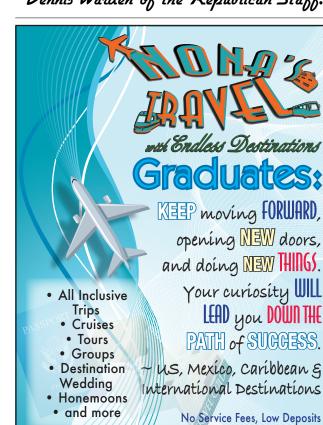
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# **Cantley English and Math Scholarships**

Recipients of the Cantley English and Math Scholarships (in front, from left) include Math recipients Lauren Shields, Kiana Guerrero, Charlie Whelan, Austin Luecke and Gabe Soest; and English recipients in back, Avery Bastunas, Kaylee Fisher, Brayden Kuebler, Ella Gehlert and Aurora Maher.

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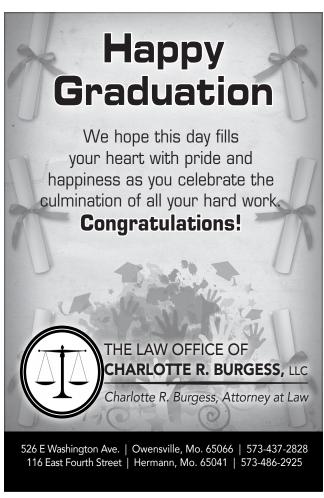
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# **Memorial Scholarships**

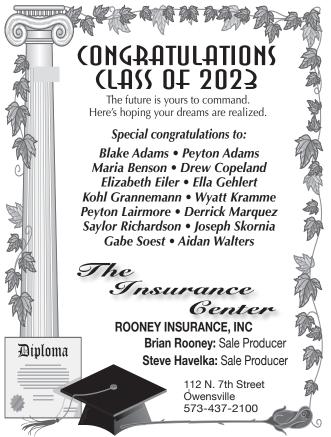
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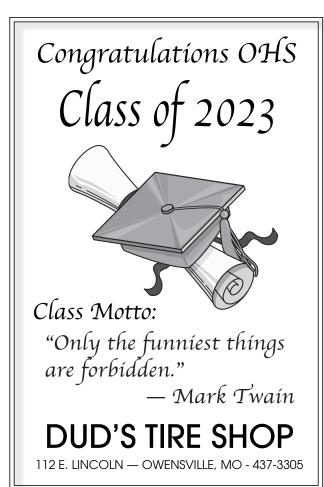




# SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS:

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Class of 2023 seniors Mallory Eberlin and Derrick Marquez (right) and Bryce Payne and Drew Copeland (top right) parade across the R-2 campus as members of the homecoming court during the school's fall celebration. Marquez was crowned king later that night. Class of 2023 members toss candy from their float decorated with balloons. Standing on trailer are (from left) Nic Binkhoelter, Gage Wright, Jaiden Mason, Cody Link, Trenton Fox, Adam Campbell, Trevor Shockley, and Maria Benson. Sitting on trailer was Landon Weaver and walking were Chris Stockton, Lacie Clark, Kylie Yoder, and Carter Sellers.





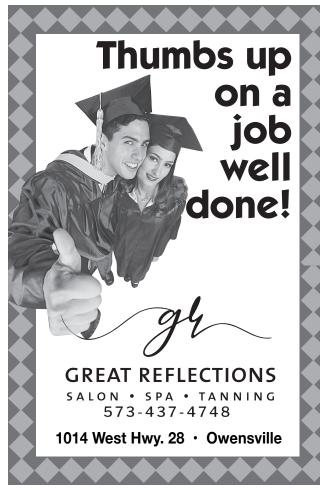


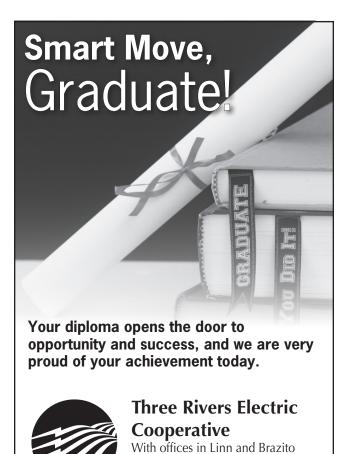


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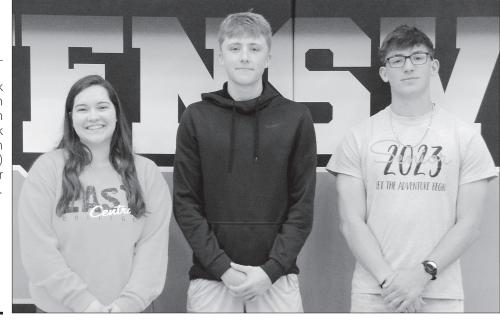
# PACCT and OES Scholarships

Recipients of scholarships from PACCTandOwensville Elementary School (from left) include Ella Gehlert (Dutchmen Way Scholarship by OES), Gabe Soest (PACCT Club Scholarship) and Peyton Adams (PACCT Club Scholarship).



# Area Bank Scholarships

Recipients of area bank scholarships (from left) include Peyton Adams (Citizens Bank of Gerald), Will Lauth (Maries County Bank) and Noah Holtmeyer (Maries County Bank).



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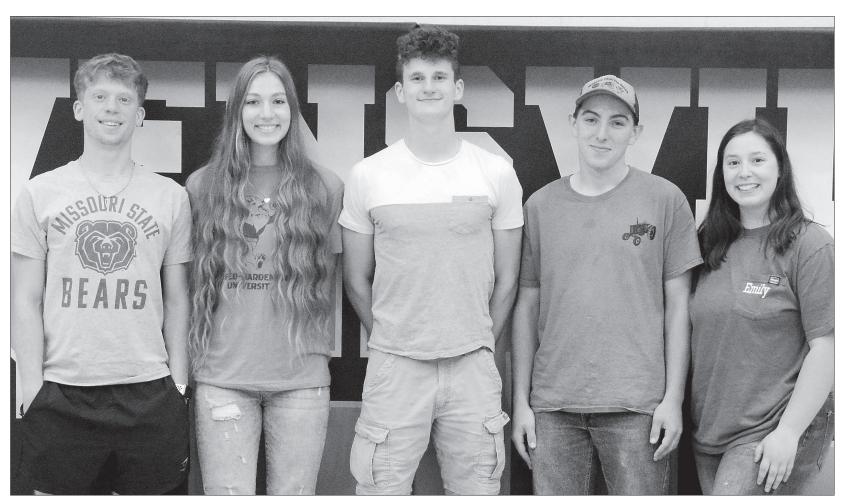
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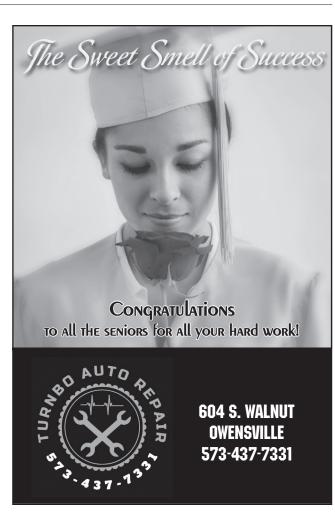
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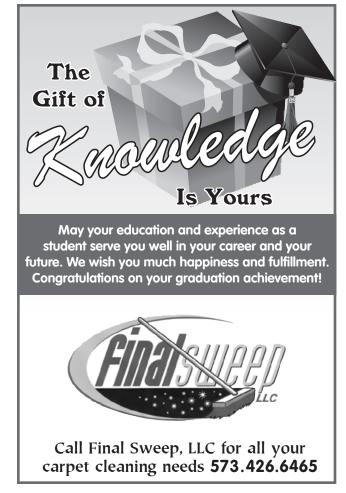
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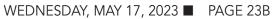
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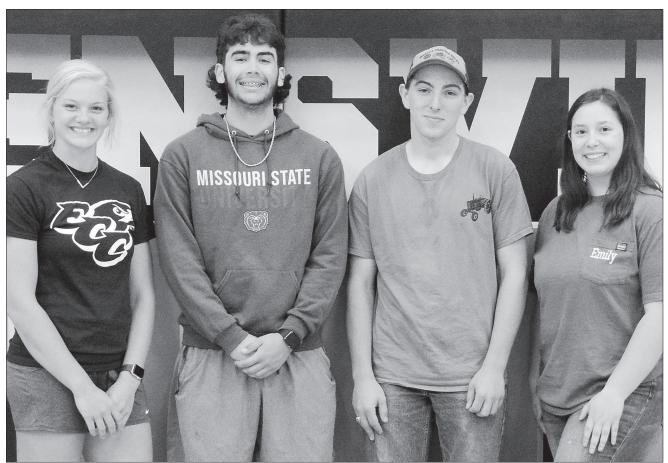
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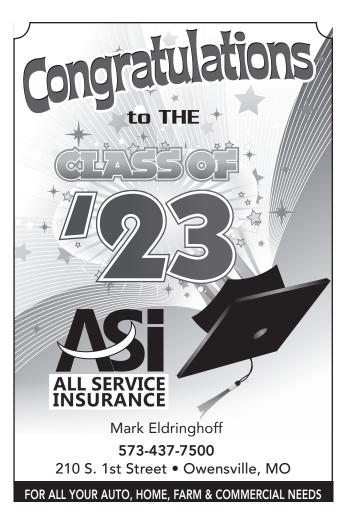
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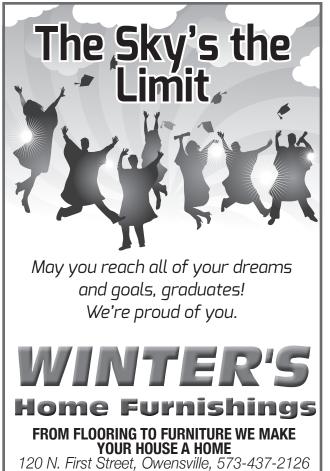
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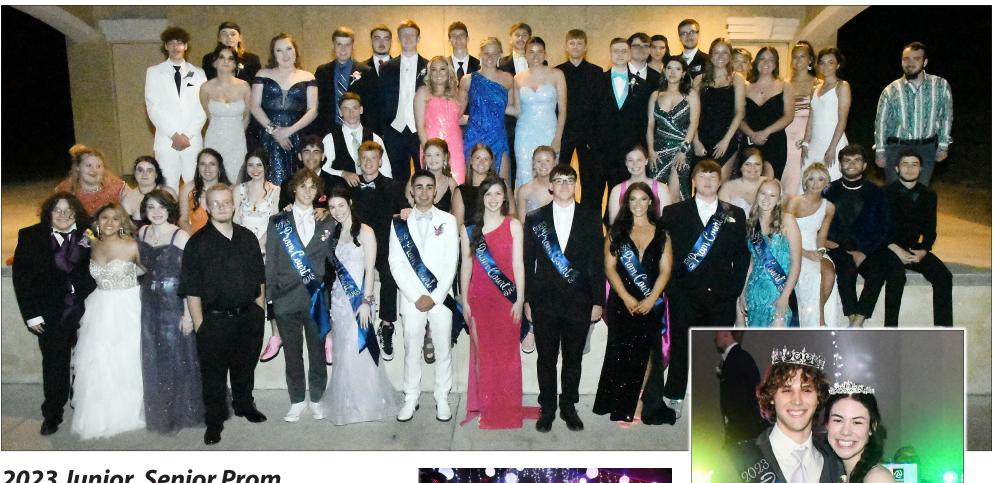












# 2023 Junior, Senior Prom

Owensville High School seniors (above) gather for a group photo at this year's prom. This year's prom was held at Lost Valley Lake Resort. This year's king and queens were Brayden Kuebler and Josie Wilka. Other prom court candidates were Lucas Morgan, Molly Wnuk, Hunter Boyer, Kaylee Fisher, Noah Holtmeyer, and Drew Copeland.















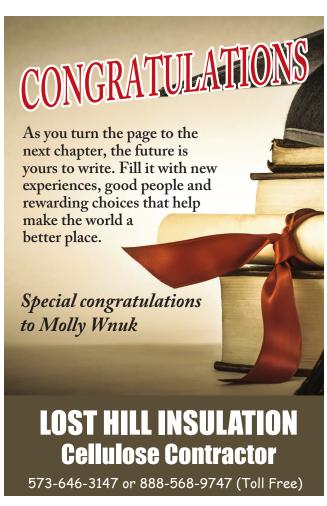


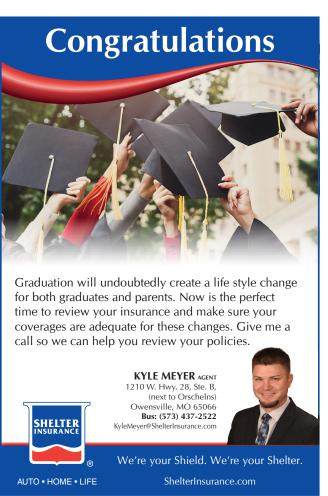


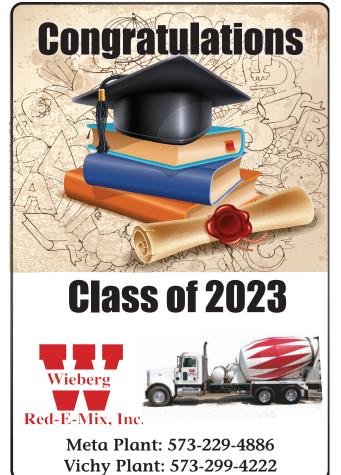


# OHS stages 'Grease'

Owensville High School's drama department presented the high school musical version of "Grease" in November 2022 which depicted the 1950s era high school scene







# SUMMA CUM LAUDE

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Alexia Alexander
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Kaylee Fisher
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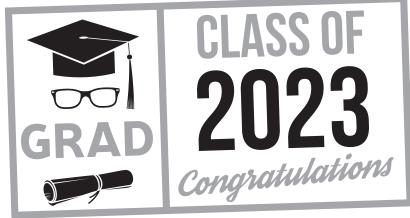
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Mercedes Baguio Josie Gerlemann April Jahnsen Madeline Johnsen Camri Jones Peyton Lairmore Erik Lottmann Gabriel Soest Josie Wilka

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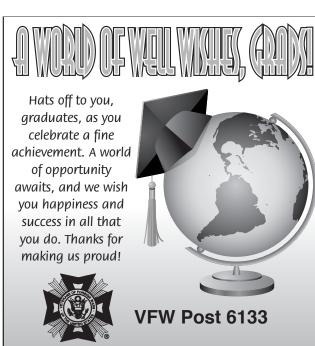
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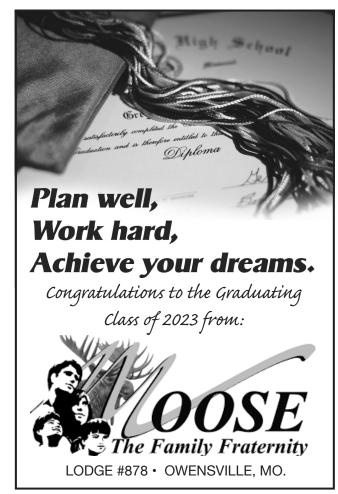
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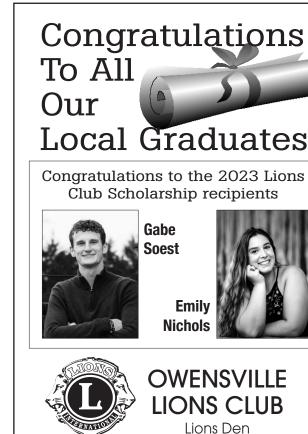
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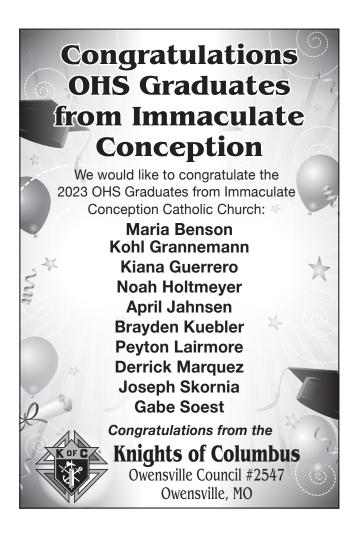
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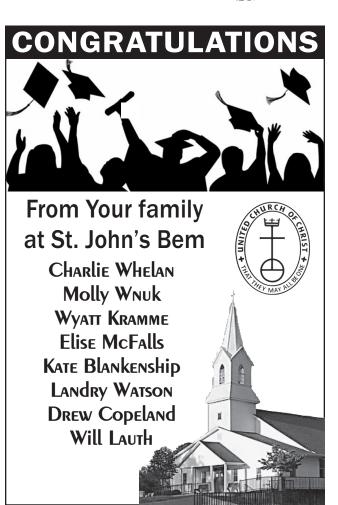
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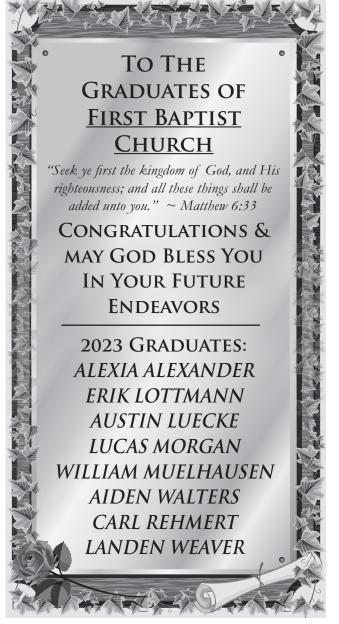
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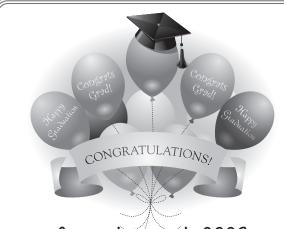






**JUSTICE RAMIREZ** adjusts the headwear worn by senior Marina Kitchell as part of the inaugural Four Rivers Conference Art Day hosted in February by Owensville High School. The team Kitchell was a part of, comprised of students from FRC schools, won the group challenge to create a wearable head covering out of scrap supplies and recyclable items. **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY** members Charlie Whelan (top right) and Ella Gehlert help load out donated food items for the Operation Christmas campaign. NHS members coordinated the collection at OHS.



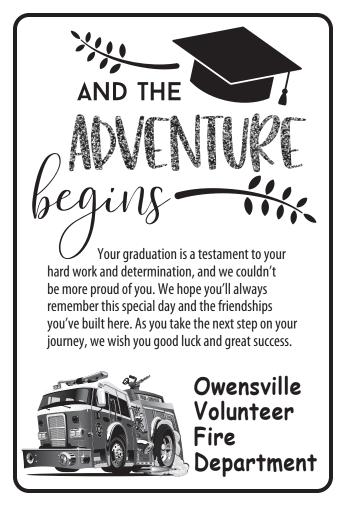


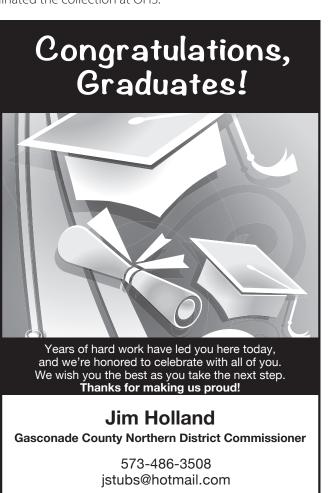
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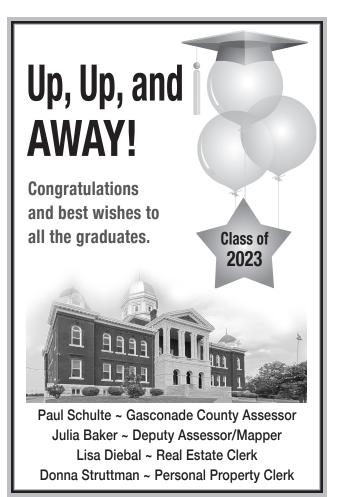
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# Congratulations Class of 2023

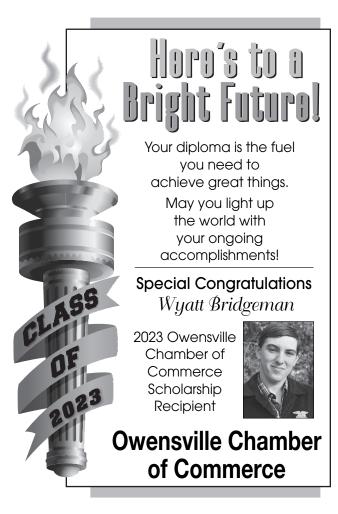
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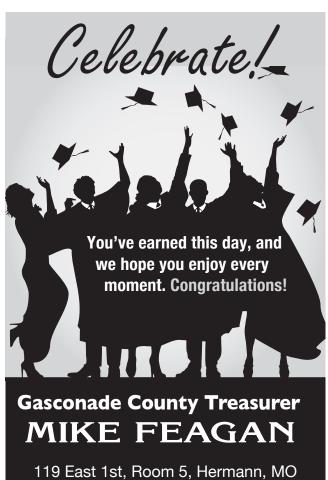
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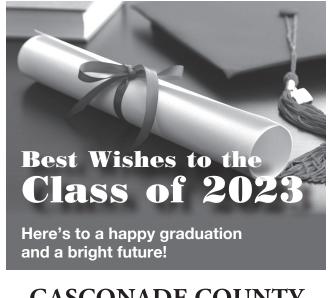
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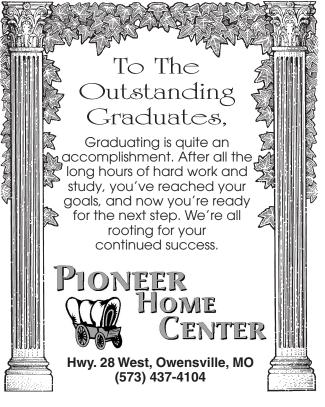
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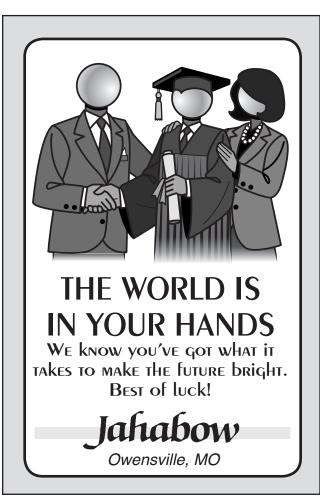


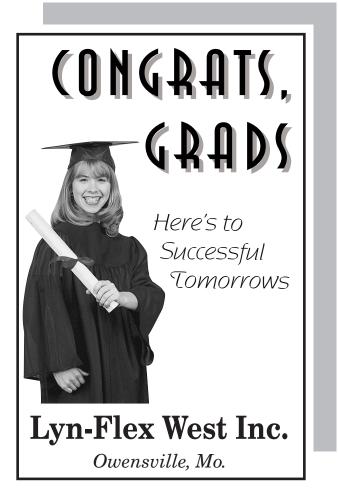


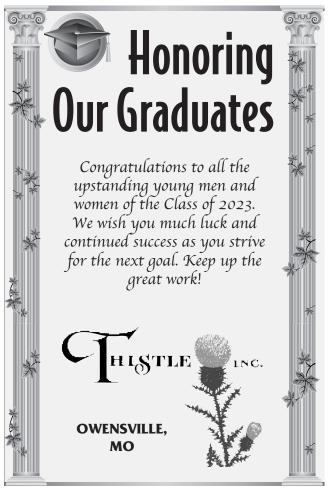
Owensville's fall senior football cheerleaders are (from left) Camri Jones, Kaylee Fisher, and Avery Bastunas. The fall squad is pictured (top right) performing a four-stack elevated platform during a halftime show in 2022.











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Brayden Kuebler - Merit Scholarship

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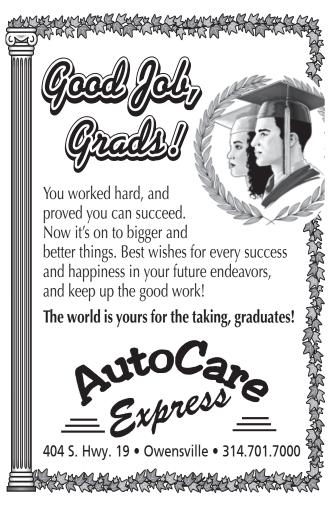
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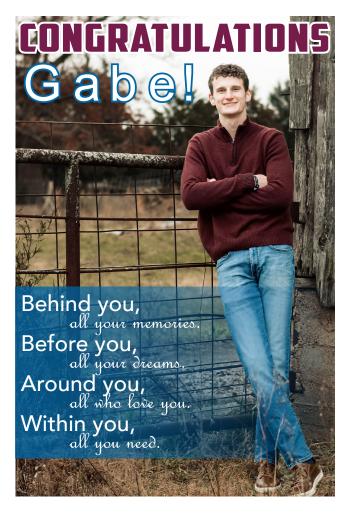
# OHS 2023 Graduate... Valton Bailie!



~ Loyd & Carol Bailie

We are **SO PROUD** of you! Can't wait to see what the future holds for you... Love you! Mom & Dad

Congratulations to all OHS Class of 2023 Graduates! Best of luck in whatever path you choose.











**April Jahnsen** 



**Madeline Johnsen** 



**James Johnson** 



**Trey Johnson** 



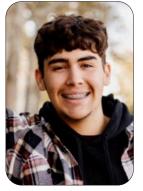
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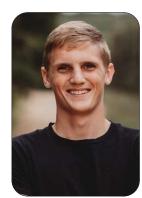
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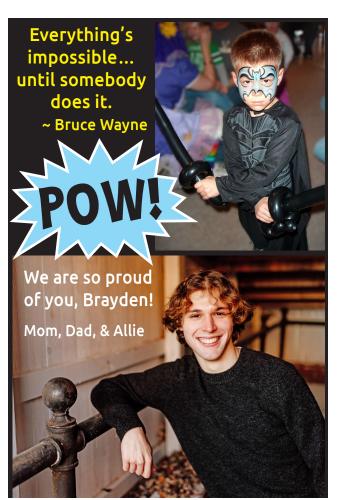
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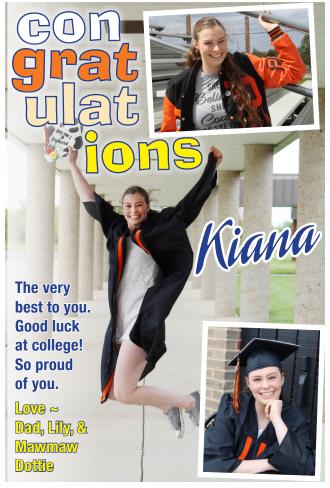


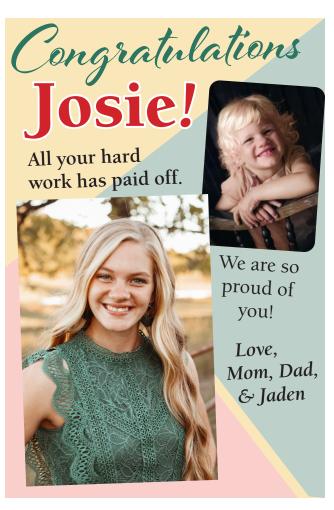
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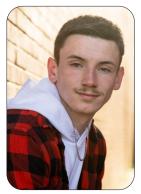


Lucas Morgan





William Muehlhausen



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**Samuel Nicks** 



**Bryce Payne** 



**Larry Piazza** 



**Harley Pyrtle** 



**Carl Rehmert** 



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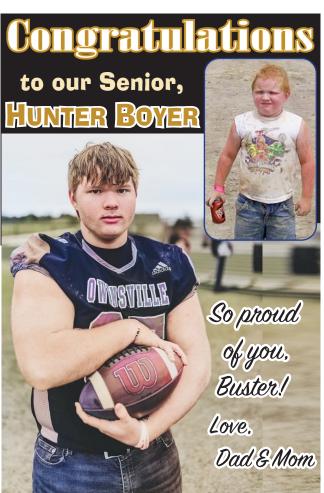
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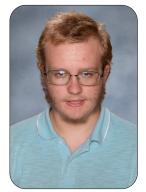




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**Zechariah Teal** 



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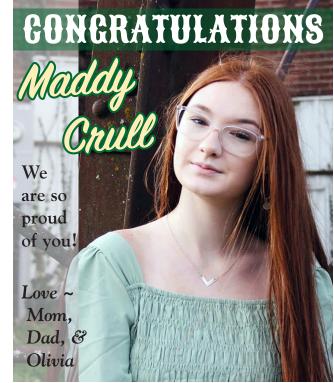


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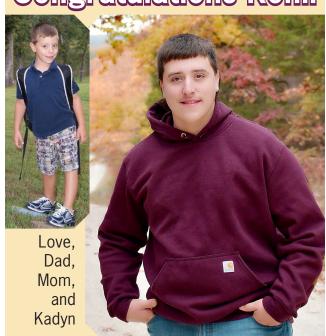
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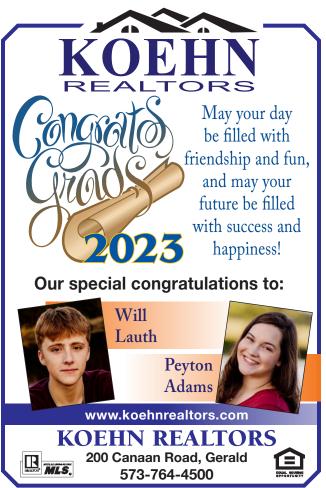




Through good times and hard times, you hung in there 'til the end. We are so proud of you! Congratulations Kohll











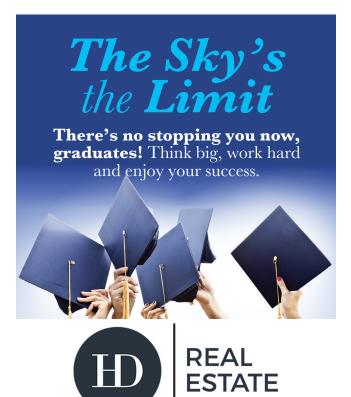
**ELLA GEHLERT** was crowned queen and Derrick Marguez was king for the fall homecoming celebration. SENIORS DREW COPE-**LAND** and Bryce Payne applaud as Gehlert is announced as her escort Charlie Whelan also celebrated.



FALL 2022 senior football players, cheerleaders, cross country and band members and their parents are introduced on senior night.







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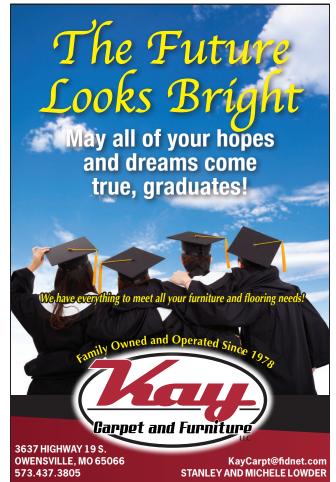
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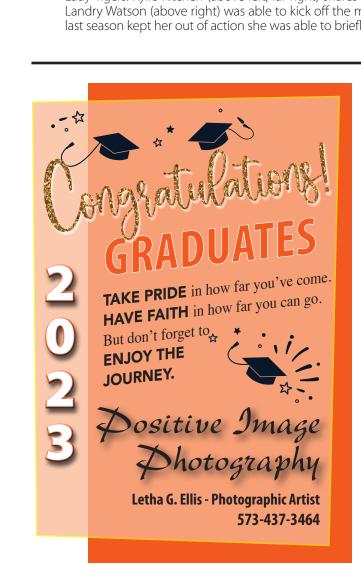
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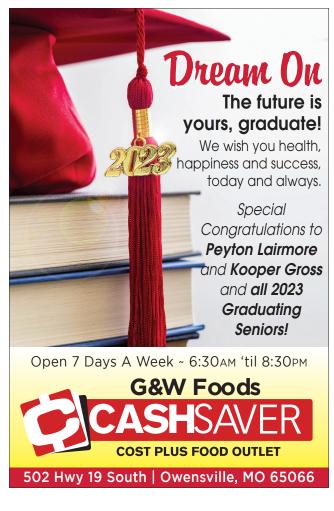
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## **Dutchgirl soccer celebrates senior night**

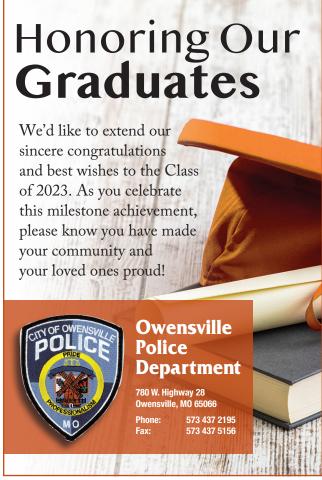
Kalyn Kemp's Owensville Dutchgirl soccer team recently celebrated senior night with a 4-0 shutout over St. James' Lady Tigers. Kylie Kitchen (above left, far right) shares an embracing moment with her family prior to the match. Landry Watson (above right) was able to kick off the match before coming out moments later. A knee injury from last season kept her out of action she was able to briefly play during senior night.





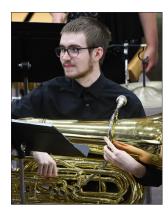






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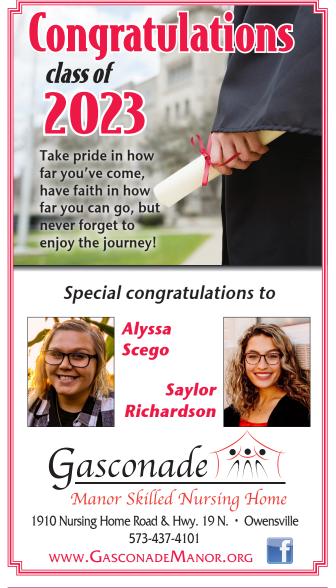
Hunter Boyer reacts to a play during Owensville's 2023 winter homecoming game. The Dutchmen defeated St. James 63-47 in Four Rivers Conference basketball.



#### Sousa award

Sam Nicks, the lone senior band member at OHS, received the John Phillips Sousa award on May 9.







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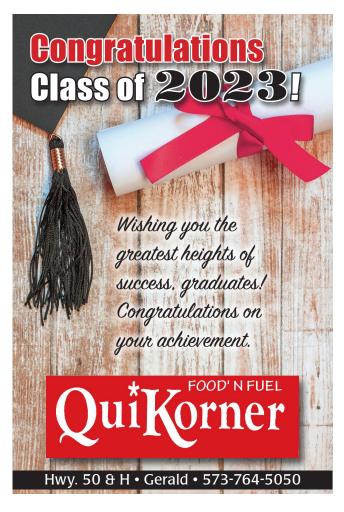




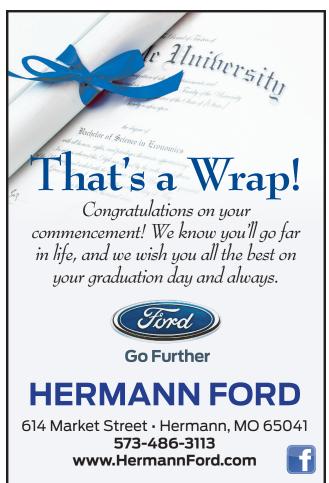
## **FRC Track Champions**

Members of the Owensville High School Class of 2023 (left, from left) helping the Dutchgirls to a Four Rivers Conference (FRC) team title were April Jahnsen, Ella Gehlert, Saylor Richardson, Josie Gerlemann and Payton Boyd.







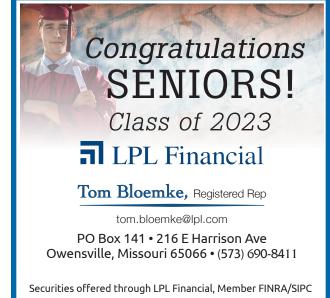


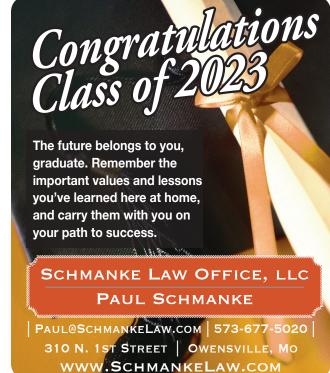


# A Hermann Tourney 3-peat and one OHS SB senior

April Jahnsen (above, center) was recognized last fall as the lone senior on the Owensville Dutchgirl softball team. Ella Gehlert and Kiana Guerrero (right, from left) finish their Dutchgirl basketball careers helping Owensville win three consecutive Hermann Tournament titles.















### Band, track and FB cheer

Senior members of the Owensville High School band and football cheerleading squad were recognized prior to Owensville's home football game against Union's Wildcats at Dutchmen Field. Sam Nicks (above, far left) was the lone senior in the OHS band while the football cheerleading trio of Avery Bastunas, Kaylee Fisher and Camri Jones were also recognized. Jaiden Mason (right, far right) embraces OHS head track and field coach Matt Candrl during their senior night held in conjunction with the annual Owensville High School Relays track meet in mid-April.





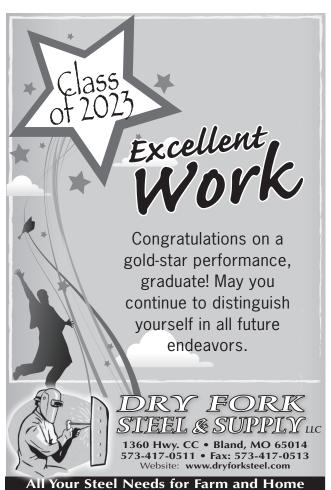
# **Looks Like** You Made It!

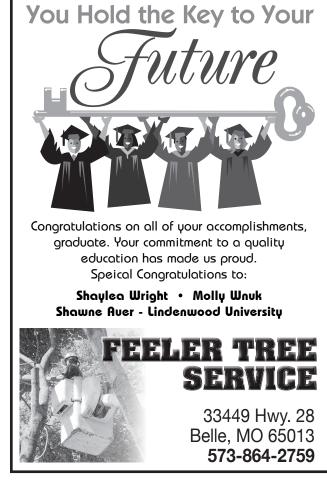
Your hard work has paid off, and now you are really on your way. We wish you all the best as you embark on exciting new challenges and adventures. The best is yet to come!

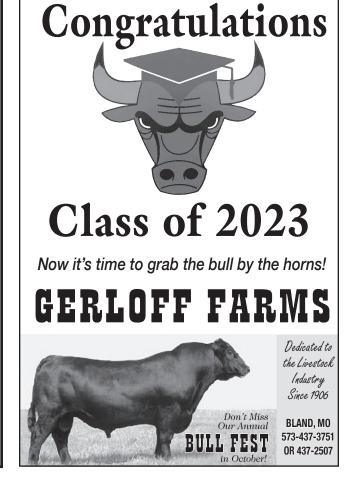
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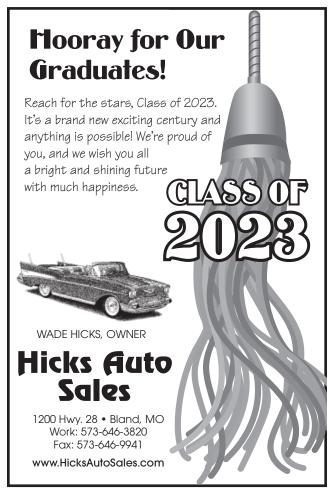
#### Five OHS senior wrestlers

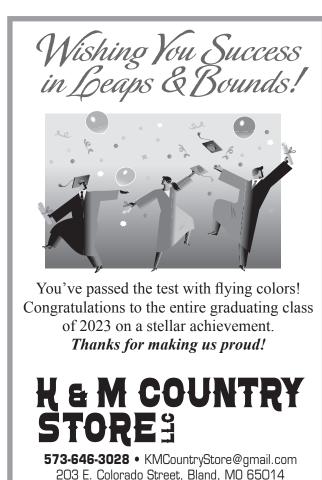
Coaches, parents and wrestlers gathered for a group photo prior to their final home meet of the 2022-23 high school wrestling season. Owensville High School Dutchmen and Dutchgirl seniors (above, from left) recognized with their coaches and parents include Gabe Soest, Kohl Grannemann, Kelby Schoenfeld, Josie Gerlemann and Payton Boyd. Schoenfeld ended her Dutchgirl wrestling career as a Four Rivers Conference (FRC) champion and a state qualifier at 190 pounds. Soest also ended his Dutchmen wrestling career as a state qualifier at 150 pounds.

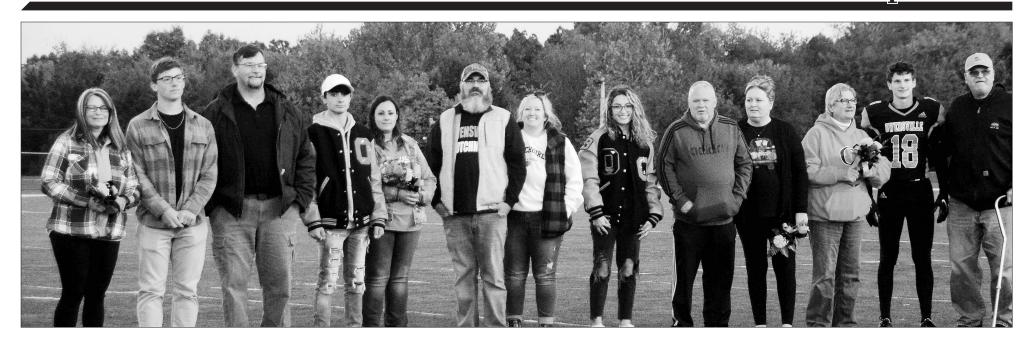












**OHS CROSS** Country seniors (above, from left) recognized with their family members last fall during Dutchmen football's senior night include Noah Holtmeyer, Lucas Morgan, Saylor Richardson and Gabe Soest. Dutchmen basketball and OHS Dance Team seniors recognized with their families (below, from left) include Josie Wilka, Alexia Alexander, Kaylee Fisher, Charlie Whelan, Bryce Payne, Derrick Marquez, Austin Luecke and Will Lauth.



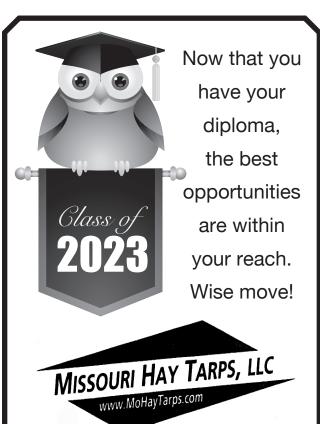


# **Good Going, Class!**

Can you believe it? The Class of 2023
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everything you've accomplished.
We wish you the best of luck and hope that
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Special congratulations to this year's
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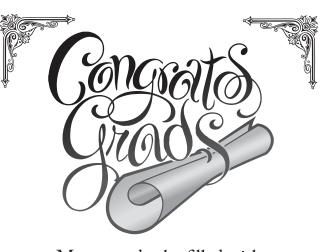


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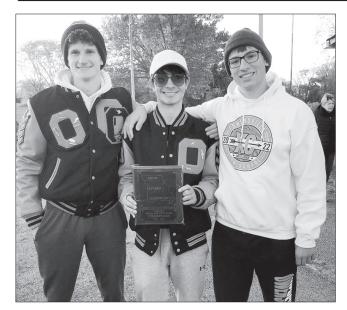
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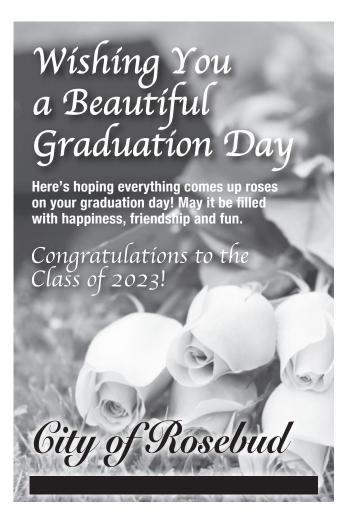
**OHS CROSS** Country seniors (left, from left) Gabe Soest, Lucas Morgan and Noah Holtmeyer helped the Dutchmen teammates capture a Four Rivers Conference (FRC) title by topping the varsity boys team standings during the annual meet held last fall at Big Driver. Saylor Richardson (below, far right) embraces OHS head cross country coach Matt Candrl during senior-night festivities held last fall. Morgan and Richardson will continue their athletic and academic pursuits in college at William Wood University in Fulton. They will join former Dutchmen and Dutchgirl athletes Freddy Zheng, Mekayla Gibson and Kyah Weirich making it a quintet of Owls and Lady Owls.

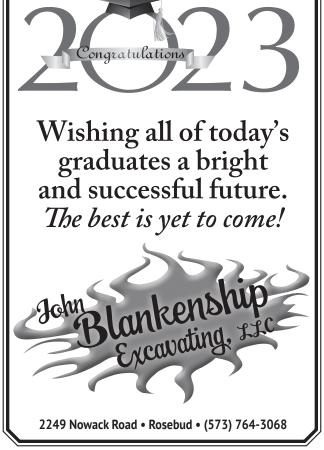
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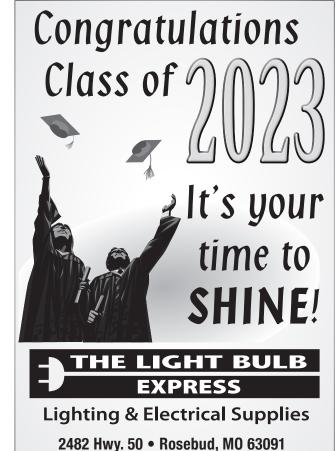










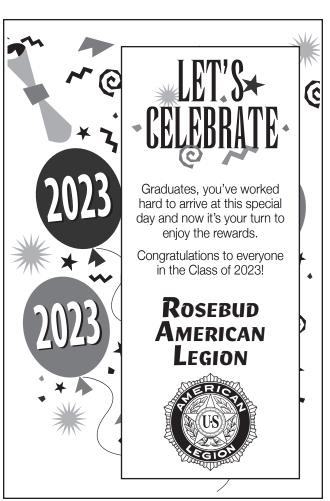


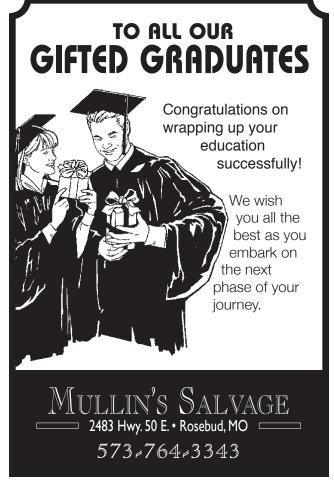
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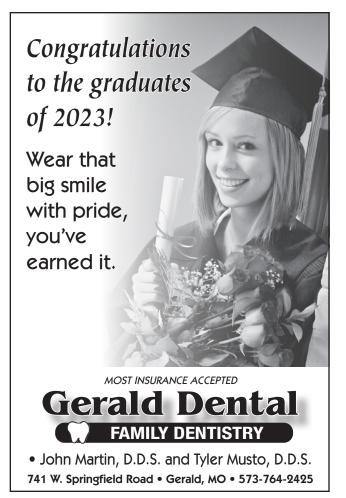


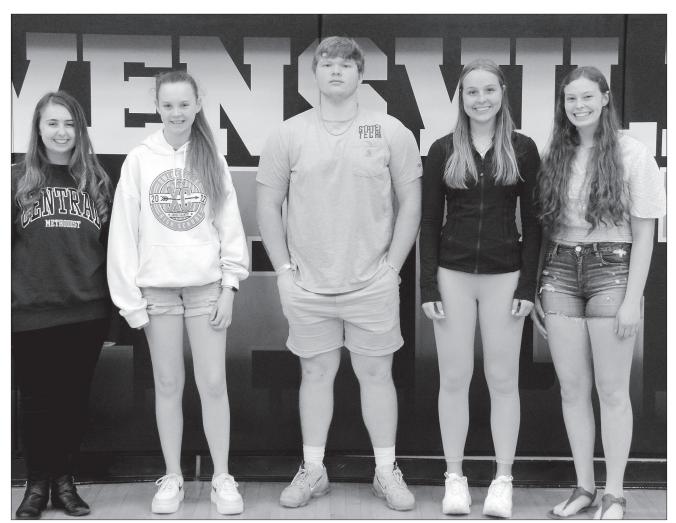
**SENIOR NIGHT** celebrations were held during the 2022-23 school year for Owensville Dutchgirl basketball and Dutchgirl volleyball. Dutchgirl basketball cheerleaders were also recognized alongside their Dutchgirl basketball counterparts. Seniors (above, from left) pictured with their families include Ella Gehlert, Kiana Guerrero, Camri Jones and Kaylee Fisher. Dutchgirl volleyball senior players and managers (below, from left) pictured with their family members include Molly Wnuk, Cayley Hamann, Kylie Kitchen, Josie Gerlemann, Mallory Eberlin, Drew Copeland, Payton Boyd and Maddy Crull.





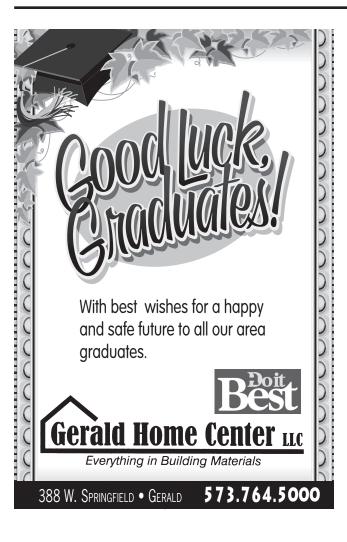


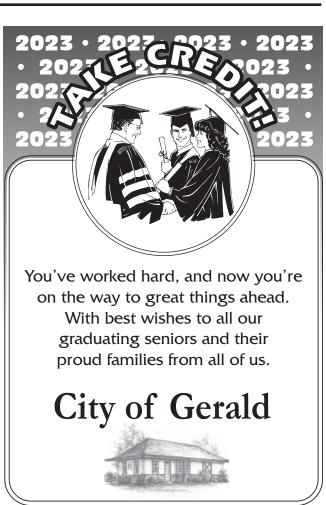




### Gerald area scholarships

Recipients of Gerald area scholarships (from left) include Lauren Shields (Gerald Community Foundation and Gerald Lions Club Scholarships), Melissa Schnelting (Gerald Lions Club Scholarship), Hunter Boyer (Gerald Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship), Landry Watson (Gerald Athletic Association Scholarship) and Kiana Guerrero (Gerald Athletic Association Scholarship).





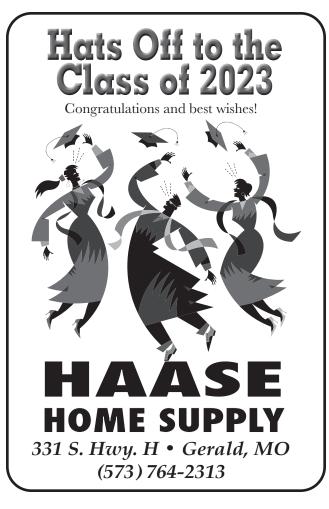
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Owensville High School class of 2023 members graduating in the top 10, (in front, from left) include Lauren Shields, Kelby Schoenfeld, Drew Copeland, Molly Wnuk and Ella Gehlert; and in back, Joseph Skornia, Brayden Kuebler, Kaylee Fisher, Aurora Maher and Kiana Guerrero.

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