



# BUNKHOUSE GAZETTE

## DECEMBER 2024 ISSUE

### The Ranch Hands

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Event Center Physical Address

6448 W. State Hwy EE

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 Springfield, MO

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 P.O. Box 127  
 Willard, MO 65781

sacrivercowboychurch65802@gmail.com

### Calendar of Events

#### DECEMBER 2024

Every Monday night.....**CIRCLE of SISTERS**  
 Bonita Nickols    817-228-6654    6 p.m. at Event Center

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First and Third Sunday of each month....**BAND of BROTHERS**  
 Randy Runion 816-536-9728...3:30-5 p.m. at Event Center

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Every Friday night.....**Game Night**.....Event Center  
 Anne Tunnell.....417-766-2728    5:30-8:00 p.m.

\*Game night is for ages 13 and over

**SRCC Quilters**.....Quilting will not meet in November and  
 December due to holidays. Nadine Mahan 620-875-3598  
**Ark Mission** .....will not be meeting until further notice

DEC 1..... **Potluck 11:00, SRCC, upstairs**

DEC 6.....**Ladies Christmas Gala 6 p.m.**

DEC 7.....**Willard Christmas Parade 1p.m.**

DEC 8.....**Deadline for Christmas Baskets9**

DEC 18.....**Christmas Basket Pick up 9-1p.m.**

DEC 19.....**Christmas Program 6p.m.**

DEC 29.....**Children's Christmas Party**

### SRCC Ambassadors

Larry Whiteley 417-830-9023  
 Don Greene 417-827-1733

### Children's Church

Ages 3 through 6th grade

8:30 and 10:00 at the Livestock Marketing Center.

11:30 @ the Stables at the Event Center Grades 7th -12th

11:30 @ The Stables at the Event Center

Contact Tami Greene, 417-861-8922

email [sacriveryouth@gmail.com](mailto:sacriveryouth@gmail.com)

### **Service Times**

Sunday Services:.....8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. at SRCC  
10:00 a.m. and 11:30 at SRCC Event Center Thursday  
Services:.....6:00 p.m. Event Center

### **Adult Sunday School Bible Class**

8:45-9:45 a.m. at the Event Center. If you have any questions please contact David and Cindy Hancock 417-773-2482.

### **New Policy**

Instead of a General Fund and a Building fund, all contributions will now be deposited in the General Fund.  
***SRCC Board of Directors***

### **SRCC Prayer Line**

#### **Prayer Chain**

If you have a prayer request, call or text the  
**SRCC Prayer line**  
417.839.6508 or e-mail srccspringfield@icloud.com  
If you would like to be part of the SRCC Prayer Chain,  
call or text 417-839-6508  
or e-mail srccspringfield@icloud.com

### **Quote of the Month**

“Light up the darkness with your kindness”

### **Cowboy Wisdom**

Put Nothin’ before God

### **Pray for America**

For it is you who light my lamp; the Lord my God lightens my darkness. For by you I can run against a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. This God --his way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.

Psalms 18:28-30

### **Information from the Board**

**October 2024**

#### **Tithes/Offerings:**

\$60,064.00

#### **Expenses:**

\$34,665.75

#### **New Building Expenses**

\$181,951.91

#### **Total Expenses for the month**

\$216,616.94

### **Statement from the Board**

Sac River Cowboy Church has never gone into debt and always plans to be debt free.

***SRCC Board of Directors***

### **New -Youth Bible Study**

Youth Bible Study class will begin in November during the 11:30 service at the Stables located at Sac River Event Center. This class is for ages 12-18. If you are interested in leading a youth service please contact Tami Greene @417-861-8922

### **Bible Trivia**

Name the shortest verse in the Bible?

## **Policy re: Dogs**

All dogs must be on a leash and owner must hold leash while dog is in the church facilities. No dogs are allowed near food, kitchens, or food lines.

**SRCC Board of Directors**

## **Card Ministry**

If you know someone who needs a card, contact one of the two women with the card ministry. (see page 1). Addresses are helpful.

## **SRCC Care Visitation**

If you would like to request a prayer visit to a hospital, nursing home, or home in the Springfield/rural area, for you, a friend, or family member, please call or text Paul at 417-425-9905 or e-mail [pjvinson46@gmail.com](mailto:pjvinson46@gmail.com) If you feel like God is calling you to be a part of this care center/home visitation ministry, please call or text Paula Vinson at 417-425-9905, or email [pjvinson46@gmail.com](mailto:pjvinson46@gmail.com).

## **Do You Need a Walker or Cane**

Contact Herschel Jordan @ 417-882-2286 or Kate Miller @ 417-227-8223.

## **Garden Club at SRCC**

The Garden Club at SRCC meetings will not meet again til March 2025

## **SRCC Recovery Ministry**

For Families suffering with addictions and coping with the dysfunction and shame it causes. It's a family affair, not only for the alcoholic or the addict, but also for those families that need someone to talk to and trust. We will meet every Wednesday night at the Stables at 5:30. Please Call John @713-614-1684 if planning to attend

## **Adult Bible Study**

There will be an informational meeting on an Adult Bible Study group at the Stockyards on Sunday, December 8th after the second service upstairs. This Adult Bible Study Group will be held at the Stockyards on Sundays, and childcare will be provided. Any questions, please text Ron Jones @417-699-6351 or Loree Jones @417-559-1698. We look forward to seeing you there.

## **Bible Trivia Answer**

“Jesus wept”

Gospel of John 11:32

## **Something To Think About**

**By Larry Whiteley**

### **GREAT GIFT IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS**

If you know a non-believer, give them the gift of the real reason for the season. Be bold in telling them how Jesus came to take away their sins and make them a part of God's family. Ask them to invite Jesus to come into their life.

Pray with them and help them in any way you can. Helping bring others to Jesus is not just up to Scotty, Mark, Ty, and Ron to do. All of us should be willing to do that if we feel comfortable doing so. The Christmas gift of salvation is up to them to accept.

Another Christmas gift idea is to donate to our annual Christmas baskets that help feed people in need in our area. You can do that by putting cash or a check in one of our giving envelopes on the tables and writing Christmas Baskets.

Then, put it in the wooden box.

That money is used to help buy food for the baskets. New blankets and quilts are also needed and can also be donated to help.

Judy Thomas and her village of volunteers work hard to make this happen for our church each year. They all receive a blessing from doing this. A big part of their own personal Christmas is helping others through this church program.

A letter will be put in each basket inviting recipients to our church services, addresses, times of services. And, how they can watch our services online if they cannot come in person.

The most important thing will be a plan of salvation for them to read. If they have questions, they will also have who to contact. Maybe some will come to accept Jesus.

Our Sac River Cowboy Church Christmas baskets are a great Christmas gift idea. You are helping feed their bodies and their souls.

## **SRCC Children & Youth Activities**

There is a fun filled month going on with our children and youth activities.

Saturday Dec 7th is the Christmas Parade in Willard at the First Baptist Church, line up is at 1.p.m.

Thursday, Dec 19th Is our Christmas program, the kids from all 3 services will perform at our Thursday evening service. Practice will be on Dec 15th at 1:00 at the Event Center.

Sunday Dec 29th We will have our Christmas Party. We will have a Christmas Celebration with games and snacks for the kids at all three services.

# Meet The Folks

Greetings church family!

January is quickly approaching, and we are growing more and more excited to officially join the SRCC family. I would like to take a moment to introduce myself and my family. I was raised in a rodeo family. I'm a second generation farrier, second generation pastor and second generation bluegrass picker. I have a love for hunting, fishing and spending my time outdoors. I previously served as senior pastor of a rural country church for 12 years. I have a passion for sharing God's love through His word. I am also an Engineer/EMT for Redings Mill Fire Department. I'm blessed to have the opportunity to help people on their worst day.

Julie, my beautiful wife of 18 years is a loving and committed mother. Our son is her greatest blessing and joy. She is my best friend and lifelong duet partner. Julie loves Jesus and her family with her whole heart. During the week you will find her either chauffeuring Hayes around or in the kitchen baking sourdough. She also plays bass and sings in our band Borderline Bluegrass.

My handsome son Hayes just turned 6 years old. He is a mutton bustin', deer huntin' don't-fence-me-in kind of kid. He loves his school and learning new things. He has a big heart that seeks to do what is right and serve God. We are looking forward to all that God has planned for us and SRCC. We are humbled by the love and acceptance we have felt from our new church family. Great things are yet to come!

Blessings!

Pastor Ty, Julie and Hayes Dawson



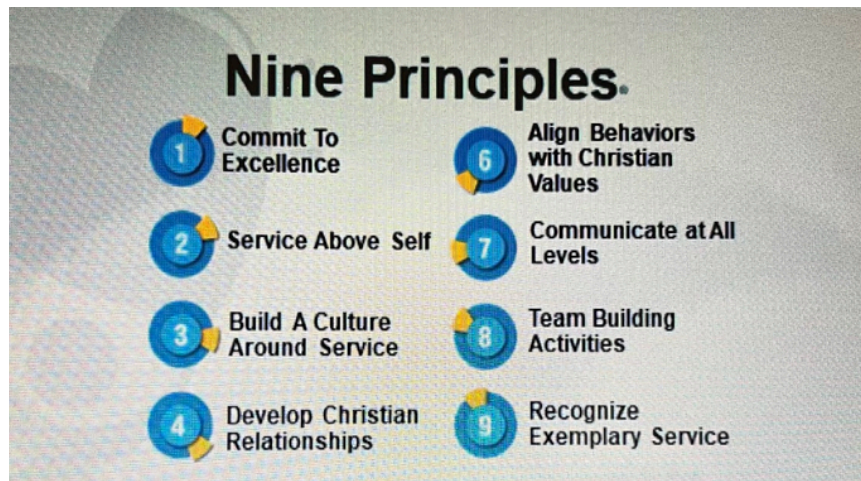


Your generosity is more powerful than you realize.

Serving God and loving others is our purpose. And it can pay off in more ways than you know. When you support the causes you care about, your giving can make a difference and solve real problems in church and in the community. But that's not all it can do. It can also have positive impact on you. And that goes far beyond the warm glow and happy feelings knowing you honor God with your time, talent and treasure. In fact, researchers have linked giving to several health benefits — like lower blood pressure and stress levels and higher self-esteem. They've even found that generosity can help us live longer, more satisfying lives. So, how can we unlock all that power of our generosity? One option is to Join the GUSS Ministry Team and make a difference at SRCC and everywhere you go. By giving in impactful ways, you support spiritual growth, character, values and our vision of a better church, community and world.

## **GUSS CORNER**

### **GUSS TEAM PRINCIPALS OF SERVICE**



“Find A Need and Meet It”

SRCC GUSS Ministry Volunteers

Full Time - Serve at a service of your choosing every Sunday.

Minute Man - Serve as needed to maintain operational service excellence.

40 hours of Training provided in several disciplines for a one-year commitment. Team Members receive on the job mentoring, CCW Certification, US Law Shield participation, Church Security Training with Peacekeepers, Active Threat Training, First Aid, AED, and CPR Certifications.

**Contact Dan Bill**

**(530) 635-5994 for an application or any questions.**

**PASSION, PURPOSE**

**and MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

An Open Letter to Our Brothers and Sisters of Sac River Cowboy Church

From John and Jan Stump

November 20, 2024

Addictions to alcohol, drugs and other things are frequently referred to as “Family Diseases”.

They bring shame and heartache not only to the addicted person but those who love him, or her.

The Holidays are stressful times with traditional family gatherings and those things we “expect” of each other during these times.

We know from experience that the decision to reach out for help in coping with addiction is a very challenging one. Often fraught with fear of exposure, sometimes fear of physical harm, concern for what our friends will think of us, and the tendency

to procrastinate are excuses we use rather than Reach Out For Help.

We hope to earn your trust so that we may become your Trusted Servants providing resources and sharing our experience, strength and hope to show you how we were able to cope with these challenges.

Through recovery we have been amazingly blessed and enjoy a new life in recovery. No longer the people we used to be, we treasure our new relationship with Jesus.

Please call if you would like information or want to attend our Tuesday meetings at 5:30pm at the Stables. Call anytime you need help

(713) 614-1684

John and Jan

# Out Reach Ministries

Another Thanksgiving Food Roundup is in the books!

For 14 years we have helped those in need!

For one reason or another maybe a death or sick baby or loss of job or!! But you can bet we are there to help! We even have free entertainment by two little entertainers!

For those that have never experienced the

“Village “and what it takes to process all of this

We start planning in August

Talking with schools In September

Ordering and taking applications in October Unpacking the semi, sorting, building boxes handing out Food boxes in November!

Hams Potatoes and enough food for several meals not just Thanksgiving was provided!

Yes, it’s a process!!

Over 270 families were blessed by our Church today!

And that’s what it is all about! Helping us help others!

The “Village “that I call them not only includes the 60 some people that come one to three days to help, includes all of you that donate money or give hugs or thanks or prayers or all of the above!

I do not take all of this lightly! It is all so appreciated by all of us!

We have sad stories we have happy stories!

People that we have helped in the past now come and make donations and / or join our Church!

We are the longest running Ministry in our Church that has grown every year and helped more people than any other of our Ministries! I am not bragging well wait maybe I am, and we are darn proud of it! We are so proud to be a part of this Ministry!

So, keep doing what you do! You donate the “Village “will do the hard part

Order Pack and Deliver! We got this!

Thank you, AWG, for partnering



Walnut Grove FFA for students that help

But especially the “Village “of volunteers!

We are one Blessed Church!

Judy Thomas

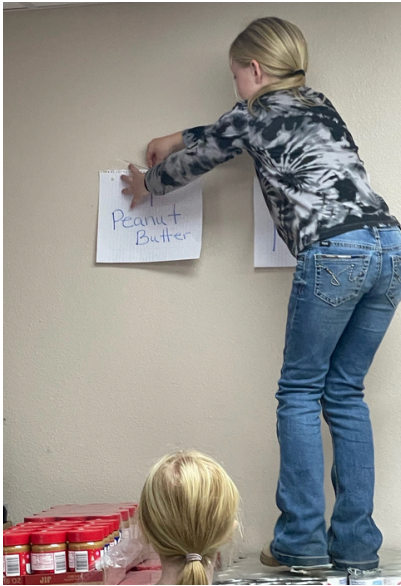
“The Village”

 Happy Thanksgiving 

# “The Village”









## **SRCC Business Directory**

If you own a business and would like to list in the directory, send info to Loree@  
loreej1971@gmail.com SRCC is not endorsing any business.

### **Farm & Home**

The Rekindled Home Remodeling Specialists Donald Wheeler 417-814-8465 **therekindledhome.com**  
Whiteley Home Solutions Remodeling, custom cabinets Daron Whiteley 417-844-7119 **Whiteleyhomesolution@gmail.com**  
Rose Eskridge Realty Rose Eskridge 417-860-4663 **roseeskridge@aol.com**  
D Bar J Livestock Hauling Short or Long-Haul Doug Thomas/Josh Boyd 417-840-9316  
Top Shelf Stump Gridding Tree Care - Stump Grinding Marland Schmehl 417-988-5656 **treeservice79@gmail.com**  
Jayden D. Underwood Heating & Air Service Technician 417-773-1960  
Parch Corn Skid Steering Land Enhancement, Brush Hogging Tanner Nickels 417-239-6063 **parchcornskidsteering@gmail.com**  
Sally Touns Painting, Faux Finishes, Murals 417-343-4388  
Roof One Roofing Specialist Austin Hartweg 417-773-4302 **ahartweg.roofone@gmail.com**  
Rust Freedom Plumbing, Heating and Air 417-597-7610 **rustfreedom@gmail.com**  
Ash Grove Dump Trucking Dump truck, dozing, loader service Rodney Dawson 417-830-2970  
McDowell Land & Cattle John & Mary McDowell 417-849-1432 **mcdowelllandandcattle@gmail.com**  
Handy Man services Gutter cleaning, handyman services Zach Lemley 417-353-9651  
Trent Gouty Commercial and Residential Maintenance 417-861-9588 **trent.gouty@maintenancesolutionsllc.com**

### **Auto**

MO Roadside Rescue Towing, tire change, jump start Michael Blaine 417-350-5706  
Elite Dent Company Hail damage, door dings, scratches Sid Huff 417-417-DENT **sid@eliteDentCo.com**  
RV Incidents Repair & Renovation Service 417-725-2900 **rvincidents.com**

### **Beef**

Judy Thomas Farm Raised Half or Whole Judy Thomas (Buyer pays processing) 417-425-8052  
Bottom Up Wangu's Ranch Freezer Ready Beef Ken Garrison 417-368-0368

### **Hogs**

Jeffs Spot Farm Pure Spot Pigs Whole or 1/2 Contact Drew Jett 417-227-8302

### **Wellness/Health**

Absolute Wellness Center Consults, supplements, homeopathic Sherry Neill 417-832-0292 **absolutewellnesscenterllc.com**  
Garden 4 Life gardening systems Dawn & Curt Rankin 417-736-3251 **www.garden4life.com**  
Our Orchard Country Store Dawn & Curt Rankin 417-345-5100 **ourorchardcountrystore.com**  
Scentsy Consultant Fragrance Specialist Nadine Mahan 620-875-3598 **nadinemahan1@gmail.com**  
Wellness Concepts Clinic Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Massage Dr. Jill Reavis-Aleman 417-877-1300 **drjillwellness@gmail.com**  
Effulgence Life Coaching LLC **effulgencelifecoachingllc@gmail.com**

### **Miscellaneous**

The Bible Re-binder Joe Gleason 417-693-3137  
Piano Works Tuning, repair, refinishing Bob Baker 417-830-0932  
Mike Wallace Custom Art Mike Wallace 417-655-8544 **mikewallacecustomart@gmail.com**  
Michael Moyer, Luthier Stringed instrument repair Michael Moyer 417-880-0267 **michaelmoyer@ymail.com**  
Elevate Lives Pathway out of poverty 417-351-2564 **elevatelives.org**  
The Bungalows Senior Living Sara Curry 417-889-2222 **sara.curry@phoenixsrliving.com**  
Midwestern Prairie Florals Country, Boho, Naturals Senoah Wheeler 417-761-4913 **midwesternprairiefiorals@gmail.com**  
Effulgence Life Coaching LLC **effulgencelifecoachingllc@gmail.com**

## **SAC RIVER COWBOY CHURCH**

### **Christmas Food Roundup**

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ VERY IMPORTANT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PERSON PICKING UP BASKET \_\_\_\_\_ VERY IMPORTANT

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ VERY IMPORTANT

NUMBER OF CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_ AGES \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF ADULTS \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\* CHRISTMAS \*\*\*\*

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS Sunday December 8TH

PICKUP IS Wednesday December 18th

between 9am – 1 pm

at SRCC Event Center EE Hwy 1 mile east of AB Hwy

ONE FOOD BOX PER HOUSEHOLD PLEASE

PLEASE RETURN TO JUDY THOMAS 417-425-8052 OR [dbarjlivestock@yahoo.com](mailto:dbarjlivestock@yahoo.com)

Thank each and every one of you for your generosity!!  
WE ARE A VERY BLESSED AND MIRACLE CHURCH FAMILY....

If you would like to donate, please put checks or cash in envelope and memo Food Baskets .

We will also be doing a Blanket Drive. New Only Please ..  
“LET NO CHILD/ADULT GO HUNGRY THIS SEASON. “