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Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Parents as Teachers organization has announced the Students of the Month for November.

Vance Owens is also one of the Bernie Parents as Teachers' students of the month for November.

He is the three month old son of Waylon and Kendra Owens. Vance enjoys swinging, rocking, and cooing. He is well taken care of by his big sisters Bella and Mila.

Vance loves to look at the high contrast books with his Mommy during PAT visits and before bed time.

If you would like to know more about Parents as Teachers contact Courtney McGarity or Casey Arnold at 573-293-5335, ext 293 or find them on Facebook by clicking [HERE](#).

The following information was taken directly from the Parent as Teachers Missouri website. For more information click [HERE](#).

Our Vision

All children will learn, grow and develop to realize their full potential.

Our Mission

To provide the information, support and encouragement parents need to help their children develop optimally during the crucial early years of life.

Our Values

The early years of a child's life are critical for optimal development and provide the foundation for success in school and in life.

Parents are their children's first and most influential teachers.

Established and emerging research should be the foundation of parent education and family support curricula, training, materials and services.

All young children and their families deserve the same opportunities to succeed, regardless of any demographic, geographic or economic considerations.

An understanding and appreciation of the history and traditions of diverse cultures is essential in serving families.

History

In 1981, Missouri pioneered the concept of helping parents embrace their important role as their child's first and best teacher. Today, Parents as Teachers continues to equip early childhood organizations and professionals with information and tools that are relevant—and widely applicable—to today's parents, families and children.

The Parents as Teachers leadership team and Board of Directors is engaged in a three-year [strategic plan](#), which positions the organization as a valued partner to support the organizations and professionals who serve families and children, especially those most vulnerable.

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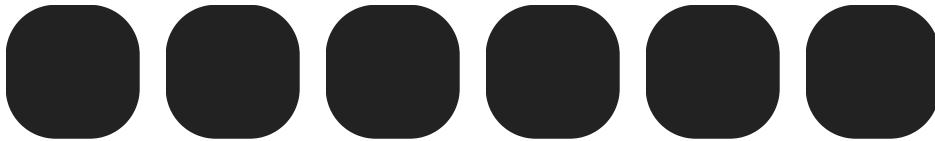
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With funding from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and The Danforth Foundation, Parents as Teachers began in 1981 in Missouri as a pilot project for first-time parents of newborns. Recognizing the program's benefits and cost effectiveness, the Missouri legislature provided state funding in 1985 to implement Parents as Teachers programs in all Missouri school districts. Since 1985, Parents as Teachers has expanded to all 50 states and six other countries.

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Annabelle Xandria Grace Shelton is one of the Bernie Parents as Teachers' students of the month for November.

Annabelle is the 18-month-old daughter of Jason and Melissa Shelton.

She loves reading books, dancing, singing nursery rhymes, and chasing around her 3-year-old sister, Tansley. During the family's PAT visits, Annabelle enjoys reading books and playing social games with Mrs. McGarity and Mommy. She also loves the activities that stimulate her curiosity for learning.

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Donations Made to Stoddard County Children's Home

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Donations Made to Stoddard County Children's Home

Bloomfield, Missouri - The following individuals, businesses, or churches have made donations during the month of October to the Stoddard County Children's Home, Inc. in memory or in honor of a loved one.

Victoria Erman in Memory of Linda Mae Wright

Robert & Linda Stevens in Memory of Wanda Jackson

Raymond & Tina Fuwell in Memory of Cecil Hicks

Rosemary Walker in Memory of Wanda Jackson

Judith Boyle in Memory of Jessie Drury, Wanda Jackson, Ola Kelley & Ed Hicks

Darrell & Debbie Crow in Memory of Donald Stephens

Charlie & Jana Flannigan in Memory of Wanda Jackson

Kim Flowers in Memory of Wanda Jackson

Bruce & Kay Plummer in Memory of Wanda Jackson

Joe & Sharlette Watson in Memory of Wanda Jackson

Jessie & Floella Deardorff in Memory of Wanda Jackson

Curtis & Thelma Blunt in Memory of Cecil Hicks

Scott & Karen Hillis in Memory of Cecil Hicks

Mark Kelley in Memory of Ola Kelley

Merle Taylor in Memory of Ola Kelley

Terri Lloyd & John Kuebler in Memory of Clyde Vaughn

Joanne Newcomer in Memory of Wanda Jackson

Lamar & Dixie Hicks in Memory of Cecil Hicks

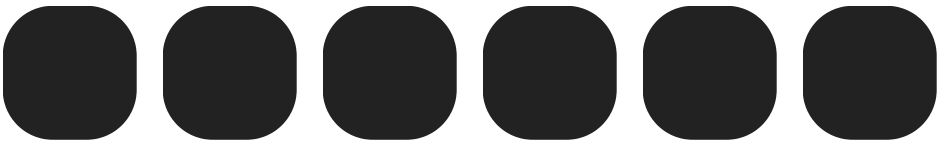
Martha Norris in Memory of Wanda Jackson

James & Tressa Oliver in Memory of Alvin Davis

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Huel & Maude Benton in Memory of Cecil Hicks
Aud & Jim Blunt in Memory of Cecil Hicks
Stoddard County DFS Retirees in Memory of Maxine Hunt Mark & Billy Wethington in Memory of Cecil Hicks Schnucks Teammates in Memory of Maxine Hunt
Shirley Ganter in Memory of Clifford "Bud" Shell
Norman Harty in Memory of Leslie Lemons
John & Ruth Pruitt in Memory of Clyde Vaughn
Norma Kelly in Memory of Cecil Hicks
Jon & Jo Daniel in Memory of Clyde Vaughn
Sonny & Elizabeth Alcorn in Memory of Cecil Hicks
James & Loretta Watson in Memory of Cecil Hicks
James & Carole Vaughn in Memory of Clyde Vaughn
Phyllis & Barry Lanius in Memory of Clyde Vaughn Missouri Credit Union in Memory of Clyde
Adolf Vaughn Wayne McKuon & Susie Meese in Memory of Shirley Fortner Mike & Susie Meese in Memory of Troy Humes
Ray & Brenda Dowdy in Honor of Maxine Hunt
Wanda Hill in Memory of Maxine Hunt
First General Baptist Church in Memory of Elmara Shull
Reva Raymo in Memory of Maxine Hunt

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Bloomfield Chamber Business Spotlight

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Bloomfield Chamber Business Spotlight

Bloomfield, Missouri - The **Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce** is offering a new and exciting weekly feature to better acquaint our community with local businesses.

The Weekly Business Spotlight is a FREE Chamber Member benefit. Each week a business member will be highlighted on their social media Facebook Page.

This week's spotlight shines on **From Soup to Nuts' Katy's Place!**

From Soup to Nuts is located at 307 East Court Street and is owned by Katy Jones. (Shown in the photo).

Katy offers soups, sandwiches, daily specials and catering! Dine in or Carry-out Monday - Friday from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. She also offers dinner from 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday as Carry-out ONLY!

Follow **From Soup to Nuts on Facebook** for her daily specials. Give her a call at (573) 568-3337 for all your catering needs!

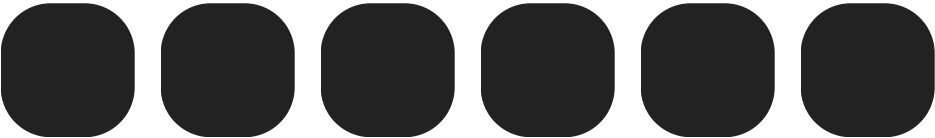
Don't forget to join the Chamber and your business may be spotlighted next! Contact Goldie DeGroot, Vice President of the **Bloomfield Chamber of**

Commerce at (573) 568-9996.

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