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New baseball field to be named after Coach Rexroat

By Wade Daffron
TJ Editor

Russell County High School Baseball Coach David Rexroat has a nickname, "The Bear."

But after this week, "The Bear" may become "The G.O.A.T." - as in "Greatest Of All Time."

REXROAT,

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Laker Assistant Baseball Coach Chris Taylor, left, congratulated Coach David Rexroat, right, after the Russell County School Board voted Monday to name a new baseball field after Rexroat.



Marti Sallee, seated center, with students wearing former solo costumes that Sallee has worn throughout the years.

"Give Your Child the Chance to Dance"

The Dance Shoppe celebrates 40 years with annual recital this weekend

By Renee' Daffron
Times Journal

Forty years ago Martha "Marti" Sallee moved to Russell County and brought a new vision with her.

With an extensive education in dance and gymnastics, Marti wanted to "Give Your Child the Chance to Dance," and so founded The Dance Shoppe.

"When Marti moved down here 40 years ago," her sister Terry Miles said, "I believe she did it because she missed

her family and she needed to survive by doing something she enjoyed."

It wasn't an easy start bringing this form of the arts to a rural community.

"She ran into a lot of obstacles trying to rent a place where people did not believe in dance and did not want a dancing school in the small town," Terry recalled.

"She did not have grant money, didn't inherit money and would not borrow money," Terry said. "She set

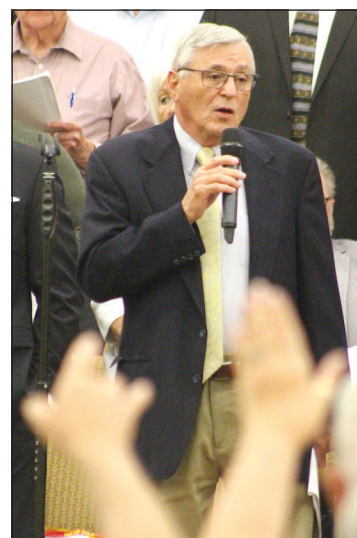
out to build up a business by working hard. She finally rented a place near the feed mill off Main Street in Russell Springs."

With the help of family and friends, a lot of hard work was put into painting and putting up mirrors to prepare her new studio.

Marti then placed an ad in the local paper inviting the community to their grand opening so parents could

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The Sing is the Thing

A large crowd enjoyed the Bill Twyman Gospel Sing this past Saturday at the Bernard Ridge Church of God, in Russell Springs. Nearly 20 acts performed "homecoming style" singing to help raise money for the youth of the church, and keep traditional hymns alive. Left, event namesake Bill Twyman sang at the start of the event hosted by The Blakey Quartet.

LAKEFEST 2022

Concerts, car show, music & more!

Staff Report

Lakefest will soon wash over Jamestown with pageants, games, food, music and more.

The two-day, traditional festival will be held Friday, July 1 & Saturday, July 2 on Monument Square.

The first day of festivities features a variety of pageants beginning at 5 p.m.

(A pageant entry form and info appears in this issue.)

A full day of activities

LAKEFEST,

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"It's a tough situation we're in"

Jailer seeks pay equality for staff

By Wade Daffron
TJ Editor

An appeal to increase the pay for some employees at the Russell County Detention Center fell on deaf ears last week.

Monday, at the regular,

monthly meeting of the Russell County Fiscal Court, Jailer Bobby Dunbar requested a raise for seven staff members who are making between \$11 to \$11.40 an hour.

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