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# **Nixa inducts two into Academic Hall of Fame**

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On May 5, the Nixa School District inducted J'Neal Warfel McCoy and Barb Barnett Stillings into the Nixa Academic Hall of Fame.

Each year, the Nixa School District honors graduates who have gone out into the world after high school and found success and made a difference in their community. The goals of the Nixa Academic Hall of Fame are to provide positive role models for the students of Nixa Public Schools and to recognize achievements of Nixa alumni related to the academic programs of the district.

After graduating from Nixa in 1999, McCoy graduated from Southwest Missouri State University with a Bachelor in Marketing in 2004

and completed her Masters in Administrative Studies in 2014 from Missouri State University.

She started her career working with Hardees and Simon Property Group in the early 2000s.

In 2010, she went to Ozarks Technical Community College and began working in the office of the vice chancellor of admin services.

In 2014, McCoy was named OTC's director of procurement, where she managed to procurement processes for all six of OTC's campuses, including procurement during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In 2021, she was named the assistant vice chancellor for administrative services. In this position, she reviews contracts, procedures and insurance options. She also oversees all expenditures, budgets and payroll for the Administrative Services Department, which includes procurement, project management, facilities and grounds, cafe, bookstore, print shop, Human Resources, information technology and safety and security.

McCoy has been a part of the Leadership OTC Class of 2013, a Strategic Initiative Group Leader 2021-2023 and was a part of Leadership Springfield in 2022-2023.

Stillings is a 1993 graduate of Nixa High School. After graduating from Nixa, she earned a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management from Evangel University and became a Certified Court Manager from the Missouri Court Management Institute.

She was elected to the Nixa Board of Aldermen from 2008 to 2010 and served as the Mayor Pro-Tem from 2009-2010, and even as mayor for



McCoy SUBMITTED PHOTO

a brief period of time in 2010.

She was elected to the position of Clerk of the



Stillings SUBMITTED PHOTO

Circuit Court for Christian County in 2011, and

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Elk Carolyn Janus grabs her centerpiece.

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CASA Advocate Supervisor Shannon Carnelison (left) receives a \$1,500 donation from Elks Treasurer Jerry Fritchman.



Elk Georgann Brown gladly received her carnation.

## Nixa students win **State Stock Market Game**

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The Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA) Foundation announced that Nixa High School students Sergio Pulbere, Landon Carson, Jackson Coleman and Alexander Deatherage won the Spring 2023 Stock Market Game competition for the entire state of Missouri. The Stock Market Game in personal finance simulates trading, buying and selling stocks.

Students participating in SIF-MA Foundation's Stock Market Game learn first-hand the value of long-term investing via an online educational program used by



Christian County Elks #2777 of Ozark honored the Elks Mothers this past Friday evening.



Christian County Elks #2777 of Ozark honor mothers

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According to Mike Klinger, Past Exalted Ruler (PER), Trustee and Christian County Elks Public Relations, one highlight of the year at any Elks Lodge is a Mother's Day celebration. Christian County Elks #2777 of Ozark honored the Elks Mothers last Friday for PER Steak Night. All mothers in attendance received a carnation and were entered into a drawing for a beautiful

Hydrangea table centerpiece. Thirteen centerpieces were raffled off to the delight of some lucky moms.

Starting off the program, Elks officers read a tribute to mothers.

Exalted Ruler Michael Sweet quoted from Elks Tributes, "We are here to honor our mothers, whose influence is a continuous force in our lives. Mothers are more than pictures on memory's walls. They are an ever-present inspiration at our side, keeping

pace with us along life's winding trail, holding us firm and pure, and making us better and nobler persons.

"I am glad we were able to have our ceremony on Friday night and give all mothers their own day on Sunday," Sweet went on to say.

Klinger noted that the Elks also made a \$1,500 donation to CASA of Southwest Missouri. Shannon Carnelison, Advocate Supervisor, was on hand to receive the check. CASA of Southwest Missouri is a

non-profit organization whose mission is to recruit. train and support community volunteers who assist the court in protecting the best interests of abused and neglected children in Southwest Missouri.

"A wonderful celebration for mothers," Klinger said. "Thank you to all who attended and supported this Elks tribute."

For more information or how to join your local Elks Lodge, visit www.ccelks2777. com.

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## **BBB revokes** accreditation of **Premiere Exterior Solutions of Nixa**

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The Better Business Bureau® (BBB) St. Louis has revoked BBB Accreditation of Premiere Exterior Solutions of Nixa for violating **BBB's Accreditation Agreement.** 

BBB's Executive Committee took these actions on April 18, 2023, upon the recommendation of its Standards and Compliance Committee.

BBB contacted the firm numerous times between Oct. 18, 2022, and Feb. 17, 2023, regarding two customer complaints alleging the company failed to start or finish projects, did not contact the con-

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