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Meats celebrates opening of 'Spill the Tee'

LeROY — Growing up in LeRoy, Bryson Meats never thought he'd get the opportunity to open a business in his hometown. Graduating from Southern Coffey County High School in 2015, Meats recently returned to LeRoy and is now an entrepreneur in his hometown.

"I've always wanted a building in downtown LeRoy and when this one became available, I had to have it," Meats said. "I wasn't going to purchase the business in the beginning, but when I was told someone might want to move it out of town, that really made me stop and think. LeRoy needs businesses to stay alive, so I decided to purchase both."

On Aug. 7, Meats purchased the former Gunlock and Gleue Designs. The business does vinyl windows and transfers, customized embroidery for clothing/apparel and "coming soon" a brand new addition of a coffee shop.

"The people of Coffey County make owning a business worth it." Meats said. "We have a very supportive community who only want vour business to grow. Coffey County also has a great Chamber of Commerce."

Meats explained the name 'Spill the Tee" came up while discussing this journey with

attendance for all 10 years.

BURLINGTON — Bri Birk,

owner and instructor at Bri's

Dance Studio, Burlington,

celebrated the culmination of

her 10th year in business last

month in a big way with six

action-packed recitals held

July 22 to 25 at the Burling-

ton High School auditorium.

Dancers ages 3 through high

with her students where

they performed in front of the castle at Walt Disney

World, Orlando, Fla., as well

as on Broadway and in Times

a friend from Los Angeles. They discussed the mix of the T-shirt shop with a coffee shop as they will eventually be at one location. "Spill the Tee" fit perfectly.

Meats hired a staff to "take charge" in the new business, including Traci Yeager, design/store manager, and Jordan Fleming, design assistant and soon-to-be coffee shop barista. Lacy Brite has also been hired part-time to help out where needed.

Meats is a member of the LeRoy Pride Committee and LeRoy Homecoming Associ-

ation. Spill the Tee is located at 609 N. Main St. LeRoy. The business is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meats said the Face-book page "Spill the Tee" will have information on shopping and store updates.



Bryson Meats purchased Gunlock and Gleue Designs and renamed the business Spill the Tee. He plans to add a coffee shop to the customized embroidery business that also does vinyl windows and transfers.

Bri's Dance Studio

60TH ANNIVERSARY



Photo submitted

Virginia and Bob Mitchell on their wedding day.

${\it Mitchells}$ to celebrate ${\it 60th}$

NEW STRAWN — Bob and Virginia "Ginny" Mitchell, New Strawn, will observe their 60th wedding anniver-

sary Friday, Aug. 28. Bob and Virginia were married Aug. 28, 1960, in Westpha-

Their family requests a card shower to celebrate the occasion.

Cards will reach them at 330 N. Third St., New Strawn, KS

being taped off, lines in front

Museum seeks stories, photographs, recipes

BURLINGTON — The year 2020 has been a historic year. The coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) has affected communities, the state, nation and the entire world. For a period of time, the state was shut down, businesses were closed, employees were laid off, and schooling went online. Restrictions were set on gatherings and travel, vacations and events were cancelled, and graduations postponed. Businesses changed protocols for the safety of their patrons and employees. Within a short period of time, our world was changed.

of Hoover's Thriftway, closed signs, etc. Send your stories and photographs to the museum at 1101 Neosho St, Burlington, KS 66839 or email to erin@coffeymuseum.org or shirley@coffeymuseum.org. Due to COVID-19, the museum will not hold its annual fundraiser, Pioneer Days. To raise funds during these uncertain times, the museum is creating a Coffey County 2020 COVID-19 Cookbook.

> to get ingredients. Please send recipes to the museum, 1101 Neosho St, Burlington, KS 66839 or email with the subject line "Cookbook" to erin@coffeymuseum.org or shirley@coffeymuseum.org. Deadline to send in recipes is Aug. 31.

> Museum staff are collecting

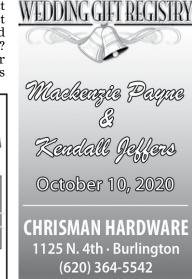
recipes you used during home

quarantine. All recipes are

welcomed, including recipes

created due to not being able





The Coffey County Historical Society and Museum is dedicated to preserving the history of Coffey County and its people. The museum staff wants to record this historic time for future generations and they ask Coffey Countians to share stories about how COVID-19 has affected you. How did you feel once the virus hit the state and the community? How did it affect your job? How did it affect your daily activities? How did it affect your shopping trips?



They are also searching for photographs, i.e. playgrounds "Space Jam" - 2nd-5th pom; "Someone You Loved" – duet by Makena Klubek and Miranda Meats; "New York, New York" - 2nd-5th musical theatre; "Pink Panther" -4th-5th jazz; "Get Fit" – mini competition team; "Single Ladies" – jr. high/high school



Twelve dancers were recognized for being students of Bri's Dance Studio all 10 years it has been in business. They are, from left, front row, Kiana

Wight, Sage Kuhlmann, Makena Klubek, Emma Garland and Allie Harris; back row, Harley Alford, Teagan Harris, Madaline Turner, Miranda Meats,

Bri Birk (owner), Maddie Womelsdorf, Carrigan Presley and Madison Cormode. Harley and Miranda had the special distinction of having perfect

Local studio celebrates decade of dance

– duet by Makena Klubek

and Miranda Meats; "I Am

Me" - duet by Harley Alford

and Maddie Turner; "Hey,

Good Looking" – 3-4 year olds and K-1 tap; "Knock Out"

high school competition

team; "Lip Gloss" – K-1 pom;

"Carwash" - 2nd-5th acro; "Í

Feel Good" – 2nd -5th ballet;

Square, New York City. A sec-

ond trip to Walt Disney World

is scheduled for December

"We have hosted many

summer camps and choreo-

graphed multiple routines

for surrounding dance and

cheer teams," Birk said. Her

students come from 22 sur-

a Light On" – solo by Mad-

die Turner; "Lion Sleeps To-

night" – 3-4 year old ballet; "You Are My Sunshine" – K-1

ballet; "Someone You Loved"

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