



## **JASPER COUNTY**

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### **Meet the candidates for Jasper County MU Extension Council:**

- **Charli Jo Baugh, Carthage**

Charli Jo and her husband Ben (Boomer) have lived in Jasper County since 2017. She and her husband raise cattle, own/ride mules and a couple of corgis.

Charli Jo is currently in her 26<sup>th</sup> year of teaching high school agriculture/FFA. The last seven years has been in the Joplin School district with the Franklin Technology Center teaching introductory Agriculture, Plant Science and Greenhouse classes.

- **Virginia Bryan, Carthage**

Virginia is retiring from University of Missouri Extension in Jasper County after 28 years as the secretary/bookkeeper. She is a lifelong resident of Jasper County and is now living on her grandmother's farm. She and her husband Mike have three children, six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Virginia's vision for extension is to offer more extension programming in the county to meet those needs of Jasper County residents by taking advantage of the educational programs offered by MU Extension such as aging well for seniors, family and parenting workshops, mental health first aid as well as continuing private pesticide applicator training and licensing, grazing schools, ag business programs, livestock workshops, horticulture workshops and more.

- **Brandy Crow, Asbury**

Brandy has lived in Jasper County her whole life. She graduated from Carl Junction High School in 1994. She is active in FFA. She and her husband Jamie live on the family farm in Asbury. They have raised two kids and added a daughter-in-law Zoey and a grandson Walker. Brandy is the treasurer for the Carl Junction FFA Alumni and always volunteered with the Jasper County Youth Fair while the kids were in 4-H and FFA. She is willing to help to see the kids succeed.

- **James R. (Jamie) Crow, Asbury**

Jamie has lived in Jasper County his entire life. He graduated from Carl Junction High School in 1989 where he was active in 4-H and FFA. He and his wife Brandy live on the family farm in Asbury. They have two children, a daughter-in-law Zoey and grandson Walker. Jamie served on the Jasper County Youth Fair Board and elected president. He is always willing to help to see the kids succeed.

- **Kendra Jackson, Webb City**

Kendra has lived in Jasper County her entire life and works as a coordinator for 3<sup>rd</sup>- and 4<sup>th</sup> year COM and MHSAA at Kansas City University in Joplin. She also helps on her family's farm. Kendra serves on the Jasper County Youth Fair Board and is an active volunteer with the county fairs. Growing up, she showed sheep and cattle in the Jasper County Youth Fair. Kendra is dedicated to supporting local youth and agriculture.

- **Tami Maneval, Jasper**

Tami has recently retired from teaching and is enjoying time on the farm and playing with grandkids. She is a lifelong resident of Jasper County living east of Jasper. Tami was active in 4-H and FFA growing up and then became a leader while her boys were active 4-H members. She loves seeing children learn and get involved with projects.

- **Anthony (Levi) McCoy, Carthage**

Levi lives on a cattle farm and works for Spire Gas. He and his wife Jamie have two kids, Trapper and Jasper McCoy. They participate in showing cattle all over. Levi wants to be more involved in University of Missouri Extension programs.

- **Jamie McCoy, Carthage**

Jamie and husband Levi run a show cattle company. She works for CattleMax.com. They have two kids, Trapper and Jasper McCoy, who show cattle all over the states. She wants to be more involved in University of Missouri.

- **Robert (Bob) McNary, Golden City**

My career background is I grew up on a family farm in northwest Missouri. I went to the University of Missouri. Where I graduated with an Agriculture Education Degree. He taught at Jasper R-5 school. During that time, I received my Masters of Practical Arts and Vocational Education from MU. Most recently I was a 4-H Field Specialist in 4-H youth Development serving in both Jasper and Dade counties. I have served on the Jasper county Extension Council in years' past and would like to serve again.

- **Sarah Meredith, Carthage**

Sarah lives in Carthage with her husband Jeff and cat Alice. They have three children in their early 20s who live close by. She has enjoyed participating in several Missouri Extension programs – most notably the Master Gardener program and most recently a healthy cooking class. She has used her skills from these programs in my work with seniors as the administrator of an assisted living community. Residents grew flowers and vegetables in raised beds that brought so much joy and a sense of accomplishment to them. They held cooking classes and used what they grew to make healthy snacks. Sarah believes in giving back to our community and to never stop learning. The vision, mission statement and values of Missouri Extension closely align with Sarah's own. She says, "It would be an honor to serve on the board and help bring educational opportunities to our community."

- **Eugene Meyer, Jr., Sarcoxie**

Eugene taught agriculture education for 34 years; eight years in Carl Junction and 26 years in Sarcoxie. The last three years he has been a substitute teacher and has served as a 4-H project leader for many years. Eugene currently serves on Sarcoxie R-II School board and

Chief Sarcoxie Days fair board. He previously served on Jasper County Youth Fair Board for 32 years and as beef superintendent for several years. Other accomplishments include completing the Master Gardener course, served 20+ years on Trinity Lutheran Church council, member Missouri Cattlemen's, member Missouri Farm Bureau, member American International and Missouri Charolais Association.

- **Stacy Pope, Jasper**

Stacy is the school counselor at Jasper Schools and has lived in Jasper for 20 years. She married Rob Pope (Dick Pope's youngest) and moved back to his hometown. Stacy grew up in Springfield, Missouri. She attended Missouri State University where she received a degree in Speech and Theatre Education. She went on to get her master's in education administration and a second in School Counseling. Stacy is highly active in the Jasper community, volunteering for many events in town. She is also Mt. Moriah 4-H Club leader and secretary for the Jasper County 4-H Parents' Association. Stacy is heavily involved with the Jasper County Youth Fair, where her husband is the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the board. She and her husband have two wonderful children. Austin is 18 and currently studying pre-vet at Neo and Brooklyn is 12 and in 6<sup>th</sup> grade in Jasper. The children also keep Stacy continually active and busy with their many activities.

- **Amanda Smith, Carthage**

I have two biological children, Dacy 25 and Dage 22. I also have one special needs son Joe who I adopted who is 16 years old. I have three bonus children. I have six grandchildren. We live on a small farm just outside of Carthage. Our family is very active in 4-H. We attend church Risen Rance Cowboy Church. I am an active member of the Carthage Saddle club and SEK saddle club. In my spare time I enjoy watching my daughter and granddaughters barrel race, doing arts and crafts, and riding horses.