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162nd District candidates speak at forum

Walter Hayes, Roger Koch
seeking Republican nomination

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Two people are running in the Aug. 4 Republican primary to replace Rep. Bob Bromley, a Republican who served in the 162nd District of the Missouri House for eight years but cannot run for reelection because of term limits.

The district covers the east side of Jasper County from Newton County to Barton County, including Carl Junction and part of Webb City.

Walter Hayes and Roger Koch, both of Carl Junction, are seeking the Republican nomination, and they were recently questioned during

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Campaign spending up as election nears

People in Missouri go
to polls next week

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Ballot measure campaigns raised almost \$40 million through the third week of July as they paid for ads and direct mail appeals bombarding Missourians ahead of the primary election.

Early voting is underway, and the primary election is next Tuesday. The final full financial disclosure statements for state campaigns were due Monday to the Missouri Ethics Commission.

Missourians will nominate candidates for state auditor, decide four ballot measures and select

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Damaged by sun



Carthage artist Cheryl Church touches up some of the lines in a mural she's restoring in Carthage.

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Restoration of second downtown Carthage mural nearly done

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CARTHAGE, Mo. — The sun and time have taken a toll on three murals painted on buildings around the Carthage square, but Vision Carthage, a group dedicated to the beautification of Carthage, and local artist Cheryl Church are determined to restore those murals to their former glory.

Church was working in the already hot sun at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday restoring a mural depicting the Carthage Light Guard Band in a parade on the square.

It is the second of the three mu-



This image shows the mural on the corner of Second and Main streets before Carthage artist Cheryl Church started working on it in late June.

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CHERYL CHURCH

ral on the square she's worked on.

All three were originally painted by Webb City artist John Biggs between 2000 and 2006, and they depict scenes from Carthage history.

The mural Church is currently working on shows the Carthage Light Guard Band riding in a horse-drawn wagon. The Carthage

Light Guard was a local militia unit active from the 1870s to 1898, when it was called up to federal service during the Spanish-American War.

Church said she had been working on the mural since late June. She said she's been been a part

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31-year-old Joplin man faces assault, kidnapping charges

Harley Don Mullins arraigned Wednesday

FROM STAFF REPORTS
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A Joplin man faces a kidnapping charge and four counts of domestic assault related to allegations of a

daylong string of violent acts last month against a woman with whom he had a relationship, according to court documents.

Harley Don Mullins, 31, was arraigned Wednesday

in Division 5 of Jasper County Circuit Court. Judge Nicole Carlton set bond for Mullins at \$500,000 surety or \$35,000 cash.

According to a probable-cause statement filed in the case by a Jasper County deputy, the woman told the deputy that she and Mullins

argued throughout the day June 19. The woman alleged that Mullins took her keys and phone during the argument, which prevented her from leaving. They continued to argue outside their residence. The woman contended that Mullins pushed her against the passenger

side of a vehicle and held her in a chokehold.

She said that to get him to stop, she "played dead." Then he allowed her to get up, but they continued to argue and ended up at the front door of their residence where there was a doorbell equipped with a camera. He

stood between her and the door, she told the deputy. She reported that she stood there with her arms crossed and looked down. She reported that Mullins then grabbed her by the throat and slammed her to the

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