

Fitzpatrick selected as State Treasurer

Charlea Estes-Jones

Local state representative Scott Fitzpatrick was named as the incoming State Treasurer by Governor Mike Parson last week. Fitzpatrick, of Cassville, was recently elected to his third term in the State House of Representatives and was serving as house budget chairman.

Fitzpatrick was the youngest state budget chair at 28 years old when he was selected in August 2016. He was first elected to the House in 2012 at the age of 25.

Regarding Fitzpatrick’s appointment as treasurer, Gov. Parson said, “I am honored to appoint Scott Fitzpatrick as the next State Treasurer. Scott has built his career, as a small business owner and legislator, with a proven track record of being a wise steward and protector of the people’s money. From the beginning of this administration, it has been a top priority that we strive to provide stability and instill confidence for all Missourians that we can and will move forward. Missourians will soon have another fully qualified, ready to lead, fiscal conservative managing the Treasurer’s office.”

Fitzpatrick released a statement, “I want to thank Governor Parson for the tremendous honor of being selected as Missouri’s next state treasurer. As house budget chairman, I’ve worked to protect Missouri’s taxpayers by passing balanced budgets that eliminate wasteful spending while investing in our shared priorities. As State Treasurer, I’ll continue to work each and every day to promote government transparency and efficiency.”

Fitzpatrick said there had been conversations with the governor prior to the announcement. He said, “I’d been talking to their office a little bit and met with the governor a week before. I knew that it was a possibility, but I still thought it seemed unlikely. I knew there was some interest on their part, if they asked me to do it, I’d be honored to do it.”

Overall, Fitzpatrick said he has a good relationship with Gov. Parson’s office. “In general, we are on the same page. It’ll be a different relationship now instead of before. In general, I think the governor has done a good job. We had a couple disagreements really early on, but even since that point, regardless of treasurer stuff, we’d worked well together on a lot of issues,” he said.

Fitzpatrick was chosen for the position based on his history as budget chair, as well as his business experience. Starting his first business endeavor while still attending high school, Fitzpatrick’s dock manufacturing company, MariCorps U.S. had six employees when he went away to college at the University of Missouri in 2006. Today, he says it has between 55 and 60 employees.

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Cassville kids perform ‘Nutcracker’



Each year, Cassville fifth graders put on their version of The Nutcracker for friends, family and other students. This year’s performance was held last week.

Some of her bakers in this year’s performance are pictured above during their song and dance. From left to right, in the front row: Gracie Gray, Corbin Rhoads and Mkenzie Thompson. Back row: Zoey Johnson, TJ Cash and Tucker McCorkle.



Pictured above are the mouse king and his mouse soldiers. From left to right in the front row: mouse king Logan Wingo, Colton Roark, Shawn Foster, Jacob Hall and Noah Johnson, Back row: Noah Uria, Will Brooks, Izyk Walker and Ethan Sizemore.

Man pleads guilty to former Cassville resident’s murder

Charlea Estes-Jones

A Bourbon man pled guilty to the murder of a former Cassville resident last year. According to the affidavit of probable cause by the Crawford County prosecuting attorney, Deacon J. Zelch, of Bourbon, shot Edward Hillhouse, formerly of Cassville, on April 2016 and buried him on Zelch’s property.

According to the affidavit, a confidential informant led officers to Zelch’s property

saying they had seen Hillhouse’s body on Zelch’s couch after he had been shot.

The informant also said that Zelch admitted to shooting Hillhouse with a .22 in the head and used a backhoe to bury the couch and evidence of the murder.

Officers with the Crawford County Sheriff’s Department received consent to search the property on September 20 and discovered a body with the couch. The body was identified as Hillhouse. A medi-

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Early Deadline

The Barry County Advertiser will be closed on Tuesday, January 1, in observance of New Year’s Day.

The deadline for display advertising is Friday, December 28, at 4 p.m.

Deadlines for bordered classified ads are Friday, December 28, at 4 p.m. and line ads are Monday, December 31, at noon.

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First Day Hikes have long history

Vinnie Roberts

New Year's Day 2018 is fast approaching on the horizon. While New Year's tradition for most involve black-eyed peas and watching the ball drop, as many as 55,000 people each year have a far more exhilarating way of celebrating.

Since 1992, all 50 states have adopted a First Day Hike program, a day that lets families take guided tours of hiking trails all across the U.S. while being led by knowledgeable park staff.

The program began in 1992 at Blue Hills Reservation in Milton, Massachusetts, just outside of Boston.

According to Parks.ca.gov, the official website of the California Parks Department, Patrick Flynn, then the supervisor of the Blue Hills Reservation, came up with the idea for First Day Hikes as a way to get more people in to state parks during the winter.

Flynn, drawing on his ex-

perience as a seasonal interpreter for Ohio State parks in the 1970s, hit on the idea that guided tours with free soup would get people in to the parks during what was traditionally, a season in which tourism in the park was at a low point.

His assertion proved correct when, on the inaugural First Day Hike, the event drew 380 people. Finding the idea appealing, the event would be adopted by Massachusetts' Breakheart State reservation, located in Saugus, Massachusetts, that same year.

The idea was then adopted by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation and spread throughout other state parks in Massachusetts in 2008.

In 2011, Priscilla Geigis, Director of State Parks and Recreation for the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, proposed the idea to representatives from other North-

eastern states who, so enthralled with proposal, they challenged Park Directors from all 50 states to adopt the program.

That same year, the First Day Hike program became a part of State Parks all across the U.S. The program from that point on would be known as America's State Parks First Day Hikes. On January 1, 2012, 400 First Day Hikes were held all across the country.

Since then, First Day Hikes have only grown in popularity. In 2016, the National Park Service itself even became a sponsor of the event.

In January 2016, Flynn, at that point having some into private practice after 20 years of service with the Department of Conservation and Recreation, received the President's Award by the National Association of State Park Directors for his creation of First Day Hikes. Sadly, Flynn would pass away in

the spring of that year. However, Flynn's legacy not only lives on, it's grown in scope.

As of 2018, the event has even taken it's first steps into the international stage, with all parks in Ontario, Canada, joining the First Day Program.

In or around Barry County, both Roaring River State Park and Big Sugar Creek State Park are part of the First Day program.

This year, Roaring River will be offering a guided First Day Hike from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. They will be hiking along Devil's Kitchen Trail. The hike will meet at the trailhead before departure.

Big Sugar Creek will be offering a First Day Hike along the Ozark Chinquapin Trail from 9 a.m. to noon. The hike will meet at the head of the trail before departure.

For more information, contact the Missouri Department of Natural Resources office in Cassville at (417) 847-2539.

Lane Willis awarded Exeter November Student of the Month



People's Community Bank chose Lane Willis to be the Exeter Schools Student of the Month for November. Lane is a sophomore. In addition to the certificate, Lane will receive a \$50 Graduate Certificate of Deposit. Lane is being recognized for having good character and citizenship.

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cal examiner determined the cause of death was a single gunshot wound to the head.

Zelch's father, Vernon Zelch, was employed as an officer with the Crawford County Sheriff's Department. Vernon is no longer employed with the department, but Hillhouse's family was public about believing Zelch's father was partially responsible for it taking almost a year and a half for Zelch to be implicated in the crime.

Zelch was charged with first degree murder and armed criminal action. Zelch pled guilty to second degree murder and armed criminal action on December 3. He was sentenced to life in prison for the murder charge and three years for armed criminal action.

Crane woman injured in Aurora ATV crash

Isaac Estes-Jones

A Crane woman was taken to the hospital after an ATV crash near Aurora last week.

According to a Missouri State Highway Patrol crash report, Jennifer E. Ross, 42, of Crane, was driving a 1986 Yamaha Moto 4 ATV on Farm Road 1180 when the crash occurred on Monday, December 17.

At approximately 5:10 p.m., the 4-wheeler swerved to avoid an animal in the road. The vehicle overturned in the process.

Ross, who was not wearing a safety device, suffered moderate injuries in the crash. She was taken to Cox South Hospital in Springfield for treatment.

The 1986 Yamaha Moto 4 was totaled. It was left at a private residence near the intersection of Farm Roads 1180 and 1170.

This incident was investigated by Corporal J. E. Givens.

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Notice:

The Barry County Courthouse will be closed Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

Central Crossing Senior Center will be closed on December 31 and January 1.

Cassville Farmers' Market will be on the square every Saturday from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. (417) 652-7308.

Seligman Chamber will host a dance every Saturday at 7:00 p.m. For information, call (417) 662-3612.

Golden Baptist Church Single Moms Support Group will meet every Wednesday night at 6 p.m. For information, call (417) 271-3605.

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December 27th

A Dance with The Fun Timers Band will be hosted at the Pierce City Senior Center, 104 N. Locust, from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$4. Finger foods are welcome. For more information, contact (417) 476-5800 or (417) 737-4900.

December 28th

A Blood Drive will be hosted by Arvest Bank, 503 Main Street, Cassville. The Bloodmobile will be there from noon until 4 p.m. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcross-blood.org and enter: ARVESTCASSVILLE to schedule an appointment.

December 29th

McDowell Gold Jubilee features free stage performances open to the public and open jams for acoustic music. Show starts at 6:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be available. All proceeds go to support the Jubilee and the Historic McDowell School House Foundations.

January 4th

Music will be held at the Clio Community Building beginning at 6:30 p.m.

January 12th

A Fund Raiser Breakfast will be held at the Eagle Rock Fire Station from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.

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Trophies and certificates were awarded after the program.

JPTA piano recital



Piano students of Mrs. Ruth Burnside performed in the Joplin Piano Teachers' Association area wide piano recital at Missouri Southern State University in Joplin on Sunday, December 2.

Those participating were Zoe LaCaze, Heidi Sehrbrock, Mallie Clifton and Andie LaCaze.

Medicare counseling saves seniors over \$500K

Jeff Harp

Central Crossing Senior Center's volunteer Medicare counselors just finished their work with area seniors again this year. Due to their efforts, 141 clients were counseled: 96 from Barry County, 34 from Stone and 10 from other counties.

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BILL VANZANDT
Bill VanZandt, 87, of Seligman, died December 20, 2018, at his home on Big Sugar Creek.
He was born in a stone house in Maple Grove on September 26, 1931, to the late Oscar and Etta (Fletcher) VanZandt.
After graduating Washburn High School in 1948 at the age of 16, Bill attended what was then Southwest Missouri State University, obtaining his teaching certification and returning to teach at the Jacket and O.K. one-room schoolhouses.
On May 19, 1950, Bill was united in marriage to Norma Dunlap, daughter of

the late John and Ella (Wilson) Dunlap.
In 1952, at the height of the Korean War, Bill joined the United States Air Force, where he served four years while attending night school and completing his Bachelor's degree at Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas.
Bill went on to earn a Master's of education from the University of Arkansas and serve first as a high school counselor and later as Superintendent of Cassville Public Schools.
In 1961, after completing his Doctorate of education at the University of Arkansas, Bill moved with his wife and son to Jefferson City. While there, he served five years as the Director of Counselor Education for the Missouri State Department of Education. In 1966, Bill, Norma and their young son and daughter returned to Arkansas where Bill began teaching at the University of Arkansas. He served at the University for another 33 years. From 1978-1984,

Bill served on the Springdale Board of Education.
While at the University, Bill served on the Arkansas state Education Standards Committee which, in 1984, aided the state in ratifying new school standards which emphasized the importance of counseling in schools. If you remember working with a guidance counselor in elementary school in Arkansas over the past three decades, you have Bill to thank.
As President Bill Clinton, then governor of Arkansas wrote to Bill: "You have justly earned an important place in Arkansas history. More important, you have made a lasting contribution to the welfare of the young people of our state."
After retiring from the University, Bill and Norma moved back to the farm where Bill grew up. He spent his remaining years spending time with family, raising cattle, hunting quail, drinking black coffee, keeping a fire going and never running out of conversation.
He was a member of Washburn United Methodist Church.
Bill is survived by his wife of 68 years; his son, Mark, and wife, Diane, of Jefferson City; daughter, Julia, and husband, Ed Candler, of Seligman; grandson, Christopher Wegner, of Seligman; granddaughter, Emily, and husband, Chad Day, of Alexandria, Virginia; granddaughter, Katherine, and husband, Tim Will, of Sappington; great-grandson, Aiden Wegner; brother, Carroll VanZandt and his wife, Lola; and many extended family members.
Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, December 24, 2018, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Reverend Doris Schlessman and John Harp conducted the services. Burial was at Washburn Prairie Cemetery in Washburn.
Contributions may be made to Washburn United Methodist Church in memory of Bill.
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DONALD "DONNIE" DEAN SMITH
Donald "Donnie" Dean Smith, age 84, of Washburn, passed away Wednesday, December 19, 2018, at his home, surrounded by family.

He was born in Star Hollow on August 19, 1934, the son of Jim and Lottie (Shockley) Smith. On July 8, 1953, he was united in marriage to Donna Laney, who survives. Also surviving are three daughters, Debra Wheeler and her husband, Gary, of Seligman, Deena Black and her husband, Ray, of Washburn, and Dortha Brooks and her husband, Allen, also of Washburn; six grandchildren, Terra and Michael Harper, of Wheaton, Jessica and Jeff Sainsbury, of Centerton, Arkansas, Jennifer and Everisto Orellana, of Monett, Jeremy and Destiny Black, Aaron and April Brooks, and Stacy and Ryan Hendrix, all of Washburn; seventeen great grandchildren; one step-grandson; one step-great-grandson; three great-great-grandchildren and two more arriving soon; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents; four brothers, James Everet Smith, Jr., Harlin Smith and his wife, Eva, Cliss Smith and his wife, Alma, and Roy Smith and his wife, Kathryn; and two sisters, Ruth Webber and her husband, Clarence, and Imogene Harrison and her husband, Henry.

Donnie grew up on the farm and attended school at Star Hollow, Mike's Creek and Rocky Comfort. Some of his favorite hobbies included fishing, hunting, going to ball games and working cattle. He was a member of the Fox Hunting Association in Thomas Hollow and attended First Baptist Church of Washburn.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 22, 2018, at Rocky Comfort Cemetery in Rocky Comfort under the direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Bobby Harrison conducted the services.
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ROBERT "BOB" NOLAND
Services for Robert "Bob" Noland, age 83, of Cassville, will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, December 28, 2018, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Burial will be at Maplewood Cemetery in Exeter.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 until 11:00 a.m. Friday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.
Contributions may be made to Missouri Baptist Childrens Home or Baptist Hill in memory of Bob.
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EARL LEONARD HEGGEN, JR.
Earl Leonard Heggen, Jr., age 88, of Shell Knob, passed away at his home on Tuesday, December 18, 2018.

Memorial services with full military honors will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, December 28, 2018, at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Springfield.
Service arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.

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Candidate Filing for April 2, 2019 Election

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MAYOR (TWO YEAR TERM)
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ALDERMAN - WEST WARD (TWO YEAR TERM)

Declaration of Candidacy may be filed with the City Clerk
101 Front St., Purdy, Missouri
between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Hours will be extended to 5:00 p.m. on the last day of filing.

No person shall be certified as a candidate for a municipal office, nor shall such person's name appear on the ballot as a candidate for such office, who shall be in arrears for any unpaid city taxes or municipal user fees on the last day to file a declaration of candidacy for the office (Section 115.346RSMo.)

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN
Debbie Redshaw - City Clerk, Purdy, Missouri

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**RICKEY JOE
DODSON**

Rickey Joe Dodson, age 53, of Cassville, passed away Tuesday, December 18, 2018, at his farm in Cassville.

He was born in Monett on September 14, 1965, the son of Hubert "Red" Dodson and Patricia Salyer, who preceded him in death.

He is survived by his only child Jori Lynn Dodson; one sister, Valree Periman and her husband, Lennis; his two nieces, Karen Periman and her husband, Mike McGuire, and Katherine Long and her husband, Dustin; and two great nephews, Mason and Easton Long, all of Cassville.

Rickey grew up and received his education in Cassville, where he graduated from high school. He was a member of the Church of Christ in Shell Knob. For twenty-five years, he worked for Hutchens Construction and he was a self-employed cattle farmer, which he greatly enjoyed. His favorite pastimes were hunting, fishing, being outdoors and spending time with family.

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JAMES LEE HENCY

James Lee Hency, age 69, of Cassville, passed away Thursday, December 20, 2018, at Cassville Health and Rehabilitation Center in Cassville.

He was born in Berryville, Arkansas, on March 22, 1949, the son of James Kenneth and Anna (Lee) Hency, who preceded him in death. Also preceding him in death was one sister.

Survivors include two

daughters, Jamie Kay Massey and her husband, Trent, and Laurie Hency; and two sisters, Debbie Brown and family, of Cassville, and Lisa Carrothers and family, of Cassville.

James attended Cassville High School where he graduated in 1967. During the Vietnam War, he joined the United States Navy, serving from July 29, 1968, until July 28, 1972. He later earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Columbia College in Springfield. For several years, he was employed as a glass cutter at EFCO Corporation in Monett. James was a Christian and attended First Baptist Church in Cassville.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 26, 2018, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Rick Cooper will conduct the services. Burial with military honors will be at Oak Hill Cemetery in Cassville.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 until 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

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OBITUARIES



SHIRLEY ANN
"CHEYENNE" UTTER

Shirley Ann "Cheyenne" Utter, 69, of Jacket, died Sunday, December 23, 2018, at her home.

She was born November 27, 1949, at DeQueen, Arkansas, to Robert Jess Suggs and Annie May Brail Suggs. She was employed as a CNA, enjoyed playing cards, music, garage sales and flea markets. She attended the Church of Christ and

CASSVILLE R-IV SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES –
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS – MODIFIED CASH BASIS
Year Ended June 30, 2018

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
RECEIPTS					
Local	\$ 6,050,556	\$ 1,824,609	\$ 869,413	\$ 26,215	\$ 8,770,793
County	227,786	52,608	48,236	-	328,630
State	333,883	6,337,703	-	642,980	7,314,566
Federal	889,031	928,889	-	31,399	1,849,319
Other	104,000	-	-	-	104,000
TOTAL RECEIPTS	7,605,256	9,143,809	917,649	700,594	18,367,308
DISBURSEMENTS					
Instruction	1,567,756	8,138,294	-	181,033	9,887,083
Student services	190,365	360,709	-	-	551,074
Instructional staff support	255,155	440,834	-	-	695,989
Building administration	440,204	781,072	-	-	1,221,276
General administration	444,714	348,095	-	225,352	1,018,161
Operation of plant	1,768,567	-	-	255,490	2,024,057
Transportation	763,467	1,191	-	160,737	925,395
Food service	872,267	-	-	22,670	894,937
Community services	21,280	132,456	-	-	153,736
Debt service	-	-	827,928	25,465	853,393
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	6,323,775	10,202,651	827,928	870,747	18,225,101
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	1,281,481	(1,058,842)	89,721	(170,153)	142,207
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Net insurance recovery	-	-	-	495,077	495,077
Operating transfers in	-	1,058,842	-	352,739	1,411,581
Operating transfers (out)	(1,411,581)	-	-	-	(1,411,581)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(1,411,581)	1,058,842	-	847,816	495,077
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS AND OTHER SOURCES OVER DISBURSEMENTS AND OTHER (USES)	(130,100)	-	89,721	677,663	637,284
FUND BALANCE, July 1, 2017	6,232,458	-	4,773,671	2,336,224	13,342,353
FUND BALANCE, June 30, 2018	\$ 6,102,358	\$ -	\$ 4,863,392	\$ 3,013,887	\$ 13,979,637

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Officer Jared Swann of the Joplin Police Department works hard to keep impaired drivers off of Missouri's roadways. Not only is this his job, but it's his way of helping to prevent families like his own from suffering from an impaired driving crash. Swann's brother was disabled in 1999 when a vehicle he was driving was hit by an impaired driver. A passenger in his brother's car was killed.

This holiday season the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety will be promoting Swann's story in statewide public service announcements reminding motorists of the consequences of driving impaired and reminding those who plan to celebrate to designate a sober driver, or call a cab to avoid driving impaired. Statewide, law enforcement will be on the lookout for impaired drivers; with targeted enforcement efforts Dec. 14 – Jan. 1.

There were 53 people killed and 267 seriously injured in Missouri traffic crashes between December 10, 2017, and January 1, 2018. Eleven of the fatalities and 33 of the serious injuries involved a substance-impaired driver.

"We want everyone to enjoy a safe and happy holiday season," says Jon Nelson, executive chair of the coalition. "So we are making a special effort to reach motorists with reminders to plan ahead for a safe and sober ride home."

What's tragic about these crashes is that they are clearly preventable. Impaired driving is a crime, not an "accident", and is one of America's most often committed and deadliest crimes. There are no excuses to drive impaired. The facts are known - drinking and driving can be a lethal combination. The consequences are fines, jail time or even death. Enforcement will be out in full force this holiday season. If you choose to drive impaired you will be arrested.

To learn more, visit savemolives.com, or find them on social media at Save MO Lives, #DriveSoberMO.

Purdy High School crowns Christmas royalty



The Purdy R-II School District crowned its holiday royalty on Friday evening, December 14, after fun-filled week of festive dress-up days sponsored by Purdy High School Student Council. Special days included Ugly Sweater Day, Christmas Character Day, Christmas Pajama Day, Meme Day and Flannel Shirt and Cozy Socks Day. This year's theme, Countdown to Christmas, was inspired by Tim Burton's *The Nightmare Before Christmas*.

Senior Avery Hancock was crowned Miss Merry Christmas and Junior Zane Brown was elected Mr. Merry Christmas. The royal court is pictured from left to right: sophomores Sydney Rea, daughter of Jennifer and Brandon Rose and Kevin Rea, and William Tate, son of Elizabeth and Logan Tate; seniors Avery Hancock, daughter of Chris Hancock and Chrissy Hancock, and Carl Hughlett, son of James and Holly Hughlett; juniors Ashlie Johnson, daughter of Anne and Frank Webb, and Zane Brown, son of Travis and Jennifer Brown; and freshmen Jaden Morgan, daughter of Adam and Janelle Morgan, and Alan Rodriguez, son of Gumaro and Melenda Rodriguez.

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Master Gardener training event slated to begin in January

Calling anyone passionate about plants and plant growth. Reagan Bluel, Barry Co. Program Director for the University of Missouri – Extension office, is proud to announce the offering of another Master Gardening core curriculum training session.

The 10-session training event is taught by experts in the field. The training series will meet twice weekly, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, at Cassville Public Library beginning January 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 am.

The Master Gardening curriculum for 2019 includes information on: plant growth, plant diagnostics/diseases, annuals/perennials, soils/plant nutrition/composting, landscape trees, insects/integrated pest management, plant propagation, turf management, home fruit production, and home vegetable production.

An orientation session has been scheduled for January 3, 2019 at 8:30 am at the Barry County Library, 301 W. 17th Street, Cassville, MO 65625. This orientation

will serve as a helpful resource to provide general information about the Master Gardening program. A minimum participation is required for this program to run, so please contact your local MU Extension office if you are unable to attend orientation at (417) 847-3161.

The mission of the Missouri Master Gardener Program is to train volunteers to educate others about safe, effective and sustainable horticulture practices. In addition to core curriculum training University of Missouri - Master Gardener graduates are required to give back to their community by volunteering a minimum of 30 hours assistance to the horticulture programming efforts in Barry County.

A minimum enrollment is required to proceed with the course. If you are interested in enrolling or receiving additional information about the Master Gardening program, please contact the Extension office at 847-3161, or BluelRJ@missouri.edu .

Exeter Middle School names National Junior Honor Society inductees



Exeter Middle School students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on November 15. NJHS is one of the nation's oldest, largest and most prestigious student recognition program, established in 1929. Students must maintain high scholarship, have outstanding character, be a leader among their fellow students and render faithful service to those about them.

Pictured above, from left to right: Makenzi Reed, Zachary Lee, Jasmine Hall, Josue Alcaraz, Malyea Henderson and Natalie Crumpler. Their adviser is Mrs. Karla Payton.

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- The Cassville Branch Library will host an American Red Cross blood drive on Monday, December 31, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. You may donate at your convenience or make an appointment by calling (417) 847-2121.
- All branches of the Barry-Lawrence Library will be closed on Tuesday, January 1, for the New Year's Day holiday.
- January's adult Trivia Night will be on Thursday, January 3, starting at 6 p.m. Snacks, prizes and fun are included.

- ed. Form a team for the competition or join one when you arrive.
- Each Monday features a movie matinee beginning at 1:30 p.m. The film showing on January 7 will be Unbroken: Path to Redemption, rated PG-13. A sequel to the film Unbroken, the movie shares the next chapter in the life of WWII veteran and Olympian Louis Zamperini.
 - Yoga will be offered on Monday, January 7, at 4:30 p.m. Taught by a certified instructor, the hour-long session

- is \$10. Please bring your own mat and arrive 10 minutes prior to the start of class.
- Crafting opportunities are offered each week. Join in one or all of the following: sewing at 9 a.m. and quilting at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and crochet at 10:30 a.m. on Fridays. Instruction is available for beginners.
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Purdy Elementary hands out generosity medal awards

Purdy Elementary Principal Julie Dalton announced the recipients of the Generosity character education medal. In partnership with elementary counselor Gary Jurgensen, Purdy kindergarten through sixth grade teachers present a different character trait each month. At the

end of the month, each grade level teacher nominates one student from their class who best exemplifies the trait presented. Mrs. Dalton presents these children with a special medal, honoring their outstanding character, and hosts a special celebration, featuring snacks, games and fun

activities. Generosity medalists include kindergartners Axel Tello, Wesley Haworth and Jordan Conner; first graders Paison Willmschen, Kayden Holloway and Audrey Heiney; second graders Lauren Lamp and Camila Robles; third graders Marley Jack-

son, Erynn Cunningham and Abner Juarez; fourth graders Lizett Aldava, Dustin

Ash and Cali Whitcomb; fifth graders Gabby Rivera, Hannah Rickman and Starr

Welch; and sixth graders Hadassah Harris and Zoey Webb.



Purdy kindergarten through second grade generosity medalists are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Kayden Holloway, Jordan Conner, Wesley Haworth and Axel Tello. Back row: Audrey Heiney, Camila Robles, Lauren Lamp and Paison Willmschen.



Purdy third through sixth grade generosity medalists are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Zoey Webb, Marley Jackson, Abner Juarez, Erynn Cunningham and Hadassah Harris. Back row: Starr Welch, Gabby Rivera, Lizett Aldava, Cali Whitcomb, Dustin Ash and Hannah Rickman.

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Board of Education
Cassville R-IV School District
Cassville, Missouri

We have audited the basic financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Cassville R-IV School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note A; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair representation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash basis financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Cassville R-IV School District as of June 30, 2018, and the respective changes in modified cash basis financial position thereof for the year then ended, in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note A.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note A of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to that matter.

Disclaimer of Opinion on Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The budgetary comparison information on pages 28-32, which is the responsibility of the management, is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Financial Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions of the financial statements that collectively comprise the Cassville R-IV School District's basic financial statements. The data contained under Other Financial Information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements.

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Lieutenant Colonel Eric T. Olson, acting superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, announces that 27 troopers graduated from the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy on December 21. The ceremony took place at 10 a.m. in the Academy gymnasium. The 106th Recruit Class reported to the Academy on July 2, 2018, to begin the 25-week training to become a trooper. The new troopers will report to duty in their assigned troops on January 7, 2019.

Governor Michael L. Parson provided the keynote address during the graduation ceremony. Missouri Department of Public Safety Director Sandra K. Karsten served as a special guest speaker and Lt. Col. Eric T. Olson also addressed the class. The Honorable Roy L. Richter, Missouri Court of Appeals-Eastern District, administered the Oath of Office to the new troopers. Dean Roger K. McMillian, vice president of College Affairs for Mineral Area College, conferred an Associate of Applied Science to 16 of the new troopers. Troop F Color Guard presented and retired the colors. Trooper Orry R. Baker, Troop C, sang the national anthem. Minister Eric Bridges, Delray Christian Church, Delray, WV, provided the invocation and benediction.

Four class awards were presented during the graduation ceremony. The recruits accumulated points toward graduation in the categories of physical fitness, firearms, and academics throughout their 25 weeks at the Academy. The person with the highest number of points in each category earned the respective award. Trooper Thomas A. Reents earned the physical fitness award. Trooper Nathan L. Vines earned the firearms award. Trooper Gavin C. Leach earned the academic award. Trooper Michael T. McCoy accepted the Superintendent's Award, which is presented to the person with the most points overall.

Local Austin L. Royster, of Monett, graduated and will join Troop A, Zone 12, in Johnson County.

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Memorial bench dedicated to Mike and Larry Dickson



A bench has been placed at Rocky Edmondson Park in memory of Mike and Larry Dickson, twin brothers, and members of the Cassville High School Class of 2018.

Mike and Larry tragically passed away in an automobile accident in April 2016. The Cassville Class of 2018 voted to use funds from Project Graduation to place this bench at the park in their honor.

Pictured above, from left to right, in the front row: Mike and Larry's sister and nephew, Tori and Gerald Mayes; and Tammy Dickson, the twin boys' mother. Back row, representing the class of 2018: Haley Donovan, Jamime Aguinaga, Mason Jacobson, Bub Schell, Brayden Strahan, Trey Sturgell and Kaylee Riebert.

Wheaton names November Students of the Month



Wheaton Schools recently named the November Students of the Month. Pictured above, from left to right: Hayden Royer, 7th grade son of Lewis and Deanna Royer; and Kaylee Hutsell, senior daughter of Sarah Hutsell and Matthew Hutsell.

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Southwest to host 36th annual Holiday Tourney

Vinnie Roberts
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The tournament will feature two separate brackets, one for the championship and another for the consolation.

The tournament will begin on December 27 with the Gravette varsity team going up against Exeter at 4 p.m. in the Southwest High School gym. This will be followed by East Newton versus Gentry at 5:30 p.m., Cassville versus the Gravette junior varsity squad at 7 p.m. and finally Marionville versus Southwest at 9 p.m.

The winners from those games will go on to play at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Friday, December 28, respectively. The winners from those games will go on to play each other at 8:30 p.m. in the High school Gym for the championship, while the losing team will play Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the High School gym for third place.

The losing team from the first round will play through the consolation bracket in the middle school gym at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Friday December 28. The losing team from that round will then face off at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 29, for seventh place. The consolation game will be held at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 29, in the middle school gym.

Southwest middle schoolers participate in intermural volleyball



A total of 32 girls in third through sixth grade participated in a four-week intramural volleyball program recently at Southwest Middle School. It was led by coaches Steve Voyak and Mandy Henry with assistance from high school players. The participants progressed from fundamentals and skills to scrimmage games.

First row from left to right: Gracelyn Sanders, Tynlea Harr, Brianna Taft, Ashlyn Taylor, Avery Brinkman, Lexie Walker, Brooklynn Freeman, Ayasha Ross, Kailyn Speer and Zoey Canada. Second row: Becca Swanepoel, Raeli Miles, Addison Keates, Gracie Swanepoel, Lily Jones, Dalila Graves, Piper Knighten and Shayla Burns. Back row: Coach Mandy Henry, Addie Pendergraft, Olivia Clanton, Kaydence Canada, Laura Jean Henry, Zoey Merritt, Abbie Clark, Addi Cotton and Coach Steve Voyak Missing: Kaleigh Tull, Olivia Hermansen, Tara Hampshire and Lilana Mosqueda.



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Share Your Christmas benefits 291 children

Vinnie Roberts

Every year the Cassville OACAC partners with local businesses in the Share Your Christmas program, a charity drive that allows local businesses to purchase toys for children and families in financially disadvantaged situations during the Christmas season.

The program aides children from birth to 18. Applications are made available two weeks before Thanksgiving at the OACAC center in Cassville. Once a family has applied, they are asked to submit wish lists for the children in the household.

Those items are then put on paper ornaments that are taken to local business where the company and employees are asked to donate those items. There are

anywhere from 800 to 1,000 ornaments annually.

The items are then taken to United Methodist church where they are then packed away for distribution to families.

“The bottom line, and I know this because of what I do for a living, is that there are families out there who just can’t afford Christmas,” said Gail Reed, Supervisor of the Cassville OACAC center. “That’s why the program is important, to make sure those kids get Christmas presents. This program gives the community a way to make sure that that happens.”

The community has a large role in ensuring that the program is successful each year.

“Aside from the busi-

nesses that donate each year, the funds from Mr. and Ms. Merry Christmas go to Share Your Christmas,” said Reed. “Other than that, there’s some local business that have smaller fundraisers throughout the year.”

This year, the Share Your Christmas Program was able to help 110 Barry County families in need, with a total of 291 children who received donations.

For more information in how you can get involved with the program, contact the Cassville OACAC center at (417) 847-2140.

Courthouse closed Jan. 1

The Barry County Courthouse and Judicial Center will be closed Tuesday, January 1, 2019, in observance of New Year’s. They will reopen with normal hours on January 2.



Fitzpatrick

He said, “My dad owned a dock company in the late 90s. He sold it in the early 2000s. When I was still in high school, we lived on the lake. I started doing repair work and doing slip inserts over the summer as a business to generate spending money.

“When I first had a full time payroll, in January

2006, there was a fire that burned down a dock and I was friends with some of the people who owned slips on that dock. It gave me the opportunity to do the repair work on that dock. And then a tornado hit spring 2006 that went through Branson and flipped a dock and it landed on another dock.”

Those two events served as the catalyst for Fitzpatrick’s successful business today.

With Fitzpatrick taking over as treasurer his seat will be vacated beginning in January. The timeline for a special election for that seat will be determined by the governor eventually. Fitzpatrick said it could be as early as the April election.

Even with transitioning to the treasurer position, Fitzpatrick said he plans to continue to reside in Cassville. He said, “As budget chairman, it was a lot of work. A lot of people say the legislature is a part time job, but I was in Jefferson City more weeks last year than I wasn’t,

even with us not in session.

“From a workload standpoint as the state treasurer, I’ll be in Jeff City a lot and traveling the state a lot, as well. Then, I’ll have to run a statewide election campaign in 2020. I’m less than two years away from having to convince people to reelect me to that position. In terms of balancing it, I went through the process of learning how to fly and bought a little airplane and use that to get back and forth now. I intend to continue living in Cassville and commuting to and from Jeff City. I can be door-to-door in Jeff City in an hour and 15 minutes flying.

“I’ll continue to stay in Jeff City quite a bit and to balance it, but we’ll make sacrifices to make it work.”

Fitzpatrick said the day to day operations of MariCorp have been mostly in the hands of his employees. He said, “I’m there when I’m not in Jeff City, but I do legislative work and focus on the business out of that same location. My expectation is I’ll still be involved at a high level just overseeing the financial aspects as well as being available for problems. But my day job will be state treasurer. The business I’ll continue to own it, but it will be run primarily by other people. I’m sure I’ll have to off load some of those responsibilities, but it shouldn’t change too much.”

Fitzpatrick graduated from Cassville High School in 2006. He earned his bachelor’s from the University of Missouri in 2010 before being elected to the State House of Representatives in 2012.

Fitzpatrick lives in Cassville with his wife, Mallory, and their two sons, Luke and Carson.

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