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Cassville Schools finally approved for FEMA funds from December 2015 flood

Charlea Estes-Jones

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After over two years, Cassville R-IV School District has finally been approved for FEMA funds to help pay for the flood damage to the Intermediate building. Dr. Richard Asbill, superintendent of Cassville R-IV Schools, had to repeal an initial denial of funds due to a FEMA error early on in the process.

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Now, FEMA has approved just over \$2.3 million for the Intermediate's repair and mitigation project. The school will receive 75 percent reimbursement of that lump sum.

The Intermediate building has been subject to flooding since it was constructed in 2008. Dr. Asbill said the building was only open two months before the first flooding incident occurred. This last round of flooding was so severe that all fifth grade classrooms, as well as a nurse's office and special rooms, had to be relocated to the vintage wing of the middle school while repairs were complete.

The flood in December 2015 was catastrophic to the school, damaging the slabs below floors, furniture and more. It took the district until October 2017 to get the repairs complete and allow students and teachers to move back into the classrooms.

The Cassville R-IV School Board approved \$1.56 million in repairs, however, a few weeks later, they amended that budget to allow for some project changes. Initially, the district expected damage estimates to be over \$2 million. When the bids came in much lower, the district was pleasantly surprised and was able to complete additional mitigation measures.

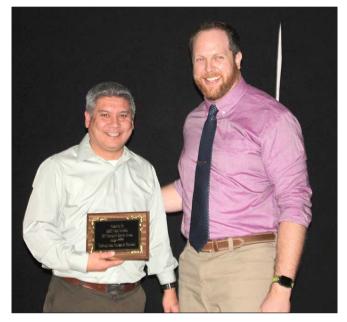
While the district applied for FEMA grants early on in the process, Dr. Asbill said their request was denied due to FEMA not accurately assessing the scope of the disaster.

After being denied FEMA funds early on, Dr. Asbill and Dusty Reid, Director of Facilities and Operations for the school, sought support from local elected officials Representative Scott Fitzpatrick and Senator David Sater. However, federal involvement was necessary.

The school reached out to Congressman Billy Long's staff to advocate for the school regarding FEMA funds. According to the school, Long and his Springfield staff member Michael Ussery were instrumental in advocating for their local constituents. "I am not sure that we would

See FEMA on 10A

Cassville Chamber banquet honors community members' achievements



Pictured above, JR Smith (left), of goBEC Fiber Network, accepts a community service award on behalf of the internet provider from Chamber president Dr. Chad Johnson.

Charlea Estes-Jones

Another successful Cassville Chamber Banquet is on the books after Saturday night. This year's banquet featured awards for volunteers, business owners and magic to wow the crowd.

Mike Bliss, a magician and comedian recognized nationally, performed a number of comedic tricks for the crowd, taking special care to include incoming chamber president Dr. Chad Johnson. Bliss performed sleights of hand, card tricks, mind-reading and more during the banquet.

During the awards portion of the evening, numerous chamber members were recognized for their dedication to the community and betterment of the Cassville area. This year's award winners were the Law Office of Blake Fields, LLC, Perrylenne and Kenny Lingle, goBEC Fiber Network and Cassville Schools' Senior Sidewalk Committee.

Blake Fields was presented the award for Beautification for his new office on Main Street. Fields and his parents, Gayle and Gary Fields, worked tirelessly to update and improve the building, bringing a positive impact to the Main Street area in Cassville.

Perrylenne and Kenny Lingle were honored as volunteers of the year. Chamber director Brittany Crawford said the couple work at every opportunity to help they chamber in any way they are able.

The community service awards went to goBEC Fiber Network and Cassville Schools' Senior Sidewalk Committee. JR Smith, of Barry Electric's goBEC Fiber Network, accepted the award on behalf of the company. They were recognized for brining telecommuting opportunities and advancement in fiber internet services to the area.

The Cassville Schools' Senior Sidewalk Committee was recognized for their efforts in preserving the names of Cassville High School graduates in

CHS crowns 2018 Tip-Off King, Queen

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018



Cassville High School crowned their Tip-Off King and Queen and Prince and Princess at the game on Friday, February 2. Pictured above are the King and Queen, Austin Wilson and Savannah Lawrence. The Prince and Princess were Kel Wilson and Alondra Miller.

Seligman man charged with burglary, assaulting ex

Charlea Estes-Jones

A Seligman man is in jail after allegedly assaulting his ex-girlfriend after breaking into her home in Cassville. According to the affidavits of probable cause by the Cassville Police Department, Tyler James Jermain, 21, of Seligman, broke into his ex-girlfriend's residence on Schell Street in Cassville and then assaulted her.

On Wednesday, January 31, the victim, an ex-girlfriend of Jermain, drove to the police department saying she had been assaulted. The victim claimed she saw Jermain's backpack on her couch when she went home that day around 11:30 p.m. to 12:00 p.m. The victim also said there were things thrown around the residence.

Shortly after arriving home, the victim said Jermain showed up and was angry with her. She told him to leave, and he allegedly whipped her in the chest with a cell phone charging cord. The victim claimed when Jermain raised his hand to hit her, she slapped him.

Jermain then allegedly grabbed her by the neck and pushed her in the wall,

knocking a hole in the wall. The victim told Jermain to stay away from the bedroom where her daughter was asleep.

The victim then reported that he grabbed her by the hair and dragged her down the hallway, throwing her to the floor and yelling at her to "call the cops." Jermain also took her cellphone, refusing to let her call anyone. She reported that Jermain continued to assault her.

The victim then yelled to the neighbors to call the police, however they did not have a phone. It was at that point that the victim went in, grabbed her daughter and drove to the police station.

When Sergeant Donnie Privett with the Cassville Police Department called the cell phone, Jermain answered and identified himself, saying what happened didn't matter because he was going to jail.

Jermain is charged with domestic assault in the third degree, burglary in the first degree and robbery in the second degree. Jermain is currently being held in the Barry County Jail in lieu of a \$100,000 bond.

Inside this issue:

See Barry County's **Littlest Valentines!**

Grandparents wished their little ones happy valentine's day in this week's issue. See special valentine ads throughout the paper as well as our special section. 1-4B

Purdy begins sewer project

The City of Purdy is beginning their new sewer project that will do away with the lagoon.

Woman allegedly attacks officer

An Eagle Rock woman is charged with attacking a Barry County officer.

Proposed medical marijuana meeting slated

New Approach Missouri is holding a petition signing event as well as a volunteer training in support of medical marijuana legislation at the Cassville Library this weekend. 14A

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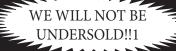
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City of Purdy moves forward with \$4.6M sewer project

Charlea Estes-Jones

The City of Purdy is currently working on the biggest project the city has seen in decades. A huge sewer project means the city will no longer be processing its own sewer. Instead, Purdy will be entering into an agreement with the City of Monett and building pipes to send their sewer wastewater to Monett for processing.

Purdy mayor Bo Prock said, "I think the number one benefit is we're not going to be in the sewer business anymore. It takes up a lot of time. This will really free up our employees to do some major water clean up, as well as inner city sewer line improvements.

"We won't have to do all of the sampling and ground water testing. It'll be a good thing."

The construction of around nine miles of sewer lines to run to Monett will begin sometime in the coming months. Bids were opened on Thursday, January 18, and Prock anticipates they will be choosing a bid at their February council meeting, unless a special meeting is planned in the meantime.

The project is being overseen by Allgiere, Martin and Associates Engineering, which is also reviewing the 11 bids the city received. The engineering firm was retained by the city in 2009 for \$22,000. The city reentered into an agreement with the firm in 2010 for \$167,556 which will take them to the end of the project. Once it begins, Prock said it is anticipated to take



around 12 months to complete.

Purdy voters approved a bond issue to complete the work in the November 2015 election. Voters approved a \$4.6 million bond.

The project will put the City of Purdy into compliance with the Department of Natural Resources, which they have not been for a number of years. Their current wastewater treatment is a sewer lagoon.

Prock said, "We'll keep the lagoon as a holding tank. But during low times at Monett, we'll pump out that storage."

The project will include the sewer lines running to Monett as well as two large pump systems at the current lagoon. Prock said the bids came in considerably lower than the city anticipated. He said, "The bids were \$2.3-2.4 million, and we were estimating \$3.5 million. So that was great."

Part of the funding for the project is being covered by a DNR block grant. DNR block grants are an 80/20 split.

The City qualified for \$1.7 million in USDA grant money, \$1.25 million from DNR's community development block grant funds and also secured a loan through the USDA for \$1.69 million.

The engineering firm estimated the project expenses at \$3.06 million, with \$1.8 million being construction cost alone.

The City of Purdy already has a preliminary contract with Monett that they are amending to fit the DNR specifications.

Prock said, "Basically, Monett is treating us as one large residential customer." Right now is too early to estimated how that will impact Purdy's sewer customers.

Prock said, "We're coming in under budget, and we're hoping that helps. We are also wanting to annex roads north and south of town. That will help us spread out the cost. We think that is the best way."







Verona man charged with molestation, sodomy of two children

Charlea Estes-Jones

A Verona man was arrested and charged with alleged sexual abuse of two children that spanned six years. Glenn Frank Tully, 70, of Verona, is charged with two counts of child molestation in the first degree and two counts of statutory sodomy in the first degree with more than one victim under the age of 12.

According to affidavits of probable cause, Tully

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regularly babysat the two victims over a number of years. One victim reported that inappropriate touching began when she was five years old.

Tully allegedly molested and forced sexual contact on the two victims over a span of six years when the victims were under the age of 12. Relatives of the children confirmed that Tully was regularly alone with the victims between 2010 and 2015 until the children

noved away.

Tully is currently being held in the Barry County Jail in lieu of a \$50,000 cash-only bond.



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Community Calendar

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Notice:

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

<u>Tax Preparation for seniors</u> will be done on Monday mornings only at Central Crossing Senior Center. Please call for an appointment at 417-858-6952.

<u>Central Crossing Senior Center</u> will be closed Monday, February 19, for Presidents' Day.

February 7th

Golden Baptist Church will host a support group for single moms and children on February 7 at 6 p.m. For information, call 417-271-3605.

February 8th

<u>Valentine Bake Sale</u> will be held at The Central Crossing Senior Center on Thursday, February 8, from 10:30 a.m. through 12:30 p.m. If you would like to bake something for the sale, you may sign up at the center or call 417-858-6952.

<u>Southwest R-5 School Baccalaurete Meeting</u> will be February 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the High School commons area. Area Pastors, 2017-2018 Seniors and families please attend. For information, call 417-826-7019 or 417-435-2676.

February 9th

<u>Purdy High School</u> will host its annual Homecoming Basketball game vs. McAuley on Friday, February 9. The JV game will begin at 6 p.m.

The Stella Senior Center will have a dinner and dance on Friday evening, February 9. The doors open at 5:30 p.m. The dance will begin at 7:00 p.m., with 'Evelyn and The Outriders'. There is a cover charge of \$4 for the dance. There will be a potato bar and refreshments are available all evening. For more information, call 417-628-3314.

February 10th

<u>Chatty Crafters</u> will meet at the Mane Station in Cassville on February 10 at 10 a.m. There is no charge. Call 417-498-2202 for more information.

<u>Eagle Rock Fire House Breakfast</u> will be Saturday, February 10, from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.

<u>McDowell Gold Jubilee</u> will be February 10 at 6:30 p.m., at the McDowell School House.

<u>Seligman Chamber</u> will host a dance Saturday, February 10, at 7:00 p.m. For information, call 417-662-3612.

February 11th

A Gospel Concert will be held at Grace Baptist Church, 14970 Farm Road 2150, Cassville, on February 11 at 6:00 p.m. The concert will feature Zack and Sherie Swain.

February 12th

<u>Tax Preparation for Seniors</u> will be offered at Central Crossing Senior Center on Monday mornings only. Please bring your social security card and last year's taxes if available. Please call for an appointment: 417-858-6952.

February 14th

<u>Valentine's Day Lunch</u> will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Cassville Senior Center with music by the Shell Knob Strings.

<u>Senior Tax counseling</u> is available at the Cassville Senior Center by appointment only. Call the center at 417-847-4510 to make an appointment.

Golden Baptist Church will host a support group for single moms and children on February 14 at 6 p.m. For information, call 417-271-3605.

February 15th

Jenkins Fire Department planning meeting for Chili Supper will be February 15 at 6:30 p.m. at Station #1. RSVP to Sar at 417-342-4243 for pizza count. Chili Supper will be held March 3.

<u>Alzheimer's Support Group</u> will be held at Central Crossing Senior Center, Thursday, February 15, at 2:00 p.m.

February 16th

<u>Music</u> will be held at Clio Community Building February 16 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

February 17th

<u>Fundraising Breakfast</u> will be held at Central Crossing Senior Center, Saturday, February 17, from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

February 20th

<u>Bingo</u> will be at Central Crossing Senior Center on Tuesday, February 20, at 12:30 p.m.

February 22nd

The Purdy High School Music Department will host its annual "Coffee, Dessert and a Song" on Thursday, February 22. The event will be held at Purdy's Coffee Cafe and will begin at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free to the public.

School Menus: February 12- February 16

All meals served with milk. All meals are subject to change

Southwest: Mon: B: mini pancakes, syrup, peaches or cereal, juice. L: chicken strips, romain salad, ranch dressing, breadstick, pears or salad - fruit bar. Tues: B: biscuits & gravy, apple slices or cereal, juice. L: tacos, seasoned pinto beans, lettuce/cheese, Mexican corn, Mandarin oranges or salad - fruit bar. Wed: B: chocolate chip granola bar, yogurt cup, orange wedges or cereal, juice. L: hot turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, peaches or salad - fruit bar. Thurs: B: grilled cheese sandwich, bananas or cereal, juice. L: ham & cheese sandwich, mayo, carrot sticks, baked potato chips, Jello with fruit or salad - fruit bar. Fri: hot ham & hashbrown sandwich, ketchup, fresh fruit or cereal, juice. L: to be announced.

Exeter: Mon: B: cinnamon roll, yogurt, peaches, fruit juice, cereal, whole grain biscuit. L: bbq beef sandwich, tater tots, baked beans, fruit. Tues: French toast sticks, syrup, fresh fruit, fruit juice, cereal, graham crackers. L: country fried steak, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit. Wed: B: ham & cheese, orange, fruit juice, cereal, Pop Tart. L: chicken fajitas, salsa, corn, fruit. Thurs: B: sausage biscuit, whole grain biscuit, bananas, fruit juice, cereal, Vertical bar. L: turkey and cheese sub, Sun Chips, celery sticks, peanut butter, baby carrots, ranch dressing, fruit. Fri: No School.

Cassville (Prime., Int., Middle): Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast pizza, hashbrown, Mandarin oranges or cereal, blueberry muffin, applesauce. L: Frito pie or chicken quesadilla, refried beans, corn, peaches. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, hashbrown/toast, pears or cereal, granola bar, applesauce. L: corn dog or bbq rib sandwich, macaroni & cheese, glazed carrots, Sidekicks, juice. Wed: B: biscuits & gravy or French toast, sausage patty, orange or cereal, Pop Tart, apple. L: chicken strips or tangerine chicken, rice/eggroll, glazed

carrots, fortune cookie, orange. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast burrito, hashbrown, Mandarin oranges or cereal, cinnamon toast, pineapple. L: cheese pizza or nacho supreme, corn refried beans, peaches. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or min cinis, trail mix, pears or cereal, Go-gurt, peaches. L: beef burrito or chicken crispito, nacho cheese, green beans, pinto beans, pineapple chunks.

Cassville High School: Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or cinnamon bun, yogurt cups, fruit cocktail or cereal, peanut butter & jelly, apple. L: chicken crispitos, refreid beans, mixed vegetables, assorted juice or cheeseburger meal or salad meal. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast burrito, sausage, pineapple or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. L: country steak, potatoes/gravy, green beans, breadstick, pineapple or chicken nugget meal or salad meal. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or chicken nuggets, hashbrown, peaches or cereal, apple, caramel cup. L: chili/cheese, saltine crackers, green beans, cookie, juice or pizza meal or salad meal. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy, sausage patty or oatmeal, toast, pears or cereal, granola bar, orange. L: chicken sandwich, Sun Chips, baked beans, mixed veg, fruit cocktail or cheeseburger meal or salad meal Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or pancake on a stick, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. L: chili/cheese fries, mozz cheese sticks, green beans, assorted juice or pizza meal or salad meal.

<u>Purdy:</u> Mon: B: oatmeal, ww toast, cereal, fruit. L: chicken fingers, potatoes au gratin, peas, bread slice, fruit cup. Tues: B: French toast sticks, syrup, cereal, yogurt, fruit. L: chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, bread slice. Wed: B: wg biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, cereal, fruit. L: Frito pie, pinto beans, ice cream cup, fruit. Thurs: B: ham/egg/biscuit, cereal, toast, fruit. L: sub sandwich, lettuce/tomato, Sun Chips, baby carrots, ranch, grapes. Fri: No School.







S.W. R-5 School

Baccalaureate Mtg in High School Commons Area Feb 8, 6:30 p.m. Area Pastors, 2017-2018 Seniors and families please attend

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JAMES F. "JIM" **DENT**

James F. "Jim" Dent, age 83, of Purdy, passed away Sunday, February 4, 2018, at Lacoba Nursing Home in Monett.

He was born January 30, 1935, in Jacket, the son of Lindsey and Ina (Carnes) Dent. In 1954, he was united in marriage to Carolean Williams, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Neal Dent and Clifford Dent and his wife, Lisa, all of Purdy; one daughter, Brenda Dent, of Purdy; two grandchildren, Michael and Amanda: and great-grandchildren, Madison and Austin.

Preceding him in death were his parents.

Jim graduated high school at Washburn and then graduated from WTI. For several years, he worked on airplanes for Boeing and moved back to southwest Missouri. He was a self-employed mechanic and for forty-three years drove a

school bus at Purdy.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, February 8, 2018, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. David Keeling will conduct the services. Burial will be at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Butterfield.

friends from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. today Wednesday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cass-

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WILLADEAN **STURGEON**

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On February 24, 1967,

she was united in marriage with Kenneth Sturgeon. They shared almost 51 years tothe farm.

She was a charter member of the Wheaton Southern Baptist Church. Her love of Osh Kosh School.

Survivors include her south of Monett. husband, Kenneth; one son, Bill Cooper, of Wheaton; one made to the family. daughter, Joy Tichenor and her husband, Ed, of Abilene, Texas; one daughter-in-law, Janet Sturgeon, of Fairview; seven grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Carl Sturgeon; and a daughter-inlaw, Ruth Cooper.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, February 8, 2018, at McQueen Funeral Home in Wheaton. Pastor Paul Wahlert will conduct the services. Burial will be at Muncie Chapel Cemetery in Wheaton.

Friends may call after 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at McQueen Funeral Home in Wheaton. Visit fohnfuneralhome.com for online obituaries, guestbook and

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MELISSA R. **ANDERSON**

Melissa R. Anderson, age gether, helping each other on 48, of Branson, passed away Wednesday, January 31, 2018, at Mercy Hospital in Spring-

Services were held at 2:00 God was so evident in her p.m. Sunday, February 4, The family will receive life, teaching Sunday School 2018, at Fohn Funeral Home for over half of her life. She in Cassville. Pastor Mark Hall was also a school teacher at conducted the services. Burial was in Bethel Cemetery

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DR. WAYNE EIRICH

Dr. Wayne Eirich, 78, died January 29, 2018, in the comfort of his home in Cassville, surrounded by his loved ones. Wayne was born December 23, 1939, in St. Louis. He was preceded in death by his beloved mother, Dorthy E. (Wurl) Eirich, and father, Melvin E. Eirich. He attended St. Matthew Lutheran school (K-8, graduating in 1953). He then attended Hadley Technical High School until he transferred at the end of his junior year to Affton. He graduated from Affton Sr. High School in 1957 and married his high school sweetheart, Barbara C. Hershey in 1958, the love of his life for 48 years of marriage. He had a bachelor's degree from Central Methodist College (University) in 1961, a master's from Southern Illinois University in 1965, and a doctorate from Arizona

State University in 1968. In addition, he completed graduate courses of study in mathematics at the College of William and Mary (1964) and Yale University (1965).

Dr. Eirich taught mathematics in the Hazelwood and Lindbergh School Districts, St. Louis (1961-66). He was professor at Southern Illinois University (1968-1969), Western Kentucky University (1969-1972), University of Arizona (1972-retiring in 1990), Northern Arizona University (1992-re-retiring in 1996), and Luther College (1998-1999). Additionally, he was visiting professor at Brigham Young University (summer, 1974) and Northwestern University of Louisiana (summers, 1978-1990). His last teaching assignment was at NAU in 2000.

He developed curricula in Management Information and Computer Information Systems at the universities and taught courses in the computer field at AZ community colleges, AZ South-Western Police Academy, and AZ Department of Corrections. He conducted numerous seminars and workshops for industry and universities, as well as speaking to various professional groups throughout the country. While at the University of Arizona, Dr.

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Eirich developed and directed educational programs for LEAD (a national program for top minority students); a pre-college program for Native American students, MIS Computer Camp (10-14 year-old children), and MIS Systems Institute of Educators. He received numerous awards for outstanding teaching and co-authored two books in the computer field. Dr. Eirich was honored by becoming a Mason, Central Arizona Lodge No 14, Sedona, Ariz.

He enjoyed and loved his children and grandchildren who made him especially happy when he was with them. He had compassion for the great outdoors, the mountains, especially the Rocky Mountains in Colorado, hunting, fishing, and camping. His pets were his constant companions, Dakota and Missy. Wayne also loved his church family (pastor James Stewart), Faith Family of Cassville, who was by his side upon death.

Wayne is survived by his beloved daughter, Shana (Eirich) Perez, and her husband, Michael "Mikey", of Cassville; son Christopher Eirich and his wife, Maureen (Martinez) Eirich, of Taos,

Perez. of Cassville, and Daisy and Dean Eirich, of Taos, N.M.

Private family services were held. Burial was at Yocum Pond Cemetery in Reeds Spring under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cass-

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BARBARA E. **SPRINKLE**

Barbara E. Sprinkle, of Cassville, passed away peacefully at Circle of Life Hospice in Bentonville, Ark., surrounded by family on January 26, 2018.

Barbara was born June 6, 1941, in Colby, Kan., to Ward and Alma (Plympton) Adams. She was preceded in death N.M.; grandchildren, Walker, by her parents; her husband, Clayton, Addison, and Alexa Robert; and her son, Dan

her son, Chad Sprinkle and his wife, Mary; three grandchildren: Chad and Mary's children, Dean and Maggie Sprinkle; and Dan and Kim's daughter, Gwendolyn (Gwinny). She leaves three brothers: Bill (wife Carolyn) Adams, of Urbana, Ill., Charles (wife Janice) Adams, of Orlando, Florida, and Richard (wife Karen) Adams, of Colby, Kan.; a sister-in-law, Roberta Murrin, of Littleton, Colo.; along with numerous relatives and lifetime friends.

Graveside service will be held at a date yet to be determined and interment will be at Beulah Cemetery in Colby, Kan., next to her beloved husband, Robert, and her son,

Barb attended public schools in Colby, Kan., and graduated in 1959. She married Robert E. Sprinkle in Colby on March 24, 1960. She worked for the Farmers and Merchants State Bank in Colby and at other banks in Washington state and Cali- be held at 11:00 a.m. on Satfornia as she followed Robert during his service in the United States Navy. After completing his enlistment in the Navy, they settled in San Diego, Calif., where he owned a machine shop and ship repair business. Later, they relocated to Gunnison, Colo., where Robert worked for Western State Colorado University until he retired. They then moved to Cassville where he and their son, Chad, ran a construction business.

Sprinkle. She is survived by Barb finished her life living in the lovely home they built together in Cassville. She loved her life as a wife, mother, sister and friend and we loved her dearly.

The family requests that memorials be designated to the Thomas County Historical Society at 1905 S. Franklin Ave., Colby, KS 67701 in her name.



MARJORIE ANN RYDER

Marjorie Ann Ryder, age 85, passed away on Saturday. January 6, 2018, at her residence in Cassville.

Memorial services will urday, February 10, 2018, at the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville, with Minister Ken West officiat-

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EVAN WHITE

Evan White was born December 17, 1993, to Eric and Amy White. He passed away Saturday, February 3, 2018, at Mercy Hospital in Springfield at the age of 24. Evan was a 2012 graduate of Cassville High School. He was a member of the Cassville Golf Club and First Baptist Church. Evan was an avid golfer, deer hunter, and fisherman. He loved the outdoors, his friends and most of all his family. Evan was a shining star to Eric and Amy and brought so much joy into their lives. He had a special bond with PaPa Bill and PaPa Elton, as most of his hobbies were shared at their side. No doubt he also had a special relationship with NaNa (Veva) and MoMo (Gloria). He spent many days with them as he was growing up as they all helped raise him while Eric and Amy were working. Evan was loved by all who knew him and will be truly missed. Words cannot do justice to the void that his passing has created, but know he was loved by so many and he loved so many.

He is survived by his parents, Eric and Amy White; his younger brother, Gavin, of Cassville; his grandparents, Elton and Gloria White (PaPa and MoMo), of Granby, and Bill and Veva Lee (PaPa and NaNa), of Cassville; Uncle Jason White, of Granby, Uncle Dustin Lee and Aunt Lauren, of Monett; cousins, Ellie Anderson, of Granby, and Hunter and Jackson Lee, of Monett; and many other cousins and friends.

Eric, Amy and Gavin would like to thank everyone for all of their prayers, support and love in this difficult

A special thanks to the staff of Mercy Hospital-Cass-

ville for everything they did for Evan. They went above and beyond to help Evan.

Graveside services will be held at 1:00 p.m. today, Wednesday, February 2018, at Corinth Cemetery in Cassville under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor James Stewart will conduct the services.

Contributions may be made to Cassville Golf Course in memory of Evan.

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MARY LOU (GHAN) **BORUSHASKI**

Mary Lou (Ghan) Borushaski, age 89, of Wheaton, passed away Wednesday, January 31, 2018, at Medicalodge of Neosho in Neosho.

She was born June 30, 1928, in Wheaton, the daughter of John Loyd and Vergie (Cartwright) Ghan. On August 25, 1945, she was united

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in marriage to Clarence (CJ) 10:00 a.m. Monday, February Borushaski, who preceded 5, 2018, at Wheaton United her in death on September 8, 2016. Also preceding her in death were her parents and one brother, Wayne Ghan.

Gary Borushaski and his wife, Kathy, of Monett, Ron Borushaski and his wife, Patty, of Neosho, and Dan Borushaski and his wife, Linda, of Carthage; a half-sister, Royetta Akin, of Monett; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two great-greatgrandchildren.

Mary Lou attended Van Horn High School in Independence and Wheaton High School in Wheaton. Mary and CJ lived in Drexel, where they farmed and she owned and operated Mary's Drive Inn. In 1967, after their three sons joined the military, they moved back to Wheaton to continue farming for the next 30 years. For several years, she worked at a garment factory in Pierce City and then the local grocery store in Wheaton. One of Mary Lou's joys was playing the piano for the Wheaton United Methodist Church, in which she was a member. The joys of her life were her children and grandchildren. She will be missed School graduate. Kameron by all that knew and loved her, especially her smile.

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Methodist Church under direction of McOueen Funeral Home in Wheaton. Reverend Roger McKee conducted Surviving are three sons, the services. Burial was at Muncie Chapel Cemetery in Wheaton.

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KAMERON VAN SANDT

Kameron Van Sandt, age 19, of Branson, passed away on Thursday, February 1, 2018. Kameron, son of Billy and Tonya (Swartz) Van Sandt, was born on January 9, 1999, in Springfield. He was a 2017 Branson High

loved sports and was one day hoping to play Major League Baseball or be a sports announcer. Kameron was a very loving and caring person, who had a contagious smile and lived life to the fullest. He was a true friend to many and will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his mother, Tonya Van Sandt, and his stepfather, Robert Hilburn, of Branson; one Branson; his nephew, Trey Farrales, of Nixa; his paternal grandmother, Rose Van Sandt, of Purdy; his maternal grandmother, Iris Philbrick, of Branson; two aunts, Bobbi Alexander and Tracy Dobyns; his uncle, Brad Van Sandt; and several cousins.

Kameron was preceded in death by his father, Billy Van Sandt, on March 24, 2007; his sister, Kimber Van Sandt, on November 16, 2015; and his aunt, Becky Butterworth.

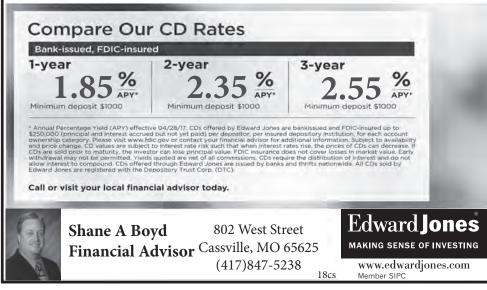
Memorial services will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, February 9, 2018, at the White Funeral Home and Crematory, with Pastor Benji Morgan officiating; a visitation will follow after the service. A private family burial will be held at the Arnhart Cemetery in Purdy at a later

Memorial contributions brother, Shady Van Sandt, of may be made to the family and entrusted to the White Funeral Home and Crematory, P.O. Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625.

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Eagle Rock woman charged with assaulting officer

Charlea Estes-Jones

An Eagle Rock woman racked up additional charges after allegedly resisting arrest by kicking a Barry County Sheriff's Deputy in the chest. According to the affidavits of probable cause, Kym Anisa Kelso, 26, was under arrest for domestic assault when she refused to go with officer, kicking the deputy in the chest and breaking his body camera.

The Barry County Sheriff's Department was dispatched to a residence on 3rd Street in Eagle Rock on January 31 for

an alleged domestic assault. Kelso allegedly struck the victim, who she was in a relationship with, in the back of the head and face as well as bit him on the chest. When officers attempted to take Kelso into custody, she told officers 'no' and backed into a corner. When officers grabbed her arm, she pulled away and began kicking Barry County Sheriff's Deputy Wesley Kissinger in the chest.

Kissinger's body camera's mounting bracket was broken in the incident.

According to officers, Kelso continued to resist by being combative and kicking while Kissinger tried to put her in a patrol vehicle. Kissinger also suffered a four inch long scratch to his face and multiple scratches to his forearm.

Kelso is charged with domestic assault in the third degree, resisting arrest for a felony, assault in the second degree and property damage in the second degree. Kelso is currently being held in the Barry County Jail in lieu of a \$20,000 bond.



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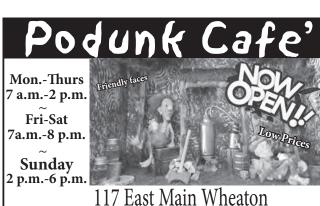
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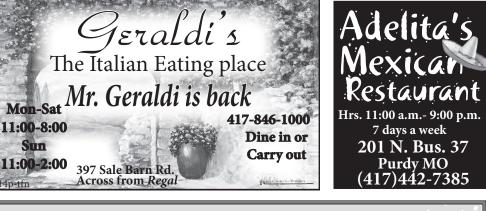














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a monument outside of the district office. Seniors' names were stamped into sidewalks along Main Street that were removed during a recent MoDOT sidewalk improvement project. The committee worked to fund raise and get a monument erected to commemorate those graduating classes. Assistant superintendent Jill LeCompte and the school's director of facilities and operations Dusty Reid accepted the award on

behalf of the committee. Another award was also presented at the banquet. The award, while not issued by the Chamber of Commerce, was a huge achievement for the local America's Best Value Inn and Suites, located in Cassville. The manager of the motel, Martin Krallman, was named the manager of the year from Red Lion, the franchising company over the motel. Krallman was selected from many candidates across the United States and Canada.

The Chamber also recognized outgoing and incoming board members. This year's outgoing board members were Dr. Brent Herrin, Cindy Carr, Chief Dana Kammerlohr, Jeff Swadley and Raylene Hart. Incoming board members are Carey Howe, David Waugh, Rhonda Stafford, Wade Hermansen and Ben Lindley. Jeff Swadley finished his term as chamber president, turning the duties over to Dr. Chad Johnson, of Johnson Chiropractic Sports and Wellness.

This year's banquet was held at the Cassville High School commons area and once again catered by John Sullivan. Cassville's FCCLA members served the meal while banquet attendees experienced the comedy and magic of entertainer Mike Bliss.



Pictured above, Blake Fields (left) accepts the chamber's Beautification Award from board president Dr. Chad Johnson.



Pictured above, America's Best Value Inn and Suites of Cassville's manager Martin Krallman (center) accepts the Red Lion

manager of the Year award from owners Linda Precoda (left) and Bob Precoda (right).

Exeter High principal announces retirement

Charlea Estes-Jones

Robert Taylor has spent 15 of his 25 years in education as the principal at Exeter High School. After so many years, Taylor has announced he is retiring from teaching to spend more time with his family at the end of the school year.

Exeter's superintendent Dr. Ernest Raney said, "I've enjoyed working with him over the last eight years. One of the things I've enjoyed the most is his fairness toward our students, this community and his kindness. I believe he's the kind of guy who loves our kids the most when they deserve it the least. I think the world of him and we're really going to miss him. I'm happy for him and that he's able to open this next chapter and maybe in some small way, we'll continue to be a part of that."

Taylor began his career a Weaubleau, a small school north of Bolivar, as a science teacher and baseball/softball coach. He then worked at Seymour and Marshfield before coming to Exeter.

Over his years with the school, he's seen a lot of changes within the high school and district as a whole. He said, "The school's changed quite a bit. We've had new construction done, and we've started different programs. We have a speech and debate program now, and getting the A+designation was a big deal."

Taylor's dedication to the school and students didn't go unnoticed. As Raney said, he has a reputation for being fair toward the stu-

Taylor said, "It's different as a principal than it is as a teacher or a coach. You're not there on a daily basis. That's one of the most difficult things about this job; you don't get to know the kids like the teachers do.

"Students notice you and how you are. They know if you genuinely care. But you don't realize it most of the time."

Over the years, Taylor has seen many students through hard situations. He shared, "The things most important to me weren't big headlining stuff. It's getting a kid who

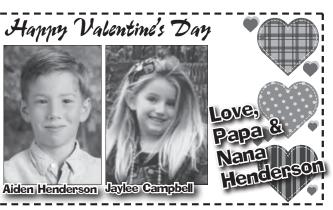


Taylor

struggled all through high school to graduation. These are things that no one sees."

The hard work Taylor as put in over the years is worth it when he gets to see students after they've

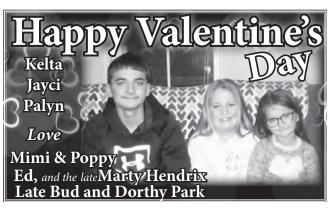
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Purdy Police seek tips on FEMA site tool theft

Charlea Estes-Jones

The Purdy Police Department is on the lookout for equipment stolen from the construction site of the new FEMA building going up on the school's campus. According to Purdy Chief of Police Jackie Lowe, they believe two suspects were involved in the isolated burglary on Friday, February 2.

Chief Lowe said, "They stole a couple pieces of expensive equipment for surveying, a Total station and a rotary laser that is usually on a tripod, but the tripod was left behind. Both items were well over \$1,000 each and specialty items."

Lowe said the burglars broke a lock off of the construction site trailer to gain entry. A generator, which would have required two people to carry it, was also stolen.

'We're hoping it'll pop up on Craig's List possibly. It was the only thing hit in town, and it was early in the morning," Lowe stated. He also confirmed the department has reached out to pawn shops to be on the lookout for the equipment since they are unusual items.

The construction trailer is located on the site of the new FEMA building and performing arts center being erected by Purdy Schools on Gabby Gibbons Drive.

The Purdy Police Department issued the following statement: "We are saddened that someone would steal from the people that are building something very beneficial for our community."

Purdy Schools superintendent Steven Chancellor said, "We're leaving it in the hands of law enforcement. I don't think this is a reflection of Purdy or it's residents. We're doing our best to coop-

He continued, "I am very disappointed that people would take advantage of a project that benefits our community."

Chief Lowe requested tips regarding the theft be submitted through the Barry-Lawrence County Crime Stoppers at 1-888-354-8477. All callers may remain anonymous and are eligible for cash rewards for information leading to the capture of those in connection with certain crimes in Barry and Lawrence Counties.

have been able to secure a fair and legitimate voice with SEMA or FEMA without Congressman Long and Mr. Ussery's assistance and

support in advocating for our school and community," said Reid.

After thousands of pages of documentation were complete, the assistance was approved. "There are times when a you are presented a challenge that you have to decide if you want to go around it or turn away from it. In this case, our Board of Education took on the responsibility of persevering through two years of tough decisions but are continuing to advocate for our students, community, and our school," said Dr. Asbill.

"I am honored that our Board understands and is committed to setting the tone for doing what is right for teachers and students, but also accepting the responsibility to go beyond a repair and addressing a plan to meet the challenge head-on and fixing this issue so teachers and students won't have to face this issue in the future. Our

FEMA from FRONT

local Board, combined with Congressman Long's efforts, proved to be vitally important in achieving a solution that was right for our local taxpayers and families," said Dr. Asbill.

The first phase of the mitigation project was to build an internal drain system in each of the flooded Perforated classrooms. 12-inch pipes were installed around the perimeter of the classrooms before the slabs were re-poured. Those pipes are fed to a central drain in the middle of the floor.

The second phase was directional boring. Three 15-inch pipes run under the building and take the water away down to drain at Flat Creek. The classroom French drain systems will be connected to the directional boring lines. Each room has a removable panel to access the pipes draining any water that might breach.

Finally, the school had a six-foot diameter concrete perforated pipe that goes 40 feet into the ground outside of the Intermediate building with three pumps inside. The pump is designed to kick in when any groundwater seeps into the pipe.

Since the well pipe is below the Intermediate classrooms, it will pump water out to the directional boring lines before it reaches the school. If a large influx of water reaches the well, there is an additional drain line to control overflow.

Overall, the project ran \$2.9 million. However, the school's insurance paid approximately \$1.5 million. With FEMA contributing \$2.3 million, the school will be able to pay off a \$1.8 million loan that was secured to pay for part of the project. Asbill said paying the loan off early means the district will save tens of thousands of dollars in interest.

As far as the rest of the money, the school will be able to allocate funds to other capital projects that had been planned. Some of the projects include updating and maintaining the current facility needs, heating and air upgrades, roof maintenance, camera upgrades and flooring replacement.

The district is also considering using funds for transportation department needs for their bus fleet and computers for both students

and teachers and network upgrades to expand the districts 1:1 technology initia-

"The Board of Education spent a great deal of time and effort evaluating our repair needs. We worked with Anderson Engineering and Paragon to come up with potential plans and estimated cost for each of those plans. While the District's insurance carrier was extremely supportive in the claim response, insurance only covered the repair costs or the cost to return it to pre-disaster condition; this was a major concern for our Board when we evaluated possible future flood events," said Dr. Asbill.

"Our Board of Education deserves a lot of credit for looking at the project from both a repair and mitigation viewpoint. When faced with the fiscal challenge of repairing the building based on insurance coverage or repairing and fixing the facility for future generations of students, our Board did what was right and responsible," commented Dusty Reid, Facilities and Operations Director.



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America's farms and farmers are the most productive in the world. Each farm annually produces enough food and fiber for 165 people, 106 in the U.S. and 59 abroad. American consumers benefit from this bounty, and the many choices it offers, while spending less than 10 percent of their disposable income

on food. With a projected growth in global population by 2050, farmers around the world will have to grow 70 percent more food than is now produced.

Farm and ranch families account for less than 2 percent of the U.S. population. Across the United States, there are 2.1 million farms with 3.2 million farm operators. This number includes owners, their families, hired workers, tenants and renters or sharecroppers. Many farms today find multiple generations working together to produce food and fiber.

A 2016 study commissioned by the Missouri Department of Agriculture and Missouri Farm Bureau found agriculture remains the top industry in our state with a contribution of some

\$88.4 billion to the economy. The study revealed that in 2016, agriculture provided 378,000 jobs, \$2.2 billion in state/local taxes and \$17.5 billion in labor income. This information drives home the importance of agriculture. The labors of agriculture impact our lives each day. In addition to food, agriculture provides clothing, fuel, medicine, entertainment, sports equipment, personal care products, school supplies and the list goes on.

So, join Farm Bureau as we celebrate agriculture and Thank a Farmer.

"Agriculture is important to our daily lives and our community. Because 98 percent of the population doesn't farm, it is easy to take for granted the importance of our farmers," Duane Kaiser, Barry County Farm Bureau president, says. "Celebrate Agriculture: Thank a Farmer Week is a great time to recognize the important contribution made by farmers."

graduated. He stated, "I enjoy seeing old students come back and visit about what

"I've had students come back and say thanks or sorry; that's nice. Being in education is a very intrinsically rewarding career."

they've done with their lives.

Reaching students is the reason why he went into education. He mused that while it wasn't always easy, it was worth it. "Seeing someone who had a rough time growing up and giving them something like sports, activities or getting through school to help them makes a difference. Those are the moments you remember. You're in it to make a difference to help them become good citizens and get out and in a career," he said

With the years coming to a close, Taylor said he'll miss his involvement in the school and community, his coworkers and the students. He said, "There's been a lot of funny things over the years. I've known a lot of

good friends here in the 15 years.

"I'll miss the people here the most, the people I work with. I think there are a lot of good people that work here. I've gotten to know a lot of good people in the community and of course the kids, too."

Dr. Raney said, "He's done a wonderful thing for this community and he's made a great difference." The school is in the beginning stages of looking for Taylor's replacement, but no decisions have been made yet.

In his retirement, Taylor plans to spend time with his son, Ethan, and fish and play golf.

Taylor went to Missouri State University where he earned a bachelors degree. He earned a masters degree at SBU, and a specialist degree in administration at William Woods University.

Taylor has two sons, Quinn, 20, and Ethan, 18.

UCM announces fall graduates

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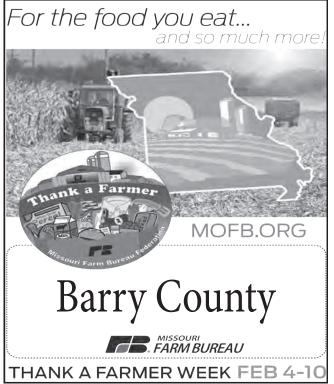
Area residents were among the more than 1,000 individuals who were eligible to participate in the University of Central Missouri's 2017 fall commencement exercises December 8 and 9 in the university's Multipurpose Building. Students who completed their degree requirements by the end of the fall 2017 semester were hon-

ored at the event.

The University of Central Missouri's local fall 2017 graduates were:

- Durenda A. Driskell, of Eagle Rock, Bachelor of Science
- Tia Marie Morgan, of Seligman, Bachelor of Science.











Clerk releases candidacy filing information for Barry County offices

Gary Youngblood, Barry County Clerk, reminds those who wish to file for a County Office that the first day to file will be Tuesday, February 27, 2018. For the first day only, a random number will be selected to determine placement on the primary ballot, per 115.395.2 RSMo Supp. Candidates will draw a number after they have provided the documents required for filing. The number drawn will appear on the declaration of candidacy. After the first day, order of filing will determine placement on the primary ballot, per 115.395.2, RSMo Supp.

No declaration of candidacy for nomination in a primary election shall be accepted for filing prior to 8:00 a.m. on the last Tuesday in February immediately preceding the primary election. Any candidate filing on the first day should be in the County Clerk's Office no later than 3:30 p.m., in order to complete all the required forms before the 4:00 p.m. closing time. No declaration of candidacy will be accepted after the 5:00 pm deadline on the last Tuesday of

Also, all candidates will be required to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement with the Ethics Commission. The deadline is fourteen (14) days from the closing date (March 27) of filing for candidacy. Your Personal Financial Disclosure Statement must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on the fourteenth day following the closing date for filing for candidacy, or postmarked the day previous to the deadline to be considered timely filed. The time period covered by the statement should be the twelve months previous to the closing date for filing for candidacy.

Candidates are required to file a Candidate's Affidavit of Tax Payments prior to filing for County Office. The form is available in our office or online at. http://dor.mo.gov/ forms/5120.pdf At time of filing, the candidate must present a copy of completed and notarized Affidavit. Candidates are not eligible to file for County Office until they provide us with a copy of the completed and notarized Affidavit. If a Candidate is filing for either Collector or Treasurer, they must provide a signed affidavit from a bonding agency stating that they are bondable, (HCS/ HB 235.

Candidates filing for a County Office will be required to submit a \$50.00 filing fee or a receipt for \$50.00 from the Party Treasurer.

Clerk releases candidacy Purdy mayor continues to fight for road annexation

Charlea Estes-Jones

Purdy's mayor Bo Prock approached the Barry County commissioners last week over a proposed voluntary road annexation that has been in limbo for over two and a half years. Prock sat down with the commissioners, Gary Schad, Wayne Hendrix and Cherry Warren, on Thursday morning, February 1, hoping to get the three to sign off on a road annexation of the west side of Highway 37 and the entirety of Business 37 from the north point of Purdy to the south point of Purdy.

However, Prock was met with opposition to the voluntary annexation proposal yet again. The Barry County commissioners said they would not approve the annexation knowing that two property owners with boundaries that touch the road were against it.

Prock disagreed with the commissioners' analysis of the situation. Prock believes that since the annexation only affects the road and property owners would have to request to have their properties annexed into the city, the statute regarding annexations does not apply.

If the statute is found to apply to voluntary annexations, the city would have to have a vote that would include both city residents and prospective new residents who choose to be annexed into the city limits.

Prock said, "We put together a petition and collected signatures. I have 14 signatures, and two of those are businesses, who signed voluntary annexation paperwork as soon as you vote and pass this. I can bring ten more signatures."

Prock also provided a letter from the Purdy Chief of Police. He said, "I have yet to get an answer as to why we can't get this done."

In response, Schad said, "I have two statutes as to why the commission is holding off because of the objections."

Schad went on to explain that if any property owners express opposition to the annexation, there has to be a public meeting. If there is still opposition, it then must go to a vote.

Mike Bennett, a business owner in Purdy who wishes to voluntarily annex into Purdy, said, "No one is being automatically annexed in. I have to fill out paperwork if I want in. Not a single person is going to get annexed if we don't want to."

Prock and the commissioners went back and forth regarding whether the commission has the power to sign the annexation. There was no meeting of the minds Thursday morning, both sides unyielding on their positions.

Prock said, "According to my attorney and MoDOT, we've followed all those stipulations. MoDOT signed off on it. I would think there's no difference in laws that apply to you that don't apply to them."

Schad said that with around 30 people potentially affected, Prock would need more than the 24 signatures Prock has collected. Two property owners have vocally expressed opposition to the annexation, which Prock said is irrelevant since property owners would have to ask to be annexed into the city. He said the only thing that would be included is the road itself, unless property owners requested to be annexed, as well

Prock shared, "Purdy cannot force someone to annex. We don't have that power."

If property owners choose to be annexed, they would be able to hook up to city water and sewer services.

Schad firmly held the commission's stance: they are not able to sign it if there is opposition. "I've never been to a public meeting to see two lawyers debate this. I'm not going to make an uneducated decision without being educated.

"It's not us against the annexation or for the annexation. We're just here to sign the paper when you decide if it's done the right way."

Presiding commissioner Cherry Warren said, "One thing we all need to admit is that Highway 37 is a very dangerous intersection, something needs to be done. We would work with you on that."

Prock returned with, "You want us to do something on a road you won't let us annex. That doesn't make sense."

The danger of that intersection was brought up earlier in the meeting as well. Prock mentioned that, at times, the Purdy Fire Department has had to wait up to an hour and a half for a Sheriff's Deputy to be on scene to help secure an accident. If Highway 37 and Business 37 were in the city limits, Purdy officers would have the jurisdiction to respond to accidents.

Warren said, "If the police chief is carrying a deputy commission and the other officer is carrying a deputy commission, why would he wait an hour and half to respond if he has the ability to act?"

Prock said the police chief's explanation was included in the letter. He then said, "I know people will ask why two people are holding this whole thing up."

Bennet added that the objectors to the project are not required to annex. He said, "They are outside of the city and don't have to be affected if they don't want to be"

Warren said, "We don't like to make the decisions like this"

Schad said, "Until we're in agreement, I'm not comfortable voting."

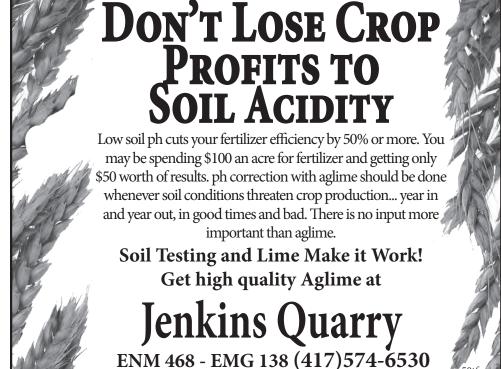
As far as the reason certain property owners do not want Purdy to annex those sections of road, Warren shed some light after speaking to them. "They will think you're out patrolling the roads and getting revenue for the city." Prock denied this was the rea-

See ANNEXATION on 13A









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son for the annexation of the roads.

Bennett replied, "They have their minds made up. They have their right to an opinion, but I'm at a loss for words as to why you're representing them in this."

Warren stated, "We aren't representing them."

Then Prock said, "If I'm afraid that the Barry County Sheriff or the Missouri State Highway Patrol will be out there, do I just tell them not

to? That doesn't seem like a legitimate fear."

Prock left the meeting, planning to return to the commissioners with information about the statutes Schad mentioned from his attorney. Warren said the commissioners would take it before the county's attorney if Purdy's attorney still believes the commission has the power to sign the annexation without full cooperation of all property owners.

Assessor's reps reviewing properties

Sherry L. Smith, Barry County Assessor, would like to remind the citizens of Barry County that the Assessor's Office is currently conducting the Missouri State Tax Commission mandated review of the County. The office field personnel began the review in January 2018, and it will take approximately a year to complete. The review, which is required every other year, merely consists of the office field personnel inspecting for any additions or improvements that may have been added to structures in the prior year. There is no need for the property owner to be home as the field personnel do not go inside the home or improvement, and the measurements are obtained from the outside. The only time the County field personnel go inside the home is if the property owners themselves are requesting they do so.

Smith would also like to remind citizens that her two field personnel are easily identified with county photo ID badges and two clearly marked vehicles. One of the County vehicles is a blue Ford Explorer, and the other vehicle is a white Ford Ranger extended cab pickup, with both vehicles displaying Barry County Missouri license plates.

Your cooperation and understanding is greatly appreciated while the Assessor's office and county field personnel are obtaining the required data.

Awareness and safety is of the utmost importance to Smith and her staff. Should you have any questions or concerns, contact the Barry County Assessor's Office at the Barry County Courthouse 700 Main St., Office #7 in Cassville, or call (417) 847-4589 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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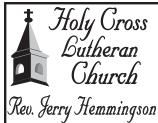
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Another unique, in fact once only, astrological event happened about two thousand years ago: "Now from the sixth hour there was darkness all over the land unto the ninth you," Matthew 27:45. This event occurred during the time Jesus hung upon the cross as sacrifice for our sins. Do not let this event oil to pique your interest. "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall ll likewise perish," Luke 13:3.

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Personal Property Assessment sheets mailed

Sherry L. Smith, Barry County Assessor, announced that the 2018 Personal Property and Business Assessment lists were mailed out on January 2, 2018. If you received an assessment list, but have not returned it yet, please do so immediately to avoid a late assessment penalty.

If you owned personal property on January 1, 2018, and did not receive an assessment list, or you're a new resident to Barry County, call the Assessor's Personal Property office immediately at (417) 847-2613 to request one. You can assess directly over the telephone with one of the office staff or drop by the personal property office to assess in person.

friendly One last reminder, all assessment lists must be postmarked by March 31, 2018, to avoid a late assessment penalty.



Medical marijuana petition signing and information meeting set for Saturday

Charlea Estes-Jones

The second of two medical marijuana informational events this week will be held in Cassville on Saturday. New Approach Missouri (NAM) has an informational meeting to train volunteers and also offer registered voters an opportunity to sign the petition to get medical marijuana on the ballot.

With medical marijuana legalization gaining traction in many states, NAM formed as a grassroots movement to bring the measure before Missouri

The group has held multiple events across the state, hoping to train volunteers and gain enough signatures to force a vote on the issue.

In order for medical marijuana to go on the November 2018 ballot, NAM must gather 160,000 signatures. Should that happen, the initiative would be placed on the ballot.

While NAM's plan would not fully legalize marijuana across the state, the group says it would put

the decision of whether a patient qualifies for cannabis treatment in the hands of a licensed health care provider. Some of the medically-approved would be for cancer, glaucoma, psychiatric disorders, chronic pain, terminal illness and other conditions a state-licensed physician approves on a patient-bypatient basis.

The initiative would maintain current laws on public use and driving while under the influence. The Department of Health and Senior Services would be the overseeing agency, and there are avenues outlined for production and dispensing cannabis to patients. There are also provisions for limited patient growing.

The event on Saturday, February 10, will be at the Cassville Library from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The first event was held on Tuesday, February 6, also at the Cassville Library. For more information, see NAM's website: www.newpaproachmis-

Cassville Intermediate holds Spelling Bee

On Wednesday, 36 fourth and fifth grade students competed for the title of Cassville Intermediate Spelling Bee Champion. Students competed for a chance to participate in the 41st Annual Joplin Globe Spelling Bee on Monday, March 19, at Thomas Jefferson Independent Day School in Joplin.

Kierstan Fare won the spelling bee. Kierstan is the daughter of Laura Harkrider and Skylan Fare, of Cassville.

Violet Rillstone came in second and will serve as alternate. Violet is the daughter of Polly Thompson, of Cassville, and Chris Rillstone, of Rocky Comfort.



The winner of this year's spelling bee is Kierstan Fare (right). In second place and listed as alternate is Violet Rillstone (left).



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of Chickasha, OK, Rod and JoAnn Rambo, of Englewood, KS, Jackie Stephens, of Monett, Donnie Stephens, of Cassville, Marlee and Johnnie Edie, of Cassville.

Cassville High School Lady Cats host Lady Cat Hoops Club



Each year, the Lady Cat basketball team, along with coaches and volunteers, come together and host the Lady Cat Hoops Club. This year proved no different.

Many young faces were anxious to learn the fundaments of basketball. The club consisted of the three weeks of fundaments followed by three weeks of games, coach by the high school players.

Security Bank once again graciously donated the t-shirts for the teams to wear as jerseys.

Cassville Wildcats fall to Lamar at the buzzer

Lee Stubblefield

When Ethan Hoppes drained a long trey from the top of the key with 7 seconds left to give Cassville a 40-39 lead over Lamar, it seemed the Wildcats were destined to claim a Tip-off victory. But in a cruel twist of fate, Lamar's Garrett Morey willed in a walkoff three at the buzzer to stun the Wildcats, 42-40.

Cassville entered the contest hoping to end a 5-game losing streak.

Sixty points has become the goal for the Wildcats whenever they take the floor. Cassville is 4-1 on the season when scoring 60 points or more. Slow starts have plagued the Wildcats in many games. When Milleson's squad strings together four good quarters, it is a force to be reckoned with.

The Wildcats held their

own in an uneven first quarter against the visiting Tigers. DJ White threw in a pair of treys to give Cassville a 9-7 lead, but Lamar slid ahead at the break, 11-9.

The second quarter saw Cassville in an offensive funk. Milleson's jacket came off as Lamar racked up a 12-0 run to open the period. Luke Lowery's soft hook finally ended a seven and a half minute scoring drought for the Wildcats. Hayden Sink scored a minute later, but those were the only points the Cats could muster in the second quarter. Lamar, stormed to a 23-13 halftime lead.

Lamar claimed a 15-point lead early in the third period and had the look of a team ready to roll. But the Tigers seemed content to try to run the clock and stopped attacking the basket when big center Travis Bailey went to the bench with four fouls.

The Wildcats chipped away at the lead. White scored twice in the lane, and then Derek Christy connected with a trey from the right corner at the buzzer. Cassville was finally within single digits at 36-27 with one quarter remaining.

Lamar could not shift gears to match the frenetic pace, and Cassville mounted a stirring fourth quarter comeback. White was fouled following a Hoppes miss, and his two free throws capped a 10-0 run to give the Wildcats a 37-36 lead with 1:10 remaining.

Bailey regained the lead for Lamar, converting with an offensive board. Then a Morey free throw gave the Tigers a 39-37 lead. With the clock racing down, Hoppes dribbled across half court, pulled up at the bonus line, and swished a monumental three to give Cassville a 40-39 lead with

seven ticks remaining.

Time out, Lamar. Then time out, Cassville.

The Tigers hurried the ball across midcourt, and Lamar's Tyler Ryerson called his final strategic time out with :03.6 showing on the clock. Coming out of the huddle, Milleson studied the Lamar alignment and burned another clockstopper in the coaching chess game.

The crowd rose collectively as Parker King triggered the inbounds pass to Morey. Dogged by White on the perimeter, he had no chance to feed Bailey in the post. Morey faked, elevated, and prayed in an impossible trey as the horn echoed in the gym

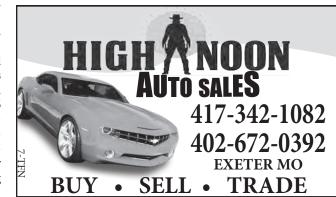
Lamar won in stunning fashion, 42-40.

Cassville falls to 8-13

with the loss, while Lamar improves to 12-9.

Cassville scorers: DJ White, 15; Ethan Hoppes, 11; Hayden Sink, 4; Jarrod Wallace, 4; Luke Lowery, 3; Derek Christy, 3.

Lamar scorers: Garrett Morey, 13; Travis Bailey, 12; Ian Moore, 9; Landon Hardman, 4; J.D. Bishop, 2; Parker King, 1; Connor O'Neal, 1.





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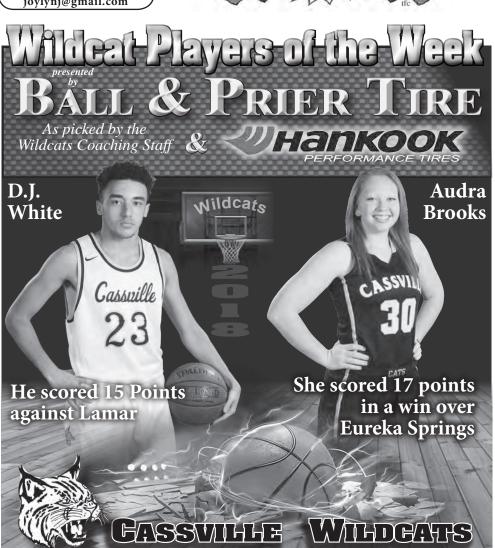
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Purdy Eagles celebrate Homecoming and Hall of Fame induction

The Purdy High School Student Council and Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) joined forces this year to sponsor the 2018 Homecoming and FBLA Week. This year's Homecoming theme is Moana. Activities planned for the week of February 5-9 include special dress-up days, such as Disney Day, Beach Day, School Spirit Day and Traffic Light Day, where students wear colors representing their relationship status: Red for Taken;

Yellow for It's Complicated and Green for Available. The week's festivities will culminate in the crowning of the 2018 Mr. Tip-Off at a special assembly, hosted by the Purdy High School Cheerleaders, on Friday afternoon.

This year's Freshman Mr. Tip-Off Candidate is Osiel Aldava. Osiel is the son of Andres and Norma Aldava. He represents the Eagles on the basketball team and is a member of FFA.

Representing the Sopho-

mores is Harley Stephens. Harley is the son of Jamie Roller and Michael Stephens. He also represents the Eagles on the basketball team and serves his school and community as an FFA member.

Purdy's Junior Mr. Tip-Off Candidate is Kyler Propps. Kyler is the son of Kevin and Mica Propps. He plays both basketball and baseball for the Eagles, serves as Junior Class Officer, FBLA Student Council representative and FFA Reporter. Kyler is active in FBLA, FFA, Student Council, Youth Alive and National Honor Society.

This year's Senior Mr. Tip-Off Candidate is Kole Rea. Kole is the son of Kevin Rea and Brandon and Jennifer Rose. He represents the Eagles on the basketball court and the baseball field. Kole is a member of FBLA and FFA, where he serves as Chaplain.

The Purdy High School Junior Varsity basketball team will take the court at 6 PM in the first of two Homecoming match-ups against the McAuley Warriors. Following the JV contest the Purdy High School Athletic Hall of Fame will induct its newest member, Volleyball Coach Nancy Easter. Easter served as head volleyball coach for the Eagles from 1985 to 1990. She led her teams to five District title matches and two trips to the State Volleyball Tournament, where they finished in third place in both 1988 and 1989. Easter was named Conference Coach of the Year in 1988 and 1989 and State Coach of the Year in 1988.

The 2018 Purdy High School Homecoming Queen will be crowned following the Hall of Fame Induction. Members of the Purdy High School Basketball Team will escort the candidates. Leading the coronation procession will be Flower Girl Pacie Utter and Crownbearer Bryson Terry. Pacie is the daughter of Coy and Carrie Utter, both Purdy High School Alumni. Bryson is the son of Spencer and Shelby Terry, also both Purdy High

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School Alumni.

This year's Freshman candidate is Bayleigh Robbins. Bayleigh is the daughter of Cecil and Jennifer Robbins. Bayleigh is a three-sport athlete, representing the Lady Eagles in Volleyball, Basketball and Softball. She is also a member of FBLA, FFA and Choir.

Representing the Sophomores is Shana Whisman. Shana is the daughter of Shane Whisman and Denise Hembree. She is the granddaughter of Lynn Whisman. Shana represents the Lady Eagles

on the softball field. She also serves her school as Sophomore Student Council Representative and Yearbook Social Media Coordinator. Shana is a member of Student Council, FBLA, Audition Choir, Yearbook Staff and Youth Alive.

The Junior Homecoming Candidate is Emma Harkey. She is the daughter of Sam Harkey and Amy Harkey. Emma represents the Lady Eagles in Volleyball, Basketball and Track and Field. She serves as the National Honor Society Student Council Representative. Emma is a member of National Honor Society, Student Council, National English Honor Society, Yearbook Staff, Student Government and FBLA.

This year's Senior Homecoming Candidate is Emma Mareth. Emma is the daughter of Ed and Julia Mareth. She represents the Eagles as a member of the Cheerlead-



The Purdy High School Athletic Hall of Fame's 2018 inductee, Volleyball Coach Nancy Easter.

ing Squad, the Track and Field Team and the Floriculture Team. Emma serves her school as FFA Secretary, FBLA Student Council Representative, Senior Class Vice President and Cheerleading Captain. She is a member of FFA, FBLA, National Honor Society, Youth Alive and Student Council.

Purdy High School students and their special guests will enjoy a Homecoming Dance, sponsored by Student Council Advisers Tabitha Farris and Lacey Nelson, immediately following the varsity basketball game.



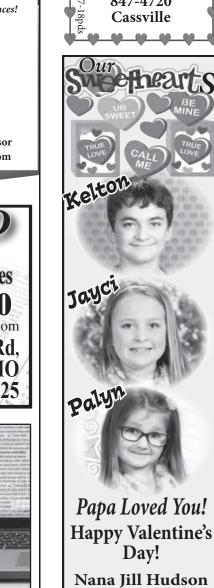
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The 2018 Purdy High School Homecoming and Mr. Tip-Off Candidates pictured from left. Seated: Bayleigh Robbins, freshman candidate; and Shana Whisman, sophomore candidate. Back row: Kyler Propps, junior candidate; Emma Harkey, junior candidate; Osiel Aldava, freshman candidate; Kole Rea, senior candidate; Emma Mareth, senior candidate; and Harley Stephens, sophomore candidate.







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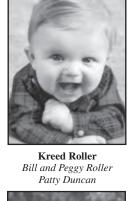
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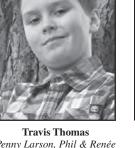
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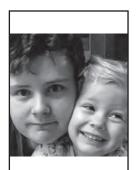
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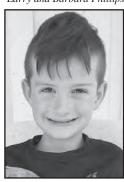
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• 3:30 Thursday is an after-school activity held each week. Don't miss out on these fun events for the

- February 8-Laughter & Lip-Sync: Come "sing" your favorite song for the audi-

- February 15-New DVD Release: Wonder

- February 22-LEGO Club

• Two Adult Canvas Painting sessions will be offered on Thursday, February 8, at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. Supplies and instruction are furnished. Call (417) 847-2121 to register.

 Season 2 of the Crazy 8s Math Club will begin on February 13. Registration is required and space is limited.

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• The Monday Movie Matinee for February 12 will be Only the Brave starting at 1:30 p.m. Bring your own snacks.

• Bingo returns on Tuesday, February 13, at 5:30 p.m.

· All branches of the Barry-Lawrence Library will

be closed Monday, February 19, for the President's Day Holiday.

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• Preschool Story Time meets on Thursdays at 10

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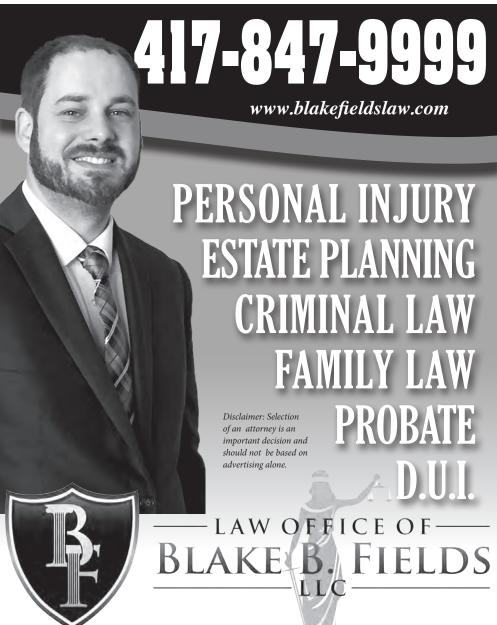


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workshops and skits the State FFA Officers encouraged first-year FFA members to explore their talents and reach outside their comfort zone for the opportunities provided through FFA membership. They helped the new agriculture students set goals for their education, careers, and FFA experience.

Eighteen conferences were held at 13 different locations throughout the state: Missouri State Fair Grounds, Sedalia; Bowling Green High School, Bowling Green; Truman State University, Kirksville; Sullivan High School, Sullivan; Three Rivers Community College, Poplar Bluff; Missouri State University, West Plains; Lincoln University, Jefferson City; Southeast Missouri State

University, Cape Girardeau; Waynesville High School, Waynesville; Missouri State University, Springfield; Missouri Western State College, St. Joseph; University of Missouri, Columbia; and North Central Missouri College, Trenton.

The FFA is a national youth organization of over 650,000 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 343 chapters and more than 25,900 members in Missouri. The FFA strives to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural educa-



Purdy FFA Members attending the annual Greenhand Conference, pictured from left to right, with State Officers. First row: Past President Colton Spencer, Aurora; Vice President Elise Bailey, Bowling Green; 1st Vice President Mariah Fox, Trenton; Vice President Madelyn Warren, Chillicothe; and Vice President Justin Belew, Ashland. Second row: Breanna Perkins; Makenna Orwig; Sydni Lakey; Clay Henderson; Dawson Abramovitz; Andres Aldaba; Mason Harkey and Collin Stanford. Third row: Grace Robertson; Bayleigh Robbins; Audrey Lowe; Macy Terry; Erik Cruz; Elmer Rueda; Osiel Aldava; Oscar Ortega and Matthew Nichols. Fourth row: Rylee Boyd; Kole Rea; Ky Propps; Kinsley Mattingly; Lauren Schallert; Zack Brewer; Jake Brown; Zach McCool; and Axel Saldana.

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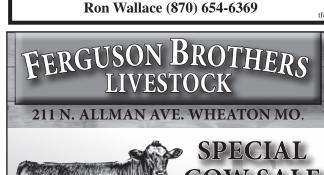
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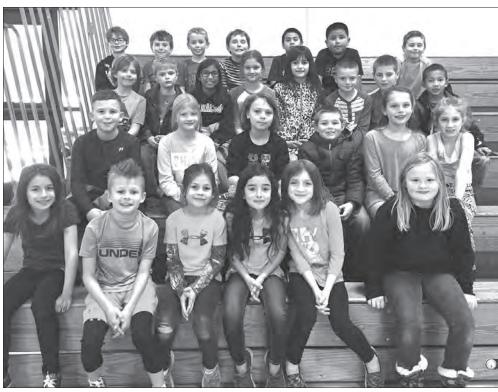
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Cassville rewards students' math skills

Cassville Intermediate students that have mastered their math facts were recently honored with a celebration with their peers and a fun game of dodgeball.

After completing their monthly math exams, intermediate staff evaluated the test

results and celebrated third grade students that were able to correctly complete 20 math facts in one minute, fourth graders had to complete 23 facts in one minute and fifth grade students had to complete 25 facts in one minute.



Cassville's third graders who mastered their math facts are pictured above from left to right. In the front row: Brynn Whittenburg, Coleson Cupit, Isabella Bauman, Alexis Lopez, Emilee Kimberlin and Makayla Hartin Espinoza. Second row: Carlos Barrientos, Audrey Kennedy, Zoey Moylan, Kyle Brown, Shailey Hodge and Anabele Mills. Third row: Kamryn Mark, Dale Stockton, Maura Boise, Taylor Kennedy, Reinna Robinson, Shane Harvey, Harley Madison and Hugh Thao. Back row: Tyler Matthew, Kadyn Green, Cheney Kelley, Tristen Warren, David Rehbach, Diego Ibarra and Brexton Sprague.



Cassville's fourth graders who mastered their math facts are pictured above from left to right. In the front row: Tyra Sturgell, Claire Rueter, Riley James, Logan Marple and Isabel Serrano. Second row: Jadon Castleberry, Paul Mounce, Adriana Kelley and Tyson Bohmke. Back row: Joy Burnette, Joei Blankenship, Diego Haros and Tera Tippings.



Cassville's fifth graders who mastered their math facts are pictured above from left to right. In the front row: Justin Lupica, Lessica Marlowe, Kyler Hayward, Monty Hang, Jonathan Stults, Jared Crase, Miller Reid, Drake Mitchell and Kyle Baile. Second row: Riley Quinlan, Hailey Bryan, Bodee Rose, Austin Meltabarger, Dustin Simon, Maliki Pate, Gracen Hilburn, Hannah Blankenship and Ryker Nelson. Third row: Kaitlyn Birchfield, Nicolas Fierro, Abraham Cortez-Garcia, Eli Stokes, Maddock Roark, Kaitlyn Tiner and Ian Dover. Back row: Rebekah Fry, Adelee Hendricks, Lauren Sparkman, Kyla Bowling, Kalee Lowe, Talen Reed and Brody Osborne.

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Cassville IDC holds annual stockholder meeting

The Cassville Industrial Development Corporation held its annual stockholder meeting January 11. Stan Kelley was re-elected to serve a three year term as board member and Kayla Ragsdale was elected to fill the spot vacated by Annette Henderson who did not seek re-election. Hender-

son will continue to serve the IDC as Secretary.

Kayla Ragsdale is a Cassville native, graduating from Cassville High School in 2001. She earned her Bachelor of Science in accounting from Southwest Baptist University in 2005 and spent seven years working in account-

ing and finance in Kansas City. Ragsdale accepted her current position as Chief Financial Officer of Hutchens Construction Co. in 2012 and moved her family back to her hometown.

Ragsdale joins Stan Kelley, Randy Stockton, Mike McCracken and Stu Gatley on the IDC Board.



Pictured above, from left to right, in the front row: Annette Henderson and Kayla Ragsdale. Back row: Mike McCracken, Randy Stockton, Stan Kelley and Stu Gatley.









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