

City of Cassville council votes to allow fireworks in city limits

Charlea Estes-Jones

The City of Cassville City Council moved forward with approving an ordinance that will allow citizens to shoot off fireworks around July 4th starting this year. The decision came down to a three-to-one vote with the yes votes approving the change.

The council meeting on Monday night, February 11, included a continued discussion regarding the ordinance change. Alder-

man Jon Horner said a few changes were made from the original proposal to allow fireworks to be shot off within the city limits, "We made two changes since last meeting. We added a provision that changed the time fireworks are allowed until 11 p.m. on the actual fourth instead of midnight like it originally said. Then we added a restriction for not shooting them off near hospitals, nursing homes or fireworks stands."

Little discussion was added regarding the ordinance, which had been brought up during the January meeting. The ordinance didn't pass in January due to an alderman missing and the need for a majority

of total council members' votes for it to pass.

During January's meeting, Horner expressed the desire for the city to be consistent and allow fireworks to be shot off since stands sell them inside city limits.

He also believed it would free up law enforcement from calls regarding fireworks on the Fourth of July.

During February's meeting, alderman Jerry Marple elaborated his concerns during discussion prior to the vote. He said, "I did some research, and 11,900 people were treated in hospitals in 2015 for fireworks injuries."

Marple added comments on other statistics, as well. He concluded, "I think it's

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One arrested in Purdy grocery store armed robbery

Charlea Estes-Jones

An Aurora man is in jail after being charged with the armed robbery of a Purdy grocery store. According to affidavits of probable cause by Purdy Police Department's officer Russ Nichols, Christopher James Owens, 28, of Aurora, held a cashier at knife point and stole an undetermined amount of cash.

Officer Nichols was dispatched to King Cash Saver in Purdy on Wednesday, February 6, around 6:55 p.m. The cashier told him a man had displayed an open folding knife, given her a plastic bag and demanded she put all of the money from the register inside.

At that point, the report states Owens fled the store on foot in an unknown direction. Deputies from the Barry County Sheriff's Department, the Wheaton Police Department and Purdy chief of police Jackie Lowe all canvassed the area, looking for the suspect based on a description given by the cashier, according to a post on the Purdy Police Department's Facebook page.

Owens was found on 9th Street with the item of clothing described by the cashier at King Cash Save,: a red hoodie with the Deadpool logo on the front, nearby. The affidavits of probable cause state the cashier positively identified Owens when he was taken back to the store.

The Facebook post details that officers found a large amount of cash on Owens' person, and the sweatshirt and the plastic bag, which still contained some of the money. The knife had not been found as of time of press.

Owens is charged with first degree robbery and armed criminal action. He is currently being held in the Barry County Jail on a \$75,000 cash-only bond.

Exeter crowns Homecoming royalty



Exeter School crowned its 2019 Homecoming royalty. Pictured above, from left to right, in the front row: crown bearer Seth Lee, son of Pao and Janny Lee; and flower girl Emma Higgs, daughter of Chase and Mandi Higgs. Second row: sophomore Peyton Rayburn, son of Charles Rayburn and Mary Fellows; freshman Emily Sandlin, daughter of Richard and Mary Sandlin; senior cheer captain Vanessa Ward, daughter of Steven and Moneesh Loftis; 2018 Homecoming king Trevor Nelson, son of Ron Nelson and Kim Nelson. Third row: junior Logan Rayburn, son of Charles Rayburn and Mary Fellows; and junior Madison Tarr, daughter of Shawn and Annette Tarr; first attendant Breana Grant, daughter of Adam and Jennifer Grant and Betsy Grant; and sophomore Hank Woods, son of Matt and Callie Woods. Back row: senior 2019 Homecoming king Clayton Elders, son of Shane and Diana Elders; and 2019 Homecoming queen Julia Grant, daughter of Adam and Jennifer Grant and Betsy Grant.

Homecoming is sponsored by the cheerleaders and coach Becka Johnson.

Seligman reserves funds planning ahead for water system upgrade

Vinnie Roberts

The City of Seligman is planning ahead and putting away money for future water repairs on the city's lines. At the regular city council meeting on Monday, February 11, the City of Seligman passed a resolution to grant the city the authority to set up a Certificate of Deposit (CD) with People's Community Bank of Seligman.

Since last year, the city has been raising their monthly water rates by five dollars annually, with the rates expected to reach a total increase of \$25 by 2023. The purpose of the CD is to act as a repository for the funds generated by that increase.

The funds from this annual rate increase will be a component in funding a larger water project in the city's future. In 2023, the city is planning to move forward with the replacement of a large concrete pipe that runs from city hall out to Highway 37 as well as putting in an additional water tower.

This change would not only allow the city to run more water with higher pressure, but will also eliminate some of the issues brought about by the aging of the current pipe. Currently, the pipe running from city hall to Hwy. 37 has been in place since the 1950's.

"That pipe is the backbone of our water system currently," said Seligman city clerk Brian Nichols.

The current pipe is made primarily of concrete. The replacement, according to Nichols, would be made of PVC and ductile iron. This would enable the pipe to be in place with little to no maintenance for years to come, effectively limiting the plumbing issues that have been plaguing the city for years.

"Ideally, by 2023 we should have around \$600,000 in there," said Nichols. "After that, we're planning to apply for about half a million dollar community development block grant. The rest of the funding would come from a bond issue that we would introduce once the rest of the funding was in place."

Estimates put the total amount for the project at roughly \$2.6 million. A sum of \$625,000 of that amount would go to the construction of the water tower, while the remaining amount would go toward the replacement of the pipe.

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Fate of old Jenkins bridge to be discussed next Tuesday

Charlea Estes-Jones

Two years ago, the old bridge in Jenkins was closed. While the bridge that spanned Flat Creek was a popular meeting and swimming spot, the bridge was in bad shape. MoDOT issued a notice to the county commission telling them to close it. Now, a public meeting is slated to determine the fate of the old Jenkins bridge on Farm Road 1215.

The meeting will be held in the Clio Community Building on Tuesday, February 19, 6:30 p.m.

Barry County northern commissioner Gary Schad said the meeting is aimed at collecting public input regarding the fate of the bridge and what citizens would have the commissioners decide.

Options for the bridge are: demolition, offering it for sale to a private party or group or selling it to be deconstructed and taken off site.

Schad said, "We're having the meeting so that anyone who is interested in saying something or has a concern can speak up. We'll have our engineer there to have explain the deficiencies in it and why we're not repairing it. The engineer will also go over what would be needed for it to qualify as a pedestrian bridge."

Of the options, the most conservative financial option would be to sell the bridge. Schad said, "We're open to sell the bridge if there is interest. We'd heard from one person that there was interest by someone in buying it, but whether that is true or not, I'm not sure. They could take it apart and put it back together however they want to somewhere else."

Schad said the demolition option would cost the county around \$20,000.

If the bridge were bought and converted into a pedestrian bridge, improvements

would have to be made to comply with all state guidelines and statutes.

All future maintenance would also have to be funded privately if the bridge were sold to a private person or group.

The primary reason the bridge was decommissioned to begin with was because the cost to rehabilitate the structure was more than the commission deemed was reasonable to pay. Schad explained, "It's been in a bad situation for awhile, but it's one of those bridges that there are alternate routes around that area. It's a bridge that the county commission deemed that it's just not worth spending anywhere from \$150,000 to \$350,000 to replace. We feel like that money could be spent on higher priority places."

Schad said so far, the commission hasn't gotten much feedback on the bridge. He said, "We've only heard back



The old Jenkins bridge on Farm Road 1215 is pictured above. The bridge was closed around two years ago when MoDOT recommended its closure to the Barry County commissioners. The fate of the bridge will be decided after a public meeting at the Clio Community Building on Tuesday, February 19, at 6:30 p.m.

from a couple people interested in the bridge meeting, but we want to make sure they will be heard on how they feel."

The meeting will be held at the Clio Community Building on Highway 39 near the intersection with Highway 248, on Tuesday, February 19, at 6:30 p.m.

For those unable to attend the meeting who want to submit an opinion, the county commission's mailing address is 700 Main Street, Suite 2, Cassville, MO 65625.

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Country Dodge closed without notice

Charlea Estes-Jones & Vinnie Roberts

Rumors abound after Cassville vehicle dealership Country Dodge's doors were closed with no notification to customers. According to employees, they were not given notice of the dealership's closure, either.

Multiple employees came forward with details regarding Country Dodge's rapid departure with no information regarding what will happen to employees' final paychecks or customers' cars that are still in the maintenance shop. As of time of press, no notices were displayed on the doors nor had calls been returned to customers asking about service being done on their vehicles.

According to Country Dodge employee Scott Roberts, "[The owners] addressed the staff on Monday. They told us they had two different buyers and would keep the place open for 60 days and that we would get paid and that they would help anyone who wanted to stay on through the transition. [Tuesday] morning, I was met at the door by my supervisor and told to get my things and go home. The phones and internet were disconnected. No one was there. It looked like a ghost town."

Another employee corroborated the claim, saying the doors were shuttered when they

showed up for work the next day, Tuesday, February 12.

Roberts said, "[An owner] told us they were bankrupt." They continued to say keys to vehicles currently in the service department would be taken to the Barry County Sheriff's Department.

As of time of press, the keys to those vehicles had not been delivered to the Sheriff's office and Country Dodge remains closed.

While rumors permeated the community of financial issues and termination of at least one employee prior to the closure, representatives of the Cassville Police Department and Barry County Sheriff's Department denied any investigation related to the dealership at this time.

Court records did not show any federal or state criminal, civil or bankruptcy cases open against any known owners or employees of Country Dodge as of time of press.

Calls placed to the two owners of the dealership seeking comment went unanswered, and messages were not returned.

There were reportedly 12 employees at Country Dodge when the location was closed.

Sheriff's office seeking suspects in armed robbery

Charlea Estes-Jones

The Barry County Sheriff's Office is seeking tips regarding an armed robbery of the Viney Creek Store on Monday, February 11, around 1:35 p.m. The Viney Creek Store is located at the end of Missouri Highway J.

According to Major Leonard Collins, of the Barry County Sheriff's Department, the two suspects displayed a knife to the cashier before taking her cell phone and fleeing.

Collins said, "They didn't get money or anything else except for her cell phone."

The Sheriff's Office also shared information on their Facebook page, stating, "Two men dressed in black entered the store with masks on and threatened the clerk with a weapon." The post went on to ask for anyone who saw suspects wearing the clothing mentioned or people walking away from the store around that time to contact the Sheriff's office.

Collins confirmed the detectives with the department are still looking for leads to find the suspects involved. He

said, "The clerk couldn't get enough of a description for us to pinpoint any possible suspects. We have no suspects to look for at this time, so if anyone has any information, we'd be glad to follow up on it."

If you have information regarding the robbery, contact the Barry County Sheriff's Office at (417) 847-6556 or through Barry-Lawrence County Crime Stoppers at 1 (888) 635-TIPS. Tipsters can remain anonymous.

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a hazard to people in the community. I understand people are going to do it anyway, but a large number of kids under the age of 15 are injured every year. I think it's a community and health hazard."

During the vote, Marple was the lone council member who voted against the measure. Horner made the motion to approve the revised fireworks code, allowing shooting off fireworks within the city limits during special times. Alderwoman Cindy Carr seconded the motion. Horner, Carr and alderman Mike Vining all

voted in favor, approving the change.

Cassville's new fireworks ordinance will allow citizens to shoot off consumer-grade fireworks within the city limits on July 1, 2 and 3, from 12 p.m. to 10 p.m. and July 4, from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Fireworks may not be discharged within 100 feet of a hospital, fireworks stand or nursing home nor if there is a burn ban in place.

The remaining days of the year, discharge of fireworks will still be prohibited within city limits.

Alleged axe threat outside Purdy store results in one arrest

Vinnie Roberts

Last week, an alleged Purdy altercation involving an axe resulted in one man's arrest. According to affidavits of probable cause by officer Russ Nichols, of the Purdy Police Department, Brian Christopher Coleman, 31, harassed the victim while brandishing a double-bladed axe. Coleman was arrested at approximately 7:27 p.m. on Thursday, January 31.

According to the affidavits, at approximately 6 p.m. on January 31, Coleman was in a store on Business Highway 37 at the same time as the victim. Coleman allegedly made comments to the victim as they passed in the doorway.

Coleman told the officer he felt threatened for his safety and walked away to his vehicle. Coleman then retrieved a double-bladed axe from his vehicle and walked back toward the victim, according to the report.

The affidavits state Coleman brandished the weapon, attempting to entice victim into attacking him.

Coleman is currently being held at the Barry County Jail on a \$25,000 cash-only bond for harassment in the 1st degree and unlawful use of a weapon - exhibiting, both felonies.



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February 14th
The Habitat ReStore, Cassville, is having 50% Off. Exclusions are paint and bundled wood.
A Valentine's Day Lunch will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Cassville Senior Center. The cost for anyone 60+ is a suggested donation of \$3.50. For everyone else, the cost is \$6. There will be Bingo from 12 noon to 12:30 p.m.

February 15th
Blue & Gold Day/Supporters Breakfast will be hosted at the Exeter Ag Department from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. Farmers, businesses, alumni and teachers are welcome.

February 16th
Valentine Weekend Brunch for a free will offering will be held at Central Crossing Senior Center from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Barry County Genealogical & Historical Society February Business Meeting will be at the Bayless House located on the corner of Townsend Street and West 9th Street, Cassville, at 1 p.m. The public is welcome.

February 17th
Ozark Festival Orchestra will present a "Masterpieces and Young Artist" concert at the Monett High School Performing Arts Center at 3 p.m. Admission is \$10, \$5 for senior citizens 65 and older. Students high school age and younger will be admitted free.

February 19th
Southwest Community Baccalaureate Committee will be having a meeting at 6 p.m. in the Southwest R-5 High School commons area. Pastors, parents, seniors and community are urged to come and participate and support the 2019 seniors.
The Barry County Commission will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Clio Community Building to discuss demolition of the Old Jenkins Bridge on Farm Road 1215.
A Free Computer Class open to all skill levels will be hosted at Central Crossing Senior Center from 12:45 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. A low cost lunch will be served prior to the class from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
The Barry County Republican Club will hold its monthly meeting in Monett at the Angus Branch Steakhouse at 6:30 p.m.

February 23rd
Annual Men's Club Chili Supper will be hosted at St. John's Lutheran Church, Stones Prairie Parish, at 6 p.m. The menu will include chili, potato soup, relishes, drinks, and homemade desserts.
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.
Fundraiser Breakfast will be served at the Eagle Rock Fire House from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.

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School Menus: February 11 - February 15

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Southwest: Tues: B: biscuits & gravy, sausage links, orange wedges or cereal, juice. L: beef & bean burrito, salsa, nacho cheese and chips, Mexican corn, tropical fruit or salad/fruit bar. Wed: breakfast sausage pizza, fresh fruit or cereal, juice. L: spaghetti, romaine salad, garlic bread, pineapple or salad/fruit bar. Thurs: B: french toast sticks, syrup cup, yogurt cup, diced pears or cereal, juice. L: taco salad, lettuce, cheese, salsa, Mexican rice, peaches or salad/fruit bar. Fri: hot ham & hashbrown sandwich, fresh grapes or cereal, juice. L: cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, potato chips, apple slices with caramel or salad/fruit bar.
Cassville Prim.-Int.-Middle: Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or oatmeal, toast, sausage, mandarin oranges or cereal, Pop-Tart, peaches. L: little smokies or sub sandwich, potato wedge, baked beans, saltine crackers, fruit cocktail. Wed: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, toast, apple sauce or cereal, graham crackers, pears. L: sloppy joe or country steak, BBQ chips, pinto beans, peaches. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or cherry frudel, yogurt cups, peaches or cereal, cinnamon toast, mandarin oranges. L: chicken sandwich or beef burrito, nachos, broccoli & cheese, juice. Fri: biscuit & gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, applesauce or cereal, chocolate muffin, applesauce.
Cassville High School: Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or blueberry bagel, Go-Gurt, peaches or cereal, Pop-Tart, fruit cocktail. L: grilled ham & cheese, chicken & noodle soup, crackers, carrots, applesauce or chicken nugget meal or salad meal. Wed: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, hashbrown, toast, tropical fruit or cereal, graham crack-

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ers, peaches. L: pork patty sandwich, lettuce, tomato, Sun Chips, baked beans, fruit cocktail or pizza meal or salad meal. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage patty, peaches or cereal, Rice Krispy Treat, fruit cocktail. L: general chicken, rice, carrots, egg roll, pears or cheeseburger meal or salad meal. Fri: biscuit & gravy or breakfast pizza, hashbrown, pears or cereal, granola bars, orange. L: shrimp poppers, mac & cheese, green beans, cookie, peaches or baked potato meal or salad meal.
Purdy: Mon: B: cereal, toast, fruit. L: breaded beef patty, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, bread slice. Tues: B: pancakes, syrup, cereal, yogurt, fresh fruit. L: cashew chicken, broccoli, carrots, egg rolls, fruit. Wed: B: wg biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, cereal, fruit. L: chili, string cheese, dill pickles, carrots, fruit. Thurs: B: skillet omelet, ww toast, cereal, strawberry cup. L: loaded baked potato, celery sticks, cheese sauce, ww breadstick, fruit. Fri: B: breakfast pizza, cereal, yogurt, fruit. L: hot ham & cheese, potato chips, fresh broccoli, ranch, fruit cup.
Exeter: Tues: B: pancake on a stick, orange, juice or cereal, Pop-Tart, orange. L: cheeseburger, bun, baked beans, broccoli, fruit. Wed: B: oatmeal, toast, fruit, juice or cereal, toast, fruit, juice. L: sweet & sour chicken, brown rice, monaco veggies, fortune cookie, fruit. Thurs: B: cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit, juice or cereal, Pop-Tart, fruit, juice. L: meatloaf, mashed potatoes, corn, roll, fruit. Fri: B: sausage biscuit, banana, juice or cereal, biscuit, banana, juice. L: cheese pizza, salad, carrots, fruit.

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Verona man injured in head-on crash outside of Jenkins

Charlea Estes-Jones
 A Verona man was injured after a two vehicle crash on MO 39 north of Jenkins on Tuesday. According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol crash report, a pick up crossed the center line and struck a semi truck head-on. On Tuesday, February 12, a 2008 Dodge pickup truck, driven by David L. Jenkins, 44, of Verona, was headed northbound about two miles north of Jenkins when the truck crossed the center line and struck a semi head-on around 6:45 a.m. The semi, a 1996 Pe-

terbilt driven by Jason M. Huebner, 34, of Lockwood, was headed southbound. Jenkins was taken to Cox South Hospital in Springfield with serious injuries. Huebner had no reported injuries at the time of the crash. Jenkins was not wearing

a seat belt at the time of the crash. Huebner was wearing a seat belt. The Dodge was totaled and towed from the scene by Jim Car Towing, of Aurora. The semi sustained moderate damage and was driven from the scene.

Ozark Festival Orchestra young artists concert Feb. 17

The Ozark Festival Orchestra will continue its 39th season on Sunday, Feb. 17, with a “Masterpieces and Young Artist” concert at the Monett High School Performing Arts Center in Monett. The concert will be held at 3 p.m. The performing arts center is located west of the Price Cutter Supermarket off Bridle Lane, north of East Cleveland Avenue in the north-east corner of Monett. Under the baton of Music Director Todd Borgmann, the OFO will continue its long-running annual series of Young Artist concerts, providing performance opportunities for young people in southwest Missouri. This year’s Young Artist is Abigail Coates, a 14-year-old home schooled piano student of Cindy Dittrich, who has been playing since age 3. She will perform the finale to Beethoven’s Piano Concerto No. 2. Other masterpieces on the program will include the second suite from Bizet’s opera “Carmen,” the overture to Handel’s opera “Theodora,” an orchestral arrangement of the second Suite for Military Band by Gustav Holst, and additional shorter works by American composers. The Young Artist concert series is underwritten by the Barry-Lawrence Area United Fund, expanding opportunities for young people in the bi-county area. Admission is \$10, \$5 for senior citizens 65 and older. Students high school age and younger will be admitted free. Future concerts for the season will be the Pops in the Park gala on April 14, 2019, at the Monett City Park Casino. The OFO is a community orchestra composed of players from southwest Missouri and nearby towns, focusing primarily on classical music. Rehearsals are held weekly in Monett. The orchestra is supported by memberships, local foundations, ads in the orchestra program book and funds managed by the Monett Community Foundation.

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BILLY JOE TYGART
Billy Joe Tygart, formerly of Washburn, died of complications of Alzheimers. He was 85. He was born in Aldrich on Nov. 24, 1933, to Henry Tygart and Anna Bosely Tygart, the fifth of six children.
He received his education in Missouri and California, earning a high school diploma before entering the Air Force in 1952. In 1956, he married Sandra E. Worrall. They travelled around the world, being stationed in California, New Mexico, Virginia, and Texas, as well as Turkey, Germany and the Philippines before retiring to rural Washburn in 1973.
They enjoyed auctions and were active in the VFW.

She preceded him in death in 2001. Survivors include his brother, John Tygart, of Sedalia; his sister, Frances Redman, of Montana; and his children, Steve Tygart and his wife, Cheryl, of Washburn, Leonard Tygart, of Rogers, Ark., and JoAnna Easter and her husband, Russell, of Garfield, Ark. Also surviving are seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He was laid to rest at Springfield Veterans Cemetery with his wife of 44 years. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.



JEANNIE MONCRIEF
Jeannie Moncrief passed away on February 5, 2019. She was born on August 31, 1950, in Kansas City to

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Wayne and Maleta Forsberg.
Jeannie graduated from Wichita East High School in 1968 and studied art and ceramics at Kansas State University. She was a lifelong, dedicated KSU Wildcat fan.
On February 16, 1974, Jeannie and Bob Moncrief were united in marriage in Wichita, Kansas. Jeannie and Bob were blessed with the birth of a daughter, Kelsey Megan Moncrief, on August 26, 1984, and a son, Nicholas Jordan Moncrief, on November 18, 1985.
Jeannie and Bob lived and worked near Baxter Springs, Kansas, where they owned and operated their family greenhouse. Upon retirement, they settled full-time in Shell Knob, where they designed and built their dream home on Table Rock Lake.
Throughout her life, Jeannie shared her many talents and helped others. She worked with many organizations supporting differently-abled children, the arts, and animal welfare.
Jeannie loved the lake life. She and Bob loved hosting their friends and family at their beautiful home. She was especially fond of her Full Moon Bay neighbors and enjoyed planning parties and gatherings.
Jeannie was preceded in death by her father, Wayne Forsberg; her sister-in-law, Marsha Lynch; and niece, Elizabeth Lynch.
Survivors include her husband, Bob Moncrief; her mother, Maleta Forsberg; her children, Kelsey and Nicholas Moncrief; her sisters, Lori Swift and Lesly Forsberg; her brothers-in-law, Mark Swift and Kent Lynch; her sister-in-law, Dana Lynch; nephews and nieces-in-law, Arian Taherzadeh, Andrew and Azin Taherzadeh, Matthew and Christin Swift, Thomas and Sondra Swift, and Robert and Monica Swift; great-nieces and -nephews, Elle, Charlotte, Matthew, and Harrison Swift, and Avina Taherzadeh.
A private memorial service was held on Friday, February 8, 2019.
Memorial funds have been established in Jeannie's honor with the Nelson Atkins Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, and Homeward Trails Animal Rescue in Arlington, Virginia.
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DANNY MAURICE HAYDEN
Danny Maurice Hayden, 73, was born June 7, 1945, to Sam and Jerry Ann Morrison Hayden in Topeka, Kan. His family lived the next ten years in Enid, Okla., where his sister, Dana, was born. In 1956, the family moved to Winfield, Kan, where Dan graduated from Winfield High School in 1963. He attended KU in Lawrence, Kan., and from there enlisted in the army, went to language school, and served 3½ years in Bad Aibling. After his tour ended, he traveled to different parts of Europe, went back to the US, and finished his BS degree. He furthered his education in Lincoln, NE, where he met Kristi Lyn Haynes. They were married June 12, 1979, at the lakeside home of his parents in Shell Knob on Table Rock Lake. He and Kristi moved to Kansas City where he worked the next 20 years for pharmaceutical companies as a statisti-

cian/medical writer, writing reports for new medicines to be approved by the FDA. They had two children, Lindsey and Matthew. His company moved them to Seattle, Wash., where he worked for the next six years until his company was purchased and re-located to Emeryville, Calif. He retired and ended his 30-year career and continued his retirement by moving to South Mills, N.C., in 2017. He passed away at his home on Jan. 27, 2019.
Dan's legacy is left behind with his wife of 39½ years, Kristi; his daughter, Lindsey and husband, Adam Castaneda, and their six children; his son, Matthew, and his two daughters; and his sister, Dana Lynn Hayden Bennington and husband, Frank Bennington, of Shell Knob; and many nieces and nephews and cousins.
A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 17, 2019 at Forerunner Ministries in Elizabeth City, N.C.

GLEN ALLEN WORMINGTON
Glen Allen Wormington died Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019, at his home.
Services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, Feb. 15, 2019, at Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett. Graveside services will follow at I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Monett.

The Family of
BOBBY “BOB” CANTWELL
would like to express our gratitude for all the prayers and acts of kindness. We greatly appreciate the love shown to us by Pastor Donnie Spears and the Corinth Baptist Church. Thank you for all the amazing help from our family and our community. Thank you to Fohn Funeral Home and hospice for all the help in the final week.
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DOROTHY MAE CANCHOLA

Dorothy Mae Canchola, age 79, of Cassville, passed away at Mercy Hospital in Springfield on Wednesday, February 6, 2019. Mrs. Canchola, daughter of Edward and Dorothy (Brown) Lindsay, was born on November 10, 1939, in Kansas City. She was united in marriage to Porfidio Canchola on July 5, 1984, in Cassville. Mrs. Canchola worked at Fasco for many years. She enjoyed being around people and always had a smile on her face. Mrs. Canchola also enjoyed sewing, shopping, bird watching, all her pets and loved being with her family.

Survivors include her husband, Porfidio Canchola, of Cassville; three sons, Eddie Jarrell, of Fresno, California, Sean Flynn, of Oro Valley, Arizona, and Tim Canchola, of Springfield; four daughters, Sherry Jarrell, of Spanish Springs, Nevada, Dorene Palhke, of Tempe, Arizona, Lori Ritter, of Monett, and Paula Canchola, of Columbia; eight grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; and one sister, Linda Vogler, of Independence.

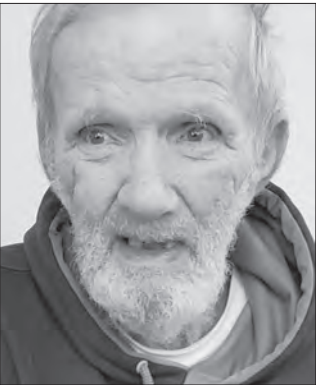
A Celebration of Life was held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 9, 2019, at the

White Funeral Home and Crematory with Evangelist John Hile officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children’s Hospital and entrusted to the White Funeral Home and Crematory, P.O. Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625.

Service arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.

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JERRY LEE HOFFMAN, SR.

Jerry Lee Hoffman, Sr., age 75, of Aurora, passed away Tuesday, February 5, 2019, at Roaring River Health and Rehabilitation Center in Cassville.

Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Burial will be at a later date at Gunter Cemetery in Butterfield.

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BETTY ANN HAYNES

Betty Ann Haynes, age 72, of Seligman, passed away Saturday, February 9, 2019, at her home.

Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, February 14, 2019, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Reverend Troy Cron and Reverend Bob Burns will conduct the services.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

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THELMA L. WOOD

Thelma L. Wood, age 88, of Rocky Comfort, passed away Saturday, February 9, 2019, at Freeman Neosho Hospital in Neosho.

Graveside services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at Union Cemetery in Stella, under direction of McQueen Funeral Home in Wheaton, Missouri. Pastor Donnie Spears will conduct the services.

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Local residents named to Harding deans list

The following local residents are among more than 1,200 Harding University students included on the dean's list for grades achieved during the fall 2018 semester:

- Brooke Lemaster, a sophomore nursing major from Monett
- Megan Thomas, a junior English major from Purdy

The dean's list is published each semester by Dr. Marty Spears, University provost, honoring those who have achieved high scholarship. To be eligible, a student must be carrying 12 or more hours with a 3.65 or higher grade-point average and no incompletes.

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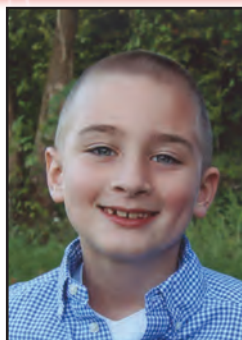
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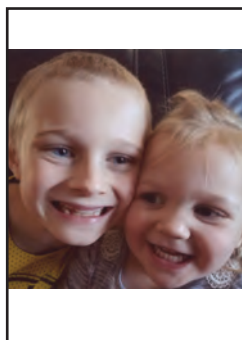
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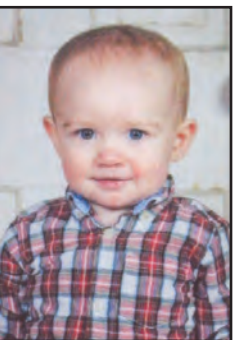
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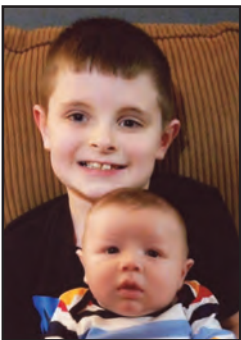
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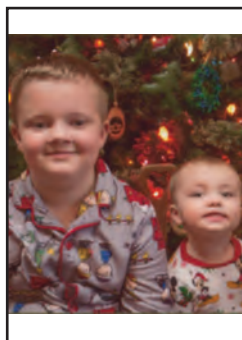
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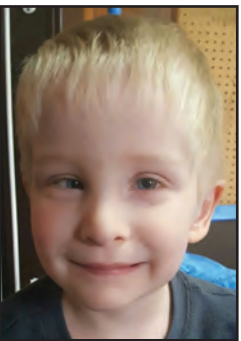
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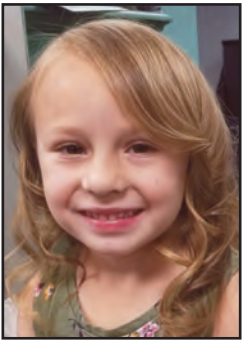
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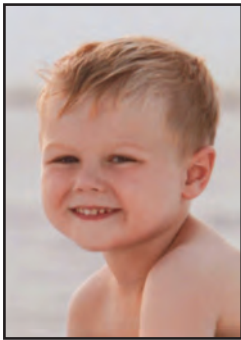
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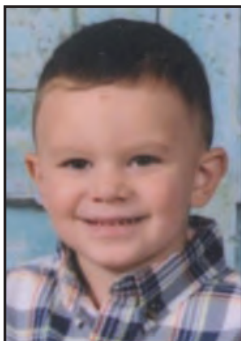
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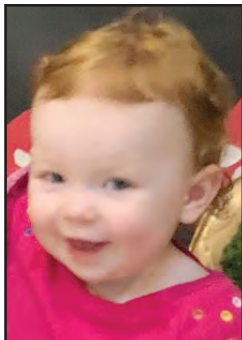
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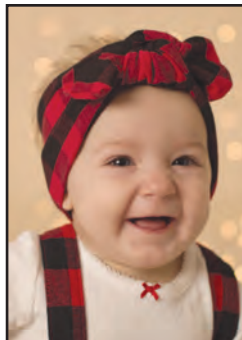
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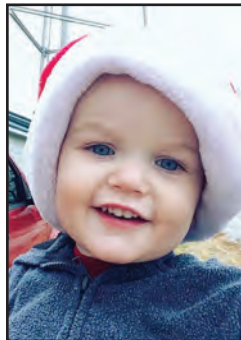
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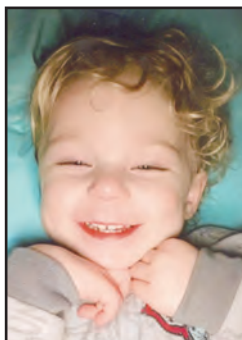
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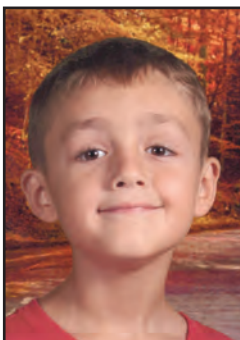
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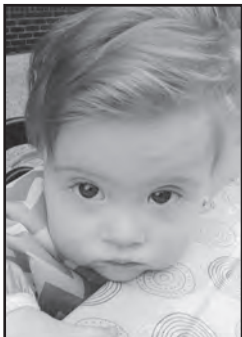
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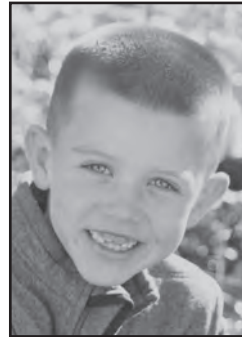
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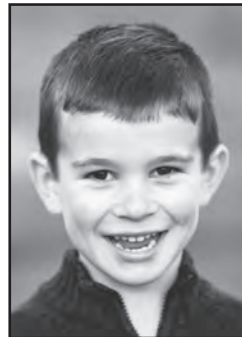
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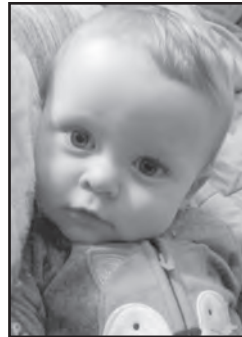
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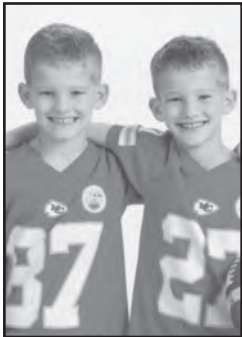
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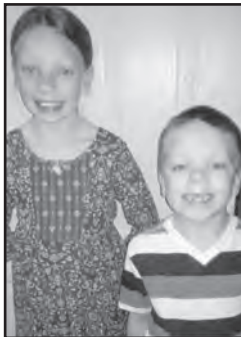
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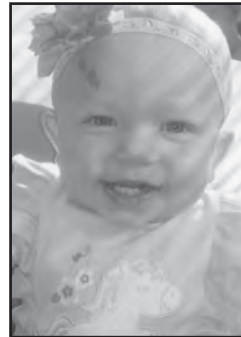
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Purdy released first semester honor rolls

Three injured in Monett crash

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11th grade B Honor Roll: Ximena Aldava, Heather Greenway, Haylie Harris, Ashlie Johnson, Andrew Martinez, Soledad Salas, Randy Schad and Kylie Wood.

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Exeter announces
January Student of the Month



People's Community Bank chose Lindsey Nelson to be the Student of the Month for January. Lindsey is a junior from Exeter. In addition to the certificate, Lindsey will receive a \$50 Graduate Certificate of Deposit. Lindsey was being recognized for having good character and citizenship.

Pictured above is Taylor House, of People's Community Bank, presenting the award to Lindsey Nelson.

Charlea Estes-Jones

Three people were injured they were in a crash and thrown from a truck east of Monett last week. According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol crash report, the driver failed to negotiate a curve.

The 2011 Dodge Ram was headed west-bound on Route Z about three miles east of Monett when it crashed around 2:30 p.m. on February 6. Mathew A. Hernandez, 27, of Butterfield, was driving with Kathleen F. Eden, 33, of Pierce City, and a four year old child* as passengers.

The driver failed to negotiate a curve, struck

a driveway and became airborne, according to the Missouri State Highway Patrol crash report. All three were ejected from the vehicle.

All three in the vehicle were seriously injured and taken to Cox South Hospital in Springfield for treatment.

None of the three were wearing seat belts at the time of the crash.

The Dodge was totalled and towed from the scene by West 60 Auto.

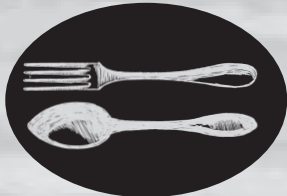
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Purdy announces Spelling Bee winners




Purdy Elementary teachers Cindy Burnside (back left) and Sarah Willson (back right) hosted the annual Purdy Elementary Spelling Bee on Tuesday, January 29. After an intense final round, sixth grader Zachary George, son of Shelly George, claimed victory by correctly spelling rehearsal and unforgettable. George will represent the Purdy Eagles at the annual Joplin Globe Spelling Bee on March 18.

He is pictured, front left, with first runner-up and alternate, fourth grader Cyris Williams (front right), grandson of Doug and Marsha Williams, who will compete at Joplin if George is unable to participate.



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Exeter athletes leave the court and help the community

Vinnie Roberts

For the last few years, Exeter girls athletic coaches Scott Stephens and Stephanie Crumpler have made it a priority to not only help shape the athletic futures of their students but also, their character.

In order to accomplish this, the coaches have spent the year arranging a variety of guest speakers as well as several volunteer opportunities for the ladies of Ex-

“Basketball is very important to me,” said Stephens. “We want be very competitive and win. The older I got, I knew that there was more to life than the results of a basketball game.”

Stephens continued, “I grew up in Exeter, I’m from this community. Sometimes when you’re here it’s easy to not realize that it’s a great big world out there.”

So far, guests have in-

cluded Vice President and general manager of the St. Louis Cardinals John "Mo" Mozeliak, Kansas City Chiefs sportscaster Art Haynes, as well as several Exeter alumni from fields including law enforcement, nursing, and business.

"I wanted people from all walks of life to come and talk to the girls about their story and how they became successful," said Stephens. "It was important to me to get Exeter alumni that have gone on to careers in nursing and started their own businesses and things like that to help them see that there are different paths to becoming successful."

"We come from a poor community," said Crumpler. "These individuals have gone on to college and they're successful now. I think it gives these girls a chance to see that they don't always have to just settle."

The speakers have positively affected the Exeter athletes as well.

“It’s been nice to talk to new people and talk to them

to get their life experiences,” said Tori Rose, Exeter basketball player. “A lot of them were from around here so, it helped us out by giving us an example.”

"They gave us a lot of ways that they used basketball in life to get through their problems," said Abbi Caddell, Exeter basketball player.

The Exeter Girls have volunteered at a number of places. They have volunteered at Haven of the Ozarks, a local animal no-kill animal shelter, as well as Roaring River Health and Rehab, a local medical center specializing in long-term care and rehabilitation.

In addition, the ladies of the Exeter athletics teams have also volunteered in Shoebox for Soldiers, a charity that donates care packages to soldiers stationed overseas, as well as a food drive put on by Exeter schools.

“These community events are important,” said Crumpler. “We’re always

going out in to the community and asking for donations, whether it be for basketball, cheerleading, or FFA. In this instance, we're going out and giving back."

On the student side, the student athletes feel that these events have helped them become more well-rounded and helped them become better equipped for life outside of high school.

"It's helped us step out of our comfort zones and do things that we wouldn't normally do," said Aubrey Antle, Exeter athlete.

The effects of the program can also be observed by members of the community.

"The girls were a great help to our organization," said Sherah Farris, director of the Haven of the Ozarks. "We have a lot of student groups come here to volun-

ter and help out with the animals, and while it isn't always fun work, volunteers really make a difference to the care of our animals."

The basketball team spent their time at Haven walking dogs and handing out dog treats.

Farris continued, "The Exeter team is welcome back any time to volunteer with us. We really appreciate all of the hard work they did as volunteers. Any other student groups can reach out to us at (417) 835-3647."

With the athletics season as well as the school year ending soon, coaches Crumpler and Stephens have no further plans regarding their teams' charity work this year. However, both expressed interest in continuing to work within the community with their girls in the coming years.



Exeter basketball player Malyea Henderson is pictured above, feeding some eager dogs at of the Haven of the Ozarks Animal Sanctuary.

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Grant available for high school fishing clubs

Isaac Estes-Jones

Grants of up to \$500 are available to high school fishing clubs from the Missouri Department of Conservation. These grants are being offered to help high school clubs provide quality fishing programs for students.

These funds can be used to help with travel, equipment or other needs of the club. However, they cannot be used to pay coaches or other advisers.

“We hope this grant will help develop young men and women with an appreciation for the outdoors and conservation, along with sharing their passion for fishing with others,” MDC fisheries programs specialist Andrew Branson said.

In order for clubs to be selected for these funds, they must agree to participate in at least one of six specified conservation activities. These activities range from assisting with MDC projects to participating in a Rod and Reel Loaner program to becoming a Missouri Stream Team and participating in one activity.

To apply, interested schools or club leaders can submit an online grant application at <https://bit.ly/2RphowQ> (Please note: this hyperlink is case-sensitive).

For more information on the grant or application progress, contact Andrew Branson at (573) 522-4115, ext. 3501.

Exeter celebrates tenth anniversary of champion basketball team



Exeter community members, classmates and friends gathered during the 2019 Homecoming festivities on Friday, February 1, to honor team members and coaches who were part of the 2009 Girl’s Basketball State Championship team. Pictured above, from left to right, in the front row: Ashton Scott, Jenna Thomas Blisard, Nicholle O’Neill Forgey, Katie Chadd Massey, Abby Scott Hayes, Sarah Staples, Lindsey Kidwell and coach Jason Cole. Back row: Kasie Scott Hayward, Whitney Edie, Haley Fields Russell, Peggy Clark Collins and Chelbie Kern. Team members unable to be present were: Shelby Bowman Icenhower, Breanna Varner, Destani Stensrud, Sydney Newman, Devin Boyke and assistant coach Jesse Paulsen.

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Wildcats beat Cubs in OT thriller

Lee Stubblefield

The Cassville Wildcats travelled up Highway 37 and won a wild overtime game over conference rival Monett on Thursday, 70-67. All five Cassville starters scored in double digits, led by Ethan Hoppes with 17. Monett’s Jackson Spencer took game-high scoring honors with 26.

Spencer was red hot early for the Cubs, scoring 16 of Monett’s 18 first quarter points.

But Cassville’s balanced attack and perfect free throw shooting in that quarter led to a 20-18 lead for the Wildcats at the first break.

Spencer cooled off in the second quarter, but Trevon Price posted 10 points in the stanza to keep Monett close.

All of Cassville’s starters scored in the frame though, and Barrett Milleson’s team held a 38-34 lead at halftime.

But the Cubs stormed through the third quarter, erasing Cassville’s lead and claiming a 53-52 edge at the final break.

Monett stumbled through a 9-point fourth quarter, and Cassville’s free throw finesse earned an overtime period. The Wildcats jumped to a 66-62 lead to open the OT, and hit a perfect 6 of 6 from the line to reach 70.

Spencer scored all 5 of Monett’s overtime points, and missed a potential tying shot at the buzzer.

Once again, a big game was decided at the free throw line. The Wildcats were money at the charity stripe, converting 23 of their 32 attempts. Monett’s hopes died at the line, where the Cubs canned only 6 of 16 tries. That was the difference in the ballgame.

“We were glad to get a win,” said Cassville’s Milleson. “Coach Land did a great job getting his kids ready.”

Cassville improved to 12-10 with the victory and will host Aurora on Friday night. Monett slipped to 8-14.

Cassville scorers: Ethan Hoppes, 17; Jarrod Wallace, 16; Carson Roller, 14; DJ White, 12; and Luke Lowery, 11.

Monett scorers: Jackson Spencer, 26; Trevon Price, 20; Cole McCollough, 10, Alim Miftari, 6; Ben Hoyt, 3; and Cameron George, 2.

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Sparta hands Southwest Homecoming losses

Lee Stubblefield

Not even the festive Homecoming could sweeten the action on the court at Washburn on Friday night. The Sparta Lady Trojans rolled to a 62-29 victory to open the night, and then the Sparta boys claimed a 59-42 win with a decisive 14-3 fourth quarter uprising.

Southwest's boys came out fighting, searching for their fourth victory in a rebuilding year. The visiting Sparta Trojans were just trying to repair a leaky boat and continue the climb back toward the .500 mark.

Sparta's losing record is a mystery. A tall and talented team, these Trojans have played inconsistently, posting an 8-13 record. When Sparta loses, they lose big.

Sparta's Collin Teague scored the opening basket of the contest in the paint, to foreshadow the tone of the game. Southwest's Travis Sickles rained in a pair of treys and Austin Pippin added a third though, as Southwest gained a 9-7 lead at the 3:41 mark.

After Southwest started 3 for 4 from beyond the arc, Sparta extended the defense to cool off the outside shooting. Then Teague and Dakota Lafferty homesteaded the lane to give the visitors a 15-11 lead at the first break.

The second quarter defined Sparta's season woes. Some sloppy defense resulted in both Teague and Lafferty being saddled with three fouls. With the interior advantage lost, Sparta allowed Southwest to crawl back on the scoreboard.

Sparta's Hunter McGraw shoved Southwest's Cruz Marquez with less than a second on the clock, and Southwest's freshman guard sank both free throws to create a 30-30 tie at the half.

But Sparta regrouped in the third quarter. Although Sickles bombed again from the outside and Marquez came up with a steal and a coast-to-coast solo drive for a 37-34 Southwest lead, Sparta slowly took control. Teague scored three baskets for Sparta, and Lafferty scored the next three for the visitors. Then big freshman Austin Brown swished a rare trey to give Sparta a 45-38 lead at the final break.

The fourth quarter was all Sparta. Southwest's defense disappeared, allowing a 10-0 run to start the final period. By the time Caden Uthe was fouled on a three-point attempt, the game was pretty much over. Uthe connected on two of the three free throws, but Sparta held a 55-41 lead with just 2:54 remaining.

Aubrey Cornell scored Southwest's final point from the line as Sparta claimed the 59-42 victory.

Southwest scorers: Travis Sickles, 14; Austin Pippin, 14; Cruz Marquez, 11; Caden Uthe, 2; and Aubrey Cornell, 1.

Sparta scorers: Dakota Lafferty, 22; Collin Teague, 21; Hunter McGraw, 6; Logan Byerly, 5; Austin Brown, 3; and Isaiah Sanchez, 2.

Struggles continue for Southwest Lady Trojans

It has been a long year for Southwest coaches, players and fans. Especially for the Lady Trojans.

The Southwest girls struggled through a 3-23 campaign last year, losing their last 21 games. With the loss to Sparta on Friday night, the Lady Trojans are now 0-23 for this season and own a 44-game losing streak.

It has been a brutal year, mentally and physically. Southwest began the season with thirteen girls on the roster. A devastating string of season-ending injuries plus other circumstances has left veteran coach Darrell Tilford with just five girls available for varsity play. Five.

But the storm didn't just happen this year. The slide began the day one player graduated. The post-Jaime Shrum era has seen back-to-back seasons of 5-19 and 3-23, and of course, the current winless season.

Southwest is not the first school to experience the graveyard spiral in basketball. Other area programs have suffered through similar situations. But it is frustrating and upsetting for a close-knit community that identifies so closely with the school, the students and the representative sports teams.

Sparta's Shelby McMurry put on a clinic against the Lady Trojans, scoring 29 to match the entire output of the Southwest team. Sparta led 15-8 at the first break and 29-17 at halftime. A 25-7 third quarter set the stage for a running clock.

Sparta improved to 12-12 with the victory, while Southwest dipped to 0-23.

Southwest scorers: Mariah Munday, 13; Maggie Robbins, 8; Hailey Erwin, 4; Laney Moore, 2; and Ashley Sharp, 2.

Sparta scorers: Shelby McMurry, 29; Jadrien Hyatt, 15; Lauren Bilyeu, 7; Kaylee Case, 4; Sierra Schneider, 4; and Alyssa Diers, 3.

Cassville City softball sign ups begin

It is time again to sign up for the Cassville City Softball League. Sign-ups are scheduled for Saturday, February 23 and Saturday, March 2 at the Cassville First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

Along with sign-ups, directors Todd and Reagan Stringer as well as Gamon Sparkman, issued a thank you to several sponsors and to highlight improvements made to the fields.

Last season the most noticeable improvement was the addition of a stationary concession stand. This addition was made possible through the combined effort of the following companies and individuals: Theresa, from Gantt Steeling Buildings, for negotiating the purchase and delivery of the building; David Samuel, of Aire Serve, for providing an air conditioner; Shannon Davis and Barry Electric, for connecting the electricity; Dr. Lisa Roark, for providing a swim party as an incentive for the team that raised the most in sales during the league fundraiser; and the City of Cassville Parks and Recreation Staff for providing the foundation and dirt work.

Brian Madison, Ryan Lynxwiler, Stan Patton and Duane Moller, from Cassville City Utilities, also helped to make field improvements to the back stops. During the 2018 season, Gamon Sparkman noted that patrons from Cassville and other communities complemented



Pictured above are some of the individuals who helped to make this year's Cassville Softball league a possibility through their hard work and charitable donations. In the front row from left to right: Brian Madison, Ryan Lynxwiler, Dr. Lisa Roark and Shannon Davis. Back row: David Samuel, Stan Patton, Duane Moller and Todd Stringer.

the quality of the fields. The time and effort invested in the parks system is greatly appreciated and noticed.

The softball league could not happen without team sponsors, volunteer coaches, and businesses that support our area girls.

Tori Smith worked as league director for the last several years. She was also instrumental in preparing for a smooth transition and in making preparations before the 2018 season.

As the parks and recreation staff and the league

directors look forward to the 2019 season, they are hoping to host tournaments and to make the fields available for adult leagues. If you are interested in sponsoring a team, purchasing sponsor-

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Cassville School hosts annual Spelling Bee



On January 30, Cassville fourth and fifth grade students competed for the title of Cassville Intermediate Spelling Bee Champion. Students competed for a chance to participate in the 42nd Annual Joplin Globe Spelling Bee on Monday, March 18. Paul Mounce, son of Travis Mounce, of Cassville, and Abigail Mounce, of Centerton, Ark., was named Cassville Intermediate Spelling Bee winner. Ayla Roberts, daughter of Chris and Geneva Roberts, of Cassville, earned the alternate spot.

Spelling bee competitors are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Mckinley Runnels, Makenzie Thompson, Kailee Lauck, Cheney Kelley, Ian Wallace, Troy Tiner, Isabella Bauman, Makenna Willis, Hugh Thao, David Rehbach, Kaylie Higgins and Elijah Waibel. Second row: Cheryl Jo Smith, Paul Mounce, Jacob Hudson, Eli Roark, Chase Ruark, Keaton Fare, Terrance Kettner, Carlos Barrientos, Amelia Hagins and Ayla Holeman. Back row: Trevis Moore, Bradyn Alley, Jayden Gatson, Riley James, Will Brooks, Ayla Roberts, Nevaeh Johnson, Aliyah Waibel, Kennedy Truman, Lillie Andrews, Reinna Robinson and Kendal Allison.



This year's Cassville Spelling Bee winner was Paul Mounce (left) and the alternate is Ayla Roberts (right).

Wheaton names December Students of the Month



Wheaton Schools recently announced the December Students of the Month. Pictured are Zoey Martell, the 8th grade daughter of Jeremy and Shirley Martell, and Marek Smith, the senior son of Mark and Tabettha Smith.

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Cassville Schools opening trade career paths for students

Vinnie Roberts

The City of Cassville has beenmaking economic development a priority in the last few months, and the Cassville Schools is following on that path. From the city's plan for the Industrial Development Authority, to the hiring of Isaac Petersen to fill the role of economic director, city officials have been doing everything in their power to work with the community to create more opportunities for success within city limits. Partnering with Cassville Schools to help shape the future Cassville work force is a logical next step.

"(We've) been working closely with the high school," said Steve Walensky, Cassville city administrator. "That's very critical because they are willing and wanting to find out what programs that they can introduce or strengthen so that we bring people [to the work force] through educational platforms. We know how to use that as a source for those people to stay right here in Cassville, have a successful career and make good money."

Dr. Richard Asbill, superintendent of Cassville R-IV Schools, elaborated on the school's mission to partner with the city on this initiative.

"Our purpose, when we talk about Cassville and opportunity, is to talk about the education and economic impact," said Asbill. "We have focused on how the success of the school and education and the success of our community

and economics are linked together. When we talk about driving partnerships that provide an educated student base and also a future economic base, that's important to us."

Asbill and other school officials have been working closely with city officials, most notably, Ron Reed, economic development consultant for the city, to plan in a way that benefits students' future career paths and the community as a whole.

"The school has taken a very active role in trying to be much more aggressive in their training and trying to be more in-tune with their industries and what those industries' specific needs are," said Ron Reed, economic development consultant for the City of Cassville.

"We meet with Ron at least two to three times a month," said Asbill. "We also have a committee to help with economic development. We didn't want the city to be solely responsible for making it or not making it."

Asbill explained the school would be taking a more active role in the economic development of the community by helping to shape the curriculum at Cassville to better serve the needs of businesses within the community and, in turn,

prepare students to enter the workforce locally after they graduate, if that's the path they choose.

"If we have a business that has 10 or 100 employees, we want to know their needs so that we understand what their employment goals are," said Asbill. "We want our teachers and our students to start making some bridges to those businesses and seeing how we can help with that."

Asbill stated that a goal of the working relationships developing between Cassville School administration and local business would be to better train their students to be prepared for the business expectations in the area.

"A business is going to need an employee that comes in with certain traits," stated Asbill. "We need to know what those key foundational employment traits are. Those may be different for Justin Boot, versus Regal, versus George's, whatever it may be and that's okay, but there's going to be some trend topics that we can work from."

Another goal of this initiative is to keep Cassville graduates in town instead of seeking financial opportunity elsewhere. This move would help to improve the economy by ensuring a skilled work-

force of well-paid employees with an emotional attachment to the town and community around them.

To accomplish this, the school is working on establishing two different kinds of off-site programs, the first of which is an internship with local businesses.

"We want to provide students with a direct career pathway experience," stated Asbill. "Taking them from the classroom to a job site or a job shadow to work on a skill or pathway goal that they already have."

In addition, Asbill stated that the school would be working to provide educators with firsthand knowledge of the needs of the community, so as to help them better tailor their lesson plans to train students on the needs of their prospective career fields.

"We want our principals, especially our high school principals and administrators, counselors and teachers, to go out, visit and have an experi-

ence with our local businesses so that they understand what our local businesses are needing in job skill and future employees," said Asbill.

Asbill stated that school officials have already met with executives at Regal to begin working toward their goal though no information exists yet on the practical applications of this arrangement.

"You drive by Regal and say, 'Oh, that's a big building,' but they have manufacturing, engineering, quality control; there's a lot of things," said Asbill. "There's four or five career paths right there in that building alone."

Though Regal is the first to start on a path to working closely with the school, Cassville administration has taken steps to begin building relationships that would hopefully work in similar ways.

"Any time Ron [Reed] has gone out and had an economic development meeting, we've followed up with our administrative team going out and

extending our gratitude for one, supporting Cassville by employing our parents, grandparents and future graduates, and two, being a partner and making Cassville great," said Asbill. "We believe that having that conversation and saying thank you will lead to those partnerships."

A formal program to achieve these goals has yet to be put in place. Despite that however, that hasn't stopped the school from laying the foundation.

"It's not going to occur overnight," stated Asbill. "This will take some time to kick in and get people there. We think it's a commitment."

Asbill expressed optimism for the future of the school's collaboration with the city.

"The more we collaborate, the smarter we are together, the better decisions we make for Cassville, the better the opportunities will be available for Cassville graduates," said Asbill.

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Cassville names January Character Kids



Cassville Intermediate counseling staff and teachers team up to present a different character trait every month. Classroom teachers then nominate students for awards in recognition of exemplifying that trait. Students were selected during the month of January for responsibility.

Third grade award winners are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Spencer Essary, Chloey Reed, Emily Gray and Kaiden Shellenberger. Back row: Hallie Hughes, Madison Yockey, Chloe Ledgerwood, Caiden Edie, Brylar Beranek and Wyatt Privett. Absent from photo: Jennifer Ortega and Dylan Bohmke.



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Fourth grade award winners are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Tomi Blankenship, Leia Crosby, Anabele Mills, Ethan Sanders and Diego Ibarra. Back row: Libby Corter, Dayana Rivera, Taylor Kennedy, Shane Harvey, Joshua Lane and Baxton Cornell. Absent from photo: Shailey Hodge.



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Fifth grade award winners are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Claire Reuter, Layla Bailey, Emma Collins and Landon Messbarger. Back row: Courtney Wall, Tera Tipping, Ayla Roberts, Tristan Antonio and Logan Wingo. Absent from photo: Wes Garner, Diego Haros and Zoey Johnson.





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'15 DODGE RAM
3500 REG CAB
LOCAL!
\$33,900



PROGRAM
CAR!

28xxx
MILES!
#7728

Blue w/Charcoal Black, 1.6L I-4,
5 Spd., All Power, 28xxx Miles! GREAT MPG!

'16 FORD FIESTA
SE
SPECIAL!
\$11,750



PROGRAM
CAR!
#3265

Bronze Fire w/Charcoal Black Interior, Program Car
with good MPG! 31xxx MILES!

'16 FORD FUSION
SE
\$14,850



SPECIAL
PURCHASE!

63xxx
MILES!
#4001

Oxford White w/Tan Seats, PW, PL,
Tilt/Cruise, EcoBoost, EXTRA CLEAN!

'16 FORD EDGE
SE ECOBOOST FWD
\$15,750



LOCAL
TRADE!
#4062

White w/Charcoal, Alloy Wheels, PS,
3rd Row Fold Flat Seating, Warranty!

'16 CHEVROLET TRAVERSE
LT V6 FWD
MUST SEE!
\$22,500



LEATHER,
SUNROOF!
#4620

2.0L EcoBoost 4 Cyl., 6 Spd., Auto, SYNC,
Bluetooth, LOADED!

'17 FORD FUSION
TITANIUM FWD PLATINUM
\$17,950



DARRIN'S
DEMO!

COMPARE
TO NEW!
#8908

DOHC Twin Turbo, Ingot Silver w/Grey, SYNC,
w/Bluetooth, Deep Privacy Glass, More!

'17 FORD F-150
XLT SUPER CREW CAB V6
\$34,900



OFF
LEASE!
#8212

Blue w/Grey Interior, 1.5L I-4 6 Spd. Auto,
Reverse Sensing System w/Backup Camera.

'17 FORD ESCAPE
SE FWD
COMPARE!
\$15,970



SPECIAL
PURCHASE!

REPAIRED
HAIL - SAVE!
#2058

New Tires, Sunroof, Alloy Wheels.
LOCAL TRADE, P/W, P/M, P/L & MORE!

'18 KIA SOUL
PLUS HATCHBACK
SAVE!
\$15,450



FACTORY
WARRANTY!

LEATHER
SEATS!
#4723

Certified Pre-Owned, PS, Touch Screen,
Eco-Boost Engine w/Only 20xxx Miles!

'18 FORD ESCAPE
SEL 4X4 AWD
\$22,500



REMOTE
START!
#8797

Magnetic w/Charcoal, Rear A/C, Bluetooth,
Heated Driver and Passenger seats!

'18 FORD FLEX
SEL SUV V6
WOW!
\$20,000

BARGAIN BUGGIES!

'95 GMC 3500 Rally Van \$4995

Local van, serviced in our shop,
cargo bins, roof rack, 7.4 V8,
160xxx miles .. good to go!

'04 F250 Crew Cab XLT 4x4 \$9550

CLEAN interior, runs good, diesel,
FOUR WHEEL DRIVE, local trade.

'00 Chevy Tracker 4x4 \$2495

Locally owned, automatic,
AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION!