

Trivia Night raises \$1K for Education Fund

Charlea Estes

The Cassville Education Fund awarded new trivia champs at their annual Trivia Night that benefits the local school on Friday night, March 10. This year, the event raised over \$1,000 for the fund, which helps provide grants to Cassville Schools' teachers and departments for extraneous expenses.

This year's winning team was The Newsies, a collaborative team between the Barry County Advertiser and the Cassville Democrat newspapers. The Smarty Pants award, the award given for the most correct trivia answers only, was given to Fun Night Out, the team sponsored by the Barry County Library. The Dum-Dum Award, given to the team scoring the least number of points, was handed to Ravenclaw, a team of Cassville Middle School students sponsored by Angel and Company and Security Abstract and Title.

Other teams participating included those representing Freedom Bank, Arvest Bank, 1st State Bank and Cassville Schools.

This year's event was emceed by Dusty Reid, with Cassville Schools, and questions ranged from general knowledge to history, geography, music and more. In between the four rounds of trivia questions, there were also Minute-To-Win-It rounds, including games that encouraged limber participants to pick up paper bags off of the ground with their mouths, hungry participants to move a cookie from their forehead to their mouth without using their hands, and finally, a round where participants had to bounce balloons in the air, not letting them hit the floor.

By the end of the night, plenty of laughter filled the Commons Area at the High

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The winning team from the Cassville Education Fund's annual Trivia Night are pictured above. The Newsies, a collaborative team between the Barry County Advertiser and the Cassville Democrat, are pictured above, from left to right. Front row: Kara Brower, Jacob Brower, Charlea Estes and Isaac Jones. Back row: Jared Lankford, Wade Hermansen and Jim Craig.

Hail storm, tornadoes tear through Barry County

Charlea Estes

The past week was the definition of crazy Missouri weather. With the end of the week giving residents plenty of sunshine with temperatures that topped out in the 60s and 70s, with that also came tornadic storms with large hail and snow and sleet by the weekend.

Barry County made local televised news broadcasts due to the damage from both tornadoes and hail, interviewing local car repair shops about the influx in business from the storm.

On Thursday evening, March 9, tornado sirens began to go off in Cassville past 6 p.m. The National Weather Service confirmed two separate tornados on Thursday evening. The first resulted in damage to a Butterfield home three miles east of Butterfield proper. The Weather Service said wind speeds were estimated at 75 miles per hour. No injuries were reported from the tornado in Butterfield. Purdy residents reported a funnel cloud above City Hall, but no damage or injuries were reported there, either.

A second tornado was confirmed southwest of Jenkins. The EF-0 tornado had estimated wind speeds of 85 miles per hour, according to



Hail of varying sizes fell throughout the county. Pictured above is hail, compared to a quarter, that fell near Oak Ridge Baptist Church. Photo courtesy of Leonard Lowe.

the National Weather Service. Damage reported were uprooted and snapped trees, but no structure damage or injuries. The damage path of the tornado was reported at 100 yards wide and lasted around a tenth of a mile.

Hail falling around the same time as the tornadic activity ranged from small pieces of sleet-like hail up to baseball sizes. Damage from hail ranged from dents to shattered windows in both homes and cars.

By the weekend, temperatures had turned chilly with snow and sleet falling across the county on Saturday. Shell Knob received the most reported accumulation in the area, with Cassville receiving a dusting. There was only one car crash reported from the snow or sleet on Saturday, with only one minor injury.

Bowen given Music Advocacy Award

Mrs. Carolyn Bowen was selected by the Cassville R-IV music department staff as the recipient of the 2017 Music Advocacy Award.

The Music Advocacy award has been awarded annually for nearly 15 years to one individual in the Cassville community that is committed to the Cassville R-IV Music Department.

"Carolyn has been an instrumental figure in the success of our Arts programs at Cassville Schools," stated Mrs. Mary Richmiller, CHS Choral Director. "As a musician herself, she has participated in various choirs for over 60 years. Starting in high school here at CHS as well as in large group choir and various vocal ensembles and was the Majorette for the Drum Core."

Bowen has also participated in the First Baptist Church Choir and has served



Pictured above, from left to right: Micah Boise, Carolyn Bowen, Mary Richmiller and Ed Lammers.

as the manager for the Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce "The Show" for 25 years.

"She is personally committed to our Arts program's success and continuity, and without her help, guidance and participation, we would not be able to do as much as we do for the students at Cassville," said Richmiller.

Bowen is also an elected member of the Cassville Board of Education.

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The Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual voter education event for Chamber members on March 30.

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Local teen named Miss Hmong of Oklahoma

Selena Hang, a Purdy senior, was crowned as Miss Hmong Oklahoma 2016-2017 and had a victory party over the weekend.

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Barry County felony sentences

January's felony sentences for Barry County were released by the Court Clerk's office.

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Phil Hutchens recognized for asphalt expertise

Phil Hutchens, owner of Hutchens Construction, was inducted into Missouri's Asphalt Hall of Fame.

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Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day with a staple of Irish pub fare

St. Patrick's Day may be a celebration of the man who brought Christianity to Ireland, but one need not be Irish to don green and enjoy the festivities each March 17. While parades and music garner much of the attention on St. Patrick's Day, food also plays a big role. Cottage pie, often referred to as "Shepherd's pie," traces its origins to the United Kingdom and Ireland. The following recipe from Laurie McNamara's "Simple Scratch: 120 Whole-some Homemade Recipes Made Easy" (Avery).

Cottage Pie
Serves 6
For the filling:
3 tablespoons unsalt-
ed butter
2 cups diced yellow
onion
1 cup diced carrot
1 cup diced celery
3 cloves garlic,
minced
2 1/2 pounds ground
round
2 tablespoons tomato
paste

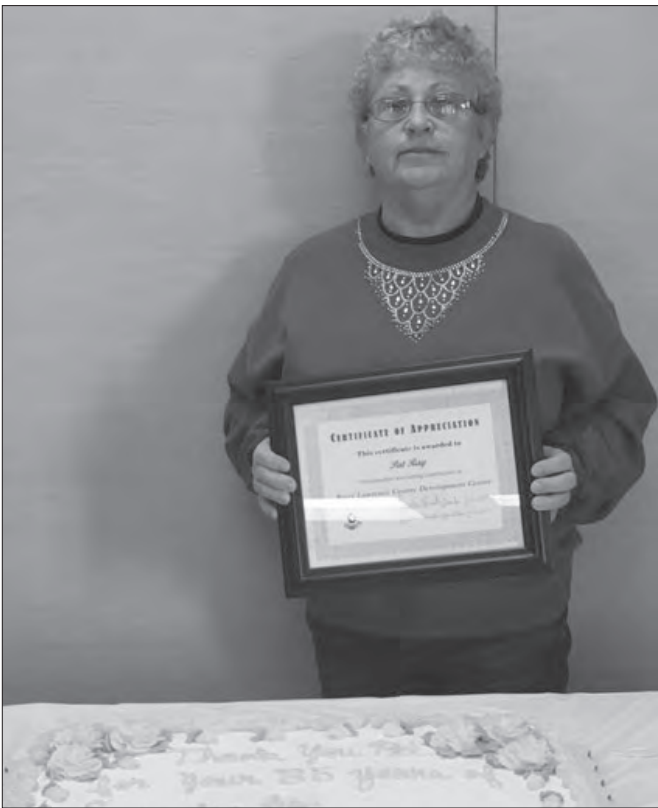
Irish Soda Bread
Makes 1 medium loaf
3 1/2 cups unbleached
all-purpose flour
1 1/4 teaspoons baking
soda
1 teaspoon sea salt
1 2/3 cups buttermilk
(roughly)
Nonstick baking sheet,
lightly dusted with flour
Preheat the oven to 425 F.
Sift the flour, baking soda
and salt into a large bowl and
make a well in the center.
Pour the buttermilk into the
well and mix it into the dry
ingredients with a round-
bladed knife or your hands
to make a soft, slightly sticky,
rough-looking dough.
Turn out the dough on a
lightly floured work surface
and shape it into a ball. Set
the dough onto the baking
sheet and gently flatten it so

2 tablespoons un-
bleached all-purpose flour
1/4 cup Pinot Noir (or
any good dry red wine)
2 cups beef broth
1/4 cup Worcestershire
sauce
4 sprigs fresh thyme
1 bay leaf
1 1/2 teaspoons kosher
salt
1/2 teaspoon freshly
ground black pepper
1/2 cup frozen peas
For the mashed potatoes:
3 1/2 pounds russet po-
tatoes, peeled and cut into
large pieces
Kosher salt
1 1/4 cups whole milk
4 tablespoons unsalt-
ed butter
3/4 cup grated sharp
white cheddar cheese
1 tablespoon minced
fresh flat-leaf parsley
1 teaspoon chopped
fresh thyme leaves
To make the filling:
In a Dutch oven, melt
the butter over medium-low
heat. Add the onion, carrot
and celery. Stir to coat the
vegetables in butter, cover,

and cook, stirring occasion-
ally, for 15 minutes, until soft.
Add the garlic and cook for
1 to 2 minutes more. Use a
spoon to transfer the cooked
vegetables to a bowl.
In the Dutch oven, cook
the ground beef over me-
dium heat, breaking it into
small crumbles as it cooks,
until cooked through. Return
the vegetables to the pot and
stir in the tomato paste and
flour. Pour in the wine and
cook for 2 to 3 minutes. Pour
in the broth and Worces-
tershire sauce and add the
thyme sprigs and bay leaf.
Season with salt and pepper
and cook, stirring occasion-
ally, for 30 minutes. Stir in
the peas and pour the filling
into a 3- to 4-quart baking
dish.
While the filling is cook-
ing, make the mashed pota-
toes. Preheat the oven to 400
F.
Place the peeled potatoes
in a pot and add cold water to
cover by about 2 inches. Add
a generous pinch of salt, cov-
er, and bring to a boil. Crack
the lid and cook the potatoes

for 15 to 20 minutes, or until
fork-tender.
With the lid askew, care-
fully drain the water from the
pot with the potatoes. Return
the pot to the stove over low
heat. Add the milk and but-
ter to the potatoes, cover, and
simmer the potatoes in the
milk and butter for 10 to 12
minutes. Season the potatoes
with 3/4 teaspoon of salt and
mash with a potato masher
or mix with a hand mixer.
Add the cheddar and stir to
combine. Taste and season
with more salt if needed.
Use a spatula to spoon
the mashed potatoes over the
filling in the baking dish and
spread them out evenly. Use
a fork and drag it along the
top of the mashed potatoes to
make ridges. These will crisp
up and brown in the oven.
Place the cottage pie on
a rimmed baking sheet and
slide it into the oven. Bake
for 20 minutes, or until the
top of the potatoes is golden
and crispy and the filling is
bubbling.
Combine the minced
parsley and thyme.

Ray honored
for 35 years of service



A reception was held on Sunday afternoon, February 5, 2017, to recognize Patricia Ray for her 35 years of dedicated service to the children of the Barry-Lawrence County Development Center. Pat was presented with a photo book of children she had worked with as well as a certificate of appreciation and gift card as a huge thank you to Pat for her dedication and loyalty to the Barry-Lawrence County Development Center for so many years.

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JEREMY JOEDON RAINS

Jeremy JoeDon Rains, 36, of Springfield, formerly of Cassville, passed away Saturday, March 11, 2017, in Springfield.

He was born March 5, 1981, in Ada, Okla., the son of Kenneth Don and Cindy (Adams) Rains. On July 4, 2009, he was united in marriage to Amie Jenkins, who survives. Also surviving are two children, Dylan and Macie of the home; his mother, Cindy Ray and her husband, Lee, of Cassville; father, Kenneth Rains, of Oklahoma; grand-

parents, Bob and Shirley Adams, of Purdy; one brother, Christopher Rains and his wife, Jennifer, of Springfield; two sisters, Madison Ray and Ashley Ray, both of Cassville; and a niece, Kelsey.

Preceding him in death were grandparents, Don and Judy Rains.

Jeremy was a graduate of Cassville High School. He had worked as a telemarketer for Gold Mountain Communications and was a student at Freedom Dream Center in Aurora.

Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, March 16, 2017, in Cassville First Baptist Church under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Tony Swillum will conduct the services. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery at Cassville.

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CAROLYN L. HARPER

Carolyn L. Harper, 76, of Rogers, Arkansas, and most recently, Nixa, passed away at her home surrounded by her family on Friday, March 10, 2017. Carolyn, daughter of M.V. "Johnny" and Ava Leigh (Rhea) Brown, was born on July 3, 1940, in Stella. She attended Paseo High School in Kansas City. Carolyn worked for Walmart CMI as a claims adjuster in Rogers, Ark., for eighteen plus years and retired in April 2016. She was a devoted mother, Grandma and Nana. Her family was very important to her and she loved spending time with all of them. Carolyn loved her dogs, Boo and Izzy, who meant the world to her. She loved to shop and always had a profound sense of style. Carolyn always had a smile on her face and left a lasting impression to all who had the privilege of meeting her.

Survivors include one son, Nick Harper, of Rudy, Ark.; one daughter, Tammy Busby and her husband, Jeff, of Nixa;

eight grandchildren, Nicholas Harper and his wife, Samantha, Erin Gandy and her husband, Steven, Erica Mahn and her husband, Ryan, Kevin Harper, Landon O'Steen, Lauren O'Steen, Claudia O'Steen, and Berlyn Busby; six great-grandchildren, Delbert Wade Harper, Kinley Gandy, Harper Gandy, Stella Mahn, Louis Mahn, and Kori Gandy; two brothers, Tim Brown and his wife, Leesa, of Blue Springs, and David Brown and his wife, Theresa, of Lee Summit; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her mother on February 19, 1994, and her father on December 8, 2014.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Northwest Arkansas Women's Shelter and entrusted to the White Funeral Home P.O. Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625.

A Celebration of Life was held from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. today, Wednesday, March 15, 2017, at the White Funeral Home and Crematory with graveside services to follow at 3:30 p.m. at Maplewood Cemetery with Pastor Robert Teegarden officiating.

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

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CHARLES NEWMAN WEATHERS

Charles Newman Weathers, 88, of Cassville, passed away Friday, March 10, 2017, at his home.

He was born September 30, 1928, in Seligman, the son of Leon and Jocie B. (Edens) Weathers. On February 3, 1950, in Bentonville, Ark., he was united in marriage to Chloe Porter, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Sammie Leon Weathers and his wife, Charlotte, of St. Robert, and Johnny Newman Weathers and his wife, Kathy, of Washburn; three grandchildren, Rebecca Parvin, Travis Weathers and Lora Weathers; and four great-grandchildren, Scott Parvin, Morgan Parvin, Cassady Weathers and Gaven Weathers.

Preceding him in death were his parents; one brother, James Lamoin Weathers; and one sister, Billy Jo Williams.

Charles received his education at Rock Springs and then Washburn. From January 10, 1947, until May 28, 1948, he served in the United States Army. For a few years, he resided in Wichita, Kan., where he was a guard at Boe-

ing Aircraft and worked for the Sheriff Patrol. After returning to southwest Missouri, he became a deputy sheriff for Barry County for a while. He then worked for several years as a park ranger for Roaring River State Park from which he retired. He was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church at Washburn.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. today, Wednesday, March 15, 2017, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Richard Jones and Rick Hendrix conducted the services. Burial with military honors will be in King Cemetery at Seligman.

The family received friends from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

Contributions may be made to Mt. Zion Baptist Church in memory of Charles.

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SHELDON STEUBER

Sheldon Steuber, 64, of Green Forest, Ark., passed away on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville, Ark.

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Thank you again
Gwen Hilburn
and the families of:
Bryan Appleton, Jackie Burns,
Cheryl Tillman, Sharon Barnett
and Claude Appleton

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ALLEN G. DANIEL

Allen G. Daniel, 61, of Purdy, passed away Thursday, March 9, 2017, at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

He was born June 7, 1955, in Farwell, Texas, the son of Gilbert and Clara (Chapman) Daniel. On July 3, 2000, he was united in marriage to Naomi (Chapman) McLean, who survives. Also surviving are one son, Michael Daniel-Schmidt and his spouse, Charles Daniel-Schmidt, of Kirbyville; four daughters, Crystal Daniel and her spouse, Dwayne Maples, of Doniphan, Regina Hardwick and her spouse, Jake, of Wheaton, Erica McLean, of Dodge City, Kansas, and Christy Green and her spouse, Brett, of Marshfield; one brother, Paul Daniel, of Bella Vista, Ark.; one sister, Nancy Coleman and her spouse, Ron, of Carterville;

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nine grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents; one daughter, Melinda Daniel; and three brothers.

Allen received his education in Barry County where he graduated from high school. He was a heavy equipment operator working in southwest Missouri most of his life. He loved his family and he enjoyed fishing, carpentering and being with his grandkids.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, March 13, 2017, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Mark Hardwick and Deny Lemaster conducted the services. Burial will be in Concord Cemetery at Exeter.

The family received friends from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. Sunday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

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BILL CORN

Bill Corn, 75, of Seligman, passed away on Sunday, March 12, 2017. Mr. Corn, son of Jess and Lillie (Horn) Corn, was born on December 18, 1941, in Tahlequah, Okla. He was united in marriage to Sue Ann Frey on July 3, 1972, in Huntsville, Ark. Bill was a bail bondsman for most of his life in Cassville. He was always there to try and lend a helping hand. Bill was a great friend to all who knew him and will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Ann Corn, of Seligman; four sons, Johnny Brewer, of Salem, Brian Spielman, of Huntsville, Ark., Billy Corn and Steven Corn, both of

Purdy; three daughters, Cheryl Weimer, of Rogers, Ark., Marva Mitts, of Skiatook, Okla., and Angela Watts, of Rogers, Ark.; one stepson, Donald Losch, of Seligman; three stepdaughters, Marian Hart, of Exeter, and Doris Chaney and Patricia Oxford, both of Garfield, Ark.; twenty-two grandchildren; forty-one great-grandchildren; one brother, Johnny Corn and his wife, JoAnn, of Seligman; five sisters, Dovie Mathis and her husband, Hank, of Butterfield, Vella Jean Hall, of Washburn, Elsie Hignite and her husband, Frank, of Rogers, Ark., Doris Eggleston, of Seligman, and JoAnn McCool and her husband, Sherman, of Bentonville, Ark.; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Ellis Corn, L.B. "Pound" Corn, and Eugene "Spud" Corn.

Memorial contributions may be made to help Sue Ann and entrusted to the White Funeral Home and Crematory, P.O. Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625.

Memorial services will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 2017, at the White

Funeral Home and Crematory, with Richard Wilbanks officiating.

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

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Competing in heritage: Local girl named Miss Hmong Oklahoma



Selena Hang (right), Miss Hmong Oklahoma 2016-2017, is pictured above with last year's winner, Nancy Maiv Lauj Xiong (left).

Selena Hang

As a Hmong daughter, I was raised in a strict home. Historically, Hmong people lived in the mountain villages throughout Southeast Asia. Today, many have immigrated to the US. The Hmong families living in Southwest Missouri now moved here

for farming, and business opportunities, among other reasons.

My family and I moved to Barry County in November 2004. Though many Hmong children living in today's society do not have interest, I am one of the few children who still have love, passion, and respect for the Hmong Culture. Since I moved to Missouri, I continued to volunteer at local gatherings and activities, such as the Miss Hmong Oklahoma 2016-2017 beauty pageant.

Hmong beauty pageants are a public entertainment consisting of involved contestants, colorful, traditional clothing, and speeches for individual rounds. Unlike American beauty pageants, contestants do not have the opportunity to have interviews with the judges or committee members of the beauty pageant. Instead, the contestants have to step on stage and give their all to show the judges what abilities they have to deserve the title.

In October 2016, I competed in the Miss Hmong Oklahoma beauty pageant and took home the title as first place, Miss Hmong Oklahoma 2016-2017. Hmong pageants take place in mostly all states in the US and even parts of Asia.

Competing was a huge decision for me. The competition as a whole took many days of preparation. During my September break at school, I flew out to California where I had my clothing for the pageant personally designed.

Though competing in a beauty pageant meant being able to accept the positive and negative comments, I still decided to compete because of my love for my people and goal to help the poor in need.

Winning the title was not a simple win. When someone wins the title, they are looked up to and seen as a role model by many. As a Miss or Mr. Hmong, you have many opportunities to be involved in the community and even opportunities to join hands with other title holders to work together on making a difference in the Hmong community.

During the beauty pageant in Oklahoma, there were four rounds: introduction round, where each contestant gave a speech about themselves and more; talent round, where each contestant performs their best talent; question round, where each contestant must answer provided questions; and the crowning round, which is the round when the new Miss Hmong is crowned, receiving prize money and a crown.



Hang (right) is pictured above at her victory party with Oy Julian (left).

Often after a beauty pageant has taken place, it is optional for the family of the winner to host a victory party, a dinner including entertainment and food, in honor and to celebrate the win of their daughter or son.

On Saturday, March 11, family and friends from all over traveled to Granby to join my family and I as we celebrated my win. Besides the food and entertainment, speeches were made by family, friends and myself.

As I hold the title as Miss Hmong Oklahoma 2016-2017 until October 2017, I will continue to follow my dreams and goals while also serving the community.

Selena Hang is the daughter of Henry and Mary, of Purdy. She is a senior at Purdy High School.

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• **Beverly A. Ball**, of Eagle Rock, pled guilty to distribution of a controlled substance. Ball received a suspended imposition of sentencing in favor of five years supervised probation.

Ball was arrested after a follow-up investigation at her residence on State Highway E in Eagle Rock in July 2016. When officers searched the home, they found multiple pills, including oxycodone, dilaudid and marijuana. Pills were in varying quantities in baggies with names on them.

Ball is to serve probation until January 18, 2022.

• **James L. Beck**, of Cassville, pled guilty to two counts of operating a motor vehicle while his driver's license was revoked in 2014. Beck was serving probation with a suspended imposition of sentencing. After new charges were filed in 2015 and are now moving on to a disposition hearing, Beck's sentence was changed to a four year incarceration sentence with the execution of that sentence suspended and five years of supervised probation.

Beck was caught driv-

ing while revoked multiple times, leading to his charges. In March 2011, Beck was involved in a motor vehicle accident in Cassville. On April 27, 2011, Beck was involved in another motor vehicle accident on Highway 37 in Cassville.

Beck is to serve probation until March 10, 2022. He is still facing the 2015 charges of possession of a controlled substance driving while revoked and DWI. His disposition hearing is set for February 21.

• **Stephen W. Crider**, of Aurora, pled guilty to passing a bad check of less than \$500. Crider received a suspended imposition of sentencing and two years of unsupervised probation.

Crider is to serve probation until January 18, 2019.

• **Cynthia Renee Cutberth**, of Washburn, pled guilty to domestic assault in the third degree as a first or second offense. Cutberth received a suspended imposition of sentencing and two years unsupervised probation.

Cutberth's charges originated from an incident inves-

tigated by the Barry County Sheriff's Department on November 4, 2015. Cutberth had gotten into a verbal argument with the victim at a residence on Farm Road 2280 in Seligman, which turned into assault. She then took the victim's phone and refused to return it until she threw it at him outside the home.

Then, Cutberth drove around the property, attempting to hit the victim with her car. Cutberth, who had a revoked drivers' license, hit a parked car during the event, backing into the vehicle and pushing it back four feet, causing over \$5,000 of damage.

Cutberth is to serve probation until January 18, 2019.

• **Gergory K. Drezinski**, of Eureka Springs, Ark., pled guilty to non-support with the total arrears in excess of 12 months. Drezenski received a suspended imposition of sentencing and five years unsupervised probation.

Drezinski was over 12 months in arrears on his child support for two minor children. Drezinski had been ordered to pay \$434 each month and was \$15,627.06 in arrears as of April 2015.

Drezinski is to serve pro-

bation until January 18, 2022.

• **Derrick Dewayne Elston**, of Verona, pled guilty to two counts driving while revoked. Elston received a suspended execution of a four year incarceration sentence with the Department of Corrections and five years is supervised probation.

Elston was charged in two separate incidents. A Missouri Department of Conservation Agent found Elston at the Stubblefield Access on February 2, 2014, too intoxicated to be operating a vehicle. Elston had also had his license revoked at that time. In June 2014, the Missouri State Highway Patrol saw a vehicle partially in a driveway on Missouri Route C. The vehicle was disabled and another vehicle was trying to push it out. The Trooper reported the vehicle had driven through a fence twice, back onto the roadway and then into the drive where it lost traction. Elston's license was revoked during that incident, as well.

Elston is to serve probation until February 24, 2022.

• **Gary Lee Fasone**, of Verona, made an Alford plea to endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree. Fasone received a suspended

execution of a seven year incarceration sentence with the Department of Corrections and five years supervised probation.

Fasone's charges came from an incident on July 16, 2013. Fasone was slapping the victim on the arms and back, leaving red marks while they were at the Jenkins Bridge. Once at home, Fasone continued the abuse, grabbing her by the neck, shoving her into a wall twice and punching her in the face.

Fasone is to serve probation until January 27, 2022.

• **Ryan Anthony Grissom**, of Eagle Rock, pled guilty to burglary in the second degree and property damage in the first degree. Grissom received a suspended imposition of sentencing and four years supervised probation.

Grissom was charged after entering a rental property to steal from the owner on September 16, 2015. Grissom broke out two windows to gain entry. Then he broke the toilet, bathroom vanity and bathtub fixtures, causing the bathroom floor to flood and causing over \$750 of damage. He also stole a black toolbox and voltage tester, worth around \$200.

Grissom is to serve probation until January 17, 2021.

• **Melody Dawn Halstead**, of Friestatt, pled guilty to possession of a controlled substance. Halstead received a suspended imposition of sentencing and three years supervised probation.

Halstead was charged after the Cassville Police Department searched her residence for drugs on December 15, 2015. The owner of the apartment complex allowed police to search after one of the

residents admitted to drug use. Halstead was the tenant's girlfriend. During the search, officers found a prescription bottle with Tramadol pills that belonged to Halstead. She claimed she got them from a friend after a doctor denied her a prescription for back pain.

Halstead is to serve probation until January 17, 2020.

• **Jarred Lee Hedrick**, of Aurora, pled guilty to burglary in the second degree and theft/stealing of any firearm. Hedrick received a suspended imposition of sentencing and five years supervised probation.

Hedrick was charged for the burglary of Monett Pawn and Gun on September 27, 2015. Security video showed him enter through the front door, break the glass display cases and put handguns in a black backpack. The 20 firearms stolen were worth around \$9,500 in all. Hedrick admitted to the theft.

Hedrick is to serve probation until January 17, 2022.

• **Darryl Eugene Lands**, of Cassville, pled guilty to endangering with the welfare of a child in the first degree, burglary in the second degree and theft/stealing of \$500 to \$25,000 in value. Lands received a suspended execution of a five year incarceration sentence with the Department of Corrections and give years supervised probation.

Lands was charged after being investigated by the Barry County Sheriff's Department over an incident on April 16, 2013. Lands went into a residence on State Highway C in Purdy, grabbed the 12-year-old boy by the neck and dragged him

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outside before placing him in a choke-hold.

Then, on March 5, 2015, Lands and another person forcibly entered a home on State Highway C in Purdy by forcing a door open and damaging it. They also forced open a storage building. Once inside, they stole a laptop computer, an Xbox 360, DVDs, clothing, a television, cable box, tools and a tablet.

Lands was seen carrying the property away from the home by the Purdy Chief of Police. At that time, the burglary had not been reported, but they were charged following more information.

Lands is to serve probation until January 27, 2022.

• **Aaron L. Miller**, of Cassville, pled guilty to three counts of passing a bad check of less than \$500. Miller received a suspended imposition of sentencing and two years unsupervised probation.

Miller was charged after passing \$500.26 in bad checks to Country Corner, Ramey's, Norm's Grocery and Country Package.

Miller is to serve probation until January 17, 2019.

• **Jefrey Mounts**, of Huntington, W.V., pled guilty to burglary in the second degree. Mounts was sentenced to five years incarceration with the Department of Corrections.

On October 5, 2014, Mounts burglarized a home in Seligman on State Highway 37. After cutting a screen, he went in and took a large

amount of jewelry, valued at \$8,316.60. Deputy Bill Watkins, with the Barry County Sheriff's Department, lifted fingerprints from the scene, leading to Mounts' arrest.

• **Evan Nelson Pendergrass**, of Aurora, pled guilty to possession of a controlled substance. Pendergrass received three years incarceration with the Department of Corrections.

Pendergrass was found with methamphetamine while in the Kum-N-Go parking lot in Monett on April 28, 2015.

• **Wyatt G. Phipps**, of Shell Knob, pled guilty to DWI-Alcohol as a persistent offender. Phipps received a suspended execution of a four year incarceration sentence and four three years supervised probation.

Phipps was arrested after being pulled over in the school zone on Missouri Highway 39 in Shell Knob in March 2014. Phipps was heavily intoxicated.

Phipps is to serve probation until January 4, 202.



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Southwest High School named its students of the month for February. They were: seniors Landon Wright and Kendra Hayworth, juniors Hailey Benninger and Adam Ramirez, sophomores Jacey Ball and Trevor Sneed, and freshmen Mollie Wheeler and Leland Colf.

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For more information, notices are available at City Hall.

Purdy High School Vocal Music Director Lauren Lee will take the Purdy Schools stage on Saturday, March 18, to conduct the second annual Purdy Alumni and Community Choir concert, which will be held in the elementary gymnasium at 5 p.m.

The 20-voice choir will consist of Purdy High School alumni and members of the Purdy community. Lee and her performers will be accompanied by Purdy High School Alumna Sammye (Davis) Beck on piano. The evening will also feature performances by the Eagle Echoes, Purdy Middle School Choir and Purdy High School Choir.

Admission to the event is free, but donations benefiting the Purdy Music Department will be accepted and greatly appreciated.

Cassville, Seligman cracks down on youth seatbelt use

The Cassville and Seligman Police Departments announced they are joining with statewide law enforcement March 15-31 for an aggressive youth seat belt mobilization crack down on Missouri’s seat belt law violators and to reduce highway fatalities.

Only 70 percent of Missouri teens wear their seat belts when driving or riding in a motor vehicle. Eight out of ten teen vehicle drivers and passengers killed in traffic crashes are unbuckled.

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Any resident of Barry County may file a Declaration of Intent. Candidates must be willing to devote time to learning about the agency, have a sincere interest in programs for the aging, attend monthly meetings in Springfield and attend periodic training sessions. Although expenses are reimbursed, this is a volunteer position. Incumbent: Jerry Arnold.

You can receive a Declaration of Intent at your local

senior center or you may contact SeniorAge by: telephone at (417) 862-0762 or 1 (800) 497-0822; by e-mail at Annette.Fields@senioragemo.org; or by writing to SeniorAge, 1735 South Fort Avenue, Springfield, MO 6807.

Declarations must be filed by March 31, 2017. Elections will be held at the local senior centers, during regular business hours, on Tuesday, May 9, 2017.

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Wheaton athletes receive All-Conference/District honors



Wheaton High School basketball players recently received post season honors. Players receiving awards were: Tate Banks, All Conference Honorable Mention; Tori Goostree, All District and All Conference 1st Team; Hallie Mitchell, All District and All Conference 1st Team; and Rachel Lacey, All Conference Honorable Mention.

Jamieson competes in Arkansas 100-mile trail race

Lee Stubblefield

On Friday, February 24, a small band of runners set out to challenge the Lovit 100, a 100-mile race over the rugged terrain of the Lake Ouchaita Vista Trail along the southern rim of the Ouachita National Forest in south central Arkansas.

Only 21 runners would finish. Tyler Wilkerson, of Russellville, Arkansas, found the finish line first, logging the distance in 22 hours and 22 minutes flat. Only 20 minutes back was 57-year old Paul Schoenlab of St. Joseph.

Back in the pack, running his first ever 100-miler, was Terry Jamieson.

A former Cassville coach and educator and now the Athletic Director at Ozark, Jamieson has never shied away from a challenge. An avid, lifelong runner, he long ago quit the 5K scene in search of bigger, more satisfying goals.

to climb Everest, but since I cannot afford that adventure I choose ultras instead," was how Jamieson explained his decision to tackle the rugged Arkansas hills.

He got that bigger goal and then some from the Lovit Run.

"I trained hard for over 6 months for the 100 mile run in Arkansas," Jamieson reported. "I am 53 years old and it was hard for me to log the miles and do the core work. But a great goal."

Throughout his half-year training obsession for the Lovit, he maintained a very strict diet to maintain an optimal weight.

"Gotta love oats and raw honey," he said.

Race strategy was not a high priority.

"I am a very average runner and I am realistic about my times," Jamieson said, "so finishing was the priority."

The tough course with

changes took its toll on the runners as the miles accumulated. Jamieson suffered a torn muscle around mile 45, forcing him to alter his running form.

"It made things tough," he said. "But my wife was waiting at every aid station to encourage me."

Jamieson's running partner for the race was Jeremy Brownfield, the assistant principal at Ozark High School.

"He is a great runner and much faster than me so he was kind to encourage me and allow us to finish together. I honestly think he could have left me late in the event and he chose to stay with me. Great guy."

Finally, early Saturday afternoon, the weary pair crossed the finish line in 31 hours and 29 minutes.

"That distance requires a mental approach much different than shorter events. There were some very dark moments when my will-



power was tested. The distance does not seem to care how good of a runner you are but instead how mentally tough you are," was Jamieson's post-race assessment.

Always the philosopher, Jamieson offered an encouragement that pretty well sums up why the ultra-running community is so strong:

"I recommend everyone try an endeavor that seems off the grid once in your life. It clears the mind and helps you realize your potential as a human being. I intend to do several more of these over the next few years."

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KC Big 12 Race becomes snow challenge

Crazy? Maybe, but I was in good company. A total of 371 runners toed the line for the 12K, with another 626 entered in the 5K event.

That put me ahead of Joe Griggs in the state record book. Griggs ran 59:42 on the old Hospital Hill course in Kansas City back in 2004. There was more relief than elation over the record.

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Purdy FFA's February Member of the Month



The Purdy High School FFA Chapter recently chose Purdy High School Junior Daniel Roller as February Member of the month. Roller's Supervised Agriculture Experience (SAE) consists of a jersey cow and four calves. He also assists his brother with power washing. Daniel will be participating on the Mechanics contest team and is an active member of the FFA chapter. Daniel is the son of Terry and Misty Roller.

Local Police looking for impaired St. Patty's drivers

Local police will be out in full force as part of the annual nationwide St. Patrick's Day Holiday "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" substance-impaired driving crackdown. The crackdown, which will include high-visibility enforcement throughout Seligman, will run from March 16-19, 2017.

The effective nationwide substance-impaired driving crackdown will include high-visibility enforcement, high-profile events, and will be supported by national paid advertising, creating a comprehensive campaign to curb substance-impaired driving over the St. Patrick's Day holiday.

The Cassville and Seligman Police Departments said its officers will be aggressively looking for substance-impaired drivers during the crackdown and will arrest anyone caught driving impaired.

Although it is illegal in all 50 States, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico to drive impaired (having a blood alcohol concentration of .08 or higher), far too many people across the nation get behind the wheel after consuming too much alcohol. The latest statistics from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration underscore the serious nature of the nation's continuing drunk driving epidemic.

"Every year, about one third of all motor vehicle traffic deaths involve one or more substance-impaired drivers or motorcycle operators," said Seligman Chief Terry Burgess. "In 2016, 179 people were killed and 643 seriously injured on Missouri's roadways in crashes that involved at least one substance-impaired driver." That works out to approximately one substance-impaired driver involved fatality every (2) two days. Chief Burgess added the St. Patrick's Day holiday is particularly dangerous. During the St. Patrick's Day holiday March 17-20, 2016, two (2) people were

killed and eight (8) seriously injured involving at least one substance-impaired driver.

"Research has shown that high-visibility enforcement like the 'Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over' campaign reduces substance-impaired driving fatalities by as much as 20 percent. By joining this nationwide effort, we will make Seligman's roadways safer for everyone throughout the holiday," said Cassville Chief Dana Kammerlohr.

"We want to remind everyone that getting behind the wheel impaired is a terrible idea. Unfortunately, not only does being under the influence impair your ability to operate a vehicle safely, it also impairs your judgment and good sense about whether you can, or should drive. If you have any doubt about your sobriety, do not get behind the wheel. If you do chose to drive impaired, you will be arrested. No warnings. No excuses," Chief Kammerlohr said.

Chief Burgess noted that being arrested for driving under the influence of any substance brings a wide range of negative consequences into one's life. Substance-impaired drivers face jail time, loss of their driver licenses, and steep financial consequences such as higher insurance rates, attorney fees, court costs, lost time at work, and the potential loss of job. When family, friends and co-workers find out, violators also often face tremendous personal embarrassment.

"Driving while impaired is simply not worth the risk. So don't take the chance. Remember, we will be out in force and we will be watching, so 'Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over,'" said Chief Burgess.

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Hutchens began his career in the asphalt industry in 1968 working summers and weekends for his father's company patching and chip sealing roads and parking lots and also running the loader and asphalt plant during paving projects. In 1973, Hutchens Construction purchased the limestone quarry at Purdy, and Phil began operating the crushing plant. In late summer of that year, Phil's father, Evan, suffered a heart attack and Phil spent much of his senior year of high school assisting with the operation of the company, which at that time included overseeing many paving jobs in both Arkansas and Missouri. After graduating high school, Phil chose to remain with the company and began overseeing the operation of the quarry and asphalt plant and began bidding many of the company's contract jobs.

Hutchens Construction opened its second limestone quarry at Eagle Rock in 1983, and as Phil's responsibilities grew, so did the company. Several overlay and chip seal projects



Pictured above, from left to right: Patrick McKenna, Director of the Missouri Department of Transportation; Phil Hutchens, President of Hutchens Construction; and Brandon Finn, COO of Hutchens Construction.

with MoDOT through the mid to late 80's helped put Hutchens in a strong financial position, and by 1988, Phil was serving as Chief Operations Officer for Hutchens. In 1992, with the passing of Evan Hutchens, Phil became President and CEO of Hutchens Construction Company and, through his tenure as president, has grown the company to over 100 employees encompassing five asphalt plants and four aggregate quarries.

During his career, Phil has generously donated his time and financial support to many industry trade

associations including the Missouri and National Limestone Producers Association, Arkansas Asphalt Pavement Association, National Asphalt Pavement Association, where he served as State Director from 2005-2007, and the Missouri Asphalt Pavement Association, serving as board member as well as serving two terms as president of MAPA. Phil has also been very active in many civic groups serving on the Progress and Action through Community Effort Committee as well as serving as a Board of Director and Past President of

the Southwest Missouri Council of Governments and serving three terms as Chairman of the Transportation Advisory Committee.

Phil has tirelessly continued to expand his knowledge of the industry throughout his career and has nurtured relationships with many industry experts, one in particular being Jay Hensley, formerly with the Asphalt Institute, who Phil affectionately refers to as "The Asphalt God". Phil's wife says he is the whole ball of wax: "The Idea Man, The Planning Man, The Happening Man.....".

Wheaton's February Students of the Month



Wheaton Schools named their February Students of the Month as Patti Vang and Tate Banks.

Patti Vang is the 7th grade daughter of Bouayang and Laura Vang. Tate Banks is the 12th grade son of Bobby and Shauna Banks.

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- The Monday Movie Matinee for March 20 will be Colateral Beauty starring Will Smith. After a tragedy, a man

- questions the universe by writing to Love, Time, and Death. Rated PG-13, the film begins at 1:30 p.m. in the library's meeting room.
- The new Beginning Sewing and Quilting class meets each Wednesday at 1 p.m. Call (417) 847-2121 for additional information.
 - LEGO Club will meet again on Thursday, March 23, at 3:30.
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Stumpff wins Oklahoma Reserve Auctioneering Champ



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On February 24 and 25, the State of Oklahoma held the Auctioneer State Championship in Oklahoma City at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Donnie Stumpff, owner of Stumpff’s Realty & Auction Service, Inc., from Cassville, entered the competition and took top honors.

This was Stumpff’s first time entering in the State of Oklahoma’s competition. Stumpff, who is 2010 Missouri State Champion and 2011 Arkansas State Champion, said this was one of the toughest competitions yet.

The contest consisted of a panel of five judges: World Champion Livestock Auctioneer Ralph Wade, International Champion Auctioneer Jason Miller, International Women’s Champion Auctioneer Megan Niediensi, Certified Estate Specialist and Auctioneer Instructor David Whitley, Kentucky State Champion and highly decorated auctioneer Steve Cherry.

The preliminaries were held Friday evening where Stumpff said he felt very blessed to advance to the finals on Saturday night. Stumpff was judged on auctioneering ability in a live auction setting, clarity, rhythm, speed, voice control, chant, product knowledge and an interview where each contestant is asked three questions pertaining to the auction industry. At the end of the evening, Stumpff was named the 2017 Reserve Champion for the State of Oklahoma. Stumpff also advanced earlier in the year to the finals in the Kansas Auctioneer Championship, which will be held at the Kansas State Fair in September.

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Cassville Speech and Debate places in Hillcrest Tournament

Cassville Speech and Debate attended the Hillcrest Tournament on Friday, February 18. There were 24 schools in attendance. Cassville took fourth place in Sweep Points. Winning results were:

- Tempest Gray, Hillcrest

Champion in Storytelling

- Caleb Stephens and Garrett York, 6th in Imprvational Duet Acting
- Levi Hodge and Jake Whitham, 2nd in Duet Acting
- Jake Whitham took the

following awards: Dramatic Interpretation, 2nd; and Humorous Interpretation, 4th.

Jake Whitham had the best record of any competitor at the tournament. As a result, he won a very special award in honor of a former student in the program who was killed in a car accident. It was presented by the family. Whitham won the Dustin Hargis Award.

The Dustin Hargis Award is given to a student competitor who has amassed the highest total of sweepstakes points at the festival. The student had to triple enter.



Pictured above is the team at the Hillcrest competition. From left to right, in the front row: Jake Whitham, Ying Thao, Cade Wilson, Levi Hodge, Tempest Gray, Dusty Hodge, Riley Rowden and Grace Baxley. Back row: Xain Gray, Micheal Hunter, Alex Mackey, Thomas Tabor, Andrew St. Pierre and Tino Ellis.



Jake Whitham at Hillcrest winning the Hargis award.

Whitetail Unlimited banquet slated for April 8

Whitetails Unlimited is sponsoring the Southwest Missouri Banquet on Saturday, April 8, at St. Mary's Activity Center, at 200 Front Street in Pierce City. In attendance will be special guest Travis "T-Bone" Turner, co-host of Michael Waddell's Bone Collector TV show. This special event will feature a buffet dinner, auction and prizes with a wide array of products such as firearms, outfitter packages, hunting and outdoor-related equipment, artwork, and collectibles only available at WTU events. A grant from this event will go towards local projects and uphold WTU's mission.

The social hour begins at 5 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$40 each, \$20 for a spouse, or \$30 for children 15 and under. Ticket order deadline is April 7, and tickets will not be sold at the door.

To order tickets locally, call Scotty Redshaw at (417) 354-4145 or WTU National Headquarters at 800-274-5472, or go online at www.whitetailsunlimited.com.

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Cassville Intermediate names February Character Kids

Each month, Cassville Intermediate School focuses on a different character trait, presented by their school counselor. Students are then selected by their teachers if they represented the character trait presented.

For February, students were selected for exhibiting the trait of cooperation. Students are pictured by grade level below.

Third grade character kids are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Sara Stockton, Emma Collins, Donielle Burns, Logan Marple and Angela Vail. Back row: Logan Deiser, Hunter Kaup, Maddox Cooper, Diego Haros, Ayden Bates, Paxton Daniels and Cayden Rohde. Not present: Kimberly Hang.

Fourth grade character kids are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: David Turner, Bradley Stumpff, Douglas Israel, Lilliann Palmer and Jessica Marlowe. Back row: Justus McCarty, Zhoi Jagger, Isabella Rodriguez-Muise, Rylee Quinlan, Kelsie Mark and Jagger Miller.

Fifth grade character kids are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Josph Reuter, Carlos Padilla, CJ Rose, Eli Connolley, Cordell Johnson, Nathan Buckner and Diego Hernandez. Back row: Blaze Downs, Ethan Bomhke, Suzy Perez, Hailey Roberts, Hope Williams, Madison Scallorn and Taylor Smith.

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Paddlefish season opening for anglers

Missouri’s annual spring paddlefish snagging season is a popular pastime for thousands of anglers. According to the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC), the state’s major paddlefish snagging waters include Lake of the Ozarks, Truman Lake, and Table Rock Lake. The paddlefish snagging season for these and most other waters in the state runs March 15 through April 30. The season for the Mississippi River is March 15 through May 15 with a fall season of Sept. 15 through Dec. 15.

Also known as “spoon-bills” because of the shape of their snouts, paddlefish take seven or eight years to grow to legal size and in Missouri can live more than 20 years. The state record paddlefish taken in 2015 on Table Rock Lake was 31 years old. The fish feed on plankton and other microscopic prey. These filter feeders there-

fore do not take bait from hooks and must be snagged using large hooks that catch in the mouth, gills, or other areas of their bodies.

The success of paddlefish snagging is dependent on weather conditions, primarily water temperature and flow.

“The best snagging conditions occur when water temperature reaches 50 to 55 degrees and there is an increase in water flow,” MDC Fisheries Management Biologist Trish Yasger said. “This prompts them to move upstream to spawn. We don’t usually see a lot of big fish being caught on opening day. Harvest early in the season is typically dominated by local fish and small males with the occasional large female. As water temperature and flow increase, you will start seeing more of the larger females.”

Yasger added snagging

tends to be better early in the season at Table Rock Lake and better in April at Lake of the Ozarks and Truman Lake.

MDC Stocking Efforts

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) makes paddlefish snagging possible in the Show-Me State through annual stocking of fingerlings raised at its Blind Pony Hatchery near Sweet Springs. The fingerlings are released into Lake of the Ozarks, Truman Lake and Table Rock Lake, plus the Black River. Last year more than 314,000 foot-long fingerlings were stocked -- MDC’s largest stocking of paddlefish. These fish will be large enough to harvest beginning in 2023. The annual stocking is necessary because dams and other barriers to spawning areas have eliminated sustainable natural reproduction in the lakes.

Yasger noted MDC released an especially large number of fingerlings into Lake of the Ozarks, Truman Lake, and Table Rock Lake in 2008. The more than 164,000 fingerlings released are now nine years old and will continue to provide good numbers of fish for snaggers to harvest.

“Without annual stocking by MDC staff, this popular pastime and food source would go away,” said Yasger. “We need help from snaggers to learn more about and to better manage this popular game fish so we can keep paddlefish snagging great for many years to come.”

Snag A Tag - Get A Reward

MDC is in its third year of a five-year tagging project to help monitor paddlefish numbers and improve species management. Department staff are placing metal jaw tags on up to 6,000 paddlefish netted in Lake of the Ozarks, Truman Lake, and Table Rock Lake and up to 1,000 netted from the Mississippi River. Yasger encourages all snaggers to help out by reporting tagged paddlefish and to NOT remove tags from undersized or released paddlefish.

“We will send a special ‘I caught a Missouri paddlefish!’ t-shirt to each snagger who returns or reports their first tagged fish,” Yasger explained. “All returned and reported tags will be placed into an annual drawing, held in July, for cash prizes with a grand prize of \$500.”

Tags or photos of tags from harvested paddlefish must be submitted for rewards. Snaggers must include the following information with each tag:

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Snagger’s name and complete address

Report tags by calling MDC at (573) 579-6825 with the information, or mail the information with the flattened tag to: Missouri Department of Conservation, 3815 East Jackson Blvd., Jackson, MO 63755 or by e-mailing Trish Yasger at Trish.Yasger@mdc.mo.gov (link sends e-mail).

Learn more about the tagging project from MDC online at <http://on.mo.gov/2lr7e0b>.

Report Transmitters

MDC biologists are also implanting ultrasonic transmitters in adult paddlefish at Truman Lake, Lake of the Ozarks, Table Rock Lake, and the Mississippi River to track their movements and gain other important information. MDC asks that all snaggers who harvest fish with a transmitter to report it by calling (573) 579-6825 or by e-mailing Trish Yasger at Trish.Yasger@mdc.mo.gov.

“It is important to return transmitters so they can be implanted in other fish,” said Yasger.

Help smaller fish survive

Yasger reminds snaggers to help undersized snagged fish survive to grow larger.

“Do not land paddlefish with gaffs. This can fatally injure sublegal fish. Use large landing nets,” she said. “Remove hooks carefully and get sublegal fish back into the water as quickly as possible. Wet your hands before handling fish and avoid excessive handling. Do not pass them around

for photos and hold fish firmly to avoid dropping them. Never put fingers in the gills or eyes.”

Regulation Requirements

Unless exempt, anglers must have a current fishing permit to snag or to operate a boat for snaggers. The daily limit is two paddlefish and snaggers must stop snagging after obtaining the daily limit on Lake of the Ozarks and Truman Lake and their tributaries, and the Osage River below Bagnell Dam. The minimum legal body length for paddlefish at Lake of the Ozarks, Truman Lake, Table Rock Lake, and their tributaries is 34 inches, measured from the eye to the fork of the tail. The minimum legal body length is 24 inches on the Osage River below Bagnell Dam and in other Missouri waters. All paddlefish under the legal minimum length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.

The Wildlife Code of Missouri requires the head, tail, and skin to remain attached to all paddlefish while on the water so paddlefish should not be cleaned until off of the water. Also, extracted paddlefish eggs may not be possessed while on waters of the state or adjacent banks and may not be transported. Paddlefish eggs may not be bought, sold or offered for sale. Additionally, paddlefish or their parts, including eggs, may not be used for bait.

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