

Man arrested for armed robbery of Monett truck stop

MAGICIAN SUSPECT ALLEGEDLY TOLD EMPLOYEE BEFOREHAND AS A JOKE

Charlea Estes

A man was arrested for allegedly robbing a Monett truck stop at gunpoint at the end of February. Jason Michael Withnell, 36, was charged with robbery in the first degree, armed criminal action and unlawful use of a weapon - exhibiting. According to the affidavit of probable cause, Withnell, who goes by “Amazing Jason” because of card tricks, told another employee he was going to rob the truck stop.

In the affidavit of probable cause, Monett Police Department Detective Don Massengill wrote that on February 24, Withnell entered the truck stop wearing a green army-type jacket, black hoodie, yellow gloves and black sweat pants. Once in the store, he allegedly waited for customers to leave before approaching the counter, holding a handgun to the clerk, passing a book with the word “Ford” embossed on it with a note, telling the clerk to give him the money in the register and not look at his face.

The report states the clerk put approximately \$942 in the book, and then the suspect fled the store on foot.

After the surveillance footage was reviewed, another employee stated she knew the suspect as “Amazing Jason,” and that she had driven him to “jobs,” which the police indicated in the report were Withnell’s magic shows.

That employee also told officers that Withnell had told her multiple times, “I oughta rob the place.” The employee responded to him with, “Well don’t do it on my shift,” thinking Withnell was joking. The employee also told officers she had dropped Withnell off at his mother’s apartment.

When officers investigated Withnell’s involvement in the crime, they were able to located the person he gave his gloves and mask to, telling him, “get rid of them” and “you don’t want to get seen with that...it’s bad news.” The officers were able to recover the gloves and mask. The witness also claimed to have seen Withnell with the money in a chrome cigarette case. Withnell’s green jacket and sweat pants were also recovered where he left them in the witness’s clothes hamper.

Withnell is currently being held in the Barry County Jail in lieu of a \$75,000 bond.

Cassville students raise \$12K for American Heart Association



Cassville Primary and Intermediate students recently participated in the Hoops for Heart program. Pairing with their physical education teachers, students were encouraged to fundraise for the American Heart Association. In all, the two buildings raised \$12,282.43 to donate in honor of one of the school’s custodians, Jackie Lingle.

All students who raised more than \$150 for the program were treated to a lunch in the Rock Gym with coaches Pinckard and Schmidt. The students also presented Lingle with a card.

Pictured above, from left to right, are, in the front row: Wyatt Bohanan, Sadie Judd, Dennis Craig, Gracie Gray and Charlie Stoller. Middle row: Devon Archuleta, Adelee Hendricks, Donielle Burns, Brooklynn Lowery, Jadon Castleberry and Gwen Harmon. Back row: Gracie Harmon, Avery Chappell, Levi Maher, Cadyn Smith, Bryson Jacobson, Maddock Roark and Jared Crase.

Man charged with domestic assault after pistol threat

Charlea Estes

A Springfield man was arrested last week after allegedly assaulting his wife by hitting her with a pistol until her wrist was broken in November 2016.

Chadley David W. Griffin, 20, of Springfield, was charged with domestic assault in the first degree and armed criminal action.

According to the affidavits of probable cause by the Barry County Sheriff’s Department, Griffin attacked his wife on Farm Road 1000 and other farm roads in Cassville on November 1, 2016. The report stated Griffin struck her multiple times with a 9 mm pistol, fracturing her wrist and splitting her forehead open. He also allegedly hit her with closed fists in the head, arms and legs.

According to the affidavits, Griffin then chambered a round and told the victim she had two minutes to live and to start praying before counting down.

Griffin was incarcerated in the Greene County Jail for assaulting his wife and her mother when the report was written.

Griffin is currently being held in the Barry County Jail in lieu of a \$75,000 bond.

Wildcat Wednesdays to raise money for Education Fund

Charlea Estes

A new program to help raise funds for the Cassville Education Fund is in gearing up to raise \$5,000 by the end of May. Wildcat Wednesdays is a dress-down day where different businesses around town allow their employees to dress down in jeans on Wednesdays for \$5 in support of the school throughout the month of April.

Mindi Artherton, media representative for Cassville Schools, said the concept was a group effort after a matching grant was offered to the fund. They have until the end of May to raise \$5,000, which a donor will match dollar for dollar. She said, “We were brainstorming ways we could generate funds needed for the \$5,000 match, and everyone agreed most employees love the opportunity to wear jeans. We thought it would create a way community members could contribute to the Education Fun and get to enjoy an additional jeans day. Plus, we loved the idea of having everyone in our community rallying around our students at Cassville R-IV in a visible way.”

Thus far, ARVEST Bank, Cassville School District, Commerce Bank, First State Bank, Security Bank, Willis Insurance, Freedom Bank and Barry Electric have signed up to participate in the program. Security Bank also pledged to match the money raised by their employees.

Mary Cupps, with the Cassville Education Fund, said, “With state and federal funding of schools often at risk, it is more important than ever to have different sources of funding. The Fund was established to support areas of need that promote student learning and development.”

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Cassville Speech and Debate students advance to State



The Cassville Speech and Debate team competed at the MSHSAA District tournament last weekend and earned. The following awards: Tempest Gray, 7th in Storytelling; Jake Whitham, 4th in Humorous Interpretation; Levi Hodge, 4th in Extemporaneous Speaking; Levi Hodge and Jake Whitham, 3rd in Duet Acting; and Sarah Field and Bridgette Sutter, advanced to quarterfinals in debate.

The following students are advancing to state: Alex Mackey, 3rd in poetry; and Jake Whitham, District Champion in dramatic interpretation.

Pictured above, from left to right, in the front row: Sarah Field, Bridgette Sutter and Tempest Gray. Back row: Levi Hodge, Jake Whitham and Alex Mackey.

Driver injured in Monett wreck

Charlea Estes

The driver in a wreck on Route Z was injured on Monday afternoon. According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol crash report, the driver skidded on a hill crest and overturned.

On Monday, March 20, Mario L. Zaccone, 37, of Merriam Woods, was driving a 2002 Ford Winstar eastbound on Route Z, seven miles east of Monett. Zaccone began skidding on a hill crest and traveled off the left side of the roadway and then overturned.

Zaccone was transported to Cox South Hospital in Springfield for moderate injuries. The Windstar was totaled and towed from the scene by Thomas Towing, of Monett. Zaccone was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash.

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Library reopens on Saturdays after hiatus

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Saturday weekend hours have been restored to local libraries after budget cuts forced them to change last August. The Cassville, Aurora, Monett and Mt. Vernon library branches of the Barry-Lawrence County Library are now open again on Saturdays after public response to the closings.

Last June, Barry-Lawrence Regional Library Director Gina Milburn announced the branches would be closing on Saturdays at Cassville, Aurora, Monett, Marionville and Mt. Vernon after a proposed tax levy increase was shot down by Barry and Lawrence County voters in the April General Municipal Election. All of those branches are now open again on Saturdays except for Marionville. The hours for those branches now are Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

In June, Milburn commented that hours were cut to save the library's budget. At that time, she said that no one's employment was terminated, and the hours reduction was made to insure that wouldn't happen. The library also cut their budget for serials and magazines to help stretch the budget.

At the January library board meeting, Milburn proposed to reopen on Saturdays after patrons requested it. At the meeting, Milburn said that their circulation and library use was the same or better as it had been prior to the hours reduction, and library patrons expressed their desire to have Saturday hours back.

Cassville Branch director Cheryl Williams said they had people asking about the hours at their location. She said, "We had some people that were really upset who approached the library board about it."

Now that they are open, Williams said they have plenty of people coming in, "We stay

busy on Saturdays; it fluctuates. It's comparable to a week-day other than that we don't do programming on Saturdays.

"People are happy because we had some people who could only come to the library on Saturdays."

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

Cassville Senior Center has tax appointments available for seniors every Wednesday until April 12. Please make an appointment by calling (417)847-4510.

Central Crossing Senior Center will have a simple tax preparation on Monday mornings through April 3. Please call (417)858-6952 for an appointment.

March 23rd

Pierce City Senior Center will host a dance on March 23 at 7 p.m. For information, call (417)476-5800.

Ridge Top Bible Camp will host camp meeting on March 23, 24 and 25 at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Rodney Stromlund. For information, call (417)342-7659.

March 24th

Stella Senior Center will host a dinner and dance on March 24 at 5:30 p.m.

March 25th

Seligman Chamber will host a dance on March 25 at 7 p.m. For information, call (417)662-3612.

Cassville Project Graduation will host a four man scramble golf tournament on March 25. Entry fee is \$200 per team. Call Cassville Golf Course to set up tee time.

The Barry County Genealogical & Historical Society will take a field trip to the George Washington Carver Museum on March 25 at 1 p.m.

Eagle Rock Fire Department will host a breakfast on March 25 from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.

McDowell Schoolhouse invites you to come and enjoy music on March 25 at 6:30 p.m.

March 26th

Free Meal at Seligman Community Center on March 26 at 3 p.m. Free clothing and other items are available. For information, call (479)936-0363.

March 27th

Central Crossing Senior Center will host Nell's Nails, Fingers & Toes on March 27. For an appointment, call (417)858-6952.

March 28th

The Barry County Republican Club will meet on March 28 at 6:30 p.m. at the Angus Branch Steak House in Monett.

March 29th

Central Crossing Senior Center will host WIC on March 29. Please call (417)847-2114 for an appointment.

March 30th

Parents as Teachers will host a parent and child activity night on March 30 from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the primary cafeteria. For information, call (417)847-4008.

March 31st

Cassville School District will have preschool screening for three and four year old children on March 31 and April 7. To schedule an appointment, call (417)847-2445.

Purdy High School Student Council will host a blood drive on March 31 in the elementary gym from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

April 3rd

Monett Senior Citizens Center will host a dance on April 3 at 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the park casino. For information, call (417)632-4297.

Central Crossing Senior Center will host O.J.'s cookout on March 31 from 11:15a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

April 7th

Crowder College will offer HiSet Testing on April 7 and 8 at 9:30 a.m. For information, call (417)847-1706.

April 8th

Whitetails Unlimited is sponsoring the Southwest Missouri Banquet on April 8 at St. Mary's Activity Center in Pierce City. The event will begin at 5 p.m. For ticket information, call (417)354-4145 or go to www.whitetailsunlimited.com.

Chatty Crafters will meet April 8 at 10 a.m. at the Mane Station in Cassville. For information, call (417)498-2202.

Barry County 4-H will host its annual scholarship benefit dinner on April 8 at 5:30 p.m. The event will be at the Family Life Center in Cassville. For information, call (417)847-3161.

School Menus: March 27 - March 31

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

Southwest: Mon: No School. Tues: B: Biscuits & gravy, fresh fruit or cereal, juice. L: Chicken nuggets, breadstick, corn, pineapple or salad/fruit bar. Wed: B: Breakfast sausage pizza, grapes or cereal, juice. L: Spaghetti, garlic bread, peas, carrots, mandarin oranges or salad/fruit bar. Thurs: B: Pancakes, blueberries or cereal, juice. L: Tacos, lettuce, cheese, spanish rice, strawberry cup or salad/fruit bar. Fri: B: Hot ham & hashbrown sandwich or cereal, juice. L: Cheeseburger, lettuce, sliced tomato, potato chips, applesauce cup or salad/fruit bar.

Purdy: Mon: No School. Tues: B: Pancakes, cereal, yogurt, fresh fruit. L: Hot dog/bun, chips, baked beans, fruit. Wed: B: Biscuit & gravy, sausage patty, cereal, fruit. L: Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, broccoli. Thurs: B: Scrambled eggs, toast, cereal, fruit. L: Crispito, string cheese, pinto beans, corn, fruit, chocolate chip cookie. Fri: B: Breakfast pizza, cereal, yogurt, fruit. L: Ham & cheese sandwich, potato chips, baby carrots, ranch, orange.

Exeter: Mon: No School. Tues: B: Pancake on a stick, pears, juice or cereal, pop tart, pears, juice. L: Hot dog/bun, french fries, cucumbers, fruit. Wed: B: Sausage/egg biscuit, fruit, juice or cereal, biscuit, fruit, juice. L: Chicken patty, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, fruit. Thurs: B: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, mixed fruit, juice or cereal, toast, mixed fruit, juice. L: Cheese pizza, salad, corn, fruit. Fri: B: Muffin, yogurt, banana, juice or cereal, vertical bar, banana, juice. L: Cheeseburger/bun, baked beans, dill spears, applesauce.

Cassville: Mon: B: Biscuits & gravy or pancakes, sausage patty, go gurt, blueberries or cereal, cinnamon toast, orange. L: Corndog(chicken strips), mac & cheese, glazed carrots, juice or salad meal. Tues: B: Biscuits & gravy or chicken nuggets, hashbrowns, orange or cereal, rice krispy treat, apple. L: Chicken

nuggets(country steak), whipped potatoes, gravy, green beans, mandarin oranges or salad meal. Wed: B: Biscuits & gravy or brfst burrito, sausage patty, pineapple chunks or cereal, toast, applesauce. L: Soft taco(beef burrito/cheese), chips & bean dip, carrots sticks, fruit cocktail or salad meal. Thurs: B: Biscuits & gravy or scrambled eggs & ham, hashbrowns, toast, mandarin oranges or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. L: Hot dog(hawaiian chicken roll), nacho cheese, french fries, corn, sidekicks or salad meal. Fri: B: Biscuits & gravy or french toast sticks, sausage patty, peaches or cereal, pb&j, banana. L: Popcorn chicken(cheeseburger), tater tots, broccoli & cheese, peaches or baked potato bar.

Cassville High: Mon: B: Biscuits & gravy or scrambled eggs & ham, sausage patty, toast, peaches or cereal, pop tart, pears. L: Burrito, nachos, corn, juice or pizza meal or salad meal. Tues: B: Biscuits & gravy or brfst bagel, yogurt cup, tropical fruit or cereal, banana muffin, applesauce. L: Steak sandwich, baked beans, juice or chicken nugget meal or salad meal. Wed: B: Biscuits & gravy or pancake on a stick, hashbrowns, apple or cereal, cinnamon toast, tangerine. L: Chicken & noodles, whipped potatoes, green beans, breadstick, applesauce & jello or pizza meal or salad meal. Thurs: B: Biscuits & gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrowns, applesauce or cereal, pecan spins, peaches. L: Tangerine chicken rice, glazed carrots, egg rolls, fortune cookie, tropical fruit or cheeseburger meal or salad meal. Fri: B: Biscuits & gravy or cinnamon bun, banana or cereal, rice krispy treat, apple. L: Chicken strips, scalloped potatoes, broccoli & cheese, breadstick, pineapple chunks or pizza meal or salad meal.

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Maloney celebrates 86th birthday



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Luceros announce new addition to family

Brendon and Staci Lucero, of Cassville, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a boy, Easton Tyler, born December 6, 2016, at 11:37 a.m., at Freeman Hospital, Joplin, weighing six pounds and measuring twenty inches long. Easton's family tree includes maternal grandparents, Greg and Patty Day, of Cassville; great-grandparent, Irene Snyder, and the late, Wayne Snyder; paternal grandparents, Christy Brown, of Cassville, and Gabe and Crystal Lucero, of Sedalia; great-grandparents, Bobby and Cindy Gage, of Paris, Texas, and Maryann Lucero, of Cassville.



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HENRY KEITH HENBEST

Henry Keith Henbest, 71, of Cassville, passed away Wednesday, March 15, 2017, at Cedar Ridge Care Center in Cassville.

He was born July 16, 1945, in Cassville, the son of Eugene "Gene" and Beulah (Cochran) Henbest, who preceded him in death.

Surviving are one son, Eric Henbest, of Charlotte, N.C.; two sisters, Patsy Harris and her husband, Randy, of

Berwyn, Ill., and Lanor Ross, of Batavia, Ill.; one grandchild, Elijah; a stepmother, Katey Henbest, of Batavia, Ill.; uncle Leon Henbest and his wife, Linda, of Carl Junction; as well as nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Henry received his education at Purdy. Most of his life was spent working on dairy farms. He was a member of Mill Street Church of Christ in Cassville. Henry loved to read and enjoyed walking.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 2017, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Randy Harris conducted the services. Burial was in Horner Cemetery at Cassville.

The family received friends from 12:00 noon until service time Saturday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

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OBITUARIES



JUNE HENCY

June Hency, 78, of Pea Ridge, Ark. died Friday, March 17, 2017, at Rogers Health & Rehab.

She was born June 21, 1938, in Washington County, Alabama, to Thomas James Bailey and Livie Jan Booher Bailey and was raised in State Line, Miss. She graduated from State Line High School, attended college at Jones Jr. College and then Business College in Mississippi. She moved to LaHabra, California, and worked as a bookkeeper for Bank of America and Byefair Market. She married Marvin Hency in

LaHabra, Calif., August 25, 1962, and to this union one daughter, Rebecca, was born. She moved to Rogers in 1972 and worked at Tyson Foods in Bentonville for eleven years. She also started a daycare and B&J Tax Service in Pea Ridge.

She is preceded in death by her parents; a stepson, Robert Lee Hency; eight brothers, Paul, Lawrence, Lonnie, Ansel, Ulmer, Warren, Arthur, and Hughes; five sisters, Vinya, Evelyn, Eloise, Mildred and her twin Jessie.

Survivors are her husband, Marvin Hency, of Pea Ridge, Ark.; one daughter, Rebecca K. Vanzandt and husband, Kenny, of Seligman; a stepdaughter, Patricia Schroor, of Butterfield; two grandchildren, Livie Vanzandt, of Seligman, Stacy Hall and husband, Colt, of Exeter; three step-grandchildren, Melissa Knotts, Gary Litton and wife, Corina, and Doug Hency and wife, Betty; three great-grandchildren; five stepgreat-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside service is set for 11:00 Thursday, March 23, at the Vanzandt Family Cem-

etry in Missouri. Arrangements are by Sisco Funeral Home in Pea Ridge, Ark. Visitation is set for 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. today, Wednesday, March 22, at funeral home.

Online condolences may be made at siscofuneralhome.net

BILLY SCHELL

Billy Schell, 65, of Cassville, passed away on Wednesday, March 15, 2017. Mr. Schell, son of Billy Wayne and Dollie Faye (Thomas) Schell, was born on March 25, 1951, in Monett. He was a 1969 Southwest High School graduate, and subsequently graduated from Missouri State University with an engineering degree. Mr. Schell was united in marriage to Rhonda Willows on June 15, 1974, who was crowned Mrs. North Dakota during their marriage. He worked for Aerotank in Cambridge, Minn., retiring in 1991 after seventeen years. In 1992, he started working on a pipeline for Great Plains Construc-



tion. He then began working for Seven Valleys Construction, and also hauled fertilizer for Steve Banker. Mr. Schell loved ice fishing and following the Minnesota Vikings.

Survivors include his sister, Ann Ennes and her husband, Bobby, of Cassville; three godchildren, Mathew Johnson, David Johnson, and Melinda Johnson; his uncle, Russell Schell, of Florida; two aunts, Amy Prim and her husband, Dick, of Bentonville, Ark., and Coeta Stephens and her husband, Larry, of Washburn; several cousins, nieces and nephews; his special friend, Diane Nichols, of Fort Myers, Fla., and her children, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, who were all very close to Bill.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Gary Schell, and his sister, Donna Stephens.

The family received friends on Sunday, March 19, 2017, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the White Funeral Home and Crematory, with words of comfort spoken by Pastor Donnie Spears.

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

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The family of Boyd Stogdill would like to thank everyone for the kindness shown to us during our loss. Thank you for all the visits, phone calls, cards, food, flowers and donations. We would also like to extend a very special thank you to Fohn Funeral Home, Pastor Clyde Garrett, and Southern Tradition for the service they provided and to Mission Baptist Church for the dinner. God Bless each one of you that touched our hearts during this time.

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AVENELL CARTER
Avenell Carter, 82, of Shell Knob, passed away Monday, March 20, 2017, at Cox Medical Center South in Springfield.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, March 24, 2017, in Shell Knob Church of Christ under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Shell Knob. Burial will be in Fields Cemetery at Shell Knob.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until service time Friday in the Church.

Contributions may be made to the Church of Christ or Shell Knob Senior Center in memory of Avenell.

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FRANK PETERSON
Frank Peterson, 53, of Seligman, passed away on Tuesday, March 14, 2017.
A private family gathering will be held at a later date.
Cremation arrangements are under the direction of the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.

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Tips for post-winter garden prep

Lawns and gardens can bear the brunt of winter weather and are often in need of tender loving care by the time spring arrives.

Preparing a garden for spring and summer involves assessing any damage that harsh weather might have caused. As temperatures climb, gardeners can heed the following post-winter garden preparation tips in an effort to ensure some successful gardening in the months ahead.

- Assess the damage. Even if winter was mild, gardens might still have suffered some damage. Inspect garden beds and any fencing or barriers designed to keep wildlife from getting into the garden. Before planting anew, fix any damage that Mother Nature or local wildlife might have caused over the past several months.
- Clear debris. Garden beds and surrounding landscapes that survived winter without being damaged might still be littered with debris. Remove fallen leaves, branches and even litter that blew about on windy winter days before planting season. Make sure to discard any debris effectively so it does not find its way back into the garden.
- Turn the greenhouse into a clean house. Spring cleaning is not just for the interior of a home. Cleaning a greenhouse in advance of spring can help gardeners evict any overwintering pests that can threaten plant life once spring gardening season arrives. A thorough cleaning, which should include cleaning the inside of greenhouse glass and washing flower pots and plant trays, also can prevent plant diseases from surviving into spring.
- Check for pests. Speak with a local gardening professional to determine if there are any local pests to look out for and how to recognize and remove these pets from gardens. Pests may hibernate in the soil over the winter, and such unwelcome visitors can make it difficult for gardens to thrive come spring and summer.
- Assess plant location. If plants, flowers or gardens have struggled in recent years or never grew especially vibrant, then gardeners may want to assess the location of their plant life before spring gardening season begins. Some plants may not be getting enough sunlight in certain locations on a property, while others might be overexposed to the sun during spring and summer. Moving plants that are not thriving prior to the start of spring gardening season may be just what gardens need to flourish in the coming weeks.

Spring gardening season is right around the corner, so now is an ideal time to prepare gardens for the warmer seasons ahead.



CASSVILLE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Cassville R-IV School Board of Education meeting was called to order by President of the Board John Sullivan.

The following programs were evaluated: Spring Sports, Health Care Program and FCCLA Legislative Shadowing, presented by Doug Martin, LaDon Vanzandt, Laura Stringer, RJ Elliott, Kaylyn Bryant and Coleman Hoppes.

A motion was made by David Haddock and seconded by Chad Yarnall to approve the Consent?

Agenda as follows: February 16th regular meeting minutes, February 23rd Special meeting minutes, February financial reports, and March bills, resignations from Kyle Ogle as a High School Math Teacher, Jennifer Pendergraft as Middle School Teacher effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year, Employment of Casey Gaines as a Middle School Communication Arts Teacher, Megan Cox as a Kindergarten Teacher and Cheryl Dubuque as a Middle School Special Education Teacher effective for the 2017-2018 school year, additions to the Active Vendor List for the 2016-2017 school year and additions to the Substitute Employment List for the 2016-2017 school year. Administrators reviewed building reports and other areas of interest. The motion carried 4 Yes 0 No. Jon Horner, Becky Henningson and John Sullivan abstained.

A motion was made by Carolyn Bowen and seconded by Jon Horner to approve the Copy Products Machine Equipment Upgrade Three Year Lease. The motion carried 7 Yes 0 No.

A motion was made by Jon Horner and seconded by Becky Henningson to approve MSBA Policy Services Agreement for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion carried 7 Yes 0 No.

A motion was made by Becky Henningson and sec-

onded by Jon Horner to approve the Intermediate Repair PH2 Change Order #2 of \$630,183.50 (Pier #2 and #3) with a credit of -\$117,412.00 (Pressure Line) to make the change order approved at \$512,771.50. The motion carried 7 Yes 0 No.

The following items were presented for Discussion and Information: Senior Sidewalk Recognition Project, Extra Duty Stipend Schedule, Exit Interview Planning and Health Insurance Rates.

A motion was made by Jon Horner and seconded by Becky Henningson to go into executive session for the purpose of personnel. Meeting to be closed under Section 610.021, subsection (3) RSMO: for the purpose of hiring, firing, and disciplining or promoting employees; with minutes closed to public examination. The motion carried with an all yea roll call.

A motion was made by David Haddock and seconded by Becky Henningson to return to regular session. The motion carried with an all yea roll call.

A motion was made by Jon Horner and seconded by Becky Henningson to employ Certified Probationary Teachers per attached list for the 2017-2018 school year.

The motion carried 7 Yes 0 No.
Motion made by David Haddock and seconded by Carolyn Bowen to adjourn. The motion carried 7 Yes 0 No.



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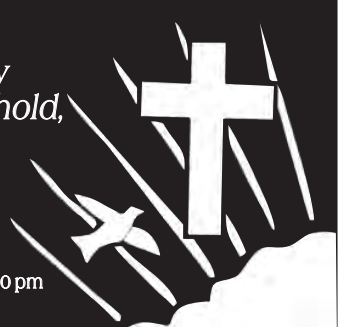
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Central Crossing seniors celebrate St. Patrick's Day



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Cassville kids try to best leprechauns



Cassville Primary second graders tried their hands at capturing leprechauns on St. Patrick's Day with custom-designed traps. Students put their traps in the hallway at the school, hoping a leprechaun would visit and leave them some gold. Student decorated them with lots of gold, green and glitter, hoping to attract them.

Some of the students with their leprechaun traps are pictured above. From left to right, in the back: Rylene Holman, Tyler Matthew, Brylee Gross, Avery Stokes. Front: Hugh Thao.

Prep for next St. Patrick's: How to grow potatoes in straw

If you love eating homegrown potatoes but do not want to dig and weed to get them, try growing them in straw.

"Potatoes are one of the easiest vegetable crops there is to grow," said Dr. Clydette Alsup-Egbers, associate professor of environmental plant science at Missouri State University. "When you grow a potato in straw, you have a cleaner potato and you don't have to dig to harvest. Plus, usually you have much fewer weeds."

When growing this way, the straw is usually placed on the ground.

Follow these steps

Test soil to see if you need fertilizer and check soil temperature for ideal time to plant.

Put potatoes in a bag with some sulfur, shake it up and leave it for a few days.

Put treated potatoes 12-18 inches apart on a layer of straw on the ground and pile more straw on them.

When shoots appear and grow to about 4-6 inches tall, pile more straw around them. Repeat this step several times.

Water as needed.

Wait two to four months.

When the foliage dies, the potatoes are ready for harvest.

Besides growing on the ground, potatoes can also be grown in large bins or straw bales.

"Be sure not to grow potatoes bought from the grocery store," said Alsup-Egbers. "They've been treated with a growth inhibitor chemical and sometimes they have disease organisms on them. So buy them from a garden center."

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Highway Patrol warns boating and thunderstorms don't mix

Springtime in Missouri means ever-changing weather. In the last month, Missourians have enjoyed clear days in the 70s and at other times taken shelter from tornados. When it's warm out, spring is a great time to enjoy Missouri's many lakes and rivers. But, remember that thunderstorms may to develop quickly this time of year.

When a thunderstorm looms on the horizon, it's time to get ashore. Lightning, torrential rain, and rough waters can turn a pleasurable outing into a life-threatening situation in moments. An unaware boater or fisherman can be taken by surprise, and not realize the danger a thunderstorm brings. Severe conditions can quickly overwhelm smaller craft, resulting in swamping, capsizing, collisions, falls overboard, and other dangerous occurrences. Some thunderstorms can create microbursts—intense downdrafts over an area a half-mile to 2.5 miles wide, capable of producing wind gusts from 60 mph to more than 100 mph. Microbursts can capsize a small boat or blow a passenger overboard.

Before leaving the marina or launch ramp, boaters should check their local weather stations for storm warnings and other weather alerts. Knowing there's a "chance of a thunderstorm" won't necessarily tell a boater when one is headed his or her way.

Weather fronts typically move in from the west/southwest, so scan the horizon in that direction periodically for lightning flashes and other signs. Recognizing that a "lowering ceiling" — flat clouds getting lower and thicker — indicates an approaching storm front. To determine the distance of an approaching storm, count the number of seconds between the flash of lighting and the sound of thunder then divide the number of seconds by five. This will give you a rough idea of the distance in miles. If you notice signs of an approaching storm, immediately head for the nearest boat ramp or dock. These fast-developing thunderstorms are usually short in duration. Never try to outrun the storm in open water.

If you do get caught on the water during a thunderstorm, make sure everyone in the boat is wearing a properly secured life jacket. Have your passengers sit low and in the center of the boat. Then, head for bank of the river or shore of the lake. Make sure all doors, windows, and hatches are closed to reduce the risk of swamping and to keep the bilge free of water. If there is lightning, disconnect all electrical equipment. If you are in a small boat, which could easily capsize or swamp, or if the conditions get too bad, head to shore immediately, beach your boat, and seek shelter.

Weather can be both friend and foe to fishermen and recreational boaters. Staying alert to weather changes and taking appropriate action when necessary goes a long way toward safeguarding both lives and property.

Remember: Make sure everyone on board is wearing a U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket every time you are on the water.

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Cupps said, "As a permanent endowment, the Cassville Education Fund will continue to generate income for years to come. Grant monies are awarded from the interest earned in the previous year."

To participate in Wildcat Wednesdays, businesses should contact the Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce at (417) 847-2814.

Shiveley honored for 42 years of service



A celebration to honor Bill Shiveley, general manager of Barry Electric Cooperative, was held on Friday, March 17, at the coop's office. Shiveley served the cooperative for 42 years before his retirement. Shiveley is pictured above (right) at the festivities.

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• Christopher Lee Ames, of Crane, pled guilty to DWI - alcohol as a persistent offender. Ames received a suspended execution of a four year incarceration sentence and five years supervised probation.

On July 16, 2016, Ames was stopped by a Conservation agent in the Lower Flat Creek Conservation Area for not having license plates on his truck. Ames was

found to be driving while revoked and was intoxicated. The agent found a spilled can of beer in the console and then conducted field sobriety tests, which Ames failed. Ames' blood

alcohol level was 0.113.

Ames is to serve probation until February 16, 2022.

• Johnny J. Berry, of Exeter, made an Alford plea to financial exploitation of an elderly person with the property value of \$1,000 to \$49,999 in value. Berry received a suspended imposition of sentencing and five years supervised probation.

Berry's charges originated from an incident on April 15, 2016. Berry asked the victim for a check for \$42.50 to pay off a loan, and the victim left the check blank. Berry wrote the check for \$42,050 for a tractor, drill implement and a rifle. He filled in the amount without the victim's or victim's daughter's permission. The victim's daughter, who has durable power of attorney, said the victim is illiterate and unable to write his own checks.

Berry is to serve probation until February 21, 2022.

• Cody Wayne Cherry pled guilty to possession of a controlled substance in 2014. Cherry is to serve his original sentence after

violating the terms of his probation. Cherry is to serve four years incarceration with the Department of Corrections.

During a Southwest Missouri Drug Task Force investigation in Cassville in January 2014, Cherry's backpack was searched and drug paraphernalia was found with methamphetamine residue. During Cherry's pat down, he also had more paraphernalia and a baggie of methamphetamine.

• Kip Allen Church, Jr., of Exeter, pled guilty to non-support with the total arrears in excess of 12 months in 2015. Church's probation has since been revoked, and he is to serve 120 days of shock incarceration with the Department of Corrections as part of a four year sentence.

Church was in arrears \$8,361.41 in child support for one minor child as of April 3, 2014. Church was to be paying \$200 per month.

Church is to be incarcerated until June 21, 2017.

• Christopher J. Cordell, of Cassville, pled guilty to

possession of a controlled substance. Cordell was sentenced to 54 months incarceration with the Department of Corrections.

On December 15, 2016, the Cassville Police Department was dispatched to a residence for Cordell for striking a two-year old child in the head, which Cordell admitted to. When officers were in the home, they found multiple bags of marijuana and alprazolams (generic Xanax).

• Teresa Kay Davis, of Chillicothe, pled guilty to theft/stealing of less than \$500. Davis was sentenced to one year in jail.

From 2010 to November 2012, Davis had been embezzling funds from Les Jacobs Ford in Cassville.

• Christopher L. Drezinski pled guilty to possession of a controlled substance in 2015. Since, Drezinski's probation has been revoked and he is to serve three years incarceration with the Department of Corrections.

In August 2013, the Missouri State Highway Patrol approached Drezinski's vehicle for expired tags. When the trooper approached, he saw a hypodermic needle in his vehicle, which Drezinski said was opiates. Officers found the syringe to contain methamphetamine.

• Gregory Dalton Fitzgerald, of Fulton, pled guilty to possession of a controlled substance. Fitzgerald received five years incarcerations with the Department of Corrections.

In February 2015, Fitzgerald was arrested in Pierce City when the Missouri State Highway Patrol was serving search warrants. Once inside the residence, Fitzgerald refused to comply, dropped on the ground and attempted to swallow a baggie of methamphetamine, which he then began to choke on. The troopers had to remove the baggie from his mouth.

• William C. Grant, of Ozark, pled guilty to attempted robbery in the second degree in 2014. Grant's probation has since been revoked and he is to serve 120 days of shock incarceration as part of his seven year incarceration sentence with the Department of Corrections.

In January 2014, Grant attempted to take a pistol from a person in a vehicle. When officers arrived, Grant resisted arrest and refused to comply with orders.

• William Shawn Green, of St. Joseph, pled guilty to operating a motor vehicle without a valid license as a first offense. Green received a suspended imposition of sentencing and six months unsupervised probation.



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See FELONIES on 12A

Southwest opens softball season with 4-0 start

Lee Stubblefield

The Southwest Lady Trojans racked up four wins over the weekend to open the Missouri high school spring softball season. Southwest took a road win at Diamond on Friday, then swept their three games at the Verona tournament on Saturday.

At Diamond, sophomore pitcher Maggie Robbins was in mid-season form, striking out 20 Lady Wildcats in a 3-0 victory. But some late fielding errors caused some concern in the Southwest dugout.

"We're up 3-0, our pitcher has 20 strikeouts, and I'm wondering if we are going to lose the game," Southwest's Tony Eagleburger grumbled.

Then at Verona, the Lady Trojans were a heartbeat away from a loss to Exeter in their opening game. Base running blunders wasted Southwest scoring opportunities, and the Lady Trojans were trailing 2-1 with 2 outs and a runner on third in the last inning. Then Southwest's Jerica Lawrence hit a slow dribbler to the mound. Sydney Delossantos was safe at the plate when the ball went home instead of to first base. The game proceeded to extra innings.

By international rules, the team at bat in extra innings is spotted a runner at second base to begin each at bat. Southwest's Taylor Swindle drew that baserunning assignment. She quickly advanced and scored to give the Lady Trojans the lead, a lead that grew to 5-2.

The Lady Tigers could not score in their final at bat, and Southwest survived to take the 5-2 win. Robbins collected another 19 strikeouts in the game.

The game against the host Verona Lady Wildcats turned into an ugly mis-

match. Southwest jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first inning, then scored 19 more in the second inning. Robbins struck out 4 of the 6 batters she faced in the time-constricted, 23-0 game.

Against Galena, the Lady Trojans again took a big first-inning lead, 6-0. After four innings, the score stood at 7-0 as Robbins continued her mastery from the mound. In the fifth inning, Southwest posted 10 more runs to put the game out of reach. The Lady Bears did collect back-to-back hits in the bottom of the fifth to spoil the shutout, but Southwest finished the tournament sweep with the 18-1 final tally.

Besides her pitching stats, Robbins belted a pair of triples on the day.

"Those two shots would have been out in most places," Eagleburger observed.

"I have warning track power," Robbins laughed.

Southwest will play at Ash Grove at 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

Cassville High Scchool volleyball holds league for future Lady Cats



Over the past month, the Future Lady Wildcat Volleyball players have been playing against each other in a youth volleyball league. They demonstrated great sportsmanship and developed relationships as a team and with the high school girls as their coaches. The girls improved each week on their passing, serving, and determination to go after the ball. Coaches expressed their gratitude to the girls, parents and sponsors Johnson Chiropractic Sports & Wellness Clinic and Freeman & Associates.

CHS announces 2017-2018 competitive cheer squad members

Cassville high school recently announced the members of the 2017-2018 Cassville Wildcat Competitive varsity cheer squad.

Co-captains will be Grace Schell and Taylor McDonald. Team leaders will be Grace Vandall and Katie Stockton. Team members include: Jillian Hang, Mackenzie High,

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FELONIES from 10A

In April 2014, Green was caught speeding by aircraft speed enforcement and stopped at Highways 37 and BB. Green was driving while revoked.

Green is to serve probation until August 16, 2017.

- Kala Marie Huffman, of Springfield, pled guilty to theft/stealing of less than \$500. Huffman received a suspended imposition of sentencing and two years unsupervised probation.

In Monett in June 2014, Huffman stole a purse which contained 75 clonazepam pills and a cell phone. When the victim called their cell phone, Huffman answered it and said someone else stole the purse and that she would bring the purse back, but never did. Once arrested, Huffman took the police to the purse, but the contents were missing. She claimed that someone else had stolen the purse, she had chased them down and only got the purse back.

Huffman is to serve probation until February 21, 2019.

- Melissa Ann Junior, of Seligman, pled guilty to theft/stealing of less than \$500 and tampering with a motor vehicle in the first degree. Junior was given a

suspended imposition of sentencing and five years supervised probation.

In June 2016, Junior stole from the Cassville Walmart. Asset protection said Junior had concealed merchandise in bags in her cart.

Then, in September 2016, Junior was a passenger in a stolen 2000 Chevrolet Blazer. At that time, she gave a false name. The driver said she had the Blazer and he did not know it was stolen. At that time, officers found merchandise from Walmart in the car. Junior told the Aurora Police Department that she may have stolen it but she was “so messed up” that she didn’t remember.

Junior is to serve probation until February 22, 2022.

- Brittany Nicole Lakey, of Washburn, pled guilty to two counts of theft/stealing of less than \$500. Lakey received a suspended imposition of sentencing and two years unsupervised probation.

Both of Lakey’s arrests were from the Walmart in Monett in 2015. The first time, Lakey had stolen \$774 in merchandise by pushing a cart out of the store without paying. She also took a cart out of the store and put

it in the car and left.

Lakey is to serve probation until February 21, 2019.

- Trista Leeann Lestmeister, of Stockton, pled guilty to stealing leased or rented property. Lestmeister received a suspended imposition of sentencing and two years unsupervised probation.

In February 2014, Lestmeister rented a TV and Xbox from Payless in Monett. The items were never returned.

Lestmeister is to serve probation until February 21, 2019.

- Michael Dean McCormick, of Green Forest, Ark., pled guilty to burglary in the second degree and theft/stealing of less than \$500. McCormick received a suspended execution of a five year incarceration sentence and five years supervised probation.

In August 2016, McCormick broke into the victim’s garage on State Highway O in Aurora and stole a plasma TV, compound bow, brad nailer, paint gun and camping equipment. McCormick had been working for the victim installing siding prior to the crimes.

McCormick is to serve probation until February 27, 2022.

- Tyler K. McKee, of Monett, pled guilty to unlawful use of a weapon and receiving stolen property. McKee received a suspended imposition of sentencing and three years supervised probation.

In Monett in March 2015, McKee was in a dis-

pute with people in his neighborhood and fired a warning shot from his handgun into the air. The handgun was found to be stolen, which McKee admitted he knew when he bought it.

McKee is to serve probation until February 21, 2020.

- Samantha L. Peek, of Unionville, pled guilty to two counts of possession of a controlled substance in 2014. Peek’s probation has since been revoked and she is to serve four years incarceration with the Department of Corrections.

In July 2012, on a farm road outside of Purdy, a felony warrant was served at a residence. Inside Peek’s bedroom, a mailbox had several plastic straws that field-tested positive for methamphetamine.

Then, in January 2013, Peek was charged after the Drug Task Force undercover sting purchased a gram of methamphetamine from Peek on a farm road outside of Cassville.

- Terry Dewayne Randolph, of Seligman, pled guilty to non-support with the total arrears of more than 12 months. Randolph was granted a suspended imposition of sentencing and five years unsupervised probation.

Randolph was in arrears \$2,482.22 in July 2016. He was to pay \$36 per week for one child.

Randolph is to serve probation until February 21, 2022.

- Edward Lee Resz, of Eagle Rock, pled guilty to

DWI-Alcohol as a persistent offender in 2011 and unlawful possession of a firearm in 2014. Resz’s probation has since been revoked and he is to serve seven years incarceration with the Department of Corrections. Resz also pled guilty to endangering the welfare of a child creating substantial risk in the first degree as a first offense with no sexual contact. Resz was sentenced to four years incarceration with the Department of Corrections for the new charge.

In April 2013, the Missouri State Highway Patrol was informed that Resz had purchased a firearm illegally. When Resz tried to sell the firearm, the Highway Patrol stepped in.

Then, in March 2016, Resz was driving a vehicle with three girls, two minors and an 18 year old. Resz molested two of the girls and also drove while intoxicated, according to the affidavits of probable cause.

- Jacob Benjamin Rogers, Wheaton, pled guilty to resisting arrest for a felony. Rogers was sentenced to four years incarceration with the Department of Corrections.

In January 2017, the Wheaton Police Department attempted to stop Rogers for warrants, but he fled on Highways 86 and HH. He was speeding at over 100 miles per hour. He was wanted for assault, assault on a law enforcement officer and property damage.

- Troy G. Stevens, of Marionville, pled guilty to DWI-Alcohol as a persistent offender in 2009. Stevens’ probation has since been revoked and he is to

serve three years incarceration with the Department of Corrections.

- Aaron Lee Stewart, of Exeter, pled guilty to DWI-Alcohol as a persistent offender and non-support with the total arrears more than 12 months. Stewart received a suspended execution of a four year incarceration sentence with five years supervised probation.

In January 2016, Stewart was stopped in Exeter for swerving. An officer saw an open can of beer.

Stewart was in arrears \$2,009.02. He was to pay \$269 per month for one child.

Stewart is to serve probation until February 22, 2022.

- Leroy Lynn Stockton, of Exeter, pled guilty to driving while revoked and leaving the scene of an accident. Stockton received a suspended execution of a four year incarceration sentence and five years supervised probation.

In November 2014, the Missouri State Highway Patrol responded to a woman walking on the side of the road. The woman had a broken arm and a lump on her head. Stockton had been driving and crashed, and his passenger took off walking. He was found in his apartment.

Stockton is to serve probation until February 21, 2022.

- Bradley Ryan Trowbridge, of Monett, pled guilty to possession of a controlled substance. Trowbridge was given a suspended imposition of sentencing and five years supervised probation.

On October 30, 2015, Trowbridge was arrested



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for an active warrant. When the residence was searched, officers found paraphernalia, marijuana, methamphetamine and other items.

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- Brandon Lee Vargas, of Bella Vista, Ark., pled guilty to tampering with a motor vehicle in the first degree. Vargas received a suspended imposition of sentencing and five years supervised probation.

In November 2015, Vargas was in possession of a stolen vehicle and stolen portable DVD players.

Vargas is to serve probation until February 21, 2022.

- Nicholas A. Wolfe, of Cassville, made an Alford plea to resisting arrest for a felony and assault in the second degree. Wolfe received a suspended imposition of sentencing and five years supervised probation.

In June 2016, Wolfe had been drinking and another person took away his keys. Wolfe then grabbed the victim and would not let go. When the victim punched Wolfe to get him away, Wolfe pulled a knife on him and tried to stab him. Wolfe stabbed the hood of a truck and then ran to the house, stabbing the door and punching the glass before trying to pry the door open with a knife.

When Wolfe arrived home, officers went to look for him to arrest him. He then tried to pull away, dragging officers down with him. Wolfe had to be put in leg restraints.

Wolfe is to serve probation until February 21, 2022.

Exeter docu-drama gives students sobering reminder about safe driving



Exeter National Honor Society students presented a docu-drama to high school students on Friday, March 17. Distracted driving was the topic that students chose to bring awareness to during this presentation.

The group began planning their program while attending the Mo-Dot Team Spirit leadership conference in Columbia last summer. During the year, they worked to survey the student body, make decisions about what they wanted to present and complete final details about their presentation. Several people and organizations helped the students with the project. Those included in this presentation were: Exeter Fire Department, Exeter Police Department, Brice’s Towing, Mercy Emergency Services, Coroner’s office, and Officer John Leuckenhoff of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

After the docu-drama was completed, Officer Leuckenhoff gave a presentation to the high school students.

Making beef cattle grazing better, more sustainable

Is there a way to produce pasture-based beef more sustainably?

That is the focus for a research team led by Dr. Sarah Lancaster, assistant professor of agriculture at Missouri State University.

About the research
The three-year project at MSU’s Shealy Farm involves increasing nutrients for cattle through supplemental feed and evaluating how the feed provides the fertilizer needed for beef and forage production.

The feed consists of grain processing by-products such as soybean hulls, vitamins and minerals. It will be made especially for growing steers grazing in pastures with tall fescue

grass during spring.

“We want to know how effective cattle are at converting the supplemental feed into fertilizer,” said Lancaster. “We’ll evaluate the economic impacts of relying on the feed to provide fertilizer and measure forage growth using a relatively new ultrasonic sensor technology.”

Positive outcomes
She and MSU assistant professor of agriculture Dr. Phillip Lancaster conducted a similar trial in 2010 while they were

working at Oklahoma State University. Results showed that pastures that received supplemental feed:

- raised more pounds of beef per acre
- had better nitrogen recovery
- had greater economic returns per acre

“The results of this project have the potential to provide information that can make pasture-based beef production in the Ozarks more economically and environmentally sus-

tainable,” said Lancaster.

Project highlights
Cattle will graze at Shealy Farm from April to June for the next two years. Outreach activities, such as a field day in June for local cattle producers, will highlight the research.

This project is possible thanks to a grant award of \$298,669 from the U.S.

Department of Agriculture’s National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

The research team includes Phillip Lancaster, Dr. William McClain and Nichole Busdieker-Jesse, assistant professors of agriculture at MSU.

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Purdy AmeriCorps program celebrates year, seeks recruits

Purdy R-II School District AmeriCorps Program Director Renae Neill and the Purdy AmeriCorps Reading Coaches will host an informational meeting for anyone interested in serving as a Purdy AmeriCorps Reading Coach for the 2017-2018 school year. The meeting will be held at Purdy Elementary on Wednesday, April 5, at 8:30 a.m.

The team of 10 part-time coaches and one Purdy High School student member is wrapping up a busy year of service. In addition to their daily literacy work with Purdy Elementary students, the coaches volunteered their services at the school's fall PTSO Mega Party and coordinated the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive that netted a record 2,935 pounds of food for Purdy First Baptist Food Pantry and Monett Crosslines. Purdy AmeriCorps members also gave their time to Crosslines, spending a day sorting through donated items and stocking shelves. The team celebrated National AmeriCorps Week March 4-11 by rolling up their shirtsleeves

and applying elbow grease to Purdy community beautification projects. They also served the St. John's Lutheran Church Snack Backpack program that provides weekend food to Purdy students, sorting and packing ready-to-eat meals for hungry bellies. The team is currently planning its annual Scholastic Buy One, Get One Book Fair, scheduled for April 7-13. The Fair will be open for business each day from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Neill and her team will host a Book Fair Family Night on Thursday, April 13, from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Neill spoke glowingly of her current team of literacy coaches. "My favorite part of the AmeriCorps experience is watching the team come together. Every month, through shared experiences ranging from reading with our children to serving the community through beautification projects, food drives and volunteer service to local organizations, such as Crosslines, our members draw closer and closer. Now that spring is here, it is difficult to think that some of our coaches won't be with

us next year, but it's been a great ride, as usual, and we look forward to adding and meeting new faces next year."

First Year Member Brooke Cahalan offered words of wisdom for anyone considering applying for a service position for the 2017-2018 year. "If you want an easy job, this is not the job for you. There are days you question yourself and wonder if you're truly making a difference. Impacting kids' education and touching their lives is difficult, but it's worth it. If you want a rewarding job, this is the job for you."

For more information on the benefits of serving as an AmeriCorps Reading Coach at Purdy Schools please call Renae Neill at (417) 840-0528.



Purdy AmeriCorps Reading Coaches hard at work, stuffing snack backpacks for St. John's Lutheran Church, sponsors of the Purdy Schools Backpack Program that provides weekend food to families in need. From left: Micah Miller, Brooke Cahalan, Annie Knight, Tiffany Wright, Amy Tharp and high school student member Dustee Bradt.



Purdy AmeriCorps Members, "Getting Things Done," but also having lots of fun during their annual site visit. Sporting temporary AmeriCorps tattoos are, front row from left: Tiffany Wright, Amy Tharp, Loisann Smith and Annie Knight. Back row from left: Uly Martinez, Brooke Cahalan, AmeriCorps Program Officer Christine Gardner, Micah Miller, Purdy AmeriCorps Director Renae Neill, Janel Riley and Jana Larmer.



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Cassville First Baptist welcoming Global Impact speaker

First Baptist Church of Cassville is anticipating the arrival of Jaime Saint as the speaker to kick-off coming Global Impact Celebration events. Mr. Saint will be present on Wednesday, March 29, at 6:30 p.m., expecting the worship center to reach seating capacity limit.

Jaime Saint is the grandson of Nate Saint. In 1956, Nate Saint was one of five men who were speared by Waodani warriors in the jungles of Ecuador. This monumental event in the Saint family has been used by God to create committed and passionate servants of Jesus Christ.

Jaime serves Christ with vigor and determination as he carries the leadership role in I-TEC having a five-arm emphasis in operations: aviation, discipleship, engineering, health and media. The I-TEC organization has one goal: reaching people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and equipping them to carry on the work of Christ.

The church will be welcoming Jaime Saint on Wednesday, March 29, sharing his God-directed vision and family story. You may read more about I-TEC by visiting www.itecusa.org.

The remainder of Global Impact Celebration hosts ten various missionary families who are active in serving on the field. You may call the church office, 847-2965, to make further inquiry about events where these mission units will be highlighted.

The Global Impact Celebration concludes with Barry county native and formative mission voice to First Baptist Church, John Edie, as the speaker at 10:30 a.m., on April 2.

First Baptist Church is located at 602 West St., Cassville.

Eagle Library events

- The Eagle Rock Lego Club will hold its monthly meeting on Saturday, April 1, at 10 a.m. All ages are invited to come and build with Ms. Kara.
- The Eagle Rock Friends of the Library announced that they will be doing their annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 8. The hunt will begins promptly at 11 a.m. Parents, bring your camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny.
- Mark your Calendar for May 6 the friends are having their annual Yard Sale. For more information contact the Library at (417) 271-3186.

Commerce donates to Cassville Community Foundation



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Pictured above, from left to right: Dennis Baker, Landon Fletcher, Jerry Marple, Mike McCracken, Haley Jereczek, Justin Gates and Mary Cupps.

Purdy High School StuCo holding blood drive

The Purdy High School Student Council will host its final American Red Cross Blood Drive of the school year on Friday, March 31. The drive will be held in the elementary gym, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Donors must be 17 years of age or older (16 year-olds may donate with parent permission), weigh at least 110 pounds and be generally healthy and feeling well. Visit www.red-crossblood.org for more detailed information or to schedule a donation time.

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Cassville Middle School girls participate in STEAM event



Pictured above, from left to right, in the front row: Amani Firestone, Bailey Messbarger, Christina Marlowe and Natalie Johnson. Back row: Windy Dunfee, Shelby Needham, Adryana Quinlan, Landry Parnell, Elizabeth Ray, Emilee Mann and Carlee Carroll.

The National Girls Collaborative Project and the STEM Education Coalition validate the importance of having STEAM events for girls. Research shows that events, which engage girls in STEAM activities between the ages of 10 and 14, influence them to continue in one of the STEAM fields. In the article: CASCADING INFLUENCES: Long-Term Impacts of Informal STEM Experiences for Girls (NAPE, 2013) McCreedy and Dierking, indicated if girls do not have such experiences their interest in math and science tends to decrease by age 14.

Missouri Regional College and Career Consultants from across the state, in partnership and support from Washington University, the University of Central Missouri, and the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will host two statewide STEAM events (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) in March.

The purpose of the STEAM events is to provide STEAM related experiences and opportunities for 1,000 seventh grade girls from across Missouri, 500 at each venue. Girls will engage in hands-on activities in STEAM areas, designed and facilitated by instructors from Washington University, University of Central Missouri and business/industry representatives and leaders. In 2016, the STEM event was held at Missouri University of Science and Technology (Missouri S&T) for 450 girls and it has more than doubled in size in 2017. There is a huge demand for STEM/STEAM activities. Even with the event being more than doubled, there continues to be a wait list.

Cassville Middle School will be participating in the STEAM event at the University of Central Missouri. Eleven girls will be accompanied by their sponsor, Mrs. Tanya Ketchum.

Cassville Library events

- Sing, the newly-released animated DVD, will be shown on Thursday, March 23, beginning at 3:30. The movie is rated PG and movie-goers are encouraged to bring their own snacks to enjoy.
- The Monday Movie Matinee for March 27 will be Arrival, rated PG-13 and beginning at 1:30 p.m. Starring Amy Adams and Jeremy Renner, Newsweek called the film “big, grand, and marvelous.”
- The LEGO Club will next meet on Thursday, March 30, at 3:30 p.m. and is

- a change from the previously announced date. All ages are welcome.
- The Beginning Sewing and Quilting class meets each Wednesday at 1 p.m.
- Join the Crochet Class each Friday morning at 10:30 a.m.
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Evelle and Matt Houck attended the awards banquet held recently in Springfield and received the championship buckle and halter. Walt Hasler said, “We have won many awards over the years, but this is the most prestigious.”

Baker graduates from Air Force basic training

U.S. Air Force Airman Michael Baker graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

Baker is a 2007 graduate from Cassville High School.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and

basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an Associate in Applied Science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Baker earned distinction as an honor graduate.

He is the son of Danny and Lisa Schell, of Cassville, and Todd Baker, of Neosho.

Barry County Master Gardener class beginning April 7

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

The 10 session training event is taught by experts in the field. The training series will meet twice weekly, most Tuesday and Thursdays, at both Cassville Public Library and Cassville courthouse beginning April 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Master Gardening curriculum for 2017 includes information on: plant growth, soil nutrition, composting, native plantings to encourage pollinators, home fruit production, vegetable production, plant pathology, plant propagation, landscape woody ornamentals and trees, turf lawn maintenance and landscape design.

An orientation session has been scheduled for April 4 at 10 a.m. at the Barry County Courthouse on the square at 700 Main,

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

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

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Food preservation class offered in Cassville

Home food preservation has changed since our grandmothers put food up many years ago. This is especially the case when it comes to how we destroy microorganisms during the canning process. University of Missouri Extension food preservation classes can help consumers learn how to combat this threat of food-borne illness and preserve their harvest safely.

“This pressure canning class will provide step-by-step

instructions on how to do food preservation using the most current researched recipes and procedures,” said Lindsey Stevenson, nutrition and health education specialist with University of Missouri Extension, and class instructor.

Participants will have opportunities for hands-on learning. Each attendee will also receive a current set of MU Extension guides on food preservation so they can follow along on their own at

home after the class.

“The goal of this program is to provide participants with a solid foundation in home canning and preserving. Participants will learn proper pressure canning processes,” said Stevenson. “Canning safely is more than simply sealing food in a jar.”

University of Missouri Extension classes are for beginners to food preservation, but can also be a good refresher course for those with

experience. This program is 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on April 6 and will be held at the Mill Street Church of Christ, 1104 Mill St., in Cassville. The cost of the class is \$15.

Immediately following the food preservation program at 7:30 p.m., the Barry County Extension Council will be holding a regular business meeting, open to the public.

This is the first of a series of University of Missouri-Extension programs scheduled to be

provided in coordination with MU Extension Council meetings. We hope you will join us to learn more about how your land grant University is working for you.

For more information, or to register, contact the Uni-

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3rd ANNUAL LARGE EQUIPMENT AUCTION!

CONSTRUCTION, INDUSTRIAL, FARM, MACHINERY, TOOLS & MORE!

SUNDAY, APRIL 2nd, 2017 @ 10:00 AM

Location: 748 E. 520th Ave., Pittsburg, KS 66762

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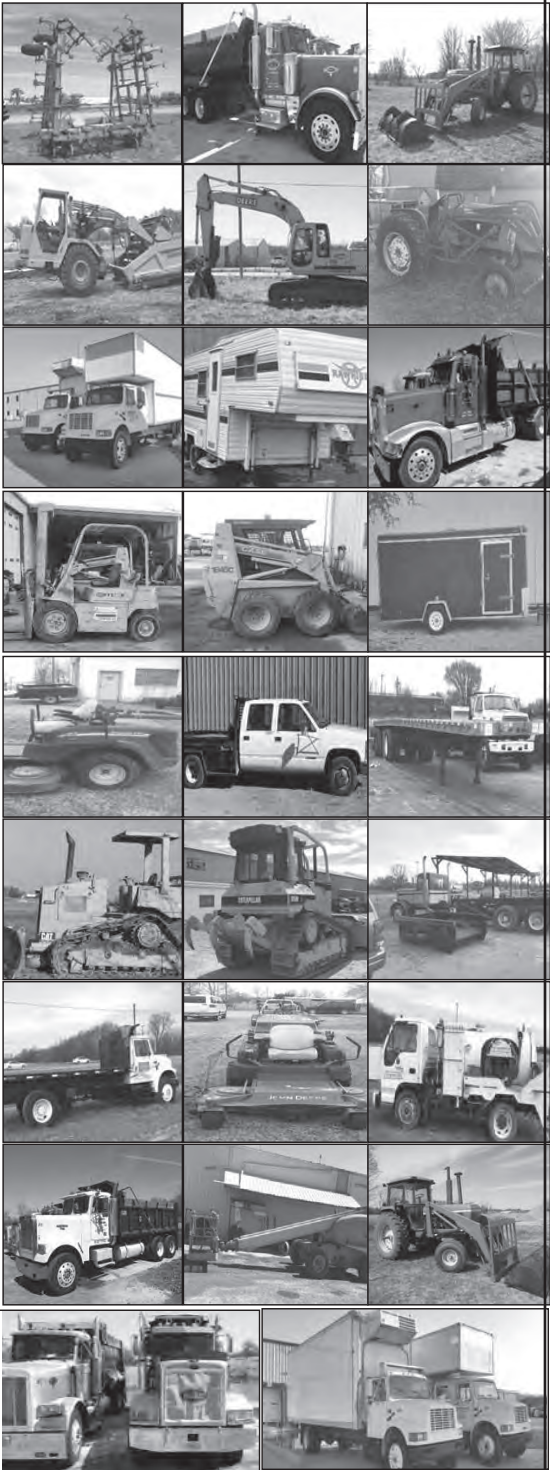


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TRUCKS & TRAILERS: Chevy 3500 Crew Cab w/ B&W custom flatbed, 1985 Peterbilt (blue), 2003 NPR Isuzu, 4700 DT 466E Box Truck-crew cab, 4700 DT 466E Box Truck w/ Thermo King Unit, 1988 Peterbilt, 1996 Peterbilt w/barrel bed, 1988 Freightliner, 3500 Chevy single cab pickup w/flatbed, ‘78 Chevy Custom Outlaw Truck w/ 4 spd trans, dual exhaust, bucket seats, air. ,’88 Mazda B3000 4x4 Pickup-188K mi., Enclosed Cargo Trailer, 24’ Dovetail Trailer w/ramps, 1990-48” spread axle Flatbed, misc truck parts. ‘83 Rawhide 5th Wheel Camper-22”, and more by auction day! **2005 Big Dog Motorcycle-117cid S&S, 6 spd Baker Trans, 10K Miles!! NICE! See pics below



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Hutchens Construction wins national asphalt quality award



The Carroll County runway, once it was paved, is pictured above. Hutchens won the 2016 Quality in Construction Award for excellence in the construction of an asphalt pavement for their work.

The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) announced that Hutchens Construction Co., of Cassville, won a 2016 Quality in Construction Award for excellence in construction of an asphalt pavement. The company received its award at a ceremony during the association's 62nd Annual Meeting in Orlando.

"The goal of every paving contractor is to build a high-quality road — a road that meets and exceeds stringent performance requirements," said 2016 NAPA Chairman Kevin Kelly. "Earning a Qual-

ity in Construction Award shows a strong commitment to quality from a contractor who measures their project against industry best practices. In earning this Quality in Construction Award, Hutchens Construction Co. has constructed a safe, quiet, smooth asphalt pavement."

Hutchens Construction Co. won the award for the rehabilitation of Carroll County Airport runway 7/25. Work included the milling and overlay of the runway. Despite the challenges of scheduling runway closures, Hutchens was able to

complete the project on time and with no incidents. The company delivered a high-quality asphalt runway to this regional airport.

The National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA) is the only trade association that exclusively represents the interests of the asphalt producer/contractor on the national level with Congress, government agencies and other national trade and business organizations.

Southwest students compete in National History Day



On May 10, nine Southwest students competed at Missouri Southern State University for National History Day.

This is the first year Southwest has competed. This year's historical theme was: Taking a Stand in History. Jennifer Quintanilla and Blanche Kirk created an exhibit board over Frida Kahlo. Tanner Hackett and Sarah Atkinson created an exhibit board over

Alice Paul. Allison Serrano and Emily Snyder created an exhibit board over Dred Scott. Ellie Brown and Gracelyn Gentry create an exhibit board over Rosa Parks. Amber Cannady wrote a historical paper on Desmond Doss.

Back row, from left to right: Jennifer Quintilla, Blanche Kirk, Ellie Brown, Gracelyn Gentry, Allison Serrano, Emily Snyder, Sarah Atkinson and Tanner Hackett. Front: Amber Cannady.

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REAL ESTATE - ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES
GENERAL HOUSEHOLD - TOOLS - MISC



REAL ESTATE: 1792 sq. ft. 3 bedroom 2 bath home. Master bedroom has his & hers closets, (2) more bedrooms, large full bath, large living room w/free standing wood stove and dual ceiling fans, dining area w/built in desk and display cabinet and a door leading out to the back yard. Also open to the kitchen, kitchen features lot of cabinets and counter top space, double SS sink, Hotpoint elect cook stove w/exhaust hood, garbage disposal & Whirlpool dishwasher, large utility room w/nice pantry, sm walk in closet, full bath and a door leading to back yard and a door going into an attached 1 car garage w/opener. This home also features central H/A w/propane furnace, metal roof, vinyl siding, all city utilities, 500 gal propane tank, also a detached 2 car garage w/concrete floor & elect. All on 2 acres M/L. Exeter MO.

NOTES: Mr. & Mrs. Charles built their home in 1990. With the passing of Mr. Charles, Mrs. Charles is downsizing and will be offering all the listed items at public auction. If you or someone you know is looking for a nice home, here's your opportunity. We will be offering this home at a very reasonable price, almost like absolute. Call to preview the property before auction date. 417-847-2507.

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See next weeks paper for full listing.

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Solid Rock sends church members to Liberia

Solid Rock Southern Baptist Church of Wheaton is sending a team to Liberia, West Africa. The seven member team will be spending their time in the Kpanjah Village, a three hour trip outside of the city of Liberia in a remote jungle village. They are set to be gone through the March 25.

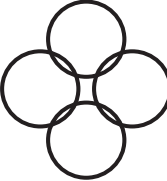
During the day, they will be helping build on to an already existing church to make room for more people to be able to attend services, as well as make it a safer, more sound building. They will also help provide aid to an under served medical clinic that sees on average 50 to 100 patients each day. Donated medical supplies from Cox Health

System in Monett and Freeman Heath System in Joplin have been collected and will be provided to the clinic. The team is going to build a trench to carry unclean water away from a hand pump well, as well as help with other handyman needs the villagers may have in their homes.

In the afternoon, the team will have a revival led by Pastor Scott Mitchell to minister and disciple to the Kpanjah villagers. The team will be cooking a meal each evening to feed everyone, with numbers to be estimated at 500 to 600 people per night. Bishop James Cuffee of Liberia will be hosting the team while they are in Africa, and has arranged for members of his church to help the American team in preparing food that is accustomed to the Liberian people. Some meal items include monkey and deer soup, rice and biscuits.

Pastor Mitchell will be leading the team in revival each night, with the other six members witnessing and sharing God's word to the men, women and children through various styles of teaching.


A team of seven members, from Solid Rock Southern Baptist Church joined by six members from Mission Baptist Church of Washburn, traveled to Liberia this time last year. They were able to complete mission work within Bishop Cuffee's village in Liberia, as well as surrounding areas and churches.



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Finally, with Mama's encouragement, the calf had it's first meal. While he ate, I noticed his tail began to swish back and forth, a clear sign that he was happy with that first meal. Eventually he and mama joined the rest of the herd.

Happiness with our lives is a major goal of our society. However, we try to find it in the opposite manner of the newborn calf. His happiness did not come from joining the herd. Ours will not be found in following the majority; "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: "Matthew 7:13.

The calf found happiness by following the encouragement of his mama, the source of his being. We will find it in the same manner. By following the one who created us; "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, not standing in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night." Psalms 1:1-2. The word "Blessed" in the Hebrew language meant "happiness." Follow God's word as found in the New Testament and you will find the encouragement, support and guidance needed for a satisfying life.

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