

## Two charged with half a pound of meth

Charlea Estes-Jones

Two Seligman men were taken into custody and charged with a large amount of methamphetamine following a traffic stop in Cassville. According to a press release from the Ozarks Drug Enforcement Team (ODET), they worked with the Barry County Sheriff’s Department to bring the two men into custody.

The release states that a vehicle was pulled over near the Bay Wash Carwash in Cassville after the truck was observed to be driving at high rates of speed and crossing the center line. The two men in the vehicle were identified as Clarence King, 50, of Seligman, and Jason Foster, 38, of Seligman, who fled on foot as soon as the vehicle stopped. Officers also reported that there was a seven year old child in the car at the time.

King was the subject of a long-term investigation by ODET detectives, according to the release. When officers searched the truck, they seized 270 grams of suspected methamphetamine worth approximately \$27,000 and \$2,500 in cash. According to the affidavits of probable cause, there was methamphetamine, along with multiple prescription pills of hydrocodone, oxycodone and an unidentified drug and a digital scale. The officers also reported that \$1,000 of the cash was inside the child’s backpack and that King placed it there.

Officers apprehended Foster after a short foot pursuit. Officers reported to have found a black case with syringes and methamphetamine in Foster’s pocket.

The child in the vehicle was taken into protective custody. King and Foster are both charged with drug trafficking in the first degree and endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree as a second or subsequent offense. Foster is also charged with resisting arrest for a felony by fleeing. King and Foster are currently being held in the Barry County Jail on \$75,000 cash-only bonds.

## Cassville Middle Schoolers hold school safety rally

Charlea Estes-Jones

On a warm Thursday afternoon last week, Cassville Middle Schoolers quietly left their classrooms to meet outside in the courtyard to remember school shooting victims and ask for stricter safety guidelines in the school. Students in sixth through eighth grades made speeches calling for an end to violence, more kindness and positive change in the school.

The Cassville Middle School Student County held a peaceful rally on Thursday, March 15, highlighting students’ beliefs on school safety and to remember the 17 students killed in the Florida school shooting last month. The event drew a large group of sixth, seventh and eighth graders to the courtyard at the school where students read speeches and asked for comments on how to improve school safety.

During her speech, seventh grader Jenna Crim said, “We all gather here today in the remembrance of the 17 people who lost their life in the Florida shooting on Feb-



Pictured above, Cassville Middle School students sit on the grass in the courtyard during the Student Council-led peaceful rally for school safety last Thursday, March 15.

ruary 14th. They will forever be remembered, and a great example of the cruelty in the hearts of society today. We salute their bravery shown in their last moments. 17 minutes we stand here, honoring them.”

Students shared messages about hopes to improve student safety, requesting

administration to lead more shooting drills and hire more security officers. Students asked for metal detectors and for their teachers to have a plan.

Crim also said, “We need to hear of any threats on the well-being of our school, and the students and staff inside.”

Sixth grader Bently Bar-

ber said in his speech, “We can’t ignore any threats to our school. We need to take all threats, comments, hand signs in a serious manner. Even if students say, ‘I’m just kidding.’ We need to take that seriously. On a good note, we have already started that, and I hope other schools do, too.” Multiple students made

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## One arrested after alleged Southwest School threat

### SUPERINTENDENT COMMENDS LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE

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Barry County Sheriff Gary Davis confirmed that one juvenile was taken into custody for an alleged threat made at Southwest School last week. According to Davis, the suspect

was located in McDonald County when the juvenile was taken into custody.

Southwest’s Superintendent Tosha Tilford said the threat was made on Wednesday evening, March 14, during a phone call. “On

Wednesday evening, one individual told another over the phone that they were going to do something to me. That was how the threat was made. I did not know that it was directly toward me at that time, I thought

it was toward the school, so we went on heightened security.”

Tilford said the school was never on lockdown, but they were on heightened security until the individual was taken into police custody on Friday.

She shared, “It wasn’t anything more than watching for that individual.”

Sheriff Davis said, “I would like to stress to the parents of the kids at Southwest and to the kids at Southwest that at no time were any children in danger. That is because of the prompt action of the administration at Southwest School District. They called law enforcement, and we went down there immediately.”

Tilford also said, “The kids were never in any danger of any sort. No one was on lock down, I just had us on heightened security.”

The Barry County Sheriff’s Department began the search for the suspect on Thursday, March 15, and found the individual in

question on Friday, March 16.

On Friday, Davis said, “We were able to, with the school’s help, institute a search to try to locate this juvenile. We were unsuccessful Thursday evening and overnight. However, Highway Patrol helped us this morning and widened the area a little bit.

“The juvenile of interest was taken into custody in McDonald County. He is currently being interviewed by the juvenile court.”

No information was provided as to a motive for the threat and all information about the suspect’s alleged actions will not be released until the juvenile court system charges the suspect as an adult.

Tilford said the response by law enforcement was overwhelmingly positive. “We couldn’t say thank you enough to the Barry County Sheriff’s Department or the Highway Patrol. Barry County did everything they could, and it was just amazing. There were officers that

were offering to use comp time just to be at the school and make sure things were taken care of. I can guarantee we were the safest place around,” she said.

Tilford added, “They were phenomenal. I can’t tell them thank you enough.”

Davis also said, “It was a community effort to keep kids safe and that’s what we’re about.”

After the event, Tilford released the following statement to parents and kids in the district on Friday: “Although there was no direct threat to any student, the district feels we can never be too cautious when it comes to the safety of students or staff members. We will always keep safety first, take any and all threats seriously, and put precautionary measures into action as situations arise.

“The district wants to say a special thank you to Barry County Sheriff’s Department and Missouri Highway Patrol for their extra law enforcement presence at the district today.”

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Small business owner warns others after alleged \$6K check forging scheme

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Joy Phillips, the owner of Joyous Embroidery in Cassville, said that one of her former employees was like family to her. “I thought we had formed a pretty close bond,” Phillips shared. Then, Phillips realized her bank statements were off, and she claims her employee had been stealing from her.

According to Phillips, she hired a former friend of her daughter to work in her embroidery shop in 2015. Phillips said Alexis Crabb, 37, of Monett, started out running an embroidery machine. She said, “She appeared to be doing a good job. So she started out on a machine, but she got her bachelor’s in accounting, so I started letting her help with my accounting.”

By 2017, Phillips said Crabb was in charge of her accounts payable at Joyous Embroidery. She said, “I thought we were good friends. I trusted her. Over the course of the couple years she was here, she and her family were spending week-

ends with us, even holidays like Christmas and Thanksgiving. Her daughters called me granny just like my grandkids.”

However, Phillips said that didn’t stop Crabb from taking advantage. Over time, Phillips said she noticed some discrepancies in her bank statements. She said, “I saw my bank statements and thought, ‘Man, that money seems to be going down quick,’ but I didn’t think much more of it.”

It wasn’t until Phillips said she noticed Crabb holding her paychecks for up to two weeks at a time that she looked more closely at her books. “It wasn’t normal for her to not cash her checks right away,” Phillips shared.

Once she looked closely, she said she realized that Crabb was issuing a second paycheck to herself each pay period. Phillips said, “I wrote paychecks on Fridays. Then on Monday, Lexi did the accounts payable, I would sign them.”

She said, “She was a friend. I never thought this would happen. Even though her hus-

band had been a police officer for a lot of years, she still did this.”

Once Phillips realized the issue, she turned the information over to the Cassville Police Department. After they investigated Crabb, they turned the case over to prosecuting attorney Amy Boxx who filed charges against Crabb.

According to the affidavits of probable cause filed with the Barry County Courts, Detective Danny Boyd with the Cassville Police Department found 15 checks that Crabb issued to herself and forged Phillips’ name on. Det. Boyd went on to state that Crabb admitted to doing this 15 times and then taking the checks to Walmart to cash. The total of those checks is reported to be \$6,923.52.

However, Phillips said the trouble didn’t end there. She claimed, “Judge Foulke knocked it down to no bond for her. I guess since Lexi’s husband was an officer here, he asked him to let her go without a bond, and he did. But if we let people get away with things like this, it’ll destroy small businesses. We just can’t afford it.”

Phillips said that the initial charges were dropped and then refiled by Boxx, leading Crabb to have a bond issued in a subsequent hearing. However, that information could not be corroborated. When asked for comment, both Boxx and Judge Foulke declined to comment on the case because it is pending.

Phillips continued, “It was disheartening because she had been very close to my family and had been stealing from me for a year and a half. It was dis-

heartening how deceptive she was.”

Crabb is charged with 15 counts of forgery and one count of stealing \$750 or more. A \$20,000 bond was issued for Crabb, and she was booked into the Barry County Jail and subsequently released after posting bond. She is due in court for a disposition hearing in front of Judge Foulke on April 3.

Phillips said, “If our judges let people get away with forgery and stealing, no small businesses will be left. We can’t let people get away with things like this. Someone else might hire her because of her degree in accounting if she isn’t held accountable.”

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# Community Calendar

Community Calendar page is free as a courtesy to local events. If your event is relying on advertising for attendance, then it is vital for you to place a paid ad. There is no guarantee that your event will be placed in community calendar. Deadline for community calendar is Monday at 5 p.m.

## Notice:

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**Tax Preparation for Seniors** will be done on Monday mornings only at Central Crossing Senior Center. Please call for an appointment at 417-858-6952.  
**Central Crossing Senior Center** will host an Alzheimer’s/Dementia support group every third Thursday of the month at 2 p.m.  
**OACAC Head Start is now accepting applications** for enrollment beginning in September. For more information, visit [www.oac.ac](http://www.oac.ac) or call the local Head Start, 417-847-8011, or the central office toll free, 1-866-282-3430.  
**Seligman Chamber will host a dance** every Saturday at 7:00 p.m. For information, call 417-662-3612.

## March 21st

**Wheaton R-III Kindergarten Screening** is being held **March 21 and 22** from 3:30-5:30 p.m. For information, call 652-7240 ext. 125 or text 417-236-3665.  
**Golden Baptist Church** single moms support group will meet March 21 at 6 p.m. For information, call 417-271-3605.

## March 22nd

**The Pierce City Senior Center** is hosting a dance with The Fun Timers Band on Thursday, March 22, from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$3. Finger foods are welcome. Call 417-476-5800 or 417-737-4900 for more information.

## March 23rd

**Concert and Meal featuring Flying Buzzards** will be March 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Southwest High School Commons area. This event is sponsored by Southwest FFA Alumni/ Boosters. Cover charge is \$2 or \$5 for meal including taco salad, dessert and drinks.  
**Fish Fry and Dance** will be held at the Stella Senior Center Friday, March 23. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for the fish supper. Dance will start at 7:00 p.m with “Evelyn and The Outriders” for a \$4 cover charge. For information, call 417-628-3314.

## March 24th

**Easter Egg Hunt** will be hosted by the Eagle Rock Library on March 24 at 11 a.m.  
**Leann Cemetery Clean Up** is scheduled for Saturday, March 24, at 10:00 a.m. Rain date is March 31. For more information, call Ruby at 417-574-6323.  
**Singing** will be hosted at the McDowell School House Saturday, March 24, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For information, call 417-461-4697.  
**Eagle Rock Fire House Breakfast** will be from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Saturday, March 24.  
**Annual Easter Egg Hunt** will be held at Roaring River Health and Rehab, 812 Old Exeter Road, Cassville, on March 24 at 11:00 a.m.  
**Easter Egg Hunt** will be held for area children at Cassville Health Center on March 24 at 1:00 p.m.  
**Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** will be held at the Ridgely Baptist Church Outreach Center Saturday, March 24, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. There will also be a silent auction for home-made desserts. For more information, call 417-342-5813.

## March 27th

**Barry County Republican Club** will be meeting March 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the Angus Branch restaurant in Monett.  
**Bingo** will be at Central Crossing Senior Center Tuesday, March 27, at 12:30 p.m. All ages are welcome.

## March 28th

**Golden Baptist Church** single moms support group will meet March 28 at 6 p.m. For information, call 417-271-3605.

## March 30th

**FFA Labor Auction and Fish Fry Fund Raiser** will be March 30 at 6:00 p.m. at the Family Life Center, 200 East 5th St., Cassville. \$10 donation is requested for fried fish or chicken tender meal with sides.  
**Music** will be held at Clio Community Building March 30 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

## March 31st

**Easter Eggstravaganza** will be Saturday, March 31, at 1:00 p.m. at Morse Park North, Neosho. This is for toddlers through age 13 and will include bouncy houses, prizes, face painting, free hot dogs, snow cones, popcorn. Bring your own Easter basket.  
**Easter egg hunt** will be hosted by Mission Baptist Church Saturday, March 31, at the Southwest School ball fields starting at 10:00 a.m. For more information, call 417-826-5232.

## April 2nd

**Monett Park Casino** will host a dance Monday, April 2, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. with Evelyn Lock and the Outriders band. Please bring a snack to share.

## April 6th

**Cassville Pre-School Screening** will be April 6 and April 13. For information, call 417-847-2445.

## April 7th

**Singing** will be hosted at the McDowell School House Saturday, March 24, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For information, call 417-461-4697.

# School Menus: March 26- March 30

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

**Southwest:** Mon: B: mini cinni’s, yogurt cup, fresh fruit or cereal, juice. L: chili, crackers, celery w/ peanut butter, applesauce cup or salad/fruit bar. Tues: biscuits & gravy, grape jelly, fresh fruit or cereal, juice. L: bbq rib sandwich, cole slaw, pineapple or salad/fruit bar. Wed: B: oatmeal w/ toast, fresh fruit or cereal, juice. L: vegetable beef stew, corn muffin, carrot sticks, orange wedges or salad/fruit bar. Thurs: B: breakfast sausage pizza, orange wedges or cereal, juice. L: chicken tacos, lettuce, cheese, salsa, sour cream, refried beans, Mandarin oranges or salad/fruit bar. Fri: B: hot ham & hashbrown sandwich, ketchup, fresh fruit or cereal, juice. L: no school.  
**Exeter:** Mon: B: cinnamon roll, yogurt, peaches or cereal. L: pulled pork/bun, potato wedges, baked beans, fruit. Tues: B: sausage biscuit, apple or cereal, biscuit, apple. L: meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, bread slice, fruit. Wed: Tac-Go, orange or cereal, Pop Tart, orange. L: cashew chicken, brown rice, broccoli, fortune cookie, fruit. Thurs: B: French toast sticks, pears or cereal, graham crackers, pears. L: ham & cheese sub, Sun Chips, celery sticks, baby carrots, Sidekick. Fri: no school.  
**Cassville Prime, Int., Middle:** Mon: B: biscuits & gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, fruit cocktail or cereal, graham crackers, pears. L: pepperoni pizza or ham sandwich, mixed veggies, Go-Gurt, peaches. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or pancakes, sau-

sage patty, blueberries or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. L: chicken strips or chili mac, corn, salad, pineapple chunks. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or cinnamon rolls, fruit cocktail or cereal, Pop Tart, peaches. L: chicken & noodles or hot beef sandwich, whipped potatoes, gravy, chocolate chip cookies, peaches. Thurs: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, toast, pears or cereal, graham crackers, applesauce. L: Frito pie or beef enchiladas, refried beans, corn, peaches. Fri: no school.  
**Cassville High School:** Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast burrito, sausage patty, apple or cereal, blueberry muffin, applesauce. L: cheeseburger meal, CB fixins/Sun Chips, baked beans, juice or chicken nugget meal or salad meal. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, peaches or cereal, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: bbq pork sandwich, baked Lays, broccoli & cheese, fruit cocktail or pizza meal or salad meal. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or chocolate muffin, fruit & nut mix or cereal, yogurt cups, strawberries. L: country steak, potatoes/gravy, green beans, pineapple or cheeseburger meal or salad meal. Thurs: biscuit & gravy or breakfast pizza, hashbrown, pears or cereal, granola bar, orange. L: corn dog, mac & cheese, glazed carrots, juice or pizza meal or salad meal.  
**Purdy:** Mon: B: blueberry muffin, cereal, fruit, toast. L: vegetable soup, grilled cheese sandwich, green beans, fruit. Tues: B: pancakes, syrup, cereal, yogurt, fresh fruit. L: corn dog, ketchup, tater tots, carrots, fruit. Wed: wg biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, cereal, fruit. L: Crispito, pinto beans, corn, fruit. Thurs: B: breakfast wrap, cereal, ww toast, strawberry cup. L: ham & cheese on ww bun, broccoli/cauliflower, Sun Chips, ranch, fruit.



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calls to reach out to other students and end bullying. There were calls to action to reach out to kids who were struggling or alone. Eighth grader Landry Parnell said, "Your kind smile and friendliness could save the heartache for one person and possibly the entire community. There is always a next time. The next time someone is mean or disruptive, stop him or her and ask what is wrong."

Parnell went on to say, “Gun control and more laws is not and will not be the answer. We are the answer.”

Crim wrapped her speech up by adding, "Let's stand together and prove that there can be good in society. A spark in the darkness shadowing over people across the nation."

A student closed the rally with a prayer, asking for students not praying to remain silent, and then Student Council representatives handed out index cards, asking for students' ideas on

how to improve school safety.

Cassville Middle School principal Jimmie Barton said the event was totally student-led, but the school did approve it. School administrators and teachers were aware that multiple students were talking about the walk-out that was planned nationwide for March 14. The main focus of the walkout was to remember the Florida shooting victims and to call for stricter gun control.

Barton said, “We had been hearing rumors from several students after the Florida shooting about a walk-out that was being planned through social media and word of mouth for March 14. I met with our 20-member student council on Monday, March 5, and asked them to gauge the number of students they thought would go through with it. The number was more than half the students, which creates a large safety issue for the students and a potential discipline

issue for leaving class without permission.”

It was at that point that Barton said he engaged in a conversation with Student Council members about what students had planned and how to ensure student safety. He said, “We had a good discussion about how legal protesting, marches, and rallies are organized through a permit process in each city so that the city can ensure the safety of all citizens in and around the event. The students, not me or any employee, decided they wanted to avoid the gun control issues associated with the nationwide walkout on the 14th, and instead hold a “rally” to educate classmates on speaking up when they see something; on paying attention to those who appear disenfranchised (my word, not theirs); on being

more aware of surroundings and environment; and on being responsible citizens.”

He added that the date change was a student choice that would make the message CMS-specific, and not related to the national event.

Prior to the rally, Barton shared, "They have done all the planning and the work. Since such a large number of students feel this is important, we are providing their "permit" to give their message. All speeches will be approved by me, no editing, only approval to ensure that anything read or stated publicly is school-appropriate and does not discriminate any individual or group."

Barton said the middle school did not have any kids who participated in the actual national walkout on March 14. He said, "We had planned for the potential of

that: I had teachers that were off that hour and that could step out of class to watch and monitor.

"We were not going to interrupt what they were doing as long as they stayed on campus."

Barton said students would not have been disciplined for protesting on Wednesday instead of the planned event as long as they were not disruptive. He said, "We would have had the conversation with the kids afterward, but it would have been more to have them understand that their representatives of the student body had something planned for them, and there are better processes to do those things."

However, no middle schoolers opted to participate in the nationwide event. Those who wanted to speak up or participate attended

the rally.

After the rally was over, Barton said, "From a bystander's viewpoint, the rally was very well organized, and I thought the students did a good job of presenting their thoughts and points on safety and school violence in general."

He added, "Kids were very respectful and well-behaved. Honestly, it was their moment that they had been asking for to voice their concern. I was very pleased they actually asked for suggestions from those in attendance."

Moving forward, Barton said administration will be in conversations with Student Council to continue to discuss student safety and students' suggestions.





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**WILLIAM MARK BUCKNER**  
William “Mark” Buckner went home to be with the Lord on March 17, 2018. He was surrounded by family and friends. Mark was born September 17, 1964, in Mountain View to Ernest Clinton Buckner “Buck” and Loretta Patricia “Pat” (Smith) Buckner. His mother precedes him in death.  
Mark is survived by his two children, Sarah Stanley, of Bella Vista, Ark., and Ja-

cob Buckner, of Cassville; his father, Ernest, of Winona; three stepsons, Evann Lee, A.J. Lee, and Cody Lee; three sisters, Terri Grosze, of Mountain View, Andrea Wright, of Mountain View, and Amber Douglas, of Cassville; one brother, Dan Buckner, of Cassville; and 11 grandchildren.  
He graduated from Liberty High School in 1982. Mark worked very hard every day of his life. Anyone who knew him will speak to his character and work ethic. He also had a very active lifestyle outside of work, playing sports, hunting, camping and canoeing. Beyond work and play, Mark had the amazing ability to make everyone around him laugh. He had a kind and caring heart and never met a stranger.  
Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2018, at

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Yarber Mortuary, Mountain View. Visitation will be held also at the funeral home from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Interment will be in Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Teresita, under the direction of Yarber Mortuary. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.yarber-mortuary.com](http://www.yarber-mortuary.com).



**REBECCA “BECKY” LYNN HERMANN**  
Rebecca “Becky” Lynn Hermann, age 63, of Cassville, passed away Monday, March 19, 2018, at Mercy

Hospital in Joplin.  
She was born December 29, 1954, in Paola, Indiana, the daughter of Damon and Kathleen Wininger. On February 29, 2012, in Joplin, she was united in marriage to David Hermann, who survives.  
Preceding her in death were her parents.  
Becky grew up and received her education in Paola, Indiana, where she graduated from high school. She had resided in Carthage before moving to Cassville eight years ago. She owned and operated a custom embroidery business. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Cassville.  
Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, March 23, 2018, at First Baptist Church in Cassville. Pastor James Weaver will conduct the services. Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in

Cassville.  
Memorials contributions may be made to Kids of our Heroes – Adventure Camp “KOOH-AC” in memory of Becky.  
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**MURIEL DEAN BRUFFETT ALLMAN**  
Muriel Dean Bruffett Allman, 69 year old resident of Greenland, Arkansas, died on March 15, 2018, at her home. Born on September 8, 1948, in Kansas City, Kansas, she was the daughter of William Henry Bruffett and Dora Dean Harrington Bruffett. Muriel married Thomas Allman on May 16, 1964, in Kansas City, Kansas. She lived in Northwest Arkansas for over 30 years. Muriel retired from Cintas where she worked washing and sorting uniforms.  
She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas, and her parents, William and Dora.  
She is survived by two sons, Thomas Eugene Allman and fiancée, LaDonna, of Seligman, and Billy Lee All-

man, of Springdale, Arkansas; daughter, Tammy Lynn Moore Allman and husband, Jerry Moore, of Greenland, Arkansas; eight grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and sister, Dora Jane Spurlock, of Aurora.  
Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Burial followed at Gentry Cemetery, Gentry, Arkansas. To sign the online guestbook, please visit [www.wassonfuneralhome.com](http://www.wassonfuneralhome.com).

**DEBRA LYNN (PALMER) HEFFINGTON**  
Debra Lynn (Palmer) Heffington, age 61, of Wheaton, passed away Tuesday, March 13, 2018, near Wheaton.  
Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, March 22, 2018, at Rocky Comfort Cemetery in Rocky Comfort under direction of McQueen Funeral Home in Wheaton. Pastor Paul Wahlert will conduct the services.  
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**DEWEY 'MAX' COPE**  
Dewey 'Max' Cope, of St. Louis, was born November 2, 1939, in Cassville, the son

of Mabel and Bud Cope. He departed this life on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at the age of 78. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Carolyn (Lawrence) Cope; one daughter, Teresa Cope; three sons, Randy, Steve (Ann), and Scott Cope; one granddaughter, Mackenzie Cope; one grandson, Tyler Cope. He was preceded in death by his mother and father; his brother, Kent Cope; and his granddaughters, Kelsey and Kayla Cope. Max was a dear uncle, great-

uncle, and friend to many. A memorial service will be held at Mars Hill Cemetery in Crane on Sunday, March 25, 2018, at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations to either Mars Hill Cemetery or the Parkinson's Disease Association would be appreciated.

**KATHERINE LEONHART**  
Katherine Leonhart, age 99, of Eagle Rock, passed away Monday, March 19,

2018, at Cassville Health Care and Rehabilitation. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. today, Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at Saint Mary's Cemetery in Winfield, Kansas, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Visit [fohnfuneralhome.com](http://fohnfuneralhome.com) for online obituaries, guestbook and private condolences.  
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# Cassville School Superintendent says no threat at middle school

Charlea Estes-Jones

Right before students held a peaceful rally on Thursday last week, rumors circulated that a student had generated a “hit list” and had planned to shoot students at Cassville Middle School. Two 911 calls were placed right before the rally because of fear of action during the rally. Cassville R-IV Superintendent Dr. Richard Asbill said those rumors proved to be unsubstantiated and there was no threat to students.

Dr. Asbill said there were three different stories that administrators were aware of at the middle school prior to the rally planned on Thurs-

day, March 15, and they worked with the school’s resource officer to investigate those claims.

Dr. Asbill said, “One part of it we heard had to do with the rally and other parts did not. Around 9:30 a.m. or 10 a.m., the initial reports came in regarding that there was a student who had a list, something like a “hit list” or a list of people he didn’t like. Then, number two was that he was going to ‘shoot up all the gays.’ The third was that the student was going to disrupt the middle school student rally on Thursday.

“Mr. Hudson and Mr. Barton were reviewing that

most of the morning and up until lunch.”

Ron Hudson is the middle school assistant principal and Jimmie Barton is the principal.

Asbill said the student at the center of the rumors was in In-School Suspension for an unrelated incident at the time this all occurred. He said, “It provided us the opportunity to at least evaluate the situation and reports while knowing where one of the alleged students would be.”

Principal Barton said, “In every one of those reports by students, there was no one with firsthand knowledge. It

was all ‘Somebody said’ and ‘I was told by somebody else.’ We interviewed nearly 20 students that day, and none were able to give anything as far as evidence.”

However, despite administration taking steps to ensure there was no threat during the rally, two individuals, presumably students, placed 911 calls prior to the rally based on what they had heard about a possible shooter. Barry County E9-1-1 confirmed that those calls were placed at 1:39 p.m. and 1:43 p.m.

Initially, principal Barton made comments that the school would engage the students who called 911 and possibly their parents about whether it was appropriate to place that call instead of contacting a teacher. Parents

and students vocalized concern about students being punished for calling 911.

Dr. Asbill confirmed that the students would not be reprimanded for placing those calls. He said, “The school does not have any issues with students calling 911. With students having access to cell phones and those things, that’s the norm. The issue in question would be that the calls came in right before the scheduled assembly. All of our students would have been in classes or have access to teachers at that time.”

Barton also said that he made an announcement to students letting them know that there was to be plenty of supervision during the event. Cassville Police Department already had additional offi-

cers to secure student safety in preparation for the rally.

Asbill continued, “Number one, the students should be commended for what they did, but we also wish they had contacted a teacher at that point.”

He continued, “We met administratively and with Officer Wenzel (SRO) to go back over things. The issue was not to discipline kids for calling 911, it was more looking at it as that Officer Wenzel was here and could deal with that if the students had spoken to a teacher.

“We just want to expedite our ability to respond to those situations.”

While the school cannot comment on individual students or disciplinary action about the alleged threat, Dr. Asbill did share, “About 3



## KALI: A Polar Bear’s Tale

AUTHOR: CAROLYN MUELLER | ILLUSTRATOR: JEREMY PATTON & JAYNE BALLEW

### Chapter Three:

James wiggled through the den’s small opening into a larger chamber. Snuggled in the back, he saw a tiny, white, male bear cub.

At birth, nearly four months earlier, he weighed just two pounds and was a helpless, blind, and almost hairless little creature. After months of nursing his mother’s rich milk, he’d grown to a roly poly 18 pounds. His eyes were wide open, and a fuzzy, white coat covered his body.



Photo Credit: John Gomes, Alaska Zoo

“I’m not going to hurt you. I’m going to take you home,” James said. “Just don’t bite me.”

James scooped the cub up, holding him tight.

He moved quickly, pulling the tiny cub out of the den’s warmth and into the cold. Wrapped in James’ arms, the little bear blinked in the weak, Arctic sunlight.

James mounted his snowmobile, cradling the polar bear cub like a puppy. The two men zoomed across the ice. James soon realized the 40 miles to Point Lay was too far for the small cub. His fat reserves were not enough to protect him from the wind chill.

They drove across the tundra and soon pulled up to a hunting cabin. Inside, James found a pair of ski pants.

The men tied the legs of the pants together to create a pouch just big enough for a polar bear cub. Snuggled in the

windproof polyester, up against James’ chest, the cub would be warm enough to make it through the journey. Now sheltered from the wind, the bear dozed as the snowmobile roared across the landscape.

When the men arrived in Point Lay, the villagers were quite surprised by a polar bear cub. “Let’s take him to the Police Hall, where he’ll be warm and comfortable,” James said. The North Slope Borough, the government entity responsible for much of Northern

Alaska, was contacted. The government biologists made fast arrangements for the little cub to be flown to the larger town of Barrow the next day.

“He needs a name,” James’ friend said. “Before he leaves Point Lay.”

### Ask Zoo Keeper Julie

#### Do polar bears eat penguins?

Polar bears are only found in the Northern hemisphere/polar region, while penguins are only found in the Southern hemisphere. Polar bears and penguins do not live together.

#### How many polar bears are there?

It is believed there are about 20,000-25,000 polar bears in the wild. Rapid loss of sea ice is the primary threat to the stability of polar bear populations.

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# Eagle Rock couple seeks justice for shot dogs

Charlea Estes-Jones

An Eagle Rock couple is speaking out after their neighbors allegedly shot their dogs to death last week. Dani and Sam Johnson, of Eagle Rock, say their dogs were tortured before they died and that this isn't the first time dogs have gone missing in their neighborhood near the lake.

Dani Johnson shared their story in a Facebook post, and since then, the story has gone viral with people outraged at the abuse. Johnson said, "I'm not one to post things. I had no idea that my post would have so many shares. It was over 2,700 shares. I just wrote the story because people need to know about those people, and the cruelty of what happened to my babies."

Johnson said the couple let their dogs out, two chocolate labs, Gus, 6 years, Tug, 11 months, and their yellow lab, Kaycee, 3 years, to go to the bathroom on Tuesday, March 13. When the three labradors didn't come back, Johnson said they were immediately concerned.

The Johnsons have lived on 14 acres in Eagle Rock for around eight years.

She shared, "We were up all night calling them. Our entire neighborhood got together to search for them because everyone knows our dogs because they are very friendly, just total sweethearts."

Johnson posted a Facebook status at 10:51 p.m. saying they were still missing and begging people to keep an eye out for her pets.

The next morning, she called a veterinarian near them to alert them to the

missing dogs. Johnson said she left her phone number with the vet's office and within five minutes her call was returned.

"I get a call from a man who never identified himself and he said in a really rude voice, 'I hear you called the animal hospital.' I told him I did, and I got excited because I thought he had found my dogs. I was thrilled. But then he said, 'I just wanted to let you know they were shot. They're dead. They won't be coming home tonight.' Of course, I started crying," Johnson said.

At that point, she said her husband took the phone and the caller repeated the same information. The couple went to the nearby animal hospital and were told to look for their dogs at the nearby Paradise Cove Camping Resort.

Johnson said at that point they went to Paradise Cove, but the gate was locked and had a speaker. "He said we were looking for our dogs, but no one answered. So, he and his brother went door-to-door to find our dogs."

It was when Johnson's husband went door-to-door that the puzzle pieces began to come together. She says witnesses came forward saying they knew what happened to their three labs and that one of the owners of the camping grounds shot the dogs to death.

Johnson shared, "The witnesses said the pups

were playing in the water by the shoreline. And the witness said he saw [the owner of Paradise Cove] get in her golf cart, go down there and start brutally shooting at them. She took some perverse joy in mutilating my oldest dog's genitalia without killing them. They said they saw him, my Gussie, the oldest, him laying there in agony. Then she gut-shot the other two.

"Gussie couldn't move. The others were started taking cover in some woods, according to the witnesses. These witnesses were heartbroken, they didn't know what to do."

The disturbing tale appeared to be corroborated when one of the witnesses led Johnson's husband, Sam, and his brother to the dogs' bodies. "They apparently used machines to drag them when they were still alive, and my husband and brother in law saw them and it was intended to cause as much pain and suffering as possible. My husband and brother in law were able to get them on the truck and bring them home to bury them in our back yard," she said.

Johnson also said the dogs' orange collars were cut off and they took photos to document the abuse the dogs endured. "If she was truly frightened or whatever, she would have shot in the air. Taking a shot is different than torturing them. There was no reason to maim them like that," she

explained. "Some people have something cruel in them."

Johnson said she hopes that her story makes a positive change in cases like this. She said, "What do I hope to gain is I want to make people more aware and maybe think before they do something like this. And maybe we can get laws changed if they prosecute these cases and give them stricter penalties when they do. We could save some animals."

The Barry County Sheriff's Office made a public announcement on their Facebook page after receiving multiple calls and messages: "Thank you for your messages. Rest assured we are taking this incident seriously and are looking into it. It takes some time to gather the information required to get the full story. We understand that the shooting of these dogs invokes an emotional response. We are not allowed to let our emotions dictate our response. Please be patient while we conduct the investigation."

With Johnson's story gaining so much traction and catching the public eye, Paradise Cove has been flooded with negative Facebook, Google and Yelp



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**April 3<sup>rd</sup> for  
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Name: Wade Hermansen  
Age: 48  
City of Residence: Cassville

**What is your primary objective that led you to run for school board?**

To push forward and advance the transition to a school board that has parental energy, involvement and insight.

**What experience do you have that makes you a good candidate?**

3 children in the Cassville District. 23 years business owner experience. Past failed board elections helps to better understand the forces that shape the school.

**What do you believe the role of a school board is or should be? Why?**

Important roles of a school board member is evaluation and leadership. A board member must be able to

make an honest determination of the schools resources and performance. A school board member must understand they communicate through their decisions. It is this communication that will set the climate and culture of the school. Decisions must be made on merit and professionalism.

**If elected, what objectives do you have for the first 90 days on the school board?**

The objectives and school performance that need to be achieved reach beyond the 90 day horizon. My intention for the first 90 days is to introduce myself to the forces that shape the school and make sure expectations are understood.

**How do you measure the quality of a school?**

There are two primary measurements that would be relied upon for my performance evaluation. The traditional measurement provided by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education gives each school a number score that incorporates several areas of school performance. It provides an easy school to school comparison. The other measurement is by observation and discussion. These are the questions that need to be answered. How does the school handle and approach problems and challenges? Do the same problems continue to show up? Does the school create the problem? Does the school work on the conditions that created the problem? Thoughtful and truthful answers will guide a board member toward how to measure our school.

**Do you think the current school safety standards at Cassville are adequate? Why or why not, and what changes, if any, would you like to see?**

School buildings that were designed 30+ years ago were designed to educate students, their design was never meant to deal with the threat of an armed intruder. In my conversations with other concerned parents it is apparent soft spots do exist at our school. Improving school safety through building changes alone will not work without proper plans of action for faculty and staff. These plans of action must be well designed, practiced and well understood for multiple scenarios. Action plans must include input, cooperation and coordination with all local law enforcement agencies.

**Do you feel there are problems within the district that need to be addressed? What solution would you like to see to correct them?**

Expectations must be raised on school performance. Transition to an energetic and connected school board that is willing to take on the problems that contribute to school performance will be a fundamental element.

**Do you feel teaching staff is adequately supported within the district? Why or why not?**

An area of support that needs addressing is student discipline. Discipline policies are developed to support teachers in the classroom.

**Do you believe the current practices regarding bully prevention are adequate? If not, what would you change?**

Awareness is a large component to bullying prevention. A bullying situation requires an anonymous notification system that students understand. Students need to have a trusted adult available in those tense situations.

**Do you feel student diversity (race, heritage, sex, religion, gender identity, sexuality, etc.) is protected within the school? If not, what areas would you like to see a change in?**

Codes of student conduct are in place. Those codes of conduct need to include protection for students that are in the minority. If these codes of conduct are broken, then discipline policies will dictate the response.

**Do you think parent involvement and communication is a priority at the school? Why or why not, and what changes would you like to see in that area?**

I feel that opportunities exist for parents to get involved. I am comfortable with parents participating in student's education. Parent participation cannot be allowed to become a disruption to the faculty and staff in the performance of their jobs.

There is no centralized communication system for parents to monitor their students progress.

I would advocate for a central system in which parents could access their students progress using multiple devices.



Name: Steven Henbest  
Age: 36  
City of Residence: Cassville

**What is your primary objective that led you to run for school board?**

I care about all our children, the education they receive, and the environment in which they learn. I also care for the employees of the district, most of which I've had the privilege to work with. I want to do everything I can to ensure that both students and employees are successful at Cassville schools and they enjoy a rewarding environment

to learn and work.

**What experience do you have that makes you a good candidate?**

I was employed by Cassville Schools for 7 years as a Technology Specialist. I am also a Cassville Alumni, USMC Veteran, and father of 2 children in the district.

**What do you believe the role of a school board is or should be? Why?**

I believe the role of the school board is to provide direction and support for our district, based off input from its employees and its parents.

**If elected, what objectives do you have for the first 90 days on the school board?**

My first objective is reach out to our teachers and staff to get their thoughts and opinions on the current conditions of our district, to gain more insight to see what areas need the most work.

**How do you measure the quality of a school?**

I would say the best way to measure a school would be, does it have personalized learning and support from qualified, caring adults? Does it challenge children academically? Is it a physically and emotionally safe for both children and adults?

**Do you think the current school safety standards at Cassville are adequate? Why or why not, and what changes, if any, would you like to see?**

I live very close to the school and I know our local law enforcement does a great job in patrolling this area. However, our school district has a fair amount of square footage with several unmonitored entrances throughout, therefore making it difficult to fully secure. To properly address any possible security issues our district has, I feel we need to consult professionals like local law enforcement or 3rd party security firms that have expertise in the matter.

**Do you feel there are problems within the district that need to be addressed? What solution would you like to see to correct them?**

I feel the voice of the district faculty and parents often goes unheard or unnoticed. In order to be successful, we should welcome ideas, concerns, and opinions from both faculty and parents. I plan to be that voice and welcome open discussion.

**Do you feel teaching staff is adequately supported within the district? Why or why not?**

The district's teacher turnover rate would suggest that they are not supported adequately and work needs to be done in this area.

**Do you believe the current practices regarding bully prevention are adequate? If not, what would you change?**

My children are in lower grades and this has not yet been an issue my family has had to confront. If others feel this is an issue in our district, I hope they feel comfortable in approaching administration and/or members of the school board with their concerns so they can be addressed.

**Do you feel student diversity (race, heritage, sex, religion, gender identity, sexuality, etc.) is protected within the school? If not, what areas would you like to see a change in?**

I have no reason to feel that diversity is not protected in our district.

**Do you think parent involvement and communication is a priority at the school? Why or why not, and what changes would you like to see in that area?**

I do not feel this is priority, however this is a 2-way street. We need more parents to pursue an active role as well as better communication from the School. I was very happy to see the school schedule strategic planning meetings to encourage parent and community member involvement.





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Name: Carolyn Bowen  
Age:  
City of Residence: Cassville

**What is your primary objective that led you to run for school board?**

My name is Carolyn Bowen and I am a candidate for the Cassville School Board. I am an alumni as is my husband, Don, and our two daughters. I grew up in a family of educators where the topic of discussion was centered around school and school activities. School has always been an important part of my life. I was an employee of our school system for many years and I feel I understand what it takes for a school to be successful. A board member must be open minded to all students, teachers, staff and parents’ needs. Serving on the board in the past has given me the opportunity to see what it takes to keep a school system functioning at a high level of efficiency. As a board member I will strive in every way to help make the best school system possible for our students in an ever changing world.

**What experience do you have that makes you a good candidate?**

Living in a community where the school is the center of attention, understanding the values of our community, talking with parents, students and teachers, I understand what people expect from our school. The administration, board and teachers want to give our children the best education that is possible. I will continue to work on that process to make this school the best it can be.

**What do you believe the role of a school board is or should be? Why?**

I believe the role of a school board member is to look at the overall view of the school and make decisions that will be best for all students and staff. Because of my background as a student, parent, employee and board member, I feel I understand what it takes to keep our school moving forward.

**If elected, what objectives do you have for the first 90 days on the school board?**

The first 90 days of the school year are very busy. My role is to be supportive with teachers and students to help make their beginning days as smooth as possible. Also, to evaluate the starting of the school year to see if changes need to be made.

**How do you measure the quality of a school?**

The quality of a school is measured by academic achievement, number of students enrolled in each class, how many students take part in extra curricular activities and general attitude of the students and staff. Also, we must keep the facilities in good repair and up to date. The most important is student achievement.

**Do you think the current school safety standards at Cassville are adequate? Why or why not, and what changes, if any, would you like to see?**

The administration and board have put in place very good safety standards that will protect our students and staff. Doors are locked during the school day and visitors must be admitted by office personnel. Classroom doors are also locked during the class period. A board will always evaluate as often as necessary to protect our students and staff.

**Do you feel there are problems within the district that need to be addressed? What solution would you like to see to correct them?**

As with all districts, there will be problems that arise. As board members, we do address them and try to solve them that will be the best for the individuals involved. As a board member, I do talk to parents and teachers and am always willing to listen to their concerns and do my best to meet their needs.

**Do you feel teaching staff is adequately supported within the district? Why or why not?**

We have a great teaching staff and I know the numbers of hours they put into giving our students what they need that is required to graduate. As a board member, I do support our staff by trying to make sure they have the materials, books, technology or whatever they ask for to help them teach our students.

**Do you believe the current practices regarding bully prevention are adequate? If not, what would you change?**

Our teachers are aware and report instances of bullying to our administrators. As a school we need to work with parents and community to ensure the safety of all our students.

**Do you feel student diversity (race, heritage, sex, religion, gender identity, sexuality, etc.) is protected within the school? If not, what areas would you like to see a change in?**

I think our school staff does protect the diversity of all our students. We have a very caring staff and I believe they allow each student to have their freedom of personal choices.

**Do you think parent involvement and communication is a priority at the school? Why or why not, and what changes would you like to see in that area?**

Parent involvement and communication is a top priority of this school. The school uses Facebook, Twitter, the Wildcat app, and send letters home with the students. The school will always welcome phone calls and school visits by parents. I know the administration sends messages to parents as often as needed and will continue to work at improving communication with parents and students.



Name: Lisa Roark  
Age: 37  
City of Residence: Cassville

**What is your primary objective that led you to run for school board?**

My primary objective is to help our children learn, grow and flourish. I am also very aware of the turnover rate of teachers, and would love to be a part of the solution.

**What experience do you have that makes you a good candidate?**

I am a primary care physician, so my daily job is to help identify problems and come up with solutions. I work with both children and adults, and feel that I interact well with

both. I am also a softball coach, School Improvement Committee member, YMCA Board Member, Rotary Board Member, Health Department Board Member, Momma, foster mother, and wife. All of these activities have helped to shape me into an open-minded person who embraces change.

**What do you believe the role of a school board is or should be? Why?**

I feel the school board is meant to be a governing body for the school, faculty and staff. School board members are the leaders that help to shape our students’ educational experience.

**If elected, what objectives do you have for the first 90 days on the school board?**

I would like to improve communication between parents and teachers. I would also like to focus more on individualized learning and fostering success for all of our children.

**How do you measure the quality of a school?**

I would measure the quality of a school by it’s success in preparing children to become productive members of society.

**Do you think the current school safety standards at Cassville are adequate? Why or why not, and what changes, if any, would you like to see?**

Overall, I feel that school safety standards are very good. I would also consider faculty/staff carrying weapons if well trained in safety.

**Do you feel there are problems within the district that need to be addressed? What solution would you like to see to correct them?**

Absolutely. Although “No Child Left Behind” is not unique to Cassville, I feel it has moved the focus from EVERY child being nurtured to do their very best, to just making sure all students meet the bare minimum. I feel shifting the focus to individualized learning, where each child is encouraged to learn in a way that best suits them (ie: hands on

learning) would lead to happier students, parents and staff.

**Do you feel teaching staff is adequately supported within the district? Why or why not?**

No, I don’t. With the high turnover rate of teachers, there seems to be a major problem. In addition, parents often undermine the authority of our teachers, making their jobs even harder.

**Do you believe the current practices regarding bully prevention are adequate? If not, what would you change?**

No, current practices regarding bullying are not adequate. We need to start by teaching love, respect and tolerance in our homes. When allegations arise, I would like to see both sets of parents, the students, and counsellor all meet to acknowledge the problem and together form a solution. We need a zero bullying policy.

**Do you feel student diversity (race, heritage, sex, religion, gender identity, sexuality, etc.) is protected within the school? If not, what areas would you like to see a change in?**

Unfortunately, the Cassville population doesn’t really represent diversity with approximately 94% being Caucasian, with a conservative majority. This holds true for our school, as well. However, I think we can encourage open-minded thinking, respect and tolerance within our school.

**Do you think parent involvement and communication is a priority at the school? Why or why not, and what changes would you like to see in that area?**

Currently, Cassville parents are very involved in sports, but not in the education of our children. I would like to see improved communication between parents and teachers, maybe even through emailed “class updates”. I would also like to see “optional parent teacher conferences” end. Even if a child isn’t struggling, these conferences are a great opportunity for parents to get to know the person who is spending the majority of the day with their kids. This would be an easy way to improve parent/teacher communication.





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Name: Mark Kelley  
Age: 33  
City of Residence: Cassville

**What is your primary objective that led you to run for school board?**

I would like to see the school promote and encourage students to get involved in extracurricular activities. The quality of education they receive in the classroom would without doubt still be top priority, but I do believe Cassville School offers programs and activities that open many doors for the students overall growth and developing skill set.

**What experience do you have that makes you a good candidate?**

I have worked at my current job under a publically elected board for nearly 12 years. I think this has given me valuable experience in understanding what is expected from a board member and the employee. I have been surrounded my whole life with family members in the education field and have gained valuable insight from taking part in their discussions concerning what makes a school

succeed.

**What do you believe the role of a school board is or should be? Why?**

The role of a school board is to support the students and staff and keep the school financially stable. A school board must be prepared to make tough decisions and communicate their decisions effectively when necessary. It is the board's responsibility to make sure the school is meeting the expectation of the community in educating their children.

**If elected, what objectives do you have for the first 90 days on the school board?**

My main objective for the first 90 days would be to develop an open line of communication to the community, staff, and students. The school is only going to be as good as its level of communication. If I am fortunate enough to get elected, I want everyone to feel comfortable expressing their views and opinions to me as a school board member. This would enable me to have as much input as possible to make the most beneficial decisions.

**How do you measure the quality of a school?**

Results. Looking at internal and external feedback. Are the goals that have been set forth being reached, and are we staying competitive with other schools?

**Do you think the current school safety standards at Cassville are adequate? Why or why not, and what changes, if any, would you like to see?**

I feel the school district has made positive steps over the past few years in making the school more secure. They have installed cameras, added intercom entrances to the doors, kept doors locked during school hours, etc. However, there is always room to improve. Training the staff and students to be prepared for certain scenarios needs to be a priority. I think doing drills and practicing them on a regular basis would prove beneficial. There are numerous opinions I have heard recently on how to improve school security, and I am open to discuss and debate any option if it means keeping our students and staff safe.

**Do you feel there are problems within the district that need to be addressed? What solution would you like to see to correct them?**

I think more communication to the parents regarding the schools current and future programs would be beneficial. The school has made many improvements the past few years in opening a good line of communication, but I

believe we need continued growth in this area. The more we know as parents and community members, the more engaged we will be in our school.

**Do you believe the staff is adequately supported within the district? Why or why not?**

I think you have to evaluate the retention rate of the staff. Cassville School currently has many staff members that have been employed several years and many that have retired after twenty to thirty plus years of service. I believe when determining whether the level of support an employer offers is sufficient you must look at the retention rate of the employees.

**Do you believe the current practices regarding bullying prevention are adequate? If not, what would you change?**

I do believe the current disciplinary policies in place at the school are adequate. In recent years, they have dramatically increased the punishment when a student is caught bullying. Improvement can be made with quicker response when a student is caught bullying another student. Many times bullying goes on for an extended period of time before it is noticed, or before the one who is getting bullied gains the courage to speak out. I have absolutely zero tolerance for bullying.

**Do you feel student diversity (race, heritage, sex, religion, gender identity, sexuality, etc.) is protected within the school? If not, what areas would you like to see change in?**

I believe by the administration and staff, yes, but certain areas can be a struggle to accept for some students. I believe, from my previous answer on bullying, the school has implemented the proper disciplinary action to students who want to bully those who do not agree with them.

**Do you think parent involvement and communication is a priority at the school? Why or why not, and what changes would you like to see in that area?**

The school has recently made it a point to promote parent engagement, and I am encouraged by the effort being made by the district to get parents more involved. I truly believe most parents want to be more actively connected to their child's learning but just haven't been given the opportunity. I think using programs such as Google Classroom will help parents be more connected to their child's learning on a daily basis and in the end be more engaged.



Name: Michael Hagins  
Age: 36  
City of Residence: Cassville

**What is your primary objective that led you to run for school board?**

I don't have an objective, I just want to be the voice for our teachers, students and parents in the Cassville School

District.

**What experience do you have that makes you a good candidate?**

I have spent allot of time with parents, faculty and student through organized community sports. My wife and I have ran the Little League program, and our currently running the Junior Football League. We have spent allot of time volunteering in our community and just want the best for our school district and students.

**What do you believe the role of a school board is or should be? Why?**

Our role is to make the best decisions for Cassville School District. Because as parents, grandparents and community leaders we should seek the best learning environment for our students.

**If elected, what objectives do you have for the first 90 days on the school board?**

To get to know the teachers and faculty better, and to spend as much time training as I can for this new role.

**How do you measure the quality of a school?**

State test scores and faculty and parental involvement with the students.

**Do the think the current school safety standards at Cassville are adequate? Why or why not, and what changes, if any, would you like to see?**

I believe that our administration does a great job of keeping our students safe. However with recent events in our country we need to keep our minds open to changes in the future whether that be arming faculty or increasing

security.

**Do you feel there are problems within the district that need to be addressed? What solution would you like to see to correct them?**

At this time I don't feel we have any issues in our district. I think our board has done their job of correcting any issue that has arised.

**Do you feel teaching staff is adequately supported within the district? Why or why not?**

I feel our administration supports the teaching staff to the best of their ability.

**Do you believe the current practices regarding bully prevention are adequate? If not, what would you change?**

I believe our administrators take all reports of bullying seriously. They do a great job and getting all the correct information regarding the bullying incident..

**Do you feel student diversity (race, heritage, sex, religion, gender identity, sexuality, etc.) is protected within the school? If not, what areas would you like to see a change in?**

I think the Cassville School District does a great job at protecting student diversity, I don't think there are any areas that need improvement.

**Do you think parent involvement and communication is a priority at the school? Why or why not, and what changes would you like to see in that area?**

Absolutely, our school has so many forms of communication and we are kept updated on all events or changes within the district. I don't see anything needing to be changed in this area.





# Meet Your Cassville R-IV School Board candidates

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Name: Devin Barber  
Age: 34  
City of Residence: Cassville

**What is your primary objective that led you to run for school board**  
To better our school and school district

**What experience do you have that makes you a good candidate?**  
I'm a Cassville alumni and being self employed I have to be looking forward constantly.

**What do you believe the role of a school board is or should be? Why?**  
The role of a school board member is to help make decisions that might be good or bad for the best interest of the staff, students and school district

**If elected, what objectives do you have for the first 90 days on the school board?**  
To deal with whatever issues are presented at that time

**How do you measure the quality of a school?**  
I measure the quality of a school by the involment of the staff, teachers, students and the community

**Do you think the current school safety standards at Cassville are adequate? Why or why not, and what changes, if any, would you like to see?**  
I think they could be improved by having certain staff and teachers taught in a conceal carry class that dealt in special training for a school shooting scenario.

**Do you feel there are problems within the district that need to be addressed? What solution would you like to see to correct them?**  
There is always going to be problems within the district that need to be addressed as of the present time I'm not aware of any

**Do you feel teaching staff is adequately supported within the district? Why or why not?**  
That's a question to ask the teaching staff as a whole and if they don't feel adequately supported then it's an issue that needs to be resolved

**Do you believe the current practices regarding bully prevention are adequate? If not, what would you change?**  
I think there could be stricter discipline action against bullying instances

**Do you feel student diversity (race, heritage, sex, religion, gender identity, sexuality, etc.) is protected within the school? If not, what areas would you like to see a change in?**  
I think it is

**Do you think parent involvement and communication is a priority at the school? Why or why not, and what changes would you like to see in that area?**  
I think it is because one of the areas discussed in the school improvement meeting s has been parent/teacher involment

### Barry County Clerk releases General Election information

Barry County Clerk Gary Youngblood released information stating if you have mobility issues like walking or standing in lines, to send his office a written request (with the information listed below) or stop by the office to vote absentee.

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- The last day to request a ballot to be mailed is Wednesday, March 28, 2018 for the General Municipal Election.
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p.m. the same day, I had received a phone call in regard to a related issue that was about turning over group text messages on a cell phone. We were able to coordinate that with Mr. Barton and Officer Wenzel. The police took that phone and that is in the police's hands.”

Dr. Asbill sent out a School Reach phone message district-wide on Friday to alert parents that there was no threat, nor did the district institute a lockdown at any time on Thursday or Friday.

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# Exeter NJHS members tour State Capitol



Exeter National Junior Honor Society members recently traveled to Jefferson City to tour the State Capitol. They toured the Supreme Court, Governor’s Mansion, Whispering Gallery and Dome during their trip to Jefferson City on March 6. They also were able to meet with Rep. Scott Fitzpatrick and tour of the House Floor.

Those in attendance are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Shaylee Phillips, Levi Gautney, Aubree Reed, Isabelle Lee, Madison Crumpler, Hailey Mattingly and Cooper Patterson. Second row: Aubrie Graham, Ibhet Alcaraz, Halie Nelson, Aubry Antle, Jolie Mattingly, Tori Rose, Austin Mattingly, and NJHS adviser Mrs. Karla Payton. Back row: Abbi Caddell, Lane Willis and Representative Scott Fitzpatrick.

## Galena woman seriously injured in MO 39 crash

Charlea Estes-Jones

A Galena woman had to be airlifted for serious injuries after a wreck near Aurora on Tuesday morning. According to the Missouri State crash report, the vehicle ran off the road and struck a ditch and fence.

The Highway Patrol

responded to the single-vehicle crash on Tuesday, March 20, at 11:49 a.m. The report states the driver, Julie A. Murray, 34, of Galena, was driving a 2002 Chevrolet Cruze southbound on Missouri 39 three miles south of Aurora when the crash occurred. Murray ran off the right side of the roadway, struck a ditch and

overturned.

Murray had to be airlifted from the scene and taken to Mercy Hospital in Springfield for serious injuries.

She was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash.

The Cruze was totalled and towed from the scene by Thomas Towing, of Monett.

## Alleged burglary leads to assault near Purdy

Isaac Estes-Jones

Two women were arrested Monday night after they allegedly broke into a garage near Purdy.

According to statements of probable cause used in filing charges against them, Tessie Cox and Jessica Garner went to a residence on Farm Road 2100 on Monday, March 19, and kicked in the door to the victim’s garage. Cox and Garner were allegedly stealing a kayak and paddles from the garage when they were interrupted by the victim.

Garner allegedly stabbed the victim in the shoulder with a small knife when the victim attempted to stop Garner and Cox from taking the items.

The victim reportedly told Barry County Sheriff’s Deputies that they did not give Cox or Garner permission to be on the property or to take any items.

Cox and Garner were both booked into the Barry County Jail on Monday, March 19, at 8:55 p.m. Tessie A. Cox is charged with burglary in the second degree, a Class D felony, and misdemeanor stealing. She is held in lieu of \$20,000 cash or surety bond.

Jessica J. Garner is held in lieu of \$100,000 cash or surety bond. She is charged with misdemeanor stealing. In addition, she faces charges of felony armed criminal action, second degree assault and the Class A felony of robbery in the first degree.

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Lady Trojans softball looks to clear Purdy hurdle

Lee Stubblefield

Four losses to state run-ner-up Purdy, including the district championship game, marred an otherwise brilliant season for Tony Eagleburger’s Lady Trojans softball team a year ago. Southwest was 15-2 against everyone else, but 0-4 against their conference rivals.

This 2018 edition fea-tures five returning start-ers: seniors Taylor Swindle, Emily Snyder, and Kaitlyn Bernard (all 4 year varsity starters); and juniors Heather Windes and Maggie Robbins.

Swindle led the team in batting last year with a hefty .477 average, led in scoring with 34 runs, and added 14 RBI and 10 extra base hits.

Maggie Robbins posted a .417 batting average, scored 18 runs, and led the team with 19 RBI. But it was her dominance on the mound

that earned her 1st Team All Conference, 1st Team All District, and 1st Team All Region honors.

Robbins showed she has recovered completely from a late season stress fracture when she struck out 24 of the 28 batters she faced in jam-boree competition.

“We return approximately sixty five to seventy percent of our total offensive produc-tion, and we return a pitcher who is 36-10 with about 500 strikeouts in her first two years of high school varsity softball,” said Eagleburger.

Three graduated from the 2017 squad: Sydney Delos-santos, Kendra Hayworth, and Jerica Lawrence.

“This trio combined for 22 sacrifices, but more important are the bunts that didn’t count as sac’s,” noted Eagleburger. “These three really bought into executing,

as I call it, the “dirty work”. We need to find three or four girls this year who are willing to pick up where those three left off. This will be a key to our offensive success.”

Key newcomers for Southwest include fresh-men Bonnie Robbins, Kloe Holder, and Laney Moore; sophomores Hope Robbins and Destiny Dulin; junior Lacey Reeves; and senior Myka Cook.

“The biggest key to our success is going to be to get over the Purdy hurdle,” emphasized Eagleburger. “We have taken second in districts the last two seasons to Purdy. We feel like this is our year to shock Purdy and get some state-wide respect. It will take a total team effort, both offensively and defen-sively, as well as in the circle.”

Cassville softball has nine named Academic All-State



Nine Cassville softball players recently earned Academic All-State honors. The team also received All-State with an overall GPA of 3.82 which ranked third in Class 3 and 10th overall.

Front row, left to right: Josie Lone, Trinity Ewing, Josi Rose, Audra Brooks and Kay-lee Reibert. Second row, left to right: Hall-ie Walker, Madry McCrack-en, Adrien Lee and Schauna Dilbeck.

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reviews. One photo on Facebook showed’s the camping ground’s sign vandalized with “dog killer” painted on it.

Other members of the Eagle Rock community have also come forward with concerns and accusations against Paradise Cove. One of those people, Colin Evans, has property next to the campground and said his dog, Chewy, a German Shepard/Pit Bull mix, had been missing for 12 days until he found Chewy’s body last night.

He said, “I got a tip from another neighbor down the street from us that my dog had been found on another property. I found him there last night.” Evans said Chewy was found about half a mile from the campground.

Similar to the Johnsons’ tale, Chewy was very friendly and regularly visited neighbors beyond Evans’ 80 acres. He

said the vandalized sign led him to seek out the owners of Paradise Cove and ask them.

“When I saw them at the highway fixing their sign, I pulled over to ask them if they had seen my dog. They admitted to knowing my dog and said they didn’t shoot my dog. I asked if they knew anything about the other dogs had been missing in the neighborhood. They denied it all,” Evans said.

At the time, Evans said this was the day before he found Chewy’s body. At the time, he didn’t know that he had been shot.

Evans said he turned the information over to the Barry County Sheriff’s Department. “I want to seek at least restitution and have them admit to what they did. I think they

should have to issue an apology.”

Evans said no one has come forward with information about witnessing the end of Chewy’s life.

Facebook posts from around Eagle Rock said the dog disappearances and shootings have been going on for 12 years, but calls to those parties were not immediately returned for an interview.

A phone call placed to Paradise Cove for comment was not returned. The line rang, an answering machine picked up with only the song “Bad Boys” by Inner Circle (the COPS theme song) before a beep. A message left requesting an interview was not returned as of time of press.

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# Evans hired as CCF coordinator



Evans

Daron Evans has joined the Cassville Community Foundation as a part-time coordinator for the volunteer-led Board of Governors.

Evans will handle a variety of responsibilities related to the CCF's meeting, special event and grant-making activities. With his expertise, the CCF board hopes to build a stronger stream of financial and in-kind support for local non-profits.

Evans is a native of Tahlequah, Okla., and attended college at Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology. He formerly

served as the Children's Minister at First Baptist Church in Cassville. He then pursued his lifelong dream of becoming a career firefighter, currently holding the rank of Captain with the City of Springfield Fire Department. Evans previously served as Administrator for the Cassville Fire Protection District.

Evans and his wife of 25 years, Jennifer, continue to live in Cassville with their three children, Jaci, Pace and Jolie.

The CCF, founded in 2004, oversees assets of more than \$830,000 as of Dec. 31, 2017.

# Exeter FFA member wins first for scrapbook



Exeter FFA reporter Madelyn Cole is pictured above, holding the winning scrapbook.

Madelyn Cole, Chapter Reporter

On Tuesday, March 13, Exeter FFA Chapter's reporter Madelyn Cole took home first in the Area Scrapbook contest. The scrapbook will go on to be displayed at the Missouri State Convention in Columbia in April. Madelyn will also receive a medal for her scrapbook.

Along with the scrapbook, the Exeter FFA also took home second for Secretary's Book by Mackenzie Fuller and second for Treasurer's Book by Wyatt Hoppes. Riley Still's Beginner Record Book took home second, and Jessica Bush's Completed Record Book took home third.

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Saturday March 24th "2018" • 10:00 AM

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TRACTORS – BACKHOE – TRACK LOADER – DUMP TRUCK – TRAILER – AUTOS – ZERO TURN MOWER – BOAT – ATV – GUNS – TOOLS – CAR DOLLY - FURNITURE & APPLIANCES – COLLECTIBLES – MISC



**TRACTORS:** Case Draft a Matic Comfort King gas tractor w/front loader (like new tires) – McKee 460 gas tractor w/dual clutch – sm Japanese gas tractor Satoh Mfg 17 hp S-550 G – sm older tractor. **BACKHOE:** Older Case 580 Construction King backhoe – old Case CK 680 Backhoe (for parts) – misc old backhoe parts. **TRACK LOADER:** Mitsubishi BS3-F Track loader. **DUMP TRUCK:** 1979 International 3800 Series dump truck, 4 sp, w2 sp axle, 16' dump bed w/steel floor. **TRAILERS:** 18' tandem axle trailer w/wench – Blair Gooseneck 20' w/4' Dove, 8' wide. **CAR DOLLY AUTOS:** 1995 Chevy Silverado 1 ton, 4x2, dual wheel, ext cab, automatic, 150xxx miles – 1977 Chevy 1 ton, 4 sp, 4x2, flat bed w/wench, (farm truck) – 2009 Chevy HHR, leather, auto, red w/sunroof, only 116xxx miles (previous salvage title) – 1948 Dodge 4 door car (needs restored). **BOAT:** 16' aluminum Bass Tracker fishing boat w/Mercury 35 motor & trailer. **ATV:** 2003 Trx 350 Honda Rancher 4x4. **ZERO TURN MOWER:** Troy-Bilt XP 50" zero turn mower w/Kohler 21 hp engine. **IMPLEMENTES:** 3 pt seeder – 3 pt scoop – front loader bale spike – sm yard roller – old 6' pull type bush hog – old 5' pull type bush hog – old dual loader. **FARM ITEMS:** Misc steel post – misc elect wire – misc. **TOOLS:** Airco Wasp II-E welder/generator – 90/60 amp fast charger battery charger – old tire balancer, portable balancer wheel bubble- Pow-R-Guard generator – 12v sprayer – torch set w/cart – generator w/13 hp Honda generator – sm portable air compressor – creeper – wheel barrow – portable air tank – 10" miter box saw w/stand – table top drill press – chop saw's – sm table saw – Pro Tech ban saw – old DeWalt radial arm saw – Poulan Pro chain saw – Battery charger – Laser level kit (new) – 5000 lb wench – pole saw – receiver penal hitch & misc receiver hitches – yard machine mini tiller – gas leaf blower – misc hand tools – misc long handle tools – torch gauges – Homak roll around tool box – Buffalo 5 sp drill press – Craftsman 1 hp air compressor – jack stands – bottle jacks – come a longs – Craftsman 19.2 volt Skil saw, drill & light. Table w/vice – misc sm power tools – casters – wood step ladder – Craftsman lawn sweep – metal yard cart. **GUNS:** Taurus PT 25 auto pistol – Hopkins & Allen Arms double action pistols – XL #6 pistol – Springfield mdl 67 series E 12 ga pump – Stevens mdl 67 series E 410, 2 ½ & 3" pump – Davenport Fire Arms Co old single shot 12 ga – J Stevens Arms Co mdl 38 B, 410 shotgun – Stevens mdl 335 double barrel 12 ga – AmGun Co NY double barrel 12 ga – Favorite single shot 22 LR (no firing pin). **COLLECTIBLES:** Old platform scale w/weights – oil lamps – Alvarez guitar & case. Sure to be more collectibles as we get ready for the auction. **FURNITURE & APPLIANCES:** Dresser w/mirror – wood toy chest – old chest of drawers – office chair – misc chairs – full bed – book case – oval coffee table – swivel/rocker – matching end tables – wood entertainment center – floor lamps – old sofa – vintage love seat – old TV – table lamps – rocker w/ottoman – hide a bed sofa – misc wall hangings – sm wood rocker – Techwood stereo & speakers – Emerson flat screen TV – wood shelf – Amana side by side refrigerator – Ward Apartment size refrigerator – Matching Roper HD washer & dryer – sm chest freezer. **MISC:** Country Flame fireplace insert – fireplace set – old motor grader blades – sm elect grill – lot of fluorescent shop lights – new & used tires (2) new 235/80 R 16 – old step stool – hard sided gun case – Bissell vac – misc kitchen wares – scrap metal – many more items not listed.

**NOTE:** With the passing of Mr. Holden, we will be selling all of the listed items to the highest bidder. **Partial cover in case of inclement weather.** Caterer & restroom on site.

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Cassville quilting guild to hold show April 6, 7

Cassville has a quilt guild called Ozark Country Quilters (OCQ). Members are from Southwest Missouri and Northwest Arkansas, as well as some from Kansas and Oklahoma.

This guild is to perpetuate the love of quilting. OCQ members are very talented with quilters ranging from beginners working on their first quilts to longtime quilters who don't know how many quilts they have made over their lifetimes. New members of all levels are welcome. In addition to personal quilts, the guild makes donation quilts for various organizations, including Grandma's House in Arkansas, Pregnancy Care in Aurora, some Barry County police cars, raffle quilts for fundraisers and more.

Every two years OCQ puts on a Quilt Show. This

is an opportunity for members to show the public what they've been working on, to educate others with demonstrations and bed turnings, and to display how quilters help the community. It is a chance to share the love of quilts.

This year's show is called "Quilt for all Seasons" and will be held on April 6 and 7 at the Crowder College Community Building in Cassville. This judged show will have ribbons for different categories. Attendees get to participate by voting for their personal favorite, called People's Choice. There is also a Guild Choice, Judges' Choice and new this year, Mayor's Choice. Cassville's Mayor Bill Shiveley has agreed to come visit the show and pick his favorite quilt.

This year is also the first time that OCQ will have a

special exhibit: one of the traveling trunks featuring quilts from the Hoffman Challenge. There will be vendors with fabric and other quilting supplies for purchase, as well. The admission is \$5 per person.

The show is open on Friday, April 6, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, April 7, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, contact Vickie Clancy at (417) 342-1372.

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Barry County Fair slated for June 30

The Barry County Fair announced that the fair will be held at the Exeter Corn Maze again this year. The fair will be held on Saturday, June 30, 2018.

Some new events this year will be a farmers' market, more vendor booths, and a trap shoot to benefit the Exeter Trap team. More details will be coming soon.

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 Location: **Aurora, MO.** (727 Southern Heights DR) From the stop light at the Jct's of Hwy 60 & Hwy 39 go North on Hwy 39, 4/10 mile. Then go East on Prospect St 4/10 mile. Turn North on Hudson Ave then back West on Southern Heights Dr. Follow signs.






**REAL ESTATE – FURNITURE – TOOLS – MISC**  
**FURNITURE:** King size bed & matching chest of drawers, night stands & chest/desk combo – sm oak drop leaf table – oak sofa table – oak coffee table – sm drop leaf dining table & (2) chairs – sm bakers rack – sofa w/matching love seat & chair – misc end tables – hide a bed sofa – sm wood TV stand – misc chairs – sm cherry office desk – office chair – book shelf – sm table – Vintage console stereo (nice) – lg wall mirror – wood TV stand – Sanyo 42" flat screen TV (only couple years old) – Insignia 32" flat screen TV – metal 4 drawer file cabinet – sm pine cabinet – floor lamps – table lamps – asst pictures & wall hangings – misc. throw rugs & runners – sm upright Admiral freezer. **TOOLS:** Pipe wrenches, screwdrivers, wrenches, saws, hammers & asst sm hand tools – misc long handle tools – Mantis mini tiller – Craftsman 5 h.p. 24" dual stage snow blower – Craftsman 9" 3.5 h.p. edger/trimmer – elect hedge trimmer & weed eater – hose caddy's – sm tool boxes – bench grinder – yard seeder – wheel barrow – snow shovels – drop light – ext cords – nuts & bolts organizer – galvanized trash can – dolly – saw horses. **MISC:** Misc Camping items – Vintage porcelain top cabinet – lawn chairs – metal shelving – old metal cabinet – plant stands – tomato cages – TV trays – handicap walker & bedside toilet – Household plants – misc records – misc linens – Stamina Recumbent exercise bike – plastic shelf – books – Canon copier – misc office supplies – Bissell vac – Garry Ultra Light vac – cookbooks – life jackets- misc kitchen ware such as pots & pans, silverware, Tupperware, etc – sm kitchen appliances – fireplace set – old cast iron tea pot – misc Christmas items – sm red wagon. **REAL ESTATE:** Maintenance free 4 bedroom 2 bath beautiful all brick home. This home is very neat & clean and well maintained!!  
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SKITS cast selected

Making Memories opens new location in Washburn

Barb Van Dusen

The Shell Knob in the Spotlight cast for “The Groom Has Cold Feet” is rehearsing for their opening day on April 27 under the direction of Susan Ramonette. This comedy is set in a western town in the 1890’s. It’s a murder mystery that’s full of delightful, suspenseful, funny twists and turns.

The cast names and their play characters’ names are: Don Herbert (Sheriff Tickle); Anyssa Wright (Sarah Tickle); Cliff Przybyl (Milton); Bob Van Dusen (Virgil Buckley); Anne Hoffman (Albert Webster); J.J. Hight (Gladys Clark); Karin Stanley (Mabel Mayfield); Glenna Bogue (Darleen Steep); Travis Phillips (Harley Stuber); Kathy Patterson (Della Tisdale); Barb Van Dusen (Beverly Hall); Ann Wilson (Hazel Blossom); Liz Stevenson (Caroline Pickens); Connie Figgins (Kayla May Blossom); and pastor Bill Kenagy (Sam).

The play is April 27 and 28 at 6:30 p.m. and April 29 at 2 p.m. at the CC United Methodist Church, Shell Knob. Since plays are attracting larger audiences, you’ll purchase tickets for a specific date to assure you’ll have a seat. You can come another date if space is available. The tickets will go on sale at a later date.

SKITS invites you to like and follow them on Facebook for sneak peeks and updates: SKITS Community Theater. SKITS looks forward to making you laugh and entertaining you.



Making Memories Tours, in Washburn, recently celebrated their new location with a ribbon cutting with the Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce. Making Memories offers guided tours all over the country. The new office location is at 128 N. Old Wire Road. They are open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Reach them by calling (888) 845-9582 or visiting [www.making-memoriestours.com](http://www.making-memoriestours.com).

Pictured at left, from left to right, in the front row: Mandy Hamblett, Angie Varner, Jerry Varner, Alice Varner, Diana Rose-Webb and Greg Varner. Back row: Ben Lindley, Carey Howe and Stan Kelley.



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**SPORTING GOODS:** Antique 1911 .32 cal short Police backup 5-shot pistol, rare ammo for 1911 gun, Raven Arms Mod.MP-25 .25 cal auto, 1908 Iver Johnson .38 cal Pistol-break open barrel-5 shot-no cracks., .22 cal bolt action Rifle w/Tasco 4x15 scope, Marlin Mod.1894 S .44 mag rifle, Marlin Mod.444P .44 cal rifle, Ruger 77-22 w/leupold scope, Rem. Mod.514 .22 cal short, Marlin Model 1894 .44 mag-octagon barrel, Diamond Arms 20 ga shotgun, Colt .22 cal Pump Lightning Rifle, Hatfield .410 Single shot, Smith & Wesson .38 Special US Navy, 1969 Baby Browning .22 cal Pistol, several boxes of misc ammo, Reload table & accessories, reloads, misc target gear, Schrade Scrimshaw Knife, Case Knife w/case, Estwing Tomahawk Hatchet, Collectible coins, fishing rods, Dog Training Collar, western Saddles, Antique Surge Milk Tank & more!



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**Watch for “Holder Auction” signs!**  
**Trucks:** 2006 Chevy- 4x4 half ton z71- 4dr, leather- straight truck (motor cond. unknown, may need a computer board)- 1996 Chevy half ton pickup, ext. cab, vortec 5.7 (no title)- Ford pickup bed trailer frame- good 24ft aluminum box bed for truck. **Tools & Equipment:** Dearborn 16” 2bot-tom plow- 3pt Ripper- 3pt rock rake- 3pt 9tooth cultivator- 10ft heavy duty subsoiler cultivator- Poulan Pro garden tiller (cond. unknown)- 48” walk behind brush cutter- walk behind David Bradley tractor cultivator- 3pt PTO seeder- 5ft box blade- Ford 3pt post hole digger- 275gal. plastic water tank- post diggers & driver- hand seeder- 6ft bush hog shell- skidder cab- sm. generator- portable air compressor-aluminum A-frame w/winch- spool 3/8” cable- hammers/ sledge- jacks- misc. hand tools- boomers/chains- sev. chain saws, mostly parts- lg. logging tongs- roof turbines- misc. hydraulic stuff- floor jack- pipe threader.  
**Household & Misc.:** Set of green Homestead dishes (nice)- misc. glassware- jars- mirror- lamps- western books- aluminum school desk- kid’s toys & bikes- cowbell- electric cord dehydrator- sev. electric meat grinders- humidifier- wooden chair- GE portable dishwasher- Roper washing machine & Amana dryer (both work)- Kimball piano- wood stove- Warm Morning gas stove- coolers- stainless bucket- bow & arrow compound- 2 or more ladder tree stands- lot good fishing poles- cast net- tackle box, full of lures- grease guns- levels- lot sockets- bolts- new nails/fence staples- Freon A/C controls- Mac tool box- car/truck parts- trailer lights- old transit- pair tanks- misc. pipe- scrap iron.  
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# Dalton and Jurgensen award February medals for respect

Purdy Elementary Principal Julie Dalton and Purdy Elementary Counselor Gary Jurgensen recently announced the Character Education Medalists for February. Each month, students in kindergarten through sixth grade are introduced to a different character trait. At the end of the month, each classroom teacher nominates one stu-

dent who best represents the trait to receive a Character Education Medal. In February, students focused on Respect. Medalists were treated to a trip to Adelita's Mexican Restaurant. Respect medalists include: kindergartners Gabriel Garcia, Noah Fritz and Paison Willmschen, first graders Randi Robert-

son, Kayedynce Evans and Paige Ozbun, second graders Violet Wolf and Erynn Cunningham, third graders Daniela Haros, Dustin Ash and Roper Periman, fourth graders Easten Goetz, Jenna Adams and Andrea Harosm, fifth graders Marlene Villa, Cristian Villa and Brandon Lee, and sixth graders Selah Bowers and Eli Hutson.



Purdy fourth through sixth grade Respect medalists are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Easten Goetz; Jenna Adams and Eli Hutson. Back row: Gary Jurgensen, counselor; Selah Bowers; Cristian Villa; Marlene Villa; Andrea Haros; and Brandon Lee.



Purdy kindergarten through third grade Respect medalists are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Noah Fritz; Gabriel Garcia; Paison Willmschen and Violet Wolf. Second Row: Erynn Cunningham; Paige Ozbun; Kayedynce Evans; Randi Robertson; Roper Periman; and Gary Jurgensen, counselor. Back row: Julie Dalton, Principal; Daniela Haros; and Dustin Ash.

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Pictured above, from left to right: Terry Johnson, Freedom Bank; Jerry Arnold, CEO and COO, Shell Knob Seniors, Inc.; Rusty Newman, President of Freedom Bank, Shell Knob and Golden locations; Jeff Harp, Chief Publicity Officer, Shell Knob Seniors, Inc.; Jennifer Mitchell, Freedom Bank Shell Knob; Julie Ward, Freedom Bank; and Rhonda Wildon, Freedom Bank.

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CMS March Students of the Month



The March Cassville Middle School Students of the Month, sponsored by Willis Insurance, are pictured, front row, left to right: Natalie Johnson, daughter of Shawn and Ragen Johnson, of Cassville; Kayden Fuchs, son of Errick and Sheryl Fuchs, of Cassville; and Ashlynn Bryan, daughter of Danielle Henry, of Aurora. Students are pictured with Devon Forsythe and Jeremy Marple with Willis Insurance and CMS Assistant Principal Ron Hudson.

CMS Students of the Month are nominated by CMS teachers and coaches based upon academic excellence, perseverance, or improvement, displaying exemplary citizenship and are a positive influence on school culture. Students of the Month receive \$10 Cassville Cash and will enjoy lunch at a local restaurant with Mr. Barton.

MoDOT: Car crashes leading cause of child death

The Missouri Department of Transportation and Department of Health and Senior Services know that car crashes are a leading cause of death for children one to 13 years old in the United States. Safety professionals continue to stress the importance of buckling children in an age appropriate safety seat. It's their best defense in a traffic crash. MoDHSS Director, Dr. Randall Williams reminds, "Everyone, including pregnant women and children, should use safety belts or car seats every time they ride in a motor vehicle."

In 2016, 18 children less than eight years of age were killed and 47 suffered serious injuries in motor vehicle crashes in Missouri. Twenty-nine percent of the children killed were not restrained in a car seat or safety belt. Additionally in 2016, motor vehicle crashes were responsible for 8 maternal deaths (the death of a mother while pregnant or up to a year after delivery) in Missouri.

"All parents and caregivers need to understand the importance of child passenger safety seats. It's not just about

following the law; child passenger seats help prevent serious injury and may even save your child's life," said Patrick McKenna, director of the Missouri Department of Transportation.

Missouri child safety seat technicians can provide education and car seat inspections. A list of car seat inspection stations and locations across the state can be found at [seatcheck.org](http://seatcheck.org). Appointments may be necessary.

MoDOT urges everyone to get their child safety seats inspected. "When it comes to the safety of a child, there is no room for mistakes," said McKenna. "It's also all the more reason to always buckle up, everyone, every trip, every time – and put your cell phone down if you're driving – Buckle Up Phone Down."

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# Gizmo wins PRCA comedy award

There's a gleam that shines across Dale McCracken's face.

It's not about his first major ProRodeo award, the 2017 Comedy Act of the Year, but it could be. It's not about his being in the hunt to be the barrelman for the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo, but it could be.

No, McCracken's twinkle arrives as he talks about the loves of his life, his wife, Janice, and their brood, and his faith in God. Nothing "Gizmo" McCracken has ever done in the rodeo arena will bring a bigger smile to his face than discussing Cassie and Mandy, their husbands and their children.

They've enriched his life in so many ways, and they've been a big part of the family business.

"They've always been a part of what we do," he said of his daughters. "Now they've got two kids apiece."

Those kids – Cassie and Jeremy Crouch have Brimley and Raeley, while Mandy and Jimmy Evans have Bronc and Jaylen – are now the next phase of what the McCracken family hopes to do with his rodeo comedy. He travels the country – and even the world – as a rodeo funnyman and entertainer, and this year, he was recognized as the best in the business.

"I'm honored to be in that crowd," he said of the other four entertainers that

were nominated with him: Bert Davis, David Whitmoyer, Johnny Dudley and Mark Swingler. "There are some great acts out there."

He knows. McCracken first began his funny business 41 years ago as a 15-year-old high-schooler, building acts while studying agriculture. He's been part of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association since 1992. This is just the first time in his distinguished career he has received a PRCA award.

"You always hope you're going to win," McCracken said. "Everybody wants to win something like that. The first couple of years I was nominated, I was hopeful. I was a little jittery. Then we had a dry spell for a few years that we weren't even nominated.

"Last year (in 2016) I was nominated for Clown of the Year and comedy act. I had gotten a little numb to not winning. I felt like I was past my shot at winning it."

He wasn't, and the moment he was called to the stage to be presented with his award, he had Janice, Mandy and Cassie by his side.

"We used them in our act when we first started," he said of his girls. "As soon as they could walk in the arena, they would doddle in there with a guitar or something, and we'd do some little music act."

He even got to unveil a long-time trophy he'd been keeping as another gag or

gizmo that helps make his comedy what it is.

"That little roll of adding-machine tape had become a joke in our family," McCracken said. "The first couple of years we were nominated, I thought I'd take that up there if I won, because I'm a comedy act and I'm supposed to do something funny. I figured I'd take it up on stage and reel it out to thank all these people.

"Then I'd take it back home and set it up on the desk like a trophy."

Now he'll be able to wrap it around his Montana Silversmiths trophy buckle as a reminder of what resilience and faith can do. It wasn't but a few years ago that McCracken watched so much around him crumble. Gizmo's Event Center, a complex he had dreamed about creating, was unable to sustain.

"That's amazing how God works," he said. "I've worked all my life to make things happen, and I went in way over my head. We lost a lot of things and had to start over. When you're down to



nothing, and the only thing you've got is God, it comes down to you and God.

"I said, 'OK, you've got my attention.' And that's when it started over."

He was first nominated for Comedy Act of the Year in 2002, then returned in 2005. He wasn't part of the landscape until 2014 and hasn't left the scene since.

God definitely got his

attention.

"We put everything we've got into this," McCracken said. "For a handful of folks to acknowledge that, it's just amazing. It was awesome to have the kids and Janice there with me."

But there's no place else for Janice McCracken to be. They've been married for 38 years, and they've made every step in this rodeo

career together.

"In this business, it's tough, but we always go together," he said. "She is my rock. Between her, the kids and God, we can do anything."

That's exactly what faith and love can do, and that's reason enough for McCracken's gleam.

## Cassville Library events

• Kids, come to the 3:30 Thursday after-school activity to Get Slimed! on March 22. Make your own and take it home.

• The Cassville Area Friends of the Library is presenting a Bunny Brunch on Saturday, March 24, beginning at 10 a.m. There will be activities, refreshments and a special visitor. The event is free and families are urged to attend.

• Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle, rated PG-13 and starring Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, will be shown as the Monday Movie Matinee at 1:30 p.m. on March 26. Bring your own snacks.

• Relax with Color Me Mellow on Tuesday, March 27, starting at 5:30 p.m. Materials are furnished or you may bring your own project to work on.

• Like board games and old-fashioned fun? Come to Game Night on Wednesday, March 28, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Call (417) 847-2121 for additional information.

• The Cassville LEGO Club will meet Thursday, March 29, at 3:30 p.m. All are welcome.

• Visit the Barry-Lawrence Regional Library Facebook page to keep up with news and events throughout the library system.

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The hours for disposal will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dumpsters will be located at 10302 E. 5th Street by the water tower. There is no charge to the resident. However, the city asks that you bring a water bill with you to verify you are a citizen of Butterfield.

Items that will not be accepted are: tires, batteries (car, boat, lawn mower, etc.), hazardous waste (chemicals, oils, antifreeze, etc.).

Paint can be accepted if it is properly solidified (mixed with cat litter and allowed to thoroughly dry).

Yard waste will be accepted but will need to be hauled to 10601 W. 5th Street at the wastewater treatment plant.

## Cassville Intermediate names February Character Kids

Each month, Cassville Intermediate School presents a different character trait in classrooms in partnership with the counseling department. At the end of the month, classroom teachers nominate students they think best exhibit the character trait that month. During the month of February, students were selected for the character trait of compassion.

Third grade students selected as February's compassionate students are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Angel Kraft, Elizabeth Boykin, McKenzie Quinn, Riley Ragsdale, Dusti Artherton, Isabella Costner and Amber Davis. Back row: Jeremy King, Trenton Pyle, Havyn-Brooke Lingo, Caleb Pyle, Hayden Roberts, Alex Stouder, Zane Gallardo and Sterling Zucca.

Fourth grade students selected as February's compassionate students are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Isabel Serrano, Kimberly Hang, Abby Collins, Liberty Hilburn, Jayden Stewart and Sara Stockton. Back row: Logan Wingo, Jacob Hudson, Trevis Moore and Donovan Middleton. Absent: Corbin Green.

Fifth grade students selected as February's compassionate students are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Hailey Gautney, Kaylyn Weiser, Clovee Williams, Jaiden Engle, Melody Stephens and Rebecca Oliphant. Back row: Trinity School, Xavier Cole, Timothy Roberts, Yovanni Perez, Malcolm Terry, Elijah Redmon, Issac Pickett and Makaiden Bolles. Absent from photo: Brady Stumpff.



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Self Storage on Highway 37 will be auctioning all delinquent storage units on April, 28th 2018 at 9:00 AM  
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for mowing Leann Cemetery and surrounding yard should be sent to *Ruby Vincent, 20674 Farm Rd 2065, Aurora, MO 65605 by March 23, 5pm*  
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Local author releases third book in series

What if there was a sniper loose in Kansas City? What if with each murder it just grips the ‘city of fountains’ with more fear as commuters dash from their office buildings to their cars. Drivers hunker down in their seats as they sit idling at red lights, all because they don’t want to be the next victim in the sniper’s crosshairs.

One way an author builds a story is with ‘what ifs’. In Thomas S. Mulvaugh’s third book of the Rick Ryder Ozark Blood series, Blood Stained City, this is exactly what happens. After leaving the Kansas City police force, Ryder won the biggest Powerball jackpot of all time, a billion dollars, and now uses his wealth and knowledge of being a homicide detective to help solve cases, charging only a dollar a day.

The book opens with the former KCPD detective returning to Kansas City at the request of his friend and former Chiefs teammate Michael (Mother) Ross, who thinks his wife wants to kill him. He hires Ryder, but when Mother’s wife is murdered by a sniper’s bullet, things really change. Could Mother have used Ryder to have his wife killed? When another victim falls to a sniper’s bullet, things really heat up and the city of fountains becomes a bubbling mixture of hate, corruption and suspicion, leaving Ryder to trust no one except his loyal team of Yakira Rosen, his fiancée; former FBI Special Agent Isabelle (Alex) Alexander; and the one person he can trust on the force, Detective Ben Malloy. What Ryder’s investigation uncovers will lead to every dream that he has being shattered.

Thomas S. Mulvaugh is the pen name of Monett author Paul Adam Herd.

Herd is a graduate of Cassville High School and of Crowder College in Neosho. Herd is one of a handful of authors who attended the college. Herd is well known for his books in automotive trade dealing with restoration and repair books for classic cars of the 1960’s and 1970’s. Blood Stained City is his third fiction book, with each one before also involving the lead character Rick Ryder.

When asked how different it is to be writing about murder instead of classic cars, Herd stated, “Very different. Before when I was writing about cars, I would have people come up and tell me about some classic somewhere I should write about. Now I have people coming up and want to show me places they think would be a good place for a murder to happen in a story. Went to see my doctor, and she asked me, ‘How many did you kill in this book?’ It can be humorous at times.”

Herd’s books differ from many others because of where they are set; they are always centered on local areas. Herd has an idea for the fourth book that will have scenes that take place on the campus of Crowder College. Herd joked about the yet untitled book, “He was the only student he knew that would be returning to his old college to find places to put a body.” He laughed as he added, “I am not sure how you go about asking that. Such is the life of an author.”

Herd makes his home in Monett with his wife, Karla, and their three cats.

Blood Stained City is now available from Amazon as both Kindle and Paperback and locally at Whitley Pharmacy in Cassville.

Cassville Primary’s February Most Improved Attendance



Cassville Schools believes that attending school is one of the most important things students can do to help achieve academic success. At Eunice Thomas Elementary, every month one class per grade level is presented with the “Best Attendance” and “Most Improved” trophies.

For the month of January, the most improved attendance winning classes were Ms. Victoria LeCompte’s kindergarten class, Mrs. Michelle Allder’s first grade class and Mrs. Sarah Sandoval’s second grade class.

Cassville FBLA members qualify for State competition



The Cassville FBLA Chapter had a successful day at the 2018 District 5 Leadership Conference on Thursday, February 8, and will be sending 28 of their students on to the State Leadership Conference in April.

Pictured above, from left to right are, in the front row: Bridgette Sutter, District Medalist; Yesenia Aguinaga, District Medalist; Clara Hermansen, State Qualifier; Chloe Roller, State Qualifier; Avery Brown, State Qualifier; Jose Melchor, District Medalist; Justin James, State Qualifier; Lauren Turner, District Medalist; Carter Fletcher, State Qualifier; Brianna Smith, District Medalist; Ellie Cahalan, State Qualifier. Middle row: Dylan Garner, District Medalist; Shannon Haney, State Qualifier; Reilly Nichols, State Qualifier; Dalton O’Neill, State Qualifier; Eli Herrin, State Qualifier; Garrett York, District Medalist; Sam Holman, District Medalist; and Cole O’Neill, State Qualifier. Back row: Grant Davis, State Qualifier; Blake Gordon, District Medalist; Garrett Knight, State Qualifier; Isaac Dotson, State Qualifier; Braden Strahan, State Qualifier; Jesse Edie, State Qualifier; Hailey Matthew, State Qualifier; Kennedy Parnell, State Qualifier; Madry McCrackin, State Qualifier; Alexa Perez, State Qualifier; Cole Stringer, State Qualifier; Dylan Berndt, State Qualifier; Zane Mebruer, State Qualifier; and Jayden Bowman, State Qualifier. Not pictured: Gavin Moore, State Qualifier.

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an old farmhouse on the front part of the property years and years ago. It had to be here from then.”

When Goble reached out to others involved with cemetery associations, he said there are multiple reasons why some markers were never placed. He claims some haven’t been placed a Cassville cemetery, as well. “The original grave markers, they didn’t put anything down really. If a rain storm came down and washed away the little tabs set out, then by the time the gravestones came in months later, they didn’t know where the grave was.”

Oftentimes, families couldn’t afford any other marker, so by the time it was ordered, shipping, mailed and received from the government, the family might not know where the grave was or would have moved. They were responsible for taking it out to the cemetery, as well, creating hurdles.

Goble said he was glad to be able to get at least one marker back to the person who earned it, even if it was 76 years later.

“I took it up there and they put it immediately in the ground. They were waiting for me when I got there, and they agreed it was very important to place it immediately,” Goble shared.

Peoples Community Bank pledges annual scholarships to Exeter School



The Exeter R-VI School District recently received a generous eight-year annual pledge from Peoples Community Bank. The bank pledged \$1,250 annually for the next eight years to benefit Exeter students. The money will be used for scholarships to support graduating seniors. Each year, two seniors will receive a \$625 scholarship to help them as they begin their post-secondary education.

Pictured above, from left to right, are: Jaden Fink, Exeter senior; Chloe Carpenter, Exeter senior; Madelyn Cole, Exeter senior; Robert Taylor, Exeter High School principal; Alissa Porter, Peoples Community Bank assistant vice president; John Marks, Peoples Community Bank loan officer; Caleb Tucker, Exeter senior; Austin Rayburn, Exeter senior; and Trevor Nelson, Exeter senior.

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