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Full-scale Haz-Mat exercise trains first responders on chemical emergencies

Vinnie Roberts

Every three years, the Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC) of Barry and Lawrence Counties undertake a full-scale Haz-Mat exercise to test the abilities of their emergency crews and identify potential issues that could occur during a real emergency. LEPC's are in place to help prepare and train first responders in the event of a local chemical emergency.

On Saturday, November 2, those committees came together just outside of Butterfield to once again train and prepare first responders for the possibility of a real chemical emergency.

"We invite responders from both counties, and it gives us an opportunity to practice our responses," said David Compton, director of Emergency Management for Barry County. "We can also share the cost of the operation that way."

The exercise took place at the George's chicken pro-

cessing facility, just outside of Butterfield on Highway 37. The operation was completed with full cooperation from George's, who allowed emergency workers and volunteers near-full use of the factory as a staging ground for the operation.

"One of our primary responsibilities is to create and manage the hazardous materials response plan for each county," explained Compton. "It's during a full-scale exercise that we really test our abilities as a county to respond to these emergencies with. Whether it's a Haz-Mat event, a tornado or anything like that, it's good to know what that would look like for us."

For this exercise, at approximately 8:15 a.m., a call was placed to 911 from the George's parking lot. The reporter staged the call to complain of breathing trouble and possible injury. Soon after, multiple other calls like the first also took place, followed by a call from the factory, stating that they suspected a major chemical leak.

Volunteers from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints placed throughout the facility and parking lot, each equipped with an injury card that detailed how to act and what to say to the responders who treated them.

Within minutes, dispatch sent out a wide-range of calls to various departments throughout the surrounding areas.

"During the exercise, there's a heavy emphasis on command and control," said Compton. "This exercise also had an element of public warning. How do we warn the public and keep them in their homes during something like this?"

According to Compton, the duties of commanding and controlling the situation fall on whoever is in command of the first unit to respond on the scene. For



The full-scale Haz-Mat exercise at George's on November 2. Butterfield Fire Chief Donald Privett took command of the scene when his department was the first to arrive on scene at the training

this exercise, that unit was Butterfield Fire Department and that commander was fire chief Donald Privett.

"Instant command was taken very early on, and that is a big issue in these kind of events, because you have

to make sure that you have a structure to keep everything moving," explained Compton. "Donnie Privett assumed the command role. compliment chief Privett's

Butterfield was the first on the scene and he did a very good job."

Compton went on to

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American Legion building converted into Event Center

Vinnie Roberts

In July, Cassville's American Legion Post 118 moved to sell their building on MO-76 as well as some of the adjoining land. More recently, the Post's leadership announced they found a buyer for the property: local business owner and auctioneer Donnie Stumpff.

According to Stumpff, the decision came after some talks with Legion leadership, who detailed a list of issues that limited

their ability to maintain the building.

"They had reached a point where their membership declined to the point where it was hard for them to make ends meet," explained Stumpff. "I made the offer to buy the building and the grounds south of it, which consisted of about 14 acres.

Stumpff went on to explain that the group would retain a portion of the grounds, namely the ad-

joining Memorial Park as well as a smaller building the post will use to hold meetings.

"They kept the park and a metal building behind the main building," said Stumpff. "They're going to keep their Post in there. It's a smaller facility, which will be easier for them to manage with a lot less expense."

The auctioneer detailed his thought process going into purchasing the property, explaining that he and

his family intend to use it as an opportunity to bring some long-lost history to

"Living here, being a native here, when I was a kid, they used to have things like the Old Settlers' Reunion, watermelon feeds and fireworks out there in the rodeo grounds and won't have that anymore," Stumpff continued. "My goal is to try and get a lot of that to come back. We're going to get the Old Settlers' Reunion to come back and have watermelon feeds and Easter egg hunts out there."

In addition, Stumpff also plans to have the space available for rent for various community uses. The fees for this rentals have not vet been set but will vary depending on the length of use, as well as the use of the building's facilities.

The building itself will be rechristened the Stumpff's Family Event Center.

Stumpff added he has already begun changes to the building, but that he will ultimately change it as little as possible.

"We've already trimmed the trees, and we're in the process of cleaning the

Community mourns loss of Chloe Epperly: Jeweler, businesswoman, friend to all Vinnie Roberts

On Saturday, November Barry County lost one of its most beloved citizens. Chloe (Tomblin) Epperly, co-owner and operator of Tomblin's elry, of Cassville, passed away in her home. What she leaves behind is a legacy of positivity and good nature, the likes of which cannot be overstated.

"Chloe never criticized, condemned or com-



Epperly

plained about anybody," said Cherry Warren, former presiding commissioner of Barry County. "If she didn't have anything good to say, she wouldn't say anything. She never did complain about her life and you couldn't out-give her. Whatever you'd give her, she'd give you more. She was that kind of person."

Epperly was born on May 25, 1951, in Fairfax, Okla., to parents Maurice "Wayne" and Tommie Tomblin. Epperly's family moved to Cassville in the 60's. It was around this point that her father, already a trained jeweler, opened up Tomblin's Jewelry at its original location on the south side of the Cassville Square in 1964.

A year later after graduating from Cassville High School in 1969, she married her husband, Charles Epperly.

Ten years later, in 1979, Epperly would find her true calling when she was asked to return to Tomblin's Jewelry to work under her father full-time.

Inside this issue:

CWD testing this weekend

Barry County is one of 29 counties across the state that will have mandatory Chronic Wasting Disease testing on all deer shot this weekend.

Ark. driver air lifted after crash

An Arkansas woman was air lifted for serious injuries after crashing outside of Washburn on Hwy. 37 on Friday evening.

Students honor veterans

Barry County students honor veterans for their service at various assemblies and demonstrations.

Food Service Report released

The Barry County Health Department released the October Food Service Report showing how area restaurants did on their health **1B** inspections.

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compliment chief Privett's ability to take control of the situation, delegate authority and organizing responders.

"That contributed largely to the success of the overall exercise," continued Compton. "Because of that, we were able to get done earlier than we thought."

After Butterfield Fire arrived on the scene, Privett took control of the situation, sending responders

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out to "victims" to provide aid and get a good sense of the situation.

A command line was established in the George's parking lot at a safe distance to ensure that responders and victims were out of harm's way during the operation. Soon after, Butterfield Fire was joined by responders from Cassville, Purdy and Monett Fire Departments, Cassville, Purdy

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and Monett Police Departments, Mercy Hospital Ambulance teams and Barry-Lawrence ambulance teams, as well as many others.

Around this same time, actors showed up at Mercy Hospital's Cassville and Aurora locations, as well as Cox Monett, to simulate a Haz-Mat-related patient influx at the local hospitals. According to Compton, all hospitals in the operation performed well under the circumstances.

Compton went on to explain that after the first ambulance arrived on the scene and realized that the incident included more than five victims, the team called in a Mass Casualty Incident, prompting a larger response from the surrounding departments. In total, four ambulances, two emergency medical supervisors and one life-flight helicopter responded to the

By 9:30 a.m., the Haz-Mat team from Monett's Fire Department arrived on the scene and reported to Privett. According to Compton, this team, along with the Haz-Mat specialists employed at George's, were able to enter the factory by 9:45 a.m.

From there, both teams entered with the primary objective of rescuing as many victims as possible before attempting to contain the leak. Compton stated that all volunteers that were meant to survive the operation did, with the operation's only casualties being the ones slated to be as such.

The "leak" was contained by both Haz-Mat teams shortly thereafter with the operation officially coming to a close at 10:45 a.m., roughly an hour and 15 minutes sooner than what was projected.

While most of the data from the operation is still being compiled, Compton was very impressed by the performance of all local departments. "This is when we try and do our best to challenge our response community enough to identify the places that we can improve," said Compton.

So far, two key areas that Barry County's response teams were lacking in have been identified.

"We identified some opportunities for communication," explained Compton. "We definitely identified how we could do that better. We didn't find any issues with getting the message across, but we did find ways that we could do it more efficiently."

According to Compton, one of the main takeaways from the operation was the need for an on-scene communication system that could patch responders on different radio-frequencies through the use of a crossband repeater.

Compton explained that efforts to put together a version of this equipment is currently being built within the county, to be used as a county asset.

Another need identified by the operation was that of a mass communication system that could warn the public in the surrounding areas about the situation. Compton stated that work has begun on a mass communication system that will be able to send SMS messages to the cellphones of people signed up for the service about local emergency situations.

According to Compton, this service should be live within the next year.

EVENTS from FRONT

fence row out and making the grounds look better," said Stumpff. "There will be some changes to the building but not a great lot. I'd like the keep the history of it the best that

The Stumpff's Family Event Center already has its first event on the books. On the evening of December 14, the center will be the host of the "God's Glory" gospel performance. This event will feature 12 booths with various attendees, as well as noteworthy gospel acts Ozark Mountain Revival, the Gavits, and the Ledbetter family.

Stumpff remains hopeful this new venture will foster a new sense of community togetherness, as well as be a venue for exciting events.

"Hopefully, it's something that the community will get behind and support," said Stumpff. "I hope that they enjoy what's coming and support us moving forward."

The center is currently available for scheduling events. To host an event at the Stumpff's Family Event Center, call Ashley Stumpff at (417) 342-2968.

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Mandatory Barry County CWD testing this weekend SAMPLING STATIONS WILL BE IN CASSVILLE, PURDY AND SHELL KNOB

Charlea Estes-Jones

Barry County hunters, as well as those visiting 28 other counties in the state, will need to take any deer shot for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) testing this weekend. Mandatory CWD testing is to ensure statewide deer populations remain healthy and the disease doesn't take over.

This year's CWD sampling stations will be open on Saturday, November 16,



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904 West Street P.O. Box 488 Cassville, MO 65625 (417) 847-4475 FAX (417) 847-4523 and Sunday, November 17, beginning at 7:30 a.m. and closing at 8 p.m.

Barry County is one of 29 counties that are included in the mandatory sampling counties. All counties in or near where CWD has been confirmed in deer populations require testing to give the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) the data needed to put intervention measures in place to keep it from taking over. The counties included in the list are: Adair, Barry, Cedar, Chariton, Christian, Crawford, Franklin, Gasconade, Hickory, Howell, Jefferson, Knox, Linn, Macon, Mercer, Oregon, Ozark, Perry, Polke, Putnam, St. Charles, St. Clair, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, Stone, Sullivan, Taney, Warren and Washington.

In Barry County, sampling stations will be set up in Cassville at Roaring River State Park near the fish hatchery office. In Purdy, a station will be set up at the Purdy Community Center at 402 State Highway C. In Shell Knob, the station will be located at the Central Crossing Fire Protection District headquarters at 23463 State Highway 39. If you are hunting in other counties, the full list of sampling stations is online at mdc.mo.gov/cwd under

"Mandatory CWD Sampling.'

While mandatory sampling is this weekend only, voluntary sampling is available all season. The voluntary sampling stations are Reflections Taxidermy at 5045 Farm Road 2030 in Monett and Scott's Taxidermy at 5270 Farm Road 2190 in Exeter.

In order to ensure CWD sampling goes quickly and smoothly, MDC recommended the following tips:

- Field dress and Telecheck your deer before arrival.
- You can bring the carcass or just the head with at least 6 inches of the neck attached. (It is OK to remove the cape before you get to the sampling station.)
- The person who harvested the deer must be
- Be prepared to provide your Conservation Number and point out the location of harvest on a map.
- If using a paper permit, have it detached from the deer for easy access. If using the MO Hunting app, have your permit and Telecheck information readily avail-
- Position the deer in your vehicle with the head and neck accessible.

The results of CWD testing will be available online within a month of the sampling date. The results will be available online at: mdc. mo.gov/CWDTestResults.

CWD is a highly contagious neurological disease. It causes brain deterioration that leads to abnormal behavior, emaciation, loss of bodily function and eventually death. Because of deer's social habits, once it is in an area, it spreads rapidly given the right circumstances.

The disease is spread deer-to-deer from licking each other or socializing, making the risk of spread in local populations high. While there is no known risk to humans, the disease is devastating to the deer population.

Due to CWD was found in Arkansas as well as Stone County, Barry County and other counties have been under feeding bans to help reduce the chance of it becoming prevalent in Mis-

Find more information on Chronic Wasting Disease and what MDC is doing about it at mdc.mo.gov/

Arkansas woman air lifted after Hwy. 37 crash

Charlea Estes-Jones

An Arkansas woman is in serious condition after a crash outside of Washburn on Friday evening, November 8. According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol crash report, the small pickup ran off the roadway and struck a bluff, leading to the driver's injuries.

Tabatha A. Dorsey, 31, of Rogers, Ark., was driving a 1997 Chevrolet S10 southbound on Highway 37 about three miles south of Washburn when the crash occurred. The report states the pickup ran off the right side of the roadway and Dorsey over corrected. The vehicle then ran off the left side of the roadway and struck a bluff. The Highway Patrol responded around 6:50 p.m.

Dorsey suffered serious injuries in the crash and was air lifted to Mercy Hospital in Springfield by air ambulance.

It is unknown if she was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash.

The S10 was totalled and towed from the scene by Wilson's Towing, of Washburn.

No other vehicles or parties were indicated to have been involved in the crash.

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Community Calendar page is free as a courtesy to local events. If your event is relying on advertising for attent-dance, then it is vital for you to place a paid ad. There is no guarantee that your event will be placed in Community Calendar. The deadline for community calendar is Friday at 4 p.m. The contact person is Elaine Phaneuf, class@4bca. com or (417) 847-4475. Thank you for keeping us informed of all updates/changes to local events.

Notice:

Share Your Christmas Signups will be open until November 22, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day except the 19th, at the OACAC Neighborhood Center, 700 E. Hwy. 248, Cassville. Please call (417) 847-2140 for more information

All Branches of the Barry-Lawrence Regional Library will be closed on Thursday, November 28, in observance of Thanksgiving Day.

<u>Central Crossing Senior Center</u>, Shell Knob, will be closed on November 28 and 29.

OATS Transit Schedule for Nov.: to Springfield: Nov. 4; to Joplin: Nov. 11 & 25; to Rogers, Ark.: Nov. 18; to Neosho: Nov. 6 & 20; to Mt. Vernon: Nov. 27. To schedule a ride and for more information, call the OATS transit office at (800) 770-6287.

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

Golden Baptist Church Single Moms Support Group will meet every Wednesday night at 6 p.m. For information, call (417) 271-3605.

Nov. 15th

Love Your Heart Screening will be held from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A at Cox Monett Hospital. For just \$40, participants will receive a stroke and cardiac assessment, important health information, plus labs to measure cholesterol, blood sugar, kidney, and thyroid function. There will also be a heart healthy breakfast. Registration is required. For more information, call (417) 354-1288.

<u>A Dance</u> will be held at the Stella Senior Center with doors opening at 6 p.m. The dance will begin at 7 p.m. with the band Moccasin Bend. The cover charge is \$5. Guests are asked to bring finger food to share.

Nov. 16th

<u>Coats for Kids Event</u> will be sponsored by Knights of Columbus at St. Edwards Catholic Church, 107 W. 17th St., Cassville, at 11 a.m. Coat sizes will be toddler to adult. Children must be accompanied by parents.

Barry County Genealogical & Historical Society November Meeting will be a members potluck dinner at 12 p.m. at the Bayless House located on the corner of Townsend Street & West 9th Street in Cassville.

The Wheaton Historical Society will be having a chili supper in the Wheaton Community Building. There will also be a silent auction of donated items. Serving will begin at 4:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. Auction winners will be announced at 7:30 p.m. Chili or soup, dessert and drink for \$7.

McDowell Golden Jubilee will be operating the 16th and 30th of November. Jamming starts at 5:30 p.m. Stage shows start at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be available. Admission is free. All acoustic musicians are welcome to jam or perform on the stage. The Jubilee is held in the Historic McDowell Schoolhouse every other Saturday night from October til May.

Nov. 17th

<u>Flying Buzzards</u> will be in concert at Verona Christian Church, 113 Adams Street, at 6 p.m.

Nov. 18th

Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive is being sponsored by Purdy High School FBLA and Purdy AmeriCorps Reading Coaches. Community members, staff and Purdy students are encouraged to bring to school nonperishable food items Nov. 18th through 22nd. Bottled water and glass containers will not be accepted. Donations will be divided between the Purdy First Baptist Food Pantry and Monett Crosslines.

<u>A Special Dance</u> with the Dwayne Bowman band will be held at the Stella Senior Center. Call (417) 628-3314 or (417) 476-3079 for more information.

<u>BCP-Syntex Environmental Concerns Meeting</u> will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Verona School cafeteria.

Nov. 19th

Story Time will be at the Monett Branch Library at 4:15 p.m.

Nov. 20th

Story Time will be at the Monett Branch Library at 10:30 a m

Nov. 21st

<u>Linda Parsons with Marketplace and Medicare</u> will be at the Monett Branch Library to share information from 9 a.m.

Nov. 22nd

<u>Thanksgiving Lunch</u> will be on the menu at Central Crossing Senior Center, Shell Knob, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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

Nov. 23rd

<u>Fundraiser Breakfast</u> will be served at the fire house in Eagle Rock from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Nov. 24th

<u>A Thanksgiving Dinner</u> will be served at Southwest High School from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is sponsored by Project Graduation and the cost is \$6.

Nov. 25th

A Dance with The Funtimers Band will be held at the Pierce City Senior Center from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$4. Finger foods are welcome.

Nov. 28th

<u>Free Thanksgiving meal</u> will be offered at Mission Baptist Church, 3709 Farm Road 2242, Washburn, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call (417) 826-5232 for more information.

Hot Meals will be delivered by volunteers of First Baptist Church, Cassville. If you are homebound, or if you would like to submit the name of a homebound individual to receive a Thanksgiving meal, call the First Baptist Church office, (417) 847-2965, by Friday, November 22.

Dec. 7th

<u>Washburn Christmas Parade</u> will be at 10 a.m., downtown Washburn. For more information, please contact Cheryl (417) 671-2819 or visit their FB page "Washburn Area Chamber of Commerce" page.





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<u>Fri:</u> Ruebens, chips, pickle, peanut butter dessert

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Dec. 7th continued

<u>Cassville Christmas Parade</u> will be at 7 p.m. along Main Street. Line up for participants is at 4 p.m. in the High School parking lot.

School Menus: Nov. 18 - Nov. 22

All meals served with milk and subject to change.

Purdy: Mon: B: oatmeal, toast, cereal, fruit. L: spaghetti with meat sauce, romaine salad, tomato, ranch, fruit, ww breadstick. Tues: B: blueberry pancakes, syrup, yogurt, cereal, fruit. L: sliced turkey, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, green beans, fruit, wg roll, cookie. Wed: B: wg biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, cereal, fruit. L: chili, crackers, string cheese, carrots, fruit. Thurs: B: breakfast pizza, toast, cereal, fruit. L: tangerine chicken, brown rice, broccoli, pineapple, fortune cookie. Fri: B: chocolate chip muffin, yogurt, cereal, fruit. L: chicken patty sandwich, cauliflower, Sun Chips, fruit.

Cassville Prim./Int./Middle: Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage patty, strawberries or cereal, Teddy Grahams, tropical fruit. L: popcorn chicken or pork patty sandwich, tater tots, glazed carrots, applesauce. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or oatmeal, cinn. toast, sausage, mandarin oranges or cereal, Pop-Tart, peaches. L: soft taco or crispito, corn, vanilla pudding, vanilla wafers, juice. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, peaches or cereal, Rice Krispy Treat, apple. L: hamburger or grilled cheese, Sun Chips, vegetable mix, fruit cocktail. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, applesauce or cereal, chocolate muffin, orange. L: pizza or chicken alfredo, salad, corn, pineapple. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast pizza, graham cracker, mandarin oranges or cereal, blueberry muffin, applesauce. L: turkey, gravy, potatoes, green beans, hot roll, pumpkin pie, Sidekicks.

Cassville High: Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or pancake on stick, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. L: corndog, mac & cheese, glazed carrots, juice or cheeseburger meal or salad meal. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast pizza, sausage patty, pears or cereal, granola bar, orange. L: cheeseburger, Sun Chips, mixed vegetables, peaches or chicken nugget meal or salad meal. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast burrito, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. L: BBQ pork sandwich, BBQ chips, baked beans, juice or pizza meal or salad meal. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage patty, peaches or cereal, yogurt cup, apple. L: pizza wedge, salad, corn, peaches or cheeseburger meal or salad meal. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or cherry frudel, yogurt cup, tropical fruit or cereal, Go-Gurt, pears. L: turkey & gravy, potatoes, corn, hot roll, pumpkin pie, juice or pizza meal or salad meal.

Exeter: Mon: B: pancake on a stick, orange, juice or cereal, Vertical Bar, fruit, juice. L: turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, roll, pumpkin pie, fruit. Tues: B: sausage/egg biscuit, fruit, juice or cereal, biscuit, fruit, juice. L: cheeseburger helper, salad, carrots, breadstick, fruit. Wed: B: french toast sticks, fruit, juice or cereal, Pop-Tart, fruit, juice. L: chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, winter mix, fruit. Thurs: B: eggstravaganza, toast, fruit, juice or cereal, toast, fruit, juice. L: cheese pizza, salad, corn, fruit. Fri: B: cereal, Pop-Tart, fruit, juice. L: PB&J Uncrustable, Doritos, baby carrots, celery sticks, Sidekick.



Piano recital held



Students of Mrs. Ruth Burnside performed in the Joplin Piano Teachers' Association recital at the Corley Auditorium at Missouri Southern State University in Joplin on October 27. Pictured left to right are the participating students and their selected songs performed: An-

Pictured left to right are the participating students and their selected songs performed: Andie LaCaze, "Pony Ride"; Mallie Clifton, "Gentle Rain"; Gracie Lea, "Brahams Lullaby"; Heidi Sehrbrock, "Always In My Heart"; and Connie Lee, "Indian Serenade."





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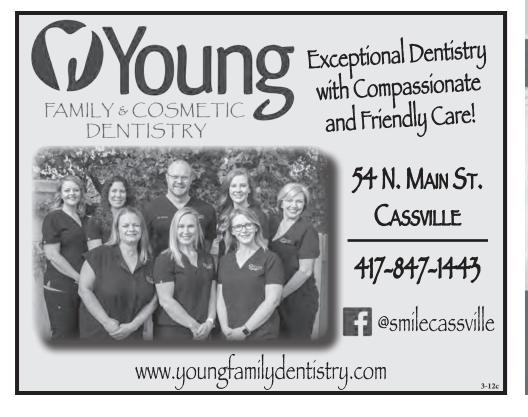
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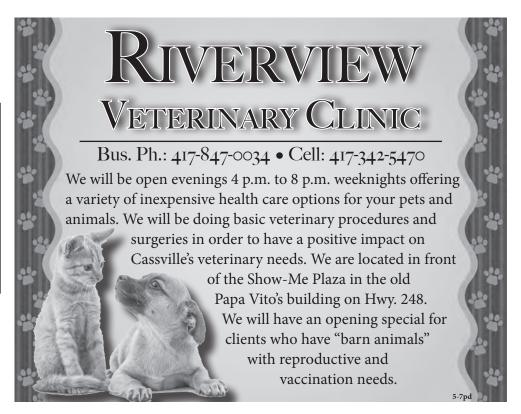
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Seven employees of Able 2 Products Company in Cassville were recognized for milestone employment anniversaries at a company-wide meeting on November 5. In business since 1972, Able 2 Products Company sells lights and accessories to police, emergency and utility markets under the SHO-ME trademark. Company president Jerry Watley awarded gifts and certificates of appreciation to the honorees.

Pictured above from left to right are: (front row) Donna Reed - 25 years, Schrediah Mahurin - 15 years, and Janice Henry - 25 years; (back row) Jeremiah Buntin (Barry County Museum) - 10 years, Melissa Hilburn - 15 years and Sandra Hayworth - 20 years. Not pictured: Greg Scott - 30 years.

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On Monday, November 11, Exeter School paid respect to area veterans at their annual Veteran's day assembly.

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Pictured above, Exeter student Lane Willis read the poem "In Pictured above, Exeter student council member Cameron a Dismal Forrest," a tribute to the sacrifice of veterans and the Weston holds the microphone so that former Navy officer Robert often dark corners of the world they venture to in the interest of



On Monday, November 11, Cassville High School held its annual Veterans Day assembly, featuring a variety of demonstrations to honor area veterans. Pictured above, Cassville High student Jordan Lewis moves the crowd with his essay about the psychological struggles of returning veterans, "A Quiet Fight."

Driver Exam stations closed for Thanksgiving

The Missouri State Highway Patrol would like to remind the public that driver examination stations throughout the state will be closed on the following dates:

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During Cassville's assembly, students took time to honor area veterans individually, giving them certificates thanking them for their service. Pictured above, former Air Force officer and regular Cassville substitute Pete Lanstad is recognized for his service.

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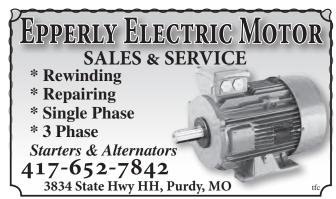
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MEMORIAL from FRONT

"He got sick, and they asked her to come and help her dad, so she came back from cosmetology school and was with that store ever since," explained Barry County treasurer Lois Lowe, a personal friend of Epperly. "My husband I have known her since her family came to town, and she's always been the kind of person that she was known to be.

"She was always there to help anyone she could: friends, family, employees and even school kids selling ads for fundraisers."

According to Bob Mitchell, former owner of the Cassville Democrat and current columnist, Chloe took the business on in full, following in her father's footsteps and gaining further education.

"She was specifically interested in following in her father's footsteps," said Mitchell. "She went to Kansas City to a jewelry repair training facility. When she jumped in, she took over."

"In some aspects, she reminds me of her dad," Mitchell explained. "She had a love for that business and was determined to keep the name and business location from the fire that destroyed it right on up until today."

After her father's passing, Epperly continued to run the store and, by all accounts, excelled in that capacity.

"She always had a great interest in you as a person and as a customer," said friend and Freedom Bank president Stan Kelley. "She really wanted to serve you in her business. She had the power to ask what you or your spouse wanted for a gift, and she could use those clues to find a very desirable gift for whoever."

"We would go down there and get gifts for our associates, and you could tell her what you wanted, and she would always come back with great ideas," continued Kelley. "She was very priceconscious with the customer. She would always try and find the right gift to get them in their budget. She was never trying to oversell or push."

Even when a tragic fire threatened to end the business forever, Epperly and her sister, current Cassville Chief of Police Dana Kammerlohr, were determined to save their family's business as well as their legacy.

"They had the fire that destroyed the old business and the question was what to do with it," said Mitchell. "Then, Chloe and Dana jumped in and were bound and determined to keep the Tomblin's name over that shop."

Though she has left this world, what she leaves be-

hind is a legacy of unrivaled kindness and prosperity.

"She was like a blessing to all of us," said family friend Anne Warren. "She was the kindest, most Christian person you could ever ask for. I had never known her to get angry. She was always so generous to everyone; took care of her business, and she was the sweetest, most loving person I've ever met."

Epperly is reported to have been a friend to anyone, often treating people of all walks of life with unparalleled respect and dignity.

"She was a friend of just about anyone she met. I don't know of any enemies that she's had, and I've known her for a long time," said Lowe. "She liked to teach people and have conversations. It's unbelievable how many people from all walks of life knew her."

"She wouldn't want too many praises heaped on her, I think," explained Cherry Warren. "She was well-respected in the community. The world would be a better place if we had more of her."

Chloe Nell Epperly, a respected businesswoman and a charitable soul that has been mourned by the community at large, was laid to rest on Tuesday, November 11, at Oak Hill Cemetery in Cassville. For her complete obituary, see page 8A.

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CHLOE NELL EPPERLY

Chloe Nell Epperly, age 68, of Cassville, passed away Saturday, November 9, 2019, at her home.

She was born May 25, 1951, in Fairfax, Oklahoma, the daughter of Maurice "Wayne" and Tommie Louise (High) Tomblin. On September 5, 1970, she was united in marriage to Charles Doyle Epperly, who preceded her in death on August 30, 2009. Also preceding her in death were her parents and brother, Thomas Wayne Tomblin.

Surviving are one son, Cody Epperly and his wife, Angel, of Cassville; two daughters, Amy Stephenson and her husband, Kent, of Cassville, and Charli Jo Baugh and her husband, Boomer, of Carthage; one sister, Dana Kammerlohr and her husband, Chip, also of Cassville; five grandchildren, Stussy Stephenson, Mattie Stephenson, Grady Stephenson, Lola Epperly and Charles Epperly; and her beloved companion, Indy, her service dog.

Chloe grew up and attended elementary school in Oklahoma and Kansas. Later, she moved to Missouri and graduated high school from Cassville in 1969. After high school, she attended cosmetology school. In 1964, her parents opened Tomblin's Jewelry and in 1979 Chloe started working there fulltime and eventually became the co-owner and continued to operate the business until her death. She was a faithful member of Mill Street Church of Christ in Cassville and was baptized into Christ on September 12, 1974.

Services were held Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at Mill Street Church of Christ in Cassville, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Ken West and Chris McCurley conducted the services. Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery in Cassville.

Contributions may be made to Fair Haven Children's Home in memory of

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HUEY "VERDAYNE" STOCKTON

Huey "Verdayne" Stockton, age 78, of Shell Knob, passed away Tuesday, November 5, 2019, at Roaring River Health and Rehabilitation Center in Cassville.

He was born November 3, 1941, in Shell Knob, the son of Olen and Cleta "Marie" (Matthews) Stockton. On January 7, 1961, in Independence, he was united in marriage to Laurel Click, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, David Stockton and his wife, Julie, of Republic, and Paul Stockton and his

wife, Jodi, of Pennsylvania; two daughters, Dayna and Scott Grell, of Cassville, and Elinda "Carol" Dennis and her husband, John, of Estes Park, Colorado; one sister, Judy Reed and her husband, Larry, of Raytown; thirteen grandchildren; three stepgrandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents; two brothers, Calvin and Dewey; and one sister, Erma.

Verdayne grew up and received his education in Shell Knob. For a few years, he was a supervisor and worked in the fabrication department at Wells Aluminum in Cassville, from which he retired. After retirement, he enjoyed raising cattle and working on the farm. Some of his favorite pastimes were riding horses and working his cattle. He was a member of Grace Community Church and later attended Assembly of God in Shell Knob.

Services were held Saturday, November 9, 2019, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Carroll Williamson conducted the services. Burial was at Mineral Springs Cemetery in Cassville.

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CODY W. MABRY

Cody W. Mabry, age 33, of Washburn, passed away Tuesday, November 5, 2019, at Mercy Hospital in Rogers, Arkansas.

He was born August 17, 1986, in Rogers, Arkansas. Cody grew up in Washburn and attended school at Southwest where he graduated from high school. For several years, he worked at Sears Hometown Store in Cassville and had also worked at Sports World. He loved fishing and hunting and was an avid St. Louis Cardinals Baseball fan.

Surviving are his mother, Brenda Fletcher Mabry, of Washburn; his father, Harvey Mabry, of Washburn; three brothers, Wesley Mabry and his wife, Melissa, of Orland Park, Illinois, Dustin Mabry

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and his wife, Kara, of Pea Ridge, Arkansas, and Derrin Mabry and his wife, Tonya, of Verdigris, Oklahoma; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Preceding him in death were his grandparents.

Services were held Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Reverend Mike Hankins conducted the services. Burial was at Cargile Cemetery in Washburn.

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RAYMOND EDWARD OLSON

Raymond Edward Olson, age 81, of Seligman, passed away Saturday, November 9, 2019, at Northwest Medical Center in Bentonville, Arkansas.

No services are scheduled at this time. Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

Contributions may be made to Pythagoras Masonic Lodge in memory of Raymond.

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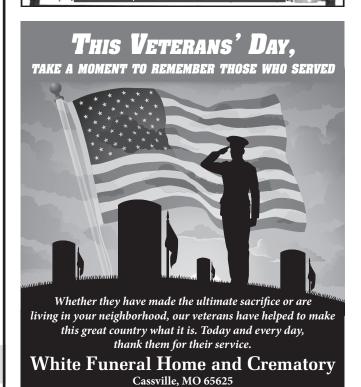
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Letter to the Editor: Cassville street taxes and animal control

To the residents of Cassville,

Many of us are noticing the slow progress that is taking place in the repaving of all the city streets. Many are also noticing the lack of any progress on the new water lines and sewer lines that has been in the works for the last six years. Well, it's my opinion that these two go hand-in-hand and not by accident.

Anytime one asks about the paving, the most common response is that a great number of streets have to wait until the water and sewer lines are completed, simply to make certain that the new paving won't have to be torn out to work on underground utilities. But why is the start up on the underground utilities taking so long? It is my opinion that there is a hidden reason for this.

In the beginning, we were led to believe that the city would pave 10-12 miles of streets a year. Since the total mileage of all streets combined is around 72 miles, this would result in all streets being paved in six years.

In 2016, the paving tax brought in \$319,532, yet only \$160,000 of that was used for paving. About one half the collected amount. The rest of the funds end up as sort of a "toy fund."

Since 2016, the amount of the funds allotted for paving has been a smaller percentage every year. Why? Well, when the city only spends one half of the collected amount, the remaining half is then spent on other things that may not even be related to street resurfacing. What does this

have to do with the lack of a start up on the city water and sewer lines? When you think about it, it all adds up. The fact is that once all the water lines and sewer lines are updated, the city will have no excuses not to spend the entire collected amount on paving, as it was intended. This would result in them losing their "toy fund." For this reason, they are making certain that any progress on the water and sewer lines are as gradual as possible.

Now, the city is discussing using this same type of funding for the "non-existent" animal control. But I must warn you not to fall for this, as you know that whatever means of funding they decide on, the monies will be diverted to other places just as they have been with the

If we had animal control under the Greg Beavers Administration, we can have it now, and at no greater expense than it was then.

-Gail Purves, Cassville

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CMS names November Students of the Month



Cassville Middle School recently announced the Students of the Month for November 2019. Students 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.

The September Cassville Middle School Students of the Month, sponsored by Willis Insurance, are pictured front row, from left to right: 7th grader Simon Gates, son of Justin and Mindi Gates, of Cassville; 8th grader Ava Lee, daughter of Danielle and Stephen Rowden, of Cassville; and 6th grader Jacob Hudson, son of Beth and Jason Hudson, of Aurora. Students are pictured with Willis Insurance representatives Andy Reavis, Aaron Brooks and Annette Henderson, and CMS principal Jimmie Barton.

Students of the Month receive Cassville Cash, a McDonald's gift card and enjoy lunch at a local restaurant with Mr. Barton.



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That got me to thinking. The vast majority of my previous armadillo sightings were along the roadside. When an automobile passes over them, they instinctively jump, making fatal contact with the auto's undercarriage.

A lot of people fatally reject Christianity because that's not what their instincts tell them to do.

Christianity is illogical at times.

Go the extra mile.

Turn the other cheek.

Pray for your enemies. Love those that hate you.

Die to self.

Submit to others.

Seek to serve.

Give rather than receive.

Peter tells us that by going against our instincts, we will act in a way that both sets us apart and proclaims Jesus Christ. "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people: that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." 1 Peter 2:9.

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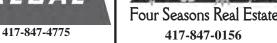








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Wildcats pounce on Cubs early in 19-6 district semifinal victory

Lee Stubblefield

The Cassville Wildcats roared to a three-score lead at halftime, and then held on for a 19-6 victory over the Monett Cubs in a Class 3 District 6 semifinal game at a cold Wildcat Stadium on Friday night.

The Cassville defense held Monett at bay for most of the game, squeezing four drive-killing turnovers out of the Cubs. Cassville's sophisticated passing attack lit up the Monett secondary with three spectacular scoring plays as the home team built a big lead and then bled the clock in the second half.

It was the second time in four years that Cassville and Monett have played twice during a season. Back in 2016, Monett swept both games, 21-20 and 35-21.

This was Monett's first defeat since dropping the regular season battle with Cassville back on September

The Cubs had been on a roll since that loss in the Barry County Brawl, posting impressive wins over Lamar and Seneca along the way. Indeed, Monett turned its season around in the second half against Cassville, finishing that game with a too little, too late performance. After Lamar ran for over 300 yards in a win over Cassville, the glaring comparison of stats against a common foe seemed to favor Monett. But while stat sheets can provide a lot of data, they can't predict intangibles, and they

can't measure heart and de- Although Cassville would sire.

Fast start

The consensus opinion entering Friday night's game was a Casville victory would require a fast start out of the gate, and the Wildcats provided just that. After receiving the opening kickoff, the Cassville offense began the first drive at the own 29yard line. On second and short, Bowen Preddy blew past the secondary on a fly pattern, and Deven Bates delivered a rainbow. Preddy never broke stride as he gathered in the pass and jetted into the endzone for a 68-yard score.

Two plays. 71 yards. Touchdown. 6-0.

Monett's first possession was a disaster, and a bad omen for the Cubs. After Logan Umfleet took an option pitch and sailed down the west sideline for an apparent 63-yard touchdown run to tie the score, officials ruled that he stepped on the sideline chalk at the Cassville 24-yard line.

To make matters worse for Monett, a yellow flag marked the spot of an offensive penalty. Instead of a score, or even an adjusted long run into Cassville territory, the Cubs were saddled with a 2nd-and-13 at their own 32-yard line.

Then, on the very next play, senior quarterback Karter Brink coughed up a bad pitch under pressure, and the ball flew to DJ White at the Monett 29-yard line.

not score on that possession, the sequence set the tone for the rest of the first half.

Following a Cassville punt, the Cubs drove from their own 19-yard line to the Cassville 9-yard line in 11 plays. But on third-andgoal, Brink fumbled again, and the Wildcats recovered at their own 10-yard line.

The bomb

Monett's second turnover lit the fuse for the biggest firework of the night.

Bates again barked signals with split backs and twin split receivers. He took the snap and pitched to Preddy, who flipped the ball to Drake Reese on the double reverse. But Reese pulled up and surprised/ ambushed/astonished the Monett defense, lofting a long pass to White, who was uncovered at the 40-yard line. White ran all alone down the Cassville sideline for a second Wildcat touchdown with just 40 seconds left in the quarter.

One play. 90 yards. Touchdown. 12-0.

The only negatives for Cassville to this point were the missed PAT attempts. Reese missed wide right with the first kick attempt, and then Bates threw incomplete on a 2-point try.

Monett would waste another opportunity late in the second quarter, surrendering fumble #3 at the Cassville 29-yard line with 5:48 on the clock.

The Wildcats drove the

field, converting a 4th-andone at the Monett 20-yard line to keep the drive alive. Lee Stubblefield Then Bates threw a rope to the corner of the end zone, and White tipped the ball to himself ala Odell Beckham Jr., and completed the catch for a third Cassville touchdown

Reese converted this PAT for a 19-0 Cassville lead.

Besides adding to their lead, the Wildcats drained the clock, leaving Monett no time to answer before the halftime break.

Four down territory

Trailing by three scores, the Cubs opened the third quarter with a sense of urgency. Facing 4th-and-2 at their own 31-yard line to open the second half, Monett made it clear that the whole field was now four down territory. Brink broke off tackle for 13 yards to give Monett a new set of downs.

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Then the Cubs marched down the field, benefiting from a pass interference call to reach the Cassville 9-yard line. But another costly fumble negated the promising drive, and the Wildcats took over at their own 5-yard line.

Monett finally put together a long scoring drive late in the fourth quarter. Dru Guinn crashed into the end zone from 6 yards out to cut the Cassville lead to

See VICTORY on 12A

Trojans race to 8th at State cross country

The Southwest Trojans capped a successful cross country season with an 8th-place finish at the MSHSAA Class 2 state meet on Saturday at Columbia. The Trojans, the second-place team from Class 2 District 6, vaulted past three district champion teams to finish in the top half of the 16-team field.

Fatima won the Class 2 boys title with 77 points. East Newton claimed the third-place trophy with 118. Southwest finished 8th with 226.

Travis Sickles led the Trojans with his 37th-place performance on the new course at Gans Creek.

Southwest finishers

Travis Sickles, 37th in 17:15.4 Xander Deshields, 61st in 17:35.8 Christian Long, 80th in 17:57.5

Caison Uthe, 96th in 18:10.8

Roper Varner, 106th in 18:20.8

Caden Uthe, 137th in 18:52.4

Otis Rainer, 167th in 20:31.1

Southwest's Rusty Roe was very satisfied with his team's performance.

"As a coach, you know that you got to coach a great team when the season is over and they are still hungry for more," said Roe.

Class 1 Boys

Purdy did not field a complete team, but had two boys qualify for the Class 1 race. Zack Brewer placed 67th in 18:42.9 and Dawson Abramovitz finished 94th in 19:05.2.

Class 1 Girls

Both Purdy and Wheaton were represented in the Class 1 girls race. Joy Grace of Purdy finished 86th in 24:02.7, and Lori McNeil of Wheaton placed 109th in 24:44.2.





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19-6 with 6:20 left to play. But the Wildcats played a little keepaway, and then the defense held Monett on 4th-and-4 in the red zone to crush any comeback hopes.

Complete game

The Wildcats won in every phase of this game - offense, defense and special teams - in an outstanding performance against a very good football team.

The misleading stats show Monett winning the time of possession battle but little else.

324 total yards: 118 on the The Mountaineers are un-

ground and 206 through the air. Bowen Preddy ran for 99 yards on 18 carries and caught the 68-yard scoring heave from Bates. DJ White put on a show in Cassville's aerial attack, scoring twice with his three catches for 118 yards.

The Cubs finished with 284 total yards. Karter Brink led Monett with 74 yards on 13 carries.

The Wildcats improved to 9-2 with the win and are peaking at the right time.

But they won't be peek-Cassville racked up ing at any Mt. Vernon film.

defeated no more. Seneca nals claimed a tense 14-12 victory over Mt. Vernon in the other C3D6 semifinal. The road to the state quarterfinals now goes through Cassville.

The Wildcats suffered their first loss of the season at Seneca way back in week 4, a 28-21 duel in late September.

Cassville will host Seneca in the Class 3 District 6 championship game on Friday at Wildcat Stadium. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.

Area scores

Class 3 District 6 semifi-

Cassville 19, Monett 6 Seneca 14, Mt. Vernon 12 Class 3 District 5 semifi-

Blair Oaks 48, Salem 0 Buffalo 49, Rogersville 28 Class 2 District 4 semi-

Lamar 50, Warsaw 6 Class 2 District 3 semifi-

Ava 34, East Newton 6 Class 1 District 2 semifi-

Pierce City 45, Miller 13.



Breaking through the pack, Cassville senior wide receiver DJ White catches a pass from downfield across the entire Monett line. White took this pass all the way to the end zone, scoring the 'Cats their second touchdown of the evening.

CMS students become living wax museum



On Wednesday, October 30, Cassville Middle School's 6th grade Social Studies and English classes teamed up to put on a living wax musuem in the FEMA Event Center. Students were told to research a figure in world history and put together a presentation about their life and global significance. From there, they were tasked with assembling a costume and presenting as their figure for students and parents.

Sporting an impressive homemade mask, Gunner Knight gives his presentation on the most famous mummy and Egyptian pharaoh of all time, King Tutankhamun, more commonly known as King Tut.



SW 4-H Grasslands team takes 4th at State

Elizabeth Ross, Southwest FFA Reporter

Grasslands is a Career Development Event for FFA and 4-H. This year, the Southwest High School 4-H chose Leland Colf, Laney Moore, Allison Corwin and Travis Sickles for the Grasslands team. These students worked throughout the year, coming in every morning and afternoon to practice with their adviser Bill Caldwell.

During competition, students are taken to fields with types of grass and are responsible for judging the properties, characteristics and management of whichever type of grassland they are given. They must fill out the overall grassland condition, how suitable it is for wildlife habitat, soil interpretation and plant identification. Students answers are then graded and compared with other competitors.

This team competed in Springfield with the rest of the teams in the Southwest District on October 10. The team took third out of all the 4-H teams. The team then competed at State competition on October 15 in Hallsville, which is north of Columbia. They placed fourth at State. The team leaves for National Competition in June 2020, which is in Springfield.



The Southwest 4-H Grasslands team is pictured above, from left to right: Travis Sickles, Allison Corwin, Laney Moore and Leland Colf.

Barry County joins overseas Christmas project

New Site Baptist Church in Monett and First Baptist Church Cassville are not waiting until Thanksgiving Day to express gratitude. Instead, they are giving back by packing gifts of joy for children around the world living in extreme poverty or affected by war, disease or natural disaster. Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, is the world's largest Christmas

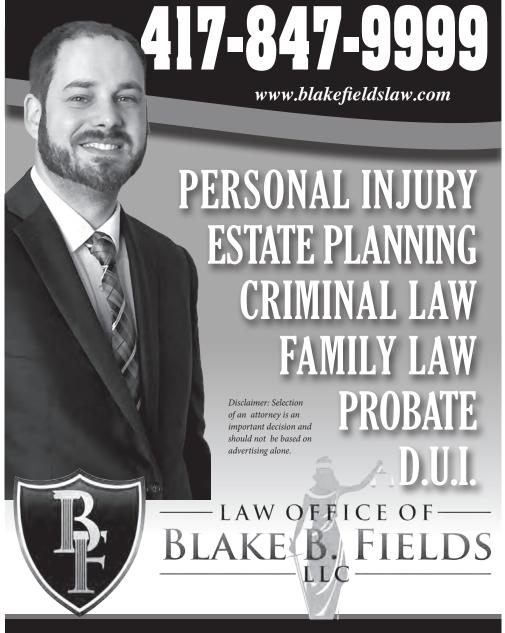
project of its kind.

During National Collection Week, November 18 through 25, area residents will donate gift-filled shoeboxes with school supplies, hygiene items, notes of encouragement and fun toys, such as a doll or soccer ball. This year, residents in the Ozark Mountain area hope to contribute nearly 15,500 shoebox gifts toward the 2019 global goal of reach-

ing 11 million children.

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international Christian relief and evangelism organization headed by Franklin Graham. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate Christian love in a tangible way to children in need around the world,

See SHOEBOX on 3B



Barry County Health Department releases October Food Service Report

The Barry County Health Department divides food service code violations into two categories: Priority and Core

Priority items are more likely than other violations to contribute to food contamination or illness and/or injury.

Core items, although important to the overall hygiene of the establishment, do not necessarily present an immediate threat to food contamination or illness and/or injury.

A report for each establishment that is inspected shows the number of priority items, along with a short statement as to the nature of the violations. The report also shows the number of core items but doesn't list the nature of those violations.

*Corrected on spot

• Tips Smokewagon Cassville
Permit Issued 10/1/19.
Routine 10/26/19:
Priority Violations: 0
Core Violations: 0

• Eva's DBA Jersey's Sports Bar & Grill Cassville

Follow-up 10/1/19: Priority Violations: 1

- 1. No one was ServSafe certified or the equivalent on duty
- The Brown Bag Monett
 Routine 10/1/19:
 Priority Violations: 1*
- 1. Cheese on the counter was without time or temperature control. Deli meat was held at 47°F and tomato wedg-

es were at 48°F on the salad bar*

Core Violations: 6
• Monett Middle School
Monett

Routine 10/1/19: Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

- Pizza Hut Cassville
 Follow-up 10/1/19:
 Priority Violations: 1
- 1. No one was ServSafe certified or the equivalent on duty.
- Taqueria Carlito Eagle Rock Follow-up 10/1/19: Priority Violations: 1
- 1. No one was ServSafe certified or the equivalent on duty.
- Office Pub & Steakhouse Eagle Rock

Follow-up 10/1/19: Priority Violations: 1

1. No one was ServSafe certified or the equivalent on duty.

• Casey's General Store # 2058 Monett

Follow-up 10/1/19: Priority Violations: 1

1. No one was ServSafe certified or the equivalent on duty.

• Saisho Monett
Follow-up 10/1/19:
Priority Violations: 1

1. No one was ServSafe certified or the equivalent on duty.

• Country N Wheaton
Routine 10/2/19:
Priority Violations: 3*

1. Macaroni salad with a

discard date of 9/27 and diced tomatoes 9/30 were not discarded.*

- 2. Raw ground beef was stored touching cooked ready-to-eat ham and on top of whole pork.*
- 3. Three dead insects were in the dry storage room, dead insects were on a bag of batter, and two dead insects in a tin can that contains grease.*

Core Violations: 3

- Domino's Pizza Monett <u>Routine 10/2/19:</u> Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0
- Happy House Monett Routine 10/2/19:

Priority Violations: 4*

- 1. Only one page of the last inspection was posted even though there were two pages of violations.*
- 2. Hand antiseptic was stored beside and above food items.*
- 3. The stand up mixer and slicer (stored as clean) had dried food debris on them.*
- 4. Shrimp, beef and other foods were holding at 54°F in line cooler; ambrosia was holding at 57°F and sliced cantaloupe was holding at 54°F on salad bar.*

Core Violations: 0

• Mexico 2000 Monett

Routine 10/2/19:
Priority Violations: 3*

1. Sliced tomatoes and diced tomatoes were held at

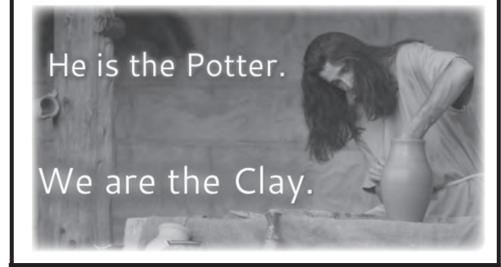
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Haven of the Ozarks' Pet of the Week: Puppies



Meet the puppies, the Haven of the Ozarks Pets of the Week. The Haven currently has more than a dozen beautiful and friendly pups who are vetted and ready for adoption. And they'll have several more in just a few weeks. The Haven is a wonderful place but even a great shelter is no place for a baby to grow up. Please consider adopting your new best friend. Each adoption means another life can be saved.

Haven of the Ozarks is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day of the week or call (417) 835-3647 for more information. Haven of the Ozarks Animal Sanctuary is located at 9617 Farm Road 2190

Cassville R-IV Schools recognized two Teachers of the Year at the Southwest Center of Educational Excellence during the Celebration of Schools event. The two teachers are pictured above, from left to right: Mandy Boone and Michelle Ramaeker.

Educational Excellence hosted the Celebration of Missouri Southern Univer-

The Southwest Center for Schools event on Tuesday, October 29, on campus at sity in Joplin.

Cassville staff recognized at Celebration of Schools event

The Celebration of Schools is an evening to recognize accomplishments by member districts. Awards are presented recognizing innovating programs in member schools, supporters of member districts, school board members and area legislators.

Cassville R-IV School District was recognized for the following:

• Elements of English I: this class was created for incoming freshmen in the areas of reading and writing to help with improving abilities to feel more confident in all content areas. Class size is kept small and students work at their own pace with instructional support on grammar, reading strategies, phonics and phonological awareness. Through this program, students have shown great gains in confidence and work ethic.

18th & Main St. for your:

next meeting or event. For availability and fees Contact: Kevin Lingle

CLIFTON WELLS

• Friend of Education: Rachael Selby Freeman was recognized for her work with the school district in regards to economic development, graphic design and video production. Selby is both a friend to the district as well as an advocate, a leader and a partner to do what is best for our stu-

• Educational Internship Program, PK-5: The Educational Internship program provides preschoolfifth grade students with one-on-one instruction using higher-education students who intend to pursue employment in the field of education.

· Board of Education members serving over 10 years: Becky Henningson and David Haddock

• Teachers of the Year: Mandy Boone and Michelle Ramaeker.

Upcoming Cassville Library events

• Thursday's Fun @ 4:00 after-school activity for November 14 will be Cocoa Club. Kids K-8 are invited to enjoy warm snacks and relaxing activities.

• LEGO Club will build on Thursday, November 21, from

3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

• The teen to adult canvas painting for this month is called "King of the Coop." The activity will be held on Tuesday, November 26, with sessions at 12:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. A \$5 preregistration fee is required by November 23. Stop by the library to sign up.

• All branches of the Barry-Lawrence Regional Library will be closed for Thanksgiving on November 28.

> • Change is coming to the Barry-Lawrence Regional Library when it moves to a new circulation and cataloging software system called Evergreen. Stay tuned.

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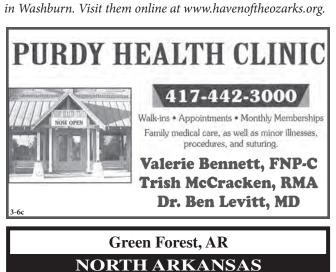
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Wheaton names September Students of the Month



Wheaton Junior and Senior High School recently announced the school's September Students of the Month. Pictured, from left to right, are: Leonel Gomez, 8th grade son of Leonor Gomez, and Tha Parm, 12th grade daughter of Tuan Bik and Tial Sui.

SHOEBOX from 1B

to 3 p.m.; November 19 from 8

Operation Christmas Child,

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a.m. to 11 a.m.

and, together with the local churches worldwide, to proselytize. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 168 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 160 countries and territories.

The Barry County drop-off locations will receive shoebox gifts during the following

Monett: New Site Baptist Church, 192 Farm Road 1060, (417) 235-6135

Operating hours:

November 12, 13, 14 from 10 a.m. to noon each day; November 15 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.; November 16 from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.; November 17 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; November 18 from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and November 19 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Cassville: First Baptist Church Cassville, 6022 West St., Cassville (417) 847-2965.

Operating Hours:

November 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 from noon to 5 p.m.; November 17 and 18 from 9 a.m.

Coats for Kids event held in Aurora Knights of Columbus Coats

for Kids programs kicked off with an event in Aurora. The local Verona council of the Knights of Columbus, with corporate sponsor Tyson Foods, was able to distribute 125 coats to families from the surrounding area. The event was held in the Holy Trinity Catholic Church gym from 1 p.m. to

The Grand Knight of the Verona Council, Mark Conn, was very happy with the turnout to the event. He noted that in 2018, 75 coats were distributed in Aurora with this year increasing to 125 coats. He attributed the increase to better awareness of the program through newspaper and radio mentions as well as the help of Tyson's Food getting more awareness of the program to the public.

The Knights of Columbus, a Catholic Fraternal Organization,

On November 2, the 2019 the Coats for Kids Program to allow low-income families to clothe their children in warm coats and hats. This frees up their scarce resources to meet the families' other essential needs.

> The Knights of Columbus uses its ability to buy large quantities of coats at discounted prices and distributes them through over 12,000 councils in the United States. Sponsors help the Knights to increase the number of coats that can be distributed to families in

Upcoming Coats for Kids will be held in the following cities:

- Cassville on November 16 at St. Edward Catholic Church from 10 a.m. to 2
- Springfield on November 17 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Springfield Cardinal Training Center.
- Marshfield on November 24 at Holy Trinity Church from 2 p.m. to 4

In 2018, The Coats for

Kids Drive attracted over 1,100 children. The goal for 2019 is for the Knights to distribute 1,500 coats to area youth. The Knights are still seeking sponsors for the upcoming events. They will receive exposure on both the day of the event and at the other events through signage.

Interested parties can contact Mark Conn at (417) 849-7180 for details.

JARED L. SPEARS, DDS











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FOOD from 1B

71°F on counter.*

- 2. There was an uncovered beverage in the kitchen.*
- 3. There was a container of shredded beef not labeled with the discard date.*

Core Violations: 1*

Southwest High School Washburn

Routine 10/3/19: Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

- Vic's Café Washburn Routine 10/3/19: Priority Violations: 2
- 1. The prep sink hose was laying in the sink. There was no backflow prevention de-
- 2. The sanitizer in the three-compartment sink was too strong.*

Larry Daniels

(Cell) (417)-846-7306

\$94,000

Core Violations: 1* Follow-up 10/14/19:

All priority violations from the previous inspection were corrected.

- Cassville Bowl Cassville Routine 10/7/19: Priority Violations: 2
- 1. Cold water at the hand washing sink was not connected so water leaked from the underside of the faucet.
- 2. There was one can of molded chili in the fridge.* Core Violations: 3* Follow-Up 10/28/19:

All priority violations from the previous inspection were corrected.

• Trojan PQ Mart Washburn Routine 10/9/19: **Priority Violations: 1**

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- 1. The ice machine and tea nozzle had bacteria growth. Core Violations: 0
- Doughco Donuts Cassville Routine 10/10/19: Priority Violations: 3*
- 1. Sandwiches, sausage rolls and burritos held with time as a public health control did not have a documented discard time.*
- 2. An employee took money then put on gloves to make another order without washing their hands prior.*
- 3. Raid bait trays and a spray can of Raid were stored with utensils.*

Core Violations: 3

• Paradise Café Cassville Routine 10/11/19: Priority Violations: 3*

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1. Sausage patties were held at 134°F instead of 140°F.*

- 2. Pizza sauce was not labeled with the seven day discard date.*
- 3. An employee handled ready-to-eat biscuits, English muffins and cooked breakfast meats with their bare hands.*

Core Violations: 0

• Trojan PQ Mart Washburn Follow-up 10/14/19:

All priority violations from the previous inspection were corrected.

- The Stage Stop Butterfield Routine 10/14/19: Priority Violations: 2
- 1. The current permit was not posted for the public to
- 2. Time release drugs with discard dates of 2/19, 7/19 and 9/19 were not discarded.

Core Violations: 1 Follow-up 10/15/19:

All priority violations from the previous inspection were corrected.

- Fastrip Wheaton Routine 10/15/19: Priority Violations: 3
- 1. No one was ServSafe certified or the equivalent on duty.
- 2. The food contact surface of a plastic bowl is cracked and heat damaged and no longer smooth and cleanable.*
- 3. Bacteria growth was in the ice machine.

Core Violations: 1 Follow-up 10/17/19:

The priority violations from the previous inspection

• Tyson Cafeteria Monett Routine 10/15/19: Priority Violations: 2*

were corrected.

1. Pizza, calzones and sausage and gravy buns with discard dates of 9/10, 9/24, 9/30 and 10/14 were not discarded.*

2. One sausage and gravy bun in the employee reach-in sandwich fridge was molded.*

Core Violations: 1

 Cub's Café Monett Routine 10/15/19: Priority Violations: 11

- 1. The most recent inspection was not posted for the public to read.
- 2. Sausage links and shell eggs were left on the prep counter without time or temperature control.*
- 3. Diced ham, sliced ham, diced tomatoes and raw steak meat were all held between 48°F and 50°F in prep cooler #1. The ambient temperature of the prep cooler was 50°F.
- 4. Flour used to bread raw meat had large clumps of raw meat juices, had not been sifted and had no time or temperature control.*
- 5. Cream pies and tongue meat were not labeled with seven-day discard dates.
- 6. Refried beans and sausage patties with discard dates of 10/14 and 10/12 were not discarded.*
- 7. Numerous food items in the reach-in prep coolers were not covered to prevent contamination by other foods.
- 8. The three-compartment sink faucet was leaking.
- 9. One spray bottle of bleach water was not labeled with the common name.*
- 10. Air freshener cans and oven cleaner were stored above bottled drinks and pans.*
 - 11. Raid fly spray, that is

not approved for use in food service establishments, was kept on the line by the grill.

Core Violations: 7 Follow-Up 10/24/19:

- Priority Violations: 3 1. The most recent inspection was not posted for the public to read.*
- 2. Diced ham, sliced ham, diced tomatoes and raw steak meat were all held between 48°F and 50°F in prep cooler #1. The ambient temperature of the prep cooler was 50°F.
- 3. Cream pies and tongue meat were not labeled with a seven-day discard date.*

Core Violations: 0 Follow-Up 10/30/19: Priority Violations: 1

1. Diced tomatoes were held at 46°F and raw chicken was held at 45°F. The ambient temperature of the cooling unit was 50°F.

Core Violations: 0

Little Tommy's Shell Knob Routine 10/16/19:

Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

• Shell Knob School Shell Knob Routine 10/16/19:

Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0 • Rapid Roberts Shell Knob

- Routine 10/16/19: Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 1*
- The Farmer's Daughter Cassville

Routine 10/16/19: Priority Violations: 7

1. No one was ServSafe certified or the equivalent on

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Cassville Schools initiates playground changes

Vinnie Roberts

Cassville R-IV School District is making progress on the Vision 150 school improvement bond passed last spring. The district committed to making large-scale improvements to the existing grounds, and some work outside is already evident.

One of the signs of progress is a classic feature of the primary school playground will be removed. According to superintendent Dr. Richard Asbill, the miniature cabin that long stood on the primary school playground was removed to make way for the new Early Childhood Development Center.

"It's in the footprint of where the new early childhood development will be," said Dr. Asbill. "So, when we discussed demolition, that's one of the items we decided would be removed."

According to Asbill, the cabin will be removed by the school's maintenance depart-

He went on to explain this is the first of many upcoming moves showing the focus of ongoing construction efforts to district playgrounds.

"We have some playground improvements planned," Asbill continued. "Nothing that will quite replace the cabin, but we have some constructions planned for the pre-school expansion. There's going to be some relocation of the fencing that's going to give the primary school a little bit more area to play."

The improvements are slated to be phased in throughout the school year.

For all of the playground improvements, the district awarded the bid to Branco Enterprises, a construction management firm out

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of Springfield. Branco, as in many other construction needs for the district, will consult with the school on their plans for moving forward, helping to create a construction plan and find qualified contractors.

"We have two playgrounds, the elementary and the intermediate," said Asbill. "We know that we're going to extend the footprint of the elementary playground toward the field house at the back of the property."

Asbill continued, explaining that some of the equipment that will be removed during this process has been on the district's radar for some time. "There's a play structure there that was built before we built the new intermediate school," explained Asbill.

"That structure can't be used by a lot of our current elementary students. It was built for older kids. We're going to take it out, and that gives us some area to expand a more grade-level specific playground. We may not be buying a new structure. It may just be an expansion of the play area."

According to the superintendent, one under-served segment of the playground is the main focus of the project.

"The main focus in that area of the playground is the elementary area is preschool," he continued. "We want them to have a more defined area that gives those students the ability to have specific structures for their ages."

The intermediate school playground is also a main focus of improvements.

"As for the intermediate playground, we started some improvements last year with the ADA sidewalk access,"

explained Asbill. "What we're looking to do over there will be two parts. There's the east side of the playground; that's a large lawn area that kids use for kickball, dodgeball and other things out there. The challenge to that area is, that since it's natural grass, kids play on it all the time and it kills the grass.

"We try to replant during the winter and bring it back up, and by the spring, we're back to planting it again. So, we would like to provide artificial landscape area that would be less maintenance and make it more accessible year-round."

He continued, "We would also like to continue ADA improvements on that playground," he explained. "First of all, we want to put in additional sidewalks. Secondly, we would like to look at some rubberized flooring options that would be better for slips, trips and other playground activities.

The plan is to replace the mulch, which retains water for extended periods of time after wet weather and makes it difficult to use the playground regularly in rainy seasons.

Aside from major im-

once construction begins on the Early Childhood Center later next month, it will afford the district the opportunity to make some major improvements to playground safety.

The school is also planning fencing changes for safety and add some safer walking paths next to elementary to Rocky Edmonson Park.

Major construction on the playgrounds won't begin during the school year, aside from several pressing issues created by other construction processes.

The bigger aspects of the playground construction wont' begin until later this

Asbill said, "This is a part of Vision 150, but we want to wait until a little later in the vear to tackle all of it," explained the superintendent. "We're going to lose a portion of the playground area while we're building the early childhood center. So, we don't want to lose anymore of the playground than we have to while all of that is off-limits, so we're going to be phasing it in as needed."

CHS to present James provements, Asbill explained and the Giant Peach Nov. 16



The Theatre Production Class at Cassville High School invites the community to enjoy their production of James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl. The performance will be in the Cassville Event Center on November 16 at 7 p.m. A magical peach combined with insect friends creates an incredible journey for a young boy. This amazing adventure of James Henry Trotter will bring fantasy to life for anyone who has ever dreamed of escape. Children will be admitted for free and tickets are \$4 for adults. Produced by special arrangement with the Dramatic Publishing Company of Woodstock, Ill.









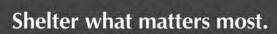




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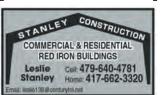
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Purdy awards honesty medals



Purdy Elementary principal Julie Dalton announced the kindergarten through sixth grade honesty medalists, pictured from left to right, in the front row: Kamila Aldaba, Anna Rivera and Brynlee Skaggs. Second row: Lilly Franklin, Dani Edl, Sophee Hawkins and Bentley Talbert. Third row: Alexa Talbert and Destiny Hererra. Fourth row: Dalton Stanford, Micah Edl and Valentina Salas. Fifth row: Kylee Arivett and Noah Schroeder. Back row: Alissa Cox, Simon Walker and Hannah Rickman. Not pictured: William Alvarez.

"To avoid hitting a deer, always be cautious and alert," said Natalie Roark, state maintenance director. "Animals may appear suddenly and swerving to avoid them can cause drivers to lose control of their vehicles resulting in serious injury or death. Be alert to roadside conditions and slow down if deer are spotted, and always buckle up and put your phone down. Distracted driving-particularly when wildlife is on the move—can be deadly."

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CHS names Students of the 1st Quarter



The Cassville High School Students of the Quarter, sponsored by The Elks Lodge in Holiday Island, Ark., was presented to Eric Sanders and Sharayah Seymour. Sanders is a sophomore at CHS and is involved in the Special Olympics and the youth group at Gunter Methodist Church. He is the son of Jim and Christi Eden, of Butterfield. Seymour is also a sophomore at CHS and is a member of the volleyball and track team, as well as FFA, FBLA, Library Club and Rotary Interact Club. She is the daughter of Angela and Chris Seymour, of Cassville.

Pictured, from left to right: Sanders; Linda Peterson, representing the Elks Lodge-Holiday Island, Ark.; and Seymour.

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- 2. An employee was slicing onions for fresh sandwiches and salads with their bare hands and handling buns and bread with their bare hands. (repeat)*
- 3. A tub with raw ground beef was thawing under running water in the mop sink.*
- 4. Numerous raw and cooked meats, cooked carrots and scalloped potatoes were not labeled with seven-day discard dates.
- 5. Egg wash with a 10/4 discard date, dressing 10/10 and 10/15 and cooked cherries 9/29 were not discarded.*
- 6. Two melted and scorched plastic spoons were no longer smooth and easily cleanable.*
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- Priority Violations: 2 1. An employee was eating in the back kitchen area.*
- 2. Two salad bowls were pitted and chipped and one silicone mat was torn with a hole in the middle.

Core Violations: 0 Follow-Up 10/31/19:

All priority violations from the previous inspection were corrected.

- Main Street Café Wheaton Routine 10/17/19: Priority Violations: 2*
- 1. Sliced tomatoes and lettuce were held at 59°F.*
- 2. A food handler changed gloves without washing their hands first.*

Core Violations: 1

• Acambaro Mexican Restaurant Monett

> Routine 10/21/19: Priority Violations: 3*

- 1. Sautéed vegetables on the stove top held at 120°F and soup was held in the oven at
- chipped and melted and were

no longer smooth and easily cleanable.*

3. Employee medicine was stored above the food prep table and an open tube of caulk was stored above corn starch and bag'n'box soda in the dry storage room.*

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• Monett Elementary School Monett

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- Monett Area YMCA Monett Routine 10/22/19: Priority Violations: 2
- 1. Five live insects were crawling on the floor.
- 2. Counter tops were soiled by food debris.

Core Violations: 0

• **Arbys** #5005036 Monett Routine 10/22/19: Priority Violations: 1*

1. Chicken strips, mozzarella sticks, onion rings and French fries held with time as a public health control, did not have documented discard times.*

Core Violations: 0 • Jami Lynn's Monett

- Routine 10/22/19: Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0 • Mercy Cassville
 - Routine 10/28/19: Priority Violations: 1*
- 1. Sliced tomatoes and leaf lettuce labeled with a discard date of 10/25/19 were not discarded.*

Core Violations: 0

• El Mariachi Cassville Pre-Opening 10/28/19: Permit issued for change of ownership.

• Fourstate Stockyard Cafe Exeter

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1. Raw shelled eggs were stored above sliced cheese and deli meat in the reach in fridge.*

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• Monett Senior Center Monett

Routine 10/29/19: Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

• Jack Henry Café Monett Routine 10/29/19:

Priority Violations: 1*

1. Sliced turkey, cheese, ham salad and other items

were held at 54°F in the deli line cooler.* Core Violations: 0

Cassville Senior Center

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