

Skeletal remains found near Roaring River are missing Oklahoma man

Charlea Estes-Jones

The skeletal remains of a person found outside of Roaring River State Park over the weekend have been identified as a man who went missing in January. The remains are that of Wyandotte, Okla., man Ritchie Vaughn Ellis, 27.

According to a press release by the Barry County Sheriff's Department, deer hunters found skeletal remains and clothing about a mile off of Forest Road 1150, which is southwest of Roaring River State Park.

The last time Ellis was seen alive was on January 21. Ellis was reported missing on January 26, 2019, after his car was found on Missouri State Highway 112, southwest of Roaring River State Park.

The Barry County Sheriff's Office confirmed there were several extensive searches of the area near where the car was found, but Ellis' body was never located. Eventually, the searches were called off until more information was provided.

When searches began in January, the Barry County Sheriff's Office, Missouri State Park Rangers, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, as well as various fire department personnel and search teams from Oklahoma, were involved with no success.

The press release confirms there was no foul play involved in Ellis' death, and his family was notified of the discovery of his remains.

As of Monday, November 18, arrangements were being made to release the remains to Ellis' family.

Wheaton Fire adds ladder truck to fleet

Charlea Estes-Jones

The Wheaton Fire Protection District unveiled an exciting new feature at the fire house: a ladder truck. Fire chief Lindy Lombard said he is excited about the new-to-Wheaton purchase and what it means for the community.

Lombard said, "On Main Street, a lot of our older buildings are two-story. Being able to get up above them in case of a fire is really important."

Wheaton Fire acquired the truck from the Neosho Fire Department. The purchase came through general funds with the cost partially offset by selling another. The ladder truck has a 75-foot ladder and will join a fleet of six other vehicles in use by the district. Wheaton's other vehicles include one fire engine truck, one rescue vehicle, two tanker trucks



Wheaton Fire Protection District added a new vehicle, a 75 foot ladder truck, to its fleet after purchasing it from the Neosho Fire Department. The ladder truck marks the first for Wheaton and brings the department's fleet up to seven vehicles.

and two brush trucks. Lombard said the new ladder truck will make extinguishing fires in multi-story homes much more effective. He said, "We have the older buildings on Main Street that are two stories, and this will also help us in protection of apartments. We have three sets of apartments in Wheaton now with

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Galena man charged after Cassville splitting maul attack

VICTIM REQUIRED BRAIN SURGERY AFTER THE ASSAULT

Charlea Estes-Jones

A Galena man is in Stone County Jail after an assault at a Cassville rural residence that left the victim with a brain injury needing surgery. Wesley Frank Mease, 43, of Galena is charged with assault in the first degree with serious physical injury for the incident from October.

According to affidavits of probable cause by Barry County Sheriff's Office detective Doug Henry, Mease attacked the victim at a residence on Farm Road 2180 outside of Cassville on October 29. Mease allegedly took an eight pound splitting maul and struck the victim in the head, causing injuries to his skull and brain.

A witness at the scene said Mease claimed voices in his head told him to do it.

The witness also said Mease turned the splitting maul over and was going to strike the victim again with the wedge end but was stopped by someone else at the scene.

Mease was taken into custody by Stone County law enforcement and is currently held in the Stone County Jail in lieu of a \$75,000 cash-only bond.

Purdy student plans car seat check day Nov. 23 to keep kids safe

Charlea Estes-Jones

Every day, Barry County parents strap their kids into car seats and hit the road. They travel to school, work, daycare, sporting events, practices and more. One Purdy High School student is hoping to make that routine a little safer.

Makayla Mazza, a freshman FCCLA member, put together a car seat installation and safety day this Saturday, November 23. The event will be held at the Purdy Fire Department and will feature car seat safety technicians to check each tot's ride as well as games and activities to keep kids occupied during the exchange.

The event is Mazza's focus for her upcoming FCCLA competition piece in the Focus on the Children category. She said she got the inspiration because of children in her own life. She shared, "I have younger siblings, and I have a little cousin who is my best friend in the whole world and she is five. I would be devastated if she got hurt in a car wreck because of her car seat, so that helped me."

Saturday will be a great opportunity for parents and grandparents to stop in and

have their seats checked for child fit, installation and other elements.

Mazza is partnered with CoxHealth, who is providing the safety tech; the school; and the Purdy First Department to host the event. Part of the event will insure that every child who leaves the event will do so safely in an appropriate seat.

Mazza said, "If a parent shows up and it's not fit or expired or doesn't look safe or has been in an accident, they are bringing brand new car seats with them. All day, if they run out, they'll get more. Any parent who doesn't have one gets a new one."

While parents are getting their kids' seats checked out, kids will be treated to games and activities, like Jenga, musical chairs, play dough, toys and more. Mazza will have help from other FCCLA members during the event, as well.

When Mazza had the idea for the event, her adviser, Amy Harkey, was supportive and helped her get in contact with the right people to make the free event happen. Mazza said, "When we talked about it, my adviser said she had a

friend at the hospital, so we called and talked to them about doing an event like this. Then the Purdy Fire Department wanted to help out, and they got in on it, too."

Harkey said, "Makayla came to me when I introduced the STAR events competition and said she was interested in doing something that involved children. Makayla has a love for kids. As we brainstormed about ideas, we thought the car seat safety check would be something our community has not had the chance to participate in. We contacted Cox Monett to see if they had the ability to do car seat safety checks and they loved our idea."

"Makayla's project is very unique, I do not know of any other FCCLA groups in the area that are providing safety checks. Makayla has worked hard to make sure the community is aware of this event. She enlisted the help of other FCCLA members to visit local businesses including Cassville and Monett and hang flyers about the event. She also sent a flyer home with every student K-12 in the Purdy district."

Once the event is over, Mazza will compile a tri-fold

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Holiday Ad Deadlines Schedule

- The Barry County Advertiser's winter holiday deadlines will be as follows:
- Thanksgiving deadline (Nov. 27 paper): Display ads - Friday, Nov. 22, at 4 p.m.; Classifieds - Friday, Nov. 22, at 4 p.m.
 - Pre-Christmas deadline (Dec. 18 paper): Display ads - Fri., Dec. 13, at 4 p.m.; Classifieds - Mon., Dec. 16, at 5 p.m.
 - Christmas deadline (Dec. 25 paper): Display ads - Tues., Dec. 17, at 5 p.m.; Classifieds - Thurs., Dec. 19
 - New Years deadline (Jan. 1 paper): Display ads - Fri., Dec. 27, at 4 p.m.; Classifieds - Mon., Dec. 30, at 5 p.m.

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Mobile Christmas Store allows Barry County nursing home residents to give gifts to loved ones

Vinnie Roberts

With Christmas fast-approaching, the spirit of giving is in the air. While many in the area are served by some form of charity or another during this season if its needed, one group is working hard to ensure that an often overlooked group gets everything they need out of the holiday.

The Dream Team, a volunteer group associated with Hospice Compassus of Monett, has been working since 2010 to bring the joy of Christmas to nursing home communities all across Barry County.

According to Brenda Smith, volunteer organizer for the Dream Team, the team's initial goal is to provide patients with end-of-life fulfillment. Right now, the Dream Team is in the process of organizing their annual Mobile Christmas Store.

"The Dream Team was created to help people with life-limiting illnesses be able to have one last wish granted," explained Smith. "We have volunteers who work on this. We fund raise for it. This store is part of the effort to help them achieve that goal."

According to Smith, the store travels from nursing home to nursing home giving residents a chance to select Christmas presents for their family.

She said, "We take donations all year from private individuals, including banks, stores and corporations, like Walmart. We take money or gifts and store them here in the office until November. Then, the volunteers will sort them out between the facilities. Then, we schedule the stores with the facilities' activities directors. From there, we go down there and set up. We let every resident get three to five gifts, depending on how much we have. We have a wrapping station there for them, too."

These presents will enable residents to provide much-appreciated Christmas gifts for their families. A big part of the joy of the holiday season is being able to gift loved ones gifts.

"Seniors don't always get a lot of attention," explained Smith. "Sometimes they get forgotten about. This is a way to give people who are in nursing facilities a chance to give back to their families and have the joy of giving during the holiday season," Smith shared.

This year, the store will travel to three different area

care facilities to provide store services. These include: Benton View Park, in Monett, on Thursday, December 5; Aurora Nursing Center, Monday, December 9; and finally, Cassville Health and Rehab on Friday, December 13.

The Mobile Christmas Store will also feature on-site gift-wrapping stations will be staffed with volunteers from local churches and scout troops who will be on site to wrap presents after they are selected by residents.

Smith went on to explain

that donations for the Mobile Christmas Store are still open to the public and private entities. The store accepts all donations of new, in-package gifts. The store also accepts bulk and close-out sale donations from local businesses.

To donate to the Mobile Christmas Store, simply take your donation to the Hospice Compassus location at 845 Hwy 60, Suite A in Monett.

For any questions, or to schedule a pick-up for large or bulk items, contact Brenda Smith at (417) 235-9097.

Seligman changes disorderly conduct ordinance

Vinnie Roberts

At a city council meeting on Tuesday, November 12, the Seligman Board of Alderman passed an amended version of an existing ordinance into law. The new ordinance is a variation on an existing ordinance regarding disorderly conduct. While the city previously had language in place regarding these crimes, some problems existed on the legal end that prevented the city from adequately charging individuals with these crimes.

"It was already a state statute but without adopting it and setting a fine amount to it, we couldn't charge it under our city code as misdemeanor," explained Seligman city clerk Brian Nichols. "By adopting it and adding it to our city code, our officers can write someone a ticket off of it."

According to Nichols, the ordinance mirrors the state statute regarding disorderly conduct.

"The ordinance falls along the same language as the state statute does, we just didn't have it in our code," said Nichols.

Nichols went on to explain the scope of the ordinance which covers not only gatherings deemed to be unlawful, but also mischievous acts committed in public.

"If we have a congregation of individuals in an area on public property and an officer asks them to leave and they

refuse, it falls under disorderly conduct." Nichols continued. "It also covers public urination and things like that."

According to the language of the ordinance, the scope of crimes that fall under the blanket of "disorderly conduct" include: unreasonable or excessive noise; violence or threatening behavior; making obscene gestures or threats in public with the intent to provoke; disrupting a lawful gathering; obstructing vehicle and pedestrian traffic; and both public urination and defecation.

Nichols ended, concluding that this ordinance change is part of a wider effort on the part of the city to bring city code more congruent with state statutes.

"We didn't have language to cover those particular topics before," continued Nichols. "This is just one of many efforts to build up city code to fall more in line with state statutes."

The new ordinance was read and passed during the council meeting on November 12. According to the ordinance's language, it is currently in effect within Seligman city limits.

For any questions about the new ordinance or any further changes to city code, contact Seligman City Hall at (417) 662-3600.

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one of those two story, but being able to be above the fire line would help tremendously, even in the single level apartments. We'll be able to properly get to those, as well as the older homes all over the area that are two-story."

Lombard said it'll be about a month before the ladder truck will officially be put into service, but volunteers and community members are excited about the prospective of better service thanks to the new truck. He said, "It is a big deal for us. It's not going to be put in service until the lettering is changed and the volunteers are trained on it, though. It'll be about a month before we put it on service."

Lombard added the ladder truck will be helpful to other departments in the surrounding area, as well, since Wheaton regularly goes on mutual aid calls. He said, "The thing we are looking at, too, is with Fairview, Stella and Butterfield, we cover grounds with them all around through mutual aid. A lot of structures in those communities are two-story. This will help more than just our residents."

The truck was brought to the main fire station in Wheaton on Wednesday, November 13, and the district announced the acquisition to its residents on Facebook.

The Wheaton Fire Protection District is funded by a property tax levy voted in by residents in 2013. They are run by 18 volunteers and serve a protection district of approximately 75 square miles with 2,500 residents. Last year, Wheaton Fire Protection District went on approximately 350 calls for service, which has been a steady upward trend over the years.

Haven of the Ozarks to offer \$25 cat adoptions for Catsgiving event

Charlea Estes-Jones

Local animal sanctuary Haven of the Ozarks is running a special adoption event that potential adopters should be thankful about. This year, for Thanksgiving, the shelter is running a special event called Catsgiving. Every cat's adoption fee is only \$25 from November 27 through December 1.

Haven of the Ozarks director Sherah Farris said the event is to help clear the shelter. She said, "We are helping the cats get into homes and also getting to help the Haven community by giving them a discount for adopting.

"It helps the cats, it helps people. It's a win-win."

Farris said that right now, Haven of the Ozarks is actually over capacity on cats, and the staff and board of directors felt this would be a good way to get cats into homes where their new humans will be able to be with them for an extended period of time. Right now, Haven of the Ozarks has 53 cats and kittens available for adoption, and half are under a year old.

Normally, cat adoptions

are \$65 for over six months old or \$75 for under six months old. The \$25 adoption fee is a good discount over an already big discount when you take into account the cost of veterinary care, vaccinations and spay/neuter.

Farris said, "When you adopt from Haven, the cat is already spayed and neutered, is up to date on vaccinations, is microchipped and has seen a vet. It's a huge discount to adopters anyway. Adopters know they are getting an animal that has already had that care and they won't have to pay that up front cost. The Catsgiving event is just an extra discount for the holiday."

All cats at Haven are included in the Catsgiving event and will have the same care, including spay/neuter and vaccinations, prior to adoption. Likewise, adopters will have to fill out an application and be approved just as they would any other time of year. Farris said, "We will make sure that every cat adopted gets matched to the right home before they leave."

Exeter FFA's Riley Still earns first in district speaking competition



Exeter FFA's S. Riley Still competed in the district fall speaking competition on November 14 where she placed first place in MOQHA Fall Speaking. She spoke in the Missouri Quarter Horse Association division with her speech over the topic of "What sparked your interest in horses and how have they impacted your life?" Riley will compete at state competition in Columbia on January 18, 2020.

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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. 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:

The Barry County Courthouse and Judicial Center will be closed Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29, for Thanksgiving.

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.

Central Crossing Senior Center, 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.

Seligman Chamber will host a dance 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. 21st

Linda Parsons with Marketplace and Medicare will be at the Monett Branch Library to share information from 9 a.m. 11 a.m.

Nov. 22nd

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

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

A Dance will be held at he Stella Senior Center with the doors opening at 6 p.m. The dance will begin at 7 p.m. with The Timberline Country Band. Cover charge is \$5. Guests are asked to bring finger foods to share.

Nov. 23rd

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

Nov. 24th

A Thanksgiving Dinner 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. 26th

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

Nov. 27th

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

Nov. 28th

Free Thanksgiving meal 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.

Nov. 30th

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.

Dec. 2nd

Barry County Democrats are hosting a special event with candidate for Attorney General Elad Gross at the Angus Branch Restaurant in Monett. The meeting will begin at 6:30. Attendees are welcome to arrive at 6 p.m. to socialize.

Dec. 2nd continued

The Monett Dance will be at the park Casino from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Guests are asked to bring a dish or snack to share. Dance music will be provided by Timberline Country Band.

Dec. 6th

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

Dec. 7th

Washburn Christmas Parade 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.

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

Exeter Christmas Parade will begin at 1:30 p.m. If anyone would like to enter, please call City Hall at (417) 835-2823. There is no fee to participate. Santa Claus will be handing out bags of goodies after the parade at the Community Building.

Gather at The House Event will be held before the Cassville Christmas Parade from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Bayless House. Barry County families with preschool children are invited to come see Santa, drink hot chocolate, play yard games and connect with other families.

Dec. 14th

Wheaton Christmas Parade will be at 6 p.m. with line up starting at 5 p.m. at Body of Christ, 519 Gilman. Call City Hall at (417) 652-3314 to get entered in parade.

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

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Dec. 21st

Seligman Chamber of Commerce and Arkansas & Missouri Railroad will be having their Christmas Train Rides on Saturday, December 21st, from Seligman City to Hall to Rogers, Ark., starting at 9 a.m. and again at 11 a.m. on Sunday December 22, from Monett Soccer Fields to Exeter. Three round trips starting at 12 p.m., 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Santa will be on board on all trips giving out bags of treats to children 12 and under. Flyin Buzzards Bluegrass Band will be on all trips entertaining passengers. All passengers will receive hot cocoa and cookies. Cost is \$25 for adults, \$15 for children 12 to 3, under 3 will be \$5. Children must be with an adult. All sponsorship proceeds will go to for The Kids Foster Parent Association. If you or your business would like to be a sponsor, call Lynette Bailey (417) 489-7903 or go to bailey1228@sbcglobal.net. For The Kids Foster Parent organization is an non profit organization providing foster/relative placement children with clothing, toiletries, toys and other essentials. They cover Barry, Lawrence and Stone Counties. These items are free to the families. There are approximately. 800 children in foster care in the counties alone. For more information, call (417) 489-7903 or (417) 662-3612. To make reservations call 1-800-687-8600. Walk ups are welcome, but best to make reservations.

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Hunters check 1,952 turkeys during firearms season

Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that hunters checked 1,952 turkeys during Missouri's fall firearms turkey season, Oct. 1-31. Top harvest counties were Crawford and Greene with 61 birds harvested in each, followed by Laclede with 59, and Phelps with 58.

Barry County came in with only three turkeys. Hunters took one adult gobbler, one adult hen and one juvenile hen.

For fall firearms turkey harvest results by county, go online to MDC's website at extra.mdc.mo.gov/widgets/harvest_table/.

Hunters harvested 2,170 birds during the 2018 fall firearms turkey season. For more harvest results for past seasons, visit MDC online at huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey/turkey-reports/turkey-harvest-summaries-past-seasons

MDC Turkey Biologist Reina Tyl expected fall turkey hunting to be challenging.

"A wet spring and flooding during the spring and summer created challenging nesting conditions across much of the state," Tyl said. "This contributed to below-average poult production throughout much of the state, so we have fewer young birds on the landscape this year."

Each summer, as part of the state's wild turkey brood survey, MDC staff and citizen volunteers record the number of hens and recently hatched turkeys they see, called poults. These observations are then tallied to determine the success of the hatch, which is most often reported as a poult-to-hen ratio (PHR), or simply the average number of poults per hen observed during the survey. The poult-to-hen ratio is a good measure of nesting success and poult survival.

MDC's annual wild turkey brood survey for this year showed turkey production was below-average statewide and in most regions. The statewide poult-to-hen ratio (PHR) for this year is 0.9, which is the same as last year's PHR but lower than the average PHR for the previous five years of 1.1. Turkey production was higher in southeastern Missouri this year than in other parts of the state. (See map of regions)

Tyl added there is still much to be learned about factors that affect turkey production, something she and her colleagues are working on.

"We're looking at our long-term turkey brood survey dataset and trying to determine how turkey numbers, weather, landscape, and their interactions affect production. This research should help explain some of the trends we're seeing in turkey production," she said.

Fall archery turkey hunting continues through Nov. 15 and resumes Nov. 27 through Jan. 15, 2020. Get information about fall turkey hunting from MDC's 2019 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet, available where hunting permits are sold and online at huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/sites/default/files/downloads/2019FDT.pdf.

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BB gun assault leads to two felony charges for Aurora woman

Charlea Estes-Jones

A woman from Aurora is in the Barry County Jail, charged with assault, after allegedly shooting a victim in the head with a BB gun in Purdy. Jessica Maldonado, 29, of Aurora, is charged with assault in the second degree and armed criminal action.

According to affidavits of probable cause by Barry County deputy Abby Parsons, Maldonado used a BB gun to fire shots at the victim on August 23 around 10:15 a.m. at a location on Sate Highway 37. When officers arrived, they noted the victim was hit twice with BBs, once near his eye and once in the neck, which caused physical injuries.

Officers classified the case as using a BB gun in a negligent manner. Maldonado was not located at the time of the assault. She was taken into custody and booked into the Barry County Jail on November 17 at 11 a.m. for these two felony charges as well as a failure to appear warrant on a misdemeanor failure to register a motor vehicle charge.

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Young Family and Cosmetic Dentistry: providing excellent care for two generations

Vinnie Roberts

There's something new to smile about in Cassville. A new dental clinic recently opened its doors for business in Cassville. Young Family and Cosmetic Dentistry, a Joplin clinic that has served that community since 1973, recently expanded, opening up a location in Cassville.

The new clinic is located at 54 Main Street in Cassville, in the shopping center next to Pizza Hut. The clinic is currently open Monday through Friday by appointment only and is closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

According to dentist and owner Dr. Dan K. Young, DMD, the clinic

provides a wide variety of dental services to the citizens of Barry County. The clinic is open to patients of all ages.

Dr. Young purchased former dental office called Cassville Dental Care in order, to expand services into Barry County.

"We provide all types of general dentistry," said Dr. Young. "Whether it's preventative care, check-ups, cleanings, treatment for gum disease, fillings or partials; you name it."

Other services provided by Young Family and Cosmetic Dentistry include: dental implants, Invisalign, sleep apnea treatments, Botox and dermal fillers.

After acquiring what was once Cassville Dental Care, Dr. Young decided to open up a new branch of the clinic in Cassville. According to him, doing so not only expanded the clinic's reach, but also grants an opportunity to look toward the future.

"We have a family home in Shell Knob that we've had for 30 years," explained Dr. Young. "As I'm getting

a little further in my career and my son is getting ready to start dental school, we thought it might be a good move to incorporate here."

Dr. Young continued, explaining that his family is fond of spending time at the lake. "We are excited to be a part of Barry County in our Cassville office and look forward to providing exceptional service."

According to Dr. Young, he and his staff pride themselves on providing excellent, well-rounded service to patients at both locations.

"We provide our patients with the care we would want for ourselves and our families," said Dr. Young. "We understand that we all have different needs, but we all deserve a healthy, beautiful smile."

Dr. Young has been practicing in Joplin for over 20 years, though the clinic itself has been operational since the 1970's.

Dr. Young also expressed that some services, while not offered at the Cassville office, can be scheduled and taken care



Pictured above, Dr. Dan Young treats patient Jason Cassidy at his Cassville Office.

of by him at the main office in Joplin.

"We don't do implant surgeries here," Dr. Young explained. "For that, customers would have to schedule a visit with us at our Joplin office."

Dr. Young wants to build a strong relationship with the community, just as his family has done in the Joplin community.

"I'm a second generation dentist," Dr. Young explained. "My father and I practiced together when he was a dentist in Joplin. We practiced together for three

years until he retired. Between the two of us, we've been providing care to the area since 1973."

Though Dr. Young did not intentionally plan to follow in his father's footsteps, his mind was changed after a fateful incident one holiday in his college years.

"I had planned on going to law school," Dr. Young continued. "My wife and I were home for the holidays once, and she lost a filling. So, my dad took her to his office and replaced it for her, and I assisted."

"Growing up, we were never exposed to what dad did for a living," said Dr. Young. "I thought that I liked doing it. I thought about it for awhile, but after that, I withdrew my law school applications and started dental school."

Young Family and Cosmetic Dentistry, located at 54 Main Street in Cassville is open Monday through Friday by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, call (417) 374-2130. To schedule an appointment at the Joplin office, located at 2640 E 32nd Street #6, call (417) 385-1891.

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Knights of Columbus hands out over 600 coats Saturday



On Saturday, November 16, the Greater Ozarks Chapter of the Knights of Columbus hosted two coat drives in Cassville, one at St. Edward's Catholic Church, and the other at Cassville's OACAC facility. In this drive, KOC distributed coats to both children and the elderly in need for the coming winter months. In Barry County, the organization distributed 475 coats to children and 158 coats to seniors. Pictured above, Aliza Jagger, 6, of Cassville does a fit check with Faith Yocum, a volunteer from the Cassville FFA chapter.



Pictured above, the president of the Greater Ozarks Chapter of the Knights of Columbus, Frank Barchak, rallies Knights of Columbus, Cassville boys basketball and Cassville FFA volunteers just before the doors open to the public on Saturday, November 16.

SAFETY from FRONT

with pictures and information from the event and present it to judges for competition at districts for FCCLA. If she does well, she will move on to state competition.

During the planning for the event, Mazza said she has learned a lot about car seat safety that she didn't know already, and she hopes the event will help parents in the area keep their children safe.

She said, "One of the things I learned is when you put your car seat in the car, I didn't realize it was more important to put them in the middle than the sides. I also didn't realize how many people use the LATCH clips on the car seats wrong."

On Saturday, certified car seat safety technicians will make sure that every child is in a safe seat that is appropriate for their size, age and weight.

Harkey added, "I am hoping that we can continue this partnership and be able to bring this to the Purdy/Barry County area again in the future."

Missouri law dictates that children under the age of four or less than 40 pounds must be in an appropriate child safety seat. Children ages four through seven who weigh at least 40 pounds have to be in a booster seat unless they are over 80 pounds or 4'9" tall. Finally, children eight and over who are at least 4'9" tall or at least 80 pounds must be in a seat belt

or booster.

The American Academy of Pediatrics makes even more stringent recommendations regarding car seats. They list:

• Infants and toddlers should ride in a rear-facing car safety seat as long as possible, until they reach the highest weight or height allowed by their seat. Most convertible seats have limits that will allow children to ride rear-facing for two years or more.

• Once they are facing forward, children should use a forward-facing car safety seat with a harness for as long as possible, until they reach the height and weight limits for their seats. Many seats can accommodate children up to 65 pounds or more.

• When children exceed these limits, they should use a belt-positioning booster seat until the vehicle's lap and shoulder seat belt fits properly. This is often when they have reached at least 4 feet 9 inches in height and are 8 to 12 years old.

• When children are old enough and large enough to use the vehicle seat belt alone, they should always use lap and shoulder seat belts for optimal protection.

• All children younger than 13 years should be restrained in the rear seats of vehicles for optimal protection.

The AAP also states "car safety seat or booster seat lowers the risk of death or serious injury by more than 70 percent."

The Car Seat Installation and Safety Day will be held on Saturday, November 23, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Purdy Fire Station at 102 Front Street. There will be activities and games to keep kids occupied while safety checks are performed.

Mazza concluded, "I feel very strongly that kids should be as safe as possible. We can't always stop everything, but with winter coming and the icy roads, I could help make them much safer than they would be."

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ARDITH ANNE BARKHOFF

Ardith Anne Barkhoff, age 67, of Purdy, passed away Saturday, November 16, 2019, at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

She was born March 1, 1952, in Willits, California, the daughter of Ronald and Joyce (Smith) Holybee. On April 24, 1971, she was united in marriage to Larry H. Barkhoff, who preceded her in death on February 19, 2019. Also preceding her in death were her father and a nephew.

Surviving are her mother, Joyce Holybee, of Paonia, Colorado; two sons, Michael Barkhoff and his wife, Carey, of Monett, and Brian Barkhoff and his wife, Sharena, of Rogersville; two daughters, Melissa Arivett and her husband, Travis, of Cassville, and Amanda Good and her husband, Denali, of Branson; three sisters, Chris Redmond and her husband, Bob, of Hotchkiss, Colorado, Janet Pagone and her husband, Ralph, of Paonia, Colorado, and Karen McHenry and her husband, Dean, of Olathe, Colorado; and six grandchildren, Zarin, Aveigha, Elijah, Kylee, Addison and Braiden.

Ardith grew up and received her education in Colorado, graduating from high school in Hotchkiss. For several years, she resided in Paonia, Colorado, before moving to Missouri in 1984. She was a long-time self-employed child care provider. She was a member of First Christian Church in Purdy.

Ardith Barkhoff was a hardworking woman who had a larger than life personality. Her favorite things were camping, fishing, shrimp, homemade ice cream, Hickory burgers with cheese from Sonic, Pepsi, the color purple and spending time with her family. Ardith owned and operated “The Playground Daycare” in Purdy for over 25 years. The kids all referred to her as Grandma. She loved taking care of children and treated them as they were her own. Ardith was the kind of person who never met a stranger. She had a very strong faith in Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior. The way she loved others so selflessly was evidence of her strong faith. Ardith was the most wonderful kind of person. She was a great wife, an amazing mother and grandmother, and she was the best kind of friend you could ever ask for. Ardith left her mark in this world by caring for God’s children and fulfilling the two greatest commands: “to love the LORD with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and to love your neighbor as yourself.” (Mt. 22:36-40). If she were here now, she would tell us all, “Its gonna be OK.” She will be deeply, deeply missed.

Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, November 22, 2019, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Mike Geisert, Reverend Brian Barkhoff and Michael Barkhoff will conduct the services.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. Thursday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

Contributions may be made to the family in memory of Ardith.

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CLYDA BAILEY GIDEON

Clyda Bailey Gideon, age 89, of Anderson, entered the presence of her Savior on Saturday, November 16, 2019, at Freeman West Hospital in Joplin.

Services were held Wednesday, November 20, 2019, at McQueen Funeral Home in Wheaton. Pastor Jerry Yarnall conducted the services. Burial was at Macedonia Cemetery in Stella.

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RONALD EUGENE CUDMORE

Ronald Eugene Cudmore, age 63, of Cassville, passed away on Saturday, November 16, 2019, at Cassville Mercy Hospital. Mr. Cudmore, son of Ronald G. and Letha R. (Jaster) Cudmore, was born on October 18, 1956, in Rock Island, Illinois. Ron grew up and attended school in Iowa and Southern California. After graduating from San Diego High School, he served four years in the Marine Corps. Ron worked many years in the trucking industry, off shore drilling and the state of Arkansas Road Department. Retiring early, he enjoyed foster parenting many children and adopting several with his wife, Kathy. Ron loved showing children new things, telling stories attending music shows, auctions, and Silver Dollar City. His favorite past times were spending time with his fam-

ily just enjoying life.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy Cudmore, of Cassville; eighteen children; nineteen grandchildren; three brothers, Jeff Cudmore and his wife, Teri, of California, Robert Cudmore and his wife, Estrella, of Texas, and David Cudmore, of Texas; numerous nieces and nephews; and his first wife, Janis Robertson, of Mississippi.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Timothy Cudmore and Craig Cudmore; and his second wife, Lynnitia Cudmore.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 23, 2019, at the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville, with Pastor Jamie Smith officiating.

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

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WILLADEAN MATTINGLY

Willadean Mattingly of Lee’s Summit, formerly of Exeter, passed away Friday, November 15, 2019, with family by her side at John Knox Village. She was born October 4, 1925, to Roy and Ada Senseney, who preceded her in death, as well as her siblings, Lorene Harper, Esther Nelson, Willis Senseney and Geraldine Brattin.

She married her high

school sweetheart, Roy Mattingly, on December 25, 1940, and they enjoyed 62 years together and to this union they had three children, Karolyn Jo in 1942, Timmy G. in 1946 and Johnny Lee in 1950.

She leaves behind Karolyn Jo and her husband, Joe Allison, of Lee’s Summit; granddaughter, Janice and her husband, Mike Huntsman, of Lee’s Summit; grandson, Rory Allison, of Kansas City; four great-grandsons, Ryan Huntsman, of Kansas City, Jack Allison, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Nathan Allison, of Columbia, and Daniel Allison, of Kansas City; as well as several nieces and nephews and her many care givers and friends at John Knox Village.

Willadean was saved and baptized at a young age and attended First Baptist Church in Exeter. She was currently a member of Longview Baptist Church in Lee’s Summit. For a few years, she was employed in the forestry service and then worked several years at Jumping Jack Shoes. Much of her life she spent working with Roy on their dairy farm.

Services were held Tuesday, November 19, 2019, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Jerry Yarnall conducted the services. Burial was at Maplewood Cemetery in Exeter.

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EILEENE HARRIS

Eileene Harris, 83, of Purdy, was called to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday evening, November 12,

2019, while in the comfort of her home and in the loving presence of her family.

Eileene was born on February 22, 1936, in Purdy, twin daughter of the late Herman and Fontella (Wisely) Goetz. Growing up in Purdy, Eileene graduated from Purdy High School with the Class of 1954. Just a few months later, she married the love of her life, Leroy. On July 9, 1954, in Purdy, Eileene Goetz and Leroy Harris were united in marriage. To this union, they were blessed with four children. Eileene and Leroy shared over fifty-five wonderful years together before his passing in 2009.

Eileene was a member of The First Free Will Baptist Church of Purdy and had worked for almost twenty years as a Secretary for Alltel. In 1985, she began working as Secretary for the City of Monett, retiring in 1998. Eileene enjoyed crocheting, making blankets for her grandchildren, reading, eating out on Thursdays with her daughters, and she certainly loved worshipping her Lord and Savior.

Eileene is survived by three daughters, Debbie Fly and husband, Mike, Joyce Roden and husband, Steve, and Pam Dixon and husband, Darryl, all of Purdy; ten grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; one brother, Mike Goetz and wife, Connie, of Purdy; two sisters, her twin, Barbara Elaine Chastain, of Kansas City, and Mickie Henderson, of Purdy; as well as a host of extended family and friends.

Eileene was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, as well as one son, Richard Harris, and two brothers, Ricky Goetz and Danny “Sonny” Goetz.

Graveside services for Mrs. Harris were held Monday, November 18, 2019, at Purdy Cemetery with Reverend Russ Neill officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions have been requested to The First Free Will Baptist Church in care of the funeral home. Arrangements are under the personal care and direction of the Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.

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ANNA LEE MARAGRET (FOWLER) EVERETT

Anna Lee was called home to be with the Lord on November 11, 2019, and was 95 years of age. She was born on April 24, 1924 in Collinsville, Illinois, the youngest of 4 children to Arno Wesley Fowler and Minnie Lafayette (Smith) Fowler.

She was united in marriage to her childhood sweetheart, William (Bill) Wallace Everett, on July 4, 1942, in Santa Anna, California, while Bill was undergoing B-17 bombardier training for the U.S. Army Air Corps. After the war, Bill was em-

ployed with Gulf Oil Corp. There were many overseas jobs which Bill undertook along with his family. They resided in Venezuela for 17 years, Bolivia for one and half years, and Nigeria for two years. Many wonderful stories came out of their travels. Anna Lee was a devoted housewife and mother. Anna Lee and Bill had three children together, Virginia, William, and James. Anna Lee and Bill had 58 wonderful blessed years together.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Bill, in the year 2000; her parents, Arno and Minnie; brother, Lamont Fowler, who died at the early age of eight years; sister, Minette Wirz, of Highland, Illinois; and sister Virginia Raymond, also of Highland, Illinois.

Anna Lee is survived by her daughter, Virginia Ann (Everett) Vergara and her husband, Henry, of Bentonville, Ark.; son, William M. Everett and his wife, Nancy, of Tuscumbia, Alabama; grandchildren; Brad

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Mason and Kim Arrington; and great-grandchildren; son, James P. Everett and his wife, Kelly, of Cassville; grandchildren Jaime (Everett) Larson and husband, Anthony, and Zane Everett; two nieces, Karen Emanuelson and her husband, Paul, of Royal Oak, Michigan, Andrea Hamilton, of Troy, New York; and a nephew, David Wirz and his wife, Jean, of Highland, Illinois; along with other family and friends.

Anna Lee loved the outdoors and was a very hard worker, wonderful cook, very family oriented, an avid morel mushroom hunter (and she always found more than anyone else), a horse lover with a highlight of seeing the Lipizzaner Stallions in Vienna, Austria, a bugle blower, an excellent shot with a shotgun, and a wonderful friend to many people. She will be missed.

Graveside services were held Saturday, November 16, 2019, at Oak Hill Cemetery in Cassville, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor James Weaver conducted the services.

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

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WILLIAM M. KOENIG (BILL)

William M. Koenig (Bill), age 60, of Monett, passed away Saturday, November 9, 2019, at his home.

Donations may be made to The People’s Network, LLC in Purdy in his memory.

Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

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JAMES EDWARD (JIM) ESlick, JR.

James Edward (Jim) Eslick, Jr. passed away November 13, 2019.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, November 20, 2019, at the Brookside Church, Tulsa, Okla. Burial was in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Monett. Local arrangements have been entrusted to Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.

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Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, November 30, 2019, at Community Faith Chapel in Cassville, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Rick Cooper will conduct the services.

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As with deer hunting, preparations have to be carried out. Everyone prepared “By Faith.” “But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.” Hebrews 11:6.

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VIOLET JUNE LONG

A Celebration of Life service was held on Sunday, November 3r, 2019, for our loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, Violet Long. Hospice Chaplain James Mead officiated. Violet was a very special lady who enjoyed life and loved her family very much. She was a Chicago Cubs fan, enjoyed camping, collecting cardinals and other beautiful birds from the many places

she vacationed.

Violet was born to Rosa and Clarence Lundy in Harvey, Iowa. She also lived in Dallas, Iowa, and moved to Des Moines where she graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1945 and worked at Russell's Jewelers. Violet was married to Jack McVey for 37 years and they became proud parents of Randall and Dan. She also lived in Illinois where she worked at Anso Camera and Heinz Foods. After Jack's passing, Violet retired and moved to Cassville, where she met and was married to Clifford Long for 17 years. Clifford passed away and Violet moved back to Des Moines in 2010. Her illness in 2016 took her to The Good Samaritan Society Nursing Facility in Indianola, Iowa, where she passed away on November 1, 2019, at the age of 91 years.

Violet was preceded in death by her parents, Clarence and Rosa Lundy; brothers Edward and Melvin Lundy; and sisters Helen Brown, Lois Daniels and Louise Woolsey.

Violet is survived by her brother, Walter (Doc) Lundy, of Chariton, Iowa; sons, Randall McVey (Cynthia), of Des Moines, Iowa, and Dan McVey (Anne), of Lutz,

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Fla. Her six grandchildren include Brian McVey, Robert McVey, Stephen McVey, Deborah Garner, Douglas McVey and Amanda Tyler; ten great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at Oak Hill Cemetery in Cassville (future date to be determined).

Sincere thanks to the staff at Good Samaritan and St. Croix Hospice and volunteers for the loving care given to Violet.



VIVIAN LEE KINSEL

Vivian Lee Kinsel, age 88, of Cassville, passed away Sunday, November 17, 2019, at Roaring River Health and Rehabilitation in Cassville.

She was born August 20, 1931, in Little Rock, Arkansas, the daughter of Fred H. and Hattie (White) Knabe. On June 12, 1948, in Benton, Arkansas, she was united in marriage to David O. Kinsel, who preceded her in death on March 16, 2002. Also preceding her in death were her parents; two brothers, Ralph and Everett Knabe; and three sisters, Lola Polster, Lela Shamlin and Zola Alford.

Surviving are two daughters, Karen Kinsel, of Eureka Springs, Arkansas, and Sandra (Kinsel) Davis and her husband, Albert, of Garfield, Arkansas; two granddaughters, Shelly (Davis) Bradshaw and her husband, Byron, and Susan (Davis) Bowen and her husband, Corey; three great-granddaughters, Haley Bradshaw, Allie (Bowen) Cochran and her husband, David, and Emalee Bowen; and one great-grandson, Hunter Bradshaw.

Vivian grew up in Pulaski County, Arkansas, where she attended Lawson Elementary and graduated from Mabelvale High School. For thirteen years, she worked for Kroger and also helped her

husband on their dairy farm for fifteen years. Some of her favorite pastimes were crocheting, quilting, reading, playing games and visiting the Senior Center. She was a member of Cassville United Methodist Church.

Graveside services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, November 21, 2019, at Halstead Cemetery in Little Rock, Arkansas, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Jeff Fugitt will conduct the services.

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VICTOR W. UNFER

Victor W. Unfer, age 97, of Cassville, passed away on Friday, November 15, 2019, at Lacoba Nursing Home in

Monett. Mr. Unfer, son of August and Ameila (Wiebke) Unfer, was born on October 5, 1922, in Port Townsend, Washington. He was united in marriage to Clara Unfer in 1972; she preceded him in death on June 19, 2006. Mr. Unfer served his country proudly in the United States Army. He and his brother, Wilfred, owned and operated Unfer Brothers Trucking in Valdez, Alaska, where they were one of the first drivers on the Alaskan Highway. Mr. Unfer loved baseball; he, along with his brother, played in the minor leagues in the 1930s, was a big fan of the Seattle Mariners and helped start the original Little League baseball teams in Valdez. He enjoyed his time spent on his bulldozer, being with family and friends, and watching baseball.

Survivors include one stepson, Monty Woods, of Cassville; two stepdaughters, Becky Fortenberry, of Ault, Colorado, and Pat Fabrizio, of Windsor, Colorado; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; one niece, June Bredin and her husband, Duane, of Ellensburg, Washington; one nephew, Wayne Mitton and his wife, Carol, of Edmonds, Washington; and several other step-nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one brother, Wilfred Unfer; two sisters, Gweneth Mitton Stevenson and Harriette Unfer; and one stepdaughter, Audrey Poplin.

Memorial services will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 25, 2019, at the White Funeral Home and Crematory in Cassville, with words of comfort spoken by Frank Smith.

A private family burial will be held at Ault Cemetery in Ault, Colorado.

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

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Wildcats claim district title with 30-20 comeback victory over Seneca

Lee Stubblefield

The Cassville Wildcats shrugged off an early 14-0 deficit and stormed to a 30-20 victory over the Seneca Indians in the Class 3 District 6 championship game at Wildcat Field on Friday night. Bowen Preddy scored on two long pass plays, Drake Reese kicked a monster 48-yard field goal, and the Cassville defense recovered from a rough start to stymie the Seneca rushing attack in the second half.

The Indians have had Cassville's number lately, winning three of their last four meetings. The powerful Seneca rushing attack chewed up the Wildcats back in September in a 28-21 Cassville loss. On Friday night, it looked like that vaunted ground game might run Cassville off the field in the first half.

But Cassville showed grit and determination, climbing into the lead with a pair of long TD passes and a 21-yard field goal. After trailing 201-17 at halftime, the Wildcats tied the game when Reese connected with a 48-yard prayer to open the third quarter.

After that, it was all Cassville.

Running Bears

Senior running backs Monty Mailes and Trey Wilson gashed the Cassville line repeatedly as Seneca opened up a 14-0 lead in the first quarter. The Indians drove 80 yards with the game's first possession, taking a 7-0 lead on a one-yard sneak by Lance Stephens.

After Cassville fumbled on a punt return, the Indians drove the short field and extended their lead to 14-0 when

Mailes barreled off right tackle for a 7-yard score with 11:19 left in the second quarter.

The mammoth Seneca line owned Cassville's front four in that bruising first quarter. The Wildcats finally switched to a five-man front to plug the interior, gambling that Stephens would not take advantage through the air.

The Wildcat offense finally came alive after the Indians posted their second score. Deven Bates found Preddy behind the secondary for a 51-yard scoring strike, and Reese added the PAT to cut the lead to 14-7.

Then the Seneca offense stalled in Cassville territory - after a holding penalty negated a 59-yard scoring run by Mailes - and a Stephens quick kick on 4th-and-4 pinned the Wildcats at their own 14-yard line.

On second down, the explosive Cassville aerial attack struck again. Bates lasered a quick out to Brett Cooper in the left flat, and then Cooper dished to Preddy running wide on the hitch and pitch. Although Cassville runs this play often, it is nearly impossible to defend because of the ball-handling skills of Cooper and the sprint wheels of Preddy. The Seneca secondary bit on Cooper and that momentary hesitation allowed Preddy to sprint 80 yards down the sideline for the score. Reese boomed the tying PAT with 5:00 showing on the clock.

Then, on the next Seneca possession, big Andrew Prier stripped Mailes in the backfield, and returned the fumble down to the 4-yard line.

But Cassville wasted the



Cassville's defense held strong throughout the district game Friday night, doing everything that they could to keep Seneca as far from the end zone as possible. Pictured above, from left to right: defensive back Bowen Preddy, 34; defensive back Kade Hayward, 14; and defensive end Michael Morgan, 53; as they team up to take down a Seneca player.

golden opportunity, settling for a 21-yard field goal from Reese to take a 17-14 lead at the 1:46 mark.

The Indians answered quickly. Wilson took a toss and sprinted around left end untouched for a 48-yard score. The PAT failed, and Seneca carried a 20-17 lead into halftime.

The Wildcats needed a break at that point. The beleaguered Cassville defense surrendered 247 yards rushing in that first half. Conversely, the Cassville offense managed only 30 yards on the ground. The two long bombs kept the

Wildcats in the game, but the defense was on the field way too long because of the ineffective running game.

A tale of two halves

But Cassville took control of the line of scrimmage and the game in the third quarter. Some of it was conditioning, and a lot of it was desire. As the game wore on, it just seemed

that the Wildcats wanted this one more.

The Cassville offense drove inside the red zone to start the third quarter. But a pair of penalties brought on a 4th-and-22 at the Seneca 31-yard line.

Reese trotted out to attempt a field goal from a daunting distance. Forty eight yards. But he had no holder - Bates didn't

get the play call memo and was on the sideline. With the play clock running down, Bates finally hustled out to his kneeling position.

Snap. Hold. Kick.

Bates fielded a low snap and managed to set the ball upright on the tee. Then Reese launched a soul-stirring 48-yard mortar shot through

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the uprights to tie the score at 20-20. Momentum belonged to the Wildcats.

Following the kickoff, the Indians struggled through a rare three-and-out, and the resulting punt died at the Seneca 49-yard line.

Cassville's rushing attack finally came alive, chewing up those 49 yards with 6 straight carries. Zach Coenen erupted through the line for a 19-yard touchdown as the Wildcats claimed a 27-20 lead.

Seneca drove to midfield as the quarter ended. On 4th-and-4, a Stephens incompletion surrendered the ball to the Wildcats.

Sixteen plays later, Cassville faced 4th-and-goal at the Seneca 2-yard line. The longest play of that drive was a 10-yard scamper by Reese on a fake punt. It was the biggest fake punt play for Cassville since Travis Northern iced the 2009 state semifinal game against O'Hara with his critical run.

Cassville's Lance Parnell sent Reese out for the chip shot field goal to establish a two-

score lead. The junior kicker chipped the 18-yarder through the sticks to give the Wildcats a 30-20 lead with just 3:40 to play.

Seneca's last gasp series was marred by consecutive sacks of Stephens by Jaiden Reibert and Jacob Hall, two penalties, and a fumble that Cassville recovered at the Seneca 25-yard line. Bates knelt twice in the victory formation as the Wildcats earned a district championship.

Defense

After watching Seneca backs run for 247 yards in the first half, the Wildcats held the Indians to just 44 rushing yards in the second half. Likewise, Cassville reversed its rushing effectiveness in the second half. After gaining only 30 yards in the first two quarters, the Wildcats gained 143 yards on the ground in the second half.

Bates completed 4 of 7 passes for 149 yards and a pair of touchdowns. Cassville's more balanced offense out-gained Seneca on the night, 322 to 308.

X factor

Drake Reese figured heavily in this game. Besides kicking three field goals and three extra points, he gained a first down on a 2nd-and-8 reverse as the Wildcats drove for their third touchdown. Then he allowed his team to go up two scores with the fake punt to

keep that drive alive.

Z factor

In the regular season game against Seneca, Bowen Preddy was hampered by injuries and lacked his normal speed and acceleration. But on Friday night, Preddy surprised the Seneca defense with two long TD receptions. The fly route was simply a sprint contest between Preddy and the corner-back. But the hitch-and-pitch flipped the field and the momentum for Cassville.

That one play from deep in the playbook is a staple for the Wildcats and is on every scouting film of the Cassville offense. In a critical moment, the Indians were unprepared for the one play that would negate their early lead and turn this game around.

Blair Oaks

"We're going to enjoy this win," said Cassville's Lance Parnell after the game. But this week, the Cassville players and coaches will shift their attention to Blair Oaks. The undefeated Falcons dropped Buffalo on Friday night, 35-7, to advance to the Class 3 quarter-final matchup with Cassville.

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Purdy performers wow audiences with “Thoroughly Modern Millie, Jr.”

“The two of us have just clicked,” noted Purdy High School Sophomore M’Kena Propps of her “Thoroughly Modern Millie, Jr.” co-star Ryan Mitchell. “We didn’t really know each other very well before ‘Millie,’ but now we yell random lines from the show at each other in the hallway!”

The Purdy High School Music Department presented two performances of “Thoroughly Modern Millie, Jr.” in early November. Propps, as title character Millie Dillmount, and Mitchell, as Jimmy Smith, were joined onstage by veteran Purdy musical performers Shana Whisman (Mrs. Meers), Haylie Harris (Bun Foo), Joy Grace (Miss Flannery), Tatum Burt (Miss Dorothy Brown), Drew Graham (Mr. Trevor Graydon) and Heather Greenway (Helen) and a host of student actors making their debut appearances, to tell the story of a small-town girl with big Manhattan dreams in the popular Broadway production.

Director Lauren Lee declared her tenth musical production at Purdy a triumph. “I received a t-shirt as a gift that reads, ‘Some people dream of meeting their favorite musicians. I teach mine.’ I believe that from the bottom of my heart. I can’t begin to de-



The Purdy High School “Thoroughly Modern Millie, Jr.” cast, from left to right, in the front row: Joy Grace as Miss Flannery; Heather Greenway as Helen; Anna Hoffman as Ethel Peas; Makayla Mazza as Alice; Mercedes Harris as Lucille; Emma Mitchell as Cora; and Jacob Corter as Cop. Back row: Tatum Burt as Miss Dorothy Brown; Drew Graham as Mr. Trevor Graydon; M’Kena Propps as Millie Dillmount; Ryan Mitchell as Jimmy Smith; Haylie Harris as Bun Foo; Shana Whisman as Mrs. Meers; and Levi Maddocks as Ching Ho. The cast presented performances on Friday, November 1, and Saturday, November 2, to enthusiastic audiences. Photo by Linda Van Deuren.

scribe the pride and joy that fills my heart when my kids perform. ‘Millie’ was so much fun!”

Co-director Linda Van Deuren, whose Intro to Theater class built sets, designed costumes, ran lights, sold tickets and developed promotional materials for the show, echoed Lee’s sentiments. “I love seeing students find themselves loving theater, both on and off the stage.” Ryan Mitchell credits Van Deuren for his

appearance on the Purdy stage this year. “Near the end of last year, Mrs. Van Deuren pulled me aside and said, ‘I can see you being an actor. Why don’t you take my Intro to Theater class next year?’ I did, and, as it turns out, I love theater. It’s something I want to continue to pursue. I want to be as involved as possible. I definitely want to be in the musical every year. Being a part of ‘Millie’ this year may have changed my life.”



Purdy High School freshman Ryan Mitchell made his musical debut in “Thoroughly Modern Millie, Jr.” as smooth-talker Jimmy Smith. He was joined in the spotlight by M’Kena Propps, as Millie. Of her character, Propps noted, “Millie was a fun character to play. She and I both enjoy singing and dancing. However, Millie dreams of marrying her boss and never working again. That is definitely not my plan.” Photo by Linda Van Deuren.



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Washburn outreach for the needy funded through new resale shop

Vinnie Roberts

With Thanksgiving fast approaching, the spirit of giving is in the air in Barry County. However, one resident keeps that spirit alive all year long.

Steve Hodgin, a resident of Washburn and local artist, has always focused on helping the area's most downtrodden. In the past, Hodgin has provided a variety of aid to people in need, from clothing and food to temporary living spaces.

Hodgin has previously provided temporary living spaces in both his home and in secondary rooms of his workshop to various members of the community in need of a warm bed. The situations are always temporary, but Hodgin says that he likes to do whatever he can to help people from the community in need.

Hodgin is also the owner and primary designer for Steve Hodgin Signs and Art. He's been working in the field since 1971 and completed job work for Six Flags, Silver Dollar City and Bass Pro, in addition to painting a number of murals.

"I've always done what I can to help people," explained Hodgin.

In early May of this year,

Hodgin opened up a new store in Washburn called the Bootstrap Resale shop. According to him, this new venture is a way to assist the community by providing a place where residents can buy gently-used, affordable goods.

The store makes no profit, according to Hodgin, with all profits devoted to keeping the shop operational, as well as individual outreach.

"Whatever we make at the store, 100 percent of it goes to either pay the store rent or help people," explained Hodgins. "It annoys me when I look at the percentages of companies like Goodwill or the Salvation Army and see the percentage of money that goes to actually helping people is so small. To me, that's not right."

According to Hodgins, the store accepts donations of all kinds, and has received a sizeable number of donations from the community.

"I'll take anything that I can sell. If we ended up getting used automobiles and boats, I'd sell those, too," he explained. "Generally, it's been furniture, appliances, bedding sheets and clothing."



The Bootstrap Outreach Project is located on Business Highway 37 in Washburn next to Eagan's Supply. The goal of the project is to provide a way to assist the community by providing a place where residents can buy gently-used, affordable goods.

The shop also currently contains a variety of pictures and art, as well as a selection of children's toys and clothing.

Hodgin explained the shop hasn't been able to really get a foothold yet, but hopes that business will pick up soon so as to be able to better serve the community.

"We're losing money right now, but I'm hoping to see that change," he said. "I'm hoping that, somehow, the store will make more

money so that the store can help more people."

The Bootstrap Outreach Project Resale shop is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. The shop is located in Washburn on Business Highway 37 next to Eagan's Supply.

The shop is always accepting donations during business hours. According to Hodgin, donations can be brought to the back door of the shop for drop-off.

For more information reach Project, contact Steve about the Bootstrap Out- Hodgin at (417) 295-4634.

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Cassville names October Character award winners



Third grade award winners are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Addy Ramaecker, Kynzleigh Scott, Khloe Westpheling, Natalie Godsey and McKinley Miller. Back row: Dale Silva, Gavin Koehler, Hank Isley, Cooper Phillips, Christopher Fulk, Mason Long and Tyler Annecharico.

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



Fourth grade award winners are pictured above, from left to right. In the front row: Allie Yescas, Emili Manners, Arabella Darbro, Chloe Sleeth and Abbigale Yarnall. Back row: Andrew Williams, Wyatt Black, Caiden Edie, Wyatt Hollingsworth, Spencer Essary, Jaxon Winfrey and Brendan Flynn.



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60148813 - Great small farm with 18 acres m/l. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has some updating. Ch/a, hardwood floors. 32x40 shop, & several outbuildings including barn, storage sheds, & well house.



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6014660 - **COMMERCIAL LOT** facing State Hwy 37 in Seligman. 1.03 acres m/l. Lot #11, Walnut Heights, Seligman.
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Infrastructure surcharge to change for Spire West gas customers

The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved a change in the infrastructure system replacement surcharge (ISRS) for Spire West customers (formerly Laclede Gas Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy) of Spire Missouri, Inc. The ISRS first appeared on customer bills in April 2004.

The ISRS adjustment reflects infrastructure replacement investments made by the natural gas company from February 1, 2019, through May 31, 2019, updated for the months of June and July. Spire, in this case, also requested recovery of infrastructure replacement costs for the period of October 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, to the extent the costs associated with those investments were not approved for recovery in Case Nos. GO-2018-0309 and GO-2018-0310. These costs for natural gas pipeline replacements and relocations are not currently included in Spire's rates.

The current ISRS for residential customers of Spire West is \$1.75 a month. As a result of this case, the ISRS will be adjusted and residential customers will pay \$2.34 a month, an increase of \$0.59 a month. The change is expected to take effect on November 16, 2019.

Spire West provides natural gas service to approximately 517,530 customers in Andrew, Barry, Barton, Bates, Buchanan, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Dade, DeKalb, Greene, Henry, Howard, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Lafayette, Lawrence, McDonald, Moniteau, Pettis, Platte, Ray, Saline, Stone and Vernon counties.

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The externship program, which is run through the Agency for Teaching, Leading, and Learning at Missouri State, connects employers and educators for the purpose of helping educators connect classroom academic knowledge to real world business and industry application. Educators are using this program to increase student awareness of career pathways that are in high demand and offer a living wage. For more information, visit <https://education.missouristate.edu/atll/career-pathways.aspx>

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Purdy's Megan Thomas inducted into Alpha Chi
 Megan Thomas, of Purdy, was recently inducted into Harding University's chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society. Thomas, English major, was welcomed into the prestigious society along with 113 students during a ceremony on November 3.
 Alpha Chi is a nationally acclaimed honor society designed to commend academic excellence in universities across the nation. Harding's chapter, called the Arkansas Eta chapter, is for the upper 10 percent of the junior and senior classes from all academic fields who have earned a minimum 3.85 grade point average over at least 80 course hours. It is also open to graduate students who rank in the top 10 percent of their specific program.
 Harding University is a private Christian university located in Searcy, Arkansas. Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, it is the largest private university in the state. Harding's student body is made up of students representing 49 states and 55 nations and territories. The University offers more than 100 undergraduate majors, graduate and professional degrees at the master's, specialist and doctoral level as well as numerous international study offerings including locations in Australia, Latin America, England, France, Greece, Italy and Zambia. For more information, visit harding.edu.

Shell Knob woman injured in MO 76 crash

Charlea Estes-Jones
 A Shell Knob driver was injured in a crash caused by a medical incident. According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol crash report, Shirley L. Fairchild, 82, of Shell Knob, ran off the road and hit several trees off MO 76 east of Cassville. On Wednesday, November 13, Fairchild was driving eastbound on MO 76 five miles east of Cassville in a 2003 Chevrolet Impala before she crashed. The report states Fairchild suffered a medical incident which resulted in the Impala running off the left side of the roadway and struck several trees. Fairchild suffered moderate injuries and was taken to Mercy Hospital in Springfield for treatment. She was wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash. The Impala was totalled and towed from the scene by Table Rock Auto Clinic.


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MDC reports 88,843 deer harvested during firearms opening weekend

Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that deer hunters in Missouri harvested 88,843 deer during the opening weekend of the November portion of the fall firearms deer season Nov. 16 and 17. Of the 88,843 deer harvested, 51,086 were antlered bucks, 8,115 were button bucks, and 29,642 were does.

Barry County's total number of deer taken opening weekend was 795. Of those, 488 were antlered bucks, 72 button bucks and 235 does.

Top harvest counties for opening weekend were Franklin with 2,078 deer checked, Texas with 1,931, and Callaway with 1,735.

Last year, hunters checked 99,470 deer during the opening weekend of the 2018 November portion of firearms deer season.

For current ongoing preliminary harvest totals by season, county, and type of deer, visit the MDC website at extra.mdc.mo.gov/widgets/harvest-table/

For harvest summaries from past years, visit huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/deer/deer-harvest-reports/deer-harvest-summaries

The November portion of fall firearms deer seasons continues through Nov. 26. Archery deer season opens again Nov. 27 through Jan. 15, 2020.

The late youth portion runs Nov. 29 through Dec. 1. The antlerless portion runs Dec. 6-8. The alternative methods portion runs Dec. 28 through Jan. 7, 2020. For more information on deer hunting in Missouri, see MDC's 2019 Fall Deer & Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet, available where permits are sold and online at huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/sites/default/files/downloads/2019FDT.pdf.

Five CHS students make District Honor Band



Recently, seven members of the Cassville High School Band auditioned for the Southwest Missouri District Honor Band, competing against students from 25 other schools. Five CHS students earned a spot in the band.

The students earning a place in the Missouri District Honor Band are pictured, left to right: Ethan Nape, 3rd chair percussion; Jarod Wallace, jazz guitar; Joseph Fields, 3rd chair alto sax; Holly Thompson, 11th chair trumpet; and Natalie McNeill, 7th chair clarinet. All these students are now eligible to audition for the All-state band.

Cassville Library events

- Come build LEGOS on Thursday, November 21, at 3:30 p.m. Meet in the downstairs area.
- The November canvas painting project is the majestic rooster "King of the Coop." A \$5 materials fee is due by November 23 for the 12:30 p.m. or 6 p.m. session being held on Tuesday, November 26. The class is open to adults and high school-age teens.
- All branches of the Barry-Lawrence Regional Library will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, November 28.
- There will be a family-friendly holiday event on Thursday evening, December 5. Snacks and activities will be offered beginning at 5 p.m. Then, at 6 p.m., a special performance by funny musician Babaloo will begin. It's a holiday high energy show for all ages. See the ad in next week's paper for more information.
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