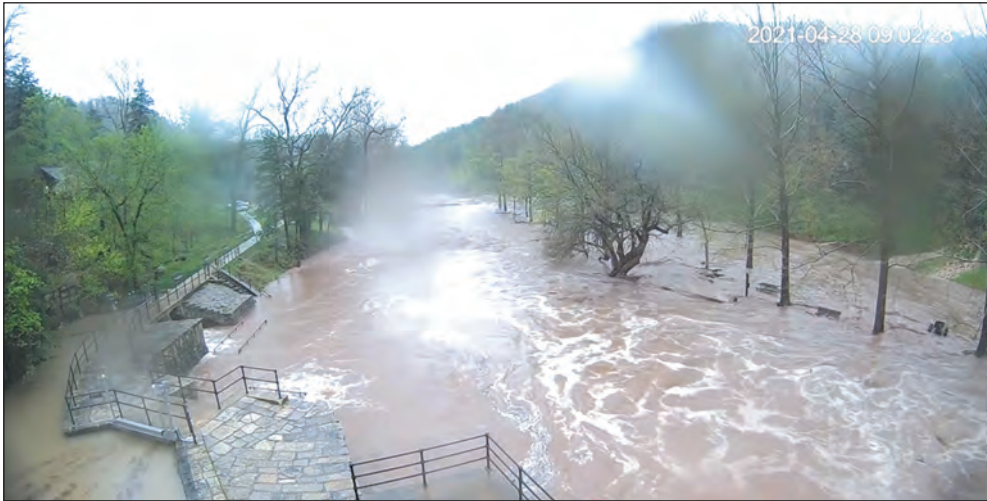
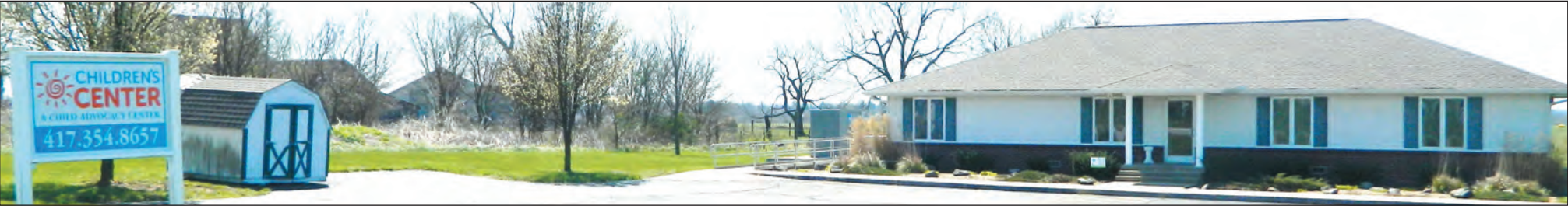


# Morning flash floods impact Roaring River State Park



Screen shots from Roaring River State Park’s Youtube live feed reveal serious flooding in the hatchery area around 9 a.m. Wednesday morning. Park superintendent Joel Topham was unavailable for comment due to ongoing flood-related issues. According to a later post on the park’s Facebook page, the campgrounds had been evacuated, water was over the Highway 112 bridge, and more rain was expected.

## It shouldn’t hurt to be a child



The Children’s Center in Monett, shown above, served 170 children in 2020. Due to COVID-related shutdowns, reported cases of possible abuse were down from the previous year, but are trending upward again in 2021, says Children’s Center Development Coordinator, Lori Jones.



Shown above, Ashley Thomas (left), Interviewer/Advocate, and Desiree Breidenstein (right), Community Outreach Coordinator for The Children’s Center, remind passing motorists that April is Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Sheila Harris

The idea that children are physically and sexually abused is so uncomfortable and upsetting that we (myself included) try not to think about it. By pretending it doesn’t happen - at least not here in the area where we live - we hope that in reality it *doesn’t* happen. Until, that is, we’re confronted with the latest allegation in a news headline. *Then*, we have to face the glaring possibility that people *do* abuse children.

Unfortunately, the numbers don’t lie. Child abuse occurs,

and it occurs in Barry County.

According to 2020 statistics received from Jeannie Stuart, program manager for Children’s Center of Southwest Missouri, 1,000 children were served by the organization during that year.

The Children’s Center, a not-for-profit child advocacy center, provides victim assistance services to physically and/or sexually abused children from birth through age 17 at no charge to the victims or their families. Professional medical, legal and law enforcement personnel are

available through the center to serve children in crisis on a 24-hour, on-call basis.

The Children’s Center first opened its doors with a Joplin facility in 1997. With community support from both Barry and Lawrence Counties, a Monett facility was added in 2001, followed by two more satellite locations in Nevada and Butler in 2004 and 2009.

Jennifer Humphrey, an officer with the Probation and Parole Office in Cassville, becomes passionate when speaking about The Chil-

dren’s Center. As a previous employee of the Children’s Division of Family Services, she served as an advocate for children who were served at the center. There, intervening in the course of abuse - and advocating for the children involved - was part of her job description: not a task for the faint of heart.

“When my job became difficult emotionally,” Humphrey said, “I asked myself, ‘If I don’t do this, who else

See CHILDREN’S CENTER 5A

## Cassville teams with Element 79 Media for economic, tourism development



Rachael Freeman

The City of Cassville is excited to announce its new partnership in economic and tourism development with Element 79 Media Group.

Element 79 is a new media agency in Cassville, managed by former Cassville Chamber Director, Rachael Freeman.

“Rachael proved she had a heart for Cassville during her time at the Chamber of Commerce,” said City Administrator Steve Walensky. “She was instrumental in our inaugural TroutFest, even getting the attention of Bass Pro Shops as a sponsor. She orchestrated the fundraising of over \$25,000 to go towards the new fish cleaning station at Roaring River State Park. In 2019, she was named as Cassville Schools Friend of Education. Rachael works hard for the good of our

community.”

Element 79 will bring a wide range of talent to the City’s economic development strategies, marketing efforts and local tourism.

“Economic development and tourism are interrelated,” stated Walensky.

“We want to cover as many aspects of economic development as we can. We believe Element 79 can do that. Economic development not only includes jobs but retention. We want people to want to work here and play here. We want to see them eat here and shop here. If there’s one

See CASSVILLE 3A

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## Area schools announce summer school dates

Sheila Harris

Summer school is receiving a green light again in Barry County school districts.

• **The Cassville R-IV School District** has announced plans for its W.I.L.D. About Learning summer school session. Pre-kindergarten through Eighth Grade students will attend seated classes June 1 - June 30, which will include field trips, swim days at the Cassville Aquatic Center, a science fair and more. Free breakfast and lunch will be provided. Transportation will also be available. Parents can enroll students online; a link to a registration form can be found at <https://cassville.k12.mo.us/vnews/display.v/ART/6058a4ad280c3>. Paper forms are also available, or can be picked up in your child's building-level office. Students currently in the Eighth Grade (incoming freshman) may enroll in on-campus MS Summer School for fun or remediation using

the PreK-8th Grade Form, or can begin earning high school credits by enrolling in high school courses using the high school form. Most of the CHS summer course offerings are online. However, if students choose to complete a seated class, classes will be held on the elementary campus from June 1 - June 30, 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

• **The Wheaton R-III School District** will offer summer school classes May 24 - June 18. The theme for this year's summer school will be "Habitats," and will include information on topics such rainforests and deserts.

• **The Exeter R-VI School District** summer school classes will be held May 24 - June 25, from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

• **The Southwest R-V School District** plans summer school June 2 - June 29. Free breakfast and lunch will be available to students. Bus routes will be modified.

Enrollment will be open for both remediation and acceleration classes if a minimum of 15 students enroll for a particular class.

• **The Purdy R-II School District** will hold summer school from May 27 - June 24, from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., for students going into Kindergarten through Sixth Grades. This year's theme will be "Olympics." Free breakfast and lunch will be provided. Modified bus routes will run and will depend on the number of students enrolled. COVID-19 safety policies will still be in place, including masking requirements. Information can be found on the school's Facebook page. Enrollment forms can be found at: <https://forms.gle/2jNiyEezo9vHxmhJ9>.

• **The Shell Knob School District** will offer summer school classes May 24 - June 11. Normal bus routes will run. Free breakfast and lunch will be served.

## Church's name change garners attention

Sheila Harris

A new sign beside the road in front of the large church on the west side of Highway 37, just south of Monett, has raised questions for passers-by.

The church, formerly designated "First Baptist Church of Monett," now bears the name "Waymark," according to the sign.

Did they withdraw from a Baptist affiliation in favor of a more generic name, people wondered?

Tiffany Tallent, Promotions Representative for Waymark, explains.

"Way back when," she said, "when we were raising funds to build the building we are currently in, we called it 'Windows at Waymark,' based on (text found in) Jer-

emiah chapters 30 - 31."

When their fundraising goal was accomplished and the building was completed, Tallent said the church hosted a celebration festival called "Worship at Waymark."

"Waymark played a huge part in our growth," she said. "We want our focus, now, to not only be a family church, but a church for the community to feel like a family."

"The book of Jeremiah talks about 'Setting up signposts or 'Waymarkers' to

mark the trip home," she added. "Waymarkers communicate or direct people to a place: a place pointing to Jesus. As a congregation, our job is to help point people to Jesus, which is how Waymark Church was born."

Tallent says the church is still technically called First Baptist Church of Monett, but the congregation is now doing business as Waymark Church.



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### CASSVILLE from FRONT

thing the COVID-19 pandemic taught us, it's how fortunate we are to live so close to Roaring River State Park. We realized that, and so did the other 1.3 million visitors who traveled through the park last year. We want to continue to work on getting those visitors 'up-the-hill' to Cassville."

"Element 79 Media Group

was created to help businesses with their development and marketing needs," said Freeman.

"We want to solve problems, create a vision and help bring that vision to life. Our team will be able to help market Cassville at a whole new level. From economic development, planning, grant writing, website development, technology integration, graphic design, photography, videography and networking with stakeholders locally and across the region. We are excited about this new partnership and are looking forward to promoting Cassville," Freeman stated.

Walensky stated that Element 79 is a local group that believes in Cassville.

"Their team is Cassville. Rachael is a 2005 graduate of Cassville High School, who moved away for college and has brought her talents back. Their marketing analyst, who joins the team in May, is a 2001 graduate of Cassville High School. After graduation, he joined the Marines and became a United States Marine Staff Sergeant, served our country doing three tours to Iraq and Afghanistan as Force Recon and Special Operations Marine. Now that he is out of the service, he's come back to Cassville. Their marketing assistant, Sophie Scott, is a 2020 graduate of Cassville. She realized Cassville was home and she was ready to join the workforce in her hometown. This is going to be a dynamic partnership,"

said Walensky.

Cassville's former economic development director, Isaac Petersen, took over the City's financial responsibilities in June 2020, when the City Finance Officer position came available.

"Isaac's primary focus will now be the financial aspect of the city's funds," Walensky stated. "All economic development questions, ideas and inquiries can now be directed to me or Rachael."

Walensky can be reached at [swalensky@cityofcassville.com](mailto:swalensky@cityofcassville.com) and Freeman can be reached at [rfreeman@element79media.com](mailto:rfreeman@element79media.com).



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**Cassville PR-IN-Middle:** Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or strawberry bagel, Go-Gurt, fruit or cereal, Pop-Tart, peaches. L: chicken sandwich or hamburger, lettuce & tomato, Doritos, carrots, juice. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or sausage biscuit, graham crackers, applesauce or cereal, chocolate muffin, pears. L: little smokies or submarine sandwich, potato wedge, baked beans, crackers, fruit. Wed: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage patty, strawberries or cereal, Teddy Grahams, applesauce. L: beef burrito or chicken crispito, green beans, nachos, peaches. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or chicken nuggets, hashbrown, orange or cereal, Rice Krispy Treat, apple. L: chili or chili cheese fries, crackers, mozz cheese sticks, corn, pears. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, toast, applesauce or cereal, graham crackers, pears. L: pizza or ham sandwich, salad, mixed vegetables, fruit.

**Purdy:** Mon: B: scrambled eggs, ww toast, fruit. L: sweet & sour chicken, brown rice, California blend, fruit. Tues: B: wg biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, fruit. L: lasagna, romaine salad, garlic bread, fruit. Wed: B: mini maple pancakes, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: popcorn chicken, tater tots, fruit. Thurs: B: cinni minis, fruit. L: Frito pie, corn, fruit. Fri: B: muffin cobblers, fruit. L: chicken patty sandwich, Sun Chips, baby carrots, fruit.

**Southwest:** Mon: B: breakfast sausage, pizza, peach cups, juice. L: pizza crunchers, green beans, tropical fruit, strawberry ice cream. Tues: B: eggs, bacon, pears, juice. L: general chicken, egg rolls, vegetables, pineapple. Wed: B: biscuit, pepper gravy, grapes, juice. L: hot dog, baked beans, applesauce, carrots. Thurs: B: cereal, berries, juice. L: spaghetti, garlic bread, romaine salad, fruit. Fri: B: ham & hashbrown sandwich, grapes, juice. L: cheeseburger, toppings, orange wedges, chips.

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Notice:

Cassville Pantry

Cassville Pantry is currently well stocked and offering free food assistance via a curbside method. The agency is a Feeding America Pantry located at 800 W. 10th Street, Cassville. It provides fresh produce, meat, bakery, dry goods, and personal care products. Pantry is open every Monday through Thursday morning from 9 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. and every Thursday afternoon from 3:15 to 6 P.M. Pantry director, Janet Mills, can be reached at (417) 846-7871.

The Wheaton Depot Museum in Wheaton

The Wheaton Depot Museum in Wheaton will be open on Sundays from 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. Visitors are encouraged to check out the history of Wheaton and the Missouri and North Arkansas Railroad (M&NA).

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Southwest Missouri Coalition of Charities

Southwest Missouri Coalition of Charities provides a network where non profits can belong, share knowledge and support one another. The organization hosts meetings via Zoom. More information can be found on their Facebook page.

University of Missouri

University of Missouri will be hosting a virtual Annie's Project course. Annie's Project provides women with education in production, market, financial, legal and human risk managment. The course is being offered at no charge. The deadline for registration is April 30. For questions or more information, contact Karisha Devlin at devlink@missouri.edu or Wesley Tucker at tucker@missouri.edu.

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**April 30**  
**All That Jazz**, featuring performances by the High School and Middle School Jazz bands will be presented by the Cassville Band Boosters at 6 P.M. at the Cassville R-IV High School. Ticket price of \$5 includes a hot dog/ham-burger meal.

**May 1**  
**Annual Yard Sale/Fundraiser** will be hosted by The Barry County Genealogical & Historical Society at the Bayless/Salyer House, 8th and Townsend, Cassville, behind the Post Office. There will be a gift basket raffle, books, baked items, and yardsale items. There will also be tours of the historic Bayless house.

**Southwest Band Dinner and Live Auction** will be a live event in the Southwest High School parking lot. Dinner will be at 5 P.M. and the auction will start at 6 P.M. Guests are asked to bring lawn chairs. The BBQ meal will be prepared by Kerry Thompson and there will be music including featured performers, The Flying Buzzards.

**Mineral Spring Cemetery work day** will begin at 8 A.M. with business meeting following at 10 A.M. If rain, the meeting will be at 9 A.M.

**May 7 & 8**  
**Dogwood Trail Garden Club Garage/Plant Sale** will be Friday, May 7, from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M., and Saturday, May 8, from 8 A.M. to 11 A.M., at the Shell Knob Community Building, 1/2 mile south of Shell Knob bridge on Oak Ridge Drive. 1/2 price Saturday.

**May 8**  
**Bluegrass & Gospel Music Night**, featuring Route 3 and Lonesome Road, will be held at the Stumpff's Family Event Center at 6 P.M. No ticket needed. Donations are appreciated.

**Handwash and Car Detailing Fundraiser** will be held at the Southwest High School parking lot from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. Money earned will help the JH and HS basketball summer camp.

**11th Power of Pink Walk, Run & Auction** will be held at the Wheaton City Park. Check-in is at 8 A.M., auction at 8:30 A.M. and walk starts at 9 A.M. Proceeds will go to help these local women: Ruth Primrose, Dawn Bartha, Whitney Fridley.

**Cassville Cruisers** will meet for the May Cruise In from 5 P.M. until dusk at the Barry County Museum, south of Cassville on Hwy. 112/76/86. The theme of the night is "School's out for the Summer". Visitors and new members are welcome. Cassville Cruisers can be found on Facebook or www.cassvillecrusiers.com.

**May 14**  
**Shell Knob Community Building Garage Sale Fundraiser** will be held Friday, May 14, 8 A.M. to 5 P.M., and Saturday, May 15, 8 A.M. to 3 P.M. Items 1/2 price Saturday 12 P.M. to 3 P.M. Donations (furniture, toys, dishes, outdoor equipment, other misc., no clothing) will be accepted Tuesday through Thursday, May 11-13 from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M.

**May 29**  
**The annual Cassville High School Alumni Association Banquet** will be held in the CHS Commons Area. Doors will open at 5:00 P.M. with dinner served at 6:00 P.M. Dinner and dues are \$15. Any class having a special reunion may contact Kay Baker at 417-847-4219 to make reservations.

**“Save the Date” August 19, 2021**  
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## Cassville School Board holds special meeting

Tuesday, Cassville Community Teachers Association (CCTA) representatives met with Dr. Richard Asbill regarding the current fiscal status and plans for the Cassville R-IV District, with a specific look at salary and welfare options for district personnel.

A review of the health insurance benefit cost was evaluated and reviewed. Current expenditure and revenue trends within the district budget were discussed and reviewed, as well as options for salary and hourly wage rates for certified and classified employees. The committee will meet again May 12 to review those options.

After the CCTA meeting,

the Board of Education met to review current employment recommendations.

The Board approved the employment recommendations for:

- Emily Pry, Middle School (Science)
- Angela Burns, Eunice Thomas Elementary - Kindergarten
- Lindsay Halterman, Middle School - PE/Health
- Tyler Wills, High School Principal

The district currently still has position vacancies for MS PE/Health (Boys), MS Social Studies, Elementary Special Education, Middle School Counselor, and building three (3) level aide positions.

## \$2.5 million grant to benefit algebra teachers'

With the help of a \$2.5 million grant from the National Science Foundation, Zandra de Araujo, associate professor in the MU College of Education, is creating the online materials with the ultimate goal of improved learning outcomes.

"If we can help students succeed in algebra, which is a major prerequisite to many of the higher math courses, they might have access to a greater variety of careers in science, technology, engineering and math fields later on," de Araujo said. "I often think back to what would have been helpful to me as a former math teacher, so I am passionate about helping teachers build on their strengths and find new strategies for approaching algebra instruction."

The four-year grant will

start with teacher observations in Missouri classrooms where de Araujo can meet with algebra teachers, discuss their strengths and needs, and evaluate the effectiveness of the professional development materials before expanding her outreach to schools nationwide.

“Math is actually a very creative field, but algebra has traditionally been taught in a very dry and procedural way,” de Araujo said. “More active and engaging instruction is key. This research will help us not only see the impact different instruction strategies can have on teachers’ approach to teaching the subject, but also the effect that can have on student learning outcomes.”

Areas of focus to assist algebra teachers include strategies for reviewing homework

problems, assigning group work to increase collaboration and embedding interactive questions or other features into online videos to support students learning asynchronously during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“This project is hitting right at the heart of where research and math education needs to be,” said Dwiggins, who also serves on the grant’s advisory board. “We can’t ask our students to be learners, if we as teachers are not striving to learn and improve our practice as well.”

Funding for the grant was provided by the National Science Foundation. Co-authors on the grant include Samuel Otten at MU and Amber Candela at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

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“While the nature of their work is highly confidential,” Jones said, “after a difficult interview or a tough case, the team often turns to each other for support.”

Forensic investigations, medical exams, advocacy and trauma therapy are services available through the center for both child victims and their non-offending family members. All services are provided by trained professionals in a child-friendly setting.

Physical exams can be performed on site, precluding the need for a hospital visit.

An aspect of the center that Jennifer Humphrey appreciates is its ability to videotape the testimony of victims on site as well.

“This way, kids don’t have to repeat their traumatic testimony multiple times to multiple people,” she said. “They give it *once*, and it can be used in future court cases, if necessary.”

Of the 1,000 children served by The Children's Center (in all four of their facilities) in 2020, 865 victims were interviewed. Of the children served, 622 were female and 657 were the victims of sexual abuse; the ages of the victims were spread evenly across the birth to 18+ age range.

The majority of the alleged abusers was a parent of the victim, followed by another person or relative known to the child.

After a decade of service provision, therapists began to see cases where the abused became the abuser, so, in an effort to stop the generational cycle of abuse, they imple-

In her 16 years teaching algebra, Amy Dwiggin has seen countless students struggle with the seemingly abstract subject.

But the creation of new, online professional development materials at the University of Missouri could help teachers like Dwiggins, who teaches Algebra 2 and Geometry at Macon High School in Macon, Missouri, teach their students more effectively.

“Algebra can be a tough subject to learn if the students don’t find it applicable to their daily lives,” Dwiggins said. “But we use critical thinking and problem-solving skills all the time, and math is a big part of that. So we, as teachers, need to find creative ways to spark students’ interests in a way that makes them more motivated to learn.”

tion and Emmy's Lemonade Stand, in Cassville.

On Wednesday, April 28, from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m., a portion of the proceeds from meals purchased at the BBQ Station will be donated to The Children's Center.

The BBQ Station is located at 900 Main Street, Cassville. They can be reached by telephone at (417) 847-0470.

Emmy's Lemonade Stand will also set up nearby at the same time. Proceeds from their lemonade sales will be donated to the center.

Although The Children's Center receives grant funding for many of their services, they count on donations to fill other needs, such

A stylized, high-contrast black and white illustration of an excavator, shown from the side and slightly from behind, with its bucket lowered. The excavator is positioned on the right side of the advertisement. To the left of the excavator, the text is arranged as follows: the company name 'TWS EXCAVATION' in a large, bold, serif font with a horizontal line underneath; the services 'SPECIALIZING IN ALL TYPES OF DIRT WORK SERVICES' in a bold, sans-serif font; the name 'Tyler Scott' in a bold, serif font; the title 'OWNER/OPERATOR' in a bold, sans-serif font; the email address 'tyscott4@gmail.com' in a sans-serif font; and the phone number '417-669-1013' in a large, bold, sans-serif font. The background is a solid dark gray.

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## Demolition of Cook Property Underway



Demolition crews have begun deconstructing the three rock buildings located on what is commonly known as the “Cook Property,” adjacent to the Aquatic Center parking lot on Farm Road 2182 (Sale Barn Road) in Cassville.

Future plans for the property, now owned by the City of Cassville, are still being discussed.

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## Crowder Quill awards ceremony planned

A winning painting, shown above, is used in the 2021 Crowder Quill.

## Security Bank in Cassville hosts shredding event

Above, employees of Security Bank, shown left to right, Chelsi Arnold, Jon Horner and Steve Slagle, posed with Jeff Sumpter of Shred-it (behind). The Shred-it vehicle, hosted by Security Bank, was available in the bank's parking lot in Cassville Saturday morning as a free service to community members.

According to Security Bank President Jon Horner, the event is popular with the community and was well attended.

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The Crowder Quill, a literary and art magazine of Crowder College, will host the annual awards ceremony on Tuesday, May 4, at 7 p.m. in the Elsie Plaster Community Center on the campus of Crowder College in Neosho.

For the 2021 edition, The Crowder Quill art and literary magazine and Crowder Theatre Department collaborated on a special project in which Covid-themed entries were considered for both the publication and stage performance.

“This year’s ceremony and publication celebrates enduring a global pandemic with creativity and resiliency,” said Latonia Bailey, Crowder Quill adviser since 1994. “Our area’s authors and artists are once again showcased in order to encourage their talents.”

The event includes the announcement of those whose entries were chosen to be published in the 2021 edition and awards presentations. All published entrants will receive a certificate for gold, silver, bronze, or honorable mention. Award placements will not be announced until the ceremony.

Afterwards, the magazine will be unveiled, and light refreshments will be served. The public is welcome to attend. Covid protocols will be observed throughout the ceremony and reception. Participants should observe social distancing guidelines and wear masks except when eating.

Hand-delivered Quill art entries are now available for return by arrangement. Entrants should email Latonia-Bailey@crowder.edu.

A PowerPoint presentation will showcase the winning photography and art

entries during the ceremony. Remaining entries will not be displayed but will be available for pickup after the ceremony.

Covid-themed entries were accepted in any of the publication categories of writing, photography, or art. In addition to the opportunity for placement in the magazine, the Theatre Department selected entries to be performed on stage April 22-23. The performance was called “Masks and Music: Stories from Quarantine.” Art selections depicting the theme were displayed digitally during the performance as well.

“Our hope was to provide a space to express and celebrate our community’s creativity during this unique time,” said Tasha Davies, Theatre Department Head.

The Crowder Quill publication includes but was not limited to Covid-themed entries.

Quill staff members of the 2021 staff are as follows: Catie Abruzzo, Neosho; Rachel Campbell, Neosho; Samuel Carlson, Independence; Dora Gilreath, Neosho; Kherzden Humphrey, Joplin; Sarah Jones, El Dorado Springs; Lindee Mitchell, Cassville; Nona Stewart, Kodiak, Alaska; and Adviser Latonia Bailey, Neosho.

Winners of the contest from Barry and Lawrence Counties are as follows:

- Aurora: Felix Barrientos, Maddy Swearington.
- Monett: Dorice Baty, Tyler Dallis, Alyson Massardo, Breanna Perkins, John Baty Jr., Corina Rodriguez.
- Pierce City: Jennifer Conner.
- Purdy: Kayla Branstetter, Drew Graham, Jasmine Holway.

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## Master Gardener perennials hot sellers at Garden Sass



The Barry County Master Gardeners held down a booth at Garden Sass Farmers' Market in Cassville on Saturday's blustery morning. Shown above, left to right, are: Kathy Schick, Mary Obermire, Frank Obermire, Liz Renkoski and Ann Houston.

## CMS Winter Guard provided visual treat



Cassville Middle School Winter Guard performed Friday night, April 23, at the CMS Band and Choir Concert. Photo by Adrienne Quiros-Zucca.

“The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows.”  
- Sydney J. Harris

## Crowder hosts open house for new print-making studio

Crowder College Art Department shared some of their newest equipment during an open house Thursday on the Neosho campus.

Printmaking classes started this spring at Crowder through the generosity of local art patrons, Judy Smith, Dr. John Garoutte, and Mr. Rudy Farber. Smith and Garoutte were Tulane University alum which sparked the interest.

Art Instructor, Joshua Knott, had the vision to start a Printmaking class to benefit Crowder art students when he was hired five years ago. His vision soon turned into a project when Judy Smith found they shared art interests as well as alma-mater,

Tulane.

“I wanted to design a shop that was a shop, where students could learn all they wanted and get better. I take pride in what our school, staff, and donors have done to make this printmaking shop happen,” stated Knott.

The Printmaking classes use the equipment to print cards, t-shirts and other items. A Printmaking shop of this kind is unique to a community college campus. These classes were established to transfer to a four-year university.



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**BUDDY JOE AMOS**  
Buddy Joe Amos, 83, passed away on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, at Mercy Hospital in Cassville.  
Bud was born April 20, 1938, to Hobart and Beulah Jean (Coons) Amos in Purdy, where he attended school and graduated in 1956.  
He married Dortha Ann Perkins on January 24, 1959, in Cassville. They moved to Richmond in 1960 where Bud worked at the Ford Plant in Claycomo. He later joined American Family Insurance where he worked as an insurance agent for 43 years until he retired in 2004.  
Bud and Dortha moved to Excelsior Springs in 1963 where they raised three children, Ricky Gene, Janett Lea and Allen Del. After his retirement, Bud and Dortha moved back to their farm in Purdy, where Bud raised cattle. The Amos farm has been

in the family for three generations. Bud enjoyed farming, attending farm sales and auctions and was a lifelong KC Royals and KC Chiefs fan. He loved spending time with friends and no matter where he lived he enjoyed gathering with friends over morning coffee. Bud loved his family and spending time with them and telling stories was important to him. Bud never met a stranger and on the rare occasion when he walked into a room not knowing someone, he soon would make a connection. Bud was a member of the Gunter Methodist Church in Butterfield.  
He is survived by his loving wife, Dortha; three children, Rick (Cezanne), Purdy, Janett (Hahn), Liberty, and Allen (Kerrie), Excelsior Springs; six grandchildren, Cole, Paige, Alex, Ali, Cody and Bo; seven great-grandchildren; one brother, Jack Amos, Battlefield; two sisters, Bobbie Jones, Gravois Mills, and Linda Proctor, Arlington, Texas; and many nephews and nieces.  
Services were held Monday, April 26, 2021. Pastor Jerry Nickle conducted the services.  
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**GREGORY G. "GREG" HODGE**  
At 9:00 A.M. Friday morning, Greg Hodge took off on his last big Harley ride. He was greeted by his son, parents and several friends when he came flying in. As we all know, nothing could keep him down and when it was his time to go, we know he went rolling in with Dusty by his side.  
Gregory G. "Greg" Hodge, age 62, passed away Friday, April 23, 2021, at his home in Cassville.  
He was born January 26, 1959, in Cassville, the son of Earl and Dorothy (Henson) Hodge. On February 27, 1996, in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, he was united in marriage to Stacy James, who survives. Also surviving are his children, Ryan Hodge,

Casey McLeod and her husband, Dustin, Stephanie Rayburn and Jake Sizemore and his wife, Chekota, bonus children, Lucas James and Ké Alani Hodge, and grandchildren, Levi, Bodie, Ren, Kenlee, Kiptyn, Emma, Allie, Jade, Gabby, Faith, Frank, Jesse, Blake, Billy and Breanna; and one brother, Ray Dean Hodge and his wife, Sandy.  
Preceding him in death were his parents and his son, Dusty Hodge.  
Greg grew up and received his education in Cassville, graduating from Cassville High School. He was employed at Wells Aluminum and Friend Tire for several years. Then he opened and operated D & R Tire. Later, he worked as a welder at FASCO Industries for twenty-five years. Greg enjoyed hunting, fishing and playing cards and loved riding his Harley. Most important to him was his family. He was a member of Corinth Baptist Church.  
Services were Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at Corinth Baptist Church in Cassville. Pastor Donnie Spears and Pastor Jerry Yarnall conducted the services.  
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**ELMER JOHN "E.J." RICHMEIER**  
Elmer John "E.J." Richmeier, age 88, of Shell Knob, passed away Saturday, April 24, 2021, at his home.  
Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Friday, April 30, 2021, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Shell Knob, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Shell Knob. Rosary will begin at 10:30 A.M.  
The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 P.M. Thursday, April 29, 2021, at Fohn Funeral Home in Shell Knob.  
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**RAYMOND LEE MATHEWS, SR.**  
Raymond Lee Mathews, Sr., age 68, of Purdy, passed away on Saturday, April 24, 2021, at Aurora Nursing Home in Aurora. Mr. Mathews, son of Adrain and Mae (Mitchell) Mathews, was born on December 15, 1952, in Aurora. With living in the area his entire life, Raymond was well known by so many for having old car parts and other things they might need as well as working on their vehicles. He also enjoyed drag racing and spending time with his family.  
Survivors include his

two sons, Roy Mathews, of Fairview, and Raymond Mathews, Jr., of Exeter; two granddaughters, Francis and Adriana Mathews, of Fairview; one sister, Sharon Galloway, of Aurora; and several nieces and nephews.  
In addition to his parents, Raymond was preceded in death by one brother, Ronnie Mathews.  
No services are scheduled at this time.  
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**STEVEN JAY ISAACSON**  
Steven Jay Isaacson, age 67, of Holiday Island, Arkansas, passed away at his home on Thursday, April 22, 2021.  
A Celebration of life will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2021, at Cup Of Love Ministry, in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, with Pastor Chuck Jarret officiating.  
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**KENNETH JAMES GAUTHIER**  
 Kenneth James Gauthier, age 92, of Monett, passed away at home with compassionate support from employees at Oak Pointe of Monett & Compassus Hospice on April 20, 2021.

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**VIRGINIA LEE PETERS**  
 Virginia Lee Peters, 81, passed away April 25, 2021. Graveside services will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, April 30, 2021, at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Monett, under direction of Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.

**DALE CURTIS ALLEY**  
 Dale Curtis Alley, age 88, of Seligman, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Thursday, February 11, 2021. A memorial service with military honors will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 1, 2021, at Believers Full Gospel Fellowship in Washburn, with Pastor Carroll Williamson officiating. Burial to follow at the family farm in Seligman. Service arrangements are under the direction of the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.

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**CATHERINE CLARA LEGGITT**  
 Catherine Clara Leggitt, age 72, of Eagle Rock, passed away Saturday, April 24, 2021, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis. Services will be held on Saturday, May 8, 2021, in California, local arrangements under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Visit fohnfuneralhome.com for online obituaries, guestbook and private condolences.
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**RONALD ROBERT OLDS**  
 Ronald Robert Olds, age 65, of Seligman, passed away at his home on Monday, April 26, 2021. Mr. Olds, son of Lyle and Loretta (O'Brien) Olds, was born on February 29, 1956, in Grand Rapids, Minnesota. On August 9, 1986, he was united in marriage to Annette Jones and to this union four children were born. Ron loved the outdoors where he enjoyed fishing, hunting, and searching for mushrooms. His children and grandchildren were his world and he loved spending time with them. Ron attended Rock Springs Church in Seligman. He was a dear friend to so many, leaving a lasting impression in so many lives and he will

be greatly missed. Survivors include his children, Alesha Finley and her significant other, Spencer, of Bella Vista, Arkansas, Kimberly Olds, Karra Olds and her significant other, George, and Robert Olds, all of Seligman; David Stephens and Paige Jenkins, who he was very close to and considered them as his own, both of Seligman; ten grandchildren, Arianah Stephens, Landon Stephens, Braylee Olds, Aaron Reed, EllaJune Chandler, Nevaeh Olds, Natalia Olds, Novalee Olds, Gabriel Olds, and Chloe Olds; the mother of his children and special friend, Annette Horton, of Seligman; four brothers, Frank Olds, of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, Melvin Olds, of Hibbing, Minnesota, Carl Olds, of Nashwauk, Minnesota, and Steve Potasnak and his wife, Joyce, of Monett; five sisters, Alice Hawkinson, of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, Margaret Loger, of Pipestone, Minnesota, Dorothy Finch, of Berryville, Arkansas, Charlotte Denzey, of Dovey, Minnesota, and Jill Potasnak, of Monett; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Ronald was preceded in death by two brothers, Tom Olds and Bruce Potasnak; and one sister, Lila Olds. A celebration of life for family and friends will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 15, 2021, at the Gateway Park in Gateway, Arkansas. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.

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Did you know?

Volunteering is a great way for individuals to strengthen their communities, but it also can be a unique way for individuals to improve their own overall happiness. A 2020 study published in the Journal of Happiness Studies examined 70,000 participants, each of whom received surveys that asked questions regarding their volunteering habits and mental health. The study found that, when compared to those who did not volunteer, people who had volunteered in the previous 12 months were more satisfied with their lives and gave their overall health higher ratings. The frequency of giving back to one's community also may affect just how much volunteering affects mental health. Study participants who volunteered at least once per month rated their mental health even higher than those who volunteered but did so infrequently.

50th Wedding Anniversary

David and Elaine Wallace, of Purdy, celebrated 50 years of marriage on April 17, 2021. They enjoyed a small celebration with their daughters and spouses along with their three grandchildren. In honor of the milestone, they were presented with a trip to visit Alaska.

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## MDC program to focus on native plants for landscaping

Many people are discovering that when it comes to flowers and shrubs around their homes, plants that are native to this region have a number of advantages over exotic species from other parts of the world.

If you're interested in adding some native beauty to the flowerbeds and gardens around your house, be sure to sign up for the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) virtual program "Top 10 Series: Natives for Landscaping." This free program, which will be May 5 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. is part of a year-long "Top 10" series of programs being put on by the staff of MDC's Shoal Creek Conservation in Joplin. At this program, MDC Administrative Assistant Tim Smith will discuss some of the native plants that are popular choices for flower beds and landscaping strategies. He will explain how, in addition

to providing habitat needs for insects and other animals, native plants are helpful for homeowners because they require less work to maintain.

This program is open to all ages. People can register for this program at: <https://mdc-event-web.s3.amazonaws.com/Event/EventDetails/177209>.

Though this program is free, registration is required to participate using the link above. Registrants must provide an e-mail, so a program link can be sent to them. This program will include a chat-based question-and-answer period where participants can interact with the presenters.

Staff at MDC facilities across the state are holding virtual programs. A listing of these programs can be found at [mdc.mo.gov/regions](http://mdc.mo.gov/regions).

## HB 429 and HB 430 signed to support Missouri adoptive families and children in foster care

During a ceremony April 22 at the State Capitol, Governor Mike Parson signed HB 429 and HB 430 into law, which both support Missouri adoptive families and children in foster care.

"Every child deserves a family to provide love, support, and a strong foundation," Governor Parson said. "Missourians who take on this role as foster and adoptive parents are invaluable to the children of our state, and I am extremely pleased to sign these bills today."

"I want to thank Representative Kelly, Speaker Vescovo, Senator Koenig, and Senator

Rehder for their work to support Missouri's adoptive and foster families, improve the adoption process, and most importantly help foster children reach the permanency they deserve," Governor Parson continued.

HB 429 establishes a clearer path to permanency for foster children by clarifying what constitutes an abandoned child, creating a definite timeline for courts in certain circumstances, and removing barriers for adoptive families in consent adoption cases. Specifically, the legislation allows the Children's Division or juvenile

officer to seek termination of parental rights when a child less than two years old has been abandoned for 60 days or a child over two years old has been abandoned for six months.

The Children's Division or Juvenile Officer may also seek termination of parental rights when a child has been in foster care for 15 of 22 months, which will allow courts to move cases along more quickly and prevent children from getting stuck in foster care. Additionally, HB 429 removes the requirement for prospective adoptive parents to pay the legal

fees of a birth parent in consent adoption proceedings while maintaining the court's ability to appoint an attorney to the birth parent as necessary.

HB 429 and HB 430 both make several statutory changes to make the adoption process more accessible, including the expansion of an existing adoption tax credit to include the adoption of any child. HB 430 also extends tax credits for maternity homes and adds rape crisis centers to the shelters to which individuals may donate in order to receive a tax credit.

## Two free soil tests available for soybean growers

Missouri farmers can submit two free tests to beat the soybean cyst nematode (SCN) by contacting their county University of Missouri Extension center or the SCN Diagnostics laboratory.

Testing soil before planting soybean is vital, says MU

Extension plant pathologist Kaitlyn Bissonnette. SCN is the No. 1 soybean disease in the U.S. and Canada, with yield losses up to 30% per infected acre. Symptoms include stunted growth and yellowing, but yield loss can happen even when there are

no visible symptoms, Bissonnette says.

Sample every three to five years, she says. Bissonnette gives instructions on how to sample at [ipm.missouri.edu/IPCM/2021/4/scnSampling-KB](http://ipm.missouri.edu/IPCM/2021/4/scnSampling-KB).

SCN quickly began spreading through Missouri in the 1970s and gained a foothold in most of the state's soybean-growing counties by the 1990s. SCN is easily transported in soil; cysts and eggs spread via equipment, water or wind.

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checkoff dollars fund up to two free tests for Missouri farmers as part of SCN Coalition efforts to raise awareness of SCN. The SCN Coalition is a public-private partnership of university researchers, extension specialists and industry representatives.

For more information, contact your local MU Extension center or the SCN Diagnostics lab at [scndiagnostics@missouri.edu](mailto:scndiagnostics@missouri.edu) or 573-884-9118. Sample submission forms are on the SCN Diagnostics website at [www.scndiagnostics.com](http://www.scndiagnostics.com).

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Induction ceremony held for newly elected road district commissioners



Above, Barry County Clerk Joyce Ennis (left) swore in newly elected road commissioners at an induction ceremony held Tuesday night at First Christian Church in Cassville. Deputy Clerk Kimi Deal stood by in the background.

According to Ennis, there are 26 special road districts in Barry County. Each district has three elected commissioners who serve the county without compensation.



A group of some 70 Barry County road district commissioners and guests enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by John Sullivan Catering prior to the Tuesday evening swearing-in ceremony for newly elected commissioners.

The meal was sponsored by Hutchens Construction, of Cassville, and Advanced Drainage System, of Kansas City. Representatives from both Hutchens and Advanced Drainage System spoke to the road commissioners on behalf of their businesses.



At left, Barry County Presiding Commissioner Gary Youngblood reminds road commissioners of the intricacies of navigating road district funding.

At right, Barry County Treasurer Lois Lowe offers financial information pertinent to the road districts.



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The water is up just a bit; the level is 89 CFS(cubic feet per second). This is not high; actually, this is a normal level for this time of the year.

The dry fly fishing has been getting better. With the warmer days coming, we are going to see a lot more ants around, and trout love ants. And, soon, we will be fishing beetles every day.

The best hatches at the moment are Caddis and Blue Wing Olives. There are midges that hatch off each day. On the cloudy days, it is usually the Blue Wing Olives that hatch the heaviest; on the sunny days, we see more caddis. Midges hatch regardless of weather, it seems.

Most of the dry flies we

are fishing right now are #16s and smaller; with Blue Wing Olives, we fish sometimes as small as #22s.

We're still seeing a few dark caddis, and I've seen the occasional light-colored midge; I usually imitate them with a #22 cluster midge.

San Juan worms were really good this week; red seemed to be the most popular color, but pink was working pretty well also.

Nymphs, sow bugs, pheasant tails and copper johns were best this week; we were fishing these in #16s and #18s with a #4 shot placed about 8" above the nymph and fished 2 - 3 feet deep under an indicator.

Black, olive and brown woolly-buggers were still

## Fish like a pro!

good this week. I think black worked a bit better early in the morning, and olive seemed to work best in the late morning and afternoon.

Mop flies in cream and orange were good all week, as were yellow and orange globballs; I like the ones with a red dot.

Chamois worms always work and they didn't disappoint this week either; with all the fish being cleaned in the river, the white chamois worm works very well, trout feed very heavily on the guts that are thrown into the water.

Red/white, orange/white, white, and tan jigs work for the same reason. The trout are feeding on the trout carcasses thrown in the river, so these colors really attract the trout. Olive RR specials and black/yellow jigs were the ticket for a lot of the spin-fisherman this week; black was pretty good also.

Spinners, as usual, work very well for 30 minutes

See TIPS 3B

## Cassville man lands fish stocked at Table Rock in 1970s.

*Francis Skalicky, Missouri Department of Conservation*

Joe Richter had a hunch Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) biologists would be interested in the small metal ring attached to the jaw of the paddlefish he had snagged, but he didn't know the interesting story Tag S-777 revealed about successful paddlefish management at Table Rock Lake.

When Richter landed his 57-pound paddlefish on Table Rock's James River arm in March and saw the tag, the Cassville resident recalled hearing about a paddlefish tagging program MDC conducted several years ago. His efforts to report his tag connected him with MDC paddlefish biologist Trish Yasger and that's when things got interesting.

"She was excited about me catching a tagged fish and thanked me for calling," Richter said. "She took all my information. Then a couple of days later, she called back."

The reason for the callback was that Yasger and



*Cassville's Joe Richter (top picture) holds the tag he found on a paddlefish he snagged in March of this year. The tag (bottom picture) was placed on a paddlefish in Table Rock in 1990.*



MDC Fisheries Biologist Sara Tripp had a list of the 8,970 tags that were put on paddlefish in MDC's 2015-2019 tagging project. And Richter's tag number wasn't on that list.

See RICHTER 8B

## Haven of The Ozarks: Pet of The Week



Meet Kali B, the Haven of the Ozarks Pet of the Week! Kali B. is used to the spoiled life of a house-dog. She used to go on trips to the groomer for baths and nail trims, had a crate to call her own, and a yard to run in as she pleased. Unfortunately, Kali B. wanted all of it to herself! She decided she didn't want to share with the little dogs in the house anymore and started causing problems in the pack order. This was too much for her owners to keep up with as Kali is 60 pounds and the other dogs were much smaller. Kali gets along well with some dogs, but not all. A meet and greet is a must for any potential fur siblings Even being over 5, this girl has a lot of energy! She loves to play with people. Kali is very smart - she is house-trained, knows to sit, and knows how to stay. Kali loves kids since they can keep up with her play style!! If Kali sounds like the perfect addition to your family, come meet her at the Haven open 9-4 each day of the week.

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## Low temperatures leave plants in the cold

David Trinklein

Winter-hardy perennial flowers likely will survive April's historic low temperatures across Missouri, said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein.

Their tender annual counterparts, however, may not be so lucky.

MU Extension horticulturists across the state answered numerous calls from concerned gardeners about freeze damage to their flowers and flowering shrubs as temperatures dropped into the 20s.

Perennials, even those in tight bud stage, likely will face minimal damage, Trinklein said. His callers included someone who feared losing a peony planting that has been in the family for more than 140 years.

Trinklein explained that peonies and other spring perennial favorites have survived other extreme weather events through the years and likely will survive this one.

Annual flowers that bloom only one season are

more likely to fall victim to extreme temperatures. Annuals come in three classes: hardy, half-hardy and tender.

Hardy annuals, such as pansies, violas and snapdragons, will bounce back to brighten spring flower beds despite the cold weather.

Half-hardy plants, such as petunias, can tolerate light frosts but might not fare so well when temperatures drop to the 20s. Tender annuals usually die when plant tissue freezes, causing them to turn watery and mushy.

Potted plants face greater risk of damage than those planted in the ground and will survive better when brought inside the house or garage until temperatures rise and danger of frost passes.

In the vegetable garden, cabbages, broccoli, Brussels sprouts and kale likely will survive. Popular tender vegetables such as tomato and pepper are common casualties of cold.

Check the crown (growing points) of flowers and vegetables for damage, Trin-

klein said. Plants that still have a living growing point should recover but may be weakened. If this is the case, gardeners need to decide whether to replant or wait for plants to recover.

Many fruit trees and small fruit plants were likely damaged by the frost, but the extent of the damage depends on stage of bloom, said Michele Warmund, MU Extension horticulturist.

Pollinated fruits are less susceptible to frost injury, she said. Plants in low-lying areas face the most risk, so consider site selection.

Check flowering bushes and fruit trees by cutting a branch, taking it inside and putting it a container with cut ends of stems in water for a few days. Floral parts that are cold-injured will soon turn brown and wither, Warmund said.

After a freeze, do not apply nitrogen fertilizer to damaged fruit trees or bushes, she said. Additional nitrogen only creates more vegetative growth. Continue to water bushes and trees and watch

for disease signs such as cankers. Warmund said it is important to closely monitor for signs of disease. If needed, follow MU Extension's fruit spray schedule at extension.missouri.edu/g6010. For more information, see "Ice and Freeze Damage to Ornamental Trees: Implications and Remedies" at extension.missouri.edu/xr1.

Avoid future frost damage by covering plants with reusable row cover cloth and be patient when planting. "The best way to avoid frost damage is to plant at recommended times after the danger of frost passes," Trinklein said.

For more information, visit USDA's Plant Hardiness Zone Map at planthardiness.ars.usda.gov/PHZMWeb and MU's Missouri Frost/Freeze Probabilities Guide at ipm.missouri.edu/frostfreeze-guide.

Trinklein said that frost/freeze dates are averages to serve as a guide but are not fail-proof.

## Steer feedout calves accepted until May 10

Eldon Cole

The 2021 Missouri Steer Feedout for calves born after July 1 to October 31 are being accepted until May 10. The gathering and delivery to the Tri-County Steer Carcass Futurity in southwest Iowa will be June 1. Calves should be weaned before May 1, preferably by April 15.

The Feedout gives cow-calf raisers a chance to learn the strengths of their breeding and management program. Knowledge gained from seeing how their steers perform in the feedlot and on the rail can be used to make future marketing decisions.

Since the average Missouri beef cow operation only runs about 40 cows, the Feedout only required 5 steers to be entered. There is no upper limit, but the greater the numbers, the better the accuracy of the evaluation of the breeding program. The gain, feed-to-gain and carcass results will allow you to compare how your steers stack up against other Missouri cattle.

Participants in past Steer Feedouts have been surprised when the program concludes how much difference there is between steers out of the same bull and same management perform. Larger herds often enter sire groups of

four or six steers per sire.

The entry fee of \$20 per steer is payable on May 10. No other charges are necessary until all steers have been killed. The feed and other expenses will be deducted from the proceeds of the carcass sale. Another perk of the Feedout is the opportunity to receive a \$400 per head cash advance once the cattle are processed in Iowa. The advance is only given when ten or more head are entered by the participant.

Eldon Cole, University of Missouri Extension field specialist in livestock at Mt. Vernon works with the Feedout. He says retaining ownership of cattle until slaughter is a risk and he won't guarantee you'll make money. He will guarantee you'll learn a lot about whether you have cattle that deserve a premium from an order buyer.

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DIRECTIONS: FROM THE JUNCTION OF HWY 60 & 39 IN AURORA, MO TRAVEL NORTH ON 39 - 1.8 MILES, CROSS OVER RR TRACKS AND CONTINUE - .5 MILES ON K HWY TO HIGH ST. ROAD THEN GO EAST 2.1 MILES TO AUCTION SIGNS POSTED – FOOD SERVICE & RESTROOMS AVAILABLE

SHOP EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS - DELTA 10" TABLE SAW – CRAFTSMAN COMBO BELT/ DISC SANDER – DUNLAP 4" PLANER – CRAFTSMAN 12" 2 SPEED BAND SAW, TILT HEAD, 1 1/8 HP – SHOP FOX, W1671 MORTISING MACHINE – CRAFTSMAN CONTRACTOR SERIES 10" RADIAL ARM SAW – DEWALT CHOP SAW – CRAFTSMAN H.D. 6" PLANER – DELTA 12 1/2" PORTABLE PLANER ON A NICE SHOP BUILT WOODEN CART – BLACK MAX 6250 GENERATOR, 5000 RUNNING WATTS, 9 HP ENGINE – CENTRAL MACHINES DUST COLLECTOR, 70 GAL. 2 HP – SEARS COMMERCIAL 60 WITH 250 BATTERY CHARGER, ENGINE STARTER & TESTER – 3 SECTIONS H.D. SCAFFOLDING – CRAFTSMAN PROFESSIONAL AIR COMPRESSOR, 5 HP, 20 GAL., 220 – TORCH CART, NO BOTTLES – 2, DEWALT 18 VOLT CORDLESS DRILLS – DEWALT D231 VARIABLE SPEED JIG SAW – CRAFTSMAN INDUSTRIAL DELUXE DOVETAIL FIXTURE – CRAFTSMAN 15" 12 SPEED 1 1/2 HP FLOOR MOD DRILL PRESS – HUGE ASST BAR & FURNITURE CLAMPS – MILWAUKEE SAWZALL – CRAFTSMAN INDUSTRIAL PLATE JOINER – CRAFTSMAN DIRECT DRIVE SCROLL SAW – CRAFTSMAN 2 HP SINGLE SPEED ROUTER, 1 1/2 COLLET – 2-CRAFTSMAN ROUTERS – B&D 1 3/4 HP PLUNGE ROUTER – DEWALT ELEC SANDER – AIR NAILERS, STAPLERS ETC – NUMEROUS PAINT GUNS – LOT ROUTER BITS – DRILL BITS – HAND SAWS – LEVELS – SQUARES – WRENCHES – SOCKETS – HAMMERS – HATCHETS – SHOP LIGHTS – SAW BLADES – LOTS OF GOOD HAND TOOLS OF ALL SORTS – AIRMATE 1 1/2 HP TWIN AIR COMPRESSOR – CRAFTSMAN 220 AIR COMPRESSOR – DEWALT 14.4 VOLT CORDLESS DRILL – DEWALT OSCILLATING MULTI TOOL – HYUNDAI 24 VOLT CORDLESS HAMMER DRILL – PORTER CABLE, CRAFTSMAN AND OTHER HANDHELD ELEC SHOP TOOLS, SAW, DRILLS, ETC – PIPE WRENCHES – RIDGID PIPE CUTTER, THREADERS & VISE – CRAFTSMAN SAND BLASTER – LOADED ORGANIZERS – LOG CHAIN – SEARS TRANSIT WITH TRIPOD & MEASURE STICK – ROLLER STANDS – CRAFTSMAN TOP BOX CHEST, 3 DRAWERS PLUS TOP STORAGE – DEWALT H.D. 4 1/2" ANGLE GRINDER – QUICK CLICK LADDER STABILIZER – ROPES – EXTENSION CORDS – 2-4" SIDE MOUNT TREAD PLATE TOOL BOXES – KWIKSET LOCKSET INSTALLATION KIT – 4'X 8'X 2' HEAVY DUTY SHOP BENCH – ASST CONCRETE TROWELS – 2, VERY GOOD FIFTH WHEEL HITCHES – CARPENTERS PARADISE – NEW LEFT HAND DOOR WITH FRAME 3.0, INSIDE DOOR, VERY NICE – ASST PAINT OF ALL TYPES – STAINS – PAINT TRAYS, ROLLERS, MASKS, DROP CLOTHS ETC – SAND PAPERS – GLUES – ELECTRICAL & PLUMBING SUPPLIES – LARGE LOT OF MISC DIMENSION LUMBER, PLY BOARD, OSB, TRIM AND MORE INCLUDING SOME OAK, WALNUT AND PINE ( ALL STORED INSIDE) – ASST DOORS & SCREEN DOORS – ASST SAW HORSES - HIGH QUALITY FURNITURE – ANTIQUES – HOUSEHOLD - 10' ANTIQUE WOOD LIBRARY STYLE TRACK LADDER, OUT OF THE ALLTEL BUILDING IN PURDY, MO – CHATEAU D' AX THE ORIGINAL ITALIAN LEATHER RESOURCE 3 CUSHION SOFA & 2 MATCHING RECLINERS, EXCELLENT QUALITY & CONDITION – LA-Z-BOY ROCKER RECLINER – 2 PC CHINA CABINET – VERY NICE ANT KITCHEN CABINET, WITH 2 PULL OUT DOUGH BOARDS, COMPLETELY REFINISHED – QUEEN SIZE OAK BEDROOM SUITE INCLUDING COMPLETE BED, ARMOIR STYLE CHEST AND TRIPLE DRESSER WITH DOUBLE MIRROR – FLOOR MODEL JEWELRY ARMOIR – 6 DRAWER DRESSER BASE – ANT LIBRARY TABLE – 2 CUSHION LOVE SEAT – SOLID WOOD END TABLES – BLACK COFFEE TABLE WITH PULLOUT BASKET STORAGE – ELEC GEORGE FOREMAN GRILL – ANT FLAT TOP TRUNK – ANT ONE ARM SCHOOL DESK – ROPER ELEC DRYER – ANT 4 POSTER BED NEEDS REFINISHED – VERY OLD ANTIQUE LARGE CABINET – ANT KITCHEN BUFFET, NEEDS REFINISHED – ANT DRESSER WITH MIRROR, ROUGH – 2 PRIMITIVE TABLES – BRASS FLOOR LAMP – POTTERY – ELEC COFFEE MAKERS – HOOVER SELF PROPELLED BAGLESS VAC – PITCHER & BOWL SET – KITCHEN AID MIXER WITH EXTRA ATTACHMENTS, BOUGHT NEW IN 2020 – LONGABERGER BASKETS – AUTUMN GOLD SERVING SET – CERAMIC COASTED CAST IRON – POTS & PANS – ELEC SKILLET – PFALTZGRAFF DINNER – COPPER POTS – 12 PLACE SETTING JOHANN HAVILAND PLUS SIDE PIECES, BAVARIA, GERMANY – EGG PLATES & PLATTERS – LARGE LOT KITCHEN ITEMS OF ALL SORTS – ANT METAL COIN PURSES AND OTHER MINIATURES – BRASS FIRE EXTINGUISHER – ANT KEROSENE & ALADDIN LAMPS – LOTS LINENS, BEDDING QUILTS ETC – LOT DOILIES & FANCY WORK – GOOSE-DOWN COMFORTER – BLANKETS – CHRISTMAS DECOR – BOYDS BEARS – LOT HOME DECOR ITEMS – RUBY RED PLATES, GOBELTS & MORE - OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT – YARD DECORATIONS - GRILL ZONE GAS GRILL – ARIENS RT 7020 REAR TINE TILLER – FEW T POSTS – STIHL CS 55 RC STRAIGHT SHAFT GAS WEDEATER – STIHL BG 155 LEAF BLOWER – PLASTIC FUEL JUGS – CONSTRUCTION TYPE WHEEL BARROW – CRAFTSMAN PULL BEHIND LAWN SWEEPER – GOOD LAWN AND GARDEN TOOLS OF ALL SORTS – RYOBI ELEC HEDGE TRIMMER – WOOD & FIBER-GLASS STEP LADDERS (4'6'8') – ALUM EXT LADDER – HOSE REEL & HOSES – 2 ROLLING WALNUT PICKERS – LARGE CONCRETE BIRD BATH – SEA HORSE STYLE BIRD BATH WITH STATUE – STEEL OR WIRE FROG & ROOSTER – WAGON & OTHER ASST STEEL WHEELS – UNUSUAL DUMP RAKE 2 STEEL WHEELS WITH AXEL – CRAFTSMAN 1.3 CU FT YARD SPEADER, PULL TYPE - MISCELLANEOUS OF ALL SORTS - ELEC FAN ON STAND – 4 LARGE BAGS OF DRIED WALNUTS IN HULL – TORANDO ELEC FAN ON STAND, ALL METAL – BULL MASCLULATOR – VITAMASTER ELEC TREADMILL – MULTI STATION WEIDER WEIGHT SYSTEM – EXERCISE BIKE – 2 DOOR METAL CABINET – 4 DRAWER FILING CABINET – WOODEN CROQUET SET – LAWN CHAIRS – STADIUM SEATS – ANT EGG BASKET – FISHING NETS – 10 DOOR METAL LOCKER SET FOR STORAGE – GALV. TRASH CAN – ANT OUTSIDE BARN LIGHT – MOUNTAIN TRIKE – SCHWINN BICYCLE – BANANA SEAT BIKE WITH BASKET – GRAPE VINE WREATHS – FLOWER POTS – MANY OTHER ITEMS NOT LISTED

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The Southwest Middle School trap team took third place in a recent state competition. Shown above are squad members, left to right: Bailey Stephens, Devin Hall, Sam Lawrence, Colton Phillips and Case Jennings. Submitted photo.

Submitted content

The Southwest Trap Team competed at the Paul Larson Memorial High School State Shoot in Linn Creek on Saturday, April 17.

Over 250 squads of trapshooters between the ages of ten and 18 came out to compete on a cold and overcast Saturday. Southwest brought two full squads and one partial squad to the competition. They all did well, with several shooting their best scores of the year. Middle school team member Bailey Stephens shot her first 25 straight.

The team will be celebrating her accomplishment by shooting her hat at their next practice.

The middle school squad placed third in the state with a score of 403/500.

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PATIO TABLE AND 6 CHAIRS – ANTIQUE BUFFET – SMALL CHINA HUTCH – RECLINER – COUCH – DRESSERS – STACKS OF DRAWERS – NEW NINJA FOODI XL GRILL – PROPANE WALL MOUNT HEATERS – ENTERTAINMENT CENTER – NEW STAINLESS STEEL SINK – 2-SETS TWIN GALVINIZED WASHTUBS ON STANDS – KEROSENE SPACE HEATER – CROQUET SET – ST. GEORGEAN FLOOR CLOCK – 2 CHEST FREEZERS – ICE CHEST – NEW 10 X 10 INSTANT SLANT LEG CANOPY – ENDTABLES – 12-20# PROPANE TANKS – APPROX 12 SQUARE USED VINYL SIDING AND ACCESSORIES – SEVERAL USED STORM DOORS – NEWEL POSTS AND SPINDLES – 55 GALLON DRUMS – LOT OF PINE AND POPULAR 5 1/2 INCH BASE – 1000 7 FT PREFINISHED OAK CASING – INSULATION BATTS AND ROLLS – BOXES OF STICK AND COIL NAILS – SEVERAL THOUSAND METAL OOD SCREWS – LOTS OF BOXES MISCHOUSEHOLD ITEMS – BOXES AND BOXES BOOKS – SOME MISC

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Celebrate Missouri trees during April Arbor Days



Celebrate the value of Missouri trees and forests during Arbor Days in April by planting native trees and practicing proper tree care. Missouri's official state tree, the native flowering dogwood, presents boughs of white flower clusters in the spring. Learn more from the MDC online Field Guide at [nature.mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/field-guide/flowering-dogwood](http://nature.mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/field-guide/flowering-dogwood).

Spring is a great time to plant trees. The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) encourages Missourians to celebrate the value of Missouri trees and forests during Arbor Days in April

by planting native trees and practicing proper tree care. This year's Missouri Arbor Day is Friday, April 2. Missouri has been observing the state's official Arbor Day on the first Friday in April since 1886 when the General Assembly declared that day be set aside for the appreciation and planting of trees. National Arbor Day is recognized on the last Friday of April, which is April 30 for 2021. Missouri forests cover about one-third of the state and provide outdoor recreation, wildlife habitat, natural beauty, jobs, timber for many wood products, and much more. Spending time in Missouri woods and forests can also provide health benefits. Exposure to nature contributes to physical well-being, reduces blood pressure and heart rate, relieves stress, and boosts energy levels. Trees also work to help our wallets, our families, our communities, our environment, and

our economy. Learn more at [mdc.mo.gov/forest](http://mdc.mo.gov/forest). Get information on backyard tree care – including types of trees for urban and other landscapes, selecting the right tree for the right place, planting tips, watering and pruning info, and more -- at [mdc.mo.gov/tree-health](http://mdc.mo.gov/tree-health). MDC's George O. White Join MDC, the Forest and

Woodland Association of Missouri, and partners for a special online talk Friday, April 30, from 4 - 4:30 p.m. The presentation, called "National Arbor Day Favorite Trees," will help homeowners and other tree enthusiasts learn about trees, the roles of trees in people's lives, and how to plant and care for them. Visit [forestandwoodland.org/arbor-month](http://forestandwoodland.org/arbor-month) for more information and to register for the presentation. For more information on Arbor Day and Missouri's Tree City USA communities, visit the Arbor Day Foundation at [arborday.org](http://arborday.org).

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Monday, May 3, 2021 • 10:00 AM

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**Pickup:** 2015 Chevy 2500 HD, crew cab, auto, 4x2, new 5th wheel hitch, 168xxx miles. **Camper:** 2007 Jay Flight 24.5 RBS 5th wheel w/lg living room/kitchen slide. (Very nice). **Auto:** 2006 Cadillac DTS, V8 NorthStar, sunroof, leather loaded, only 120xxx miles (nice car). **Mower:** Cub Cadet XT1, LT 50", 24 hp, hydrostat riding mower. **Tools:** Black Maxx 60 gal upright, 220, 5hp air compressor – creeper, reciprocating saw – ext cords – skil saw – misc sm power tools – lg hoist – tool chest – sawhorses – misc long handle tools – bench grinder – vice – asst hand tools – misc clamps – shop shelving. **Furniture & Appliances:** ant dresser w/folding mirror – old padded rocking chair – sm what knot cabinet – full size bed – bamboo sofa & matching chair – sm entry bench – old dresser w/mirror & drop ends – quilt rack – misc end tables – arm chairs – chair & ottoman – sofa & matching love seat both w/dual recliners – buffet – several metal file cabinets – wood bench – leather love seat – bamboo end tables – director chairs – lg wood TV stand cabinet – portable wet bar – floor lamps & misc table lamps – bakers rack – porcelain top table – misc throw rugs – queen bed – corner shelf – stickley style book case – coat rack – night stand – cedar chest – prayer bench – executive cherry wood desk – misc office chairs – rocker/recliner – sm folding table – armoire – gate leg table & 2 chairs – 6 dining chairs – cabinet stereo – sm flat screen TV – card table & 4 chairs – old Zenith stereo w/turn table & speakers – lots of pictures, wall hangings & home décor. **Patio Furniture:** wrought iron patio set – patio gliders – sm patio table – park bench. **Appliances:** Whirlpool side by side refrigerator/freezer – Kenmore trash compactor – Samsung matching washer & dryer – sm Kenmore refrigerator/freezer – sm Roper elec cook stove – Oster microwave. **Antiques & Collectibles:** Ant coal hod – oil lamps – costume jewelry – misc glassware – ant school desk – old wood rocking chair – library table. **Household & Misc:** Nordic Track Summit 4500X treadmill- Schwinn 170 exercise bike – misc wood & metal cabinets – misc bedding – patio fire pit – artificial trees – Martin bird houses – luggage – lg wreath – misc handicap items – HP copier – elec typewriter – misc paint & cleaners – yard ornaments, crane, bird baths, porch lanterns, etc – elec fireplace – misc kitchen ware – many more items not listed. **Real Estate:** Large 5 bedroom 3 bath home. 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# Cars & Coffee: a new social opportunity in Cassville



Sheila Harris

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In a social gathering called Cassville Cars & Coffee, vehicles owners and the general public are invited to gather in the parking lot of the Aquatic Center in Cassville.

"It's strictly a community social event," organizer James Crim, of Cassville, said. "There's no charge to bring your vehicle, and there will be

no prizes handed out. It's just a great opportunity to show off whatever vehicle you might be proud of."

Crim said he got the idea for the planned monthly gathering from a friend in Tennessee who hosts a similar event.

The crew from Emmy's Lemonade Stand will be on site to sell coffee.

Crim said Cars & Coffee plans to gather the third Saturday morning of every month until winter sets in.

"Bring whatever kind of vehicle you're proud of," Crim said, "whether it's a car, truck, motorcycle, or even a camper."



## RICHTER from 1B

"Sara told me our tag numbers are five digits long. I assumed that I had made a mistake in recording his information, so I called him to get the correct number," Yasger said. "He told me, no, the number was 777 and there was an S in front of the number. I knew that wasn't a tag from our current project."

The still-legible words "Cons. Dept." on the tag's pitted surface showed this was an MDC tag and indicated this tag could have been the work of former MDC Fisheries Biologist Kim Graham, who tagged many paddlefish in the 1980s and early '90s.

"I had very little tag information from Table Rock, so I reached out to (MDC Table Rock Fisheries Biologist) Shane Bush in the hopes that he had some old records,"

Yasger said. "Luckily, he found what we needed."

Bush's search through old records revealed Graham had placed Tag S-777 on a paddlefish at Table Rock in March, 1990. The size Graham recorded for that fish – 49 pounds, 40 inches in length – made Richter's catch even more interesting. Those dimensions indicated this fish had been part of MDC's initial stockings of 84,159 paddlefish fingerlings into Table Rock in the 1970s.

MDC's paddlefish stocking at Table Rock that took place from 1972-77 was part of the agency's strategy to maintain this unique fishing opportunity in Missouri. MDC biologists knew the construction of Harry S. Truman Dam in the early 1970s would block the paddle-

fish spawning migrations that occurred annually out of Lake of the Ozarks and would flood the paddlefish's spawning grounds on the Osage River near Osceola. If "spoonbill" snagging was to continue in Missouri, the state's paddlefish population would have to be sustained from fish raised at MDC hatcheries.

It was speculated that, if a paddlefish population could be established at Table Rock through stockings of hatchery-raised fish, it would provide clear evidence that MDC could maintain paddlefish numbers at Lake of the Ozarks and Truman through annual stockings, as well. These efforts would also create a paddlefish snagging opportunity at Table Rock.

"Shane and I talked and,

after looking at the stocking records and based on the size of this fish when it was tagged in March of 1990, we determined it had to be from the original stocking of 1972-77," Yasger said. "That makes the fish 44-49 years old when Joe Richter harvested it." In addition to being a unique find, Yasger said this is a good indicator that MDC's paddlefish management methods are working.

"Paddlefish at Table Rock – actually at all three reservoirs (Table Rock, Lake of the Ozarks, Truman) – are thriving," she said. "They have good growth rates, are healthy, and are in good condition." Today, Table Rock receives paddlefish stockings

in most years. (Natural reproduction of paddlefish has been recorded in some areas of the state, but the bulk of Missouri's paddlefish population is maintained through hatchery-raised fish.)

Richter's tag reporting had meaning to Yasger that went beyond growth rates and stocking numbers. She worked with Graham in her early years with MDC and has great respect for the now-deceased biologist.

"Kim Graham and the other biologists before us laid the groundwork for paddlefish management in Missouri," she said. "Thanks to all of their work, we have a thriving paddlefish population in our reservoirs for

snaggers to enjoy today. I was fortunate to work with Kim on paddlefish before he retired. It is special to me to know that fish he tagged are still out there and occasionally, we get tags from his work that allow us to learn more about these amazing fish."

She said Missouri's paddlefish snaggers also deserve credit for the state's spoonbill success.

"Thanks to all the snaggers for reporting their tagged fish," she said. "We owe a lot to the snaggers for working with us and reporting their tagged fish. We work together to learn and to keep snagging great in Missouri."

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