

Fresh flowers: from one mother for others

Sheila Harris

Nothing says Mother's Day quite like flowers, and, deep in Thomas Hollow, a mother is providing them.

While most people don't think of flower beds and cut flowers when "farming" is mentioned, Liz Wardlaw began Gardenia Farm Flowers with exactly that vision in

mind.

With marketing experience to her credit and a love for flowers learned from her grandmother, Wardlaw began researching the possibilities of flower farming long before any soil was turned.

"I learned there was a demand for flowers grown without pesticides," Wardlaw

said. "Florists also liked the idea of having a local flower farm. For them, it would mean being able to access a wider variety of much fresher flowers than anything they could get from growers outside of the area."

Wardlaw and her husband Ben broke ground on Gardenia Farm Flowers in 2015

and haven't looked back.

"That first year, we planted three 150-foot rows with zinnias, dahlias and asters," Wardlaw said. "My goal was to cut and deliver fresh, organically grown flowers to florists within a 60-mile radius."

See FLOWERS 11A



Above, Liz Wardlaw, of Gardenia Farm Flowers in Thomas Hollow, displays a bundle of the peonies, which are making their seasonal debut on the farm.

Mason Lowe PBR Memorial Event Returns to Cassville



Mason Lowe

To honor a fallen friend, 40 of the top athletes in the sport of bull riding will return to Bill Hailey Arena in Cassville on Saturday, May 8, for the second annual Ridin' with Mason Lowe Invitational, a PBR (Professional Bull Riders) Touring Pro Division event.

Mason Lowe, an Exeter native, passed away on Janu-

ary 15, 2019, as a result of injuries sustained during a PBR event at the Denver Coliseum.

To celebrate his career and dedication to the sport, the bull riders, in collaboration with Lowe's closest friends and family, will pay tribute to the young athlete by do-

See LOWE 5A

CMS Lady Wildcats Win First Conference Title

The Cassville Middle School Softball Team won the Big 8 Conference Tournament, making this the first for the organization during ten years of play.

The Wildcats went 3-0 on the weekend with outstanding offensive and defensive contributions from all teammates.

The team went 9-2 for the season, finishing with an overall record of 12-2 and the #2 seed for the Big 8 Conference Tournament. Of the two losses, the first one was against Ozark, who went on to win the Central Ozark Conference Tournament. The second loss was to Marshfield early in the sea-

son.

The loss to Marshfield was only the Wildcats' second conference game, which ended with a score of 4-0. After the loss to Marshfield, the team got in a groove and went on to finish the season with ten straight wins.

The Championship game was a match-up against the #1 seed, Marshfield.

"These girls were looking to redeem themselves," stated Head CMS Softball Coach, Kristi Pinckard. "After a hard-fought battle, the Wildcats came up victorious, beating Marshfield 5-3."

The Wildcats jumped

See SOFTBALL 10A



Shown above are members of the winning team: bottom row (lying down): Kyler Hayward, Kalee Lowe; middle row: Kennedy Truman, Mikayla Manwarren, Kyla Bowling, Aubrey Stoufer, Elly Ramaeker, Tyra Sturgell, Isabella Rodriguez Muise, Manager Carlee Mitchell; top row: Coach Kristi Pinckard, Ava Hinson, Isabella Dunbar, Hailey Bryan, Rylee Quinlan, Neveah Johnson, Logan Marple, Kaylyn Weiser, Aleigha Bryan, Kierstan Fare, Coach Shawn Trent, Langston Mitchell, Coach Lindsey Halterman.

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The Color of Hope



Above, Janice McCracken (left) walked with her daughter, Cassie Crouch, and granddaughters, Brimley and Raeley Crouch, in a past Power of Pink Walk in Wheaton.

Adrienne Quiros-Zucca

Janice McCracken, of Fairview, was traveling with her husband, a rodeo clown, when she discovered "Tough Enough to Wear Pink," a series of pink jeans and shirts sold by Wrangler, a manufacturing company that sells rodeo apparel.

The shirts helped raise breast cancer awareness, benefited local hospitals, and funded equipment to help find a treatment for breast cancer. McCracken was inspired by the goal and decided to support their cause; however, McCracken wanted to make her efforts more personal.

She organized her first "Pink Night" at a rodeo in

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Barry County Youth Camp returns in June

The rolling hills of the Mark Twain National Forest missed the wonderful sounds of children laughing and playing last summer due to Covid 19. This year brought new challenges to the Barry County Youth Camp Committee but they have found a way to pull off the 55th year of BCYC after a lot of discussion and work.

Barry County Youth Camp will start June 1, 2021, and go through June 4, 2021, at Roaring River State park. The theme for camp this year is "Summer Olympics," and Barry County children ages 10 and 11 years old, recommended by their school counselors, will have the opportunity to attend this year. The campers will partake in a variety of activities including crafts, games and more.

Committee members are collecting items for campers including summer clothes, bath towels, twin-sized light weight blankets and more. Monetary donations are also accepted. Those wanting to help who shop Amazon.com may donate to the camp under the charitable donations tab "Barry County Youth Camp." Items collected locally can be dropped off at Bill Willis' garage located in Monett at 8th and Broadway or you can contact Sarah Pfitzner-Mindack at 417-236-4779 to make arrangements for drop offs or pickups.

Things at Barry County Youth Camp will be different

this year due to Covid-19, CDC guidelines and State of Missouri guidelines.

The camp is limited in the number of children they can accept so that they will be in compliance with CDC social distancing guidelines. The camp will be taking temperatures before campers load the bus to travel to camp, as well as a thorough screening upon their arrival. There will be daily temperature checks and any child experiencing symptoms of illness will be sent home. There will be two waivers this year for parents to sign, a Covid-19 waiver and an insurance release.

Barry County Youth Camp staff are as follows: Sarah Pfitzner-Mindack, Camp Director, Nick Steele, Assistant Director, Courtney Pfitzner, RN, Greg Davis, Melvin Casper and Josh Osterloh will be the cooks and Kami Willis and Kim Hall will be in charge of craft projects.

The camp is operated through the donations of local businesses, merchants, civic groups and individuals. No government funding is received by organizers of this event. The four day camp is free to local children. Average cost of one child attending camp is \$150. Monetary contributions to support the camp may be mailed to: BCYC PO Box 254, Monett, MO 65708. To make donations or for more information on the Barry County Youth Camp, you may call Jane James at 417-235-3580.

Two campgrounds open, fishing resumes at Roaring River State Park



Shown above, a view of Campground 3 (facing east) the day after the April 28 flood at Roaring River State Park.



Shown above, a view of Campground 3 (facing southwest) at Roaring River State Park after the campground reopened, five days after the April 28 flood.

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Campgrounds 1 and 3 at Roaring River State Park have reopened to the public after the clean-up of debris left by the Wednesday, April 28, flood. Officials are hoping to reopen Campground 2 by Thursday, May 6.

All fishing zones are now open from 6:30 a.m. - 8:15 p.m.

According to the U.S. Geological Survey website, water discharge rates at the Roaring River gage rose from a daily average of 80 cubic feet per second the week prior to the flood, to 10,000 cubic feet per second during the April 28 flood. That rate

has since diminished.

"No fish were lost at the hatchery during the flood," Spurgeon said Thursday, "but we may see a higher mortality rate among the fish during the coming days as a result of the muddy water conditions."

Spurgeon credits the recently completed hatchery renovations with the staff's ability to keep all of the fish safe.

Spurgeon hesitates to call Wednesday's flood "historic."

"Every flood is unique depending on rainfall rate, water velocity, and the direction the water comes from," he said.

"Flood waters typically come from one of two direc-

tions," Spurgeon explained, "either from the canyon behind (to the north of) the hatchery, or down Dry Hollow which bisects Highway 112 to the south of the hatchery. If the flood comes from just one of those directions, we call it 'one-prong.' With this flood, water came from both directions and was what we call a 'two-prong flood,' which inevitably affects the south end of the park (Campgrounds 2 and 3).

Roaring River Park Su-

perintendent, Joel Topham, said water did get into the main camp office with this flooding event, with water coming from Roaring River Hollow, Piburn Hollow and Dry Creek. Campgrounds 1, 2 and 3 were evacuated. No injuries were reported, although vehicles and camping equipment were affected.

Park officials are still asking for volunteers for continuing clean-up work. Those willing to help may call 417-847-2539.

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Cassville PR-IN-Middle:

Mon: B: biscuit and gravy or oatmeal/toast, sausage, mandarin oranges or cereal, pop tart, peaches L: country steak or pork chopette, corn, potatoes/gravy, fruit cocktail. Tues: B: biscuit and gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, graham crackers, fruit cocktail. L: hotdog or hamburger, BBQ chips, green beans, sidekicks. Wed: biscuit and gravy or breakfast burrito, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, toast, pears. L: sloppy joe or pork rib sandwich, potato wedge, pinto beans, peaches Thurs: B: Biscuits and gravy or pancake on a stick, go-gurt, tropical fruit or cereal, PB and J, fruit snacks. L: spaghetti or chicken alfredo, salad, broccoli and cheese, breadstick, juice. Fri: B: Biscuits and gravy or strawberry bagel, yogurt cups, fruit cocktail or cereal, pop tart, pears. L: corndog or fish sticks, mac and cheese, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges.

Purdy:

Mon: B: Breakfast Pizza; Fruit L: Mandarin Chicken; Brown Rice; California Blend; Fruit Tues: B: wg biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, fruit. L: Spaghetti/Meat Sauce; Romaine/Tomato; Ranch; WW Breadstick; Fruit. Wed: B: Mini Waffles; Syrup; Go-Gurt; Fruit. L: Chicken Tenders; French Fries; Fruit. Thurs: B: Omelet; Toast; Fruit. L: WG Pepperoni Pizza; Romaine/Tomato; Ranch; Fruit. Fri: B: Apple Cinnamon Oatmeal Rounds; Fruit. L: Hamburger; Lettuce/Tomato; Dill Pickles; Celery Sticks; Peanut Butter; Sun Chips; Fruit.

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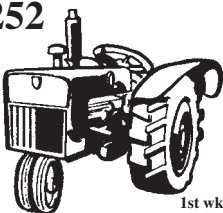
Mon: B: breakfast sausage pizza, peaches, juice, assorted milk. L: salisbury steak/gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, pears, milk. Tues: B: french toast sticks, pears, jice, assorted milk. L: corn dog, macaroni and cheese, peas, peaches, milk. Wed: B: Cinnamon roll, grapes, juice, assorted milk. L: pizza, peppperoni, romaine salad, applesauce cup, yogurt cup, milk. Thurs: B: mini pancakes, mandarin oranges, juice, assorted milk. L: chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, corn, pineapple, milk. Fri: B: ham and hashbrown sandwich, grapes, juice, assorted milk. L: cheeseburger, lettuce and tomato, pickles, dill chips, grapes, milk.

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Notice:

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

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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The Helping Hands Food Pantry services the citizens of Eagle Rock, Golden and Mano

and is open from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. every Saturday and Tuesday, and also 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month. Questions for the pantry can be answered by calling 417-271-1301 or visiting at 32685 State Hwy. 86 in Eagle Rock. (Just 1/4 mile east of the Hwy. P intersection). The pantry is supported by area churches, business associations and private donations.

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.

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May 7

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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 Barth, Whitney Fridley.

Jenkins Bridge Duck Race Fundraiser

will be held on Saturday, May 8, 2021, with the first race beginning at 2 P.M. There will be live music, prizes and concessions. Located on Hwy O.

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.cassvillecruisers.com.

May 13

Barry County Health Department

will be holding a COVID-19 Moderna vaccination opportunity at the Cassville office on Thursday, May 13, 2021. Please call 417-847-2114 to sign up to get vaccinated and for times available. They will also have COVID-19 J&J vaccine available for those interested.

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.

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Fundraising efforts to save the Jenkins Bridge continue



The Jenkins Bridge, built in 1909, is a popular recreational area on State Highway O in eastern Barry County.

Sheila Harris

The Barry County Commission has given a group of concerned residents a pending deadline to come up with funds for much-needed repairs to the Jenkins Bridge on State Highway O before it faces possible demolition.

Due to its deteriorating condition, the bridge over Flat Creek in Jenkins was closed to traffic in 2018 as the result of a state mandate, although it is still used as a warm-weather recreation spot for area residents and creek-goers. Its condition, though, could at some point pose a hazard to pedestrians if repairs are not made.

Denise Prisk, the Secretary/Treasurer of "Save The Jenkins Bridge" (a 501c3 organization formed to raise money for the repairs) says the group paid Anderson Engineering, of Monett, to conduct a site survey and provide a cost estimate for the proj-

ect.

“They told us it would cost anywhere from \$200,000 to \$300,000, depending on what type of renovations we’d like done,” Prisk said. “However, they did say they’d accept an initial first year’s deposit of \$40,000, in order to begin work.”

Prisk says they've currently raised about half of that amount.

"We had one recent donation of \$10,000 given by an anonymous donor, who arranged it through Landon Fletcher of First State Bank," she said.

The remaining funds, Prisk says, are the result of a previous fundraiser and one grant they've received so far. Other grant applications are pending review.

Prisk said they faced difficulty hosting fundraisers last year due to COVID-related closures.

“We just formed the “Save

The Jenkins Bridge” non-profit group in 2019 and only had time for one fundraiser before things shut down,” she said.

According to MoDOT's website, Missouri has approximately 25,000 bridges on state, county and city roads. In 1996, a Historic Bridge Inventory was done for approximately 11,000 bridges constructed through 1951. Of these, 399 were considered to be possibly eligible, eligible or listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and were included on the first Missouri Historic Bridge List. That eligibility is currently being reassessed, according to the site.

Prisk says there are many requirements for a bridge to be registered as historic.

"Specific renovations are required for a bridge to achieve that protected status," she said. "At this point, we're still looking at options."

A second fundraiser to save the Jenkins Bridge is planned for this Saturday, beginning at 2 p.m. at the bridge on Highway O, in Jenkins. Duck races will be the featured attraction, with ducks available for adoption - one for \$5 or three for \$10.

Musicians will be welcomed, Prisk says.

"We're inviting everyone to bring their lawn chairs, enjoy the scenery and have a good time," she said.

ing what he loved to do at the outdoor arena nearest his hometown.

“Everyone in the community knew Mason, or knew of him, and his kindness toward others,” said event co-producer Stu Crowe. “When we started planning a memorial event back in 2019, it was really important to us that we created an event that had a hometown feel to it and gave not only the local community a way to celebrate his life but for everyone Mason impacted on the road and at PBR to as well.”

The night will feature names that resonate with bull riding fans worldwide, including Chase Dougherty, Austin Richardson, Kyle Jones, Andrew Alvidrez, Dakota Louis, Gage Gay, Matt Triplett, Brady Sims and many more. In addition, a handful of youth competitors will join in on the night's action as they ride miniature-sized bulls at intermission with the help of their idols in the sport.

World-class bovines will challenge the talented cowboys as they compete at the annual tribute event. Stock Contractors will include:

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- Lucas Cattle & Bucking Bulls (Forrest Lucas / Wheatland, Missouri)
- New Generation Rodeo Co. (Cline Hall / Ash Flat, Arkansas)
- Sho-Me Rodeo (Joe Anderson / Buffalo, Missouri)
- 5G Farms (Russ Gant / West Plains, Missouri)

Lucas Teodoro and Noah Krepps alongside Evan Allard will keep the cowboys safe eight seconds at a time on the dirt while barrel-man Josh “Porkchop” Garrick keeps fans entertained and announcer Matt West lends his voice to the evening’s rides and scores. Safety-man and event co-producer Stu Crowe will be on horseback in the arena.

The bull riding action begins at 7 p.m. CST on Saturday, May 8, with gates open-

ing at 5 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Bill Hailey Arena gate upon entry and will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under.

Thanks to the generosity of title sponsors and support of the attendees, all proceeds from the event will be donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Lowe's name.

The inaugural tribute event was held in May of 2019 and raised \$15,000 for St Jude. However, due to COVID-19 restrictions in the state of Missouri, the 2020 event was canceled.

Each rider will face one bull during Round 1 before the 10 riders with the highest scores advance to the championship round. The overall event winner will be the rider who has earned the most points over two rides.

The Touring Pro Division of PBR allows riders to earn points toward qualifying for the premier tour or adding to their existing world points rank.

For more information and event updates, please visit the Ridin' With Mason Lowe Facebook Page.

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Jalynn Moore
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Moore awarded DAR scholarship



Shown above, left to right, are: Maella Blalock, Regent of The Daughters of The American Revolution (DAR); and Laney Moore, DAR Scholarship Award Winner from Southwest High School.

The Monett Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution was pleased to award certificates and scholarship checks to local high school award winners on Saturday, April 13th. The Alexander McNair Chapter contacted seven area high schools to nominate one outstanding young senior, who exhibits the qualities of good citizenship in their home, school, and communities.

Four area schools selected students who have demonstrated dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism. Three of the students also competed in the DAR state-wide essay competition, writing about our American heritage and our responsibility for preserving it. They focused on "How do the combined actions of so many

good citizens keep our nation moving forward?"

Award winners are: Aubrie Graham, Exeter High School; Laney Moore, Southwest High School; Audrey Lowe, Purdy High School; and Dakota Birchfield, Wheaton High School.

Laney Moore and her family attended the ceremony. Laney was presented with a certificate, pin and scholarship check. Members were amazed at Laney's poise and confidence, confiding that the essay judges had given her essay the highest marks possible.

Laney will be attending the University of Arkansas, where she will study agriculture.

Additionally Alexander McNair welcomed another

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Letter to The Editor



The Exeter High School baseball team

Dear Editor,

Anthony Cowan is a 15-year old-boy who has Down Syndrome. He's also my grandson. Having DS doesn't slow Anthony down much, and he's a big fan of baseball. He spends hours watching baseball videos.

Last year Anthony moved to Exeter with his dad and grandparents. He was just starting to get used to his new school and teachers when the corona virus stopped everything

Anthony really struggled

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Elizabeth Ray

On April 28, Madison (Maddie) Bowyer signed for her dream.

For 15 seasons, Maddie has fallen more and more in love with the game of soccer. Starting with Cassville YMCA and ending on the Cassville High School Girls Soccer Team, she has worked tirelessly on her craft.

In high school, Maddie decided she wanted to go on and continue to play in college. Bowyer, along with coach Jake Forste, began the process of getting her film to college coaches.

Finally, Maddie made her choice: St.Charles Community College in Cottleville, Missouri. In the fall, Bowyer will attend the college, where she plans to study Physical Therapy. She wants to continue both her athletic and academic careers.

When asked what piece of advice she would give her teammates, Bowyer replied, "Just continue to grind. It gets tough, but it is all worth it in the end."

Maddie, herself, truly lives out this statement. This season has not gone as planned for the young athlete. Bowyer began the season in a promising position: truly being seen as a threat-in her starting forward role. However, on April 5, Bowyer took a wrong step and fractured her

Bowyer signs to play soccer



Shown above, Madison Bowyer (center) basks in the limelight, surrounded by teammates and coaches. Left to right are, back row: Coach Evan Stubblefield, Landry Parnell, Emmerson Grossman, Rachel Steinman, Manager Carson Whittemire, Coach Jake Forste; next row: Natalia Luna, Audrey Gosvener, Audrey Goutney, Emilee Mann, Jasmine Brown, Dulce Rivera, Dorene Garner, Scotland Richardson; seated: Elizabeth Ray, Sadie Reuter, Madison Bowyer, Olivia Holman, Jhandi Shears; front row: Suzi Perez, Kalsie Murphy, Gracie Harmon, Kaylynn Wilson, Christina Marlowe.

left leg.

"The moment was terrifying. I have never heard anyone wail like that. And to see Maddie, as tough as she is, in that much pain, we knew it had to be bad," said Maddie's teammates.

Even in the face of this adversity, Maddie has battled through, listening to her doctors and taking precautions to keep her dream alive.

Bowyer would like to thank her teammates, past

and present, coaches, and parents for always supporting her and having her back.

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new member to their DAR Chapter. Joining them is Karen Blankenship, from Shell Knob. The chapter meets on the second Saturday of the month at the First United Methodist Church in Monett.

On May 8, the chapter will have a showing of heritage quilts and learn about their role in our American heritage. The public is welcome to view quilts or to bring their own to display.

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CATHERINE CLARA LEGGITT

Catherine Clara Leggitt (Williams) born in April of 1949, in Oakland, CA, passed away April 24, 2021, in St. Louis. Cathy was a woman who loved the Lord and loved her family dearly.

An adventurous, beautiful, creative, kind, and generous Wife, Mother and Grandmother, Cathy saw every day as a precious gift not to be taken for granted. Raised in Oceanside, CA, on a farm, she always had a love for learning and had the gift of music. Singing in her church for Sunday services as a teenager was commonplace. Married after high school, she raised two daughters and helped raise a step-son. She pursued her teaching degree and earned a Masters in Education in 1980. She then taught 2nd grade and was treasured by her students. She left teaching to care for her parents, and after they passed, she began to write and excelled at it.

She published 5 books in Christian fiction, ghost wrote one book, and was included in a compilation of writings from many authors.

Having a lifelong love for God, she used her teaching gifts for His purposes and was a Children's Supervisor and Discussion Leader in Bible Study Fellowship. Always seeking to improve herself, she made a dietary commitment to improve healthy eating and joined Food Addicts. Her dedication, love, and service to other food addicts was a resource and inspiration. Cathy loved traveling, reading, and spending time with family. She resided in California most of her life, having moved to Missouri to be close to her family in 2020. She was an awesome woman and we are so grateful for time with her.

Preceding her in death were her adoptive parents Richard and Dessie Williams of San Luis Rey, CA, and her birth mother Deloris Rogers of Eatonville, WA, and her half-brother Wayne Walker of Cocoa, FL. She is survived by her husband of 34 years Robert Leggitt of Eagle Rock; children Jule Doodnath and Deborah Anderson of Columbia, and Jason Leggitt of Woodbridge, CA; seven grandchildren: Kathleen Wright, Joseph Anderson, Olivia Anderson, James Anderson, and Remi Doodnath of Columbia; Luke Leggitt

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and Jolie Leggitt of Woodbridge, CA. She is also survived by siblings Florenza Krnich of Rancho Santa Fe, CA, Toni Deaville of Newcastle, OK, Robert Walker of Norman, OK, Patricia Little of Eatonville, WA, Daniel Walker of Marlow, OK, and David Jagers of Barstow, CA.

Memorial service will be held May 8, 2021, at 1pm at GracePoint Church, 801 South Lower Sacramento Road, Lodi, CA. Local arrangements under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

Visit fohnfuneralhome.com for online obituaries, guestbook and private condolences.

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WILLIAM ROBERT PRIER

William Robert Prier, 69, of Sarcoxie, passed away April 25, 2021. He was born September 21, 1951. William had eight siblings: John, Donald, Ronnie, Jean, Patty, Nancy, Susie and Cindy. Also, one child, Melissa Bar-chak; one grandchild, Sasha Gomez; two great grandchildren, Brayleigh Taylor and Adrian Gomez; long-time girlfriend of 38 years until her death in 2015, Lola Herod.

No services are planned at this time. Cremation is in the care of Holden Cremation and Funeral Service, Sparta.



KENTLY ROYLE ELLIS

Kently Royle Ellis, 55, of Washburn, died April 29, 2021, at his home.

He was born January 14, 1966, in Bentonville, Ark., to Jimmy Royle Ellis and Connie Lee Keene Ellis. He worked road construction, enjoyed farming, cattle and horses, unsweet tea, being outdoors, his grandchildren, old western movies, Gunsmoke and Tombstone, farm shows and never met a stranger.

He is preceded in death by his mother .

Survivors are his wife, Lora Ellis, of Bentonville, Ark.; his father, Jim Ellis of Bentonville, Ark.; three sons Lloyd Ellis and wife Sarah of Gentry, Ark., James Barnett and wife Shaquanda of Centerton, Ark., William Barnett and wife Brittany of Kansas, OK., two daughters Kelsey Burns and husband Ryan of Meridan, Idaho, Kaylen Ellis and fiance Josiah Starr of Centerton; a sister Lana Patter-son of Bentonville; eight grandchildren.

Funeral is set for 2:00p.m. Saturday, May 8, 2021, at Washburn First Baptist Church. Arrangements are

by Sisco Funeral Home, in Pea Ridge. No visitation. Burial will be at Dent Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made at siscofuneralhome.net

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LINDA SUE COLLIN

Linda Sue Collin, 61, of Exeter, passed away on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at Lee Summit Medical Center in Lee Summit. Mrs. Collin, daughter of Kenneth and Barbara (Miles) Ruark, was born on June 4, 1959, in Washburn. She was a 1979 Southwest High School graduate. On June 31, 2000, she was united in marriage to William "Bill" Collin, at the Washburn Church of Christ. They shared a love like no other and spent every minute together. Linda lived her life to the fullest and had a great sense of humor. She enjoyed quilting, loved animals, and her granddaughter, Ansley was her pride and joy. Linda was a member of the Monett Church of Christ and will be greatly missed by many.

Survivors include her husband, Bill Collin, of Exeter; one son, Jeremy Ruark, of Denver, Colorado; her granddaughter, Ansley Ruark; her parents, Kenneth and Barbara Ruark, of Exeter; two brothers, Steve Ruark, of Claremore, Oklahoma, and Jerry Ruark and his wife Tarrie, of Washburn; two sisters, Janie Siefken and her husband Robert, of Ozark, and Ruth Coonce and her husband Pat, of Garfield, Arkansas; and several nieces and nephews.

Linda was preceded in death by her sister in-law, Judy Ruark.

Memorial services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at the Monett Church of Christ with Minister Deny Lemaster officiating.

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

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RICHARD WAYNE "RICK" NORRIS

Richard Wayne "Rick" Norris, 61, of Cassville, passed away Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at Cox Medical Center South in Springfield.

He was born July 30, 1959, in Bellevue, Ohio, the son of Richard Allen "Dick" and Barbara (Voltz) Norris. On February 26, 1982, in Miami, Oklahoma, he was united in marriage to Stacy Rose, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Tyler Smith and his wife Rachel and Richie Norris and his wife Guila all of Cassville; three brothers, Mike Norris of Wakefield, England, Steve Norris of Freistatt, and Eddie Norris of Fairland, Oklahoma; one sister, Teri Martin and her husband Doug of Cromwell, Indiana, and eight grandchildren, Logan, Cameron, Cadyn, Cashis, Cash, Abbie, Ricky and Allie.

Preceding him in death were his parents and one sister, Joni Wherling.

Rick grew up and received his education in Clyde, Ohio, graduating from Clyde High School. After graduating he moved to this area where he was employed as plant manager at EFCO in Monett, for eighteen years. Later he worked in York, Pennsylvania. When he returned to this area he worked as a manager at ASI in Monett, and later worked as an operations manager at WinTech from

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Route 37 and add a center turn lane. The work is part of a larger project to make improvements along Hwy. 37 between Monett and the Missouri/Arkansas state line.

Crowder College Softball earns top seed in 16

The Crowder College Roughrider Softball team earned the Region 16 top seed in the tournament by capping the regular season 45-6 and ranked #14 in NJCAA Division I polls. The team earned a first round bye and then will continue play starting May 7 at Jefferson College. Region 16 team rankings for the tournament are as follows:

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early, taking the lead 2-1 in the first inning. Neither team scored in the second inning, but in the third, the Wildcats took off, earning three runs and causing a pitching change for Marshfield. After Marshfield earned one run in the bottom of the third inning, neither team scored again, and the game became a true, pitching duel. Aubrey Stoufer (Pitcher), led the Wildcats to their 5-3 win, only allowing one hit in the last two innings of the game.

"The Wildcats' season ended with their Big 8 Tournament win, but we are excited to move forward and start preparing for next season," said Coach Pinckard. "I will be relocating to Oklahoma next year to be with family; however, Shawn Trent will continue serving as a coach for the CMS softball team."

See PINK from FRONT

2010. Then, in 2011, McCracken put together the first annual Walk and Run. Since that event, more and more people have participated and helped support Janice McCracken and the Power of Pink, within the local area. Over the course of ten years, the Power of Pink Foundation has raised nearly a quarter of a million dollars (\$239,672.07, to be exact)

for 36 local women battling breast cancer. For the 11th annual Power of Pink (POP) fundraiser coming up, the foundation plans to support three local recipients: Dawn Barthä, of Monett, Whitney Fridley, of Joplin, and Ruth Primrose, of Cassville.

On May 7, a dinner with the beneficiaries, featuring guest speakers, will be served at 6 p.m., followed by a live auction to benefit the walk. The dinner and auction will be held at the Fairview Community Building. The next day, on May 8, a walk, run, and second auction and will take place in Wheaton City Park at 8 a.m. Registration for the walk will begin at 8 a.m. The auction will be held at 8:30 a.m., with the walk to follow. McCracken, who has organized the Power of Pink Walk for the past 11 years,

hopes the number of participants this year will be more than in the past. "I'm hoping that the Power of Pink grows bigger every year and that more people get involved," says McCracken. "In the ten years we've done this, we've helped 36 local women in the four-state area. We've raised nearly a quarter of a million dollars. All I can say is, come get involved and help the Power of Pink support local women." According to McCracken, those who would like to participate in the fundraiser can sign up for the walk, buy a t-shirt, or create a goody basket or donate money or items for the auction. For more information, go to www.powerofpinkmo.com, where there will also be a link to register for the walk. "Signing up and registering goes a long way," said McCracken.

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“My goal is to plant as many varieties of flowers as possible, in as small amount of space as possible,” Liz Wardlaw said. “It’s like a big science project.

“Our rows are planted nine inches apart, and we practice succession planting. For example, when the narcissus are finished blooming in the spring, we plant sunflower seeds directly on top of them. A week later, we’ll plant more of them.”

According to Wardlaw, sunflowers are a hot seller, so she successively plants 1,000 sunflower seeds every week throughout the growing season.

Another flower Wardlaw can’t seem to grow enough of is the dahlia.

“I sell them as fast as I can grow them right now,” she said. “They’re really popular for wedding bouquets and arrangements.”

Wardlaw has been experimenting with over-wintering dahlia tubers as a way of hastening the availability of the popular blooms.

“In our climate, dahlias are typically grown as annuals,” she said, “so, this past winter, I created an insulated bed for them in hopes they would survive.”

Wardlaw reports they did make it through the winter, a feat difficult to pull off in



Above, Ben and Ruthie Wardlaw prepare to shovel mushroom compost around the emerging spring plants at Gardenia Farm Flowers.

southwest Missouri’s Zone 6B.

Since 2015, Wardlaw has expanded her marketing base to include some 22 retail vendors, a number which she’s always looking to increase.

“I don’t just sell flowers to florists now,” she said. “Several restaurants in northwest Arkansas buy our edible flowers for culinary purposes, and I recently added a northwest Arkansas grocery store to my customer base.

Carey’s Cassville Florist is a regular customer of Gardenia Farm Flowers.

“I can get varieties from Liz that I can’t get anywhere else,” owner Carey Howe said. “Her flowers are so fresh they look like they’ve just been pulled from the ground.”

Wardlaw said 80 to 85 percent of fresh flowers that florists typically receive are imported, which means flowers need to be picked prematurely in order to allow for the necessary shipping time.

“With imported flowers, there’s usually about a 30 percent loss of usable product by the time the flowers arrive at the florist,” she said. “Because I’m a local grower, I can deliver the flowers almost as soon as they’re cut, which reduces the amount of loss.”

In addition to selling her flowers wholesale, Wardlaw vends her blooms at farmers’ markets in northwest Arkansas, and offers flowers by the bucket (grower’s choice) to individuals.

“I also host workshops at different venues in the area for those interested in learning more about flower-growing techniques,” she said.

Growing flowers offers Liz and Ben Wardlaw a perk beyond just the commercial aspect: they are available for their four children, the youngest of whom is named, appropriately, Dahlia.

More information on Gardenia Farm Flowers can be found at www.gardeniafarm-flowers.com and on Facebook.

Cassville boys and girls place second at Monett Invitational

Lee Stubblefield

Both the Monett boys and girls thinclads emerged victorious at the Monett Invitational on Tuesday, April 27. The Ladycubs scored 151, outdistancing Cassville’s second place total of 135. The Cubs took the boys division with 137, and Cassville was second with 111. Twelve different teams scored in each division.

Besides the Big 8 showdown, a number of small school athletes popped into the limelight as the track season rolls into its final month. Southwest’s Travis Sickles ran a 4:33.9 PR to win the 1600m run, and Wheaton’s Chad Meyer won the 200m dash in 23.22 and the javelin with a throw of 43.84 meters.

Cassville boys scorers

- HJ: Peter Littlefield, 1st, 1.78m.
- LJ: David Oliphant, 1st, 6.34m.
- TJ: David Oliphant, 1st, 12.4m.
- Discus: Braden Dickinson, 6th, 32.45m.
- Shot: Brayden Dickinson, 1st, 14.24m
- 4x800m relay: Zane Mebruer, Jacob Martinez, Caleb Leach, Peter Littlefield, 3rd, 9:04.00.
- 100m dash: David Oliph-

ant, 1st, 11.25.

- 4x200m relay: Jeremiah Ewing, Hernan Hernandez, Jake Anthonysz, Bryson Jacobson, 2nd, 1:39.20.
- 1600m run: Pace Evans, 3rd, 4:48.90.
- 4x100m relay: Jeremiah Ewing, Hernan Hernandez, Trey Wilson, Bryson Jacobson, 3rd, 47.65.
- 400m dash: Josh Case, 6th, 58.17.
- 800m run: Zane Mebruer, 5th, 2:13.20.
- 200m dash: Jake Anthonysz, 3rd, 24.43.
- 3200m run: Pace Evans, 3rd, 11:33.30.
- 3200m run: Caleb Leach, 5th, 11:55.00.
- 4x400m relay: Zane Mebruer, Peter Littlefield, Josh Case, Jacob Martinez, 3rd, 3:48.30.

Cassville girls scorers

- HJ: Sharayah Seymour, 2nd, 1.42m.
- PV: Annie Moore, 1st, 2.33m.
- TJ: Riley Morris, 5th, 8.85m
- Discus: Riley Morris, 3rd, 26.22m.
- Discus: Maci Barton, 4th, 22.75m.
- Shot: Kyren Postlewait, 1st, 12.01m.
- Javelin: Kyren Postlewait, 2nd, 33.11m.
- 4x800m relay: Jolie Evans,

Annie Moore, Tori Mitchell, Sheridan Beach, 1st, 11:28.00.

- 100mH: Marianne McCrackin, 2nd, 17.60.
- 100m dash: Hannah Hackler, 2nd, 13.03.
- 100m dash: Kyren Postlewait, 4th, 13.22.
- 4x200m relay: Grace Yocum, Annie Moore, Sharayah Seymour, Habbah Hackler, 2nd, 1:55.10.
- 1600m run: Tori Mitchell, 4th, 6:19.20.
- 4x100m relay: Taitum Groves, Hannah Hackler, Sharayah Seymour, Kyren Postlewait, 2nd, 52.60.
- 400m dash: Taitum Groves, 6th, 1:07.00.
- 300H: Marianne McCrackin, 4th, 51.57.
- 300H: Grace Yocum, 5th, 55.93.
- 800m run: Jolie Evans, 1st, 2:41.40.
- 200m dash: Hannah Hackler, 4th, 27.40.
- 4x400m relay: Jolie Evans, Tori Mitchell, Annie Moore, Marianne McCrackin, 4th, 4:40.90.

Southwest boys scorers

- 4x800m relay: Otis Rainer, Caden Uthe, Christian Long, Robert Humphries, 2nd, 9:01.19.
- 110H: Alejandro Ramirez, 5th, 19.2.

- 1600m run: Travis Sickles, 1st, 4:33.9.
- 400m dash: Caden Uthe, 3rd, 54.46.
- 800m run: Christian Long, 2nd, 2:08.2.

Southwest girls scorers

- 4x400m relay: Harleigh Jester, Abigail Floyd, Olivia Erwin, Alexis Raucstadt, 5:43.0.
- Wheaton boys scorers**
- Javelin: Chad Meyer, 1st, 43.84m.
 - 110H: Zander Dutra, 6th, 20.33.
 - 100m dash: Chad Meyer, 3rd, 11.6.
 - 4x100m relay: TEAM, 6th, 48.6.
 - 400m dash: Zane Johnson, 5th, 57.4.
 - 200m dash: Chad Meyer, 1st, 23.22.

Southwest boys, Galena girls winners at Southwest quad meet

Southwest hosted a rare home track meet on Monday, April 26, a quad meet with Galena, Jasper, and Purdy. Southwest easily won the boys division with 196 points, but Galena squeezed out a 114 to 104 victory in the girls division over the Lady Trojans.

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Ridge Runners 4-H Club volunteers at Haven of The Ozarks




On Sunday, May 2, the Corner Ridge Runners 4-H club, went to Haven of The Ozarks to help clean out and replant a flower bed at the entry way. Eight members were in attendance: Hailey and Dakota Bowen, Langston Mitchell, Kenley Huskey, Aubrey Kilts, and John, Jonah, and Thor Farris.

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Floods can devastate property and have lasting effects on a community. In the aftermath, people might not think about the consequences flooding can have on food. Floodwater often contains sewage or animal waste that could contaminate foods with harmful organisms, said Londa Nwadike, food safety specialist for University of Missouri Extension and Kansas State Research and Extension. Organisms in floodwater might include pathogens like E. coli and salmonella, which can cause foodborne illness.

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Let's talk about high water fishing. Last Tuesday, the water was flowing at 89 CFS(cubic feet per second). Lots of rain Tuesday night and Wednesday morning caused a very large increase in water flow, just a tad over 10,000 CFS. Sunday it was at 208 CFS and will drop a bit each day. The spring and river water is very murky and will probably remain murky for a few weeks. It takes a while to clear.

There's a huge amount of water. The river does flood once in a while, but that was a big one Wednesday. Trout do not get washed to the lake. I'm sure a few trout do get washed to the lake, but the majority of trout don't. They go to the bottom of the hole they're in and wait out the flood; there are usually lots of trout left in the river after the water recedes. Actually, some of the biggest fish of the year are caught after the river comes up big. The trout feed heavily on the critters being pushed into the water by the runoff. Thursday there was no fishing because of the cleanup; Friday the fishing was pretty good.

Most trout were being caught on power-bait products, but a few people were catching trout on rooster tails and marabou jigs. Both were working, but 1/8 rooster tails and 1/8 marabou jigs seemed to be working the best. Yellow, pink, white, and fluorescent yellow power-bait seemed to be working best for rooster tails; black, dark green and fluorescent orange were also good. With marabou jigs, black, dark brown, white, and olive were working well. Friday, we were fishing power-bait with a 1/2 oz. egg-sinker, now we are back to using 1/8 and 1/4 oz. egg-sinkers. We will probably need this much weight until the water gets back to under 150 CFS.

Fly-fishing was okay Friday, but it was tough. Several people did well Friday with mega worms in light cream and in pink. Saturday, most fish were caught on mega worms, again in the light yellow and pink; orange also did pretty well. Several people were using copper-johns as the bottom fly and a black zebra as the top fly; they did pretty good

Fish like a pro! when they could get into an eddy or a slower section of water. Brown, red, dark olive, and orange San Juan worms worked good Friday and Saturday.

The fish seem keen on worms when the river comes up like it did. I can only guess at all the worms that get washed out of the hills into the river. The first hole in Zone 1 clears up first, so if you get to try a dry, that would be the first place to try. It will probably be closer to next weekend before we start seeing much top-water activity. On the fly rod, if you have a sinking line, now is the time to get it out; wooly-buggers and other streamers will work very well right now, especially in zone 2 in some of the deeper longer holes; sometimes when the water is like it is now, a holographic crackle-back will work very well; fished deep and slow, they can be very effective, especially on a cloudy day. It's very easy to get away with a four-pound line on your spinning rod or fly rod right now - maybe even heavier for a few more days - but as soon as the water rate drops to about 150 - 125 CFS, don't use anything heavier than a four pound. After the water rate gets down to 100 CFS and below, a two-pound line will work best.

Good luck enjoy the river.

Food safety after flooding

“Floodwaters might also contain petroleum products such as gasoline and oil, which can cause nausea, vomiting and other short- and long-term effects if consumed in large quantities,” she said. **When in doubt, throw it out** The only foods you can keep after exposure to floodwater are commercially prepared foods in undamaged metal cans and retort pouches. Retort pouches are used to package items such as shelf-stable juices. “All other foods exposed to floodwater should be

thrown away,” Nwadike said. This includes food in the refrigerator and freezer, as well as all foods in boxes, paper, foil or cloth. Also dispose of spices, seasonings and extracts. Throw away any home-canned foods exposed to floodwater, as it is difficult to properly disinfect the seals. Toss out flooded foods stored in open containers, packages or canisters, as well as foods with caps and pull-tabs, such as condiments and soft drinks. **Clean and disinfect** Don't open cans or retort pouches until you have sanitized them. Remove labels and note the contents with a permanent marker. Brush or wipe away any dirt or silt. Wash the containers thoroughly with soap and water, then rinse. You can sanitize cans and retort pouches by two methods. The first method is to put them in a bleach solution for 15 minutes. Use 1 tablespoon unscented chlorine bleach for every gallon of water. The second method is to place them in continuously boiling water for two minutes, then air-dry. Thoroughly wash all metal and ceramic utensils and cookware with hot, soapy water. Then rinse and disinfect by boiling in clean water or immerse for 15 minutes in a bleach solution.

Throw away all dishes with deep cracks. Plastic cookware, utensils, plates, dishes, cups, and wooden utensils and bowls can't be disinfected, so get rid of them. Plastic baby bottles, nipples and storage containers must also be pitched. **For more information** “Resources for Your Flooded Home” (MU Extension publication MP904), extension.missouri.edu/mp904. “Food Safety After a Flood” (K-State/MU Extension fact sheet), www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF3199.pdf.

“Frequently Asked Questions About Handling Flooded Produce” (MU Extension/K-State fact sheet), extension.missouri.edu/media/wysiwyg/Extensiondata/Pro/FloodResources/docs/FSfactsheet_FloodedProduceFAQ.pdf. More flood-related resources at https://extension.missouri.edu/programs/flood-resources. “What Consumers Need to Know About Food and Water Safety During Hurricanes, Power Outages, and Floods” (U.S. Food and Drug Administration food facts for consumers), www.fda.gov/food/buy-store-serve-safe-food/food-and-water-safety-during-power-outages-and-floods.

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Letter to The Editor

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Dear Editor,

I am not sure why someone connected with the Barry County Advertiser feels the need to use half a page of the paper, with more to come, attempting to damn an organization whose foundation is built on the very values of the majority of the voters in this area, but she certainly spent a great deal of time looking into this organization.

I also find it odd that she has invoked the boogey men of the left, the Koch brothers, as people who have founded

a “charity” for the wealthy. A gross misrepresentation of the organization in the first place. While Phaneuf has done a great deal of research on the organization, she has chosen to infer intent that does not exist.

Apparently, she is all in on expanding Medicaid though the cost would be more than the state can bear. As many do, she fails to grasp that making a vast number of people eligible for “free” medical insurance is not the same as having health care actually available. I have heard it said that the state can afford it because the federal government covers a significant amount of the cost. That is ignoring the fact that the government, neither the state nor the federal, has money that they do not first take from the citizens.

As I read the comment that the goal of Americans for Prosperity is to ensure a free market economy, with free market health care, as if that were a bad thing, I am horrified. We have a person advocating for socialism right here in our hometown paper.

This country was *founded* on the principle of capitalism and free markets, with the founders creating a constitution that limited the *government*, not the people. Ms Phaneuf is specifically asking for the government to make her decisions for her. She states that it is a burden to make medical decisions for oneself, rather than a freedom!

The continued criticism of this organization and its alignment with other “conservative think tanks,” is

quite disturbing. We want limited government! We do not want the government making our decisions! We want true capitalism! That is freedom and that is how the founders of this country intended it to be!

As I read the words from her article, “they are united in their belief in the power of the individual,” and see her malign the idea of working together to achieve that goal, I am appalled. What in the world has happened to people that they abhor freedom?

I went to school right here in Cassville. I learned about how this country was founded and have a reverence for the sacrifices they made to ensure we were a free people, protected by the constraints

of the Constitution they gave us, from tyrannical government. To see people advocating for the exact opposite of that is abhorrent to the senses.

As there is apparently more in the same vein coming in the future, I shall plan on further comment. However, as a side note, the Koch brothers are well known as

libertarians, not conservatives and in the last few years donated more to democrats than republicans.

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2020 Annual Water Quality Report
(Consumer Confidence Report)

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made to provide safe drinking water.

Atencion!
Esta informacion contiene informacion muy importante. Traduciselo o preguntelo a alguien que lo entienda bien.
[Translated: This report contains very important information. Translate or ask someone who understands this very well.]
What is the source of my water?
The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.
Our water comes from the following source(s):

Source Name	Type
WELL # 1 & 2	GROUND WATER

Source Water Assessment
The Department of Natural Resources conducted a source water assessment to determine the susceptibility of our water source to potential contaminants. This process involved the establishment of source water area delineations for each well or surface water intake and then a contaminant inventory was performed within those delineated areas to assess potential threats to each source. Assessment maps and summary information sheets are available on the internet at <http://drinkingwater.missouri.edu/swip/swpmaps/pwssid.htm>. To access the maps for your water system you will need the State-assigned identification code, which is printed at the top of this report. The Source Water Inventory Project maps and information sheets provide a foundation upon which a more comprehensive source water protection plan can be developed.
Why are there contaminants in my water?
Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:
A. **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
B. **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
C. **Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
D. **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
E. **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Department of Natural Resources prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Department of Health regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.
Is our water system meeting other rules that govern our operations?
The Missouri Department of Natural Resources regulates our water system and requires us to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. Our system has been assigned the identification number MO5021116 for the purposes of tracking our test results. Last year, we tested for a variety of contaminants. The detectable results of these tests are on the following pages of this report. Any violations of state requirements or standards will be further explained later in this report.

Contaminants Report
SOUTHWEST RURAL WATER DISTRICT 1 will provide a printed hard copy of the CCR upon request. To request a copy of this report to be mailed, please call us at 417-835-2105. The CCR can also be found on the internet at www.dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO5021116.pdf.
The state has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Records with a sample year more than one year old are still considered representative. No data older than 5 years need be included. If more than one sample is collected during the monitoring period, the Range of Sampled Results will show the lowest and highest tested results. The Highest Test Result, Highest LRAA, or Highest Value must be below the maximum contaminant level (MCL) or the contaminant has exceeded the level of health based standards and a violation is issued to the water system.

Regulated Contaminants

Regulated Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Test Result	Range of Sampled Result(s) (low - high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
BARIIUM	5/13/2019	0.00837	0.00448 - 0.00837	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits

Violations and Health Effects Information
During the 2020 calendar year, we had the below noted violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Compliance Period	Analyte	Type
No Violations Occurred in the Calendar Year of 2020.		

Special Lead and Copper Notice:
If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. SOUTHWEST RURAL WATER DISTRICT 1 is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or at <http://water.epa.gov/drink/info/lead/index.cfm>.
All contaminant sample results from past and present compliance monitoring are available online at the Missouri DNR Drinking Water Watch website at www.dnr.mo.gov/DWW/. To see the Lead and Copper results, enter your water system's name in the box titled Water System Name, then select Find Water Systems at the bottom of the page. On the next screen, click on the Water System Number. At the top of the next page, under the Help column, click on Other Chemical Results by Analyte. Scroll down to Lead and click the blue Analyte Code (1030). A Sample Collection Date range may need to be entered. The Lead and Copper locations will be displayed under the heading Sample Comments. Scroll to find your location and click on the Sample No. for results. If you assisted the water system in taking a Lead and Copper sample but cannot find your location on the list, please contact SOUTHWEST RURAL WATER DISTRICT 1 for your results.

Optional Monitoring (not required by EPA)
Optional Contaminants

Monitoring is not required for optional contaminants.

Secondary Contaminants	Collection Date	Your Water System Highest Sampled Result	Range of Sampled Result(s) (low - high)	Unit	SMCL
ALKALINITY, CALCO3 STABILITY	5/13/2019	160	152 - 160	MG/L	
CALCIUM	5/13/2019	39.1	37.2 - 39.1	MG/L	
HARDNESS, CARBONATE	5/13/2019	173	165 - 173	MG/L	
IRON	5/13/2019	0.225	0.0715 - 0.225	MG/L	0.3
MAGNESIUM	5/13/2019	18.4	17.4 - 18.4	MG/L	
MANGANESE	5/13/2019	0.00265	0.00153 - 0.00265	MG/L	0.05
NICKEL	5/13/2019	0.0127	0 - 0.0127	MG/L	0.1
PH	5/13/2019	7.87	7.83 - 7.87	PH	8.5
POTASSIUM	5/13/2019	1.49	1.2 - 1.49	MG/L	
SODIUM	5/13/2019	2.07	1.9 - 2.07	MG/L	
SULFATE	5/13/2019	14.1	13.7 - 14.1	MG/L	250
TDS	5/13/2019	155	143 - 155	MG/L	500
ZINC	5/13/2019	0.0964	0.0193 - 0.0964	MG/L	5

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Senator Blunt: "Expanding Supreme Court Bad Road to Go Down"

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In 1937, after a series of rulings undercutting his New Deal legislation, President Franklin Roosevelt proposed expanding the Supreme Court to as many as 15 justices. His attempt to use brute political force to seize control of the Supreme Court was – and still is – widely criticized. Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg herself said, "I think it was a bad idea when President Franklin Roosevelt tried to pack the court." She added: "Nine seems to be a good number. It's been that way for a long time."

Expanding the Supreme Court was a bad idea then, and it's a bad idea now. Yet, that's exactly what Democrats in Washington are trying to do.

Recently, congressional Democrats introduced legislation to increase the number of Supreme Court justices from nine to 13. This legislation came shortly after President Joe Biden signed an executive order establishing a 36-member commission to investigate and analyze the work of the Supreme Court, with specific orders to con-

sider expanding the court and eliminating lifetime appointments.

An executive branch commission that investigates and analyzes the work of the Supreme Court is dangerous. It challenges the balance of power between the executive and judicial branches, and it puts the court in a much more partisan and political place than it should be.

Justice Stephen Breyer, who was nominated by President Clinton, recently said that the court's authority depends on "a trust that the court is guided by legal principle, not politics." He noted that "structural alteration motivated by the perception of political influence can only feed that latter perception, further eroding that trust."

Packing the court to further one party's agenda sets a dangerous precedent. If every new administration decides it can just pack the court, it may eventually be as big as the Biden administration's 36-member commission or even the United States Senate.

Though the Constitution does not mandate a specific number of justices, the Supreme Court has had nine since 1869. Expanding the court would upend more than 150 years of history, and even the threat of this massive change may be enough to influence the courts.

The Supreme Court stands as a nonpartisan arbiter of constitutional questions – calling balls and strikes as it sees them. While I have not always agreed with the court's decisions, I appreciate the important role it plays in safeguarding our system of government and protecting individual rights.

With Democrats in control of the White House and Congress, they are in a strong position to negotiate their legislative priorities. But they need to be very careful when they start taking wrecking balls to vital American institutions for short-term partisan gain.

I hope my colleagues on the other side of the aisle will drop their effort to pack the court and will shift their focus to the issues families care about most, like getting our economy back on track, strengthening the workforce, and more.

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Southwest's Moore, Raucstadt earn FFA public-speaking awards



Laney Moore of the Southwest FFA Chapter placed fifth in the advanced prepared public speaking leadership development event at the 93rd Missouri FFA Convention. Sixteen students from six districts were selected to compete at the state level. Moore's FFA advisors are Lena Alsup and Bill Caldwell.

MFA Inc. sponsors the competition, which requires contestants to deliver a six- to eight-minute speech based on an agriculture topic they have selected and researched. The contestants present their speech in front of a panel of judges and then undergo an additional five minutes of questions. The event helps students to polish logical thinking and verbal skills needed in the classroom.

Exeter FFA Chapter Awarded Gold Emblem

The Missouri FFA Association awarded Exeter FFA Chapter a Gold Emblem, a Top Chapter Award. Exeter placed 21st out of 351 chapters. Only 10 percent of state chapters receive a top chapter designation each year. The Exeter FFA advisor is Rachael Brown. The top chapters compete for the National FFA Chapter Award. Winners will be announced this fall at the 94th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis. This award is sponsored by FCS Financial.

The National Chapter Award Program is designed to recognize FFA chapters that actively implement the mission and strategies of the organization. These chapters improve chapter operations using the National Quality Chapter Standards and a Program of Activities that emphasize growing leaders, building communities and strengthening agriculture. Chapters are rewarded for providing educational experiences for the entire membership.



Alexis Raucstadt of the Southwest FFA Chapter placed fifth in the Division I prepared public speaking leadership development event at the 93rd Missouri FFA Convention. Sixteen students from six districts were selected to compete at the state level. Raucstadt's FFA advisors are Lena Alsup and Bill Caldwell.

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The Missouri FFA has 25,662 members representing 351 chapters. The national organization has more than 760,000 members representing 8,739 chapters in all 50 states and Puerto Rico.

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CHS FFA team takes Second in Food Science, Tech Career Development

The Cassville FFA Chapter placed second in the food science and technology career development event at the 93rd Missouri FFA Convention. There were 17 teams in the competition.

The team members include Elizabeth Ray, Maci Barton, Hallie Fratus and Camron Sloan. Ray placed third, Barton placed fifth, Fratus placed eighth and Sloan placed 26th out of 62 participants. The Cassville FFA advisors are Jimmy Hinson and John Littlefield.

The Food Science and Technology Career Development Event (CDE) requires students to have an in-depth understanding of food product development, food presentation and food safety issues. Participants also use their sensory skills to solve problems and make sound decisions.

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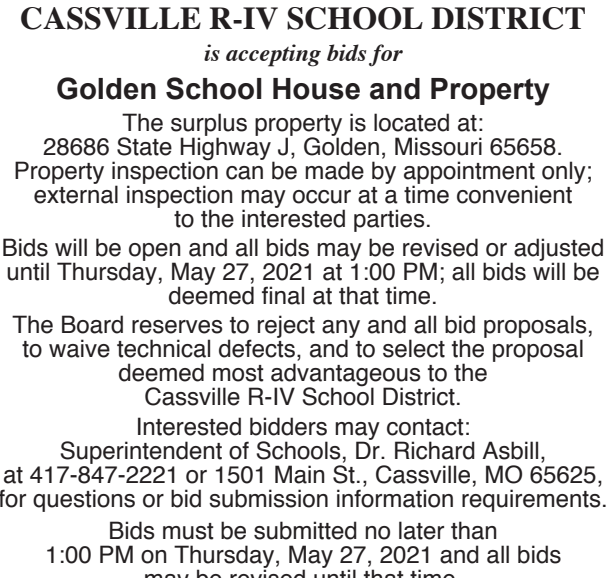


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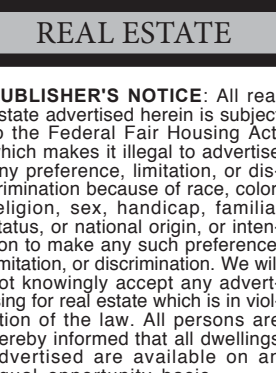
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According to an investigation conducted by SGT. J.E. Givens, two vehicles were totaled in a car accident on April 30, at 12:50 p.m. Mackenzie L. Fuller (19, of Monett), was driving north-bound on highway 37 in Purdy, when her 2000 Dodge Dakota struck the rear of a 2013 Nissan Altima driven by Stacey L. Green (50), of Seligman. Both vehicles were totaled.

Both women were wearing a safety device. Green suffered minor injuries abd was transported by a private vehicle to Mercy Hospital in Cassville.

Both cars were insured. The Altima was towed by Skinkis in Seligman.

The Dakota was towed by Thomas Towing in Monett.

In another accident on May 3 at 7 a.m., Kelsey D. Millikin (24), of Stella, was driving east in her 2000 Chevrolet Silverado on Highway W, three miles west of Butterfield, when her vehicle ran off the right side of the roadway, returned, over-corrected, then over-turned.

Millikin suffered serious injuries. She was not wearing a safety device.

She was transported by ambulance to Mercy Hospital in Joplin. Her totaled vehicle, which was insured, was towed by Brice's Wrecker.

The accident was investigated by MSGT J. Givens of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Angler swipes state record longnose gar

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) confirms Anthony Schnur, Jr. of Pevely is the latest state-record holder after catching a 32-pound, 10-ounce long-nose gar from Table Rock Lake. Schnur was fishing April 7 when he reeled in the fish using the pole-and-line method. His current record breaks the previous record of 27-pounds set in 1999.

Schnur said this catch is significant for him after the sudden passing of a dear friend. "I had a good buddy of 30 years who passed away," said Schnur. "The funny thing is his wife called me that morning with the news. And she asked me to do her a favor and catch a fish in his name. My girlfriend and I went out to his favorite spot originally for crappie fishing when she happened to spot the gar. And sure enough, we caught it and it turned out to be a record. It's absolutely unreal."

Longnose gar is the most widely-distributed gar in Missouri, likely occurring in every major stream in the state. It is the most abundant gar found in clear, high-gradient Ozark streams and is prominent in the large Ozark reservoirs.

MDC staff verified Schnur's fish on a certified scale at Shepherd of the Hills Fish Hatchery in Branson. This makes the fourth state record fish caught in 2021.

"I really hope to mount this fish in my friend's memory," Schnur said. "I think it would be a beautiful way to honor him."

Missouri state record fish are recognized in two categories: pole-and-line and alter-

native methods. Alternative methods include: throwlines, limb lines, bank lines, jug lines, spearfishing, snagging, snaring, gigging, grabbing, archery, and atlatl.

For more information on state record fish, visit <http://bit.ly/2efq1vl>.

To find a place to fish near you or to buy fishing permits, download MDC's Mo Fishing app, available on the App Store for Apple devices or Google Play for Android devices.



MDC congratulates Anthony Schnur, Jr. on reeling in a record-breaking 32-pound, 10-ounce longnose gar from Table Rock Lake. Holding the gar is local fishing guide and Schnur's girlfriend, Cindy Dennison. The latest catch is the fourth state record fish recorded for 2021.

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