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Roaring River Health & Rehab fighting COVID-19 outbreak



Above, Rosie Roberts (right) waves to her mother, Debbie Periman, through the front door at Roaring River Health Care & Rehab in Cassville. Roberts is not allowed to go inside the facility, due to positive cases of COVID-19 reported among staff and residents. Photo by Caden Swearingen.

Sheila Harris & Caden Swearingen

"I feel like there is no safe place right now," said Rosie Roberts, of Cassville, whose mother, Debbie Periman, is a resident of Roaring River Health Care & Rehab in

"I want to be with my mom during these hard times," she said, referring to the CO-VID-19 outbreak within the facility, plus her mother's recent health scare, "but I have to settle for seeing her through the glass, instead of going inside to hug her and tell her how much I miss her."

Roberts received a phone call from her brother on October 17 notifying her that their mother, a resident of Roaring River Health & Rehab, was unresponsive and that an ambulance had been summoned. After arriving at the facility, Roberts called the nurse from inside her car and was told that she couldn't enter the building due to CO-VID-19 concerns.

When ambulance personnel arrived, they were greeted by an employee who let them know that Periman had become responsive and their services were no longer needed. The employee told Roberts that the doctor felt it would be safer for Periman to shelter in place, rather than be transported to a hospital.

"I'm confused," said Roberts. "I'm not sure why, one minute, an ambulance is necessary, but the next minute, it's not. I think they should communicate a little better with families on the condition of their loved ones."

Roberts is also concerned about the transmission of COVID-19 within the healthcare facility, where the health department reported 11 positive cases last week, a number that Roberts was unable to glean from the facility

"I learned of the positive cases within Roaring River

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Additional COVID-19 death, positivity rate up, health department closes lobby

Sheila Harris

On October 20, the Barry County Health Department and Office of Emergency Management reported the death of a 79-year-old man from complications of CO-VID-19. The gentleman was the 9th COVID-related death in Barry County. He lived at home and had no serious underlying health conditions.

According to the October 20 situational update

from the Barry County Health Department, Barry County's COVID-19 case count now stands at 882, a number which includes one presumptive case and four antibody-positive cases. One hundred, eighty-one people are currently in isolation with active cases of the virus, seven are hospitalized and nine have died.

Of concern, six-hundred-

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Cassville Chili & Salsa Cook-Off still on, "The Show" cancelled



Fall photo by Caden Swearingen.

Sheila Harris

One of the Cassville Chamber's most popular events,

Sample ballot for

the Chili & Salsa Cook-Off, is scheduled for this Saturday, October 24, from 8 a.m.

Inside this issue:

Cassville

"The biggest difference this year," said Cassville Chamber of Commerce director, Rachael Selby, "is that it will be held in the Aquatic Park, instead of on the downtown square, because the Aquatic Park will provide more space for social distancing.

"Too," she added, "we have some new chili and salsa cookers this year: owners of businesses on the square. They're opting to cook chili this year, since the event is moving away from the square."

Unfortunately, however, another popular Cassville event, "The Show," has fallen

a victim to COVID-19.

"Because of the large number of people quarantined in Barry County," Selby said, "we're opting to cancel this year's show.

"We know a lot of people will be disappointed," she added, "so we plan to just carry over the same performers and performances to next year's event. Hopefully, next year, conditions will be bet-

According to Selby, Cassville's annual fall Chili & Sal-

sa Cook-Off is more of a fall festival than a chili-cooking battle.

"We have about 70 vendors scheduled to be there, as well as several food trucks," she said, "so we're expecting a good turnout."

"Of course, we'll have people cooking chili and salsa, too," she added. "Right now, we have ten businesses signed up to cook chili and eight to cook salsa.

"Cooking will begin on site at 8 a.m. and the finished concoctions will be ready to eat around noon," she added.

Tasting kits for the chili and salsa will be available at the Chamber of Commerce booth - found under the Les Jacob's Ford banner - for \$3 each. With the kit, participants will receive a variety of beads with which to vote for their favorite chili and salsa in a variety of categories, including "People's Choice." A panel of judges will also

See COOK-OFF 5A

Purdy grad snags role in Crowder theater production

Sheila Harris

Shana Whisman, a 2020 graduate of Purdy High School, was sure she'd tanked her audition for the Crowder College theatrical production of "Turning Off The Morning News," a play which takes hilarious aim at the absurdities of our modern world.

"I'm attending Crowder on a theater scholarship," Whisman said, "so I'm required to audition for all of the theater performances.

"When I walked into the audition, my expectations were not high since I'm a first-year student and had no experience with community theater productions," she continued. "There were probably about 25 people from the community and



Above, Shana Whisman is shown, center, with fellow cast mem-

college auditioning for the various parts, so I felt like I had no real chance of getting a part. I was handed a generic script - nothing at all to do with the play - and told to read it. I did, but I was sure I'd blown it.

"The next day I checked the school's Facebook page. When I saw my name listed

next to the character of Polly in the play, I couldn't believe it," she said. "I was at work, but I didn't let that stop me from hollering and running around in excitement." According to Polly - er,

Shana - play practices began on September 18. The first

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Cassville School Board Met

Mary Hagens

Highlights of the Cassville R-IV October 15 Board meeting, held in the new Early Childhood building, included a tour of the facility, approval for the purchase of a 10-passenger van, input from a parent group, a demonstration of online learning platforms, and a discussion of the high school's move to blended learning.

As of Friday, October 16th, the school had recorded 14 positive cases of COVID-19 with 250 under quarantine. School administrators made the decision to move the high

school to a blended learning platform, a mix of virtual and seated instruction that began on Monday, October 19th.

Ben Reuter, high school parent and teacher, addressed the Board on behalf of a parent group concerned about the large number of quarantined students. The group asked that the Board consider several ideas that could lead to a decrease in that number. Mr. Reuter's presentation can be viewed on the Facebook Live Board meeting video (0:50 – 7:40). Teachers Michelle Alder and Tara Hutchens, along with their student assistants Cameron Ginther and Harper Ragsdale, demonstrated how to access and complete assignments on Google Classroom (3rd - 12th grades) and SeeSaw (Pre-K – 2nd grades).

Parents who have questions about how these online learning platforms work can go to the school's Facebook page and watch the demonstration on the Board meeting video (1:09 – 1:32).

Program Evaluations for the

October meeting included reports and updates from Parents as Teachers, preschool, special education,

federal programs, and high school and middle school clubs and organizations.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, which included the minutes, financial report, bills, new vendors, and the administrative reports. They accepted the December retirement resignation of Steve Bergman, a custodian at the high school, and extended their congratulations and appreciation for his years of dedicated service to the school.

The Board voted to employ Evan Stubblefield as a teacher in the high school's Pathways program and revised the substitute list. They also reviewed the Tele-Med Services agreement options and approved the Title IX policy updates, a GOCAPS agreement with Scott Tech, and the purchase of a 10-passenger van, using money from the state CARES transportation fund.

After a review of the Capital Project planning updates and Vision 150 status reports, the Board went into closed session for legal and personnel matters.

Clerk's office open **Saturday** for absentee voting

- Barry County Clerk's Office will be open Saturday from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., October 31, 2020, for absentee voting for the November 3, 2020, General Election.
- Absentee voting in person continues through Monday, November 2, 2020, at the Barry County Clerk's Office in Cassville. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- You must present one form of identification to vote. For example: Driver's License or Voter Registration Card.
- If you have moved and have an address change, you need to contact our office or come into our office and have your information updated, before Election Day. If you wait till Election Day, you will hold up the line.
- Polls open at 6 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. on Election Day.
- For additional information, call Barry County Clerk, Jill LeCompte at 417-847-2561 or email, jhlecompte@barrycountyclerk.com.





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COVID-19 from FRONT

plus Barry County residents are currently in quarantine as the result of exposure to a COVID-19-positive person.

The positivity rate for Barry County has risen to 7.24 percent, up 1.06 percent from last week, a number which, according to some statisticians, does not reflect the true picture. Matthew Holloway, of Joplin, a numbersman who has garnered quite a following on Facebook, indicates a positivity rate of 21.1 percent. The difference in numbers, he suspects, is due to a lag in communica-

performance is scheduled

for Thursday night, October

22, at 7:30 p.m. at Elsie Plas-

ter Community Center on

Crowder College's Neosho

campus. Performances will

also be held Friday, October

23 and Saturday, October 24,

Whisman said she looks

forward to auditioning for

future Crowder perfor-

mances as well, including the upcoming musical, Junie

B. Jones, one of her favorite

at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

tion since the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services transitioned to their new "Show Me Strong" dashboard a couple of weeks

Roger Brock, administrator of the Barry County Health Department, doesn't perceive a problem with the state's new dashboard. He does admit, though, that with so many hands entering data, it's always possible to end up with discrepancies.

Businesses in Barry County reporting additional cases

WHISMAN from FRONT

characters from her child-

News" is written by by Chris-

topher Durang and directed

by Crowder College Theatre's

Additional cast member

are: Clifford, played by Jer-

emiah Murphy, of Nevada;

Rosalind, played by Dora

Gilreath, of Neosho; Jimmy,

played by Greyson Lamp, of

Neosho; Timmy Peabody,

played by Jeremiah Daniel

NaTasha O'Brien-Davies.

"Turning Off The Morning

hood chapter books.

• Freedom Bank, Cassville, six cases (first cases report-

- Roaring River Health & Rehab, 44 (up 33)
- Schreiber Foods, 6 cases (up one)
- IDF, 12 cases (up three) • Tyson's, 12 cases (up two)
- EFCO, 15 cases (up three)
- George's Processing, 38 cases (up four)

Due to increasing numbers of COVID-19, the Barry County Health Department is opting to limit access to the lobby and offices in both their Monett and Cassville

Blotter, of Diamond; and

Salena, played by Taylor Ad-

Tickets for the perfor-

mance are available at the

are free for dorm residents.

ams, of Goodman.

locations through November 2. They will offer curbside and drive through services at their Cassville and Monett locations until then.

Residents needing services can call the health department at 417-847-2114 to schedule visits, Monday through Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and staff will be available to assist them.

All essential services, such as WIC, wastewater permitting and testing, food service inspections, childcare facility inspections, vital record services, vaccinations, and CO-VID -19 testing will continue to be available.

Barry County officials continue to strongly recommend physical distancing of at least six feet, wearing

face-coverings when physical distancing is not possible, frequently washing hands, and staying home if you are

Barry County Phase 2 Mitigation Rules began June 26 and remain in effect until December 31, 2020. Those rules include required source control masking of service providers; recommended physical distancing, cloth face-coverings, and hanced hygiene practices.

For more information about COVID-19, visit cdc. gov/coronavirus, call the Barry County Health Department at 417-847-2114 or the Missouri DHSS 24 hour hotline number at 877-435-8411.

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Notice:

Barry County Clerk's Office will remain open until 5 P.M. October 26, 2020, to October 30, 2020, and Saturday, October 31, 2020, from 8 A.M. to 1 P.M. for absentee voting.

Share Your Christmas Signups will be from October 13th through October 23rd and November 9th through the 20th from 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. and 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. Call (417) 847-2140 for an appointment. Please bring Social Security cards for each household member, photo ID for Head of Household and proof of all household income for the month of September.

Barry County Courthouse Offices will be closed Tuesday, November 3, 2020, to allow for physical distancing for voters and poll workers. The following offices will be closed Tuesday, November 3rd: Assessor, Recorder, Collector, Treasurer, Extension Office & License Office. The Courthouse will be open for Cassville Rural and Mineral voters.

Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Court of the City of Seligman, Missouri, will begin at 2 P.M. through the remainder of 2020: November 2nd, beginning at 2 P.M., December 14th, beginning at 2 P.M.

<u>Barry County Farm Road 1135</u> over Flat Creek will be closed until the end of October for bridge replacement

Free Clothes for Kids and Adults are being offered at God's Closet, Hwy. 86 in Eagle Rock - turn at the food pantry and Light House Church. God's Closet has coats and winter clothes and is open every Tuesday from 9 A.M. to noon, and the first and third Saturday of each month from 8:30 A.M. to noon.

Cassville Branch Library's Virtual Story Time began in September. Participants can access the live sessions on a tablet, computer, or smart phone. Families of preschool children ages five and under will receive registration information via email. Please send child's name, caregiver's name (the person watching the story time with the child) and email address to verna@blrli-brary.org.



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Fri: Rueben, chips, peanut butter cake

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OATS Transit is open for regular transportation service, however, face masks are required on the bus due to COVID-19. Please call the OATS Transit office at (417) 887-9272 or (800) 770-6287 to schedule a ride or find out about service in your area. Visit our website at www.oat-stransit.org and click on the bus schedules tab for your county to see the full schedule. OATS Transit is available to the rural general public of any age, seniors, and individuals with disabilities.

<u>PreventT2</u> is a program designed to help people manage/prevent type 2 diabetes. More information can be found by visiting the website https://bit.ly/sessiondiabetes or by calling Kelsa Ferguson at (417) 635-4562.

Oct. 23rd

<u>Habitat for Humanity of South Barry County Bingo</u> will be held at the Family Life Center.

Mullet Over Give Blood blood drive will be held at Mill Street Church of Christ multi-purpose room, 1104 Mill Street, Cassville, from 12 P.M. to 6 P.M. Masks are required and will be provided at the event. Appointments are strongly encouraged. To schedule your appointment, call (417) 227-5006 or go to www.cbco.org/donate-blood.

A Drive Through Hot Meal of tuna steak with tomato relish, rice pilaf, asparagus, and banana cream pie will be served at the Cassville Senior Center from 11 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Oct. 24th

A Drive Through Trick or Treat Event will be hosted by the Eagle Rock Library and Friends of the Library at the Eagle Rock Library between 2 P.M. and 4 P.M. There will be special treats for kids.

Oct. 25th

<u>A Day of Fasting and Prayer</u> for America is being promoted by Franklin Graham. For more information, visit billygraham.org.

Oct. 28th

<u>Trunk or Treat</u> is being hosted at Corinth Baptist, 11453 State Hwy. AA, Cassville from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M.

Oct. 30th

A Drive Through Hot Meal of roasted pork loin, baked mac & cheese, California veggies, and cheese cake bars will be served Cassville Senior Center from 11 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.





Oct. 31st

<u>Trunk or Treat</u> is being held at Calvary Baptist Church, Front Street, Exeter, from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M.

<u>Trunk or Treat</u> at Washburn First Baptist Church, 618 2nd Street, Washburn, will be from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M.

Trunk or Treat at Lakeside Christian Church, 22321Oak Ridge Drive, Shell Knob, will be from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M.Trunk or Treat at Wheaton Methodist Church, 101 E.

Santee Street, Wheaton, will be from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M.

<u>A Drive Through Trick or Treat</u> is being hosted at the Cassville fire station, 393 Sale Barn Road, from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M.

<u>First Christian Church Cassville</u> will be hosting their annual Trunk-or-Treat Festival beginning at 3:30 P.M. in the Faith Center. Candy and non-candy treats will be available for children ages 12 and under. Social distancing will be required. Check Facebook for more event details.

Nov. 1st

<u>The Veterans Taskforce of America, Inc.</u> will be meeting at the Angus Branch Steakhuse in Monett at 4 P.M. All honorably discharged men, women, war time or peacetime are welcome.

School Menus: Oct. 26 - Oct. 30

All meals served with milk and subject to change.

Cassville High School: Mon: No School. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or cherry frudel, yogurt cup, tropical fruit or cereal, Go-Gurt, fruit cocktail. L: general chicken or popcorn chicken, rice, carrots, egg roll, fortune cookie, pineapple or salad meal. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or chicken nuggets, hashbrown, fruit cocktail or cereal, yogurt cup, peaches. L: grilled ham & cheese or turkey & cheese, chicken noodle soup, broccoli, crackers, pears or salad meal. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or pancake on stick, graham crackers, tropical fruit or cereal, PB&J, grapes. L: pizza or burrito, salad, corn, juice or salad meal. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage, pears or cereal, banana muffin, orange. L: soft taco or crispito, salad, refried beans, applesauce or salad meal.

<u>Cassville PR-IN-Middle:</u> Mon: No School. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or cinnamon roll, yogurt cup, fruit cocktail or cereal, Pop-Tart, mandarin oranges. L: chicken sandwich or beef burrito, nachos, broccoli & cheese, juice. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast burrito, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, toast, peaches. L: corndog or chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, green beans, pineapple. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage, pears or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. L: corndog or chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, green beans, pineapple. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage, pears or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. L: chicken & noodles or country steak, potatoes/ gravy, corn, peaches. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, toast, peaches or cereal, Rice Krispy Treat, tropical fruit. L: cheese pizza or chicken crispito, mixed vegetables, salad, pears.

Purdy: Mon: B: mini waffles, syrup, ww toast, fruit. L: chicken fajita, brown rice, black beans, fruit. Tues: B: wg biscuit, gravy, sausage, fruit. L: wg pepperoni pizza, fresh broccoli, ranch dressing, corn, fruit. Wed: B: french toast sticks, syrup, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: chicken tenders, macaroni & cheese, green beans, fruit. Thurs: B: breakfast pizza, toast, fruit. L: chili cheese dog, french fries, peas, fruit. Fri: B: chocolate chip muffin, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: turkey & cheese roll-up, Sun Chips, cucumbers, baby carrots, ranch dressing, fruit.

Leave tree trimming to experts

Recent storms and spring growth have left a lot of trees in need of attention. Barry Electric Cooperative wants you to know that tree trimming is a job best left to experts, especially when they are located near power lines. In fact, the two leading causes of death while trimming trees come from falling and electrocution.

Whenever you trim trees or do other yard work, remember these tips:

- Wear safety glasses to protect your eyes from sawdust, pine needles and other debris.
 When operating a trimmer or chainsaw, you'll need ear protection, shoes with slip-resistant soles, chaps
- If you use a ladder, tie it off to a secure location. Never go anywhere near a power line with a ladder,
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First medical marijuana sale, first consumer complaint

On October 17, the first legal sales of medical marijuana in Missouri occurred between a Missouri-licensed dispensary and qualified patients and caregivers, according to Missouri Department of Health and Senior Servic-

"Missouri patients have always been our north star as we work to implement the state's medical marijuana program," said Dr. Randall Williams, Director of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS). "We greatly appreciate how hard everyone has worked so that patients can begin accessing a safe and well-regulated program."

Missouri has had one of the fastest implementations of a medical marijuana program in the United States, according to the DHSS press release.

With 192 dispensaries li-

censed, DHSS expects most to be open by the end of the year.

"A tremendous amount of work has occurred by the licensed facilities and our team to get us to this point, and we continue to hear from more facilities that they are ready or almost ready for their commencement inspection," said Lyndall Fraker, director of the Section for Medical Marijuana Regulation. "We look forward to seeing these facilities open their doors to serve patients and caregiv-

Three days after the first sales, the DHSS also reported a consumer complaint.

They are investigating a complaint that a particular medical marijuana product purchased at a state-licensed dispensary this past weekend contained mold growth.

Because of the state program's regulations including the seed-to-sale track and trace requirements of Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, all facilities, patients and caregivers associated with this product batch have been notified and asked to not use this product until the investigation can be completed.

"The track and trace system is greatly aiding our team in this investigation and allowing us to quickly identify and notify all who may be impacted by this particular batch," said Lyndall Fraker, director of the DHSS Section for Medical Marijuana Regulation. "A well-regulated program allows for this type of quick action so that we can protect patients."

Patients and caregivers have been informed that they should not consume the product they purchased until the investigation can be completed. DHSS has halted

sales on all remaining product from the relevant batch. The relevant product batch passed all required testing prior to sale, but additional testing is being done at this time to determine the source of the mold. Initial visual inspection of the remaining product from the relevant batch has not indicated a concern, but this additional laboratory testing is underway as part of the investiga-

No other concerns or adverse reactions have been reported from the more than 200 individuals who purchased this product, but anyone who thinks they may be experiencing an adverse reaction should seek medical attention and should notify the DHSS Section for Medical Marijuana Regulation.

DHSS updates its interactive facility map daily to which dispensaries

have been approved to operate. The entire list of licensed facilities can be found here.

More information about the program can be found at medicalmarijuana.mo.gov.

"What is a weed? A plant whose virtues have never been discovered.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

COOK-OFF from FRONT

weigh in with their favorites.

The Cassville YMCA will sponsor several events at the Chili & Salsa Cook-Off, including a Chili Pepper 5K, beginning at 7:30 a.m., October 24, at the head of the Greenway Trail in the Aquatic Park parking lot. Registration cut-off is at 7 a.m. that Preregistration morning. price is \$15 per person; the price goes up to \$20 on race

A free Tater Tot Trot one mile fun run is also planned. It, too, will begin at 7 a.m.

from the same location.

For even more competition, a Big Bowl Fling disk golf tournament is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m.

For more information about these events, visit the Cassville YMCA's website at https://www.orymca.org/ cassville-cause.

For more information about the Chili & Salsa Cook-Off, please contact the Cassville Chamber of Commerce at 417-847-2814.

HEALTH & REHAB from FRONT



South Barry County Ambulance personnel in front of Roaring River Health Care & Rehab in Cassville. Photo by Caden Swearingen.

Health & Rehab the same way everyone was else did," she said. "From the health department, as reported by the newspaper."

"In the short amount of

time I visited with my mother through the glass, I saw employees go from one resident's room to another without changing any of their protective gear except for their gloves," she said.

Although the Barry County Health Department reported 11 positive cases of COVID-19 within the healthcare facility last week,

a person familiar with the situation, who spoke under the condition of anonymity, alleged that the actual number of cases was much higher than that reported by the health department.

"We're extremely understaffed and short on protective apparel," the same source said.

Another anonymous source alleges that, due to the staff shortage, employees are forced to work in spite of testing positive for the virus, and that, in some cases, the positive results were not being promptly reported to the health department, as required by law.

"The residents," the source said, "do not feel safe. It's affecting them mentally."

According to Barry Coun-

ty Health Department Administrator, Roger Brock, the frequency of COVID-19 testing within residential care facilities depends on the positivity rate within the county.

"With a positivity rate between five and ten percent, as Barry County's has been," he said, "nursing homes must conduct a nasopharyngeal test once a week. If the postivity rate rises above ten percent, residents and staff must be tested twice a week," Brock said.

According to the newlyreleased October 20 situational update from The Barry County Health Department and Office of Emergency Management, Barry County's rate of positivity is currently at 7.24 percent, up from last

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week's 6.18 percent.

When asked, Christine Grizzle, administrator for Roaring River Health & Rehab, told The Barry County Advertiser that she was not at liberty to disclose the number of residents diagnosed with COVID-19, but that she would send an email containing more information. The promised email was not forthcoming, nor were further telephone calls answered.

The new October 20 situational update from The Barry County Health Department indicates that the total number of positive cases of CO-VID-19 within Roaring River Health & Rehab has risen from 11 last week, to 44 this

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Soccer season continues for Wildcats



Above, Peter Littlefield (20), a sophomore, and Malachi Vincent (8), a freshman, display some fancy footwork.

According to Cassville High School soccer coach, Jake Forste, district play will begin on October 31 at 10 a.m., when the Cassville team will

compete against Aurora in round one.

"I'm most just grateful the boys have been able to play soccer this fall," Forste said. "Losing our spring girls' season due to Covid-19 was a tough pill to swallow, so I am grateful for the opportunity to compete with these boys each and every day. We have had some challenges due to Covid: I don't think our full squad has been together for almost a month now. This has led to losing a few close games we can't help but feel like we'd have won with a full

team and our full complement of starters available. But that's part of the world we live in right now. It is important for us to get out there with whichever of our guys are available and compete to the best of our abilities. I think we've done that, time and again.

"Taking Aurora to overtime last week while missing 6 starters (and our first two bench guys) really shows the kind of resilience this team has," Forste added. "I am proud of how they have handled adversity this fall-- having multiple players in quarantine at a time, chief among

Getting ready for fall hunting

Many people from Missouri and beyond are getting ready for their favorite way to enjoy fall-hunting on their national forest lands. Mark Twain National Forest provides a million and a half acres for these activities. Hunting regulations for Missouri are set by the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) in the Wildlife Code; and those rules govern hunting activities on the Forest as well. To learn more about the regulations for this season, please visit the MDC 2020Fall Deer and Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information, available online.

There are several things

that hunters can do to be respectful to one another and to non-hunters during the season. It is the hunter's responsibility to stay off private land unless they have permission from the landowner. Hunters who kill or injure a deer must make a reasonable effort to retrieve and tag it, but this does not authorize trespass. Get permission before going onto their land. Watch for "No Trespassing" signs and trees with purple paint as markers of private land boundaries.

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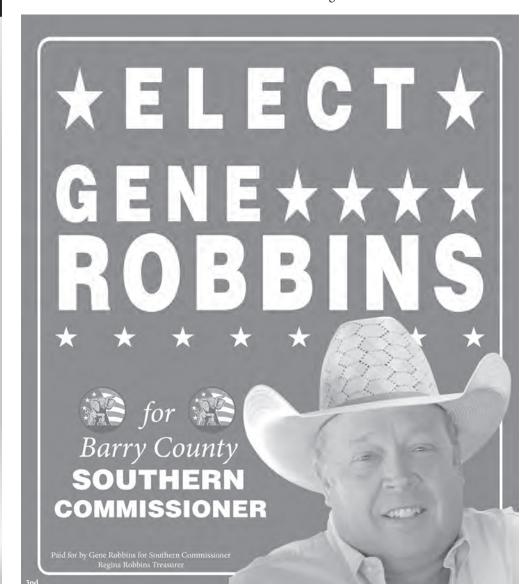
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MDC presents online deer processing tips



When a hunter harvests a deer in the field, the work is not done. How to field dress it, skin it and process the meat are also important parts of a successful deer hunt. Hunters interested in learning how to process their own deer can get tips Oct. 29 at a free Missouri Department of Conservation online "Field to Freezer" program.

Once a hunter has bagged a deer, the work is only half over. How to field dress it, skin it, process the meat and store it for future tasty meals

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are skills hunters need to know.

Hunters who are interested in learning how to process their own deer will have

an opportunity to get tips at a Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) "Field to Freezer" virtual program from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 29. This program is open to all ages. People can register for this online program at: https://mdc-event-web.s3licensing.com/Event/EventDetails/174764.

At this free event, MDC Conservation Educator Greg Collier will provide tips on how to field dress, skin, and butcher a harvested deer. Field dressing is an important skill for hunters to have, even if they plan to take their deer to a processing facility. For those who want to butcher their own deer, this clinic will show how to turn a harvested deer into neat

packages of lean and healthy meat. Other topics covered will be supplies needed and regulations that pertain to stored venison.

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 chatbased question-and-answer period where participants can interact with the present-

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

CHS students shift to "blended learning" schedule

COVID-19 positive cases and exposure levels have risen at Cassville High School. Due to both positive cases and quarantine situations, CHS is experiencing an increase in student absences. As a result, effective Monday, October 19, high school students transitioned to a blended learning schedule, according to district superintendent, Dr. Richard Asbill. He emphasized that this change applied to high school students only.

What is a blended learning schedule?

The blended learning schedule will reduce the number of students in the building at the same time, thus allowing for smaller class sizes and giving more space for social distancing.

Students in grades 9-12 will attend in-person school 2 days a week and will learn virtually 3 days a week.

During the student's virtual learning days, students will have access to quality teacher

instructed curriculum and assignments. Students will still be responsible for their school work five days per week

week. How do I know when my student will attend seated school/virtual school?

Students will be divided up into two groups, black group and gold group, based on the student's last name. Family units will be kept together based on enrollment data.

How long will high school students follow the blended learning schedule?

CHS will transition to blended learning on Monday, October 19. The district will re-evaluate this learning model during the first part of November based on CO-VID-19 case rates. However, the newly established bell schedule will stay in place for the remainder of this 2020-2021 school year.

For more information, please visit https://cassville. k12.mo.us/vnews/display.v/ART/5e6a895260cf6.

HUNTING from 6A

several ways. There are online maps of our units which can be found in the Avenza app. Our Forest offices also have maps for sale and can assist you with finding the topographic maps you need for the area you plan to visit. These can be found on the Forest website at www. fs.usda.gov/mtnf and going to "Maps and Publications", then choosing "Maps". The Motor Vehicle Use Maps (MVUMs) can also be accessed on this website and are a great tool to have for utilizing the appropriate Forest Roads. Many hunters are also using applications, like OnX, to ensure they are on

Please wear appropriate clothing. Wearing blaze orange hats and jackets is an important way to prevent hunting accidents. Also, be prepared for quickly chang-

the correct land as they hunt.

hunting accidents. Also, be prepared for quickly changing weather conditions. Winter storms can move in and catch people by surprise, so have a plan (and a backup plan) for staying warm if this happens. Let someone know where you plan to go and when you plan to be back so someone can start looking for you in case you get into a situation where you are need

There is a lot of land out

help and are unable to check

there, so please be generous and respectful toward your fellow hunters and others out enjoying the Forest. Remember to Leave No Trace. Keeping a clean camp makes it easier to pack your trash out at the end when you are ready to head home.

Please reach out to a Forest Service office with any questions (M - F, 8:00 - 4:30). Forest Supervisor's Office • (Rolla): (573) 364-4621

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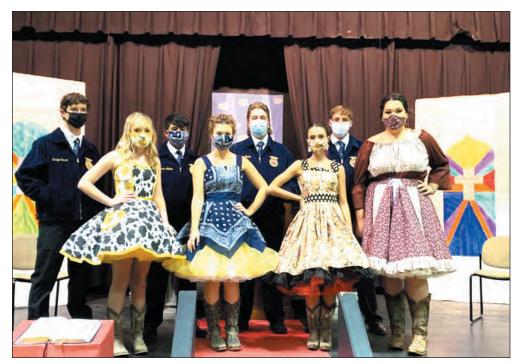
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Shown above, candidates (left to right): Gauge Davidson and Raeley Henderson, Freshmen; Alexis Aldaba and Libby Roden, Sophomores; Brady Garner and M'kena Propps, Juniors; King Cash Keeling and Queen Lauren Schallert, Seniors.

M'kena Propps

The Purdy FFA Chapter hosted the 2020 Purdy FFA Barnwarming on Friday, October 9th. Many FFA members, as well as many

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people from the community, attended. This year's theme was "The Mississippi Squirrel Revival," inspired by Ray Stevens's hit song.

The night was full of fun,

with many squirrel-themed games and friendly competition between the classes. The 2020 Barnwarming King and Queen were seniors Cash Keeling and Lauren Schal-

Purdy FFA member Robyn Schad noted of the event, "Although Barnwarming didn't look the same as the years past, we all still had lots of fun."





Purdy Barnwarming was different, but fun Southwest volleyball team sees busy week



The Lady Trojans played 11 games last week, finishing fourth in their 37th annual Volleyfest Tournament. Above, Southwest players Olivia Ayer, Bonnie Robbins and Karma Romine wait for a serve against Hurley.

Steve Voyak

The Southwest Lady Trojans volleyball team played 11 games last week, winning six of them and finishing fourth in their 37th annual Volleyfest Tournament.

Southwest beat Hurley in a 5-set marathon, winning the final three sets to start the week and followed that by downing Gentry (Ark.) the following night.

The biggest victory of the week came against SWCL Conference foe Galena 25-23, 22-25, 25-22, 23-25, 16-

"One of the closest and most exciting matches in my 18 years in the game," said Southwest Coach Steve Voyak. "With the score 14-14 in the final set, the two teams had played 228 points with both teams earning 114."

The match ended dramatically with a block/kill by Junior middle Olivia Ayer.

The Lady Trojans played a "doubleheader" Friday night, losing to Crane but defeating Exeter. Southwest beat Verona and Exeter before

falling to Crane in the thirdplace game 25-18, 18-25, 25-17. The team was led by Seniors Bonnie Robbins, Khloe Holder and Karma Romine.

"We really rely on our seniors but all of our girls picked it up, especially since they played 8 games in 22 hours," Coach Voyak said.

Southwest finishes the season with games against Billings, Wheaton and Thomas Jefferson this week.







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Cassville defeats East Newton, 42-0



Cassville Wildcats take to the field for Friday night's match against the East Newton Patriots. Photo by Priscilla Craig.

Lee Stubblefield

The Cassville Wildcats hit the road Friday night and claimed a 42-0 shutout victory over the East Newton Patriots. The Wildcats improved to 6-2 with the win and control their own destiny going forward with district play looming in the near future. Lance Parnell's team posted a near-flawless effort despite missing 24 players in quarantine.

East Newton.

Once a proud powerhouse in days now hard to remember, the Patriots have become a perennial rebuilding project. In the previous 10 seasons, East Newton has a composite record of 8-93. Eight wins in 10 years. FIVE winless seasons. A high water mark of 3-7 in 2016. A district playoff victory over Houston in 2019 allowed hopes to rise, but the Pats entered Friday's contest against Cassville with a 1-5 mark.

It was apparent early on that this would not be an East Newton upset. Homecoming? Cassville didn't exactly roll out the welcome wagon. **35-0 half**

The Wildcats rolled methodically to five touchdowns in the first half.

Jericho Farris raced in from 45 yards out on Cass-ville's first possession.

Farris scored again, going 49 yards with an option pitch from Hayden Sink.

Sink scored from 9 yards out early in the second quarter.

Zach Coenen blasted in from 5 yards out for a 27-0 lead

Finally, Coenen took a Sink pass and skipped down the East Newton sideline for a 23-yard score.

Hernan Hernandez took over place kicking duties in Drake Reese's absence. Twice, the Wildcats converted two-point conversions to help build that 35-0 halftime lead

East Newton never threat-



Jericho Farris bounces outside for a long gain against East Newton. Photo by Priscilla Craig.

ened to score in the half, and mustered only 18 yards of offense. The Cassville defense was stellar, turning in a shutout performance highlighted by Killian Barbee's juggling interception.

Cassville rolled up 417 yards of offense in a lopsided half of football. Farris picked up 193 yards on just 12 carries and scored twice to lead the Wildcats in rushing. Sink completed all four of his passes for 101 yards and a score.

Déjà vu

The first team offense was on the field for just one play in the second half. Coenen found the corner on a toss sweep and won a foot race down the East Newton sideline for a 74-yard touchdown run. Cassville's big fullback hit the Patriots with a big dose of déjà vu, after scoring against Seneca on the first play of last week's second half.

That would end the scoring as a running clock and good clock management shortened the game.

The Wildcats rushed for nearly 500 yards against the Patriots. Farris topped the 1,000-yard mark for the season with his big first half. Coenen rushed for 166 yards and two touchdowns, and had 59 receiving yards and a

score.

The Wildcats return home on Friday night to finish the regular season against Mc-Donald County, focused on earning the top seed and a first round bye in district play. Kickoff is set for 7 PM.

Big 8 scores

- Cassville 42, East Newton 0
- Lamar 37, Seneca 6
- Aurora 22, Reeds Spring 20
- Hollister 20, Mt. Vernon 13Rogersville 28, Marshfield
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CHRISTOPHER EDWARD "CHRIS" MEADOWS

Edward Christopher "Chris" Meadows, 47, of Indianapolis, Indiana, died October 14, 2020, after being struck by a hit-and-run driver as he rode his bicycle. Chris was born on March 9, 1973, in Kansas City, Kansas, the son of Mark and Judy Meadows of Cassville. He graduated from Cassville High School in 1991 as a National Merit Scholar and attended Missouri State University in Springfield, receiving a B.S. in Mass Media in 1996 and a B.S. in Computer Information Systems in 2001.

Chris was an expert writer and wrote countless freelance articles. He had a large presence on the Internet, writing, editing, interviewing, and maintaining blogs. He was an internationally recognized authority on ebook readers and e-publishing. Chris was loved and respected by a wide following across the country and around the world.

Most of Chris's employment involved providing support and customer service relating to computers and other technical areas. He had the uncommon ability to explain the most inscrutable and complicated technological applications in simple terms that anyone could understand. Chris was unflappable in helping cus-

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tomers from timid to irate. His coworkers remember his trademark greeting when answering the telephone, "This is Chris. How can I make your day better?" At the time of his death, Chris was employed by Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance in Indianapolis.

Chris is survived by his parents and by his two brothers and their families: Aaron and Karen Meadows, of Indianapolis, and Alexander and Rachael Meadows, of Greenwood, Indiana. He is also survived by sister-in-law Jennifer and Tom Mellen, of Indianapolis, and by eleven nieces and nephews. Chris was preceded in death by his grandparents, Lester and Lorene Meadows, of Jenkins, and Robert and Jewell Carter, of Columbia.

Chris will be available for visitation Wednesday, October 21, 2020, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m at Daniel F. O'Riley Funeral Home in Indianapolis. Afterward, Chris will return home for interment in a family section of Maple Park Cemetery in Aurora.

Friends may view Chris and sign a guest book at Peterson Funeral Home on Friday, October 23, or Saturday morning, October 24.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2020, at 1:00 in the afternoon under direction of Peterson Funeral Home with Pastor David Martin of Elm Branch Christian Church officiating.

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TRUMAN HAROLD ZINN

Truman Harold Zinn, age 79, of Verona, passed away Thursday, October 15, 2020.

He was born July 25, 1941, in Leann, the son of Howard P. and Faye Marie (Larkin) Zinn, who preceded him in death. Also preceding him in death was a sister, Rethal

Surviving are three sons, Truman Zinn and his wife, Calinda, of Monett, Clinton Zinn, of Chesapeake, and David Zinn, of Verona; seven grandchildren; six greatgrandchildren; and one on the way.

In his younger years, Truman attended school at McDowell and then Crane. After moving to California, he attended Bell Gardens High School where he graduated. From August 7, 1959, through August 6, 1962, he served in the United States Army. Later, he moved to Oklahoma where he was a police officer, then traveled for construction crews where he was a heavy equipment operator. While in Oklahoma, he was a member of Masonic Lodge #36. Moving to Missouri over twenty years ago, his favorite pastimes were working on the farm, hunting, fishing and playing on his dozer.

Visitation will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

Contributions may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children in memory of Truman.

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

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SHIRLEY L. BELL

Shirley L. Bell, age 59, of Anthony, Kansas, passed away Tuesday, October 13, 2020.

She was born July 15, 1961, in Wichita, Kansas, daughter of the late Kenneth D. Bell and Georgia (Woodman) Linville, who survives. Also surviving are three daughters, Julie Denner and her husband, Matt, of Kansas, Jessica Miller and her husband, John, of Virginia, and Kendra and her wife, Nicole, of the home; one son, Jonathan Leal, of Montana; five brothers, James Bell, of Wichita, Kansas, Shannon Linville. of Aurora, Leslie Alley and his wife, Sarah, of Arkansas, Larry Alley, of Aurora, and Donald Alley and his wife, Laura, of New Hampshire; two sisters, Ruth Mathews and her husband, Ken, of Aurora, and Merri

Wolf-Wells, of Arkansas; one grandson, Joseph; one granddaughter, Elizabeth; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Shirley graduated Beloit High School in Beloit, Kansas. She attended nursing school and became a LPN working at nursing homes for over thirty years.

Preceding her in death were her father, Kenneth D. Bell; stepmother, Connie; and one son, Nicholas Scar-

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

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LANCE EMIL LAWYER

Lance Emil Lawyer, 57, of Goldendale, Wash., went to be with our Lord in heaven on October 12, 2020. Lance was born July 26, 1963, in Mount Vernon.

Lance is survived by his life partner, Cassie Courtney; mother, Charlotte Orshall, of Seligman; stepfather, David Orshall, of Seligman; two brothers, Rick Lawyer and wife, Mary, of Richie, Joe Lawyer and wife, Mindy, of Stark City; two sisters, Lisa Handly, of Seligman, and Nicole Watts and husband, Steve, of Seligman; two sons, Orion Lawyer and Egan Lawyer, of Goldendale, Wash.; one daughter Chelsea, of North Carolina; and 38 cousins.

Preceding him in death was his father Richard Law-

Services are to be announced and will take place in Goldendale, Wash.



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GLEN EUGENE COOPER

Glen Eugene Cooper was born April 23, 1934, to Charles and Mae (Nichols) Cooper. He died after a short illness on October 15, 2020. He was preceded in death by his wife, Norma Cooper; his parents; and his six brothers and sisters, Cecil Cooper, Blanch Lee, Edmon Cooper, Elsie Phillips, Olen Cooper and Bernice Hughes.

Glen was born in Wheaton and lived most of his life there. He married Norma Poe in 1952, and they had one son, Raymond Cooper (Diane), who survives along with two grandchildren, Jaclyn (Ryan) Desch and Jennifer (Justin) Goff; and five great-grandchildren. After his wife passed away in 2015, he moved briefly to Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, where he died. He farmed and did various jobs until he went to work at EFCO in Monett where he worked for 30 years. He was a regular church attendee at Ridgley Assembly of God in Ridgley, and then at Northside Christian Church in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. He enjoyed camping, attending blue grass, country and gospel concerts and going to Branson and Silver Dollar

Graveside services were Monday, October 19, 2020, at Muncie Chapel Cemetery in Wheaton. Mathew Young conducted the services.

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JAMES THOMAS WALKER

James Thomas Walker, age 72, of Cassville, passed away Saturday, October 10, 2020, at his home.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

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JANICE BALL

Janice Ball, age 78, of Eagle Rock, passed away Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at Mercy Hospital in

Services were held today, Wednesday, October 21, 2020, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Reverend Russell Ball, Pastor Tony Ball and Pastor Scott Hill conducted the services. Burial was at IOOF Cemetery in Monett,

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LLOYD E. PAUL

Lloyd E. Paul, age 81, of Washburn, passed away Thursday, October 8, 2020, at Mercy Hospital in Rogers, Arkansas.

He was born November 28, 1938, in Washburn, the son of Ralph Nelson and Nadine (Hendrix) Paul. On April 29, 1960, in Washburn, he was united in marriage to C. Faye (Hickman), who survives. Also surviving are one

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daughter, Julie Bland and her husband, Jamey, of Seligman; two brothers, Charles Paul and his wife, Janice, of Cassville, and Glen Paul, of Washburn; one sister, Thelma Day, of Washburn; a sister-in-law, Wanda Paul, of Cassville; two grandchildren, Tony Bland and his wife, Amanda, of Seligman, and Andrea Porter and her husband, Benjamin, of Monett; and four greatgrandchildren, Burgundy, Tynison, Adyliene and Lily-

Preceding him in death were his parents; one brother, Ralph Paul; and an infant

Lloyd was a graduate of Southwest High School in Washburn, where he lived all of his life. He was a member of the OK Assembly of God in Washburn and was employed by Emerson Electric in Rogers, Arkansas, as a machine operator. He was very particular about his vehicles, tractors and lawn mowers being clean. He loved to hunt, fish and walked his dog every day.

Graveside services were held Monday, October 19, 2020, at Washburn Prairie Cemetery in Washburn under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Richard Jones conducted the services.

Contributions may be made to NEBCO FIRE-EMS in memory of Lloyd.

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JAMES R. LANGLEY

James R. Langley, age 76, of Shell Knob, passed away October 13, 2020, at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

No services are planned at this time. Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Shell Knob.

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WILLIAM R. **OLDFIELD**

William R. Oldfield, age 71, passed away Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at Cox South Hospital in Spring-

Services to be determined at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to Buchanan Funeral Home,



MORRIS HOWARD POE, JR.

Morris Howard Poe, Jr. (JR), 72, of Springfield, passed suddenly on October 7, 2020. He was born on July 12, 1948, the son of Morris H. and Bessie A. (Bailey) Poe, both deceased, in Wheaton, Barry County.

JR was a 1966 graduate of Wheaton High School. He attended Crowder Community College in Neosho.

He was married to: Joyce Britton, Stacey Hawkes, and Diane Blevins.

JR served on the Missouri State Highway Patrol from 1969-1999 when he retired as a Sergeant. He was assigned to Jefferson City, Eldon, Mt. Vernon, Fayette and Montgomery City. He was a uniformed trooper for fifteen years followed by: Original member of Division of Drug and Crime Control narcotic investigator, coordinator of the Lake Area Narcotic Enforcement Group Task Force, and State Membership Chairman of the Missouri Narcotic Officers Association. He was a member of St. Joseph's Cathedral, Jefferson City and a member of the Knights of Columbus.

He is survived by his children, Angela Poe-Walker (Thomas), Ashley Drewel (Ryan), Jason Poe, and Kelsi Poe; grandchildren, Abigail, Justin and Patrick Rogers, Kadence and Hailey Drewel, and Iris Poe Hagen.

Friends were received from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday, October 17, 2020 at Houser-Millard Funeral Directors with Prayer Service beginning at 1:00 p.m. Interment was held in Maplewood Cemetery, Exeter, on October 18, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, it is requested that expressions of sympathy be made to Brain Injury Association of America, 3057 Nutley Street #805, Fairfax, Virginia 22031-1931.

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the direction of HOUSER-MILLARD Funeral Directors, 2613 West Main Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65109 (573) 636-3838. Condolences may be left online for the family at www.millardfamilychapels.com.

CLOVIS EDWIN RICHARDSON

Clovis Edwin Richardson, of Little Rock, Ark., passed away at age 90 on October 17, 2020.

A memorial celebration will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel at Fellowship Bible Church of Little Rock. Arrangements under direction of Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.

WILMA ERLENE "BILLIE" WALLACE

Wilma Erlene "Billie" Wallace, age 81, of Monett, passed away on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at Ozark Methodist Manor in Marionville.

Graveside services were held Monday, October 19, 2020, at the Mt. Vernon Cemetery in Mt. Vernon. Arrangements are under the direction of Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.

McDowell Community Church Non-Denominational Church Service Times: Sunday School · Worship Service11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study/Youth **** 7:00 p.m. Everybody Welcome! Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Psalms 119:105

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Thanks again to everyone

on November 3 I will not be going door-t-door or visiting large groups. I cannot afford to endanger my family, my staff, my friends, or the families I serve. Perhaps it is expected that I should be attending event campaigning, but we have tried very hard to serve our families at the funeral homes in a safe manner, and this is something I simply cannot participate in. This virus is no joke! I have firms in two states and it is very important to safely distant ourselves from

the general public. Paid for by Skip White



70th Wedding Anniversary



Gerald Young and Phyllis Ryan were united in marriage on October 28, 1950, in Eureka Springs, Ark. They will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on October 24 with their fam-

They are the parents of Debbie Ellis, of Huntsville, Ark., Regina James, of Springfield, Tonya and Lyn Coones, of Cassville, and Keving Young and Bonita, of Washburn. They have eight grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and two greatgreat-grandchildren.









100th birthday celebration



Alma E. Haskins celebrates her 100th birthday on October 23, 2020. A celebration party was held for her here in Cassville on Saturday, October 10, 2020, at the Stumpff Family Event Center. Alma has three children, Phyllis Cunningham, of Cassville, Larry Middlebusher, of Bartlesville, Okla., and one son, Jerry Middlebusher, of Daphne, Ala., who predeceases her. She has seven grandchildren, Keli Whaling, of McKinney, Texas, Matt Eddings, of Springfield, Lorri Elpers, of Tulsa, Okla., Lisa Meyers, of Bartlesville, Okla., Leslie Horne, of Edmond, Okla., Mark Middlebusher, of Laurel, Md., and Julie Piper, of Orlando, Fla. Alma has 11 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren. She has one sister living, Mary Lou Bradley, of Harrison, Ark., and several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews. A total of 55 family and friends were in attendance at her celebration party.



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· Purchase less expensive

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pose of life insurance is to

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Retirees may have no de-

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Ways to cut costs during retirement

The average person will spend more than 50 years in the employment sector. As retirement draws closer, many professionals begin to daydream about giving up the commute and having more time to pursue their personal interests.

Even if planning for retirement has been many years in the making, it can take some time for a person to become acclimated to having less income. According to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, "older households," which are defined as those run by someone age 65 and older, spent an average of \$45,756 in 2016, or roughly \$3,800 a month. That's roughly \$1,000 less than the monthly average spent

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money is going. It's impossible to save without know-

by typical American households. Housing, transportation, health care, and food are some of the biggest bills retirees will have to account for. Aiming to have savings in addition to any other retirement income or government subsidy coming in to cover that amount is a step in the right direction.

Retirees can make their money go further if they take inventory of their spending and make some cuts where possible. Know where your

ing what your expenses are each month. Many people are surprised to learn how much little things add up over the course of a month. For example, spending \$4 for a take-out coffee each day can quickly become an expensive luxury. Add all expenses and see where you can trim, especially if there's a deficit each

· Consider extra health care. In the United States, Medicare participants can choose Medicare Supplement Insurance plans to help

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Arning has chosen to donate money raised through the CFFC program to the Exeter, Cassville and Southwest Schools Backpack Programs. Each backpack program provides nonperishable food items to children in the school districts that may need food assistance over the weekend.

In top left photo, left to right, Larry Mankins and Angie Edie, representing Arning Companies, present a check to Mary Nunley, Exeter High School Counselor and Sarah Buntin, Exeter Elementary Counselor.

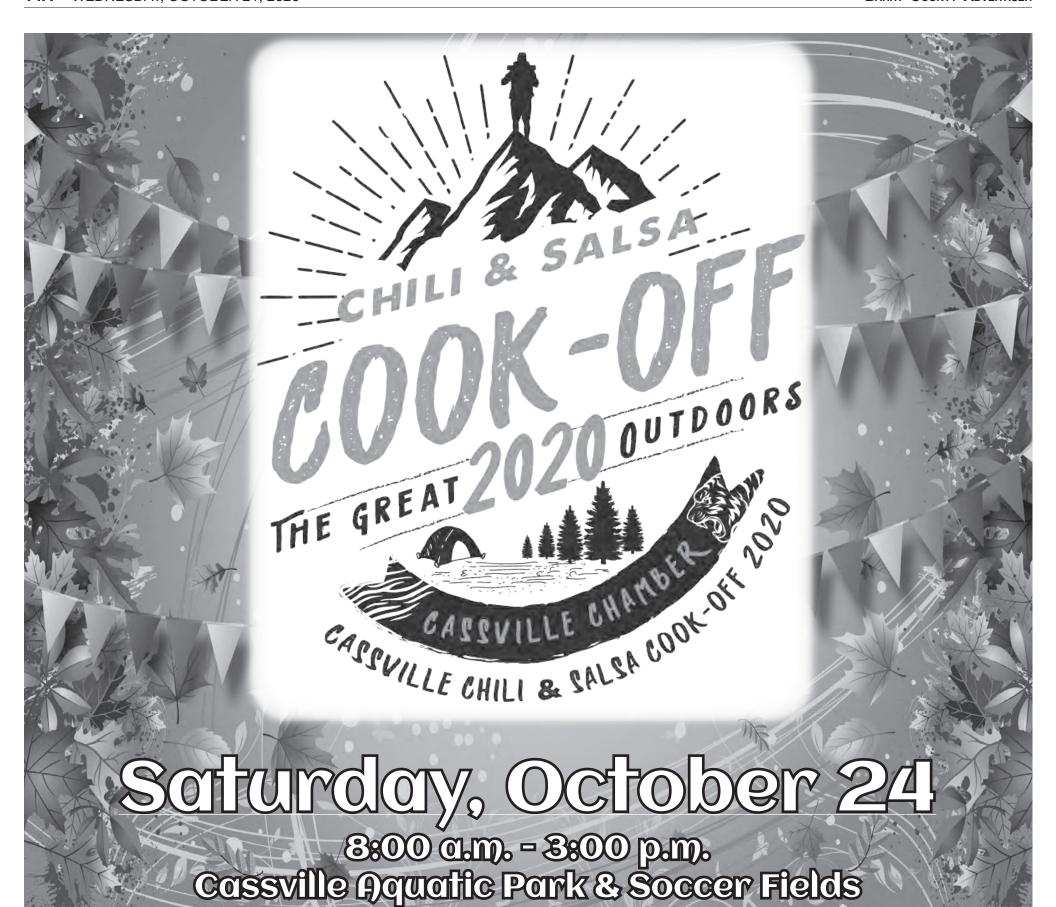
In top right photo, left to right, Eric White and Traci Mitchell, Directors of Learning at Cassville R-IV, receive a check from Ryan Stockton and Mark Speakman, of Arning Companies.

In photo at left, left to right, Krista Clay, of Arning Companies, presents a check to Linda Morgan, Southwest High School Communication Arts Teacher. Buzz Treadwell, of Arning Companies, was also part of the presenting team.









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Temple Grandin headlines MU's women in ag online conference

Grandin, re-Temple nowned author on animal behavior and autism, will be one of four keynote speakers during the virtual 2020 Pixels of Production - Women in Agriculture conference.

Pixels of Production offers women farmers and ranchers a four-night opportunity to learn practical tips and be inspired, says University of Missouri Extension swine nutritionist Marcia Shannon. The online event, presented via Zoom, replaces the annual Pearls of Production face-to-face, hands-on conference.

Topics range from ergonomics to silvopasture, Shannon says.

The sessions run 6-9 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, from Nov. 5 to Nov. 17. Each evening's presentations include a session on practical tips and a headline speaker.

Scholarships are available for previous Pearls of Production attendees, high school and college students, and beginning farmers and ranchers. The regular fee is \$70 for all four evenings.

Participants with limited broadband access can contact their local MU Extension center for viewing options.

For more information, contact Shannon at CarlsonM@missouri.edu or 573-882-7859.

Sessions and topics

Thursday, Nov. 5:

- "Ergonomic Tool Talk" with MU Extension health and safety specialist Karen Funkenbusch and livestock specialist Brenda Schreck.
- · "Livestock Identity and Tagging" with livestock specialists Kendra Graham and Rachel Hopkins.
- Ashland farmer Caroline Sicht gives keynote address on "Building Bridges" to help farmers tell their stories. Visit www.TellYourFarmStory.

Tuesday, Nov. 10:

- "Livestock in the Woods" with natural resources specialist Sarah Havens.
- Keynote speaker Micah Jansen, a Zoetis Inc. veterinarian, will speak on "Vaccinology." She gives an overview of basic pig immunology, how vaccines work, how vaccines can become less effective and how to properly vaccinate.
- "Silvopasture" with Ashley Conway of the MU Center for Agroforestry. Conway talks the integration of trees with animals and forages.



Thursday, Nov. 12:

- "ABCs of USDA" with USDA representatives.
- Keynote speaker Amberley Snyder, a championship barrel racer, became paralyzed from the waist down after a car crash. She continues to compete in pole bending and breakaway roping. She is the author of "Walk Ride Rodeo: A Story About Amberley Snyder."
- "Grant Writing" with horticulture specialist Debi Kelly. Tuesday, Nov. 17:
- "Livestock Tools and Equipment" with livestock specialists Kendra Graham and Rachel Hopkins.
- Keynote speaker Temple Grandin.
- "Regenerative Agriculture" with Susan Jaster, farm outreach worker with Lincoln University.
- Tatijana Fisher, state poultry specialist at Lincoln University, will be introduced.

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Getting ready for fall hunting

Many people from Missouri and beyond are getting ready for their favorite way to enjoy fall—hunting on their national forest lands. Mark Twain National Forest provides a million and a half acres for these activities. Hunting regulations for Missouri are set by the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) in the Wildlife Code; and those rules govern hunting activities on the Forest as well. To learn more about the regulations for this season, please visit the MDC 2020 Fall Deer and Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information, available online.

There are several things that hunters can do to be respectful to one another and to non-hunters during the season. It is the hunter's responsibility to stay off private land unless they have permission from the landowner. Hunters who kill or injure a deer must make a reasonable effort to retrieve and tag it, but this does not authorize trespass. Get permission before going onto their land. Watch for "No Trespassing" signs and trees with purple paint as markers of private land boundaries.

The Forest Service can provide hunters with maps in several ways. There are online maps of our units which can be found in the Avenza app. Our Forest of-

fices also have maps for sale and can assist you with finding the topographic maps you need for the area you plan to visit. These can be found on the Forest website at www.fs.usda.gov/mtnf and going to "Maps and Publications", then choosing "Maps". The Motor Vehicle Use Maps (MVUMs) can also be accessed on this website and are a great tool to have for utilizing the appropriate Forest Roads. Many hunters are also using applications, like OnX, to ensure they are on the correct land as they hunt.

Please wear appropriate clothing. Wearing blaze orange hats and jackets is an important way to prevent hunting accidents. Also, be prepared for quickly changing weather conditions. Winter storms can move in and catch people by surprise, so have a plan (and a backup plan) for staying warm if this happens. Let someone know where you plan to go and when you plan to be back so someone can start looking for you in case you get into a situation where you are need help and are unable to check

There is a lot of land out there, so please be generous and respectful toward your fellow hunters and others out enjoying the Forest. Remember to Leave No Trace. Keeping a clean camp makes it easier to pack your trash out at the end when you are ready to head home.

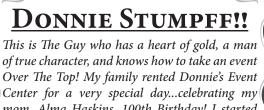
Please reach out to a Forest Service office with any questions (M - F, 8:00 - 4:30).

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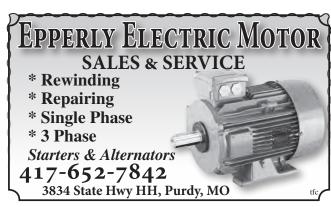
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"To hunt successfully, you must know your ground, your pack and your quarry." - K. J. Parker



Over The Top! My family rented Donnie's Event Center for a very special day...celebrating my mom, Alma Haskins, 100th Birthday! I started (1) visiting with Donnie before this covid stuff about a party and he always was on board to "yes, we can do it!" I kept offering to pay Donnie along the planning stage, and he just kept putting me off. So, party was a success, and now it was time to pay up! I called Donnie to see if he wanted to meet me or just mail his rental fee...his answer, "Let's just donate the fee to share in the celebration!" Maybe a very simple gesture on his part, but our family, and especially my mom, were blown away! We all Thank You, Donnie Stumpff, for such an awesome act of kindness!









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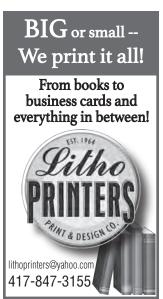
Crowder College Veterinary Tech students and staff celebrated National Veterinary Technician Week this week, October 11-17. This week has been set aside to celebrate, recognize, and promote the valuable contributions veterinary technicians make to the veterinary profession and society.

"National Vet Tech Week is an opportunity to highlight the hard work that our veterinary technician students and graduates do in the trenches each day. The many job titles they hold pale in the comparison to the care they give to the furry family members," stated Shawna Estep, Veterinary Technology Program Director/Instructor.

Crowder College offers a 78-credit hour program to earn an Associate of Applied Science degree which is accredited through the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). Registered Veterinary Technicians in Missouri must graduate from an AVMA accredited program, pass the Veterinary Technician National Exam, and the Missouri State exam.

The special admissions program has 20 openings annually for student acceptance with applications taken through April 15 for entry in fall 2021. The Veterinary Technology program received accreditation in November 2006.

Vet techs and staff are shown in photo at left.









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Ashcroft preparing Missouri's election defenses

Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft is working with national, state and local leaders to bolster the state's defenses in the lead up to the Nov. 3 general election.

"With a momentous presidential election fast approaching, we are strengthening our defenses against the serious threats of cyberattacks, foreign interference and disinformation campaigns," Ashcroft said. "Our office is working hand-inhand with federal, state and local officials to safeguard the integrity of Missouri's elections."

On election night and days leading up to it, the Secretary of State's Office will join officials from the Department of Defense, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the National Security Council, the Federal Bureau

of Investigation, the Department of Homeland Security and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, along with state partners from the Department of Public Safety and the Office of Administration's Information Technology Services Division. The collective team of federal and state officials acts as a firewall, monitoring and assessing potential threats and sharing accurate information with federal, state and local leaders.

The Secretary of State's Office maintains contact with the state's fusion centers, including the Missouri Information Analysis Center, which serves as an information sharing and analysis hub for the entire state. The office also works with the Multi-State Information and Analysis Center and the Elections Infrastructure Information and Analysis Center.

"We have developed strong working relationships with federal and state authorities and have collaborated with them on a number of exercises aimed at strengthening Missouri's election defenses," Ashcroft said. "We've also used federal funds to assist Missouri's election authorities in evaluating and improving their security."

Since 2018, the Secretary of State's Office has obtained federal grants of more than \$15 million through the Help America Vote Act. Since then, the office has used the funds to help local election authorities improve both their physical and cyber security.

While federal, state and local officials are taking steps to monitor and improve election security, some cyberattacks target Missouri voters directly. Security experts recommend voters take precautions by being careful what links they click, going to trusted sources for election information, and verifying the sources of news and information shared from media outlets or social media platforms.

The Secretary of State's website stands as a reliable source for trusted election information. It also details some of the state's election security practices that help ensure the safety of Missouri's elections.

"We've been working hard to maintain the integrity of our systems," Ashcroft said. "We're proud to carry on that hard work so that Missourians can continue to be confident in their elections.

Letter to The Editor

Dear Editor,

In last week's paper, we had a great example from the late Emory Melton explaining how important it is to know exactly what it is one is voting for or against.

The amendments which will be on the ballot in November were printed in the paper to assist voters in determining their decision. I am reasonably sure that most people will not thoroughly read these amendments, and with the legal wording, won't know for sure what they read if they do read them. I say that because I have talked to numerous people who have no idea what they mean.

There was also a letter from a citizen who was suggesting that a "no" vote was the way to go on amendment 3. His reasoning seemed to

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be that because Missourians voted for "Clean Missouri" this amendment was a slap in the face to the voters in an attempt to undo what they

voted to have. I am here to say that a "yes" vote is the way to vote if you want to continue to have a voice in our legislature. When "Clean Missouri" was approved, many people did not seem to understand that they were voting to have ONE person responsible for who and how the districts get drawn. A yes vote ensures that 5 democrats and 5 republicans make the decisions on the districts. If the "NO" vote wins in this, they can draw a circle in an area of SW Missouri and a circle in St Louis or Kansas City and call it a district. And I am willing to bet the representative for that district won't be from SW Missouri.

This is not an effort to overturn the will of the people. It is an effort to ensure that the rural areas of the state get representatives from rural areas so we continue to have a voice in our government. We know our representatives. We see them and can talk to them. Vote "yes" to continue to have that opportunity.

Kathy Casey Cassville, Missouri

Amendment 1 and Amendment 3 to appear on ballot

Missouri Press Association

Missourians will vote on two statewide ballot issues on Nov. 3, after approving one statewide issue at the polls on

The two ballot measures to be decided Nov. 3 include the topics of state legislative redistricting and statewide officeholder term limits. Both issues were placed on the bal-

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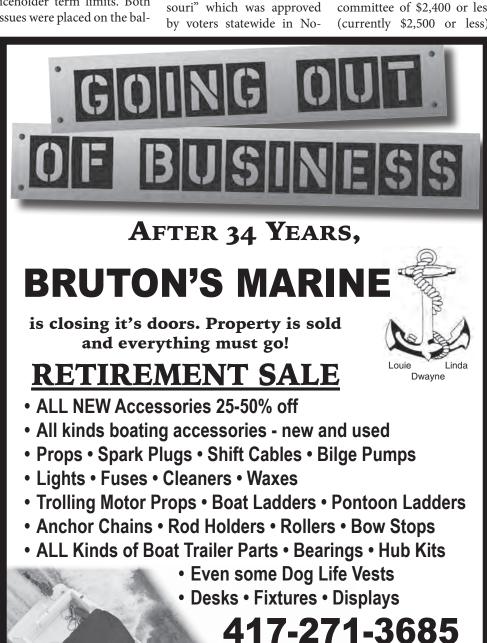
lot by the General Assembly.

One proposal (Amendment 3 on the ballot), passed by legislators in May 2020, is a constitutional amendment that would regulate the General Assembly and change redistricting methods by making modifications to Article III of the state's constitution (also known as "Clean Misvember 2018).

Included among Amendment 3's proposals, if approved by voters: A total ban (currently \$5) on gifts from lobbyists or lobbyist principals to a member, staff member or employee of the General Assembly. A campaign contribution limit to any State Senate candidate or committee of \$2,400 or less (currently \$2,500 or less).

Removal of the post of "nonpartisan state demographer," and giving all redistricting responsibility to existing commissions, renamed as the House Independent Bipartisan Citizens Commission and the Senate Independent Bipartisan Citizens Commission. Redistricting

See AMENDMENTS 11B



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Barry County Health Department September Food Service Report

The Health Department divides food service code violations into two categories: Priority and Core items.

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

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

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

*Corrected

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Doughco Donut, Cassville Routine: 9/1/20

Priority Violations: 3

1. Picante sauce with a discard date of 7/15 was not discarded.

2. Cooked eggs, sausage, turkey, etc. were not labeled with a discard date.

3. Sausage rolls, croissant sandwiches and breakfast biscuits held with time as a public health control had no documented discard time.

> Core Violations: 5 Viney Creek Store, Gold-

Routine: 9/1/20

Priority Violations: 2* 1. Time release medicines were past their discard

dates.* 2. A dog was inside the store.*

Core Violations: 0

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His House Foundation, Shell Knob

Routine: 9/1/20 Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0 Geraldi's, Cassville

Routine: 9/2/20 Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

Taco Bell, Cassville Routine: 9/2/20 Priority Violations: 0

Core Violations: 0

Cubs Café Food Truck,

Permit Issued: 9/2/20 Doughco Donut, Cass-

Follow-up: 9/3/20 All priority violations were corrected.

El Mariachi, Cassville Follow-up: 9/3/20

All priority violations were corrected.

Hasimi Japanese Express, Mobile

Pre-opening: 9/8/20 Harter House, Shell

Follow-up: 9/8/20

All priority violations were corrected. Hasimi Japanese Ex-

press, Mobile

Permit Issued: 9/9/20

Oriental House, Cass-

Routine: 9/9/20 Priority Violations: 3

1. Current permit was not posted for the public to see.

2. Dish machine was not dispensing enough chemical to sanitize items washed. (Third repeat)*

3. Tempera shrimp, broth, two containers of crab mix, two packages of cooked rice, and two trays of egg rolls were not labeled with a discard date.

Core Violations: 2 Subway, Shell Knob

Follow-up: 9/10/20 All priority violations were corrected.

Brick-House BBQ #2, Monett

<u>Pre-Opening: 9/10/20</u> Permit Issued.

Oriental House, Cass-

Follow-up: 9/14/20 All priority violations were corrected.

King Food Saver, Cass-

Routine, 9/15/20 Priority Violations: 3

1. Chicken strips, bone-in fried chicken, burritos, and rotisserie chicken were not held at 140°F or above.*

2. Catfish was given a twenty-one-day discard date, wings a fourteen-day discard date, and chili was not labeled with a discard date.*

3. Salsas with a discard date of 9/14/20 and 8/26/20 were not discarded.*

Core Violations: 0 Exeter School, Exeter Routine: 9/15/20

Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

Sunrise Family Restaurant, Cassville

Routine: 9/15/20 Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

Trojan PQ Mart, Wash-

<u>Pre-Opening: 9/15/20</u>

Red Rock Barbeque, Cassville

Permit Issued 9/16/20

Cassville Primary/Middle School, Cassville

> Routine: 9/21/20 Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

Cassville Intermeidate School, Cassville

> Routine: 9/21/20 Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 0

Cassville Bowl, Cassville Routine: 9/21/20 Priority Violations: 0

Core Violations: 0 Burger King, Monett Routine: 9/21/20

Priority Violations: 2 1. Sliced tomatoes and

chopped lettuce with a discard time of 2 p.m. were not discarded. Fries and onion rings held with time as a public health control did not have a documented discard

2. Five containers were badly damaged and cracked. Core Violations: 1

> Farmers Café, Monett Routine: 9/21/20 Priority Violations: 3

1. Raw shelled eggs were stored above potatoes, and raw chicken was stored above an uncovered container of sauce in the reach-in fridge.

2. Numerous foods were not labeled with a discard date.

3. Sanitizer in the kitchen was weak.*

Core Violations: 3 **Emory Melton Confer-** ence Center, Cassville

Routine: 9/22/20 Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 1 Pharmacy,

Whitley Cassville

> Routine: 9/22/20 Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 1*

Farmers Café, Monett Routine: 9/23/20

All priority violations were corrected. Wheaton RIII School,

Wheaton Routine: 9/24/20

Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 1*

State Line BBQ, Eagle Rock

> Routine: 9/24/20 Priority Violations: 0 Core Violations: 1

Dominos Pizza, Monett Routine: 9/28/20

Priority Violations: 1* Core Violations: 4

Burger King, Monett Routine: 9/28/20

All priority violations were corrected.

Arby's #5005032, Monett Routine: 9/28/20

Priority Violations: 2* 1. Fried items held with

time as a public health control had no documented discard time.*

2. Clean container lids were stored in a tub that had debris in the bottom.*

Core Violations: 5 Remington's Place, Cass-

ville Routine: 9/29/20

Priority Violations: 2

1. Raw chicken was stored above chili in walk-n cooler.*

2. Line cooler was not holding foods at 41°F or be-

Core Violations: 5*

Monett Elementary School, Monett

Routine: 9/30/20

or above as required.

Priority Violations: 2 1. Heat sanitizing final rinse of the dishwashing machine was not reaching 180°F

2. HACCP logs of refrigeration temps and dish machine temps were not being maintained.

Core Violations: 0 Monett Middle School, Monett

Routine: 9/30/20

Priority Violations: 2 1. Ice scoop was stored in

container that had debris in the bottom.*

2. HACCP logs of refrigeration temps and dish machine temps were not being maintained.

Core Violations: 2*

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Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of Missouri and Statutory Propositions

To be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the General Election to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of November, 2020. The contribution limits and by the state auditor to determine

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 1

Session) SS SCS SJR 14 & 9]

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Do you want to amend of November, 2020. the Missouri Constitution to extend the two term restriction that currently I hereunto set my hand and sections 2, 3, and 7, to read as applies to the Governor affix the Great Seal of the State follows: and Treasurer to the Lt. of Missouri, done at the City Governor, Secretary of State, of Jefferson, this 25th day of Auditor and the Attorney August, 2020. General?

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment to article VII of the Constitution of Missouri, by adding thereto one new section CONSTITUTIONAL relating to the limitation of AMENDMENT NO. 3 terms served by certain elected officers.

Be it resolved by the Senate, Session) SS 3 SJR 38] the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next Constitution be amended to: following the first Monday in November, 2020, or at a . special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the. qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article VII of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Article VII, Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 15, to read as follows:

Section 15. No person shall be elected governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, or attorney general more than twice, and no person who has held the office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, entities expect no cost or to the nearest dollar amount.] governor, governor, secretary of state, expect significant decreased shall make no law authorizing state auditor, state treasurer, revenues of a total unknown unlimited or attorney general, for more amount. than two years of a term to which some other person the provisions of Article adopting three new sections provided for by law, the amount is hereby established the [begin the preparation of governor or state treasurer or other special interests. resulting from an election or appointment, or in the case Be it resolved by the Senate, general assembly] to the office of the governor succession to the House of Representatives of state representative or procedures in preparation for office, prior to December 3, concurring therein: 2020, shall count towards the limitations provided in this subsection.

STATE OF MISSOURI

Secretary of State

I, John R. [Proposed by the 100th General that the foregoing is a full, for adoption or rejection, the (First Regular true and complete copy of following amendment to article Constitutional No. 1, to be submitted to the state of Missouri: qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the General Election to be held the third day and 7, article III, Constitution



[Proposed by the 100th General Assembly (Second Regular

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Shall the Missouri

Ban gifts from paid lobbysists to legislators and their employees; Reduce legislative campaign contribution limits; Change the redistricting process voters approved in 2018 by: (i) transferring responsibility for drawing state legislative districts from the Nonpartisan State Demographer to Governor-appointed bipartisan commissions; (ii) modifying and reordering the

State dual savings. Indiv lieutenant governmental

redistricting criteria.

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next the office of state senator, two following the first Monday thousand [five] four hundred in November, 2020, or at a dollars; and special election to be called by

Ashcroft, the governor for that purpose, Secretary of State of the State there is hereby submitted to the of Missouri, hereby certify qualified voters of this state, Amendment III of the Constitution of the

Section A. Sections 2, 3, of Missouri, are repealed and three new sections adopted in In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, lieu thereof, to be known as

> Section 2. (a) After December 6, 2018, no person serving as a member of or employed by the general assembly shall act or serve as a paid lobbyist, register as a paid lobbyist, or solicit prospective employers or clients to represent as a paid lobbyist during the time of such service until the expiration of two calendar years after the conclusion of the session of the general assembly in which the member or employee last served and where such service was after December 6, 2018.

(b) No person serving as a member of or employed by the general assembly shall accept directly or indirectly a gift of any tangible or intangible item, service, or thing of value from any paid lobbyist or lobbyist principal [in excess of five dollars per occurrence]. This Article shall not prevent candidates for the general assembly, including candidates for reelection, or candidates for offices within the senate or house from accepting campaign contributions consistent with this Article and applicable campaign finance law. Nothing in this section shall prevent individuals from receiving gifts, family support or anything of value from those related to them within the fourth degree by blood or marriage. [The dollar limitations of this section shall be increased or decreased each year by the percentage of increase or decrease from the end of the previous calendar vear of the Consumer Price Index, or successor index as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, or its governmental successor agency, and rounded

entities (c) The general assembly campaign contributions to candidates for the general assembly, nor Submitting to the qualified any law that circumvents the was elected to such office voters of Missouri, an contribution limits contained shall be elected to that same amendment repealing sections in this Constitution. In addition office more than once. This 2, 3, and 7 of article III of the to other campaign contribution subsection shall supersede Constitution of Missouri, and limitations or restrictions IV, Section 17 that relate to in lieu thereof relating to of contributions made to or term limitations, provided regulating the legislature to accepted by any candidate or that service in the offices of limit the influence of partisan candidate committee from any person other than the candidate in any one election [for the state senator shall not exceed the following:

(1) To elect an individual to

(2) To elect an individual to through the following process. the office of state representative, First, state residents may apply two thousand dollars.

senator.

2018.]

section when a contribution is state individual, or other committee state demographer position, that has already reached its an individual shall not have contribution limit under any served in a partisan, elected law relating to contribution position for four years prior limitations. A committee or to the appointment. The organization shall be deemed to nonpartisan state demographer be primarily funded by a single shall be disqualified from person, individual, or other holding office as a member of committee when the committee the general assembly for four or organization receives more years following the date of the than fifty percent of its annual presentation of his or her most funding from that single person, recent legislative redistricting individual, or other committee. map to the house apportionment

(e) In no circumstance shall apportionment commission. a candidate be found to have violated limits on acceptance of contributions if the Missouri representatives shall consist commission, ethics successor agency, or a court members elected at each general determines that a candidate election and [apportioned] has taken no action to indicate redistricted as provided in this acceptance of or acquiescence section. to the making of an expenditure that is deemed a contribution pursuant to this section.

contributions from any federal United States or, in the event political action committee that a reapportionment has unless the committee has filed been invalidated by a court of the same financial disclosure competent jurisdiction, within reports that would be required ten days after such a ruling has of a Missouri political action been made, the nonpartisan committee.

post of State shall acquire information to commission and the senatorial Legislative districts apportionment commission.

demographer shall be selected such districts, determined by

for selection to the state auditor using an application developed other restrictions of this an applicant's qualifications section shall also apply to any and expertise relevant to the person exploring a candidacy position. Second, the state for [a public office listed in auditor shall deliver to the this subsection] the office of majority leader and minority state representative or state leader of the senate a list of at least three applicants with sufficient expertise and [For purposes of this qualifications, as determined subsection, "base year amount" by the state auditor, to perform shall be the contribution limits the duties of the nonpartisan prescribed in this section, state demographer, Third, if the Contribution limits set forth majority leader and minority herein shall be adjusted on the leader of the senate together first day of January in each agree that a specific applicant even-numbered year hereafter should be selected to be the by multiplying the base year nonpartisan state demographer, amount by the cumulative that applicant shall be selected Consumer Price Index and and the selection process shall rounded to the nearest dollar cease. Fourth, if the majority amount, for all years after leader and minority leader of the senate cannot together agree on an applicant, they (d) No contribution to a may each remove a number of candidate for legislative office applicants on the state auditor's shall be made or accepted, list equal to one-third of the directly or indirectly, in a total number of applicants fictitious name, in the name on that list, rounded down to of another person, or by or the next integer, and the state through another person in such auditor shall then conduct a a manner as to, or with the random lottery of the applicants intent to, conceal the identity remaining after removal to of the actual source of the select the nonpartisan state contribution. There shall be demographer. The state auditor a rebuttable presumption that shall prescribe a time frame and a contribution to a candidate deadlines for this application for public office is made or and selection process that both accepted with the intent to encourages numerous qualified circumvent the limitations on applicants and avoids delay contributions imposed in this in selection. The nonpartisan demographer received from a committee or serve a term of five years and organization that is primarily may be reappointed. To be funded by a single person, eligible for the nonpartisan

> The house (e)] its of one hundred sixty-three

commission or the senatorial

[(1)] (b) [Within ten days after the population of this state is reported to the President for (f) No candidate shall accept each decennial census of the state demographer] The house independent bipartisan Section 3. (a) [There citizens commission shall "Nonpartisan legislative districting plans and Demographer". The maps] redistrict the house nonpartisan state demographer of representatives using the appropriate following methods, listed in develop order of priority:

drawing legislative redistricting [a.] (1) Districts shall be maps on the basis of each [established on the basis of federal census for presentation total] as nearly equal as to the house apportionment practicable in population[. each have a total population as nearly equal as practicable

(b) The nonpartisan state to the ideal population for

by dividing the number of to zero as practicable. districts into the statewide population data being used, except that a district may the

any other provision of this elections, or language minorities to practicable; participate in the political drawn such that members boundaries; of any community of citizens than other members of the to c. of this subdivision, district the total votes cast for both bipartisan

responsive to shifts in the communities electorate's preferences.

shall be defined as the total remaining

to be established into the total of the fifty percent threshold crossed as possible; population of the state reported needed for victory. In any plan

nonpartisan deviate by up to three percent demographer shall use the political boundaries.] if necessary to follow political electoral performance index subdivision lines consistent to simulate elections in which (5) Districts shall be drawn members of their party, reported to the President for with subdivision (4) of this the hypothetical statewide in a manner that achieves residents in that district, in each decennial census of the [b.] (2) Districts shall be four percent, and five percent but the standards established nominees for [reapportionment been invalidated by a court established in a manner so as to in favor of each party. The by subdivisions (1) to (4) commissioners] the house of competent jurisdiction, comply with all requirements of vote in each individual district of this subsection shall independent the United States Constitution shall be assumed to shift by the take precedence over citizens commission. [Neither] a ruling has been made, the and applicable federal laws, same amount as the statewide partisan fairness including, but not limited to, the vote. The nonpartisan state competitiveness. "Partisan than one nominee from any shall make public and file Voting Rights Act of 1965 (as demographer shall ensure that, fairness" means that parties one state legislative district. with the secretary of state and amended). [Notwithstanding in each of these simulated shall be able to translate The congressional district with the house apportionment the Article, districts shall not be between the two parties' total legislative drawn with the intent or result wasted votes, divided by the with approximately equal two elected nominees. The proposed districts, as well as all of denying or abridging the total votes cast for the two efficiency. "Competitiveness" state committees shall each demographic and partisan data equal opportunity of racial parties, is as close to zero as means that parties' legislative submit to the governor their used in the creation of the plan

ability to elect representatives requirements of [paragraphs electorate's preferences. of their choice, whether by a. and b. of this subdivision] of the right of any citizen are those which are square, shall be calculated. This sixty-three

electorate to participate in boundaries shall coincide with parties in these elections. commission during the same shall be filed with the clerk of the political process and to the boundaries of political Using this index, the total redistricting cycle. elect representatives of their subdivisions of the state. The number of wasted votes for number of counties and cities each party, summing across If any [of the congressional after its adoption. Executive divided among more than all of the districts in the plan committees] committee fails to meetings may be scheduled and [Districts shall be designed one district shall be as small shall be calculated. "Wasted submit a list within such time, held as often as the commission in a manner that achieves as possible. When there is a votes" are votes cast for a the governor shall appoint a deems advisable. both partisan fairness and, choice between dividing local losing candidate or for a member of his or her own secondarily, competitiveness political subdivisions, the winning candidate in excess choice [from that district and] "Partisan fairness" means more populous subdivisions of the threshold needed for from the political party of the changes to the tentative plan that parties shall be able to shall be divided before the less victory. In any redistricting committee failing to [make of apportionment and map of translate their popular support populous, but this preference plan and map of the proposed the appointment] submit a the proposed districts received into legislative representation shall not apply to a legislative districts, the difference list, provided that in the case from the nonpartisan state with approximately equal district boundary drawn along between the two parties' of a congressional district demographer provided that efficiency. "Competitiveness" a county line which passes total wasted votes, divided committee failing to submit such changes are consistent means that parties' legislative through a city that lies in more by the total votes cast for the a list, the person appointed with this section and approved shall be than one county] subdivisions two parties, shall not exceed to the commission by the by a vote of at least sevensubstantially and similarly (1) to (3) of this subsection, fifteen percent. shall preserved. Districts shall To promote competitiveness, committee. satisfy this requirement if the electoral performance To this end, the nonpartisan district lines follow political index shall be used to Members of the commission of apportionment and map of demographer shall subdivision lines to the extent simulate elections in which shall be disqualified from proposed districts shall become calculate the average electoral possible, using the following the hypothetical statewide holding office as members of final. Not later than two months performance of the two parties criteria, in order of priority. vote shifts by one percent, the general assembly for four of receiving the tentative plan receiving the most votes in the First, each county shall wholly two percent, three percent, years following the date of of apportionment and map three preceding elections for contain as many districts as four percent, and five percent the filing by the commission of the proposed districts, the governor, for United States its population allows. Second, in favor of each party. The of its final [statement of commission shall file with Senate, and for President of if a county wholly contains vote in each individual apportionment] redistricting the secretary of state a final the United States. This index one or more districts, the district shall be assumed to plan. votes received by each party shall be wholly joined in a the statewide vote. In each of For the purposes of this together with a map of the in the three preceding elections single district made up of these simulated elections, the Article, the term congressional districts.] for governor, for United States population from outside the difference between the two district Senate, and for President of the county. If a county does not parties' total wasted votes, congressional United States, divided by the wholly contain a district, then divided by the total votes cast refers to the congressional months after the appointment total votes cast for both parties no more than two segments of for the two parties, shall not district committee or the of the commission, the in these elections. Using this a county shall be combined exceed fifteen percent. index, the nonpartisan state with an adjoining county. demographer shall calculate the Third, split counties and total number of wasted votes county segments, defined as after the population of this state members of congress from of the proposed districts

and shall be drawn on the the proposed districts submitted that districts are compact been made, the state committee congressional district refers basis of one person, one vote. to the respective apportionment in form, but the standards and the congressional district to those districts from which Districts are as nearly equal commission, the nonpartisan established by paragraphs a. [committee] as practicable in population state demographer shall ensure to d. of this subdivision take of each of the two political Any action pursuant to this if no district deviates by the difference between the two precedence over compactness parties casting the highest section by the congressional more than one percent parties' total wasted votes, where a conflict arises vote for governor at the last district committee shall take from the ideal population divided by the total votes cast between compactness and preceding general election place only at duly called of the district, as measured for the two parties, is as close these standards. In general, shall meet and the members meetings, shall be recorded in To promote competitiveness, or hexagonal in shape to the of the elected members of the shall be permitted to vote. state extent permitted by natural or committee present, provided

vote shifts by one percent, both partisan fairness and, the case of a congressional United States or, in the event two percent, three percent, secondarily, competitiveness, district difference their popular support into committees shall each submit commission a tentative plan of process or diminishing their c.] (3) Subject to the responsive to shifts in the the governor shall appoint a

> elections general

population shift by the same amount as

in the federal decennial census], of apportionment and map of [e. Preference shall be sixty days that such a ruling has were last elected, and the term compact districts are those of [the] each committee shall their official minutes and only which are square, rectangular, nominate, by a majority vote members present in person committee, and No party shall select more nonpartisan state demographer representation to the governor their list of apportionment and map of the representation shall be list of five elected nominees, and map.] substantially and similarly Within thirty days thereafter,

house independent bipartisan selected shall, [within ten days citizens commission consisting of receiving the tentative plan themselves or by voting in subdivisions (1) and (2) of To this end, the average of one [name] nominee of apportionment and map concert with other persons.] this subsection, districts shall electoral performance of from each list submitted by of the proposed districts,] on The following principles shall be composed of contiguous the two political parties each congressional district the fifteenth day, excluding take precedence over any territory as compact as may receiving the most votes in committee and two nominees Sundays and state holidays, other part of this constitution: be. Areas which meet only the three preceding general from each list submitted after all members have no district shall be drawn at the points of adjoining elections for governor, for by each state committee to been appointed, meet in the in a manner which results corners are not contiguous. In United States Senate, and for [reapportion] redistrict the capitol building and proceed in a denial or abridgment general, compact districts President of the United States state into one hundred and to organize by electing from of the United States to vote rectangular, or hexagonal in index shall be defined as the districts and to establish the chairman and secretary. The on account of race or color; shape to the extent permitted total votes received by each numbers and boundaries of commission shall adopt an and no district shall be by natural or political party in the three preceding said districts. No person shall agenda establishing at least for be appointed to both the three hearing dates on which governor, for United States house independent bipartisan hearings open to the public protected by the preceding [d.] (4) To the extent Senate, and for President of citizens commission and shall be held to hear objections clause have less opportunity consistent with [paragraphs a. the United States, divided by the senate independent or testimony from interested

> governor shall reside in the tenths of the commissioners. congressional district of such If no changes are made or

committee [(2)] (c) Within sixty days last elected, or, in the event redistricting plan and map for each party, summing across any part of the county that is is reported to the President this state have been elected at and during the ensuing all of the districts in the plan. in a district not wholly within for each decennial census of large, the term congressional fifteen days shall hold such "Wasted votes" are votes cast that county, shall each be as the United States or, in the district committee refers to public hearings as may be for a losing candidate or for a few as possible. Fourth, as event that a [reapportionment] those persons who last served necessary to hear objections

dividing the number of districts winning candidate in excess few municipal lines shall be redistricting plan has been as the congressional district invalidated by a court of committee for those districts competent jurisdiction, within from which congressmen committees congressmen were last elected.

> that a majority of the **elected** [(3) Within six months after members is present, [two] the population of this state is as that a reapportionment has bipartisan within six months after such

> > representative their number a chairman, vice citizens persons. A copy of the agenda the house of representatives within twenty-four hours

> > > approved as provided for in this subsection, the tentative plan statement of the numbers and the boundaries of the districts

district (e) Not later than five congressional district from commission shall file with the which a congressman was secretary of state a tentative the plan and map.

- Not later six months appointment the commission. the
- subsection (b) of this a majority of whom shall redistricting provided in this section.
- not more than one thousand bipartisan member of the commission.
- subject to the referendum.
- challenged redistricting each congressional district representatives and approved creation of the plan and map.

data used in the creation of a differently drawn district, bipartisan court renders a judgment independent exhibits the alleged violation,

of representatives shall for each decennial census of the congressional district of such be elected according to United States or, in the event committee. such districts until a new that a reapportionment has redistricting plan is made been invalidated by a court of discharged and the house maps using the same methods plan. representatives shall and criteria as those required using by Article III, Section 3 for the [(c) Within six months after objections or testimony shall have standing. If the the same methods and establishment of districts for the population of this state is of interested persons. The court renders a judgment

plan bipartisan two political parties casting districts.] citizens commission. The the highest vote for governor of the proposed districts, as by a vote of the individual of apportionment and map of

or testimony of interested plan as a defendant. Only committee, to [reapportion] by a vote of at least seven- Thereafter, senators shall persons. The commission an eligible Missouri voter redistrict the thirty-four tenths of the commissioners, be elected according to such shall make public the who sustains an individual senatorial districts and to If no changes are made or districts until a redistricting tentative redistricting plan injury by virtue of residing establish the numbers and approved as provided for in this plan is made as provided in and map of the proposed in a district that exhibits boundaries of said districts. No subsection, the tentative plan this section. districts, as well as all the alleged violation, and person shall be appointed to of apportionment and map of demographic and partisan whose injury is remedied by both the house independent proposed districts shall become shall have standing. If the commission and the senate after receiving the tentative as compensation in which it finds that a citizens commission during map of the proposed districts, commission is in session, but after completed redistricting plan the same redistricting cycle. the commission shall file with not more than one thousand

its judgment shall adjust only If [either of the party statement of the numbers and be reimbursed for his or her the secretary of state a final those districts, and only those committees any committee the boundaries of the districts actual and necessary expenses statement of the numbers parts of district boundaries, fails to submit a list within such together with a map of the incurred while serving as a and the boundaries of the necessary to bring the map time, the governor shall appoint districts.] districts together with a into compliance. The supreme [five members] a member of map of the districts, and court shall have exclusive his or her own choice from the (c) The senate independent (h) No [reapportionment] no statement shall be valid appellate jurisdiction upon political party of the committee bipartisan unless approved by at the filing of a notice of appeal [so] failing to [act] submit a commission shall redistrict subject to the referendum. least seven-tenths of the within ten days after the list, provided that in the case the senate using the same judgment has become final. of a congressional district methods and criteria as those (i) Any action expressly final Section 7. (a) [Within ten a list, the person appointed section 3 of this article for the redistricting plan violates filed, days after the population of this to the commission by the redistricting of the house of this Constitution, federal members of the house state is reported to the President governor shall reside in the representatives.

as provided in this section, competent jurisdiction, within shall be disqualified from bipartisan except that if the final ten days after such a ruling has holding office as members of commission, the commission plan as a defendant. Only statement is not filed within been made, the nonpartisan the general assembly for four shall file with the secretary of an eligible Missouri voter six months of the time state demographer authorized years following the date of state a tentative redistricting who sustains an individual fixed for the appointment in Article III, Section 3 shall the filing by the commission plan and map of the proposed injury by virtue of residing of the commission, the begin the preparation of of its final Istatement of districts and during the in a district that exhibits commission shall stand senatorial districting plans and apportionment] redistricting ensuing fifteen days shall the alleged violation, and

the state of Missouri by United States, or within sixty within six months after such the plan and map. the state supreme court, days after a [reapportionment] a ruling has been made, the ninety days of the date of the congressional district tentative plan of apportionment state a final statement of the judgment has become final. the discharge of the house committees of each of the and map of the proposed numbers and the boundaries

judicial commission shall at the last preceding general (b) The commissioners so no statement shall be valid [thus] in the above bill is not make public the tentative election shall[, at a committee selected shall [within ten days unless approved by at least enacted and is intended to be redistricting plan and map meeting duly called, select of receiving the tentative plan seven-tenths of the members. omitted from the law. Matter in well as all demographic and committee members, and the proposed districts required partisan data used in the thereafter submit to the by this subsection], on the is filed, senators creation of the plan and map, governor a list of ten persons, fifteenth day, excluding be elected according to Thereafter, members of the and] meet and the members Sundays and state holidays, such districts until a new STATE OF MISSOURI \ \chi_SS house of representatives of each committee shall after all members have redistricting plan is made shall be elected according nominate, by a majority vote been appointed, meet in the as provided in this section, to such districts until a of the elected members of the capitol building and proceed except that if the final redistricting plan is made as committee present, provided to organize by electing from statement is not filed within Secretary of State of the State that a majority of the elected their number a chairman, vice six months of the time fixed members is present, members chairman and secretary. The for the appointment of the that the foregoing is a full, (h) Each member of the of their party, residents in commission shall adopt an commission, the commission receive that district, in the case agenda establishing at least shall stand discharged and Constitutional fifteen of a congressional district three hearing dates on which the senate shall be redistricted No. 3, to be submitted to the dollars a day for each day the committee, as nominees hearings open to the public using the same methods qualified voters of the State commission is in session but for the senate independent shall be held to hear objections and criteria as described in of Missouri at the General citizens or testimony from interested subsection (b) of section 3 of Election to be held the third day dollars, and, in addition, shall commission. No party shall persons. A copy of the agenda this article by a commission of November, 2020. be reimbursed for his or her select more than one nominee shall be filed with the secretary of six members appointed actual and necessary expenses from any one state legislative of the senate within twenty- from among the judges of incurred while serving as a district. The congressional four hours after its adoption, the appellate courts of the I hereunto set my hand and district committees shall each Executive meetings may be state of Missouri by the state affix the Great Seal of the State submit to the governor their scheduled and held as often supreme court, a majority of of Missouri, done at the City (i) No [reapportionment] list of two elected nominees, as the commission deems whom shall sign and file its of Jefferson, this 25th day of redistricting plan shall be The state committees shall advisable. [The commission redistricting plan and map August, 2020. each submit to the governor may make changes to the with the secretary of state their list of five elected tentative plan of apportionment within ninety days of the date (j) Any action expressly nominees. Within thirty days and map of the proposed of the discharge of the senate or implicitly alleging that a thereafter the governor shall districts received from the independent redistricting plan violates appoint a senate independent nonpartisan state demographer citizens commission. The this Constitution, federal bipartisan citizens commission provided that such changes judicial commission shall law, or the United States consisting of [ten members, are consistent with this section make public the tentative Constitution shall be filed five two nominees from each and the methods and criteria redistricting plan and map in the circuit court of Cole list submitted by each state required by Section 3 of this of the proposed districts, as County and shall name the committee and one nominee Article for the establishment well as all demographic and

- committee failing to submit required by subsection (b), or implicitly alleging that a
- Members of the commission of the senate independent body that approved the criteria as described in the house of representatives. reported to the President for commission shall make public in which it finds that a each decennial census of the the tentative redistricting completed redistricting plan section by a commission (b)] Within sixty days after United States or in the event plan and map of the proposed exhibits the alleged violation, of six members appointed the population of this state is that a reapportionment has districts, as well as all its judgment shall adjust only from among the judges reported to the President for been invalidated by a court demographic and partisan those districts, and only those of the appellate courts of each decennial census of the of competent jurisdiction, data used in the creation of parts of district boundaries,

of the districts together with EXPLANATION-Matter a map of the districts, and enclosed in bold-faced brackets

(f) After the final statement is proposed language. body that approved the from each list submitted by of districts for the house of partisan data used in the

- citizens final. Not later than two months commission shall receive bipartisan plan of apportionment and dollars a day for each day the the secretary of state a final dollars, and, in addition, shall member of the commission.
 - citizens redistricting plan shall be
- law, or the United States Constitution shall be filed (d) Not later than five in the circuit court of Cole months after the appointment County and shall name the citizens challenged hold such public hearings whose injury is remedied by as may be necessary to hear a differently drawn district, into compliance. The supreme has nonpartisan state demographer (e) Not later than six months court shall have exclusive sign and file its redistricting been invalidated by a court shall file with the secretary of after the appointment of the appellate jurisdiction upon plan and map with the of competent jurisdiction, state and with the senatorial commission, the commission the filing of a notice of appeal secretary of state within the state committee and apportionment commission a shall file with the secretary of within ten days after the

bold-face type in the above bill

Secretary of State

true and complete copy of

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF.



November 3 Ballot Certification and Sample Ballot

CERTIFICATION STATE OF MISSOURI) ss. COUNTY OF BARRY)

I, Jill H. LeCompte, Barry County Clerk, within and for the County of Barry, State of Missouri, hereby certify that the attached form of Official Ballot is in compliance with requirement of Section 116.230 of 1984 Cumulative Supplement of the Missouri Revised Statutes.

IN TESTIMONY WHERE-OF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of my office. Done at the Barry County Courthouse this 7th day of October 2020.

Jill H. LeCompte

Barry County Clerk

NOTICE OF VOTER REGISTRATION ACCESS-ABILITY, FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN that no less than one-half of the sites provided for voter registration shall be accessible to handicapped persons (RSMo 115.140). In addition, a dis-

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SAMPLE BALLOT
GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3, 2020
BARRY COUNTY, MISSOURI

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the General Election will be held in the County of Barry on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 as certified to this office by the participating entities of Barry County. The ballot for the Election shall be in substantially the following form

Tollowing form.		
A vote for candidates for President and Vice President is a vote for their Electors.	FOR SECRETARY OF STATE Vote for ONE	FOR STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 29
FOR PRESIDENT AND	JOHN R. (JAY) ASHCROFT	Vote for ONE
VICE PRESIDENT	YINKA FALETI	MIKE MOON REP
Vote for ONE PAIR	CARL HERMAN FREESE	
DONALD J. TRUMP	PAUL LEHMANN GRN	Write-in
MICHAEL R. PENCE	PAUL VENABLE CST	FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE
JOSEPH R. BIDEN		DISTRICT 158
KAMALA D. HARRIS	Write-in	Vote for ONE
JO JORGENSEN	FOR STATE TREASURER	SCOTT CUPPS REP
JEREMY (SPIKE) COHEN	Vote for ONE	BRENDA McKINNEY
HOWIE HAWKINS GRN	SCOTT FITZPATRICK	
ANGELA NICOLE WALKER	VICKI LORENZ ENGLUND DEM	Write-in
DON BLANKENSHIP	NICHOLAS (NICK) KASOFF	FOR NORTHERN COMMISSIONER
WILLIAM MOHR	JOSEPH CIVETTINI GRN	Vote for ONE
		GARY SCHAD REP
Write-in	Write-in	
FOR GOVERNOR	FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL	Write-in
Vote for ONE	Vote for ONE	FOR SOUTHERN COMMISSIONER
MIKE PARSON REP	ERIC SCHMITT	Vote for ONE
NICOLE GALLOWAY DEM	RICH FINNERAN DEM	GENE ROBBINS
RIK COMBS	KEVIN C BABCOCK	WAYNE HENDRIX
JEROME HOWARD BAUER GRN		
	Write-in	Write-in
Write-in		FOR SHERIFF
FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE	Vote for ONE
Vote for ONE	DISTRICT 7	DANNY BOYD
MIKE KEHOE	Vote for ONE	
ALISSIA CANADY	BILLY LONG REP	Write-in
BILL SLANTZ	TERESA MONTSENY DEM	FOR ASSESSOR
KELLEY DRAGOO GRN	KEVIN CRAIG	Vote for ONE
		SHERRY SMITH
Write-in	Write-in	
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SAMPLE BALLOT from 6B

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GARY SWEARINGEN	REP
RUSTY DILBECK	DEM
SKIP WHITE	IND
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Vote for ONE	

in office for new terms.

VOTE ON EACH JUDGE

MISSOURI SUPREME COURT JUDGE

Shall Judge PATRICIA BRECKENRIDGE of

the Missouri Supreme Court be retained in

office?

NO

	YES
	NO
MI	SSOURI COURT OF APPEALS
JI	UDGE, SOUTHERN DISTRICT

Shall Judge GARY W. LYNCH of the Southern District Court of Appeals be retained in office? **YES**

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 1

Proposed by the 100th General Assembly (First Regular Session) (SS SCS SJR 14 & 9)

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to extend the two term restriction that currently applies to the Governor and Treasurer to the Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor and the Attorney General?

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

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	YES

NO

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CONSTITUTIONAL **AMENDMENT NO. 3**

Proposed by the 100th General Assembly (Second Regular Session) (SS 3 SJR 38)

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

- Ban gifts from paid lobbyists to legislators and their employees;
- Reduce legislative campaign contribution limits;
- Change the redistricting process voters approved in 2018 by: (i) transferring responsibility for drawing

state legislative districts from the Nonpartisan State Demographer to Governor-appointed bipartisan commissions; (ii) modifying and reordering the redistricting criteria.

State governmental entities expect no cost or savings. Individual local governmental entities expect significant decreased revenues of a total unknown amount.

YES	
NO	

CITY OF PURDY

QUESTION

Shall the City of Purdy Missouri, be authorized to forgo annual elections if the number of candidates who have filed for a particular office is equal to the number of positions in the office to be filled by the election.

YES

NO



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- Monett Rural/Capps Creek: New Site Baptist Church
- Ozark/Crane Creek: Madry Christian Union Building
- Purdy//McDowell: Purdy

- Roaring River: Eagle Rock
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- Shell Knob: Shell Knob/ Viola Community Building
- Washburn/Ash: Washburn First Baptist Activity Center
- Wheaton: Wheaton Community Building

The polling places for said election will open at 6 a.m. and close at 7 p.m., during which time any person properly registered to vote in Barry County will be given the opportunity to cast his or her ballot.

Polling place change for **Kings Prairie / Pleasant** Ridge

For those who vote at Kings Prairie / Pleasant Ridge, your Polling Place has changed!

For the November 3, 2020, General Election, and all future elections unless stated otherwise, Kings Prairie and Pleasant Ridge voters will vote at the Pleasant Ridge

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MoDOT conducts winter weather drill

In an attempt to get a jump on this year's winter season, the Missouri Department of Transportation will hold its annual winter operations drill on Wednesday, Oct. 21, and Thursday, Oct. 22. The drill has been expanded to two days this year to accommodate social distancing requirements due to COVID-19.

Motorists may notice increased numbers of MoDOT vehicles on state routes during the drill. In rural areas, crews will deploy after 8 a.m. In urban areas, the drill will not begin until after 9 a.m. The exercise should be completed by 3 p.m.

"Winter weather seems to start earlier every year," said Natalie Roark, state maintenance director. "We've scheduled this year's drill a little earlier to make sure we all know our roles during a winter storm so we can do our jobs successfully." More than 3,000 MoDOT employees are involved in clearing roads and bridges as quickly as possible when winter weather hits. During the drill, MoDOT employees will react to a simulated forecast of significant snow for the entire state. The department's emergency operations centers will activate and maintenance employees will be deployed to their trucks. Emergency communications systems will also be tested.

The drill serves as a training reminder to make sure proper equipment, plowing techniques and safety measures are used. In addition, every piece of equipment—every truck, motor grader, snow blower and tractor—is inspected and calibrated to conserve materials.

One of the most valuable parts of the drill is that it allows MoDOT's newest employees the opportunity to drive a snowplow over their designated routes so they are aware of obstacles and obstructions, such as curbs and raised islands, that might be hidden in snow or ice.

MoDOT spent more than \$66 million on winter operations last year and used over 180,000 tons of salt; 3 million gallons of salt brine; 80,000 tons of abrasives; 350 tons of calcium chloride; 24,000 gallons of liquid calcium chloride; 90,000 gallons of liquid magnesium chloride; and almost 500,000 gallons of beet juice.

In an average winter, Mo-DOT employees will plow about 6 million miles of snow and ice, which is enough to go to the moon and back 13 times

For information on road conditions across the state, safe traveling tips, and other winter weather information, visit www.modot.org.

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- Senator Robert F. Kennedy

Spiders focus of MDC program

A program about spiders on Friday, Oct. 23 is the next step in a gradual return to normalcy for the Missouri Department of Conservation's (MDC) Shoal Creek Conservation Education Education Education Center. that's a long time and we appreciate the public's understanding and patience," said MDC Southwest Regional Education Supervisor Warren Rose. "We feel a soft reopening allows our staff to better make any needed

The program, "Spider Safari" beginning at 6 p.m., will be the Shoal Creek Center's first in-person program since the facility closed its doors to the public March 23 due to health concerns surrounding COVID-19. In the interim, Shoal Creek staff have been doing virtual programs on a variety of conservation top-

The Shoal Creek facility reopened to the public Oct. 6, but it was a "soft" opening. Because the Joplin area – like many other parts of the state – is still dealing with COV-ID-19, a low-key re-opening was in the best interest of both MDC staff at the facility and the public. It's part of a slow-but-steady strategy aimed at getting all components of the Shoal Creek facility up and running again in a healthy fashion.

"The Shoal Creek Center has been closed for more than six months. We know preciate the public's understanding and patience," said MDC Southwest Regional Education Supervisor Warren Rose. "We feel a soft reopening allows our staff to better make any needed adjustments related to safety measures for the public and staff alike. We always strive to provide a safe way to engage and educate the public. Now, during this pandemic, we also need to do that while providing for social distancing, which a soft reopening allows us to do."

The Shoal Creek Center building is open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday. Signage inside the Shoal Creek building encourages visitors to social distance. Approximately one-third of the display area inside the building has been temporarily roped off - another measure to limit numbers and contact points inside the facility. Visitors are encouraged, but not required, to wear masks inside the building.

Visitors to the Shoal Creek Center are also encouraged to enjoy the site's trails, which are open daily from sunrise to sunset. The trail system connects with the network of trails managed by the City of Joplin.

In regards to the Oct. 23 Spider Safari program, the approximately hour-long program is designed for all ages. The event, which is open to 10 participants, will begin with a short program discussing the benefits of spiders. Then participants will then head to the trails for a "spider safari" guided by MDC staff. Participants are asked to bring flashlights and to dress for the weather. People can register for this event at: https://mdc-eventweb.s3licensing.com/Event/ EventDetails/174578.

Some in-person programs will be offered in the weeks ahead, but staff will also continue to conduct online programs. MDC Education Center Manager Kevin Badgley, who supervises the Shoal Creek facility, hopes to eventually return to a full schedule of in-person programs, but he said there is definitely still a place for virtual programming.

"The public has embraced the wide variety of virtual programs we've offered out of the Shoal Creek Center and across the state while our MDC facilities have been closed," said Badgley. "We look forward to continuing to offer virtual program options as we provide limited outside program opportunities. We encourage Four-State area residents to explore the trails and to get outside and enjoy nature."

MDC's Shoal Creek Conservation Education Center is located at 201 Riviera Drive, Joplin. People can find information about monthly programs at the Shoal Creek Conservation Education Center by calling 417-629-3434 or by going to: https://mdc.mo.gov/events-s3?field_rel_regions_tid=68.





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The other constitutional amendment on the Nov. 3 ballot (known as Amendment 1) would extend the two-term restriction that currently only applies to the Missouri Governor and to the State Treasurer. Amendment 1, if approved by voters, would prohibit any person from being elected more than twice to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, or Attorney General. Any person who holds such an office for more than two years of a term for which another person was elected shall not

be elected more than once to that office. Service in the offices of Governor and State Treasurer resulting from an election or appointment prior to December 3, 2020, shall count towards the term limitations. The term limit proposal for the statewide ballot was passed by the General Assembly in 2019.

RECAP: Missouri voters in August okayed Medicaid Expansion by a vote of 53 percent to 47 percent as 1.26 million voters cast ballots on the issue.

The Medicaid Expansion initiative, on the ballot as Amendment 2, amends the Missouri Constitution to adopt Medicaid Expansion for a person 19 to 64 years old with an income level at or below 133 percent of the federal poverty level, as set forth in the Affordable Care Act. Currently, Medicaid eligibility is covered in state law, but this amendment adds Medicaid Expansion to the state's constitution.

Implementing Medicaid Expansion in Missouri most likely will result in an appropriations issue for the General Assembly in the coming months. How much and where the state funds will come from is a puzzle at this point. Federal law requires states to fund a portion of the program (state match) to receive federal funding. The amendment does not provide new state funding or specify existing funding sources for the required state match, so appropriations will need to be found in the state's annual budget.

The ballot proposal's fiscal impact said state government entities are estimated to have one-time costs of about \$6.4 million and an unknown annual net fiscal impact by 2026 ranging from increased costs of at least \$200 million each year to savings of \$1 billion. Local governments expect costs to decrease by an unknown amount.

The amendment prohibits placing greater or additional burdens on eligibility or enrollment standards, methodologies or practices on persons covered under Medicaid Expansion than on any other persons eligible for Medicaid. The amendment requires state agencies to take all actions necessary to maximize

federal financial participation in funding medical assistance under Medicaid Expansion.

This report was compiled for Missouri Press Association members by Lathrop GPM Consulting.



Virtual quilt auction to benefit Missouri 4-H

The Missouri 4-H Foundation will host its first virtual quilt auction this fall and is seeking donations of handmade quilts of all sizes, either machine- or hand-quilted.

"Proceeds from individual quilts can benefit a county or statewide 4-H program," said Rachel Augustine, Missouri 4-H Foundation director.

"It has been a challenging year for many 4-H clubs that have had to cancel local fundraisers because of CO-VID-19, and this is one small way we can help raise support locally and showcase the incredible artistry of our 4-H volunteers, members and donors," Augustine said.

The silent auction runs Nov. 16 to Nov. 22. A link to the online bidding site will be posted on the Missouri 4-H Foundation's website and Facebook page. Visit fb.me/ e/3hOyhBri4 for information and updates.

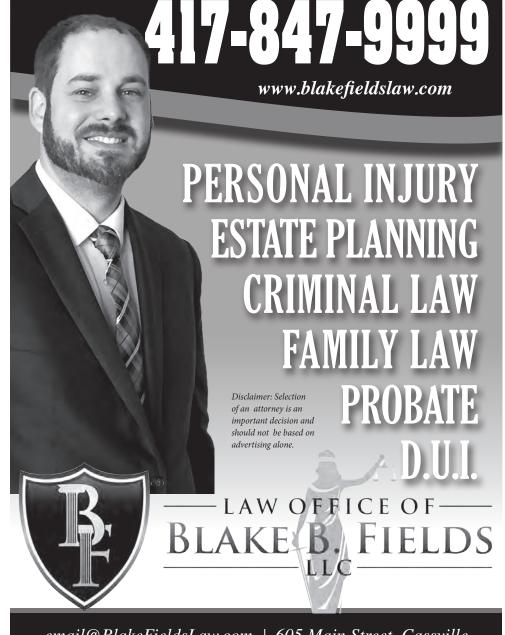
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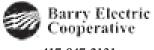
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