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The Faces Behind the Voices National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week- April 15-19, 2024

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National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week is held annually during the second week of April to honor the telecommunications personnel in the public safety community who dedicate their lives to serving the public. The week was launched in 1981 and officially approved by

Congress and President Bill Clinton in 1991. In Barry County, there are currently sixteen public safety telecommunicators: Brittany Campbell, Caitlyn Rose, Cassidy Ewton, Chelsey Morgan, Christopher Bolton, Christina New-

man, Deirdre Duym, Kairi Berry, Kala Brooks,

Kristi Golubski, Lacreshia Henry, McKenzie Maples, Melissa Scott, Sonja Ansley, Tony Hinkle, and Zhan Mourning.

In public safety circles, they are known as the

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Not all heroes wear capes... Cassville youth receives Young Hero Award

By Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com



Cassville youth Elijah Madsen was presented a Young Hero Award from Barry County Sheriff Danny Boyd last week.

Last Wednesday friends, family, and members of the Barry County Sheriff's Office gathered at the Justice Center in Cassville to present Elijah Madsen, of Cassville, with a Young Hero Award, for his act of heroism during a burglary at his family residence on March 14 of this year.

Elijah, who is a middle school student at Cassville Middle School, was honored for his aid to his mother and younger brother who were in immediate danger due to an intruder in the family home. Elijah made sure his younger brother was safe from harm and returned to help his mother fight off the intruder until help arrived.

During the presentation Barry County Sheriff Danny Boyd stated Elijah's strength, courage and determination greatly affected the outcome of the situation, and his actions without any thought for his own well-being exemplifies the true meaning of a young hero...not all heroes wear capes.

Thieves hit Golden Freedom Bank ATM

By Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com



Thieves hit the Freedom Bank ATM in Golden during the early morning

During the ly morning hours of April 13, thieves hit the Freedom Bank ATM in Golden. According to Barry County Sheriff Danny Boyd, Barry County E-911 dispatch received an alarm call at 2:41 a.m. on April 13 to the Freedom Bank location, a second call from the alarm company was made to Barry County E-911 at 2:44 a.m. to disregard

er. At 3:22 a.m., Barry County E-911 dispatch received a third call from the business key

holder advising the

ATM had been broken

into at the Golden lo-

When deputies arrived at the Freedom Bank location, they found the ATM had

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Letter to the Editor

In the last two months during the Patriots of SW Missouri meeting, there have been out of town groups attending. Are they there to support our group or to disrupt our process of introducing people who have our best interest of keeping our community safe and informing us on local, state and county issues?

We have reputable representatives that state facts and not hearsay. There have been demeaning commercials on TV that do not state the truth.

Please come to our meetings and find out the truth from all candidates. You are welcome to attend the next meeting April 20, at 1 p.m. at the Shell Knob VFW.

Carol Walker Shell Knob

Letters to the editor on any subject are welcome. They should be brief, no more than 350 words, and should include a mailing address and a daytime telephone number. They must be typed. Opinions may be edited for spelling, grammar, libel and slander. Letters relating to a political candidate or issue must be received at least two weeks before the election. Letters can be emailed to editor@4bca.com, or submitted by mail or in person. Mailed letters should be addressed to Letters to the Editor, Barry County Advertiser, PO Box 488, Cassville. MO 65625



It has been my privilege and honor to serve this community on the Barry Electric Cooperative Board for the past three years. It is now time for re-election and I am asking for your consideration as our annual meeting is approaching. Your co-op has been a stable supplier of power in these uncertain times. Wise leadership, cautious stewardship and consistency have been the keys to this. I look forward to being a part of our continued success.

*I grew up in Nebraska where my father served on our local cooperative's board for 50 years.

*I attended the National Youth Tour as a high school student and then continued working with the National Rural Electric Cooperative as a tour Staff member.

*I worked for the Nebraska Rural Electric Cooperative statewide office through college.

*Our family moved to Cassville in 2005 and this is our home. We have raised our children here and I practiced medicine here for nearly 20 years. In an effort to give more back to this community that has given so much to us, I ran for election to the Barry Electric Cooperative Board in 2021. Even with my previous experience within the co-op world, this has given me an in-depth exposure to our local team. I am committed to serving you and our employees through my next term.

Please join us on **April 18, 2024** at the **Family Life Center** for our annual meeting and voting. Voting begins at 12, meeting begins at 1pm. Or, you may vote early at the **Barry Electric Cooperative Office, April 11-17, 7:30-4:30.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT---SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!

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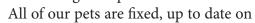
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Haven of the Ozarks: Pet of the Week

Who needs some Gin? Gin's estimated DOB is 05/15/2022 and she's a black and brown Rottweiler. Gin and Tonic are sisters who were found and brought to us as strays. Tonic has found her home, but Gin is still looking for her people.

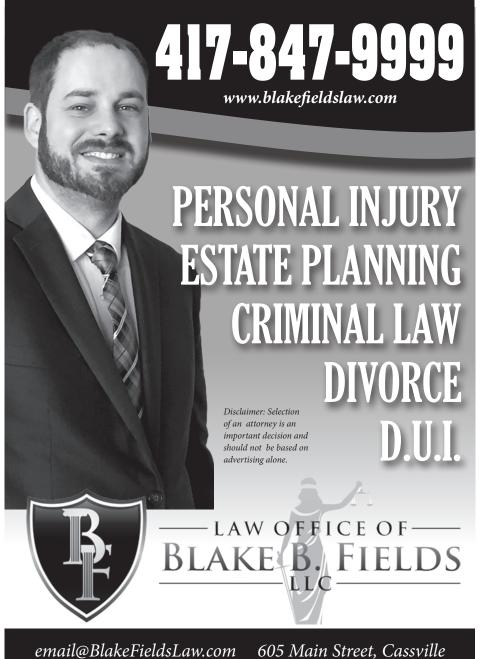
Gin can be timid at first, but she warms up to new people within a couple of days and when she sees somebody she knows approaching, she wags her whole entire butt! She learned the "sit" command exceptionally fast and is treat-motivated. So far, her favorites seem to be peanut butter treats, and she's not a big fan of the bacon kind. She's also been working on leash training and is doing a great job! She weighs 50 pounds.



their vaccinations, and microchipped. The Haven of the Ozarks is open from 9am-4pm, seven days a week. For more information, please email us at havenozarksanctuary@gmail.com, or give us a call at 417-835-3647. Visit www.havenoftheozarks.org/adopt to view all adoptable pets.







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It's Time for Morel Mushroom Hunting!



Boone Rawlings, 7, likes to hunt morels with his dad. He found this monster morel in the Mineral Springs Township area. He is the son of Brittney and Vincent Rawlings, of Cassville.

Paisley Hendrix, 10 years old, bags her first turkey on April 6, 2024, with her dad Josh Hendrix





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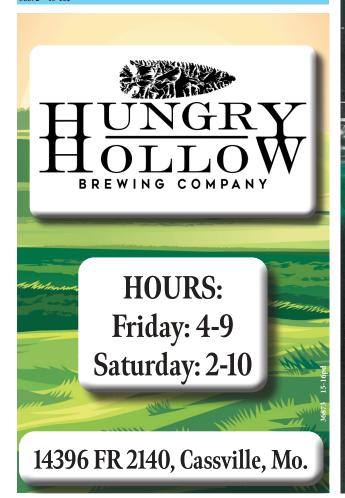
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Spring, the time mushroom hunters scout the forest to find the most widely recognized edible mushroom in Missouri, the morel.

Most serious morel mushroom hunters have a "honey hole" they only share with close relatives, as it is widely a family affair to hunt and enjoy the bounty together.

For those new to morel mushroom hunting, morels have an elongated honeycombed cap, usually with black or brown ridges and yellowish pits in which cream colored spores are located. Sizes can vary between 2-12 inches in height and are hollow throughout. They grow on the ground in different habitats, near woodlands and river bottoms under hardwoods and conifers from March to early May.

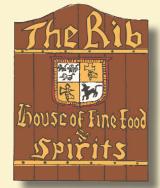
Morels commonly appear after warm, moist weather with daytime temps in the 70's and overnight temperatures in the 50's on south and west facing slopes early in the season and north and east slopes later in the season. According to the Missouri Department of Conservations website, areas disturbed by flooding, fire or logging often



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produce loads of morels and most public lands in Missouri allow the collecting of mushrooms for personal use, but it is recommended to check regulations before collecting.

Though morels do not have the most appetizing appearance, they have a subtle texture and an earthy, woodsy and nutty taste. Most prefer to use an egg wash with spices and flour and fried. They can also be halved and stuffed with cream cheese, spices and wrapped with bacon and grilled as well for a tasty treat.

Anyone interested in more information on mushroom hunting in Misssouri, visit the Missouri Department of Conservation mushroom guide at https://mdc.mo.gov/sites/default/files/ mo_nature/downloads/page/MushroomGuide.







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Community Calendar

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Notice:

Applications for Opioid Funds are available from Barry County. Applications can be picked up at the Barry County Clerk's office at 700 Main St. Ste 2, Cassville, MO 65625 or digital form available on the Barry County Clerk's website: barrycoclerk.com. Rules for organizations applying for funds can also be found on the website. Completed applications should be mailed or brought to the clerk's office at the above address.

BARRY COUNTY PRESS RELEASE:

Senior Age and the Cassville Senior Center will be having a tax counseling program this year, starting in February, where volunteer tax preparers will assist seniors with their taxes and property tax credit. The program will start up in February and it is by appointment. Those needing an appointment can call the Cassville Senior Center at (417) 847-4510 or stop by the center at 1111 Fair St., Cassville.

Patriots of SW MO have meetings on the 3rd Saturday of every month from 1 to 3 P.M. at the VFW in Shell Knob (on Hwy. 39). Everyone is welcome. To learn more and find out who this month's exciting speakers are, contact Jean Dodge at dodgejean13@gmail.com, or Diane Painter (417) 858-2100. (please no texts).

The Purdy Community Recycling Center, located next to the main baseball field, is open Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 P.M., and is currently accepting #1 and #2 plastic, cardboard, aluminum cans, steel cans, used motor oil and filters, and paper products with no food residue.

The Wheaton Depot Museum in Wheaton will be open Sundays from 1 to 5 P.M. Visitors are encouraged to check out the history of Wheaton and the Missouri and North Arkansas Railroad (M&NA). Phone numbers are posted in the window of the museum.

Ozark Country Quilters meets at Show Me Plaza, Hwy. 248, Cassville, every 3rd Monday for Open Sew; every 3rd Thursday for 'Work Shop'; and every 1st Tuesday for their business meeting. For more information, call (417) 342-1372.

<u>The Cassville Arts Council</u> production of Disney's Beauty and the Beast will show on

June 20th, 21st, and 22nd at 7 P.M. as well as on June 23rd at 3 P.M.

The 1st Annual Wheaton Heritage Festival will be held on October 5, 2024. More information to come in a future edition of Community Calendar

Seligman Chamber Event Center has a country dance with bands every Saturday from 7 P.M. to 10 P.M. They also offer free dance lessons from 5 P.M. to 6 P.M. No alcohol allowed. Admission is \$10. Ages 18 and under are free. There is pot luck, 50/50 and door prizes. For information, (479) 903-3640.

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The Helping Hands Food Pantry, 32685 Hwy. 86, Eagle Rock, services the citizens of Eagle Rock, Golden and Mano and is open from 9 to 11:45 A.M. Saturdays and Tuesdays, and 5 to 7 P.M. the first Thursday of the month. Call (417) 271-1301 for more information.

<u>Soil Samples</u> need to be received at the MU B.C. Extension office by 12 P.M. Thursday. Call (417) 847-3161.

Wheaton Church of Christ will have clothing available the 2nd Saturday of the month from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. For information, or to make a donation, call (417) 652-3873 or (417) 669-6935.

Thursday April 18

The Barry County Democrats are holding a mass meeting at the Cassville Public Library at 6 P.M. to elect state-level delegates to be sent to the Missouri Democratic Party's State Convention where they will elect the delegates to be sent to the Democratic Party's National Convention in August.

Friday April 19

The Stella Senior Center, 719 Carter St., Stella, has a dinner and dance every Friday night. The doors open at 5:30 P.M., with a meal at 6 P.M. The dance starts at 7 P.M. This week's band is Red Dirt Duo. Cover charge is \$5. Refreshments are always available. Please call (417) 628-3314 or (417) 489-3661 for more information.

Friday April 19

The Senior Resource Fair will be held at the Family Life Center, 200 W. 5th St., in Cassville. This event will have local professionals and lunch. It will be from 9 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Saturday April 20

Roaring River State Park has an Earth Day event at the Ozark Chinquapin Nature Center between 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. to celebrate the Earth. There will be games, crafts and snow cones. Also, they will be handing out tree saplings, and Smokey Bear will make an appear-

ance. This is a come-and-go event and is free and open to the public. Registration is <u>not</u> required.

Saturday April 20

Barry County Genealogical and Historical Society will meet at 1 P.M. at the Bayless/Sayler House, corner of 9th and Townsend Streets, Cassville. After the business meeting, a program on "Family Memories of Barry County" will be presented by one of our members. Anyone interested in genealogy, history, or old houses is welcome. The porch on the South side of the house will be open for prom pictures.

Saturday April 27

The First Christian Church of Cassville's Women's Group will hold their 2nd annual Ladies Luncheon from 11 A.M.-2 P.M. at the church located at 905 Old Exeter Road, Cassville. Admission is \$10, purchase by messaging the church on facebook or calling Cindy at 417-342-3180.

Saturday April 27

Hickman Cemetery in Washburn cleanup day will be at 8 A.M. Bring your mowers, rakes, brooms, wheel barrels, etc.

Saturday April 27

Sleep in Heavenly Peace is having a 'Build Day' at Emmanuel Baptist Church (821 Old Exeter Rd, Cassville) from 9 A.M.-1 P.M. Volunteers are needed! Just bring yourself, no tools or experience needed. Come for an hour or all four! Our goal is to build 40 beds.

Saturday May 4

Mineral Spring Cemetery's work and clean up day is on Saturday at 8 A.M., the business meeting is at 10 A.M. In case of rain, the meeting will be moved to 9 A.M. If you have loved ones in this cemetery, please come and help.

Cassville Branch Library Activities Children/Youth Programs

(Ages 18 and under)

Tot Time: Thursday, 9am (registration required) **Story Time:** Thursday, 10am (registration required)

Homeschool: Tuesday, 10am (registration required)

After School Wii Games: Wednesday, 3:30-5pm (waiver required)

Adult Programs (Ages 18+)

Open Adult Crafts: Wednesdays, 10am-noon.

Contact the library for more information on any of their programs. The Cassville Branch Library is located at 301 W. 17th St. Phone number is (417) 847-2121.

Monett Library Adult Programs

<u>Chair Yoga</u> - Mondays 1:30pm (except holidays)

<u>Book Club</u> - 1st Tuesday, 1pm

<u>Crochet and Knitting Class with Verda</u>

- Thursdays, 2pm

* The Red Bandana Dulcimers and the Monett
Branch Library are offering a Beginner Mountain
Dulcimer Class starting Saturday, March 2nd,
9–10am in the Monett Library Community Room.
The class will meet for 9 weeks (each Saturday in
March and April). This is a No-Cost class.
Please sign up at the Monett Branch Library.
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Monett Branch Library is located at 2200 Park St., Monett. Phone number is 417-235-7350



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Charles Edward Chapman was born at home on February 20, 1927, east of Jolly Mill outside Pierce City. He went to be with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, April 9, 2024, at age 97. He was married to Rosa Joan (Beaver)

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of Pierce City, for 76 years.

His parents Maro and Bertha (Hill) Chap- ly members include 2024. man, sisters Evelyn and wife Jo; son Ed (Glo-(Floyd) Ramsey, Juan-Bill and (Willadean) all

Charlie in Northern California, contractor who built custom homes, and returned to Pierce City, with his family to build their home on the family farm in 1994.

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ita and (Otis) Hayes, Morin; grandchildren on and brothers Fred, and Laura (Jason) Hensley, and Hosanna Rapreceded him in death. great-grandchildren grew up farming and moved his Michael and Jacob family to Shasta Lake Heeter, and Eymi Coleman. In addition to in 1950. He became a numerous nieces and nephews. His memorial ser-

vice was held at Calvary Chapel in Monett on Tuesday, April 16 at 3:30 p.m. His final resting place will be at Jolly Home, Monett. Bethel Cemetery.

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LAWRENCE "LARRY" MARTIN **ANGYAL**

"Larry" Lawrence Martin Angyal, aka "Bud", 62, of North Little Rock, Arkansas, passed away April 11,

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Funeral Mass will ria); daughter Lynn be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, 20, 2024, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, in chel (Brian) Coleman; Pierce City, with Father Matt Rehrauer officiating. Interment will be in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Pierce City. Memorial contributions can be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church. Arrangements are under the personal care and direction of Buchanan Funeral

VERNON HARPER

Vernon Harper, 87, of Monett, passed away March 10, 2024, while home. at Cox South Hospital in Springfield.

service will be held date. Cremation arfrom 3-5:00 p.m. on rangements are under Saturday, April 20, 2024 at Buchanan Funeral Home with a fami-

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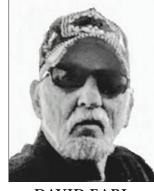
ly gathering to follow. Memorial contributions have been suggested to Haven of the Ozarks. Arrangements are under the personal care and direction of Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.



DENNIS MICHAEL "MIKE" POEHLING

Dennis Michael "Mike" Poehling, age 74, of Shell Knob, passed away Thursday, on Sunday morning, April 11, 2024, at his

A private celebration of life to honor Mike A celebration of life will be held at a later direction of Fohn Funeral Home, in Cassville.



DAVID EARL WATKINS

David Earl Watkins, age 71, of Cassville, passed away Friday, April 12, 2024, at his home.

Services were held at 10:00 A.M. Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at Fohn Funeral Home, in Cassville. Pastor Jerry Williams conducted the services. Burial was held at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at Oak Hill Cemetery, in Carthage.

The family received friends from 5:00 until 6:00 P.M. Monday at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.

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Bill and Barbara Berg, of Exeter, were united in marriage on April 18, 1964. They will have a private family celebration for their 60th anniversary on Saturday, April 20, at their daughter's home in

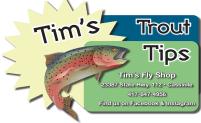
They have seven children, seven grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. Bill Berg is a deacon at Victory Baptist Church.



Russell and Eleanor Bishop, of Seligman, were united in marriage on April 18, 1964, in Seligman, at the First Baptist Church. The Bishop's celebrated with their church family on Sunday, April 14, at Victory Baptist Church, in Cassville.

They have two sons, and four grandchildren Russell is the pastor at Victory Baptist Church.

Water is low and clear, running 45 CFS. The river has been fishing very well this week with beetles, ants, and crackle backs.



Good hatches every morning of tricos. They last till about 9 a.m.; caddis start showing up about 10:30; and blue wing olive after 1:00 p.m.

Caterpillars, small olive wooly worms and black/yellow marabous did very well this week

Fishing nymphs was pretty good. Pheasant tails, scuds, sowbugs, burlaps, and copper johns all did well. Cherise San Juan worms did well this week, as did the apricot and the orange glo balls. Black zebra midges and root beer zebra midges all did well this week. Black, olive, and brown wooly buggers all did well last week.

Marabou jigs work well in this clear water. Olive, black/yellow, white, tan, and the green/tan all did well. Black spinners were good all week. The pink also did well on Saturday. White, pink, and orange plastic eggs did well this week, same colors in the worms. The power bait grubs in pink, and orange were good this week, and the brown worked good up around the hatchery.

Water is very clear so if you can, use 2-lb line, lots of people were using 4-lb line this weekend and most didn't do very well.

Good luck this week, I think there is some rain coming and the river could use a bit, if it changes drastically, I'll add to my report, and few inches of rain won't hurt the river a bit, unless we get it all in an hour.

ATM FROM FRONT

been broken into. Deputies found a white Dodge pickup, which had been stolen from the area, as well as a bumper with a license plate still attached belonging to a van from the First Baptist Church in Grandview, Arkansas. The van was later found approximately a mile down the road in the ditch with straps and hooks used to pull the ATM open.

"We believe this is an organized crime group out of Texas," said Sheriff Boyd. "There appears to be four suspects involved and the same group appears to have broken into bank ATM's in five other counties in Missouri, with the most recent being Dallas county yesterday (April 15). We are working closely with the Sheriff's offices in those counties."

Sheriff Boyd did state that there is no immediate threat to the community and has asked that anyone who may have witnessed anything suspicious in that area or have information about the crime to contact the Barry County Sheriff's Office at 417-847-6556.



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NVIDIA's AI Supremacy: A Superpower at Risk?

As a boy, I thought I had a superpower for a few days. I was standing outside of my parent's house, and I heard a noise. I was able to tell the direction the sound was coming from. I seriously thought that everyone else could only hear sounds, and I alone could determine the direction the sound came from. Sadly, I realized a few days later that everyone had this superpower. One of the big players in artificial intelligence (AI) has a superpower and is propelling the stock market forward, but for how long?

What is artificial intelligence?

AI involves using technologies to create machines that can mimic human thinking. These machines can be programmed to make decisions, carry out detailed tasks, and, most interestingly, learn and adapt from their failures.

As children, we learned by trial and error and repeating activities several times mastered until we them. For example, when we teach our kids to ride a bike, we don't tell them to move their feet in circles; we give them a little push and tell them to keep the bike balanced and straight. They fall a few times but get better each time they fail. That's what AI does. Each time you refresh AI to get a new response to your original question, it learns from the previous cycles and gets smarter each time because it remembers what it discovered last

So, which companies are winning with this AI craze?

There are several, but none compare to NVIDIA Corporation

(NVDA). Its profits jumped 486% in 2023, and it predicts it will keep growing. Nvidia is known for creating computer graphics cards for high-end video games, but its AI chips have made it one of only four companies worth over \$2 trillion (along with Apple, Microsoft, and the oil company Saudi Aramco). A few years ago, it realized its computer chips could multitask better than the computers they were in, so it started researching what else its chips

The investment concern is that NVIDIA has been one of the main drivers of the overall stock market. Just this first quarter, it accounted for 24% of the S&P 500 Index return. They don't have a monopoly, but they sell 80% of the world's AI computer chips, meaning they can nearly name their price and get it. It could slow down the stock market's fastest horse if their competitors be-

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could do, leading to

their use in AI.

gin making similar chips and cut into their profits.

Google, one of NVIDIA's top customers, has begun making more of its own AI chips, called Axion, to lower its artificial intelligence costs. Google hopes this new chip reduces its dependence on outside vendors like NVIDIA and Intel, making it more profitable.

Right now, NVID-IA has a superpower. They have the best AI chips in the world at a time when artificial intelligence is ramping up. However, their superpower runs into problems when competitors begin to make quality chips.

There is a chance their superpower is about to weaken. A Barron's article published on April 9th discusses how D.A. Davidson thinks that NVIDIA will lose so many chip sales from Google and Meta that its stock could drop by as much as 30%. I don't know if that is true, but there is a risk of a



falling NVIDIA stock that could also pull the overall market down. This is another reason why diversification is so important.

My Mom didn't beat around the bush when I told her I had a superpower. She looked at me side-eyed and asked what it was. When I told her I could tell the direction a sound came from, she rolled her eyes and said, "I'm sorry to tell vou, but everyone can do that." I quickly found out everyone could master that trick. I think NVIDIA is finding out that many other companies can master their trick, too. Have a blessed week! www.FerventWM.

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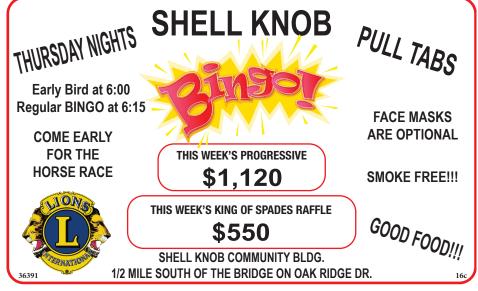
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It seems that Lady Emma's fate is held in the extremely unskilled hands of the worst tailor in the kingdom, possibly the world. Despite his sartorial shortcomings and sharp-tongued sister, Norman is determined to show everyone that the measure of a man is not equal to the length of his sleeves.

Come see how it unfolds, April 19 and 20 at 6:30pm, and April 21 for the 2pm matinee, at Central Community United Methodist Church, in Shell Knob. Tickets are available at skitsmo.com for \$12 or \$15 at the door. Children 12 and under are free.











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The benefits of spaying and neutering your pets

By Donna Mueller, Guest Contributer

This beautiful, friendly, lake-resort community has problem. Unwanted, neglected and abandoned puppies, dogs and cats. I've come to understand that in a rural setting some people view animals as less than, and many are treated pretty poorly but since thousands of years ago when dogs moved into our space (or us into theirs), they have become dependent on us for safety, care, shelter, food and water. They are no longer "wild" animals meant to survive on their own in the wild.

They make incredible companions if we spend time to train them and treat them kindly. One of the kindest things we can do for our pets is to get them spayed and neutered. Here's why:

Excerpts taken from "Why Spay and Neuter : The Benefits for Pets" an article taken from Best Friends Animal Society's website, with permission.

Why should I spay or neuter my pet?

There are several reasons why having your pets spayed or neutered is important. First it helps reduce the number of homeless pets who are killed each year in shelters [and along roadways].

In 2022, more than 1,000 dogs and cats were killed every day in U.S. shelters simply because there wasn't enough space for all of them. Reducing the number of pets entering shelters has a direct impact on the number of pets who die there.

By having your pets spayed or neutered, you are preventing them from having unwanted litters and producing dozens of offspring—many whom could end up in shelters, abandoned or neglected.

The benefits of spay/ neuter

There are other benefits of spaying and neutering for pets, their families, local shelters, and the entire community.

When female pets are spayed, they:

 Have no risk of uterine infections and ovarian or uterine can-

- Have a greatly reduced risk of breast cancer
- Do not go into estrous or heat, which means they will not have bloody discharge or attract unwanted attention from male pets
- Have no risk of accidentally getting preg-

When male pets are neutered, they:

- Have a reduced risk of testicular cancer • Are much less likely
- to spray or urine-mark in their home • Are less likely to attempt to escape their
- yard or home in search of a mate • Are unable to im-
- pregnate female pets • Are less likely to bite or exhibit aggressive behavior (with studies showing that most dog bites on hu-

mans are from unneutered dogs)

Myths and facts about spay/neuter

Myth: Female pets should have one litter before spay surgery.

Truth: Medical evidence indicates just the opposite. In fact, the evidence shows that females spayed before their first heat are typically healthier. Spaying before the first heat cycle eliminates their risk of ovarian or uterine cancer, and it also greatly reduces the risk of mammary cancer.

Myth: Spaying or neutering pets causes them to get fat or lazy.

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Truth: Spay/neuter can result in some bechanges—for havior the better! Spayed or neutered pets are often less aggressive, more relaxed, and even more affectionate. Contrary to what some people fear, pets show no signs of "missing" mating or breeding. Rather, they are more content without those raging hormones.

Spaying and neutering is one of the greatest gifts you can provide your pet, your family, and your community. These routine medical procedures not only help control overpopulation, but they may also prevent medical and behavioral problems from developing, allowing your pet to lead a longer, healthier and happier life.

If cost is an issue, Good Shepard Humane Society in Eureka Springs, AR offers lost cost spay & neuters as well as vaccines. Contact their Spay/Neuter hotline at 479-709-2717 or visit their website at https://www. goodshepherd-hs.org/ clinic/.

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"If an activist spends most of their time telling you how nonpartisan they are..."

"If a group of activists spends most of their time telling you how patriotic they are..."

Who are they trying to convince? I ask because such people generally convince me of the opposite of whatever bill of goods they are trying to sell. It should be obvious to everyone that a rich person doesn't feel the need to brag about their wealth. Honest people hold no desire to demonstrate their truth through anything except actions. The heartfelt faithful proselytize through deeds; not by shouting "Lord, Lord" for all to see in the town square. The heroic don't think of themselves as brave.

A patriot knows the difference between love of country and nationalistic jingoism. I encourage everyone reading this to learn that difference. Real patriots in this country would never consider voting for a presidential candidate who claimed in court to be above the law.

Jacob Killian Exeter

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TELECOMMUNITORS FROM FRONT

first, first responders. They are always heard, but rarely seen, the heroes behind the scenes, the thin gold line between the blue and red with a mission to enhance the quality of life of every person in Barry County by receiving and processing 911 emergency calls and non-emergency calls and by dispatching law enforcement, fire and EMS units in a prompt, efficient, courteous, and professional manner. To help save lifes, protect properties, and assist the public; making Barry County a safer community which to live, work, and visit.

Barry County Public Safety Telecommunicators, known as dispatchers to the general public, dispatch for nine law enforcement agencies including Barry County Sheriff's Office, Butterfield Police, Cassville Police, Exeter Police, Monett Police, Purdy Police, Seligman Police, Washburn Police and Wheaton Police; fourteen fire departments, which includes Aurora-Rural, Butterfield Fire, Cassville Fire, Eagle Rock Fire, Exeter Fire, Jenkins Fire, Monett City Fire, Monett-Rural, North Stone/NE Barry Fire, Purdy Fire, Seligman Fire, Washburn Fire, Central Crossing Fire and Wheaton Fire; and two ambulance services, Mercy and

Barry/Lawrence. In 2023, Barry County Emergency Services E-911 took 87,645 calls, with an average of 240 calls per day.

"I am proud of our staff and am thankful for their commitment our community," Barry County said Emergency Services

Executive Director Mike Phillips. "I am excited to celebrate them and recognize their hard work this week. They are truly deserving of our gratitude and appreciation!"

Barry County E911 will host it's annual open house on Friday, April 19, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., at 4011 Main Street, in Cassville. The open house will allow visitors to tour and see what emergency telecommunicators do for the Barry County community. Cake and refreshments will be served.





Periodical Cicada **Broods in Missouri**

From Missouri Department of Agriculture

Periodical are insects that emerge as broods every 13 or 17 years, depending on the brood. Mass emergences can range over several states. Periodical cicadas are different from the familiar annual cicadas, also called "dog-day cicadas," which emerge from the ground every year and make their droning noise during the heat of late summer.

There are three broods of 13-year cicadas and 12 broods of 17-year cicadas in existence, and they occur only in the eastern half of the United States. Broods differ in their locations and emergence timing. Only four broods of periodical cicadas extend into parts of Missouri: drown out a chain-

two of the 13-year type and two of the 17-year

Brood 19, the largest Missouri brood, is returning in 2024 to put on its impressive display across most of the state.

As temperatures warm in late April, immature cicadas (nymphs) open holes in the soil surface.

They can do serious damage to fruit orchards and nursery stock, as well as to young trees growing in the landscape, but the effect on mature trees is minor, so pesticide use is not recommend-

Although periodical cicadas are about half the size of an adult pinkie finger, these musical insects can

saw. Male cicadas are the singers. They use a pair of drum-like structures called tymbals to produce their song. The tymbals are located on their abdomens, just behind the last pair of legs. They make sound in a similar way to a plastic soft drink bottle popping back into shape after being compressed. Cicadas flex the tymbals rapidly making a loud click each time, which creates a high-pitched droning sound.

Learn more about the cicada broods in Missouri on the Missouri Department of Conservation website.











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