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Spotlight

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Dustin Griffis benefit

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SWEPCO slated to run through Barry County

Samantha Barberio

Southern Barry County is facing a rising concern in the community with a recent change regarding the Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO). On Friday, January 17, Arkansas Public Service Commission Administrative Law Judge Connie Griffin filed an order allowing SWEPCO to use alternative Route 109 in order to build a 345,000 volt transmission line through northwest Arkansas and into southwest Missouri.

Griffin's order has 30 days to be approved by the three-member commission. However, the Missouri Public Service Commission has yet to receive any information or action on the SWEPCO project.

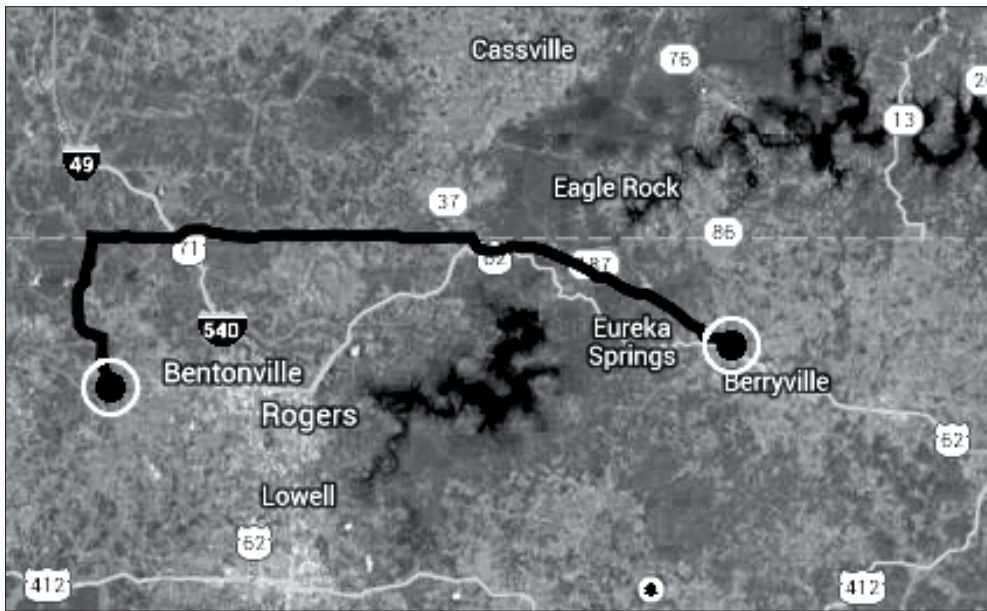
The route would take 150-foot-tall electrical transmission towers just north of the state line for almost 25 miles, damaging the landscape and even requiring some residents to move because of placement of the lines.

SWEPCO originally introduced the project in April 2013 in order to alleviate overloads on the transmission system in Benton and Carol Counties while extending and reinforcing the high voltage transmission network serving northwest Arkansas and southern Missouri.

Peter Main, public relations specialist for SWEPCO, stated that Southwest Power Pool (SPP), which SWEPCO is a member of, directed the power company to carry out the building project to improve reliability.

"Our preferred route was Route 33, running from Shipe Road Substation in Benton County to the proposed Kings River Substation in Carroll County," stated Main. "However, we are pleased that the Administrative Law Judge has confirmed the need for the transmission project and selected a route for the facilities," he continued.

Main also stated, "We are certainly aware of the



SWEPCO's Route 109 stands to destroy much of the natural scenery and beauty of southern Barry County if the plan goes through.

many concerns about this project. We will work hard to complete the project in a responsible manner that will minimize the impact while serving the needs of electric consumers across the region."

The transmission project caused great controversy last year and led to the development of Save the Ozarks or-

ganization in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, where residents took it upon themselves to be proactive in the fight against SWEPCO and the transmission line project. After months of campaigning and voicing their opinions in hearings, Route 33 escaped the limelight and Route 109 was chosen as an alternative.

"We are firmly convinced

that there is no need for this SWEPCO project. Our expert witness, Dr. Hyde Merrill, presented persuasive evidence that the project does not meet a public need, and that, even if such a need were to exist, it could be met by means other than construction of the proposed 345 kV

See SWEPCO on 3A

Sheriff's Dept. seeks missing man

The Barry County Sheriff is asking for help in locating a Cassville man who has been missing since January 16. According to Sheriff Mick Epperly, 31 year-old Jefferey Ingram left his residence around 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 16. He was driving a white 2013 Toyota Ta-

coma with tag 6YR123. The vehicle also has a dent in the rear bumper.

Ingram's family stated that he was having some issues and fears that he might do harm to himself. Epperly stated that if anyone sees the pickup to please call the Sheriff's Office at (417) 847-6556.



Jeffrey Ingram

CHS crowns Tip-Off King and Queen



Cassville High School crowned their Tip-Off King and Queen at an assembly on Friday, January 17. The 2014 Tip-Off king is Bradley Lueckenhoff, son of John and Wendy Lueckenhoff, of Cassville, and Kathy Wagner, of Bentonville, Arkansas. He is active in FCA, Faith Foundation, Stu-Co and football.

The 2014 Tip-Off Queen is Jerrica Russell, daughter of Danny and Brenda Russell, of Cassville. She is active in Stu-Co, FCCLA, Faith Foundation, NHS and cheerleading.

Pictured above, left to right, in the back row: River Phelps, Jeremiah Pendleton, Levi Pollreis, Bradley Lueckenhoff, Kayleb Sparks and Marcus Weatherman. Front row: Brenna Pendergraft, Abby Rose, Alyssa Pearman, Jerrica Russell, Kasey Durm and Carrie Bryan.

Cassville seeks approval for \$4 million bond issue

Charlea Mills

The Cassville R-IV School District is hoping to get a bond issue passed on the April ballot that would give the school the authority to borrow \$4 million to complete a variety of back logged projects within the district at no cost to the taxpayers of Barry County.

The bond measure proposed by the Board would allow the school to borrow money to make a variety of repairs, upgrades and catch up on general maintenance on all buildings within the district. However, this would be done at no additions to the current debt service levy with the County.

When the district was approved for the FEMA grant after being in planning stages for two and a half years, Superintendent Richard Asbill said that they had to act quickly to begin planning for the required grant funding. The FEMA shelter completed in August 2013 was not a 100 percent grant provided by FEMA, but the District is required to provide 25 percent of the initial grant, plus 100 percent of an additional features that were non-FEMA like, such as seating, staging, flooring, etc.

For three years, a variety of projects that the school intended to complete were put on the back burner until the FEMA building could be completed and free up resources.

John Sullivan, Board president, stated, "For over 25 years, we have made it a priority to maintain our facilities and keep our school the center of pride for our communities. The board maintains a conservative approach to all our projects and looks at opportunities to improve facilities that will last and have long term saving opportunities."

If voters approve the bond issue, the potential payback would be on a schedule of 15 to 20 years. Jon Horner, Board finance committee representative, pointed out that the favorable interest rates would make more financial sense that waiting, even paying over multiple years. Horner stated that it is a prime time to borrow because there is an extremely competitive construction market currently.

Asbill stated, "Why we are asking voters to approve this measure is that it would allow us to catch back up on proj-

See BOND on 13A.

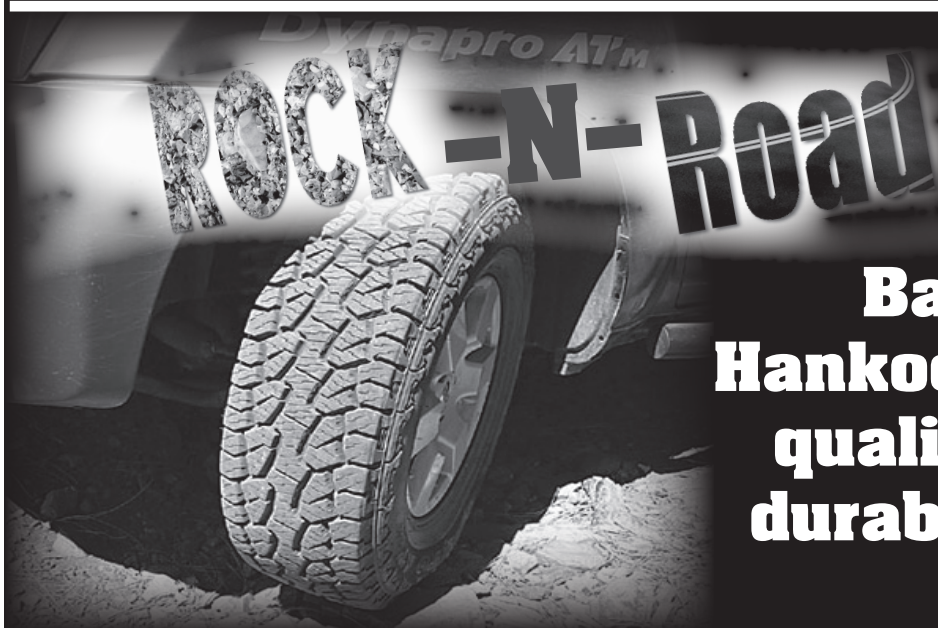
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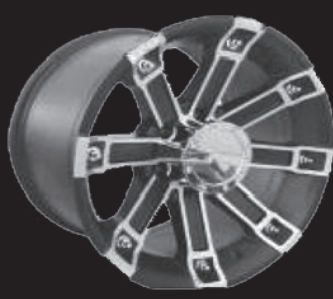
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Student allegedly bullied by substitute

Charlea Mills

For one student in the Exeter School District, bullying became too much to handle, but the bull was not the person you would expect.

The boy's mother said that her son and another child were bullied, but not just by other students. Her main complaint is that the bullying was done by a substitute teacher for the district.

The boy has attended Exeter Schools for a number of years, and this year, the boy who, will be called John to protect his identity, was bullied to the point that his mother removed him from school.

The incident allegedly occurred during class when John and another child were singled out by the substitute, being made fun of for their clothing and weight. As if that were not enough, the mother said the substitute encouraged other kids to join in, even using profanity in front of the students. John was distressed to the point of tears, begging to not be sent back to the school once he got home.

While many districts, including Exeter, use programs and curriculum to make students aware of bullying and the damages done by it, one wouldn't expect that a teacher charged with safeguarding young students would initiate it.

When asked about the incident, Superintendent for the Exeter R-VI School District, Dr. Ernest Raney, was restricted about what information he could provide since the issue involves personnel.

Raney stated, "We take complaints and matters like these very seriously. We want to put our students first. I have faith that Mr. Taylor (Exeter High School's principal) will be thorough in his

investigation and discourse with all involved."

Raney went on, "Once Mr. Taylor finishes his investigation, we will be reporting to the Board on Wednesday." The Exeter R-VI School Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the High School Library, but personnel matters are always closed session and not open to the public.

John's mother said, "What am I supposed to do when my child comes home and says that he wants to die? I had no choice but to take him out. I'll do anything to keep him safe."

John's mother admits that the boy was a victim of bullying for the last five years. She stated, "It isn't something new. We've been dealing with it for awhile, but you wouldn't expect it from an adult."

According to the mother, the substitute even went as far as to encourage other students to join in. Her decision to pull him was after he had been sent back following the incident and was still being ridiculed.

She stated, "Nothing was being done. The same group of kids was still making fun of him, and nothing was being done about it even when the regular teacher was back." She said John didn't even want to tell the administration about the incident for fear of more ridicule, exactly what the mother said ended up happening.

Raney stated, "At the elementary level, our counselor is in every classroom every week taking a proactive approach to teaching our young people how to interact in a positive and caring manner. Lessons related to bullying help our students to be prepared for dealing with these issues effectively. Additionally, Caring Kids committees are used to help some of our students who need support

from their peers to work through challenges they may be dealing with which could include bullying."

Raney continued, "At the Junior High and High School, Mrs. Crouch works with students who report bullying to equip them with skills so they don't become the victim in these situations. Assemblies are conducted to promote positive behavior and for the purpose of 'bully proofing' our district."

All substitutes that serve within the Exeter District are certified though the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). The final decision to hire or fire substitute teachers is made by the Exeter Board of Education, but Raney stated that using a substitute on the list is up to administrative discretion. In other words, the District does not have to use a substitute just because they are on the list.

After the Board's meeting, DESE will be made aware of any findings made during the investigation of the incident. Raney stated, "We are going to take the proper steps to ensure that our students have the best experience possible in our district."

transmission line." stated Dr. Pat Costner, director of Save the Ozarks.

She also gave advice to Missouri residents regarding the issue, "There is strength in numbers. Missouri residents will benefit by working together. Options include working with or joining Save the Ozarks or other organizations that oppose SWEPCO's plan or forming new organizations. It is important to begin immediately to seek the support of elected officials, state agencies, federal agencies, municipal and county governments, civic organizations, faith-based organizations and communities, etc. "

When speaking of the transmission line, Griffin stated, "I find Route 109 fulfills the requirements and is both feasible and reasonable. The route will facilitate the transmission of electricity as require by the needs assessment. While Route 109 will cost slightly more than Route 33, cost is not the only factor to be considered. Route 109 is longer, and it crosses more undeveloped lands with larger parcels. As such, Route 109 has a lower residential proximity and visibility, and crosses fewer parcels and major roads."

SWEPCO from front

This statement makes Route 109 look like the least plausible route in the eyes of many residents. This decision will require SWEPCO to obtain additional regulatory approval from the appropriate Missouri agency in order to proceed with the transmission line.

Griffen also stated that Route 109 "has a lesser impact on residential areas and a lesser aesthetic impact." Her order will to the Arkansas Public Service Commission (ASPC), where they have 30 days to either accept, modify or reject the proposal. If they fail to act, a new order will need to be filed.

Scott Fitzpatrick, District 158 Representative for Missouri, stated, "Senator Sater and I are going to try and set up a meeting with the PSC for this coming week to discuss the issue. Representative Lant from McDonald County will be in attendance, as well. The three of us will do everything we can to ensure that this route is not approved in Missouri. I will also be researching legislative options to prevent this from occurring."

A meeting regarding SWEPCO will be held by Save the Ozarks in The Auditorium of Eureka Springs on January 30 at 6 p.m.

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Thursday, January 23rd

- Southwest Band and Music Boosters will have a meeting on Thursday, January 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the band room.

Friday, January 24th

- Cassville High School SADD will sponsor a benefit for Dustin Griffis on Friday, January 24, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the CHS Commons Area. See ad on page 3A.
- Southwest High School Project Graduation will sponsor a donkey basketball show on Friday, January 24, at 7 p.m. in the Southwest Middle School gym. See ad on page 14A.
- There will be a hootenanny at Clio on Friday, January 24, at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 4 p.m. For questions call (417) 860-6151 or (417) 229-4715.

Saturday, January 25th

- Bullets and Bows is holding a carry and conceal class on Saturday, January 25. Sign up at 8:45 a.m., class will begin at 9 a.m. Top Gun training simulator included in class. Pistols available to rent. For more information, call (417) 847-8040.
- Seligman Chamber of Commerce will hold a Saturday night special dance on Saturday, January 25, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. For more information, call (417) 662-3612.
- Stella Eagle Day will be held on Saturday,

- January 25, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- There will be a quilt show on Saturday, January 25, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the FEMA Building in Stella. For more information, call (417) 628-3253.
 - Bingo will be held at the American Legion Building on Saturday, January 25. Early bird will begin at 5:15 p.m. and regular session will begin at 5:45 p.m.

Monday, January 27th

- Southwest Mo. Tea Party will meet on Monday, January 27, at 7 p.m. at the Shell Knob VFW. Presentation and discussion will be on current events.

Tuesday January 28th

- The Barry County Council on Aging will have its monthly Board meeting on Tuesday, January 28, at 1 p.m. at the Central Crossing Senior Center in Shell Knob.
- Celebrate Recovery, a faith based recovery group for anyone with hurts, habits or hangups, will meet weekly on Tuesday at 6 p.m. for a meal, 7 p.m. for worship, and 8 p.m. for small groups at the FBC Family Life Center in Cassville. Childcare available.

Friday, January 31st

- CHS Show Choir will present their Winter Soup and Song performances on Friday, January 31, at 6 p.m. and Sunday, February 2, at 3 p.m. See ad below.

SCHOOL MENU

Week Of January 27 - 31

CASSVILLE: Mon. B- Breakfast bagel, hashbrown, fruit cocktail or cereal, banana nut muffin, applesauce. **L-** Burrito/nacho cheese (chicken quesadilla), tossed salad, corn or (salad meal). **Tues. B-** Sausage biscuit, tropical fruit or cereal, cinnamon toast, peaches. **L-** Cheeseburger (fish sticks), potato wedge, baked beans, applesauce & jello or (salad meal). **Wed. B-** French toast, sausage patty, orange or cereal, graham crackers, pears. **L-** Corndog (chicken crispitos), corn, broccoli & cheese or (salad meal). **Thurs. B-** Biscuits & gravy, pears or cereal, pop tart, orange. **L-** Chicken sandwich (cheese pizza), tossed salad, glazed carrots, pineapple chunks or (salad meal). **Fri. B-** Honey bun, peaches or cereal, rice krispy treat, peaches. **L-** Chili (little smokies), mozzarella cheese sticks, carrot sticks, orange or (baked potato bar).

CASSVILLE HIGH: Mon. B- Breakfast bagel, pecan spins, peaches or cereal, nutri-grain bar, pears. **L-** Burrito/nacho cheese, nachos, corn or pizza meal, or salad meal. **Tues. B-** Breakfast casserole, toast, pears or cereal, rice krispy treat, banana. **L-** Chicken quesadilla, tossed salad, carrot sticks, applesauce or chicken nugget meal or salad meal. **Wed. B-** French toast sticks, sausage patty, peaches or cereal, banana nut muffin, orange. **L-** Chicken strips, potato wedge, broccoli & cheese, yogurt cups, tropical fruit or pizza meal or salad meal. **Thurs. B-** Biscuits & gravy, hashbrowns, apple or cereal, pop tart, apple. **L-** Meatloaf, whipped potatoes and gravy, green beans, hot roll, peaches or cheeseburger meal or salad meal. **Fri. B-** Honey bun, yogurt cup, tropical fruit or cereal, pop tart, apple. **L-** Chili, crackers, mozzarella cheese stick, cinnamon roll or baked potato bar or salad meal.

EXETER: Mon. B- Biscuit & gravy, sausage link, peaches or cereal, biscuit. **L-** Chicken patty/bun, sweet potato fries, broccoli, pineapple. **Tues. B-** Breakfast burrito, orange or cereal, vertical bar. **L-** Nacho supreme w/cheese, pinto beans, cherry tomatoes, pears. **Wed. B-** French toast sticks, raisins or cereal, cinnamon graham crackers, raisins. **L-** Cashew chicken, brown rice, broccoli, fortune cookie, apricot. **Thurs. B-** Blueberry squares, yogurt, apple or cereal, animal crackers, apple. **L-** Sloppy joe, tater tots, carrot sticks, peaches. **Fri. B-** Oatmeal, banana or cereal, nutri grain bar. **L-** Ham & cheese sandwich, sun chips, baby carrots, cherry tomatoes, pineapple.

SOUTHWEST: Mon. B- Eggstravaganza, blueberry muffin or cereal. **L-** Cheese pizza, tossed salad, corn, apple wedges. **Tues. B-** Biscuits & sausage gravy, grapes or cereal. **L-** BBQ pork on a bun, cole slaw, mandarin oranges. **Wed. B-** Scrambled eggs, bananas, raisin toast or cereal. **L-** Burrito, tortilla chips, tossed salad, pineapple, nacho cheese. **Thurs. B-** Pancake on a stick, orange wedges or cereal. **L-** Chicken and noodles, wheat roll, mixed veggies, diced peaches. **Fri. B-** Hot ham sandwich, grapes or cereal. **L-** Hot dog w/bun, baked beans, potato chips, orange wedges.

PURDY: Mon. B- Breakfast wrap, cereal, wheat toast, fresh fruit. **L-** Chicken pot pie, mashed potatoes, peas, peaches, chocolate pudding, salad bar. **Tues. B-** French toast sticks, syrup, cereal, fruit. **L-** Hot dog, baked beans, carrots, fruit mix, applesauce cake, salad bar. **Wed. B-** Biscuit & gravy, sausage patty, cereal, fruit. **L-** Nacho bell grande, refried beans, corn, fruit, salad bar. **Thurs. B-** Ham & egg biscuit, cereal, fruit. **L-** Vegetable soup, grilled cheese sandwich, baby carrots, ranch dressing, fruit, chocolate chip cookie, salad bar. **Fri. B-** Muffins, cereal, fresh fruit. **L-** Hot ham and cheese sandwich, baby carrots, ranch dressing, potato chips, apples, ice cream cup.

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Wattam is a 2008 graduate of McGill Toolen Catholic High School, Mobile, Alabama, and a 2012 graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, graduating with a Bachelor's of Business Administration-Finance.

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Take Hwy. 37 to Cassville at the light in front of Wal-Mart, go 1 block west towards Wal-Mart.

Sale will be on the left next to CarQuest at Cassville Auto Sales, 1012 Old Exeter Road, Cassville, Mo. 65625

Majority of the auction will be held under a tent with heat if needed.



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Note:* If you are expecting a tax refund soon and want to use it at this sale, a signed written agreement will be available for 10% of the highest bid sale price. The vehicle will be held for up to 60 days until your tax refund arrives. **NOTE: THIS IS A NON-REFUNDABLE PAYMENT.** ALSO, this 10% payment must be made in cash, **NO CHECKS**, immediately after the vehicle has been sold. Attention car dealers, this is a great opportunity to purchase "ready to go" inventory at wholesale prices. *Public is also welcome.* Most of these cars are new car trade ins. They have been seen by a local mechanic. They will be sold with a state highway safety inspection. This is the perfect opportunity to purchase a new pre-owned auto for yourself, spouse, 16 year old or maybe something to pull a camper or boat with. There will be units that make a perfectly dependable truck to have on the farm. There will be over 110 vehicles for sale in this auction which include 2 door, 4 door, trucks, vans, SUVs and crossovers along with a few misc. items, such as Polaris Ranger XP Browning Edition and a Grasshopper 61" cut lawn mower with a Kubota diesel engine. The vehicles in this sale are a 100% liquidation sale of a local car dealer that has been in business locally for over 25 yrs. The vehicles to be sold on February 1st can be previewed 01-31-14 from noon to 5:00 at Cassville Auto Sales, 1012 Old Exeter Road Cassville, Mo. across from Wal-Mart just off Hwy. 37. The vehicles to be sold on February 8th can be preview 02-07-14 from noon to 5:00 at same location. Each car will be driven into a large heated tent area to be sold if needed. Auction Service and/or Cassville Auto Sales will not responsible for loss or accidents.

TERMS: To obtain a bidder number, you must provide 2 forms of current ID which include a current valid drivers license. Forms of acceptable payment include cash or good check, if paying by check, the vehicle and the title will be held until the check clears. It is suggested (especially if you are traveling a long distance) to bring cash. A \$50.00 buyer's fee will be added to each sale to help cover administrative costs.

MISC: Go Cart, EZ Go Golf Cart, Meat Smoker Cooker on trailer includes a mounted Fish Fryer.

GUARANTEE: All automobiles successfully purchased comes with a power train (engine-transmission-rear end) guarantee as described. If you successfully purchase an automobile you will first be required to pay for the automobile either by cash, check or the 10% cash down option with written agreement method, (as described) the day of the purchase.

Immediately after any and all successful purchases, you make take the automobile on a supervised (by a local mechanic) test drive. These test drives will consist of a 5 mile maximum and must be completed within 2 hours from purchase. If the automobile power train (engine-transmission-rear end) does not perform 100% according to you AND the mechanic, you will receive a full refund on the spot. (It should be noted that we are guaranteeing these cars because we are confident that they are good and will perform the way they should).

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For current information on the sale date being affected by road conditions you can call 417-847-4285. This number will provide a recording only. You may also check the website at www.taxrefundcarauction.com

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NOMAN JASPER NICHOLS

Noman Jasper Nichols, 95 years, of Pineville, Missouri, passed away on Monday, January 13, 2014, at Golden Living Center in Anderson, Missouri.

Noman was born on January 2, 1919 in Wheaton, Missouri, to the late William and Mary (Allman) Nichols. He married the love of his life, Pearl Kropff, on November 20, 1940, at Joplin, Missouri. He was a lifelong resident of Pineville, Missouri. He was a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps Company "CCC" at Roaring River in Cassville, Missouri. Noman and his wife owned and operated the Sims Store for 23 years. He was also an over the road truck driver for several years. Noman was a member of the

Simsberry United Methodist Church and the McDonald County Republican Club. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Pearl Nichols on March 13, 2004; and seven siblings.

Noman is survived by his children, Noman A. "Bud" Nichols of Pineville, Missouri, Carolyn Ruede of Pineville, Missouri, and Annabelle Banks of Washburn, Missouri; a brother, James Nichols of Raytown, Missouri; three sisters, Ann Beaver of Diamond, Missouri, Cleta Phillips of Moses Lake, Washington, Lola Morgan of Goodman, Missouri; seven grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren; as well as a host of other family and friends who will dearly miss Noman.

Graveside funeral services for Noman Nichols were held Friday, January 17, 2014, at the Simsberry Cemetery in Pineville, Missouri. Reverend Debra Alumbaugh officiated. Memorial contributions may be given to the Simsberry United Methodist Church in care of the funeral home.

The family of **Jeffrey Wayne (Jeff) Wilson** would like to thank everyone for their love and support after the death of our dad, son, brother & uncle. The prayers, food, paper goods, cards, flowers, plants and calls provided us with much comfort. A special thank you to Jeff's neighbor, Jenall Watkins, at 911 who dispatched the ambulance and her husband, Deputy Bill Watkins, who administered CPR until the EMTs First Responders took over. You all gave us hope. Thank you Tisha Modlin for being in our son's life. Thank you Charlie McManus and Fohn Funeral Home. A very special thank you to Jimmy Tarvin, Sr. for the beautiful service.

David & Janet Wilson
Christyan, Evan, Kaylynn Wilson
Brandy Priest
Emma Jett

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Obituaries



CHAI YANG LOR

Chai Yang Lor, age 51, of Rocky Comfort, Missouri, passed away Saturday, December 29, 2013, in Vientiane, Laos.

He was born January 10, 1962, in Laos, the son of Blia Tong and Blia (Vue) Lor, who preceded him in death.

In December of 1980, he was united in marriage to Mai Ker Lor, who survives. Also surviving are three sons, Xeng Xeng Lor, Vang Neng Lor and Xai Lor, all of Rocky Comfort, Missouri; three daughters, Mai Youa Lor and Bao Lor of St. Paul, Minnesota, and Enna Lor of Rocky Comfort, Missouri; four brothers, Tong Pao Lor, Xay Phia Lor, Boua Hue Lor, and Sue Lor, all of Laos; one sister, Kaying Lor of Laos; and one brother-in law, Siyee Xiong of Laos.

Chai moved here from Thailand in 1988. He was a chicken farmer. Fishing and helping in the community were some of his favorite pastimes.

Services will be from 8:00 a.m. Friday, January 24, 2014, until 9:30 a.m. Monday, January 27, 2014, in McQueen Funeral Home, Wheaton, Missouri. Burial will be at 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 27, 2014, in Dice Cemetery, Fairview, Missouri.

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

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J D FLETCHER

J D Fletcher, age 83, of Eagle Rock, Missouri, passed away Wednesday, January 22, 2014, in Mercy Hospital, Cassville, Missouri.

Arrangements will be announced by Fohn Funeral

Home, Cassville.

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MARK KENNETH LILLY

Mark Kenneth Lilly, age 54, of Berryville, Arkansas, formerly of Golden, Missouri, passed away Friday, January 17, 2014, in Mercy Hospital in Springfield, Missouri.

Memorial services will be held 1:00 p.m. Saturday, January 25, 2014 in Fohn Funeral Home, Shell Knob, Missouri.

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SPENCER "MIKE" PRIMROSE

Spencer "Mike" Primrose, age 80, of Cassville, Missouri, passed away Tuesday, January 21, 2014, in Table Rock Health Care in Kimberling City, Missouri.

Funeral services will be held in Grissom's Chapel, San Lorenzo, California, on January 29, 2014. Burial with military honors will be in Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno, California.

The family will receive friends at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 22, 2014, in Fohn Funeral Home, Cassville, Missouri.

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

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Curtis F Marbut, Barry County's most famous son, part III

When, in 1909, USDA Bureau of Soils Chief Milton Whitney came to the University as keynote speaker at the annual Farmer's Week activities, he lured Marbut into the federal service as Special Agent in the national soil survey. Marbut's first task was to make a reconnaissance soil survey of the Ozark region of Arkansas and Missouri. However, Marbut's wife Florence died from pneumonia that same

year, leaving him in care of the family. When he was promoted to Scientist in the Soil Survey in 1910, he took a 2- year leave of absence from UMC for him and the family to take up residence in Washington, DC.

Marbut began his federal professional career by publishing the results of his Ozark soil survey in 1911, and leading the preparation of a monumental tome on US soils published in 1913. He was appointed Scientist- in-Charge of the Soil Survey in 1913, but he and the family returned to the UMC. Suddenly, he decided to return to Washington and left the family at home in Columbia with a housekeeper to begin the most significant part of his professional life.

Upon his return to Washington, Marbut revisited the soil survey concept- description problem. He wrote to Louise about the situation that, "For four

years I continued to grope in darkness without a ray of light."

In 1921, at the American Soil Survey Workers Association (ASSA) meeting in East Lansing, Michigan, he introduced the Russian concepts of classification and soil profile without identifying their origin. Founded in 1920, was an organization started by scientists in soil survey for the promotion and publication of their ideas. Roy W. Simonson, however, has stated that the ASSA was formed "to counteract the growing influence of C.F. Marbut." Nevertheless, the ASSA was influential in disseminating ideas and it joined with the Soils Section of the American Society of Agronomy to create the Soil Science Society of America (SSSA) in 1936. He worked with ASSA colleagues and soil survey parties to apply these 'new ideas' in the USA.

*The family of **Charlene Jeffries** would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for all the acts of kindness. To all those who sent cards, flowers and those who came by or called. A special thank you to Brother Danny Heupel and Brother Bob Neeley for bringing comfort with your kind words, to Mercy Hospice and Mercy Hospital, Cassville for the loving care you gave our mother. Thank you to Emmanuel Baptist Church for the wonderful meal. Thank you to Fohn Funeral Home and staff for their consideration and care.*

May God bless you all.

The family of Charlene Jeffries

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To Pastor Tony Ball, for his blessings and words and spiritual ability to see Ronnie's heart and soul through our eyes.

God bless you all!

Gene and Vicky Ball

*Children - Katie, Casey, Tyler
Sis, Michelle, Billy, Jade, Zach & Chase*

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Traffic fatalities up in county

Charlea Mills

The state of Missouri continued to see a decrease in traffic fatalities in 2013 according to the Missouri State Highway Patrol's preliminary statistics. With the exception of a slight increase in 2012, the past seven years has shown a downward trend in fatal accidents across the state.

There have only been two years since 1949 that the state has experienced fewer than 800 traffic-related fatalities, 2011 and 2013. Between the years of 2005 and 2012, total crashes in the state decreased by 21 percent.

However, of the 741 people killed in crashes in 2013, 63 percent were not restrained by seat belts or safety devices. All motorists and passengers should be restrained in a seat belt or child restraint anytime they are in a motor vehicle.

While the state as a whole had fewer traffic crash-related deaths for the year, locally, Barry County's troop had a slight increase. Barry County lies in Troop D which also includes counties: Barton, Cedar, Christian, Dade, Dallas, Dade, Greene, Hickory, Jasper, Lawrence, McDonald, Newton, Polk, St. Clair, Stone, Taney, Vernon and Webster. In 2013, 140 vehicle deaths were reported, whereas there were only 133 in 2012, and 135 in 2011. Any data reported for 2013 is subject to change as late deaths occur or departments report deaths after time of publication.

Crash-related fatalities specifically within Barry County have gone against state trends, increasing in recent years. For 2013, 11 fatalities were reported by the State of Missouri STARS reporting system. In 2012, the county had 10 fatalities, and in 2010, there were only seven deaths. Barry County still experienced a dramatic decrease comparatively to years 2005 and 2006 where there were 18 and 19 fatalities respectively.

2013 Year in Review

As we head into the new year, we here at the Barry County Advertiser want to thank you for your support in 2013 and wish you a wonderful new year in 2014.

We hope you enjoy a brief look back into the headlines of 2013.

Thank you for making 2013 a great year, and we wish you and your families a happy and prosperous 2014.

October

McDonald's in Cassville reopened, breaking the company's grand opening record.

Marijuana-laced candies were intercepted by the Southwest Missouri Drug Task Force and the Barry County Sheriff's Department.

The Cassville Wildcats beat Monett in the first Barry County Brawl.

Brent Thompson and Audra Shumaker were crowned Cassville's Homecoming Kind and Queen.

The Seligman Police Department busted a meth lab, leading to the arrest of Bart Jermain.

Roaring River hosted Wonders of Wildlife's National Outdoor Recreation and Conservation School.

Jessie Oplinger and Shawn Short were arrested for allegedly cooking meth in a family member's home.

Area churches band together for Kindness in Action Day in Cassville.

A severe three-vehicle crash on Highway W killed two.

Alleged murderer of a Willard couple, Robert Campbell, of Purdy, was arrested on receiving stolen property charges.

Wheaton's Body of Christ Outreach ministries hosted the Kelly Miller Circus.

The Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce hosted the Hillbilly Chili Bash annual cook-off.

Cassville's 21st Fall Show played for the community.

The Wheaton Community Building held a dedication ceremony in honor of the late Donnie Powell.

The Garden Sass Farmers Market Association raised funds for the Cassville

Senior Center's Meals on Wheels program with a pie contest.

Seligman had their train ride to Van Buren.

November

Local Veterans Kids' Camp received building platforms for their summer camp from Lowe's of Monett and the Eagles of Cape Fair.

Wheaton Fire levy passed in a vote 118 to 84.

Eagle viewing season begins at Roaring River State Park.

Tong Yang, of Stella, was arrested on drug trafficking charges.

Cassville held a Veterans Day assembly to honor area servicemen and women.

Cody Mabry, Washburn native, received community support for medical treatments.

Cassville approved a proposal to put a 3/8 cent transportation tax on the April 2014 ballot for road work.

Sheriff's Department

received a military-grade Hummer for drug busts from the Department of Defense.

Cassville's GWFC's Silver Leaf Benefit Club held their 105th anniversary party.

The Cassville Community Foundation awarded \$5,300 in community grants.

Red Rose Health and Rehab hosted a pig kissing contest to raise funds for their activities department.

December

A huge winter storm led to school cancellations and Christmas event rescheduling.

The annual Christmas Show went on despite bad weather.

Cassville area churches sent 784 gifts worldwide through Operation Christmas Child of Samaritan's Purse.

The ladies of the United Methodist Church of Cassville hosted their 11th annual Tinsel Tea.

Seligman Police Depart-

ment treated 12 kids to Shop with a Cop for Christmas gifts.

Rusty Rikard was sworn in as the southern district E911 board member.

The Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce announced their annual Holiday Lighting Contest winners.

Ashley Ray and Cameron Koehler were crowned Mr. and Miss Merry Christmas at Cassville High School.

The Seligman Chamber of Commerce hosted their Polar Express train ride.

Cassville R-IV hired two new teachers to start in the second semester.

The Barry County Sheriff's Department handed out 600 gifts to 150 children through their Angel Tree program.

The Cassville Rotary Club raised over \$6,000 for charity.

Cassville held their annual Christmas parade.



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Barry County weekly court cases

Meth bust yields jail time for one

Olen C. Allen, Purdy, failed to wear a safety belt, pled guilty and was fined \$10. He also pled guilty to failure to display plates on his motor vehicle and had an additional fine of \$20.50.

Kasandra Lynn Barber, Washburn, failed to display plates on her motor vehicle and was fined \$20.50.

Timmy Dale Branham, Galena, was driving while revoked/suspended and pled guilty. He was then incarcerated for 90 days and must serve one year unsupervised probation and 40 hours of community service.

Todd Brattelid I, Aurora, pled guilty to DWI-Alcohol and received two years unsupervised probation. He was also charged with failure to wear a safety belt and was fined \$10.

Randy Lee Dale, Republic, failed to register his motor vehicle and must pay a \$30.50 fine. He also failed to display certificate of vehicle inspection or approval and was fined an additional \$30.50.

Charles Frear Jr., Verona, was sentenced to two years unsupervised probation, must complete SATOP and

not consume or possess alcohol. He received this sentence after being charged and pleading guilty to DWI-Alcohol.

Derek Riley Fulp, Rocky Comfort, authorized another to operate his motor vehicle without maintaining financial responsibility. This resulted in six months unsupervised probation. He was also charged with failing to wear a safety belt and must pay a fine of \$10.

Todd Wesley Hayes, Shell Knob, failed to display plates on his motor vehicle and must pay a fine of \$20.50.

Billy Dean Hutchins, Cassville, was incarcerated for 90 days and must serve two years unsupervised probation. Hutchins was charged with unlawful use of drug paraphernalia.

Jerrad Dwayne McFadyen, Neosho, failed to display plates on motor vehicle, pled guilty and must pay a fine of \$20.50.

Chase Wesley Messer, Springdale, Arkansas, pled guilty to exceeding the posted speed limit by 16-19 mph. Messer was fined \$80.50.

Halcyon Moua, Cassville, was sentenced to six months

of unsupervised probation after exceeding the posted speed limit by 26 mph or more.

Jennifer Danielle Peine, Crane, pled guilty to failure to drive on the right half of the roadway when it was of sufficient width. Peine received six months unsupervised probation.

Christina Lee Pyle, Cassville, was charged with endangering the welfare of a child. Pyle then pled guilty and received one year unsupervised probation.

Joel W. Pyle, Cassville, received one year unsupervised probation after being charged with endangering the welfare of a child.

Todd N. Recio pled guilty for not registering his motor vehicle and must pay a \$30.50 fine.

Shannon Michelle Sanders, Cassville, failed to equip her vehicle with a properly attached muffler and was fined \$54.50.

Richard McKee Scott, Lamar, pled guilty to operating a vehicle in a careless and imprudent manner. He was then fined \$296.50.

Andrew Michael Smith, Seligman, failed to attach a

proper muffler on his vehicle and was fined \$55.50. He also pled guilty to failure to wear a safety belt and was charged an additional \$10.

Jeremy L. Summitt, Exeter, was fined \$10 after not wearing a properly adjusted safety belt.

Dale Gene Tanner, Cassville, pled guilty for not wearing a properly adjusted safety belt and was fined \$10.

Trenton K. Tanner, Exeter, was fined \$20.50 after exceeding the posted speed limit by 1-5 mph and pled guilty.

Michele A. Thomas, Seligman, failed to wear a safety belt and was fined \$10.

Mica Rose Tichenor, Wheaton, pled guilty to failure to attach a muffler properly and was fined \$55.50.

Titus Raymund Trotter, Cassville, failed to attach his vehicle with a muffler, pled guilty and was charged \$105.50.

Jason Sean Williams, Carl Junction, pled guilty for passing a bad check for less than \$500. He was sentenced to six months unsupervised probation.

were provided, the purchase of three precursor chemicals, they proceeded with the traffic stop.

Luckey and Crouch were given permission to search the vehicle by Donald Snyder. Once all passengers exited the vehicle, they found the evidence purchased at Walmart with a receipt with the current date. Agent Crouch then placed Hutchins in hand restraints and advised him he was being arrested for purchase of chemicals with intent to manufacture methamphetamine.

During the search of Hutchins clothing, he was found to be in possession of a syringe and a package of lithium batteries. He was read the Miranda Rights and waiver while being searched.

Hutchins then stated that he bought the items for his own personal use, and the other occupants did not know about the purchase. He was then transported to the Barry County Jail by officer Jennifer Luckey. All evidence was photographed and seized by Agent John Luckey and transported to the DTF evidence room.

Two sentenced after children drove the family van

Samantha Barberio

Two Barry County residents were sentenced after being charged with endangering the welfare of a child following an incident where their children were operating a vehicle at their home. Christina and Joel Pyle were each sentenced to one year unsupervised probation for their crimes on in court on January 6, 2014.

The crime took place on July 7, 2013, when Deputy Carl T. Cosper Jr. witnessed two children operating a motor vehicle in a driveway

without the parents' supervision. The parents were asleep and took a long time to wake up when the officer attempted to contact them, according to the affidavit of probable cause. The two boys were left unsupervised on several different occasions, resulting in the children playing in the roadway.

Their mother, Christina, stated that the children got the keys to her mini-van the day before while she was asleep. Both of the children found driving the van were under seven years old.

Rep. Fitzpatrick honored as 2013 Defender of Prosperity

Representative Scott Fitzpatrick was awarded the Americans for Prosperity - Missouri 2013 Defender of Prosperity award at the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City on Wednesday, January 15.

For the 2013 legislative session, Fitzpatrick received an A (100 percent) rating on the AFP-MO 2013 Economic Prosperity Report card based on his votes on key issue such as Medicaid expansion, pay-

check protection, common core, Agenda 21, transportation sales taxes, utility surcharges, prevailing wage, tax reform and spending caps.

Americans for Prosperity is a nationwide organization of citizen-leaders committed to advancing every individual's right to economic freedom and opportunity.

Three arrested for robbery

Charlea Mills

Three Barry County residents were arrested in connection with an attempted robbery near Mineral Springs on Wednesday, January 15.

Sarah Grant, of Cassville, William Grant, of Cassville, and Bill Dunbar, of Eagle Rock, were booked in the Barry County Jail around 9:40 p.m. for the crime that allegedly took place around 8:20 p.m. the same evening.

The three were found by deputies after attempting to steal a firearm from a truck. According to the Sheriff's Department, there was a scuffle when taking them into custody.

Each of the three were charged with class C felony attempted robbery in the second degree and class D felony resisting arrest by Barry County Prosecuting Attorney Johnnie Cox. Sarah Grant is being held in lieu of a \$25,000 cash-only bond, William is being held in lieu of a \$50,000 cash-only bond, and Bill Dunbar is being held in lieu of a \$75,000 cash-only bond.

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MATHEW 18:20-- For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

ACTS 4:12-- Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

COLOSSIANS 3:17-- And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

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City of Cassville presents employee awards, honors

The City of Cassville passed out their employee awards for 2013. Jennifer Evans, accounting clerk, and Stan Patton, of the City of Cassville Public Works Department, were been selected as the City of Cassville 2013 "Team Work" award recipients based upon nominations received from fellow City employees.

Evans, who has been with the City since April 1, 2013, demonstrates outstanding skills in several areas, consistently works very well with others, has excellent communication skills with all levels of personnel, has solid customer care abilities and displays the willingness to work with employees to complete any task.



Jennifer Evans

Stan Patton has been employed with the City for nearly two years, and co-workers stated he is always willing to

go and help anybody at any-time, always willing to fill in, very dependable, gets along with everyone, will accomplish any task asked of him, and will help anyone else accomplish their task as well.



Steve Patton

Kenny Schieler was voted the "Shining Star" award winner for 2013 by the City of Cassville staff. Schieler, a 22 year employee, will stop and help a person out anytime and has improved the City's collections department through his hard work. He even has a smile on his face while standing in a manhole. Schieler's most significant achievement in 2013 was to volunteer to put on a Haz-mat suit and enter the basin at the Wastewater Treatment plant to retrieve a piece of broken equipment which enabled the basin to resume normal processing. Schieler's action saved the city considerable time and money, and

because of the carefully orchestrated plan, Kenny was able to successfully complete the operation without any problems.



Kenny Schieler

Brian Madison, City of Cassville Parks Maintenance Worker, was presented with the "Attitude" award for 2013. Nominated by his co-workers, comments about Brian included: demonstrates excellent customer relations with everyone he comes in contact with; whether working with the YMCA or the public, he is always understanding and professional; when faced with multiple challenges at the park, he consistently presented a positive presence and showed exceptional morale even when confronted with some tough and repeated issues; consistently displayed an optimistic attitude with a smile; sometimes has a very messy job and always has a great

outlook.



Brian Madison

Cassville Police Department named Patrolman Justin Fohn 2013 Officer of the Year. Nominated by his peers, Fohn was recognized for his positive attitude, willingness to help, professionalism, commitment to his job and great work ethic.



Justin Fohn

James Smith, Cyber-Crime Officer for the City of Cassville Police Department,

has been selected as the City of Cassville "Employee of the Year" based upon nominations received from fellow officers and other City employees. Smith exemplifies all the characteristics of the other awards presented to City employees: "Team Work," "Shining Star" and "Attitude." Co-workers said of Smith, "Has a very positive attitude and willing to help other officers and/or other city employees at any time with no complaints." Smith is described as highly respected by fellow officers, fellow city employees, as well as officers of other agencies (Municipal, County, State and Federal). His character is beyond reproach, very ethical, with high morals. He is a great role model.



James Smith

The City of Cassville also presented Years of Service awards to: DARE Officer Jennifer Luckey - 5 years; Dwayne Moller, Public Works, 15 years, Jim Steward, Public Works, 15 years; and a special recognition for Steve Henderson for his 30 years of service. In addition, Henderson received the Public Works Bright Idea Award for 2013, for developing an innovative idea which saved the City critical time and approximately \$12,500.



Steve Henderson

Perfect Attendance awards were presented to Dwayne Moller, Donald Privett, Steve Walensky, Johnathon Cherney, Justin Fohn, Larry Privett and James Smith.

Local musician sings from the heart and tops charts



Theo Mason

Samantha Barberio

Local music artist Theo Mason tops the Country Gospel charts and touches the hearts of locals.

Mason began his singing career at the age of 14 when he began leading the worship services at a local teen center on Wednesday nights. "They needed someone to lead the music and it's just something I sort of fell into," stated Mason. He then began singing

solos at church and even joined the school talent show in the McDonald County district.

Mason still attributes his singing career to his child Sunday School teacher at Mill Creek Baptist, Barbara Chrisman. "She taught me how to sing *Jesus Loves Me*, and that's where the spark began towards my love of singing," stated Mason.

Mason recorded his first cover album in 2008, titled *The Very Best of Theo Mason* at Back Street Music Studios in Anderson. Mason's long time dream came true in the fall of 2012 when he recorded his first CD, "It Wasn't By Choice", with the title song "Audience of One" topping the Country Gospel charts for three straight weeks in a row. It was found on stations such as The Gospel Caravan Weekly Top Ten and Carolina Country Classics.

"The biggest highlights of my career right now are being chosen to sing at the

Doug Gabriel Theater in Branson in June 2013 and singing the National Anthem at Celebrate Neosho Fireworks Show and the McDonald County Fair," stated Mason.

Mason also spends time singing at nursing homes and senior centers in the area. "I want to be an inspiration to those who can't get out to hear me. I feel like I was called to sing in nursing homes," stated Mason. He also runs a gospel radio station called The Message. "God makes a way for me to sing and run a gospel radio station as well as a gospel promotional company," enthused Mason. "I love it because I do this full time, it's exciting, and it's what I enjoy doing. I always envisioned it for myself."

Mason currently resides in Cassville while operating the country gospel internet radio station, The Message, which receives thousands of listeners daily. For more

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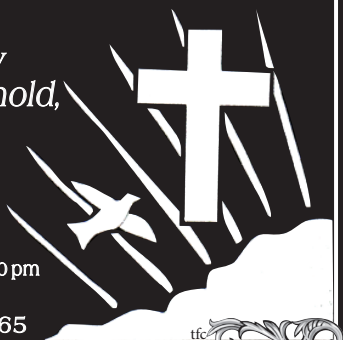
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BC prepares to finalize 2014 budget

Charlea Mills

For Barry County's Commissioners Cherry Warren, Wayne Hendrix and Gary Schad, Thursday, January 23, marks the finalization of the much-anticipated 2014 budget decisions with additional funds generated by the sales tax initiative passed in April of last year.

Budget proposals received by each of the offices within the county's jurisdiction came in around \$500,000 more than last year. For 2013, the approved total budget (including emergency funds) was \$3,173,703 with the actual budget coming in just under that amount at \$3,164,283.

This year, the total budget requests, including emergency funds, was \$3,677,255. Funds requested by all

of the departments were \$3,570,150; last year, the County Commissioners approved \$3,068,703, a significantly lower number.

According to Gary Youngblood, each of the departments is seeking a six-percent pay increase for their employees. Non-elected County employees have not received a pay increase since 2007. While employees did receive an additional two percent pay bump in 2013, Youngblood explained that was to combat additional Social Security taken from their paychecks. He stated, "It was to keep them from a decrease in their paychecks since Social Security deductions changed."

Elected officials with the County have not voted to receive raises since 2003, and

no one elected in 2014 will be eligible for a pay raise for four years. Youngblood said that those already in office in elected positions chose not to have a salary meeting this year because they knew they were not going to vote for an increase.

The departments requesting the largest increases are:

- The County Commission is requesting about \$30,000 more than 2013. The increase is for new vehicles for the Sheriff's Department, which comes from the Commission funds, not the Sheriff's operating budget.
- Elections is seeking a \$28,000 increase with the total proposed \$79,130. Elections typically require more funding in election years than others.
- The Collector is asking for \$14,000 over last year's \$31,000 approved budget for training and equipment.
- The Recorder is asking for a big jump, \$24,000 more. Last year, the Recorder was granted \$18,352; this year, the department has requested \$42,612. The large jump is due to an employee who was

Stockton honored by the City of Cassville



Cassville Mayor Bill Shiveley presented a plaque to Randy Stockton for 19 years of service to the Planning and Zoning Commission at January's City Council meeting.

previously being paid from a separate fund. This year, that employee's pay will need to come from the General Fund due to the other being depleted according to Youngblood.

- The University Extension 2014 budget proposal is \$14,000 more than last year. In 2012 and 2013, the Extension budget was cut dramatically, so they are seeking to

restore their funding.

- The Barry County Sheriff's Office is requesting \$110,000 more than 2013 for new deputies while the jail is asking for an additional \$68,000 for two new jailers and rising grocery costs.

A final decision regarding the 2014 budget will be made by the County Commissioners on Thursday.

Crowder blood drive set Jan. 28

With a new year come many resolutions to form good habits and achieve personal goals. The American Red Cross encourages those who are eligible to resolve to help patients in need through regular blood donations.

Donated blood can give patients in need more time with loved ones. Blood can be used to treat cancer patients, trauma victims, organ transplant recipients, premature babies, sickle cell disease patients and more. In fact, about every two seconds a patient in the U.S. needs a blood transfusion.

As winter continues, donations are especially needed, with many donors unable to give due to inclement weather and seasonal illnesses. Make an appointment to donate blood and partake in a life-saving resolution by visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS.

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, visit redcross.org or visit them on Twitter at @RedCross.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities in Barry County are at Crowder College, 4020 N. Main St. in Cassville. The event will be on January 28 from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Stella Quilt Show

The Stella Quilt Show will be held on January 25 in the FEMA building in Stella. The Show will be happening in conjunction with Eagle Days at Stella. Registration will be at 9 a.m. and the show will run from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

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Mineral Springs was once a flourishing resort town, part IV

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*By Murial Ash, published in
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Upon being told by a blind man that there was a huge body of water behind the spring opening, Mr. Lohmer had the idea to blast the spring area and find the lake. Having a whole lake of this wonderful mineral water would add greatly to the popularity of the resort. Whether this was merely a joke enjoyed by the blind man or whether he actually had some basis for his story of the lake is not known; however, "Judge" Lohmer took the story seriously and about 1886 he began blasting around the spring in an attempt to locate a big lake of the precious water. But,

unfortunately, he found no large opening behind the spring, and only succeeded in disarranging the grounds surrounding the spring. Evidence of the blasting is visible now as the concrete on the outside of the spring house is torn away and broken off, said to be a result of this venture. This blasting incident also caused damage to the bath house which was located nearby, and it eventually had to be torn down, along with ruining the basin which had been erected to catch the water coming from the spring.

After all this activity surrounding the Spring and after enjoying some very prosperous years, the town began to go down. During the years of 1886 to 1890, some of the largest holders

of property in the community decided that more and better business opportunities for the year around existed in Cassville and surrounding towns, and the business houses began to close down as the owners left for richer grounds. One of the hotels, which was owned by D.P. (Pat) Pharia, was moved to Cassville and stood across the street from where the LeCompte Lumber Company now stands, but it eventually burned down. The store which was operated by S.R. Reynolds and also another hotel which was operated were either closed or moved away. The "republican" newspaper was moved to Cassville and various other businesses were moved and, as the activities of the town began

to slow down and the promoters to move away, the tourist trade also began to slacken. Although until just a few years ago there have always been visitors to the Spring to use the water, the great groups that came in the early years were never experienced again.

Mr. and Mrs. Brandon remember many humorous things that have happened during their life time in and around Mineral Springs, but one that remains very clear to Mrs. Brandon is the arrival of the first car on the scene. It seems that the new contraption, owned and being driven by Mr. Dave Dingler of Cassville, came into town at an unthought of rate of speed and Mrs. Brandon's two girls, who were doing their chores in

the yard, were so scared that they rushed to the house and refused to return to their work until they could no longer hear the roar of the car engine.

The town today is much smaller with there being little evidence left of the "city" that existed there in the 1880's, and the grocery store, which is owned and operated by Mr. Frank Tryan, is the only business building left. This store building was erected about 1913 after the one that previously stood there was destroyed by fire. Although there was a cooperative canning factory which operated around 1925, only the building remains, the factory having not operated for several years.

The Spring, which is lo-

cated about 250 yards down a steep incline directly behind the store building, is still producing crystal clear water, and has never failed or seemed to show any decline, and the concrete trough, which now catches the water, was built in 1912. Mr. Brandon remembers the date because it was just two days before the bonds were voted to build the Cassville Courthouse.

The hotels, bath house and dwellings along the pathway leading to the spring are gone and, although the mountains are still as picaresque as they were described in 1880, the only remaining visible evidence of the "Incorporated City of Mineral Springs" is the Spring itself.

Ozark Security Solutions joins Cassville Chamber



Ozark Security Solutions recently opened their doors and joined the Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce. Chamber members are pictured with the owners Barrett and Winter Procell and Tyler and Megan Roberts with their lead technician Daniel Barton.

Ozark Security Solutions, owned and operated by Barrett Procell and Tyler Roberts, is open for business in Cassville. Ozark Security Solutions joined the Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce, celebrating with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, January 15, at 11:30 a.m.

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Regal employees honored for service

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Note: Some associates are not pictured as they were not in attendance.



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Wheaton welcomes new postmaster



From left to right, Markeeta Harvey is sworn in on a Bible held by her husband, Roger, with Rick Belcher, manager of the Post Office Operations, officiating.

Samantha Barberio
Markeeta Harvey has been sworn in as the new Postmaster for the Wheaton Post Office, announced by the U.S. Postal Service's Kansas City-based Mid-America District.
Harvey began her Postal Service career as a part-time flexible clerk at the Joplin Post Office in 1994. "My dad kept telling me if I got a job at the post office I'd be set," stated Harvey, "So I thought about it a lot and finally took the postal test to get on the hiring list."
Harvey has experienced many positions in Missouri Post Offices. After one year

with Joplin Post Office, Harvey transferred to the Neosho Post Office in the same position and was then moved to Office-in-Charge at the Alba and Diamond Post Offices. In 2005, Harvey became postmaster at the Rocky Comfort Post Office and also served as the postmaster of the Duenweg office in 2011. She has served as Officer in Charge in Wheaton since January 2013.
"I've been working here for a year," stated Harvey, "It's an easy fit, I have relatives around here and it's a great community." Harvey is married to Roger Harvey and has two children, son Coty and his wife, Jamie, Adelyn, and

daughter, Kaily Harvey.
Harvey also spoke about the highlights of her job, "The customers are amazing. I look forward to visiting and getting to know everyone in the community. Serving them is a positive part of my job." Some of her daily duties as Postmaster include supervising everyone, making sure the mail gets delivered on time and much more. This will be Harvey's 21st year working for the US Postal Service.
Harvey was sworn into her position by Rick Belcher, manager of Post Office Operations for 169 offices.

Filings close for City, School Board positions

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This week on January 21 marked the last day that residents could file for various city council and school board positions in Barry County. Below are the filings as of closing.

Cassville City

- Incumbents: Terry A. Heinz and Darrell Ledenham.
- Filed: Terry A. Heinz. Ledenham did not refile.

Exeter City

- Incumbents: Keith Johnson and Jeff Scott.
- Filed: Johnson and Scott both refiled. No new filings.

Purdy City

- Incumbents: Ken Real and Larry Rickman.
- Filed: Real and Rickman. No new filings.

Seligman City

- Incumbents: Gerald Harling and Kelly Payne.
- Filed: Harling. Payne did not refile. No new filings.

Washburn City

- Incumbents: Amanda Crim and Gerald Hinde.
- Filed: Hinde. Crim did not refile. No new filings.

Wheaton City

- Incumbents: Ryan Henderson and Stacy Beck. Mayor Pro-Tem: David Shockley.
- Filed: Henderson and Beck. Mayor: Shockley and Nancy Rosentreter.

Cassville School

- Incumbents: John Horner, Becky Henington and David Haddock.
- Filed: Horner, Henington and Haddock. New filers were Wade Hermansen and Ann Hennigan.

Exeter School

- Incumbents: Kerry Senters Mattingly, Larry Meyer and Gary Stringer.
- Filed: Senters Mattingly, Meyer and Stringer all refiled. Newcomer Jason Cole also filed.

Purdy School

- Incumbents: Ronnie Vice, Russ Neill and Mike Bennett.
- Filed: Vice, Neill and Bennet all refiled. No new filings.

Southwest School

- Incumbents: Albert Pendergraft, Jeremy Bernard and Pete Rose.
- Filed: Pendergraft, Bernard and Rose all refiled. Terry Burgess and Ruther "Doke" Henderson were new filers.

Wheaton School

- Incumbents: Larry Prewitt, Landon Brattin and Lewis Royer.
- Filed: Brattin and Royer refiled. New filings from Scott Prewitt, Everett "Tony" Ball and Joseph Brattin.

BOND from front.

ects that have been scheduled over the past three years that we have placed on hold until we could see the actual fiscal dollars needed to address the FEMA facilities, as well as the various facility improvements that have been on hold over the last two years.”

Among the projects that the district would like to address includes repaving drives and parking lots, roof repairs, bathroom improvements and many other areas.

Asbill stated, “This bond issue request is much differ-

ent than what the District has normally asked voters to approve. In the past 25 years, we have asked the voters to approve bond issues tied to the construction of a complete building like the high school in the mid-90s, the high school classroom expansion, and the Intermediate School in 2001. This request will impact all of our buildings kindergarten through 12th grade.”

“This request will impact the overall district from energy usage, safety, energy

access, technology improvements and improvements to drives, roofs, doors, bathrooms and other facility areas that we take for granted on a daily basis. We hope that the voters find merit in what we have done with the FEMA buildings and see that we have been good stewards and want to complete these other facility improvements to assist with the overall operational plans of the district,” Asbill concluded.

Burnside's students' Christmas recital



Piano students of Mrs. Ruth Burnside held their Christmas recital on December 22 at the Christian Church in Purdy. There were 14 students who performed their Christmas songs, including two duets of “Silent Night” and “O, Christmas Tree” and a trio of “Have a Holly Jolly Christmas.”

Pictured above are, left to right, in the back row: Liz Leverich, Myka Masters, Linzie Ozbun, Chelsea Henderson, Daniel Salazer and Thad Harris. Middle row: Taylynn Banks, Abbie Wormington, Lexee Johnson, Summer Driver and Heidi Sehrbrock. Front row: Lily Ray, Oliver Bowman and Taylor Smith.

Sen. Sater receives award from MO Cattlemen

Senator David Sater, R-Cassville, has been awarded the Missouri Cattlemen's Association's Friend of the Industry award for the 2013-14 year for his support of agriculture and the beef industry.

“Senator Sater is a strong supporter of agriculture in the State Capitol,” said Mike Deering, Missouri Cattlemen's Association executive vice president. “His efforts to fight cattle theft have made and will continue to make a big difference for Missouri farmers.”

Sater helped to make the penalty for stealing cattle a Class B felony instead of a Class C felony, changing the sentence to no less than five years and up to 15 years in prison. Prior to the legislation revision, the penalty was as low as one year in prison.

Sater also supported House Joint Resolutions 11 and 7, of the “Right to Farm” amendments. “Right to Farm” amendments will be on the November 2014 ballot for voters to decide on. Sater stated, “With these changes to our law, we are sending a clear message that agriculture is vital to Missouri's future. Agriculture is the cornerstone of our economy in our state and we must continue

to do everything we can to protect our farmers from extremist groups, overregulation and cattle rustlers attacking our livelihood.”

Sater received the award at the MCA's 46th annual convention and trade show in Osage Beach.

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	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
RECEIPTS					
Local	\$ 767,579	\$ 118,825	\$ 118,399	\$ 756	\$ 1,005,559
County	27,477	5,653	4,076	-	37,206
State	333,933	1,535,501	-	-	1,869,434
Federal	309,449	29,129	-	-	338,578
TOTAL RECEIPTS	1,438,438	1,689,108	122,475	756	3,250,777
DISBURSEMENTS					
Instruction	324,419	1,352,161	-	4,649	1,681,229
Student services	39,459	54,307	-	-	93,766
Instructional staff support	102,649	44,138	-	6,609	153,396
Building administration	54,328	139,612	-	-	193,940
General administration	53,390	95,441	-	-	148,831
Operation of plant	275,606	-	-	20,092	295,698
Transportation	103,935	3,345	-	25,447	132,727
Food service	186,690	-	-	-	186,690
Community services	11,333	104	-	-	11,437
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	-	-	2,391	2,391
Debt service	-	-	105,523	128,729	234,252
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1,151,809	1,689,108	105,523	187,917	3,134,357
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	286,629	-	16,952	(187,161)	116,420
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Refunding bonds	-	-	875,000	-	875,000
Sale of school buses	-	-	-	1,400	1,400
Operating transfers in	-	-	-	192,638	192,638
Operating transfers (out)	(192,638)	-	-	-	(192,638)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(192,638)	-	875,000	194,038	876,400
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS AND OTHER SOURCES OVER DISBURSEMENTS AND OTHER (USES)	93,991	-	891,952	6,877	992,820
FUND BALANCE, July 1, 2012	905,539	-	106,953	282,753	1,295,245
FUND BALANCE, June 30, 2013	\$ 999,530	\$ -	\$ 998,905	\$ 289,630	\$ 2,288,065

Mercy offers free diabetes ed. classes

Charlea Mills

Diabetes is a serious disease that is one of the most prevalent health issues facing Americans today. Mercy Hospital in both Cassville and Aurora are hosting educational support classes for those wanting to get their diabetes in check and make a step forward for health in 2014.

Classes in Cassville will be on Thursdays and Fridays with one class in the morning and another class in the evening to make it most convenient for people's schedules. Classes in Aurora will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Each of the classes will be one-hour once a week to focus on healthy eating. Judy Carver, registered and licensed dietician and certified diabetes educator, decided to offer the classes to help people understand the importance of tracking their blood glucose and making positive dietary changes for their lifelong health.

Carver commented on the importance of group events like this one, “The biggest thing is its an opportunity to learn more about diabetes and how to manage it when, oftentimes, the physicians don't have time. Through these courses, we can go more in depth than they would be able to at a doctor's appointment.”

Each of the classes in this education series is part

of The Conversation Map, a method of learning through games and interaction instead of a lecture. The first class will focus on the road to better management of diabetes and the final class will conclude with a trip to the grocery store to look at food labels and how to quickly count carbs when shopping.

Classes like the one offered at Mercy are an important element in education as

diabetes is a rapidly spreading issue. Carver stated, “Diabetes is an epidemic now. It isn't going away.”

Carver also leads a diabetes support group in the area. She hopes that through educational courses, they will be able to draw in to the support group. For more information or to register for the class, call (417) 847-6019 or (417) 678-7980.

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Southwest students tour historical Barry County sites



Many of the braver students ventured down into the cellar of the Bayless-Salyer house to explore. Pictured, left to right, are: junior Cory Ball, senior Malon McIntire, junior Tyler Bernard, junior Brittney Hackett, junior John Mulkey and teacher Linda Morgan.

Charlea Mills

A group of Southwest High School students ventured out into the Barry County historical community on Thursday, January 16, as part of an advanced class they are taking this semester.

The group of 15 students are enrolled in an AP Language and Composition class taught by Linda Morgan at the school. The class focuses on improving writing skills and preparing for college, and the group was treated to a tour of the Barry County Courthouse, historic Bayless-Salyer house, Barry County Museum, Cassville Library and Roaring River to spark communication

and critical thinking as part of their community unit.

Gary Youngblood, Barry County Clerk, led the group on a tour of the Courthouse on the square in downtown Cassville. Sherry Sears, Barry County Assessor, and Janice Varner, Barry County

Collector, also helped with the tour, showing the students the old jail cell in the basement and the safes no longer in use.

Then former Barry County Historical and Genealogy Society president Georgia Hart led the stu-

dents on a tour of the Bayless-Salyer house, explaining the work done on each room and the history of the iconic Barry County home.

Hart and her husband, Bud, opened the house up to the students who were filled with fascination. A few of the students expressed that the structure was their dream home. As the students inspected the renovation progress from top to bottom, the cellar being a point of interest, they learned important facts about the Barry County families who played an integral part of the construction and renovations to the house over the years.

The next stop was a tour led by Cheyne Matzenbacher from the Roaring River Nature Center. Matzenbacher detailed the purchase of the site for three mills years ago, but also the history tied to the CCC and construction. Matzenbacher asked the students to write a creative writing assignment

about what the old pine trees at Roaring River would say if they could tell their story.

Students also visited the Cassville library's Genealogy Room and the schoolhouse at the Barry County Museum.

Students enrolled in the AP Language and Composition class are eligible for college credit for the course if they pass a College Board test in May. According to Morgan, "This unit is intended to help my students think long and hard about the meaning of community, especially with the changing world view of it."

Area natives make honor rolls

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Delaney Bivens, a senior from Crane, made the Dean's List for the Fall 2013 semester.

Tyler Skinner, a senior from Cassville, made the Dean's List for the Fall 2013 semester.

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Rachel Sanders, of Jenkins, made the Dean's List for the Fall 2013 semester.

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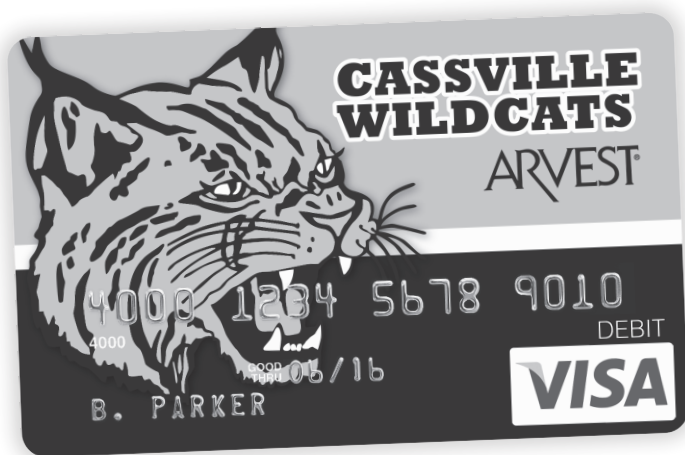
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Pictured in the back row, left to right: Chloe McKeever, Andrew Prier, Cheyenne Hopkins, Kimberly Coolidge, Kaylin Whitlock, Jeremiah Davison, Jaime Aguinaga and Samuel Hunter. Middle row: Xain Grey, Colton Kirkpatrick, Matthew Carter, Brandon Annecharico, Grady Stephenson, Alexa Perez, Madry McCrackin, Hallie Walker, Sarah Durm, Nefertiti Gautney, Abby Lasley and Kya Kraft. Front row: Devin Ruark, Nathan Garnett, Kel Wilson, Michaela Cotton, Kennedy Parnell, Addy Brophy, Lena Greene, Natalie McNeill, Sophie Scott, Alexis Mann and Olivia Bateman. Not pictured: Cole Stringer.

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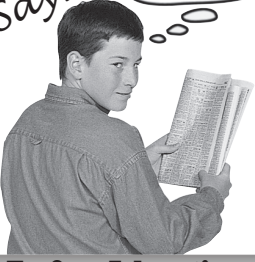


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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

As part of our continued efforts in keeping our patrons informed, the Southwest R-V School administration will provide monthly information concerning Board meetings.

A recap of the January 16, 2014, regular meeting is as follows:

The Board convened for its meeting at 7:00 p.m. following a dinner held in their honor to acknowledge their service to the Southwest R-V School District.

Under the agenda's communications item, Superintendent Bob Walker read from a proclamation written by Governor Nixon, recognizing the week of January 26 through February 1 as School Board Recognition Week.

The Board approved the consent items, including the addition of Lindsey Fosse to the district's substitute teachers list.

Concerning old business, the Board reviewed various bids pertaining to a district wide technology network upgrade, before approving a comprehensive proposal of \$144,232.25 submitted by ISG Technologies. Their work will provide an entirely new wireless infrastructure with plenty of room for future growth. Also approved was Wanda Smith as the district's foster care liaison.

Under new business, the Board approved revisions to the district's 2013-2014 calendar, stipulating that January 20, February 14, March 17, April 21, May 15, 16, 19, 20 and 21 will now be days that school will be in session. Should more school cancellations occur during the remainder of the winter season, additional revisions could be made. The Board also reviewed and approved the curricula for the district's family and consumer sciences, business, agriculture and physical education programs.

Pertaining to administrative reports, the Board reviewed winter sports information, submitted by athletics director Kenny Ferguson as well as the monthly maintenance report by director Tom Lawrence and administrative reports by Judy Randall, Beverly Bonner, Tosha Watson, Wanda Smith, Kara Hendrix and Bob Walker. During these reports, the Board approved two cooperative agreements with the Ozarks Area Community Action Corporation, set up to better serve children with disabilities and/or poverty issues. Superintendent Walker also provided an update on the track and field project, sharing that the contractor was hoping to asphalt during the week of January 20 if conditions allow. The early winter and consistent episodes of frozen precipitation have delayed the project's completion.

The Board was in executive session one hour and thirty-seven minutes discussing personnel items.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School library.

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Reid hired as director of facilities/operations

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After two years of vacancy, the Cassville R-IV School District finally filled the position of Director of Facilities and Operations. The Board of Education elected Dusty Reid, current park superintendent at Roaring River State Park, for the position.

The position has been open for the last two years after Joe Cavness retired. Superintendent Richard Asbill cut administrative staff at that time because the district had reduced other positions in teaching and support. However, now many maintenance personnel are retiring and the district needs the duties that were previously absorbed by other staff to be placed with a single person again.

Asbill stated, "The district needs effective operations and facility management and with the current and upcoming retirements of key maintenance personnel, we are reorganizing our operations and facility management programs."

Reid has been with the Missouri State Parks for 20 years with the last seven being at Roaring River. Reid stated, "The Cassville R-IV School District is a wonderful school system and a pillar of the community, and I'm excited to be a part of it. I look forward to getting started and meeting all of my new coworkers. I'm honored to be a part of something that has such a big impact on our community."

School Board member Jon Horner stated, "Dusty has the qualifications and leadership ability to help ensure that Cassville R-IV facility and operation programs are progressive. He understands that our school district is customer-driven and his customer service philosophy to our Roaring River State Park is an outstanding attribute to bring to our school system."

"I have enjoyed the last seven years at Roaring River very much, and I will always be grateful to Missouri State Parks for allowing me to be a part of such a wonderful state park system. My time here has been a wonderful

experience, and I am blessed to have worked with so many wonderful people that truly care about the park, its resources and the visitors," Reid concluded.

Reid was born in Joplin and graduated from Joplin High School before he continued his education at the Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory in Crested Butte, Colorado, and Missouri State Southern University for his Bachelor's Degree in Biology and minor in Communications.

School Board president John Sullivan stated, "The Cassville Board of Education is very pleased to have Dusty join the Cassville R-IV family and believe he will provide excellent leadership and management in our operations and facility needs. Dusty has worked hard to maintain and improve on our local Roaring River State Park, and we are honored to have that type of person take the lead in representing our school district operation programs."

Reid has worked at Indiana University, Camp McDowell Environmental Center, in Alabama, the United States Forest Service in Ju-



Superintendent Richard Asbill welcomes new Director of Facilities and operations, Dusty Reid, to the Cassville R-IV School staff.

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Reid is married to Lisa and has two boys, Miller and Dixon. Lisa is a teacher at Purdy, and their boys attend Cassville Schools.

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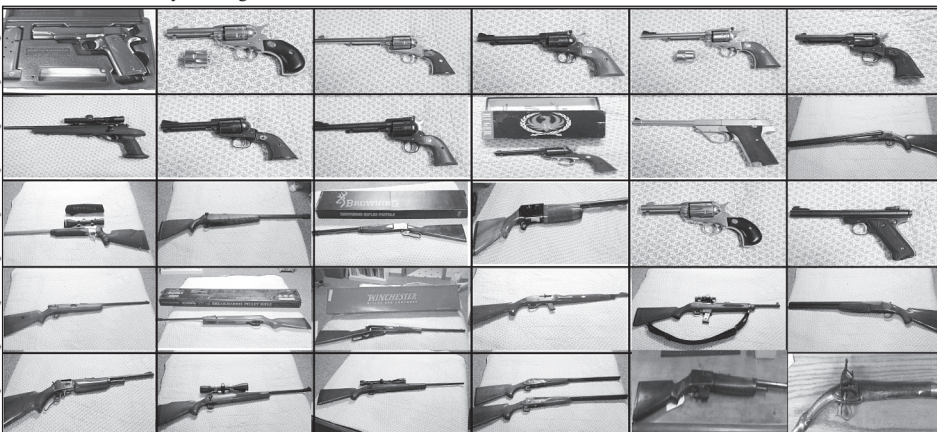
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LIST OF GUNS: 1911 US Army Colt 45 Auto made in 1945! Thompson 1927 A1 Deluxe w/FBI Carrying Case & 25 Round Drum & 2 Stick Magazines (NEW)~ Sold Separate 3 Original WW2 Magazines w/Pouches~ Colt Derringer 22 Short! Ruger Vaquero 45 cal. (Birds head grip, SS, NIB (new in box)! Ruger Single 6-22 cal. (SS w/22 & 22 Mag cyl)~ Ruger New Model Single 6-22 cal (Birds head grip SS, 22 & 22 Mag cyl., NIB)~ Ruger Blackhawk 30 Carbine cal.~ Ruger New Vaquero 45 cal. (SS, NIB)~ Ruger Blackhawk 357 cal.~ Ruger Blackhawk 41 Mag cal. (NIB). Ruger Single 6-22 cal.~ High Standard 22 LR (SS). Ruger Mark 1-22 cal. (LR, semi-auto)~ Savage Model 503-17HMR bolt action pistol~ Remington Nylon 22 LR~ Colt 12 ga Shotgun (Made in Italy). Winchester Model 1895-270 cal (NIB)~ Remington Model 788-222 Bolt action~ Marlin Firearm Company Model 336-A 30/30~ Ruger Carbine 40 cal Semi-auto w/red dot scope~ L.C. Smith double barrel side by side 28 ga. (NIB). L.C. Smith double barrel side by side 410 ga (NIB). L.C. Smith Field Grade 12 ga (Made in 1947)~ Thompson Center Fire Encore 22/250 w/Leopold Scope~ Remington Model 700-7mm Mag (been in the woods one time)~ Winchester Model 1028 Air Rifle 177 cal (pellet w/scope, NIB)~ Western Field Model M-12 ga bolt action~ Winchester Model 74-22 LR semi-auto (butt feed)~ Fenchi Brescia 12 ga Over & Under~ Remington Speed Master Model 552~ Benelli Nova Pump (2 3/4 - 3 1/2 - shells)~ Browning BL 22 cal LR (shoots short, long & Long rifle shells)~ Ruger Bearcat 22 cal.~ Colt Single Action Frontier Scout 22 LR~ Winchester 70-243 WSM~ Winchester 70-270 cal.~ Savage 110-30/06~ Savage Axis 25/06~ China 12 ga Shotgun~ Remington 788-22/250~ High Standard 12 ga 2 3/4~ Mossberg 500E-410 ga~ 1944 Military 762.38 Pistol. Military 762.25 Pistol~ Lee Enfield #4 (Mfg 1950)~ Remington 700-7mm (Mfg 1979-82)~ Winchester 94-32WS (Mfg 1941)~ Belgium Browning A5-12 ga~ Browning 12 ga Shotgun~ Winchester 94-32 SPECIAL~ Winchester 94-30/30 (MFG 1957)~! Remington Model 11-12 GA (MFG 1931-28 BBL)~ Uberti 44-40 (American Arms)~ Winchester 22 Mag-Model 273~ Henry 22 LR (NIB)~ Browning 22 LR~ Cobra Model 380 Auto (NIB)~ Smith & Wesson 9mm-Model SD9 VE (NIB)~ Star 9mm~ Remington 243 Model 770~ Remington 597-22LR~ New England 20 ga~ Marlin 44 Mag-1894~ Savage 17HMR-93R17 w/Simmons 3x9 Scope~ EAA Windicator 357 Mag~ Taurus Public Defender - The Judge - 45/410~ Phoenix Arms HP22A-22LR~ Puma 22 LR 1873-22~ Hi-Point 45 ACP Model JHP~ Black Powder 44 cal Pistol~ Taurus PT 24/7 Pro DS~ Browning A-Bolt 270 Short Mag~ Burgo 22 short Revolver-Made in Germany~ Winchester Model 90-22 Short~ Stevens Model 87A 22 Auto~ Winchester Model 37 16 ga shotgun~ Japanese 7.7X68 RIFLE~ SAVAGE MOD. 840 223 Cal w/Scope~ Winchester Mod 351 cal Auto~ Balkin (Albanian) Flintlock Postol (1810's)~ 12 ga Baker Shot Gun, Batavia Special serial # 163984~ Stevens Single Shot 410~ Springfield Model 944, Single Shop 20 ga, serial # P754584~ Henry 22 pump, (NIB), serial # PO56407~ Henry 22 Golden Boy, Lever Action, Scope, serial # GB196844~ Ruger Old Army, 44 Black Powder, w/box, serial # 14024425~ Remington 597, serial # B2649362~ Remington Express Magnum 22 ga, serial # D942705U~Stevens Model 240 over/under 410/410~ L.C. Smith, Field Grade, 12 ga, year 1906, serial # 307121~ Liberty Navy Arms, top break, 45 long Colt.

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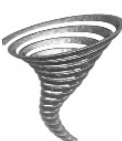
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Henderson honors memory of fallen warriors

Samantha Barberio

Local graduate student Jesse Henderson, of Cassville, was one of the 16 College of the Ozarks students chosen out of 350 applicants to participate in the commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the Battle of the Atlantic. The students traveled to England with World War II veterans of the 8th United States Army Air Corps and the US Merchant Marines for the event and to meet veterans of the Royal Air Force on May 17 and 18, 2013.

The Battle of the Atlantic, which was a dominating factor in World War II, was at its height from 1940 through the end of 1943. The 8th Army Air Corps and US Merchant Marines played a huge part in protecting England and Europe and ultimately achieving victory in Europe.

Students, along with the vets, visited Cambridge, London and Liverpool. "The experience was more than just a tour. The important part was the vets' stories. Each had a mind blowing story," stated Henderson. "We had what was called the Round Table Discussion, where each man spoke of their experience."

Henderson also spoke of heartwarming stories that he remembers hearing to this day. "One veteran had survivor's guilt, and it became apparent when we visited the church in which his crew was buried. He had to stay back for some reason, and all of his crew was killed on the mission."

The visit was to Cambridge American Cemetery where 3,813 American military graves are, and 5,127 names of Missing In Action (MIA) soldiers from the air war over Europe and the Battle of the Atlantic are found.

Henderson was one of the five chosen to be in the cere-

mony for the 70th anniversary of the Battle of the Atlantic on May 26th. "I was one of the students that got to carry the flags representing one group, each battalion had its own flag carrier," stated Henderson. "America doesn't realize that during WWI and WWII, England lost two generations of men. Our veterans are a big deal to them. They think it's disrespectful to call them veterans, so they call them legends."

Henderson also commented on the scenery. "They are still rebuilding to this day and are still bomb stricken. People from Europe still have to live with the every day scars. It was meaningful to see the overall impact of the war on England."

The WWII trips were part of the College of the Ozarks Patriotic Education Travel Program and were set up so that students could carry on the legacy of the war so it



Jesse Henderson in front of the Tower Bridge during his trip overseas.

would never be forgotten. "It went fast, but it was a meaningful ten days," stated Henderson, "A lot of tears and laughs. It was great to hear the stories and see them in person."

Henderson is a local 2010 graduate of Cassville High School and a December

graduate of College of the Ozarks with his Bachelors in Science in Psychology. He is the son of Dr. Heidi Henderson, of Cassville. Henderson will continue to pursue his career in Alzheimer's-Dementia research and Gerontology.

Southwest Little Theatre presents two new plays

The Southwest Little Theatre will have two new performances at the end of January. The first presentation will be *A Night of One-Acts* on Thursday, January 30, at 6:30 p.m. The production will be in a competition format.

The five plays will compete for Best Play of the evening. The plays will be: *The Best Western Melodrama*, *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*, *Anne of Green Gables*, *Orphan Trains*, and *Two Fools Who Gained a Measure of Wisdom*.

A panel of judges will critique and rank each play, but the audience will also vote for their favorite. The play with the highest number of points from those two sources will be the winner.

The second production night will feature *A Night of Scenes* on Friday, January 31, at 6:30 p.m. The production will include Junior High Scenes and a One-Act.

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United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency

Finding Of No Significant Impact, (FONSI)

The United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency, (FSA) has issued a Finding Of No Significant Impact, (FONSI), for an application for loan guarantee from FCS Financial, Joplin, Missouri, for **Bert and Anita Brown**, operating as **AB Farms, LLC**.

The specific element of this proposed action is the construction of one additional poultry broiler house on a 158-acre (m/l) farm tract located approximately three miles north of Wheaton, MO in Sections 10 + 15, Twp 24, Rng 29, Barry County Missouri.

The Farm Service Agency has assessed the potential environmental impacts of this proposed action and has determined that it will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Therefore, FSA will not prepare an environmental impact statement for this proposed action.

FSA is accepting comments on this FONSI and Environmental Assessment. Written comments regarding this determination should be provided within fifteen (15) days of this publication/notice to: Russell D. Neill, Farm Loan Manager, 76 Main Street, Cassville, MO 65625. FSA will make no further decisions regarding the proposed action during this fifteen-day period.

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