

#### Classified.....10 Upcoming .....4 Kentucky man brings his Godly mission to Cassville Pg. 2 Obits ..... 6-9 Auctions.....11 Mercy Hospital-Cassville provides \$60K to Crowder Nursing program

Photo and Story by Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com



Shown above, left to right, are Crowder College Administrators Dr. Paul Schlag, Associate Vice President; Sarah Smith, Director – Cassville Center; Sandra Wilson, Director of Nursing; and Dr. Katricia Pierson, President, Mercy Board and administration are Bill Shiveley, Secretary/Treasurer of the Board; Jill LeCompte, Vice Chairperson of the Board; Donald Cupps, Board member; Amy Boxx, Chairperson of the Board; Valerie Davis, Administrator; and Adene Smith, Director of Operations and Nursing at Mercy Hospital Aurora.

Administrators from Crowder College met with Mercy Hospital- Cassville board members and administration at the Cassville hospital last week to accept a donation of \$60,000 which will fund the college's Cassville Instruction Center's nursing program.

"Partnerships with clinical sites are significant to our nursing programs," stated Sandra Wilson, Director of Nursing, Crowder College. "Our faculty, staff, and students are grateful for the support and opportunities Mercy Cassville has provided through this donation as well as clinical experiences and employment of our students."

The funds will be used in two parts in Crowder's Clinical Simulation Lab in Cassville according to Wilson. \$32K will cover the cost of their new "Anne" High Fidelity Simulator which helps strengthen student skills and clinical judgment. This will be the second working simulator in the Cassville program.

The other \$28K will go towards the \$38K bill to install audio and visual equipment allowing students to review clinical observations as well

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# Horner Ridge Runners 4-H install net wrap receptacles at area farm centers

From Carolyn Kilts, Horner Ridge Runners 4-H Club Leader

The Horner Ridge Runners 4-H Club was the recipient of the 2023 FCS Financial Shaping Rural Missouri Grant. This grant is awarded to 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters to provide positive change in their communities.

Several of our members brought up the problem of the net wrap in our area. They said that they see it everywhere on the highway, in the ditches, on the fences, and in the fields. There were concerned for our community. Cars run over it on the highway and it gets caught up under there on the mufflers and such. Mowers run over it in the ditches, and get it hung up



Shown above, left to right, are Horner Ridge Runner 4-H club members Aubrey Kilts and Katherine (Katya) Baty, MFA Cassville manager Gerald Ritchie and Dakota Bowen at the MFA Cassville net wrap waste bin location. Photo: Carolyn Kilts

in their blades. When around everywhere it it's stuck in the fences or blowing around in fields it's a danger to livestock as they can eat it and potentially die. Not to mention when it's blowing

looks tacky and gives people in agriculture a bad image.

After all, we are supposed to be good stewards of the land we have been given to take

care of!

Members discussed different ways to tackle this issue and decided to build receptacles and place them around

SEE 4-H PG. 2



### Route 248 to be closed beginning February 5 at Flat Creek Bridge

From Missouri Department of Transportation

The Southwest District of the Missouri Department of Transportation has announced that Flat Creek Bridge on Route 248 will be closed for two weeks from 8:15 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Monday-Thursday for up to two weeks beginning February 5 for crews to do work on the bridge.

Though all lanes of Route 248 will be closed, drivers will have access to driveways and entrances on both ends of the bridge but will not be able to cross it during the above hours. Lanes will be open during night time hours and weekends. There will be no signed detour so drivers should find alternate routes. Weather or construction delays could alter the work schedule.

For more information, contact MoDOT in Springfield at 417-895-7600 or visit www.modot. org/southwest.



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## Haven of the Ozarks: Pet of the Week



Finch is a German Shepherd / Rottweiler mix who was adopted out from the Haven as a puppy. She is house trained and is great with kids of all ages. She enjoys car rides, playing and laying around with her humans. She is very sweet, smart, loving, has a lot of energy, and would do well with an active family who will keep her mind and her body engaged! Her DOB is 03/16/2020.

Finch is used to baths and getting brushed and is great with people. She does fine on a leash, but will need a good high fence to keep her from escaping the yard. Although she did live with another dog, she likes being the boss and can be protective of her family, so we recommend a meet and greet with any potential doggy siblings.

All our pets are fixed, up to date on their vaccinations, and microchipped. The Haven of the Ozarks is open from 9am-4pm, seven days a week. For more information, please give us a call at 417-835-3647 or email us at havenozarksanctuary@gmail.com.

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# Kentucky man brings his Godly mission to Cassville

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*Kentucky native Greg Jones hit the Cassville streets last week on a mission to share the Word of God.* 

Last week, a stranger walked into our small part of the world to show the community the meaning of unconditional love, kindness, hope and forgiveness.

His name is Greg Jones, he is from Lexington, Kentucky, and according to Jones, on November 22, 2019, he gave up his worldly possessions and began his mission to walk to the West Coast, spreading the Word of God along the way to those that may feel lost, need a kind word, or a bit of inspiration. He began his journey on that November day after asking God in prayer what he could do to reach out to more people and bring them closer to Him. Jones states he heard God's voice tell him to "drop it all and go", so he did.

Armed with his cross, one of seven he has carried for over 4,000 miles through sixteen states in the U.S., Jones estimates he have given his testimony that "God Always Provides" to over 10,000 people and has shared his story at over 300 churches, rehabs and shelters.

"Anywhere I can bring hope and inspiration to people, that is where I go because there is hope in Jesus and he is our only Savior," Jones said at a recent gathering at the Fishers of Men Family Resort in Cassville where he spoke to an area mens group. He shared many stories of his travels and how God places him in people's life when they need him and vice versa.

According to Jones, he has never slept a night outside and has never been hungry. When asked where he plans to travel to next, he stated he is not sure, but he knows he is heading west.



When asked how long he plans to do this, Jones said, "Til the day I die. I'm going to keep going until He tells me to stop or until the day I die be-

For more information about Jones, visit www. walkingwithcross.com. He can be reached by

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## Purdy man graduates United States Marine Corps Boot Camp

From Misty Hughes



Private Travis Zan Hughes, 18, of Purdy, graduated from United States Marine Corps boot camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego on December 8, 2023.

Private Hughes successfully completed 13 weeks of intensive basic training at MCRD San Diego as one of many recruits in Charlie Company Platoon 1043. Following a short leave he has reported to Camp Pendleton for Infantry Training Battalion.

Hughes is the son of Joshua and Misty Hughes, of Purdy.

## Monett Police perform cold water rescue

From Monett Police Department

According to a press release from the Monett Police Department, on Thursday, January 25, at approximately 7:20 p.m., Barry County Emergency Services E-9-11 dispatched Monett Police Officers to the Monett City South Park to check on the well-being of a 20male subject from the vehicle moments before the truck was fully submerged under the icy surface of the water.

The subject was uninjured and transported to the hospital for evaluation.

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Purdy announces spelling bee winners

From Cindy Burnside, Purdy Schools



The Purdy Spelling Bee was held on January 26. Nine contestants from grades 4-6 competed. The winner was Paul Bawithawng, a fourth grader. The runner up was Solomon Thang. The winner spelled "multitude" and then "journey" to win the competition. It was a very competitive match with over 100 words used during the spelling bee.

Paul will compete at Thomas Jefferson Independent School in Joplin at the Joplin Globe Spelling Bee on March 11, 2024.

Shown above, left to right, are Paul Bawithawng and Solomon Thang.

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as review their own clinical experience allowing students to be autonomous with their decisions.

Crowder College- Cassville plans to hold an open house for public to view the Clinical Simulation Lab in the Spring.

Crowder College provides nursing programs at its Cassville, Neosho, McDonald County and Nevada locations. The four semester Registered Nurse program is highly competitive admitting up to 150 students at these locations throughout the year. Applications for the McDonald County and Nevada locations are currently open through February 1. Cassville and Neosho will be accepting applications May 1 through August 1. For more information, please visit our website: https://www.crowder.edu/academics/departments/nursing/.



# Henbest Wins Cassville Intermediate Spelling Bee

From Mindi Artherton, Cassville Schools



On Friday, January 26, fourth and fifth grade classroom spelling bee winners competed in the Cassville Intermediate Spelling Bee.

Fifth grade student, Jakob Henbest, (above left) finished first place and will travel to Joplin on March 11 to represent Cassville in the Joplin Globe Spelling Bee. Jakob is the son of Kana and Steven Henbest.

Danny Beuterbaugh (above right) earned second place in the spelling bee and will serve as the alternate. Beuterbaugh is in the fourth grade and the son of Jaclyn and Caleb Beuterbaugh.



year old white male of Mount Vernon.

As offices attempted to speak with the subject, he fled in his 1998 Chevrolet S10 pickup, driving the vehicle into the ice covered South Park pond.

The subject was unable to exit the vehicle due to being trapped partially submerged in the ice on the surface of the pond.

Monett Fire Department and Barry Lawrence County Ambulance personnel responded to the scene to assist. The vehicle started sinking before assisting agencies could arrive, so officers entered the water and were able to break a window and pull the



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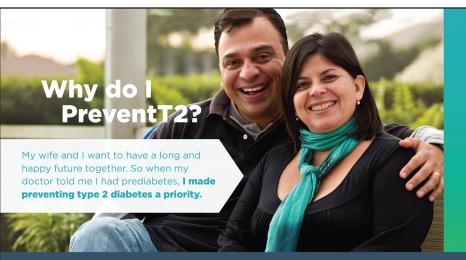
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### Notice:

Cassville Bright Futures Backpack Program is sponsoring Project PB&J, a peanut butter and jelly donation drive, from February 5th through the 16th. The drop off location is Cassville Chamber of Commerce, 504 Main Street, Cassville. For the safety of the students, please provide items in plastic containers. Crackers to go with the PB&J Thursday Feb 8 will also be gladly accepted. Everyone who drops off their donation at the Chamber office will be entered in to a drawing to win \$25 in Cassville Cash.

<u>Patriots of SW MO</u> have meetings on the 3rd Saturday of every month from 1 to 3 P.M. at the ruary 2 at noon. VFW in Shell Knob (on Hwy. 39). Everyone is welcome. To learn more and find out who this month's exciting speakers are, contact Jean Dodge at dodgejean13@gmail.com, or Diane Painter (417) 858-2100. (please no texts).

Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) is Looking for Volunteers. Training will be provided. Basic computer skills are necessary. If interested, contact Susan Hughes by emailing susan. hughes@senioragemolorg or call (417) 868-9524

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

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

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

try dance with bands every Saturday from 7 to 10 P.M. No alcohol allowed. Admission is \$10. Ages public good will be advanced by the consolida-18 and under are free. There is pot luck, 50/50 and door prizes. For information, (479) 903-3640. OATS Transit offers regular transportation services for the rural general public of any age, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. Please call the local OATS Transit office at 417-887-9272 or 800-770-6287 to schedule a ride or find out about services in your area. You can also visit our website at oatstransit.org. The Helping Hands Food Pantry, 32685 Hwy. 86, Eagle Rock, services the citizens of Eagle Rock, Golden and Mano and is open from 9 to 11:45 A.M. Saturdays and Tuesdays, and 5 to 7 P.M. the first Thursday of the month. Call (417) 271-1301 for more information.

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### Friday Feb 2

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

**Barry County Extension's Annual Meeting** and Dinner will be held at 6:30 P.M. at First Christian Church, 905 Old Exeter Road, Cassville. New Barry County Extension Council members will be in attendance. R.S.V.P. by Feb-

### **Tuesday Feb 13**

Barry County Democrats Meeting will be at 6 P.M. at El Mariachi restaurant, Cassville. County Clerk Joyce Ennis will be a guest speaker. You may contact barrycountymodemocrats@gmail. com with questions.

### Saturday Feb 10

**Butterfield Firefighters Auxiliary Country** Breakfast will be served from 7 to 11am at the Butterfield Fire Station. The menu includes pancakes, biscuits and gravy, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice, milk and coffee. The price is \$7 for ages 12 and older, and \$5 for ages 11 and under. Delivery is available to local Butterfield residents.

### Wednesday Feb 14

**Cassville Area Coalition of Charities Lunch** Meeting will be held from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. at 404 State Hwy. 248, Cassville. All area non-profits, churches, recovery groups, and active community members are invited.

South Barry County Ambulance District Ozark Country Quilters meets at Show Me Meeting will be held at the Washburn Fire Dept., State Hwy. 37, Washburn, at 6 P.M.

### Thursday Feb 22

The Barry County Commission will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners' Meeting Seligman Chamber Event Center has a coun- room at the Barry County Courthouse in Cassville at 10 A.M. to receive input as to whether the tion of the special road districts. Citizens of Barry County may appear and comment of the proposed petition or may comment in writing. The County Commission may restrict the time which each person may speak at the public hearing. Any comments in writing should be delivered to the County Clerk prior to the end of the public hearing.

#### School Menus: Feb. 5th to Feb. 9th All meals served with milk and subject to change.

Cassville R-IV High School: Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage patty, peaches or cereal, yogurt cup, fruit cocktail. L: grilled ham & cheese or turkey sandwich, tater tots, carrot sticks, pears. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast burrito, sausage patty, pears or cereal, blueberry muffin, applesauce. L: chili dog or chicken crispito, Doritos, baked beans, juice. We: B: biscuit & gravy or pancake on stick, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. L: chicken sandwich or pizza, Sun Chips, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, mandarin oranges or cereal, Nutri Grain Bar, apple. L: chicken & noodles or chicken nuggets, potatoes, green beans, bread stick, pineapple. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or mini cini, yogurt cup, fruit cocktail or cereal, banana muffin, peaches. L: beef burrito or quesadilla, nachos, refried beans, glazed carrots, juice.

Cassville R-IV Pri. Int. Mid.: Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or mini cini, sausage patty, peaches or cereal, cinnamon toast, pears. L: hamburger or meatball sub, Sun Chips, green beans, peaches. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, peaches or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. L: chili or chili cheese fries, crackers, cheese sticks, vegetable mix, juice. Wed: biscuit & gravy or oatmeal, toast, sausage, mandarin oranges or cereal, Pop-Tart, peaches. L: spaghetti or shrimp poppers, salad, corn, bread stick, pears. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or nuggets, hashbrown, orange or cereal, rice Krispies Treat, apple. L: chicken & noodles or pork choppette, potatoes, peas, peaches. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or strawberry bagel, yogurt cup, fruit cocktail or cereal, pop-Tart, pineapple. L: pizza or ham sandwich, chips, carrot sticks, fruit cocktail.

Purdy R-II Schools: Mon: No School. Tues: B: biscuits & gravy, sausage patty, fruit. L: vegetable soup, grilled cheese, fruit. Wed: B: french toast sticks, syrup cup, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: chicken strips, mac & cheese, green beans, fruit. Thurs: B: breakfast pizza, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: Frito Pie, corn, fruit. Fri: B: banana muffin, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: hot dog, chips, baby carrots with ranch, fruit.

### April 2, 2024, General Municipal **Absentee Voting Begins** Tuesday, February 20, 2024

#### Are you registered to vote in Barry County?

• Last day to register to vote is Wednesday, March 6, 2024, for those who are not current registered voters of Barry County and who wish to vote in the April 2, 2024, General Municipal Election.

• You may register to vote at the County Clerk's

Wheaton Church of Christ will have clothing available the 2nd Saturday of the month from 9

### Monett Library Adult Programs

- Chair Yoga Mondays 1:30pm (except holidays) Dulcimer Class - 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 10am Crochet and Knitting Class with Verda
  - Thursdays, 2pm (starting Jan. 18, 2024) Let's Play Dominoes - January 23, 2pm

Monett Branch Library is located at 2200 Park St., Monett. Phone number is 417-235-7350

### **Cassville Branch Library Activities**

Homeschool: Tuesdays 10am. Registration required (children/teens).

Tot Time: Thursdays 9am. Registration required (children).

Story Time: Thursdays 10am. Registration required (children).

- Friday, Feb. 2nd: 4pm: Kid's Movie Party, Princess & the Frog. Registration required.
- Wednesday, Feb. 7th: 10am to noon: Open Crafting. 3:30 to 5pm: Kid's Crafts.
- Thursday, Feb. 8th: 6pm: Natural Resources information Session with SWCD & NRCS

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

Office; the Monett Chamber of Commerce; or the Shell Knob Chamber of Commerce.

• Please notify the Barry County Clerk if you have moved and have not updated your address or had a name change.

• Photo ID required to vote in April General Municipal Election.

• Absentee voting starts Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at the Barry County Clerk's Office in Cassville, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

• Two (2) week in-person, no excuse absentee voting begins Tuesday, March 19, 2024.

• If unable to vote in person, you may send a written request to the office of: Joyce Ennis, 700 Main St. Suite 2, Cassville, MO 65625 or fax to: 417-847-5311. You will need to provide: name, physical address, mailing address, date of birth, last four (4) digits of social security number, phone number, reason for voting absentee, and signature. If you live in the Shell Knob or Monett area, you can go by the Shell Knob Chamber or Monett Chamber Office and fill out the absentee application. They will fax it to the Barry County Clerk's office for you. Absentee applications are also available at sos.mo.gov. For more information call: the Barry County Clerk's Office at 417-847-2561 opt: 3 or email jennis@barrycountyclerk.com or ajohnson@ barrycountyclerk.com



# Leave tree trimming to experts

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

- Wear safety glasses to protect your eyes from sawdust, pine needles and other debris.
- When operating a trimmer or chainsaw, you'll need ear protection, shoes with slip-resistant soles, chaps and gauntlets.
- If you use a ladder, tie it off to a secure location. Never go anywhere near a power line with a ladder, especially a metal one.
- Be aware of anyone on the ground. It's best to have a spotter watch for people who might wander into your worksite.

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### Exeter announces Homecoming Candidates From Jeanetta McCammon, Exeter Schools



Shown above are the 2024 Exeter Homecoming candidates. The homecoming game will be on Friday, February 2, in the Exeter gym. Coronation will begin at 5:15 p.m. with the first game immediately following. Front row, left to right, are Freshman Kahlan Fuller, Sophomore Honesty Hall, Junior Karlee Willis, Senior Makenze Shaw, and Senior Hailie Eaton. Back row, left to right, are Freshman Isaac Hunter, Sophomore Jax Brock, Junior Kason Nelson, Senior Kronikel Lokot, and Senior Josue Alcaraz.

# Keeven signs letter of intent



Cassville Senior Josie Keeven will play volleyball for Missouri Valley College beginning Fall 2024. She will major in Marketing (Business). She is the daughter of Shawn Keeven, of Cassville.

Shown above, front Stillwell Auto

# Purdy Seniors sign letters of intent

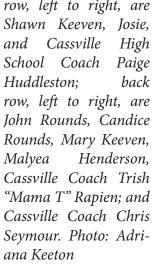


Purdy High School Senior Hunter Lee will play baseball at Central Methodist University and major in Business Administration. Lee is shown above with his parents, Dustin and Lauren Lee, and his brother, Jackson Lee.



Purdy High School Senior Jessi Hoppes will play softball at Jefferson College and major in General Studies. Hoppes is shown above with her parents Emma and Todd Hoppes, and siblings, Coleman Hoppes (above, far left) and Ethan (above, far right).





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**BOB MITCHELL** Bob Mitchell passed away peacefully in the presence of his family on November 7, 2023, at Kansas City Hospice House, Kansas City. He was 94.

Bob was born in Cassville on July 15, 1929, to Leonard J. Mitchell and Kathryn (Ray) Mitchell. He graduated from Cassville High School and Southwest attended Missouri State for two years. Before the start of the Korean War, he was offered a job by Springfield industrialist John Q. Hammons, who had been his sixth grade basketball coach. Believing Uncle Sam needed his services more, Bob enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He married Anita Sue Brown on January 3, 1949.

Bob attended Great Lakes Naval Training Center Journalism School, followed by assignment to the Naval Commander Atlantic Headquarters Fleet in Norfolk, Virginia. During this early work in Navy public affairs,

he accompanied Admiral W. H. P. Blandy to news conferences in Washington, D.C., and covered the rescue of the USS Missouri when she went aground off Hampton Rhoads, Virginia.

Bob was assigned a post in Key West, Florida, where President Harry S. Truman vacationed at the Little White House. His duties included publishing a monthly newspaper, providing news releases on presidential visits and coordinating with the White House press corps. During press conferences, President Truman would often mention that "it was good to have someone from the 'Show Me State' in the room."

As the Korean Conflict heated up, Bob was assigned to Japan and as part of his Far East orientation tasking, he interviewed the Japanese Empire's Jersey Cow herd master, due in part to his experience milking with the Mitchell family livestock.

Once in Korea, he was dispatched upriver toward Inchon and disembarked from the amphibious flagship USS Mt. McKinley, as General Douglas McArthur's efforts proceeded to support

read "Bob Hope Welcomes First Marine Division Ashore." Bob joined his shipmates for the afternoon show. As the Amphibious Forces continued the mission, Bob provided press reports and photographs back to the U.S. that chronicled the situation, including information regarding a captured Russian MiG fighter jet. He accompanied Vice Admiral I.N. Kiland to the United Nations camp in Mun Son Ni for peace talks, where he witnessed a portion of the long-running negotiations to end the Korean Conflict. His Navy career ended in 1953, just 12 days short of four years. He returned to San Diego to reunite with Sue. Once back in Barry County, Bob joined his Uncle Means Ray at The Cassville Democrat.

As newspaper editor for the next 42 years, Bob "covered Barry County like the morning dew" to bring the latest area news to readers of the Democrat every week and promote the community he loved. He covered countless civic, educational, sports, community events and business activi-

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ties. In the late 1950s, Bob joined a group of local civic and business leaders in a campaign to overturn a federal decision not to build a bridge across the emerging Table Rock Lake at Shell Knob; their successful efforts resulted in the completion of the \$3M Central Crossing Bridge. He was involved in the Cassville Industrial Development Corp., leading the group for 15 years. During that time, relationships with businesses were formed that brought new industries to Cassville, including Wells Aluminum, Vaisey-Bristol Shoe Co., FASCO Industries, Justin Boot Co. and varied other diverse firms. He was involved in the establishment of the Cassville Golf Club's grass green course, the first of its kind to be constructed in Missouri under FmHA financing. He also helped to establish the Little Joe Lung Transplant Fund and subsequent scholarship program. He was a faithful member of the First Christian Church.

Active in local and state Democrat party politics during most of his long career, Bob participated in several liaisons with local and state government both as a citizen and a journalist. He served as an honorary Missouri

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National Guard Colonel in the inauguration events of two Missouri Democrat governors. He was a proud supporter throughout his life of many generations of Cassville Wildcat athletics, the Rotary Club, Boy Scout Troop 76 and the local, long-running, annual Hillbilly Golf tournament. He was a 70-contiguous year member of The American Legion.

After he and Sue sold the newspaper to Mike and Lisa Schlichtman in 1996, they enjoyed traveling through every state in the U.S., except Alaska, to enjoy the sights and to visit grandkids and friends.

Bob was an avid fisherman and walked many an Ozark mile hunting quail with friends, and traveling throughout Kansas and South Dakota, almost always accompanied by beloved English Setter companions.

In 2017, he was inducted into the Missouri Southern State University Media Hall of Fame. Months later, he was selected for induction into the Missouri Press Association's Hall of Fame.

Bob is survived and will be greatly missed by son Bruce (Janice) of Colorado Springs, Colo., and daughter, Shelley Bartkoski (Dennis) of Leawood, Kan.; grandchildren who loved him as Pop, Sean Mitchell (Carrie), Lindsley Grebenik (Dole), Andrew Parsons, (Janna), and Carly Mitchell

(Rob Sumner); nine great-grandchildren; nephew Stann Sutton (Beverly), of Tulsa, Okla., and Neely the cat. He was preceded in death by his parents and wife of 74 years, Anita Sue Mitchell.

Services Memorial will be held at 10:00 A.M. Friday, February 9, 2023, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Jeff Fugitt will conduct the services.

Memorial contributions may be made in Bob's name to Community Foundation of the Ozarks or the Kansas City Hospice House.

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#### **JANE DUBE**

Jane Dube, age 69, of Exeter, passed away Saturday, January 20, 2024, at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

Services and burial will be held at 10:00 A.M. Friday, February 2, 2024, at Bashan Hill Chapel and Cemetery in Exeter, respectively.

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**DUANE LATTA** Duane Latta passed from this life and into the arms of Jesus on January 21, 2024, at Roaring River Health and Rehabilitation in Cassville.

Duane John Latta, 86, was born January 26, 1937, in Harper, Kansas, to Frank Milton Latta and Verna Ruth (Wuthnow) Latta. He grew up on a ranch near Harper, Kansas, and went through school in the Harper School System. He graduated Valedictorian of his 8th grade class and graduated from Harper High School in 1955. He was very active in both 4H and FFA during his school years. He was a member of the Kansas Author's Club from a story he wrote while he was in high school.

He married Alyce Sue (Bauman) on June 15, 1958, at Chicaskia Baptist Church near Harper, Kansas.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years; two sons, Rick Latta and wife, Mary, of Big Fork, Montana, and Randy Latta, of Golden, Colorado; one sister, Velda Geller, of Kenai, Alaska; one brother, Gary Latta and wife, Carol, of Whitehall, Montana; four grandchildren, Meghan Roetto and husband, Nathan, of Republic, Ashley Crowther and husband, Neil, of Ashburn, Virginia, Caitlin Latta, of Golden, Colorado, and Austin Latta, of Midland, Texas; and three great-grandchildren, Jenova Roetto, Avalee Roetto and Adelene Crowther. He was preceded in death by his parents; one grandson, Justin Latta; one brother-inlaw, Gene Geller; and one nephew, Mike Geller.

when they moved to Kenai, Alaska. There he worked for Union Oil of California for 20 years in a chemical plant which made ammonia fertilizer out of natural gas. While in Alaska, he became very active in shooting trap competitively. He and his wife ran the trap range at Snowshoe Gun Club for eight years. He was on both the PITA State Board of Directors and the ATA State Board of Directors for Alaska. Living in Alaska also provided great opportunities to pursue his passion for fishing and hunting.

In August of 1992, he retired from Unocal and they settled for their retirement years in Cassville. There he worked for Tim Homesley at Tim's Fly Shop for 18 years, until in 2015 when he was forced to retire from there due to health issues. Once fully retired, he developed a passion and skills for woodworking, especially for making crafts with his scroll saw.

He was a member of Arnhart Baptist Church and loved his church and church family very much. Duane had a gift for making everyone he met feel like they were a part of his family. If you had the blessing to know him in your life, he loved having you as a part of his life journey.

Services will be held at 2:00 P.M. Saturday, February 3, 2024,

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di, of Clyde, Kansas;

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ma, and Stan Gibson

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Ed enjoyed fishing and

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at Arnhart Baptist Church in Purdy, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Jason Mackey and Rick Latta will conduct the services.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 - 2:00 P.M. Saturday at Arnhart Baptist Church in Purdy.

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#### **EDDIE RAY "BIG** ED" GIBSON SR.

Eddie Ray "Big Ed" Gibson Sr., age 76, of Eagle Rock, passed away Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at Mercy Hospital in Cassville.

He was born March 3, 1947, in Chanute, Kansas, the son of Edward L. and Frances (Leatherman) Gibson.

Preceding him in death were his parents and brother, Ed Leatherman.

Big Ed is survived by his loving wife, Pau-

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Hagebusch will conduct the services. Contributions may be made to Hospice Compassus of Monett in memory of Big Ed.

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#### PEGGY PAULINE REED

Peggy Pauline Reed, age 94, of Neosho, passed away Thursday, January 25, 2024, at Cox Hospital in Monett.

She was born September 6, 1929, in Pioneer, the daughter of Davidson Grey and Lela (Jones) McMillen. On March 3, 1951, she was united in marriage to Houston "Buck" Reed, who preceded her in death on September 11, 2005. They celebrated 53 wonderful years together as husband and wife. Also preceding her in death were her parents; one brother, Jim Mc-Millen; and one sister, Katherine Adams.

Peggy is survived by one stepson, Fred Reed, of Minnesota; one sister, Joe Ann Jump, of Exeter; two grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. She also had many nephews, nieces and great nephews and nieces.

Peggy grew up and attended school in Wheaton, graduating from Wheaton High School. She enjoyed spending time outside taking care of her beautiful flowers and inside cooking wonderful meals for her family. Peggy loved spending time crocheting, sewing, and quilting many beautiful things for family and friends. She was a homemaker and truly loved helping others.

Services will be held at 2:00 P.M. Wednesday, January 31, 2024, at McQueen Funeral Home in Wheaton. Brother Tony Ball will conduct the services. Burial will be at Dice Cemetery in Fairview, Missouri.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 P.M. until service time at McQueen Funeral Home in Wheaton.

Contributions may be made to Wheaton Historical Society in memory of Peggy.

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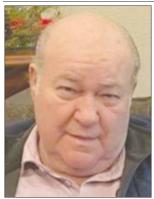
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**DENNIS C. JOHNSON** Dennis C. Johnson, age 75, of Bentonville, Arkansas, passed away on January 11, 2024. Dennis was born on February 15, 1948, in Alton, Illinois, to Carl and Juanita (Shaw) Johnson. He graduated with honors from Alton Senior High School in 1966.

Survivors include one son, Scott Johnson, of Bentonville, Arkansas; one daughter, Anna (Darrel) Watson, of Rocky Comfort; five grandchildren, Ashley (Rusty) Thompson, Jake Robinson, Jennifer (Rob) Sizemore, Nelson (Jacelyn) Watson, and Cody Watson; six great-grandchildren, Ty, Trey, Jack, Bo, Wade, and Tatum; his sister, Sharon Kitzmiller, of Frederick, Maryland; two nephews, Robert Kitzmiller and Ronald Kitzmiller; and niece, Shari Hames.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Gary Johnson.

Dennis spent many years working in the manufacturglass ing industry. He also

served in the Air National Guard Reserves in Syracuse, New York, and Springfield, Illinois, and was the owner of Alton Road Cafeteria in Carlinville, Illinois. Later, he retired from the Arkansas Department of Transportation.

Dennis enjoyed owning classic cars, motorcycles and piloting his small aircraft. He loved recreational boating, camping, and travelling in his RV with family and friends. Dennis loved his dogs Sammy and Joe.

Arrangements are under the direction of White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville. A memorial service will be held at a later date in Bethalto, Illinois.

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#### LIBBY JO HAMILTON

Libby Jo Hamilton was born April 28, 1974, in Wichita, Kansas, to Everett and Myrna Hamilton. She leaves behind her



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three fur babies; her sisters, Barbara Moore, of Berryville, Arkansas, and Shannon Farr, of Shell Knob; her four nieces and two nephews; four great nieces and nine nephews.

Services will be held Friday, February 2, 2024, at White Funeral Home and Crematory in Cassville at 1:00 p.m. Words of comfort will be spoken by Kevin Toliver. Grave side services will be at Viola.

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#### ANITA "SUE" MATTINGLY

Anita "Sue" Mattingly, age 62, of Cassville, passed away Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at Cox Medical Center South in Springfield.

She was born October 12, 1961, in Purdy, the daughter of Donald and Lena (Killman) Mattingly, who preceded her in death. Also preceding her in death were one brother, Jimmy Alan Mattingly, and one great nephew.

Surviving are one brother, Ronnie Mattingly and his wife, Teresia, of Exeter; one niece, Brandy Horn and her husband,

Robert, of Exeter; two nephews, Michael Mattingly, of Exeter, and Steven Mattingly and his wife, Mandy, of Exeter; six great nieces; one great nephew; three great-greatnieces; and two greatgreat-nephews.

Sue grew up and attended school in Exeter, graduating from Exeter High School. She was employed by Justin Boot in Cassville for five years and later at FASCO Industries in Cassville from where she retired in 2016.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at Maplewood Cemetery in Exeter, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Gerald Kirkpatrick and Pastor Rick Cooper conducted the services.

Contributions may be made to Maplewood Cemetery in memory of Sue.

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#### **KIMBERLY SUE** MOORE

Kimberly Sue Moore, age 61, of Exeter,

#### Kimberly is survived by her mother, Roxie Howard, of Richmond, Indiana; one daughter, Tasha McNabb and her husband, Shane, of Cassville; two brothers, Donny Goodwin, of Rich Hills, Texas, and Bill Goodwin, of New Hall, California; two sisters, Amber Howard, of Richmond, Indiana, and Lori Goodwin, of New Hall, California; and three grandchildren Jaiden,

Kaiden and McKenzie. She was preceded in death by her father and one brother, Todd Rausch.

Kimberly grew up and attended school in Richmond, Indiana, graduating from Richmond High School. She later attended ITT Technical Institute in Richmond where she attained an associate degree. As a passionate dog lover, Kimberly considered her dog, Sasha, her closest and most faithful companion. She loved spending time with her family and especially her grandchildren.

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

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Arkansas.

She was born December 11, 1949, in Walsh, Colorado, the daughter of William and Mable (Smith) Spencer. On July 20, 2001, in Fayetteville, Arkansas, she was united in marriage to Harry Wilkinson, Jr., who preceded her in death on August 30, 2022. She was also preceded in death by her parents; one son, Bob Priest; one stepson, Mike Priest; two sisters, Joann Patterson and Alice Prewitt; and two brothers, Bob Spencer and Jim Spencer.

Ruth is survived by one son, Melvin Priest and his wife, Terri, of Wheaton; three brothers, Harry Spencer and his wife, Charlene, of Ohio, Dean Spencer and his wife, Lucille, of Oklahoma, and Chuck Spencer and his wife, Angie, of Kansas; one sister, Mary Lou Morgan, of Oklahoma; one sister-in-law, Peggy Spencer, of Kansas; two grandchildren, Cody Priest and Mike Priest; and two great-grandchildren.

Some of her favorite hobbies were sewing, quilting, and baking.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville.



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passed away Thursday, January 25, 2024, at her home. She was born July 11, 1962, in Richmond, Indiana, to Arthur Eugene and Roxie Faye (Spencer) Goodwin.

**RUTH MARIE WILKINSON** 

Ruth Marie Wilkinson, age 74, of Exeter, passed away Thursday, January 25, 2024, at Circle of Life Hospice House in Bentonville,

#### **CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR JOEL CURREN**

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#### NANCY DENISE SHUPE

Nancy Denise Shupe, age 66, of Exeter, passed away Saturday, January 27, 2024, at her home.

She was born October 14, 1957, in Hutchinson, Kansas, the daughter of Jesse Hunley and Christine Imogene (Fletcher) Dishon. On January 25, 1995, in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, she

was united in marriage to Mike Shupe, who survives. Also surviving are one daughter, Denise Cornett, of Cassville; one brother, Gary Dishon; one sister, Frances Smith, of Aurora; three grandchildren, Lauren, Megan and Anthony; and two great-grandchildren, Emmett and Russell.

death were her parents; stepfather, Kenneth Jay Fisher; two brothers, Dennis Dishon and Terry Dishon; and one great-grandson, Weston Sell.

Nancy attended school in Hutchinson, Kansas, and Wichita, Kansas, and later re-

ceived her GED. She was employed as a teacher at Butterfield and Cassville Head Start. Nancy enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She enjoyed spending time quilting and loved animals and took in all the strays that showed up at her house.

Services will be 2:00 Preceding her in P.M. Thursday, February 1, 2024, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Donnie Spears will conduct the services. Burial will be at Union Cemetery south of Stella.

> The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 6:00 P.M. Wednesday at Fohn

# **SKITS** auditions for **Spring Play set for February 3**

**By Craig Burford** The SKITS Community Theater Group has announced auditions for the spring play "Chickenheart" will be February 3 at the Central Crossing Senior Center, in Shell Knob. "Chickenheart" is a hysterical melodrama set in the medieval era, penned by playwright

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Contributions may be made to Haven of the Ozarks in memory of Nancy.

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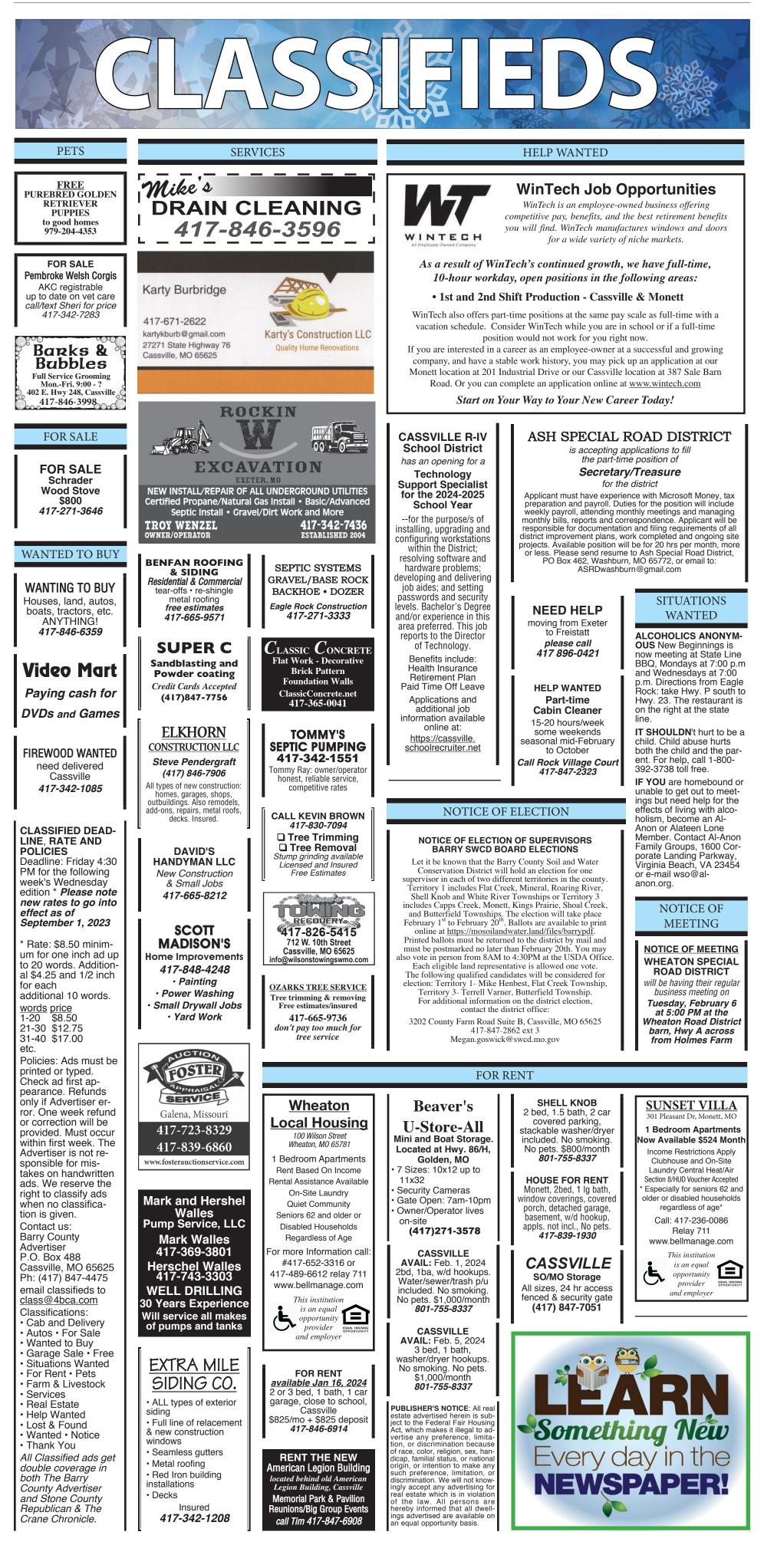
This funny and engaging melodrama requires fourteen actors including parts for ten women and four men who will be portraying interesting, entertaining, even zany characters in an age of chivalry, bravery, nobility, and of course, romance. Several of the featured central character roles include Lady Emma who is betrothed to the cunning Sir Cutbert; as well as Mother Abbess; and of course the principal protagonist Norman, alias Chickenheart. Additionally there is a

myriad of smaller and supporting roles that are available.

So, whether you are seasoned veteran or a newbie wanting to take the plunge into the fun and excitement of community theater, we invite you to our auditions this Saturday February 3rd at 10:00 A.M. at the Central **Crossing Senior Center** at 15 YY in Shell Knob. The play, Chickenheart will be presented April 19th, 20th, 21st at the Central Community United Methodist Church in Shell Knob. For more information about SKITs and this production go to Skitsmo.com.



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Pictured above are the speakers that we had on January 20th, left to right: Tom Franiak, State Representative, District 138; Les Overall, CCMRA for Christian County; Ken Hurley, Missouri State; and Shane Schoeller who is running for Secretary of State. Not pictured as they had previous commitments: Republican Chair Committeeman Glen Copp; Chris Wright who is running for Governor; Sheriff Danny Boyd; Steve Blankenship, Barry County Commissioner; and young Republican Grant Preddy.

Dear Patriots, it was a great turnout of January 20th at the VFW Post in Shell Knob. All of you who attend these meetings are truly going to make a difference on how our elections turn out for this Presidential caucus election to be held on March 2nd and the Primary and General elections to be held in November.

Ken Hurley and Shane Schoeller did an excellent job with demonstrating how the caucus was run with nine members of our Patriot group assisting and showing exactly how the caucus is performed.

For those who were

tal health. We will also be giving you a list of that is not on the list, different sites that you can get current correct information about instead of the fake news media. Burt Walley I present them al all will also be in attendance and speaking, as well as other guest speakers that come by when they are in our area.

Our next meeting on February 17th at the VFW Post in Shell Knob at 1:00 P.M. should be very informative, and I will have a list of things that all of you have sent and called me or Jean Dodge about. If jean13@gmail.com.

you have something please let one of my staff know. We need to make sure that all your voices are heard when of our State and Local Representatives.

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Missouri turkey hunters can apply online during February for 2024 spring turkey managed hunts through the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) website at mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey/turkeyspring-managed-hunts.

Managed hunt details and application procedures are outlined on the webpage. Drawing results will be posted starting March 15.

The spring turkey hunting youth portion will be April 6 and 7 with the regular spring season running April 15 through May 5.

Detailed information on spring turkey hunting will be available in the MDC 2024 Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet, available where permits are sold beginning in March. A regulation change for the spring season includes an extension of spring shooting hours for private land only from a half-hour before sunrise to sunset. Shooting hours on public land will remain a half-hour before sunrise to 1 p.m.

To learn more about turkey hunting in Missouri, visit MDC's website at mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey.

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unable to attend the meeting on the 20th of January, there will be a short summary of what you will need to do on February 17th at the VFW Post in Shell Knob.

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