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## "Small Towns, Big Stories" exhibit



The above photo of Flora Mae Johnson, standing on the front porch of her Cassville farm in 1977, will be on display at the State Historical Society of Missouri exhibit, in Columbia, beginning in September. Photo by Phil Schofield.

By Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com

The State Historical Society of Missouri will honor 75 years of Missouri Photo Workshop (MPW) photography in a "Small Towns, Big Stories" exhibit beginning in September and running through December 2023 at 605 Elm Street, in Columbia. The MPW is sponsoring the program in partnership with the Missouri Humanities with support from the Missouri Humanities Trust Fund.

The MPW, founded by Cliff Edom and residing at the Missouri School of Journalism, maintains the world's most extended continuous photographic archive of rural America. A selection of over 120 images from 51 towns will be on display at the exhibit.

See Exhibit Pg. 12

## Shell Knob Eagles hold benefit for June 3 Aurora motorcycle crash victims



The Shell Knob Eagles held a benefit last Saturday with all proceeds benefiting the victims and families of the tragic Aurora motorcycle crash that happened June 3 of this year. Shown above, left to right, are Neil Wensel, Troy Davis, and Merrika Parker. Troy and Merrika spearheaded the benefit which raised over \$4,400. Photo: Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com



Alicia Hagewood, who has been friends with Aurora crash survivor Jesse Clinkingbeard for over thirty years, was supposed to ride with the group that day. She now travels to benefits for families and survivors across the area selling t-shirts, bracelets and stickers. All proceeds from sales are divided equally amongst all ten families.

Donations can be made to First Independent Bank in Aurora to the Alicia Hagewood Fundraiser account. Photo: Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com

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## Cassville photograph to be at MPW | 65th annual Wheaton BBQ brings fun for everyone



Jeffrey Bail, 2, of Wheaton, enjoyed petting the animals at the Wheaton FFA petting zoo. This year's petting zoo even included a camel. (Yes, you read that right...a camel.)



Up, up and away... Two year old Madison Libertus, of Cassville, enjoyed the free carnival rides at the annual BBO.



Photos and Story by Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.

The 65th annual Wheaton BBQ was held last Saturday at Wheaton City

The annual event the Wheaton Volunteer Fire Department sponsored always draws large crowds by bringing big-city fun to a small-town family atmosphere.

The event's highlight is the chicken BBQ dinner priced at \$7 for adults and \$4 for children, including a 1/2 chicken, baked potato, baked beans, and milk. It's no wonder it sells out every year, the chicken is always moist and smoked just right. This year volunteers served 1,500 chicken halves and 1,200 potatoes.

Wheaton Fire Chief Lindy Lombard said, "I know we could raise our prices and get more, but it brings a smile to my face to see so many enjoying it and

I would rather run out of food every year than have leftovers."

More on the event Pg. 12

### **Phone Down** It's the Law



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Senate Bill 398 went into affect Monday, August 28, 2023, for drivers on Missouri roadways. The Senate Bill states that all drivers on Missouri road-

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Penalties will include up to \$150 fine for first conviction; up to a \$250 fine for second conviction; and up to a \$500 fine for a third conviction. Drivers can face criminal charges for crashes that result in property damage, injury, or death.





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## Improve your nature journaling skills at Sept. 9 program at Roaring River

From Missouri Department of Conservation

Setting aside life's stresses for a while to make notes and sketches of the natural events occurring around you could increase your nature knowledge and your appreciation for the outdoors world.

People can learn more about the educational and therapeutic benefits of nature journaling at the program "Pencil in Hand: Investigating River Connections" from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 9 at Roaring River State Park.

This program is a joint effort of the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR). This program is open to people ages 16 and older. People can register for this program at https://mdc-event-web.s3licensing.com/Event/ EventDetails/193763.

A nature journal page may describe a dragonfly's wings or might depict the color pattern of an ornate box turtle's

Nature journaling is about taking your observational skills of the plants and animals around you to a deeper level. As the degree of observation increases, so does the level of appreciation. At the Sept. 9 program, MDC Conservation Educator Jeff Cantrell and DNR Park Naturalist Anna Skalicky will discuss the materials needed to begin nature journaling and will provide tips on the types of locations that lead to great journaling experiences. The program will feature indoor instruction in the restored CCC Lodge located within Roaring River State Park and also hands-on practice outside.

Though this program is free, registration is required. To register, use the link above. Staff at MDC facilities across the state are holding in-person and virtual programs. A listing of these programs can be found at mdc.mo.gov/ events.



did very well this week.

Spinners do well early

(thirty-minute wonders).

Black, brown, frog green

and white have been good

spinner colors; gold spoons

did well fished slowly and

close to the bottom. Good

luck on the river this week.

The river is clearer but still not completely clear and is running at 32 CFS at the moment. The trout are taking dries again pretty good, and still eating beetles, ants, hoppers, small stimulators, caddis, blue wing olives, Still Nice Trico hatches first thing in the morning, midges almost all day, and a few sulfurs in the evening.

Fishing drys, I'll usually use 9' 7X leaders unless I'm throwing a big hopper or beetle. Mega worms, mop flies and Glo balls have been very effective all week. Pheasant tails and sow bugs have also been very good this week. Copper johns and black zebra midges did very well. Using nymphs I'll usually use a 9' 6X leader. All week, black, olive, brown, and tan woolly buggers worked well.

The yellow, pink, and brown power bait one-inch crawlers worked all week. White, orange, and pink eggs also did very well, and white, orange, and the cheese yellow worms also

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People can improve their nature journaling skills (pictured above) at a Sept. 9 program at Roaring River State Park. This program is a joint effort of the Missouri Department of Conservation and the Missouri Department of Natural Resourc-

## Annual shoreline cleanup set for September 15-17

By Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com

H2Ozarks will hold its 23rd annual shoreline cleanup on September 15-17 on Table Rock Lake, Lake Taneycomo, and Bull Shoals Lake.

In 2022, 515 volunteers in 52 teams clocked 1538 hours cleaning area waterways of 388 bags of trash.

H2Ozarks mission is to promote water quality in the Upper White River Basin through bi-state collaboration on outreach, public policy, education, research, and action projects in Arkansas and Missouri.

The Upper White River Basin includes Table Rock Lake, Lake Taneycomo, Beaver Lake, Bull Shoals Lake, and other water bodies, including the many rivers, creeks, and streams that meander through the region.

If interested in participating in the annual team cleanup, register at http://h2ozarks.org/events/cleanup. Team registration closes on Friday, September 15.







If you are looking for a sweet young girl that will be your best buddy, look no further because Sukie is it! She is a petite, gentle girl looking for her new family. She is a Hound Mix. Her estimated date of birth is 1/16/2023. She is new at the Haven but would love to find her forever home quickly.

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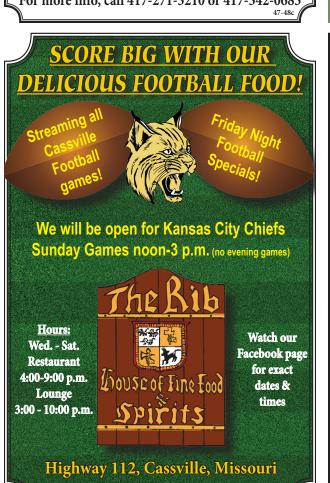


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Community Calendar page is free as a courtesy to local events. If your event is relying on advertising for attendance, then it is vital for you to place a paid ad. There is no guarantee that your event will be placed in Community Calendar. The deadline for community calendar is Friday at 4 p.m. Contact Elaine Phaneuf, class@4bca. com or (417) 847-4475.

#### **Notice:**

The Barry County Courthouse and Judicial Center will be closed Monday, September 4, 2023, for Labor

**Butterfield Special Road District Farm Road 1112** off of U Hwy. will be closed for bridge repair until further notice.

<u>City of Washburn</u> will be allowing citizens to bring any broken tree limbs caused by the recent storms to the corner of County Road and Farm Road 1065, the City Lagoon, on September 9, 2023, from 8 A.M. to 12 P.M.

Bluegrass Music at Roaring River is a free family friendly summer season event held every Friday evening at the Roaring River Shelter 7 to 9 P.M. Shows featuring talented bluegrass musicians from all over the area will be every Friday through September 30. In case of bad weather, the show will move to The Emory Melton Inn. There will be shows both Friday and Saturday nights on the Labor Day holiday weekend. There will be no show on Kids' Free Fishing Day.

Farm Road 1000 will be closed beginning Wednesday, July 5, until Monday, August 28, 2023, for culvert

The Purdy Community Recycling Center is now open on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 to 5:30 P.M. It is located next to the main baseball field at Purdy School. The center is open to all, and is currently accepting #1 and #2 plastic, cardboard, aluminum cans, steel cans, used motor oil and filters, any paper product that does not have food residue on it. The center is also looking for volunteers on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 8:30 to 10:30 A.M.

**Barry County Farm Road 1255** over Sweetwater Creek will be closed until further notice.

The Old Church Gallery Farmers' Market, Farm Road 1240, Shell Knob, is open every Thursday from 8 to 11 A.M. For more information, call (417) 858-2510.

S.A.S.S. Farmers Market of Cassville will set up every Saturday from 8 A.M. to 12 P.M. on the Cassville Square, and Tuesday from 4 to 7 P.M. across from Secu-

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Seligman Chamber Event Center is having a country dance with live bands every Saturday night from 7 P.M. to 10 P.M. No alcohol allowed. Admission is \$10 per person. Ages 18 and under are free. There is pot luck, 50/50 and door prizes. For more information, call (479)

God's Closet in Eagle Rock is now open every Tuesday 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. They have lots of free clothing for those in need. Located on Hwy. 86 in Eagle Rock just

past Mitchell Plaza and across from the Helping Hands Food Pantry.

The Helping Hands Food Pantry services the citizens of Eagle Rock, Golden and Mano and is open from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. every Saturday and Tuesday, and also 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month. Questions for the pantry can be answered by calling (417) 271-1301 or visiting at 32685 State Hwy. 86 in Eagle Rock. (Just 1/4 mile east of the Hwy. P intersection). The pantry is supported by area churches, business associations and private donations. Significant support received through affiliation and purchasing power of Ozark Food Harvest, Springfield.

Southwest Missouri Coalition of Charities provides a network where non profits can belong, share knowledge and support one another. The organization hosts meetings via Zoom. More information can be found on their Facebook page.

**Donations of new and gently used clothing** are being collected by the Wheaton Church of Christ. They are looking for all types of clothing for all ages. Please call (417) 652-3873 to set up an appointment to drop off

Wheaton Church of Christ will have clothing avail**able** the 2nd Saturday of each month from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. For more information, call (417) 652-3873 or (417) 669-6935.

Household Items Pantry will be open every 4th Wednesday from 5 to 6 P.M. at Community Faith Chapel, Hwy. 248 and 13th Street, Cassville. More information about the pantry can be found on Face Book.

#### Friday Sept 1

Potluck and Gospel Music will be held at Wheelerville Church, just past Hwy. D on Hwy. 248, at 6 P.M. This event is open to everyone. There will be good food and good music.

The Stella Senior Center is Hosting a Dinner and **Dance** with doors opening at 5:30 P.M., and a buffet style meal at 6 P.M. The Dance will start at 7 P.M. with music by The Red Dirt Duo. Cover charge is \$5. Refreshments are always available.

#### Saturday Sept 2

The First Christian Church Cassville Women's **Group** will be offering FREE COATS to anyone in need from 9 to 11 A.M. at 905 Old Exeter Road, Cassville, across Hwy. 37 from Walmart. There will also be a free breakfast.

#### Sunday Sept 3

The Allen Reunion will be held at the Cassville Senior Center, 1111 Fair Street, Cassville, at 10 A.M. Guests are asked to bring a dish and their own table ware.

#### **Tuesday Sept 5**

Cassville Cruise Meeting will be held at Show Me Plaza, Hwy. 248, Cassville, at 7 P.M.

#### Saturday Sept 9

**Watson Family Reunion** will be held at the Barry County Museum, Cassville, from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M. Guests are asked to bring food and table service and all

Cassville Cruise In will be held at Barry County Museum parking lot from 4 P.M. until dusk.

The Kings Prairie Schoolhouse will hold their annual music festival at the schoolhouse located at 11760 Farm Road 2015, Monett. Food will start at 4 P.M. and music

at 5 P.M. Bands performing at this year's festival include The Barn Cat Gang, Robin's Hood and The Flyin' Buzzards. For more information, call (417) 489-4106 or (417) 489-0068 or visit the Facebook page: Kings Prairie Schoolhouse.

Sleep In Heavenly Peace MO-Exeter Chapter will be hosting a Bunks Across America Bed Build event beginning at 8 A.M., at First Christian Church, 905 Old Exeter Road, Cassville. Volunteers are encouraged to come when they can and stay as long as they can to help build. For more information, call (417) 671-1558, or visit their Facebook page - Sleep in Heavenly Peace - MO, Exeter.

#### **Sunday Sept 10**

Cole-Still Family Reunion will be held at Brattin Park in Thomas Hollow beginning at 12:30 P.M. Guests are asked to bring a covered dish and lawn chairs. Tableware and drinks will be furnished.

#### **Tuesday Sept 12**

"Perennials For Fall Planting" with Kathryn Kufahl will be presented at the Monett Branch Library at 2 P.M.

#### Thursday Sept 14

"Everyone Can Grow Orchids" with Bob Berger will be presented at the Monett Branch Library at 2 P.M.

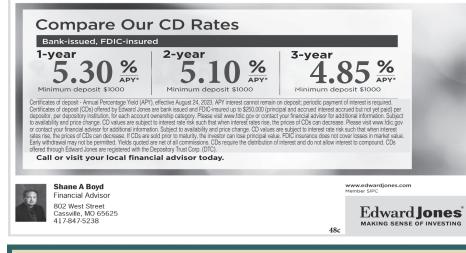
#### School Menus: Sept. 4th to Sept. 8th

All meals served with milk and subject to change.

Cassville R-IV High School: Mon: No School. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast pizza, hashbrown, pears or cereal, granola bar, orange. L: nacho supreme or burrito, refried beans, corn, applesauce. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, peaches or cereal, Pop-Tart, pears. L: sub sandwich or grilled cheese, Sun Chips, baked beans, juice. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or oatmeal, toast, yogurt, peaches or cereal, Pop-tart, fruit cocktail. L: chicken sandwich or pizza, nachos, pinto beans, vegetable mix, fruit cocktail. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast burrito, sausage patty, tropical fruit or cereal, blueberry muffin, pineapple. L: general chicken or popcorn chicken, rice, carrots, egg roll, rice, pineapple.

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**Purdy R-II Schools:** Mon: No School. Tues: B: wg biscuit & gravy, sausage patty, fruit. L: pizza, corn, fruit. Wed: B: pancake on stick, syrup, fruit. L: chicken tenders, mac n cheese, green beans, fruit. Thurs: B: strawberry bagel, Go Gurt, fruit. L: lasagna, tossed salad, garlic bread, fruit. Fri: B: blueberry muffin, Go Gurt, fruit. L: chicken patty sandwich, chips, baby carrots, fruit.









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Retirement Planning Tips for Single Women

Dear Savvy Senior,

What retirement planning tips can you recommend to single women? I'm a divorced 58-year-old women with a teenaged son and have very little saved for retirement.

Financially Vulnerable *Dear Vulnerable*,

It's an unfortunate reality, but many single women – whether they're divorced, widowed or never married – face much greater financial challenges in retirement than men.

The reasons behind this are because women tend to earn less money – about 82 cents for every dollar that men make, on average, and they have shorter working careers than men due to raising children and/or caring for aging parents. And less money earned usually translates into less money saved and a lower Social Security benefit when you retire.

In addition, women live an average of five years longer than men, which requires their retirement income to stretch farther for living expenses and healthcare costs. And, according to some studies, women tend to have less confidence about financial issues than men, which means they don't always manage their money as well as they should.

Because of these issues, it's very important that women educate themselves on financial matters and learn how to save more effectively. Here are some tips and resources that may help.

## Start Saving Aggressively

If your employer offers a retirement plan, such as a 401K, you should contribute enough to at least capitalize on a company match, if available. And if you can swing it, contribute even more. In 2023, you can save as much as \$22,500 in a 401(k), or \$30,000 to those 50 and older, due to the catch-up rule.

If you don't have a workplace plan, consider opening a Traditional or Roth IRA. Both are powerful tax-advantaged retirement savings accounts that let you contribute up to \$6,500 annually, or \$7,500 when you're over 50. And if you're self-employed, consider a SEP-IRA, SIMPLE-IRA and/or a solo 401(k), all of which can help reduce your taxable income while putting money away for retirement.

Also, if you have a health high-deductible insurance policy (at least \$1,500 for self-only coverage or \$3,000 for family coverage), you should consider opening a health savings account (HSA). This is a triple tax advantage tool that can be used to sock away funds pre-tax, which will lower your taxable income; the money in the account grows tax-free; and if you use the money for eligible medical expenses, the withdrawals are tax-free

#### Pay Off Debts

If you have debt, you need to get it under control. If you need help with this, consider a nonprofit credit-counseling agency

that provides free or low-cost advice and solutions, and can help you set up a debt management plan. To locate a credible agency in your area, use the National Foundation for Credit Counseling website at NFCC.org (800-388-2227), or the or the Financial Counseling Association of America FCAA.org (800-450-1794).

#### Find Help

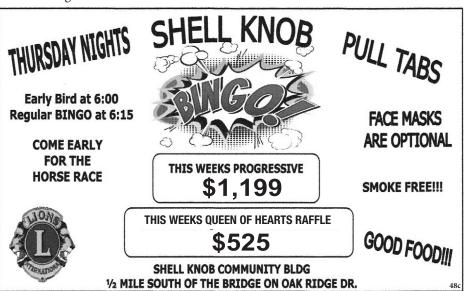
To help you educate yourself on financial matters like retirement planning, saving and investing, health care, annuities and more, a top resource is the Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement at WiserWomen.org.

And to help you get up to speed on Social Security, visit SSA.gov/people/women. This web page, dedicated to women, provides helpful publications like "What Every Woman Should Know," along with links to benefit calculators and your personal Social Security account to help you figure out your future earnings at different retirement ages.

You should also consider getting a financial assessment with a fee-only financial advisor. Costs for these services will vary from around \$150 to \$300 per hour, but this can be very beneficial to help you set-up a retirement plan you can follow. See NAPFA. org or GarrettPlanningNetwork.com to locate an advisor in your area.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior. org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.



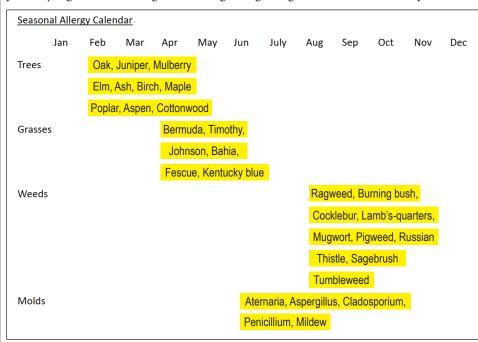






Seasonal Allergies

Recently my son complained of severe allergies symptoms, runny nose, cough, and congestion. He had been to the lake and there were lots of cedar trees and he thought that was the cause. It didn't make sense to me, cedars pop in the late winter and early spring and Ragweed typically strikes in mid-August. So, I looked it up. Mom was right, it was probably ragweed. Mid-August is the beginning of ragweed season, and it is upon us now.



The months that are typically worse for allergies vary depending on the location and specific allergens involved. In general, spring and fall tend to be the peak seasons for allergies in many regions of the United States. Spring is usually tree pollen allergies. Spring and summer are grass pollen allergies. In the Fall is ragweed pollen is the major culprit.

During winter months pollen allergies are usually less prominent depending on your geographical location. But it is important to note that indoor allergens such as mold, dust mites, and pet dander can trigger allergic reactions all year. Allergy season calendar: Best and worst months (medicalnewstoday.com).

Judith Lewallen is a retired Family Nurse Practitioner with over 40 years of experience in healthcare. She currently resides with her husband in Eagle Rock. Information contained in this column is for information purposes only. It is not intended to substitute professional medical advice, diagnosis, or treatment. Submit questions or topics for discussion to AnAppleaday68@gmail.com.





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DAYTON LEE MACKEY

Dayton Lee Mackey, 91, of Monett, passed away on August 24, 2023, after a brief illness.

Dayton was born on March 22, 1932, to Marie and Hurshel Mackey on a farm east of Purdy.

Dayton graduated high school at Purdy and went on to attend Monett Junior College and Southern Missouri State College in Springfield.

Dayton and Mary Margaret Marbut, daughter of Brit and Mayme Marbut, were united in marriage on November 26, 1952. They were blessed with three children, Donna Jensen, Nixa, Doug (Karen) Mackey, Bennington, Neb., and Darla (Rick Wagner) Lawrence, of Shawnee, Kan. Four grandchildren: Stephanie (Alex) Wright, Katelyn (JD) Long, Jordan Jensen and Madi-

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son (Travis Landry) Jensen; four great-grandchildren, Addie and Emma Wright, Maxwell and Cooper Long, and a new great-grandchild, Everly Nicole Long due this September. He is also survived by his sister in-laws, Lorene Mackey, Colleen Evans and Pat Marbut, as well as several nieces and nephews and close family friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, on November 28, 1996; his parents, Hurshel and Marie; two sisters, Doris DeCarlo and Phyllis Harper; as well as two brothers, James Mackey and Kenneth Mackey.

On February 28, 1998, Dayton was blessed to marry another wonderful lady, Pearl Eddina Henry. From this union, two children were added to his family, Vicki (Chris) Harding, Denver, Colo., and Mike (Jessica) Henry, Calabas, Calif., as well as three grandchildren, Reese (Heather) Henry, Regan Henry, Alex (Matt) McDermott and Julian Harding, and two grandchildren, Finley and August McDer-

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## **OBITUARIES**

member of the Missouri National Guard for over thirty-three years where he received various awards and decorations. He retired as Command Sargent Major.

He spent many years serving the community of Monett and surrounding counties. He served as past president to organizations such as: the Monett Jaycees, Monett Kiwanis Club, Monett Chamber of Commerce, MIDC, Monett Sheltered Workshop, Arnhart Baptist Cemetery, Monett Sportsman League. He was a member of Hobbs-Anderson Post American Legion Barry County, Shriners Club, Monett Lodge #129 Scottish Rite, Abou Ben Adhem Temple Shriner. He helped to organize the JR ROTC in Monett.

Dayton worked in the banking industry for over fifty-three years. He started his career at First National Bank of Monett and then went to work for First State Bank of Purdy. He also served over ten years as Northern Commissioner of Barry County as well as several positions with the Missouri Bankers Associa-

Dayton enjoyed hunting, fishing, reading, watching the St. Louis Cardinals and the Kansas City Chiefs.



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Spending time with his family and friends, especially his grand kids, was his greatest joy of all. He was passionate about helping to make the community

Funeral Services with Military Honors are being held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday August 30, 2023, at the Arnhart Baptist Church in East Purdy, Missouri. Burial will follow services in the Arnhart Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Bennett-Wormington Funeral Home in Monett.



#### **BETTY J. BANKS**

Betty J. Banks, age 80, passed away at her home in Cassville, on August 23, 2023, surrounded by her family. The daughter of Buddie Ernest and Mildred Irene (Henry) Hendrix, Betty was born November 22, 1942, at home in Washburn. She was a 1960 graduate of Southwest High School. She married James Banks on September 30, 1961, in Exeter; he survives. They celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary in

Retiring after 25 years at

FASCO, Betty and her husband James owned and operated PStarr's Place in Exeter from 1997-2000. They then worked for the Corps of Engineers for 14 years as campground hosts, where Betty's friendly, outgoing personality led to longtime friendships across the country.

Betty was very close to her daughters, and her grandchildren were source of great happiness. Sunday dinners at her house were very special, and her family loved taking turns choosing their favorite meals. Betty was also a talented quilter, and her quilts are a legacy her family will forever cherish.

In addition to husband James, survivors include two daughters, Anita Lowe and her husband, Tim, and Tammy Rowden, all of Cassville; four grandchildren, Peighton Miekley and her husband, Ross, Austin Johnson, Trey Rowden, and Riley Rowden; one sister, Sue Popanz and her husband, Jim, of Rogers, Arkansas; three brothers, Ralph Hendrix and his wife, Irene, Larry Hendrix, and Gary Hendrix and his wife, Carrie, all of Washburn; three sisters-in-low, Olene Hendrix, Liz Hendrix, and Barb Hendrix; and many nieces and nephews.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents and brothers, Kenneth Hendrix, Robert Hendrix, Clifton Hendrix, Howard Hendrix, and Ernest Hendrix.

The family received friends from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, August 28, 2023, at White Funeral Home in Cassville. Interment will take place in Washburn Prairie Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Haven of the Ozarks and entrusted to the funeral home. Arrangements are under the direction of White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.





#### JAMES A. VERDEN

James A. Verden was born June 19, 1930, and passed away August 19,

Jim lived a rich, full life. He drove and built race cars and set a record in 1952. He was also a refrigeration expert and worked for Mc-Donald's for many years. He was an electrical genius. In his later years, he strived to attain energy independence. He did and was able to even charge his electric

He was married to Lottie Verden for over 50 years until her passing on August 18, 2012. He has one daughter in Colorado. One son, Scott, preceded him in death in August 2013.

Jim was a great guy and I'm sure everyone who met him enjoyed the conversations. He will be missed!! There is more: read the upcoming book.

## **Land and Water Conservation Fund** grant application round for 2024 open

From Missouri State Parks The Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Division of State Parks is pleased to announce that the 2024 grant application round for the Land and Water Conservation Fund is

now open. Grants awarded

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able to cities, counties and visit mostateparks.com/ public school districts to be page/61215/land-and-water-conservation-fund-lwcf-grants. For questions, contact the grants management team at mspgrants@ dnr.mo.gov. The application deadline is Nov. 15, 2023.For more information on state parks and historic sites, visit mostateparks. com. Missouri State Parks is a division of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

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## Hobbs State Park-Conservation Area to host astronomy program



The Andromeda Galaxy will be one of the viewing targets at the astronomy program on Saturday, September 16.

From Hobbs State Park-Conservation

Hobbs State Park-Conservation Area will host an astronomy program on Saturday, Sept. 16, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the park's visitor center, 20201 E. Hwy. 12, Rogers, Ark. The event is free and open to the public; no reservations are required.

Jack Haynes, with the Sugar Creek Astronomical Society, will discuss the five brightest planets in the solar system and when they can be seen. Weather permitting, sky viewing will start at 8:30 p.m. Viewing targets will include the Andromeda galaxy, Saturn, and other celestial bodies. A two-day old crescent moon will be setting shortly after sunset, making it easier to see faint objects and star clusters.

The Sugar Creek Astronomical Society will provide powerful telescopes for all guests to use. Participants are encouraged to bring a flashlight covered with a red cloth (or red balloon) and a folding chair. If you have binoculars or a star chart, bring them. The program is recommended for ages 8 and older.

Hobbs State Park-Conservation Area is

the largest of Arkansas's 52 state parks. This day-use park includes a 54-mile trail system and is the only state park in Arkansas to allow regulated hunting.

Arkansas State Parks is a division of the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism. Arkansas state parks and museums cover 55,006 acres of forest, wetlands, fish and wildlife habitat, outdoor recreation facilities, and unique historic and cultural resources. Established in 1923, Arkansas State Parks preserve special places for future generations, provide quality recreation and education opportunities, enhance the state's economy through tourism and provide leadership in resource conservation. Connect with ASP on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter, and visit ArkansasStateParks.com and ArkansasStateParks.com/media to learn more.

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## From the Roots Up

Greetings Friends! at bay. Yes, pests.

I hope this week finds you all enjoying the fruits of your labors in the garden. Yes, gardening is a lot of work, especially when the weather does not cooperate. The extreme heat sure takes a toll on the gardens. Add in a drought and it makes for difficult growing times. Raising cucumbers in this weather can be challenging. Too often they can become bitter. Bitter cucumbers are the result of the plant being stressed. Cucumbers are members of the cucurbit family. This family includes all your pumpkins, squashes and watermelon. An easy way to identify a cucurbit is by its yellow flowers and hairy stems on long vines.

All cucurbits produce a naturally occurring compound in its leaves, stems, and roots called curcurbitacin as a defense mechanism. This was natures way of protecting the plant from munching critters snacking on the plant. Cucurbits have been wild for hundreds of years, but through selective breeding, mankind has reduced the amount of cucurbitacin in modern varieties. But is still exists to some degree and when the plant gets stressed due to weather, curcubitacin defense sets in and you get bitter cucumbers. Ways to combat this are using shade cloth, consistent watering times and amounts, and keeping pests

is a defense mechanism and pests stress a plant. Whether it be deer, rabbits or squash bugs, the plant reacts to this stress by emitting more curcubitacin. Thus, bitter cucumbers. Remember to pick your cucumbers off the vine before they get too big as overgrown fruit also creates stress for the plant. Regular harvesting, good

pest management, using

shade cloth for temperature

management, and consis-

tent watering should pre-

vent bitter cucumbers.

Remember curcurbitacin

Once picked, cucumbers should be processed quickly or refrigerated. Heat from improper storage will cause the harvested fruit to lose water through evaporation and the curcubitacin in the fruit will begin concentrating. Remember the water content of a fresh melon or cucumber picked? They taste so good! But left on the counter a few days and nawww, they don't taste the

So what if you have bitter

cucumbers? Well one way to help with the bitterness is to peel them before eating. Most of the curcubitacin is concentrated in the stem ends and the skin. Cut off the ends a little further down than usual, then hold end side up under running water with water running over the vertical cucumber thus rinsing out as much of the curcubitacin as possible. Next peel the cucumber and slice, rinse again several times in cool water and store in cool water in the fridge until ready to serve.

My grandmother had another way..... She would cut the ends off the cucumber and rub the ends of the cucumber against the cut ends of the remaining fruit, thus "milking" the cucumber. Frothy, juicy milk will emit from the cucumber. Rinse this off and then prepare as usual. Bitterness will be gone. Grandma was one smart lady!

Next week I will share some of my favorite ways to serve cucumbers. Until then, Happy gardening!







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The Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary recognizes the

month of September as Military Suicide Awareness Month.

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veterans and those currently serving. We as an organization

believe that the loss of a veteran or a solider can be prevent-

ed. The real problem with suicide is that it shows no preju-

dice - gender, race and/or religion. If you are a veteran that

needs help and someone to talk to, please call 988. There is

1914 and its motto is "Honor the dead by helping the living."

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nity in honor of the sacrifices and commitment of every man

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary was established in

number and zip code with your submission.

someone there to take the call 24 hours a day.

and woman who has served in uniform.

Mary Thurman

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## Letter from Cassville Schools Superintendent



By Dr. Merlyn Johnson The 2023-2024 school year began last Tuesday, August 22. As we enter into this new year, I am excited about the many opportunities that lie ahead. We continue to build a strong foundation based on great teachers and staff, a supportive Board, and an engaged community. The maintenance, custodial, and transportation teams did a great job preparing our facilities and grounds for the first days with staff and students. I am filled with excitement and anticipation for the amazing journey ahead. This year brings with it a wave of positive changes and enhancements that will enrich the learning experience for our students for years to come.

One of the highlights that

surrounding the Performing Arts Center construction project. This future state-of-the-art facility will not only be a hub for creativity and self-expression but also a testament to the value we place on the arts in education. It is something our community has wanted for many years and I look forward to its completion. Ensuring the safety of our students and staff is our utmost priority, and we are excited to report that many safety upgrades outlined in last April's bond issue have either been finalized or initiated this summer. Notably, the high school entryway has undergone significant enhancements to ensure a secure environment for all entrants. Additionally, I'm thrilled to share that as this school year commenced, we welcomed five electric buses into our transportation fleet through the EPA's Clean School Bus Rebate program. Valued at \$1,975,000, this invaluable addition came at no cost to our district. Our participation in this nationwide pilot program offers us firsthand insights into the integration

we are all eagerly looking

forward to is the progress

of electric buses for future transportation needs. These buses also present invaluable educational opportunities for our students to delve into clean energy technologies. Our gratitude extends to Barry Electric Cooperative for their collaboration, providing power poles, meters, and transformers in facilitating the operation of our charging stations ahead of the arrival of the electric buses this summer.

We are extremely proud of our schools and our continued commitment to high academic standards and improved student achievement. Our district has a comprehensive instructional program with opportunities for every student at every ability level. We offer Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors courses, Dual Enrollment, Computer Science, Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, services for gifted children, early childhood services, and many other academic and student support programs. In response to the workforce ready initiative promoted by Governor Parson, we continue to work to improve workforce ready opportunities for our

students to be better prepared for jobs after high school through the Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) program. We are also excited about the second year of the Success Academy for high school students who are eligible for an alternative pathway to graduation. Year after year, our students excel in every arena: in the classroom, on the athletic field, in the performing arts, and through extracurricular activities. Our highly qualified employees care deeply about the success of students, and our parents and community/business partners offer tremendous support to our schools.

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As we transition into the fall season, the spirit of competition and camaraderie on the field is invigorating. Our football, soccer, softball, volleyball, golf and cross country teams are poised for excellence, and I encourage everyone to come out and support our

None of our achievements would be possible without the unwavering support of our community and local businesses. The Board of Education joins me in extending best wishes to you for a productive year filled with many opportunities. Working together, we will inspire success and a lifetime of learning at Cassville R-IV School District. Thank you for being an integral part of our district

## **MU** Extension to host annual picnic September 14

From Barry County MU Extension

The Barry County Entension Council will host their annual picnic Thursday, September 14, at Rocky Edmondson Park, in Cassville.

The meal will begin at 6 p.m. The Extension Council will provide meat, drinks, plates and utensils. The public is invited to attend. Those who attend are encouraged to bring a side dish and lawn chairs.

The newest Barry County Century Farms will be honored, as well as past Century Farms will be recognized. Fair exhibits from Barry County 4-H members will also be on display.

"This is a great opportunity for everyone to come out and get to know the Extension council members, and learn all that the Extension has to offer," said Becky Wogoman, Extension Council Chairperson.

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The Barry County Exten-

sion Council is comprised of

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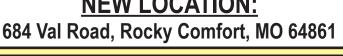
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Pictured left to right: Gary Schad, Steve Blankenship, Joanie Roberts, Scott Cupps, and Danny Boyd. Not pictured is Jeff Mark, Chief of Staff for Senator Mike Moon, and his lovely wife, Joy.

By Dianne Painter

Our meeting held on August 19th at the VFW Post had an excellent turnout with new Patriots attending. Some of our "youth" are now getting involved, and as they are in different states, this is exciting as they are our future.

Next month, on September 16th, we will be blessed with Senator Mike Moon, Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft who is running for Governor, and Representative Brad Hudson. Keep this on your calendar.

Jeff Mark, Chief of Staff for Senator Mike Moon, always comes to the meetings to take notes and ques-

tions from the Patriots to take back to Senator Moon. Senator Moon has been working hard for us and our state, and I am sure he will update us on the 16th of September at our next meeting.

So, bring your friends and neighbors and let your voices be heard and ask questions. It's all of you who will make a difference of the outcome of our next election because you take the time to come to these meetings. It's here where you will find out about your Senators and Representatives running for office and also your local officials.

May Heavenly Father

## Dodson awarded inaugural Rylan Wilson Scholarship



Shown above, left to right, are Gary Ball, Rose Ball, Nathan Dodson, Elizabeth Dodson, Renee Dodson and Deacon Keith Daniels. Photo by Victory Baptist Church.

By Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com

Elizabeth Rose Dodson of Webb City has been awarded the inaugural Rylan Wilson Scholarship from Victory Baptist Church in Cassville.

Dodson is the daughter of Nathan and Renee Dodson and the granddaughter of Gary and Rose Ball. She plans to attend Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kansas, in the

Rylan Wilson, a member of Victory Baptist Church, lost his life in a double-fatality motorcycle crash on Hwy. 248, just outside of Cassville, on May 31 of this year.

The \$500 scholarship will be awarded annually. Applicants must be residents of Barry County or be a child or grandchild of a Victory Baptist Church member.





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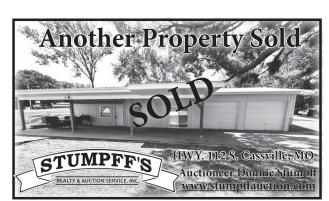
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## **Stock Market Insights**

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China Problems

"Did you pull up the anchor?" I was trying to steer the boat west, but something under the water was pulling me east. In the same way, China's economic problems are beginning to affect the stocks in the West negatively.

Any long-term investor trying to build a diversified portfolio will likely have some international stock holdings. Usually, those holdings are split between Large Foreign stocks and Emerging markets stocks. The emerging market sector is easily the more aggressive of the two, and of all emerging market countries, China is by far the big fish in that small pond.

China's stock market makes up roughly 30% of the MSCI Emerging Markets (EM) Index. Also, because China is the major trading partner with Taiwan (15% of EM) and South Korea (12% of EM), it influences over half of the MSCI Emerging Market Index. Any investor with emerging market investment might be surprised that they likely own a sizable position in Chinese stocks.

The market is getting concerned about China's recent economic struggles. The MSCI China Index is negative 51% since its February 2021 highs. The Hong Kong Stock Exchange (HIS), where many large Chinese companies list their shares, has declined almost 10% year-to-date as of August 24, 2023. China's exports and imports have declined year-over-year, and foreign investment in China dropped 80% this year compared to last year. Most significantly, China is showing signs of a full-on real estate crisis as its largest property developers have begun filing for bankruptcy.

am underweighting emerging markets in my portfolios, with only 2-4% holdings depending the client's risk level. This is about half of my neutral setting (benchmark). International stocks are a key piece of a diversified portfolio, especially when the dollar is weaker against other currencies. Though I'm a little pessimistic about emerging broad-based markets, I am looking for opportunities for my clients that will eventually present themselves.

The US and Japanese economies are doing well, but it seems the economies of Europe and China have some difficult days ahead, which could provide some buying opportunities. However, I would avoid investing directly in Chinese stocks for several reasons and favor emerging market funds for diversification in an ever-changing market sector. Of course, your investment strategy needs to

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align with your goals, time frame, and risk level.

We had anchored the boat just off some bluffs that our teens enjoy jumping off (much to their mother's displeasure). Sometimes, the anchor gets so stuck in the rocks under the water we have to cut it loose, but on this occasion, we were able to pull it up. China has some challenges, but I don't think we need to cut the rope. Maybe we should just pull in some of our exposure and plan to return

Have a blessed week!

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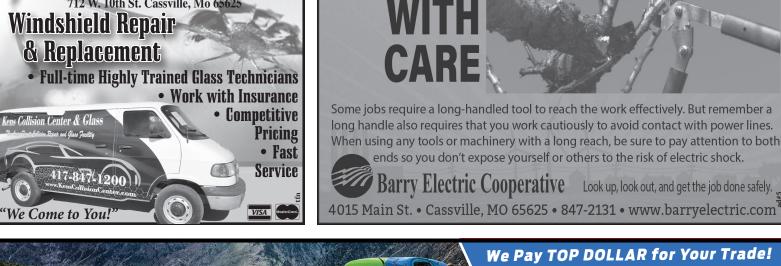




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#### **Exhibit from front**

A photograph taken by Phil Schofield from MPW 29, taken in 1977, will be on display at the Cassville farm of Flora Mae Johnson.

Flora Mae Johnson was in her 80s and a recent widow. At the time, she was single-handedly maintaining the farm and the cow herd and doing all the chores.

"Once in a while, you find, or fall into, a subject that just clicks," said Schofield. "She let me completely inside her life, and she was so beautiful, in the way living off the land sculpts you. There were memories of her late husband everywhere. She washed and put out his morning coffee cup every day and had a Sunday suit of his clothes laid out on the bed.

"Flora Mae Johnson had a lasting impact on my career as a photojournalist," Schofield continues. "Throughout my 35-year career, meaningful photojournalism has, above all, been about gaining unrestricted access to people's lives." Legendary National Geographic photo editor (and 24-time MPW faculty member) Bob Gilka "took me under his wing after that workshop, and National Geographic kept me busy for the next 24 years."

For more information on the Missouri Photo Workshop, visit www.missouriphotoworkshop.org.

## More from the annual Wheaton BBQ



The Current Classic Band was one of several bands that performed throughout the day. I enjoyed their gritty country rock set, including covers from Jimi Hendrix, Koe Wetzel and Sturgill Simpson. They also performed original music, one which lasted just under seven minutes. They will perform this Friday, September 1, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Monett Food Truck Friday event, sponsored by Schreiber Cheese, in Monett.



Kids splashed and played in the fire hose spray throughout the day.



The Wheaton Fire Station was packed with arts and crafts vendors.



The duck races are always a huge success. These year's race saw six winners walking away with combined winnings over \$1,000.

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3rd place, Coby Holmes, \$125

4th place, Lorna Stephens, \$75

5th place, Jackie Wasson, \$50

In celebration of the event's 65th year, there was a special drawing for \$65 for those present. That prize went to Cameron Grant.







Nikie Flynn 417-342-4690 Remember you Do Not have to RSVP to attend Just encouraged