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## Volunteers to gather this Saturday for Bunks Across America event

By Adriana Keeton, editor@4bca.com



Sleep in Heavenly Peace volunteers gather monthly spring through fall to build beds for children in need throughout Barry County. Photo courtesy of Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Exeter Chapter.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is monthly from spring through fall and a nationwide non-profit organization dedicated to building and delivering homemade, fully furnished beds to needy children. This Saturday, chapters nationwide will be building beds in an event called Bunks Across

The Exeter chapter, which gathers

is housed at the Exeter Assembly of God, has built and provided 108 beds for children in Barry County since its inception in July 2022.

The chapter will participate in the national event to build 40 beds between 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Cassville.

Persons interested in volunteering for the event can contact Pastor JD Alverson at 417-671-1558 for more information.

To learn more about the organization, donate, or apply for a bed, visit www.shpbeds.org.

## Dr. Whitney Davis joins CoxHealth Cassville Clinic

From CoxHealth

Cassville CoxHealth Clinic is pleased to welcome a new family practice physician to their growing health care team.

Dr. Whitney Davis was raised near Table Rock Lake in southwest Missouri. She is a graduate of Reeds Spring High School.

"This is my home, so it only felt natural to choose to care for patients here," says Dr. Davis. "I like the slower pace of life in a rural setting; I love driving to work and seeing many more cows than cars."

When visiting the clinic for the first time, Dr. Davis says she was greeted with open arms.

"I immediately noticed the teamwork and respect among the clinical staff, which I found to be very appealing; it was a place I wanted to be a part of," says Dr. Davis.

Dr. Davis matched with the CoxHealth Family Medicine Residency Program in Springfield, after earning her medical degree in Kansas City. After working for a time at a CoxHealth clinic in Springfield, she is excited to return to family practice.

"I like to think of the family medicine doctor as the helper of the medical sector," says Dr. Davis. "I enjoy being the helper; I'm



Dr. Whitney Davis is now accepting new patients at the CoxHealth Cassville Clinic.

here to assist my patients in whatever manner is best for their safety and health."

Dr. Davis enjoys spending her free time outdoors with her horses.

"Farm life reinforces hard work, humility, priorities, loyalty, and love, among so many other things," says Dr. Davis. "I'm happy when I'm outside, playing in the dirt, and taking care of my animals."

Dr. Davis will work alongside Dr. Michael Payne and nurse practitioners, Mackenzie Bradley and Julitta Shirley, in seeing patients at CoxHealth Cassville located at 75 Smithson Drive, Cassville.

Dr. Davis is accepting new patients. For more information, please call 417-847-3500 or visit coxhealth.

## Help Fill the Food Basket to combat local hunger during September National Hunger Action Month

Photo and story from Cassville Food Pantry



Volunteers Mark Hughes and David Schuder prepare produce to give away.

Cassville Pantry director Janet Mills calls upon the community to help out, unite and take action. "This September, let's not allow hunger to remain in the shadows. Instead, let's seize the opportunity during September Hunger Action Month to make a difference and combat food insecurity. We all are feeling discomfort at the grocery store when the receipt starts adding up to a shocking total amount. Who hasn't been unsettled by the prices in the food aisles

while shopping and been forced to adjust a menu and reevaluate a food budget?"

In such a time of economic uncertainty marked by inflationary pressures, the food pantry serves as a lifeline for 500 – 600 families comprised of 1,450 – 1,500 individuals each month. Many of the families receiving food assistance

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The Cassville Wildcats traveled to Aurora Friday night,

hoping to keep their winning streak alive, and they did just that. They defeated the Houn' Dawgs 22-19 and sealed the deal for a 20th consecutive win over the past 19 years, a school and conference record, and have started their season strong with

no losses.

The Cats will travel to Seneca on Friday, September 8, for their first district game against the 2-0 Indians.

Game time is 7 p.m.





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#### **Food Basket from front**

consist of seniors or disabled adults who are restricted to limited and fixed income budgets. Fixed income households often cannot keep up with inflation and cost of living increases. All low income families must make hard decisions to choose between buying food, medicine, utilities, housing, or daycare. The choice to cut back on food is common, resulting with undernourishment and inadequate

The pantry saw a great deal of demand for food resources from all the families with kids who were out of school for the summer. The high summer temperatures have also played a part in creating a spike in need. Folks have been coping with health stresses in the heat just getting out and about. There are factors of additional transportation challenges including car maintenance during excessive temperatures, elevated gas prices, and the additional cost of utilities trying to stay cool. Access to the pantry took on some routing variety this summer with the sewer trench pipeline construction. Workers have been very cooperative with keeping us open and available. The project offered some interesting and unique scenery for our visitors over the last two months. The children were entertained while watching the excavators dig, the dump trucks load and empty, and the heavy equipment move around dirt, rock,

Mills applauds her team of volunteers who have demonstrated extreme dedication given their willingness to accommodate two recent drive through food distributions in late August working outside in temperatures well over 100 degrees bathed in high humidity.

She says, "New volunteers are always being sought out. They are welcome and needed. There are many ways to serve and in a variety of time windows. Lifting heavy items is not a requirement but it would be immensely valuable to have someone on hand for even one hour to help with the heavier stocking inventory tasks. Without extra helpers to pitch in, the regular volunteers are at risk of facing task fatigue. Most of our volunteers are over retirement age and we would love to get some younger generations interested in joining in. Anyone is invited to drop by and visit the agency to observe how it works. The staff are happy to introduce you to the many rewarding opportunities to engage in the operations. If you are just feeling a little nudge of curiosity about how to help the hungry, come by and visit the agency to see for yourself how you can make a difference in small ways. As the pantry provides assistance through all seasons year round, before you know it we will be busy stocking up our shelves for the holidays. We know time flies. Don't let all your time fly by and ignore the need without making some investment in helping others."

Cassville Pantry is making an appeal for much needed support during September by sponsoring a Hunger Action Month fundraiser with a goal to raise \$15,000 for the food bank from Sept. 6 - Sept. 27. A \$50.00 contribution to the

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next meeting or event. For availability and fees Contact: Kevin Lingle 417-846-6709

Fill the Basket promotion at the pantry will provide 5 days of food for a family. Contributions can be made in person, online at cassvillepantry.com, or mailed to the agency address at 800 W 10th St. Cassville, MO 65625. Phone 417-846-7871 for more information. Watch for updates on the pantry Facebook page at https:// www.facebook.com/cassville.pantry/

By coming together as a community it is possible to make a significant impact upon the issue of food insecurity. The Pantry can only continue to address the hunger crisis that plagues our neighbors, friends, coworkers, and relatives given collective and consistent support of many allies.

This September, join us in taking action to combat hunger and ensure that no one in our community goes to bed hungry.



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## September MDC virtual program will focus on SWMO hunting areas

From Missouri Department of Conservation

If you're looking for a place to hunt this fall, opportunities may exist at a nearby Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) public use area.

People can learn more about hunting opportunities available at MDC public use areas in the southwest part of the state at the MDC virtual program "Conservation Families: Where Can I Hunt." This free online program, which will be Sept. 9 from 9-10 a.m., is part of a 'Where Can I?" series being put on by the staff of MDC's Shoal Creek Conservation and Education Center in Joplin. At this program, MDC Administrative Assistant Tim Smith will discuss which MDC public use areas in southwest Missouri are good sites for hunting. He will discuss where they are located, what types of hunting activities are best-suited to each specific area, regulations for each site, and other details peo-

ple may need for a successful outing. This program is open to all ages. People can register for this program at https://mdc-event-web.s3licensing.com/Event/Event-Details/194455.

Though this program is free, registration is required to participate. Use the link above. Registrants must provide an e-mail, so a program link can be sent to them. This program will include a chat-based question-and-answer where participants can interact with the presenters.

People can stay informed about upcoming programs at MDC's Shoal Creek Conservation Education Center and other MDC facilities by signing up for text alerts and e-mail bulletins. People who have questions about how to sign up for text alerts from the Shoal Creek Center can call 417-629-3434. MDC's Shoal Creek Center is located at 201 W. Riviera Drive.

## Alpha course offered at Life Change

By Derek Cornelius, Director Life Change

Life Change, in Cassville, will offer a new course beginning September 15.

The "Alpha" course will introduce the basics of the Christian faith through a series of videos and discussions in a friendly atmosphere. It is an opportunity to explore the meaning of life and ask questions, such as "Why are we here?"

Alpha offers a space for honest and open conversations about life's biggest questions, a space to connect with others and to hear other's viewpoints. Everyone is welcome to attend no matter their background or beliefs, and no questions are off-limits.

The course will begin on September 15 at 6 p.m. at 404 State Highway 248, in suite 9, Cassville. A free meal will be provided.

For more information, contact Derek Cornelius, Life Change Director, at 417-846-8590.

For more information on other courses and services offered at Life Change, go to www.lifechangeswmo.org.

## Ozark Festival Orchestra seeking musicians for 44th season

From Murray Bishoff

The Ozark Festival Orchestra will begin rehearsals for its 44th season on Tuesday, September 5, at the Monett High School Performing Arts Center. Area musicians are welcome to participate. Positions are available, depending on the instruments. Players must be able to read scores, maintain pace and follow the conductor. Rehearsals are at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesdays weekly. The first concert will be on October 15. Interested persons may contact music director Carla Wootton at carla.wootton@yahoo.com.

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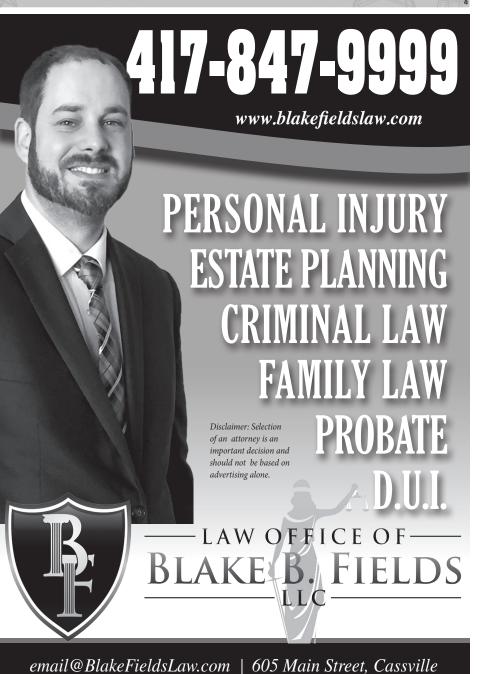
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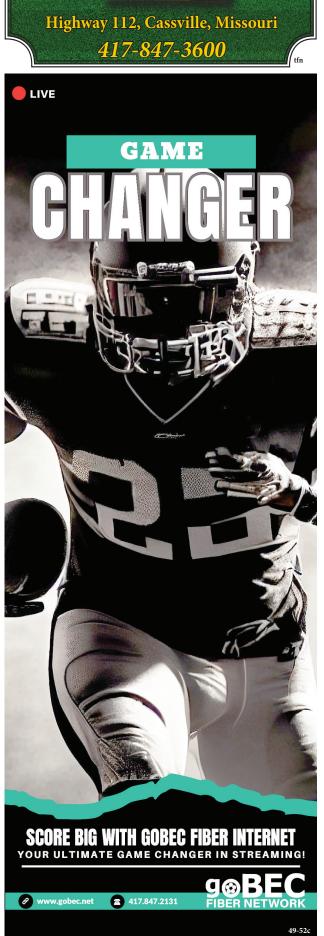
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# MAJUNITY CALEND

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#### **Notice:**

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

City of Washburn 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.

## School Menus: Sept. 11th to Sept. 15th

All meals served with milk and subject to change.

Cassville R-IV High School: Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, sausage patty, applesauce or cereal, cinnamon toast, orange. L: soft taco or cheeseburger, salad, corn, applesauce. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or sausage biscuit, yogurt cup, fruit cocktail or cereal, graham cracker, apple slices. L: burrito or crispito, nachos, refried beans, carrots, pears. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, peaches or cereal, Pop-Tart, pear. L: pizza or popcorn chicken, broccoli, salad, fruit cocktail. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or pancake on stick, Go-Gurt, peaches or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. L: sloppy joe or BBQ pork rib, Sun Chips, baked beans, juice. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or french toast, hashbrown, apple or cereal, granola bar, orange. L: chicken & noodle or chicken nuggets, potatoes, green beans, bread stick, pineapple.

Cassville R-IV Pri. Int. Mid.: Mon: B: biscuit & gravy or mini cini, sausage patty, pears or cereal, granola bar, applesauce. L: beef burrito, nacho supreme, mixed vegetables, refried beans, juice. Tues: B: biscuit & gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, blueberries or cereal, graham crackers, pears. L: country steak or chicken nuggets, potatoes, graham crackers, broccoli & cheese, fruit cocktail. Wed: B: biscuit & gravy or pancake on a stick, graham crackers, fruit cocktail or cereal, blueberry muffin, orange. L: spaghetti or shrimp poppers, salad, corn, yogurt cups, bread stick, peaches. Thurs: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast pizza, hashbrown, peaches or cereal, animal crackers, apple slices. L: tangerine chicken, chicken nuggets, rice, green beans, pears. Fri: B: biscuit & gravy or breakfast burrito, sausage, Teddy Grahams, pears or cereal, Rice Krispies Treat, apple. L: meatball sub, hamburger, Sun Chips, carrots, juice.

Purdy R-II Schools: Mon: B: oatmeal, cinnamon toast, fruit. L: sweet & sour chicken, rice, egg rolls, fruit. Tues: B: wg biscuits & gravy, sausage patty, fruit. L: crispito with cheese, beans, fruit. Wed: B: mini waffles, syrup, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: chicken nuggets, french fries, fruit. Thurs: B: breakfast pizza, fruit. L: Frito pie, corn, fruit, cookie. Fri: B: banana chocolate oatmeal round, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: sub sandwich, chips, celery sticks with peanut butter,

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memorable. All of the cards and messages have meant so much to us. To all those that helped in

surprising us with an anniversary party, you made

it especially special. We love you all.

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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.

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 Security Bank.

**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.

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) 903-3640.

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.

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 do-

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

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.

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.



Patriots of SW MO have meetings on the 3rd Saturday of every month from 1 to 3 P.M. at the VFW in Shell Knob (on Hwy. 39). Everyone is welcome. To learn more and find out who this month's exciting speakers are, contact Jean Dodge at dodgejean13@ gmail.com, or Diane Painter (417) 858-2108 (please no

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

**Soil samples** need to be received at the MU B.C. Extension office by 12 P.M. on Thursday. Shipments go out once a week on Friday. The fee for the soil sample test is \$20 by cash or personal check. No credit or debit cards accepted. Contact the Extension Office at (417) 847-3161 with any questions.

#### Friday Sept 8

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. Cover charge is \$5. Refreshments are always available.

Music will be held at the Clio Community Building on Hwy. 39 south of Jct. 248 beginning at 6 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

Meditation and Pain Management Beginners <u>Class</u> will be hosted by Happy Hippy Wellness, 15333 State Highway 76, Cassville, in collaboration with the Cassville Dispensary. This is a free cannabis, by edibles or vaporization, friendly event beginning at 6:30 PM with introductions and greetings, followed by guided meditation at 7 P.M. Topics will include body awareness and how you can manage pain through meditation. Participants are asked to bring a Zafu or small flat pillow and a yoga mat or blanket to sit on.

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.

## Monday Sept 11

Monthly Pot Luck will be hosted by the Eagle Rock Community Association (ERCA) at 6 P.M. at the community center. The theme is "Autumn Foods". There will be an information meeting about Community Connection after the meal.

## **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.



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## Haven of the Ozarks: Pet of the Week



Laker needs a hero! She has been in the shelter for 952 days and deserves a home. Laker (who knows the names Mia or Gracie) was adopted from the Haven but returned two years later, not due to any fault of her own, but because her owners were unprepared to train a dog with resource insecurity. You see, Laker gets along with other dogs fairly well, but she really needs her own space away from other dogs in her home, as she's protective of food, toys, and her bed. She'd do best with a free feeder so she can learn that food is not a limited resource. Laker also did excellent with the kids in her previous home and hasn't had any reaction to cats at the shelter! Her ideal forever home will be able to work around her quirks and provide her with her own space, such as a kennel in a separate room, or ideally not have any other dogs! We at the Haven know that this affectionate, loyal girl

is absolutely worth it! Her estimated DOB is 12/30/17 and she weighs about 93lbs.

All of 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 email us at havenozarksanctuary@gmail.com, or give us a call at 417-835-3647.

# Senior Center now offering salad bar option

From Rosario Keele, Public Relations Cassville Senior Center



The Cassville Senior Center is now offering a nutritious salad bar option Wednesday-Friday 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in addition to its regular menu. The cost for the salad bar is a suggested donation of \$1.00 for a bowl or \$3.00 for a plate.

You do not need to be of senior age to enjoy the lunch menu. All ages are welcome. Their regular lunch menu is available for \$3.50 for seniors and non-seniors is a suggested

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See next week's menu on page 6.

The Cassville Senior Center is located at 1111 Fair Street, in Cassville. For more information on the Cassville Senior Center and services offered, call 417-847-4510.



The river is at 22.6 CFS, a great level right now if you're fishing a fly rod. The river is still just a bit cloudy, but it's pretty good. We have had some really fine dry fly fishing this past week. Caddis, Tricos, BWOs, beetles, ants, and hoppers have all been working. 9' leaders are best, 7X is best for flies, 6X is good for nymphs. Good nymphs this week have been red zebra midges, pheasant tails, copper johns, sow bugs, and scuds. Mop flies, mega worms, San Juan worms, and Glo balls have been working well.

Power bait is working great. Pink and yellow one-inch crawlers have been good. White eggs and orange eggs were good all week. White worms or orange worms are good right now.

Water is clear enough that a 2 lb line is needed again; you can get away with 4lb for the first hour. Marabou jigs have been really good; white, black/yellow, olive green, and tan are all working. Rooster tail spinners are very good early in the morning; black, green, brown, and sometimes pink or orange can be pretty good in the mornings. Good luck on the river this week. Have fun.







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#### DOUG "BOOGER" **REED**

Doug "Booger" Reed, age 56, of Fairview, passed away on August 31, 2023.

Booger, the son of Gary "Cotton" and Connie Hilburn Reed, was born on September 15, 1966, in Monett. Booger enjoyed ranching, horses, and rodeos; he loved to do leather work, and collected spurs and bits. Until the 4-k Ranch disbursed, Booger and his son Cotton had taken it over and made it a successful operation. Booger was currently working at the Shockley Cattle Ranch in Stark City.

After being together for 10 years, Booger married Annette "Gracy" Robertson on June 12, 2022, in Fairview; she survives.

Additional survivors include his son, Cotton Reed, of Exeter; special niece, Nellie Jo, of Cassville; sons, Tyler Brown and his wife, Nicole, of Lubbock, Texas, Chase Brown and his wife, Halee, of Argyle, Texas, Wyatt Gray and his significant other, Skyler Bunce, of Fairview, and Korbin Marshall and his fiancé, Mavia, of Pittsburg, Kansas; one brother, Jeff Reed and his wife, Liz, of Cassville; three

Sunday School ·

Sunday Evening Service ......

sisters, Brandy Hobson and her husband, Michael, of Joplin, Casey Himmelsbach and her husband, Reece, of Vineyard, Utah, and Jana Babst and her husband, Robert, of Navarre, Florida; two grandsons, Weston and Walker Brown; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins; and hundreds of friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his grandparents, Lloyd and Evelyn Reed, Clifford and Kathleen Hilburn, and David and Jeane Lemon, Uncle Billy Leon Hilburn, cousin Mason Lowe, and many close friends over the

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 on Friday, September 8, 2023, at the Family Life Center in Cassville, with Joe Brattin and Alan Jones officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Cassville. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 7, 2023, at the White Funeral Home and Crematory in Cassville.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital and entrusted to the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the direction of the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.



#### **MARY BERNICE ARNETT**

Mary Bernice Arnett, 90, of Monett, passed away

·6:00 p.m.

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Worship Service -----11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Night Bible Study/Youth "7:00 p.m.

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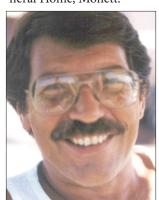
Be joyful in hope, patient in

affliction, faithful in prayer.

**Romans 12:12** 

## **OBITUARIES**

Sunday morning, September 3, 2023. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 8, 2023, at Spring River Cemetery, Verona. Arrangements are under the direction of Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.



#### **ROD BRANDT**

Rod Brandt, age 77, of Cassville, went to be with the Lord on August 28, 2023, at Mercy Hospital in Joplin. The son of Simon and Marian (Elfrink) Brandt, Rod was born in Melvin, Iowa, on his family farm February 13, 1946. He married Cathy on July 5, 1974, in Phoenix, Arizona.

In 1980, Rod became a Corporate Stockbroker for Prudential Securities. In 2012, he and his wife, Cathy, moved to Cassville.

A staunch President Trump supporter, he really enjoyed discussing politics, but his favorite topic of conversation was the Lord and scripture.

Rod will be missed by his wife, Cathy; his children, Shaun, Michelle, Sherry, Barbie, and Jennifer, and reunited with his son, Jim-

In his spare time, he loved working in his wood shop, shooting his guns, nature watching from his back

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deck, spending time with his kittens, and playing golf.

A celebration of life will be held at First Baptist Church on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 11



#### **NOLA ESTHER BENZ**

Nola Esther Benz, age 39, of Monett, passed away Tuesday, August 22, 2023. Arrangements are under the direction of Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.



#### **JESSIE L. RAY**

Jessie L. Ray, age 59, passed away on August 27, 2023. Jessie, son of Jessie and Alice Dillion Ray, was born on December 8, 1963. He married Jean Wing on May 7, 2005; she survives.

He worked at the J & M Pallet Company. Jessie was a motorcycle enthusiast and attended many rallies.

Additional survivors include one son, Jessie Ray, Jr., of the home; one daughter, Nicole Ray, of the home; his father- and mother-inlaw, Jerry and Gloria Wing, of Aurora; five sisters, Marie Collins, Lela Lottman, and Gerlene Ray, all of Cassville, Marilyn Cox, of Fairview, and Louise Stark,

of Birch Tree; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Harvey Ray; two sisters, Joyce Seecrest and Carolyn Ray; his niece, Kim Borgman; two nephews, Tony Cox and David Ray; and four brothersin-law, Charles, Jerry, De-Wayne and Ronnie.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 7, 2023, a the White Funeral Homer and Crematory in Cassville. The family will receive friends two hours prior to service time. Burial will be at King Cemetery in Selig-

Arrangements are under the direction of the White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.



#### ADLINE M. **BARTKOSKI**

Adline M. Bartkoski, 85, of Pierce City, passed away Monday, August 28, 2023. Arrangements have been entrusted to Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.

#### JAMES L. "JIM" DARBY

James L. "Jim" Darby, 74, of Butterfield, passed away on Thursday, August 31, 2023. Arrangements have been entrusted to Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.



#### RAYMOND KEITH LEWELLEN

Raymond Keith Lewellen, age 60, of Seligman, passed away Saturday, September 2, 2023, at his home.

A memorial service will be held at 7:00 P.M. Friday, September 8, 2023, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Troy Cron will conduct the service.

Contributions may be made to Wounded Warrior Project or Haven of the Ozarks in memory of Raymond.

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## **TERESA HOBBS**

Teresa Hobbs, age 69, of Cassville, passed away

in her home on Saturday, September 2, 2023. Mrs. Hobbs, daughter of Monte Elam and Maxine, was born on April 18, 1954, in Bakersville, California. She was united in marriage to Cary Hobbs on December 23, 1971; he survives. Teresa was a registered nurse at the hospital in Cassville for many years. Her favorite was helping deliver babies; she was an avid reader, belonged to several book clubs, and loved animals. Teresa was a member of the Mineral Springs Baptist Church.

Survivors include her loving husband, Cary Hobbs, of Cassville; one brother, Jimmy Elam, of Alma, Arkansas; two sisters, Cindy Loomis, of Clovis, New Mexico, and Anita Gregory, of Alma, Arkansas; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Haven Of The Ozarks and entrusted to White Funeral Home and Crematory.

Arrangements is under the direction of White Funeral Home and Crematory, Cassville.





## DAVID ROSS ADCOCK

David Ross Adcock, age 80, of Springfield, passed away Tuesday, August 29, 2023, at Cox Medical Center South in Springfield.

Services were held Friday, September 1, 2023, at Roaring River Baptist Church in Eagle Rock, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville, Pastor Scott Hill and Brother Tony Ball conducted the services. Burial was at Munsey Cemetery in Eagle Rock.

Contributions may be made to Roaring River Baptist Church in memory of David.

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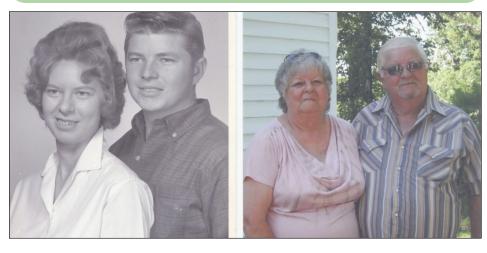
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## Davis' celebrate 60th anniversary



Danny and Catherine Davis recently celebrated their 60th anniversary on August 10 with family. The Davis' were married in 1963 at Paul Yarnall's home in Butterfield and currently reside in Exeter.

They have one son, Chris Davis, of Ridgley, four grandchildren and two great grandchil-

## Cassville Class of 76 donates to Bright Futures Program

From Mindi Artherton



Pictured left to right are John Robert's classmates Stacy Norris, Janell Stewart and Debbie Gatley. Cassville Middle School Counselor, Mrs. Gena Wenger, accepted the donation on behalf of the district.

The Cassville High School class of 1976 has made a donation of \$250 to the Cassville Schools Bright Futures Backpack program in memory of their classmate John Robert Thomas. John Robert is the youngest son of the late Aubrey and Eunice Holman Thomas. Cassville Primary is named after John Robert's mother, Eunice Thomas.

The Bright Futures Backpack Program provides nonperishable food items to children in the district that may need food assistance over the weekend. Bright Futures, established at Cassville Schools in 2011, is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to bringing community members together to focus on the success of children.





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Risky Game of Cash: Avoid Market Timing

"That squirrel had a death wish." The squirrel was trying to cross the road but was indecisive and started darting back and forth until finally going back to the side he had just come from, barely missing my truck tire. Many investors are like that squirrel, darting back and forth about whether to stay in cash or reinvest in their port-

Parking too much of your portfolio in cash might seem like a good plan in today's investing environment, but it has its risks too. Peter Lynch was correct when he said, "Far more money has been lost by investors in preparing for corrections or anticipating corrections than has been lost in the corrections themselves."



Higher rates this year have led many investors to leave cash out of the market and on the sidelines. As of the end of August, Americans have \$5.6 trillion in money market funds, which is a record high and nearly 20% more since the beginning of the year.

Here are three reasons why having too much of your investments in cash can be a risky

First, the opportunity cost is high. You're missing out on daily market growth and income while waiting for the perfect time to reenter the market. Fear can lead investors to sit in cash as stocks march higher.

Second, you won't keep up with inflation. Even though CDs, Money Markets, and Treasuries are paying more than they have in a while, they will never outpace inflation.

Third, you can't time the market. It is impossible to perfectly time reentry in the market, even for professional investors. Reluctant investors rarely get the timing right.

The main thing is to stay consistent with your investment plan. The odds of long-term investors reaching their goals aren't good when they aren't fully invested. Since it's impossible to time the market, don't stress about finding the perfect time to reinvest.

Don't be the squirrel. Have an investment plan and stick to it. I'm not saying to put your investments on cruise control because I am a huge proponent of active management. But understand there is danger in starting and stopping because sometimes it leaves you lying on the road with tire tracks across your face.

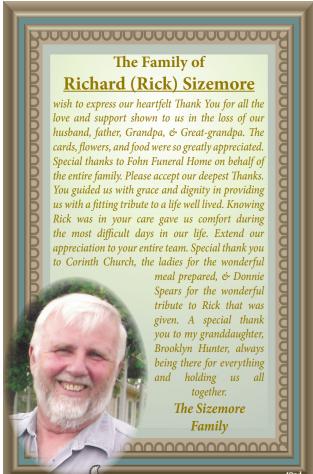
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## Cyanide Poisoning Reported in Missouri

From Missouri Department of Agriculture



University of Missouri Extension specialists urge producers to closely watch cattle that graze pastures containing Johnson grass and other sorghum species. Johnson grass, a common forage, can build up prussic acid, which is harmful and sometimes deadly to animals. Photo courtesy of Tim Evans.

University of Missouri Extension specialists urge producers to closely watch cattle grazing pastures with Johnson grass and other sorghum species.

Cattle producers in several drought-stressed parts of Missouri have recently reported cattle deaths from suspected prussic acid or hydrocyanic acid (cyanide) poisoning, says Tim Evans, an MU Extension state specialist in animal health and veterinary toxicology.

ture leaves of sorghum grasses or leaves of cherry and related species of fruit trees. This happens most often after extreme weather conditions such as drought or frost.

Evans says more than 70 adult cattle in southwestern Missouri died shortly after being

Prussic acid poisoning results when cattle eat cyanide-producing compounds in imma-

Evans says more than 70 adult cattle in southwestern Missouri died shortly after being released into drought-stressed pasture with lush new growth of Johnson grass. He states that he has had reports from Greene, Howell and Pettis counties, as well as several other locations throughout the state and in Arkansas.

Within a few hours of grazing in this pasture, several cows suddenly lay down and died or staggered briefly before collapsing and dying, says Evans. Few other clinical signs were observed. The remaining cattle were returned to the pasture, after which several more animals died.





Necropsies of 10 of the dead animals showed varying degrees of bright, cherry red blood. Evans says this is commonly observed in prussic acid poisoning because cyanide inhibits aerobic metabolism and prevents oxygen in the blood from being released to the tissues.

Samples from the necropsied animals were preserved for further testing. So far, Evans and diagnosticians from MU's College of Veterinary Medicine have preliminarily ruled out carbohydrate overload, grass tetany, nitrate/nitrite intoxication, anaplasmosis and toxins from harmful algal blooms.

Though it can be challenging to accurately measure the presence of cyanide in postmortem samples, prussic acid poisoning remains the most likely cause of death, Evans says.

Sorghum forages include sorghum-Sudan hybrids, forage sorghum, Sudan grass and Johnson grass. These forages can accumulate nitrate in their stems – especially in response to drought – and cyanide-producing compounds in their leaves, particularly in rapidly growing immature plants.

Prussic acid poisoning from these annual forages happens most often when abundant rainfall interrupts or immediately follows a drought.

"When there's a drought, these warm-season annuals quit growing but still take up nitrogen from the soil and accumulate nitrates and cyanide-producing compounds," says MU Extension state forage specialist Craig Roberts. When rain comes, drought-stunted plants can start to look green and lush, and rapid new growth can occur.

Roberts and Evans agree that there is general awareness of concerns about grazing these forages immediately after frost, but they say producers might not know that what looks like excellent green grass for grazing might have high concentrations of cyanide-producing compounds following rainfall during or after drought.

Consult your veterinarian immediately if cattle collapse suddenly, die or exhibit labored breathing and staggering after being introduced to stunted or immature sorghum grasses, says Evans. Veterinarians can administer intravenous sodium nitrite and sodium thiosulfate to treat prussic acid poisoning, but animals frequently die before treatment begins.

Prevention is likely the best way to address concerns about sorghum-related prussic acid poisoning:

- Take soil samples before applying nitrogen to pastures. Excess nitrogen increases risk of both prussic poisoning and nitrate/nitrite poisoning.
- Wait to graze sorghum varieties until they reach a height of at least 24 inches. Evans strongly recommends quantitative nitrate and cyanogenic potential testing procedures prior to grazing. To allow cyanide to escape or "gas off" before feeding to livestock, wait at least 14 days after cutting and baling sorghum species for hay. Likewise, wait 60 to 90 days after beginning ensiling to let cyanide gas off during fermentation before feeding to livestock.
- Do not turn hungry cattle into pasture with sorghum grasses. Fill them up on other grass or hay during the day before gradually introducing them to sorghum pastures. Don't turn the entire herd onto a new pasture at once. Consider using test animals if you have not tested for nitrates or cyanogenic potential.
- Remove animals immediately from pastures when an animal is found dead. Consult your local veterinarian and extension specialists about the need for animal necropsies and forage testing.

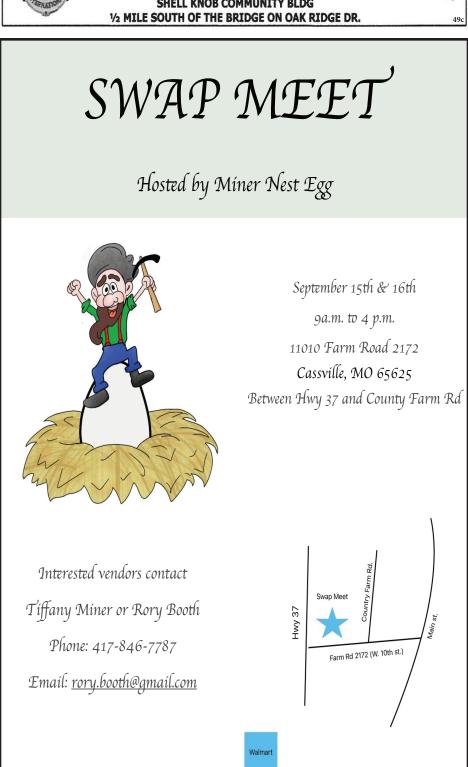
Evans discusses prussic acid intoxication and other drought-related intoxications in three videos:

"Prussic Acid Intoxication Concerns Following Rainfall During/After Drought Conditions," https://youtu.be/kk4myhHVjNg.

"Nitrate/Nitrite Intoxication Concerns During Drought Conditions," https://youtu.be/ HGLFqeFWhQ4.

"Forage Quality and Toxic Plant Concerns During Drought Conditions," https://youtu.be/Gqb-DYgGNPI.





## Garden flowers bloom all year when dried

"The delicate, ephemeral nature of flowers undoubtedly adds to our appreciation of them," said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein. "Many literally are 'here today, gone tomor-

But flowers can be enjoyed all year long by drying them, said Trinklein, and now is the perfect time to gather the excess from our gardens and preserve them for future enjoyment.

Pick flowers and other plant materials destined for drying close to their prime. Many species can be harvested and dried at various stages of development (for example, bud or partially opened) for added interest in dried arrangements.

Always collect more material than you need to allow for damage, Trinklein suggested. "Use only the most perfect forms. Poor shapes dry as poor shapes. Use only plants and flowers free of insect and disease damage. Damage becomes only more obvious after drying. Pick flowers free of dew or rain. Promptly place stems in a container of water to prevent wilting while gathering."

Trinklein recommended several popular methods for drying flowers: air drying, use of desiccants and microwave drying.

Air drying. Many garden flowers and wild plants can be dried simply by tying them together and hanging them upside down in a warm, dry place for several weeks. Choose flowers suited to this treatment such as "everlastings" and a few others that do not wilt readily. Dry some, such as globe amaranth, in bunches on their natural stems. On others, such as strawflower use wire as stems before drying.

Seed heads of many grasses and other plants also can be hung to dry. A few large flowers, such as peony and hydrangea, are sometimes dried this way. But hang large flowers individually rather than in bunches.

Drying with desiccants. At times, air-dried flowers

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become misshapen. This happens most often with flowers with a high moisture content or a flat, open shape. Dry these types of flowers by burying them in one of several desiccants that remove water more quickly than air drying while holding the flowers in

their natural form. Trinklein recommended silica gel to dry flowers at home. Silica gel costs more initially than materials containing borax, but it lasts for many years. It also dries flowers more quickly.

Silica gel is sold under several trade names. It is white, but some types contain blue crystals that indicate the amount of moisture that has been absorbed. When these crystals are a clear blue, the material is dry. As they absorb moisture, the crystals gradually turn pink. At that point it is time to dry the crystals in a warm oven before using them again.

Microwave drying. Microwave drying takes only a few minutes and provides dried flowers that look fresher and more colorful than drying by other methods. Support material such as silica gel must surround the flowers during heating and drying. Use heat-tolerant glass or microwave containers. Do not cover the containers. Place a cup of water in the oven before starting to prevent excessive drying.

Drying times vary about one minute for smaller flowers or flowers with thinner petals and up to three minutes for dense flowers with many petals.



Some flowers and plants can be dried by hanging them upside down in a warm, dry place for several weeks. Photo: Fassnight Creek Farm, Springfield.

Check frequently since microwave ovens and flowers vary. Microwave drying does not work well on flowers with thick petals.

After microwave treatment, place flowers in a container with silica gel for 12 to 24 hours to make sure they are cool and dry. Microwave-dried flowers tend to absorb air moisture, so spray petals with hair spray or lacquer and store in an

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The MU Extension publication "Drying Flowers and Foliage for Arrangements" is available for free download at https://extension. missouri.edu/g6540.

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## XC results

Photo and results from Erin Flehmer



Senior Ethan Bohmke won the varsity boys race at the Hot Dawg Invitational last

Cassville Wildcat Cross Country Teams traveled to Aurora on Thursday, August 31, for the Hot Dawg Invitational.

Ethan Bohmke was the third Wildcat senior in four years to win the varsity boys race; the boys finished third overall.

Varsity girls won the meet with a total of 27 points.

Middle School boys and girls teams both placed third overall.

The next race will be at Seneca on Thursday, September 7.

### **Individual Results**

Varsity Boys Ethan Bohmke 1st (18:55) Michael Butts 6th (20:02) Bohmke Tvson

(20:38)Hudson 25th Jacob (21:38)

Evan Butler 33rd (22:23) Simon Gates 49th (26:08) Varsity Girls

Jadyn Williams (22:54)

Dakotah Anderson 3rd (23:33)

Kayli Anderson 11th

(25:12)Tori Mitchell 12th (25:25) Evelyn Elliott 21st (28:08) Reuter 22nd Claire

(28:21)JV Girls

Lydia Cupps 1st (28:17) MS Boys (2 miles)

Jameson Barnes (14:19)

6th

Driskill Preston (14:24)

Dads Zajac 11th (15:05) Donovan Mikesh 34th (17:15)

Daniel Sledden 38th (20:13)

Vincent Buttrum 40th (20:52)

MS Girls (2 miles) Briley Artherton

(16:38)Kynzleigh Scott 14th (18:37)

Addy Ramaeker 16th

(19:45)Molly Cox 17th (20:18)

Peyton Vogt 19th (21:30)

## Hot Dawg Invitational | MSU Pathways for Paras program recognizes Anders

From Mindi Artherton



In photo, left to right, Dr. Merlyn Johnson, Cassville R-IV District Superintendent; Dr. Traci Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent; Kendale Ellis, Process Coordinator; Anders and representing Missouri State University is Dr. Marci Dowdy, Dr. Vicki McNamara, Kaleigh Pickett and Dr. Reesha Adamson.

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Cassville R-IV is proud to recognize Tracy Anders, Cassville Intermediate Paraprofessional, as a participant in the Missouri State University's Pathways for Paras program.

The Pathways for Paraprofessionals program allows paraprofessionals to work full-time as an apprentice and earn their undergraduate or graduate degree in Special Education, as well as Missouri teacher certification in K-12 Special Education at the same time. Participants in this program at the undergraduate level are also able to earn up to 24 hours of college credit towards their degree by participating in university coursework and on-the-job experiences facilitated by experts in their school district.



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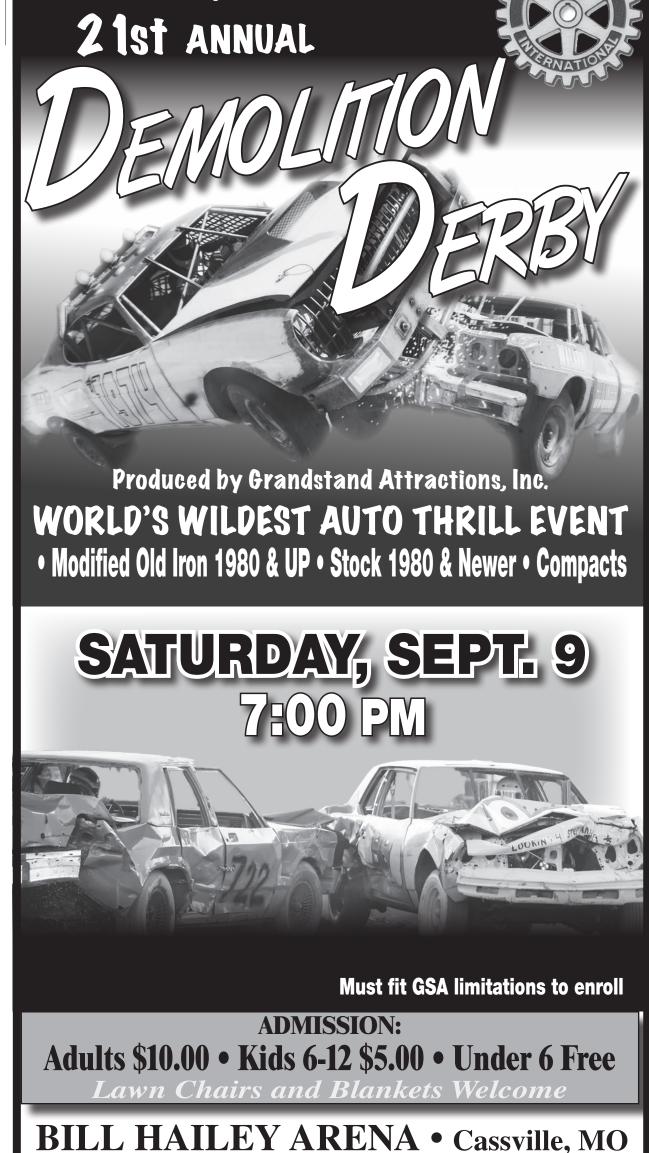
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# Discovery Quilters Quilt Show set for September 23-24

Story and photo by Clara Cartwright



Shown above is the 2023 "Opportunity Quilt".

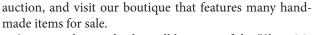
Saturday, September 23, and Sunday, September 24, marks the biennial Discovery Quilters Quilt Show to be held at the Shell Knob Elementary School.

The theme, "Birds of a Feather Stitch Together," is a judged show showcasing the talents of our membership with a colorful display of beautiful quilts. The show hours are Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Attendees will be able to view our local quilter's work, shop our vendors, bid on silent auction items, as well as our live









Our special stage display will be some of the "Show Me Sampler" quilts featuring blocks depicting all things Missouri. Many members participated in bringing this display to life

There will be demonstrations on Saturday from 10:00-11:30 a.m. At 1:00 p.m., both days will have quilt turnings featuring the quilts of two of our members.

Discovery Quilters members make Comfort Quilts for the Shell Knob community when there is a death or family tragedy, Baby Quilts for The Purple Flower Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Center, Pregnancy Lifeline, Barry County Health Department, and Stone County Health Department. We also make Quilts of Valor or Quilts of Honor for our veterans and lap quilts for wheel care bound patients in veteran's homes. The members also make a quilt for each graduating student at the LUC Boys Ranch.

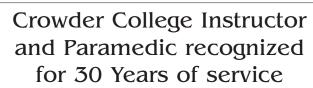
Our membership makes these projects possible by giving their time, talent, and treasure to benefit others. To assist in these efforts, we will have several beautiful adult and baby quilts that will go to the highest bidder in our silent auctions. The silent auction proceeds will help us fund supply needs and the machine quilting process for our ministries.

We will have a live miniature quilt auction at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, with 100% of the proceeds going to the "Alliance of Churches." Stumpff's Auction Service has agreed to provide its services gratis. We encourage everyone to come out to be able to purchase one of these small masterpieces and help the Alliance of Churches to be able to further their mission of providing food for those in need as well as emergency assistance and the back to school program that benefits every student in the Shell Knob school system with school supplies. The show will close on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. with a viewer's choice award, the drawing of our queen size opportunity quilt, and a drawing for a Brother sewing machine donated by Shawn's Sewing Center of Springfield. You need not be present to win.

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From Crowder College



Ike Isenhower, who has been a nationally registered paramedic since 1992, was recently recognized for 30 consecutive years of National EMS Certification.

Crowder College is proud to announce Paramedic Instructor and Allied Health Division Chair Ike Isenhower was recently recognized by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians for achieving 30 consecutive years of National EMS Certification. This distinction is an honor held by few EMS professionals.

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By maintaining his Na-



tional EMS Certification and completing regular continuing education courses, Isenhower has demonstrated his commitment to providing exceptional prehospital emergency medical care.

Isenhower was Nationally Registered as a paramedic in 1992 and has been serving the Southwest Missouri community since 2004. Prior to 2004, Isenhower worked in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians serves as the National EMS Certification organization by providing a valid, uniform process to assess the knowledge and skills required for competent practice by EMS professionals throughout their careers and by maintaining a registry of certification status.





