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"Superfund" Site Continues to Raise Concerns with Verona Citizens, Part 1

Adriana Keeton

In an ongoing effort to keep the community up to date on the progress of compliance efforts and air and water monitoring concerns at the BCP Ingredients, Inc. facility in Verona, representatives with the U.S. EPA (Environmental Protection Agency), MoDNR (Missouri Department of Natural Resources), MDHSS (Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services) and OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) held a public availability session and community meeting at the Verona High School on October 26, 2022.

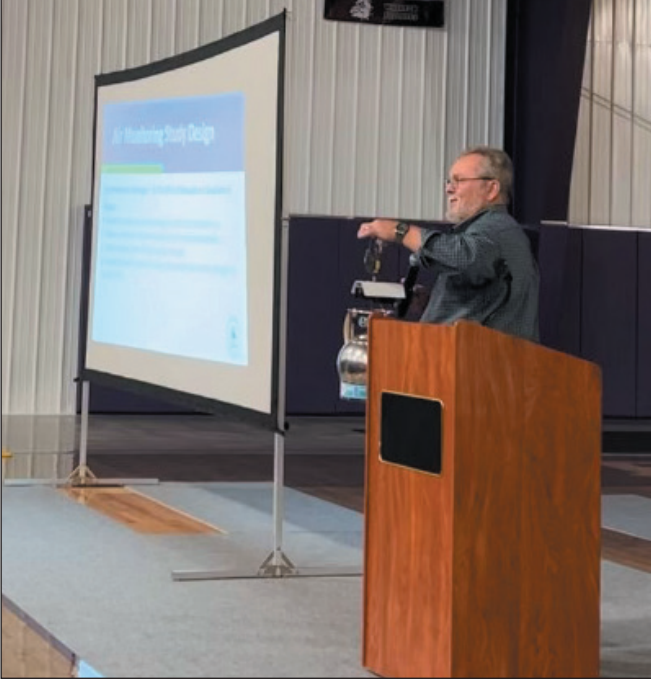
According to the EPA fact sheet dated December 2021, the EPA has been leading an investigation into the air and

water quality under the CAA (Clean Air Act) since 2016 at the facility.

The BCP Ingredients, Inc. Facility, located at 299 Extension Street in Verona, is no stranger to the EPA and is currently listed as a "Superfund" site. A "Superfund" site is a manufacturing facility, processing plant, landfill or mining site with no viable responsible party, and the designation allows the EPA to use funds and authority to clean up these sites.

In the 1960's, Hoffman-Taff Inc., owned and operated the facility to produce 2,4,5-T (2,4,5-trichlorophenoxyacetic) acid for the U.S. Army, more commonly referred to as Agent Orange.

See Superfund 5A



Shown above, Mike Davis, Research Scientist with the U.S. EPA discusses air monitoring with attendees at the community meeting held October 26, at the Verona High School, in Verona.

Local Habitat Restructures to Benefit Community

Ezra DeVore

As of October 1, the Habitat for Humanity of South Barry County has elected to become *SWMO Restore & Build Inc.*, following a decision of the board to separate from Habitat International after close evaluation of the funds required to continue the partnership with the international corporation. Sarah Dalton, Treasurer, states that "a majority of the funds we raised were going to the international group with minimal benefit to the Barry County community, other than the use of the Habitat name."

Ultimately, Dalton says, the board felt that the raised funds would be of better use if as much as possible could stay within the community to finance further projects needed to maintain Barry County. These projects include wheelchair ramps, ADA bathrooms, and other smaller repairs.

"The Board thanks Habitat International for its years of service in the community and the value it holds as an organization, but is looking forward to a new chapter of benefiting the local community," Dalton says.

The new entity will be registering as a 501c3 organization, the certification classifying an organization as a non-profit. All board members will remain in SWMO Restore and Builds, and the location will stay at 900 W 10th Street, Cassville, MO.

Dalton and the board also state that they have the opportunity to purchase the former LeCompte's Hardware Store at 201 E. 7th Street, and in the near future, plan for it to become the new location of the SWMO Restore and Builds. The board is planning to begin a 'building fundraiser' to help with the initial cost, as well as any updates that will be required to bring the location "back to its full potential." Anyone wanting to submit to the new building project early can do so to PO Box 223, Cassville, MO 65625. Please make checks payable to SWMO Restore and Builds and put for the building project.

UMC Celebrates Graduations from Life Change Program

Ezra DeVore

The United Methodist Church in Cassville has undertaken a program that its director, Derek Cornelius, hopes will offer a helping hand to local individuals struggling with keeping a steady line of work, as well as offer personal faith-based guidance to enrich one's life. This program, the Life Change program, is a year-long course that delves into many aspects of what is required to maintain good mental health and keep moving forward. The Life Change Plan has many parts and chapters to it, one of which is Jobs for Life: a widely used evangelical jobs program that partners with churches and ministries to assist the unemployed in finding stable employment. Derek Cornelius states that upon seeing the program, he wanted its curriculum to be a part of his



Pictured above, left to right: Derek Cornelius (Director), Gayle Fields, Charmain Wiggers, Pastor Jeff Fugitt, Quentin Hymas, Jerry Marple, Jennifer Jereczek, and Tiffany Miner.

own.

Soon after, the program was implemented, taking shape as an eight week course that is taught at the Show Me Plaza, and although the

surface of the program is focused on obtaining and maintaining a job, the primary goal of the journey, according to Cornelius, is to provide a sensible foundation

for someone to make better choices.

Two nights a week, students gather to discuss their

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educational goals, their career goals, the paths to their short and long term goals in life, vocational plans, and the various ways one can tackle their own personal road-blocks. In the later portions of the program, mock interviews are held to acclimate the student to an interview environment, where HR managers visit the class and offer feedback and guidance meant to equip the students with confidence and practice for the real interview. In total, fifteen classes are held and the final class of the eight weeks is the graduation.

“Then, we talk about character, integrity, forgiveness, workplace relationships, respect for authority,” Cornelius says. “We talk about their past. ‘Okay, that’s back there, you’re right here, we’re moving forward.’ There’s a lot of things that you wouldn’t really expect to have in a job-prep type class. You have to get to the core of the thing. It doesn’t take a lot to get a

Fatality Crash Kills
Cassville Man

Ezra Devore

According to a crash report filed by Trooper S. Walden, on October 27, at approximately 3:24 p.m., Walter Hooper III, 28, of Cassville, was westbound on MO-76 in a 2008 Ford Taurus when he crossed the centerline and struck an east-bound Freightliner, driven by Christopher Diehl, 50, of Eureka Springs, Ark. Both

job, really, but to keep the job, feeling like you’ve got a purpose in it, and getting enjoyment out of the work that you do - is a whole different thing. So, you have to address some of those core things inside yourself and figure out who you are, and what you like to do, and what you were made to do.

“Once you get those to the end of the program, the idea is that you know what your purpose is because you went through those different career assessments, and you have your goal, and you have things lined up to where you’re ready for that first interview, and you’re more likely to succeed.”

On Sunday, October 30, three graduates of Jobs for Life, two of whom are also graduates of the Life Change Plan, were celebrated in the Show-Me Plaza. Charmain Wiggers completed Jobs for Life, Quentin Hymas and Jennifer Jereczek graduated from the Life Change Plan, including Jobs for Life.

vehicles were totaled. Hooper was pronounced dead at the scene by Barry County coroner Gary Swearingin at 4:50 p.m. and taken to Fohn’s Funeral Home in Cassville. Both drivers were wearing a safety device at the time of the accident.

Cassville City Wide Clean
Up Dates Announced

The City of Cassville city wide clean-up is scheduled for the week of November 7-11, 2022 on customers normal scheduled service days and is only for residents inside the City of Cassville. This curb side pick up program is being offered with the intent of providing the opportunity to clean out garages, basements or closets, and get rid of old worn out and broken items.

- No construction/large remodel project materials
- All small items must be bagged or boxed and not to exceed 50 pounds (will not pick up loose small items/clothing)
- Any non-acceptable items or items brought in from outside of the city will be left at the curb for disposal by the resident.
- Crews cannot access personal property to assist in moving items to the curb or from trailers
- Clean-up will not take place at businesses, apartment buildings or vacant homes

- Accepted items include:
- Furniture-Indoor and Outdoor
- Mattresses (no more than one large furniture items or mattress per resident)

- Toilet/Sink/Vanity/Mirror
- Bags or Boxes (up to twelve bags or boxes)
- Large Children Toys/Bikes
- Televisions/Monitors
- Weed eaters/hand and power tools (must be drained of all fuel and oil)
- Rugs (no carpet or padding)
- Grills (no propane tanks)
- Microwaves
- Plastic cased dishwashers
- Items not accepted:
- Tires
- NO Large rooms carpet
- NO small Loose Items (Must be bagged or boxed)
- Brush/Limbs/Yard Waste
- No bulk Fencing
- Hot Tubs
- Rocks, bricks, concrete
- Bulk Liquids
- Propane Tanks
- Fluorescent/CFL/HID Bulbs
- Batteries
- Appliances
- Large remodel, Lumber or Shingles, Construction
- Hazardous Waste (including paint, oil, aerosol cans, fertilizers, etc.)
- No Vehicle / Large Engine Parts (Motors, Doors, Hoods, etc.)

General Election Voting
Information

- Barry County Clerk’s Office will be open Saturday, November 5, 2022, for absentee voting for the General Election. 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Absentee voting in person continues through Monday, November 7, 2022, at the Barry County Clerk’s Office in Cassville. 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- You must present Photo ID to vote.
- If you have moved and have had an address change, you need to contact our office or come into our office and have your information updated, before Election Day.
- Polls open at 6am and close at 7pm on Election Day.
- For additional information, call Barry County Clerk, Joyce Ennis at 417-847-2561 opt: 3; or email jennis@barry-countyclerk.com or ajohnson@barrycountyclerk.com.

2022 Tax Statements
Have Been Mailed

Barry County Collector Skyler Bowman has announced that the 2022 Tax Statements were mailed to Barry County taxpayers on November 1.

If you do not receive a statement by November 15, contact the collector’s office at 417-847-2133. 2022 taxes become delinquent on January 1, 2023.

Payment can be made in person at the collector’s office, located at 700 Main Street, in Cassville, by cash, check, debit or credit card. When paying with a debit or credit card, the provider of the service will charge a fee. Also, payment can be made online at www.barrycountycollector.com, with service charge.

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Community Calendar

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. The contact person is Elaine Phaneuf, class@4bca.com or (417) 847-4475.

Notice:
The Barry County Courthouse and Judicial Center will be closed Friday, November 11, 2022, for Veterans Day.
Cassville License Office will be closed on Friday, November 11, 2022.

Capps Creek Road District bridge on Farm Road 2040 (west of the Polanski Catholic Church) will be closed until further notice due to repairs.

Farm Road 1162 off of F Highway will be closed until further notice for bridge repairs.

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 and view the local schedule under “Bus Schedules”. OATS Transit offices will be open for all routes on Friday, November 11 (Veterans Day). Our offices will be closed, and regular routes will not be running on Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25, 2022, for the Thanksgiving holiday. Please keep this in mind as you schedule trips near this holiday. OATS Transit is hiring drivers statewide in case you know of someone who would make a great driver, so we can continue serving our riders

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 (417) 669-6935.

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. 18 and under are free. There is pot luck, 50/50 and door prizes. For more information, call (417) 662-3612.

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.
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 Wheaton Depot Museum in Wheaton will be open Saturdays from 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. Visitors are encouraged to check out the history of Wheaton and the Missouri and North Arkansas Railroad (M&NA).

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 donations.

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. Contact the Extension Office at (417) 847-3161 with any questions.

Friday, November 4
Music will be held at the Clio Community Building located on Hwy. 39 South of Jct. 248 beginning at 6 P.M.

Saturday, November 5
Autumn Treasures, a fund raiser event for missions, will be held from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. at OK Assembly of God, Hwy. 90, Washburn. There will be Christmas, craft and flea market booths, music and concessions, as well as a Kids Corner with face painting and games.

Wheaton United Methodist Church, 101 Santee, Wheaton, is hosting a Fall Harvest Festival from 4:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. with full turkey dinner, bake sale and crafts. The price is \$10 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Carry out can be ordered from Friday noon to Saturday noon, (417) 847-7276.

Monday, November 7
The Republican Central Committee Rally will be held at the Cassville High School at 6 P.M. A meal will be provided.

Tuesday, November 8
The Southwest Missouri Waste Management District N will hold its monthly executive Board Meeting at 11:50 A.M. at Angus Branch Steak house in Monett. This meeting/conference call is open to the public. A teleconference number will be available for this meeting, please contact the district office at (417) 236-9012 or (417) 342-6306 prior to the day of the meeting for the call-in number and pass code.

Cassville Cruisers Club Meeting will be held at 7 P.M. at Sho-Me Plaza, Cassville. New members are welcome with or without a classic car.

Thursday, November 10
Open House with Lunch will be hosted at the Barry County MU Extension Office from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. The public is invited to come in and meet the office staff, specialists and council members who serve the citizens of Barry County.

Saturday, November 12
Holiday Bazaar will be held from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. at the Washburn First Baptist Church Activity Center. Call (479) 381-2133 for information and vendor applications.
Cassville Cruisers Cruise-In will be held at the Barry County Museum beginning at 3 P.M.

School Menus: Nov. 7 - Nov. 11

All meals served with milk and subject to change.

Cassville R-IV High School: Mon: B: biscuit and gravy or french toast, sausage patty, pineapple or cereal, yogurt cup, tropical fruit. L: cheeseburger or pulled pork sandwich, Doritos, carrot sticks, tropical fruit. Tues: B: biscuit and gravy or breakfast burrito, sausage patty, pineapple or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. L: spaghetti or alfredo, salad, glazed carrots, break stick, juice. Wed: B: biscuit and gravy or pancake on stick, hashbrown, fruit cocktail or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. L: country steak or popcorn chicken, potatoes, gravy, corn, breadstick, applesauce. Thurs: B: biscuit and gravy or sausage biscuit, Pop-Tart, peaches or cereal, toast, orange. L: chicken sandwich or meatball sub, Sun Chips, broccoli and cheese, fruit cocktail. Fri: B: biscuit and gravy or scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, tropical fruit or cereal, graham crackers, fruit cocktail.

Cassville R-IV PR-IN-Middle: Mon: B: biscuit and gravy or chicken nuggets, hashbrown, mandarin oranges or cereal, Rice Krispies Treat, apple. L: chicken nuggets or tangerine chicken, rice, green beans, egg roll, fortune cookie, pears. Tues: B: biscuit and gravy or pancakes, sausage patty, orange or cereal, Rice Krispies Treat, peaches. L: grilled cheese or ham sandwich, Sun Chips, carrot sticks, applesauce. Wed: B: biscuit and gravy or breakfast pizza, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, graham crackers, apple slices. L: Frito pie or quesadilla, refried beans, corn peaches. Thurs: B: biscuit and gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, peaches or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. L: corndog or popcorn chicken, mac & cheese, mixed vegetables, juice. Fri: B: biscuit and gravy or scrambled eggs, toast, applesauce or cereal, blueberry muffin, pears. L: chicken and noodles or country steak, peas, potatoes, peaches.

Purdy R-II Schools: Mon: B: cheese omelet, whole wheat toast, fruit. L: cashew chicken, brown rice, egg roll, fruit. Tues: B: whole grain biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, fruit. L: chicken noodle soup, whole wheat grilled cheese sandwich, fruit. Wed: B: whole wheat pancake and sausage bites, syrup cup, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: whole grain chicken nuggets, potato wedges, fruit. Thurs: B: whole grain breakfast pizza, fruit. L: whole grain pepperoni pizza, corn, fruit. Fri: B: banana muffin, Go-Gurt, fruit. L; hamburger on whole grain bun, whole grain chips, celery sticks with peanut butter, fruit.

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In December of 1969, Syntex purchased the facility and manufactured choline chloride and other food additives for both human and animal consumption. BCP Ingredients, Inc., has been owner and operator of the facility since 2001 and manufactures choline chloride and repackages bulk ethylene oxide.

Since the 1980’s, federal actions have been taken to assess and address contamination at the site and from 1988-1990, dioxin contaminated soils were excavated and incinerated. In other areas, vegetative covers were placed and in 1993, the EPA saw “no further remedial action” since off site contamination was within the range of relevant EPA standards at the time.

The EPA has conducted regular checkups, called “Five Year Reviews” (FYRs) at the Superfund site since. In the fourth and fifth FYR in 2012 and 2017, it was found that additional information was necessary to evaluate overall protectiveness at the Superfund site. This is due to changes in the methods and toxicity values used for risk assessment that occurred after the remedies were originally implemented and to

address data gaps found in 2016 with oversight by the EPA of the 2012 FYR. Which brings us back to the current EPA investigation of the facility, including groundwater investigations around the facility and the Spring River floodplain. Using more sensitive analytical methods that have been developed, it was detected that dioxin was found in several permanent and temporary monitoring wells in the area.

In 2019, responding to community concerns, testing of domestic water wells surrounding the site were completed. Of the ninety privately owned, domestic drinking water wells, none resulted in above relevant EPA health-based standards according to the review. EPA started the sixth FYR in 2022 for the site, in which the EPA is developing a Community Involvement Plan (CIP).

In 2022, the non-profit publication ProPublica released an article stating the Missouri town of Verona is a hot spot for toxic air pollution, which has shown Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma, which can be caused by exposure to ethylene oxide, is “more than twice as high as that of the surrounding county and state” and that the facilities ethylene oxide emissions “substantially increases cancer risk by 27 times the national average.

This is part one of a two part series. Part two will be featured in next week’s issue of the *Barry County Advertiser*.

MU Admissions Rep to be at CHS

MU Admissions Representative for Southwestern Missouri Jon Emery will be at the Cassville High School on November 8 from 10:45 a.m. to noon.

He will be available to answer any questions students may have regarding the cam-

pus, majors, student clubs, costs and dining halls. He will also be able to provide students with information about how the admission process works. This is only available to CHS students who are in attendance during the regular school lunch period.



Adriana Keeton

A comedic, murder mystery, a classic who-dun-it of thoroughly entertaining proportions takes center stage in the upcoming SKITS community theater production of “Murder in The House of Horrors.”

The audience will be invited into the museum’s lecture on famous Egyptian Pharaoh Menkaura’s tomb, which is laden with priceless treasures, but shrouded in mystery as a most coveted jewel is stolen and an unlikely murder is committed.

This audience interaction murder mystery will have everyone fully engaged trying to guess who did this outrageous deed and why?

A total of fifteen hardworking actors, with some added

extras, and an assembly of stage-builders, artists, sound and lighting personnel, line-readers, marketing folks and well, of course, a dedicated and inspiring director are again making this another fun and entertaining production.

Cade Keeton made his directoral debut with SKITS in the spring of 2022 and will return for the fall performance. He expressed the most exciting part is the audience interaction. "The cast is wonderful and we are set to perform a great show for the community this fall."

The play will be held November 11-13 at the Central Community United Methodist Church in Shell Knob. Tickets can be purchased online through the SKITS website or at the door.

For more information about SKITS and play times, visit <https://shellknobspotlight.com/>.

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Front row, left to right, are first grade students Ellie Ennis, Autumn Forke, Iris Messinger, Kylie Thompson, Paityn Joeckel and Samantha Adams. Back row, left to right, are: Noah Blueher, Steven Hall, Remington Dutton, Carter Littler, Riley Hayward and Braxton Stephens.



Front row, left to right, are second grade students Sadie Edwards, Emma Libertus, Peyton Stephens, Addi Hill and Amethyst Brenner. Back row, left to right, are: Madison Still, Bently Skinkis, Jaxton Beyer, Kayden Senko, Carson Skinkis, Zane Whittington and Jayde Libertus.

2022 Ozark 7 Volleyball

All-Conference Team Announced

Below is the 2022 Ozark 7 Volleyball All-Conference Team as voted on by coaches.	Thomas Jefferson	Lindsay Griesemer
Player of the Year	Lily Ray	College Heights
Addison Lawrence	Wheaton	Emma Sorensen
College Heights	Second Team	Exeter
Coch of the Year	Maddy Colin	Maggie Reed
Sarah Nangle	College Heights	Golden City
McAuley Catholic	Kylee Scott	Reese Moore
First Team	Golden City	Golden City
Lauren Ukena	Aubrey Baker	Kloee Williamson
College Heights	Verona	McAuley Catholic
Kyndall Scott	Jianna Cha	Gabbie Hebert
Golden City	Wheaton	Thomas Jefferson
Teagan Warner	JoJo Wheeler	Zoe Saylor
Golden City	McAuley Catholic	Verona
Lily Black	Lannah Grigg	America Castillo
McAuley Catholic	Thomas Jefferson	Verona
Nico Carlson	Honorable Mention	Allison Whitman
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Cassville Wildcats survive Aurora upset bid in playoff thriller

Lee Stubblefield
 On the verge of bowing out of the Class 3 District 6 playoffs in what would have been a shocking upset, the Cassville Wildcats turned back Aurora on Friday night at Wildcat Stadium, 24-21. Sophomore quarterback Bodee Rose escaped down the Cassville sideline for a 60-yard touchdown run mid-way through the fourth quarter to give the Cats the winning edge.

Aurora surprised Cassville from the start, recovering an onside kick at the Cassville 47-yard line. The Dawgs failed to move the chains, but gave notice when they went for a 4th-and-2 on that first possession. With nothing to lose, Aurora would empty the playbook against Cassville.

The Wildcats took an early 3-0 lead when Peter Littlefield drilled a 27-yard field goal with 4:36 left in the first quarter.

The Wildcats held on defense again, and then Bodee Rose directed a 13-play, 75-yard drive that spilled over into the second quarter. Trey Wilson banged into the end zone from a yard out, and Cassville extended the lead to 10-0 with 9:05 left in the first half.

As the temperature dropped, the game suddenly heated up.

The Dawgs answered quickly, as Kelton Brown connected with Daunte Floyd for a 40-yard touchdown to trim the lead to 10-7. Then Aurora recovered another onside kick at the 50-yard line.

But on first down, Joseph Burton intercepted a long pass from Brown and returned the theft back to the 50.

Then Rose found Wilson loose on a wheel route for a 50-yard scoring strike. The

Wildcats led 17-7 with 6:32 on the clock.

Aurora responded, covering 68 yards in eight plays, with Alex Rios scoring on a four-yard run to cut the lead to 17-14 at the 3:02 mark.

The Wildcats turned the ball over almost immediately. A bad pitch eluded Wilson in the backfield, and Aurora recovered at the Cassville 37-yard line. The Wildcats forced a punt to end the half, but momentum clearly favored the Dawgs as the teams vacated the field.

Cassville's woes continued in the second half.

The Wildcats attempted an onside kick to open the third quarter, but a pile of Aurora players covered the ball. The Aurora offense then marched 52 yards in 12 plays, moving the chains on fourth down twice along the way. Brown sneaked in for the final yard of the drive, and the Dawgs claimed their first lead, 21-17, with 5:40 left in the third quarter.

The Wildcats drove to the Aurora 14-yard line before stalling. Littlefield came on for a 31-yard field goal attempt, but the kick sailed wide.

Aurora's offense burned the rest of the third-quarter clock and three minutes of the fourth quarter with a 12-play game of keepaway. That drive finally ended when Floyd boomed a punt to Wilson at the Cassville 19-yard line. Only 8:57 remained in the game.

After struggling throughout the second half, the Cassville offense finally came alive. Wilson crashed off tackle for 5 yards. Bryson Jacobson dragged tacklers up the middle for 13. Jacobson creased the line again for 4 yards to the Cassville 40-yard line.

Then Rose kept the ball off right tackle, reading the option to find a lane to the sideline. He turned on the jets and raced untouched 60 yards for the go-ahead score. Littlefield nailed the PAT, and the Wildcats reclaimed the lead, 24-21, with 7:15 left to play.

The two teams traded punts, and then the Houn Dawgs faced a critical 4th-and-6 at their own 34-yard line with just 3:12 left in the game. Aurora's Brandon Pitts risked letting Cassville run out the clock, sending his punt team onto the field.

Floyd outkicked his coverage though, and Wilson's shifty return gave the Wildcats a first down at the Aurora 35-yard line with the clock at 3:12. Aurora still had all three time outs, so Cassville needed a first down to run out the clock.

Three running plays netted one yard thanks to a penalty, and Cassville faced 4th-and-9. Rose's long bomb for Hernan Herenandez drew a pass interference penalty, and the Wildcats had a first down at the 19-yard line. Only 2:11 to play, Aurora was down to one time out, and Cassville owned the ball in the red zone. What could go wrong? Fumble. On first down, the Aurora defense mugged Jacobson, stripping the ball and recovering at the 20-yard line. But the Cassville defense sacked Brown to set up a 3rd-and-forever, and then Hernandez sealed the deal with an interception. Rose genuflected three times to finally burn the clock, and Cassville survived the Aurora scare, 24-21.

The Wildcats advance to the district semifinals, and will play at Reeds Spring on Friday night. Kickoff is set for 7 PM.

CHS XC Teams Qualify for State, Both Finish Third Overall



Shown above are state qualifying Cassville Cross Country girls.



Shown above are state qualifying Cassville Cross Country Boys.

The Cassville High School boys and girls cross country teams both qualified for state. Both teams finished third overall at Pomme de Terre in Hermitage.

Individual results: (* all-district runner)

Boys
 Caleb Leach 4th* 17:17
 Charles Elliott 28th* 18:37

Mason Gautney 29th* 18:38
 Ethan Bohmke 37th 19:04
 Jacob Martinez 47th 19:26
 Jacob Hudson 71st 20:16
 Evan Butler 76th 20:22
Girls
 Jolie Evans 3rd* 20:43
 Dakotah Anderson 13th* 21:43
 Jadyn Williams 19th* 22:14

Tori Mitchell 30th* 22:56
 Kayli Anderson 40th 24:01
 Evelyn Elliott 58th 25:48
 Elizabeth Butler 80th 28:26
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The Superhero Greene Family, of Kirbyville, teamed up for Halloween at the Calvary Baptist Church Trunk or Treat in Exeter. Shown above, left to right, are Heather and Darrin Greene, with children Kylar, Stormy and Dixie.



Mercy Paramedic Brock Schmeltz assisted the Cassville Fire Department with candy distribution at the Trick or Treat Drive Through. Shown above are Avrey Hobbs, Alex Patrick, and Aceson Hobbs accepting their treats.



Shown above, Riley Doucet, Shannon Doucet, Jodi Crumpler, Brooklyn Crumpler, Payton Crumpler and Rose Loazno enjoyed their treats from the First Christian Church in Cassville.

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Friends Lyndsie Vanderhoef and Ella Ainsworth, both of Cassville, enjoyed their Halloween at the First Christian Church Trunk or Treat in Cassville.



Sisters Tori and Cami Pippin, of Exeter, were all smiles at the Calvary Baptist Church Trunk or Treat in Exeter.



Assistant Fire Chief Bo Prock and Chief Nick Mercer handed out glow in the dark bracelets and candy to trick or treaters on Monday evening. Charleigh Brown, daughter of Tate and Kindria Brown, of Purdy, is shown above with the Purdy Fire Crew.



Adi Hilburn and mom Hilary Thomas opened up the Psalms Cafe during the Corinth Baptist Church Trunk or Treat in Cassville on Sunday night.



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OBITUARIES



ALVIN LEON “AL” STANLEY
Alvin Leon “Al” Stanley, age 76, passed away Saturday, October 29, 2022, at Oak Pointe of Neosho in Neosho. He was born in Seligman, the son of Ruby Lester and Ersie Marie (David) Stanley. On June 27, 1969, in Galena, he was united in marriage to Carma Simpson, who preceded him in death on January 17, 1997. Also preceding him in death were his parents; one brother, Lynn Stanley; and one sister, Wanda Jean Stanley. Surviving are one son, Chris Stanley and his wife, Martha, of Kirbyville; three daughters, Shelly Stanley, of Springfield, Kelley Stanley, of Warrensburg, and Ashleigh Davidson and her husband, Gage, of Seligman; two brothers, Raymond Stanley and his wife, Pat, of Grove,

Oklahoma, and Neil Stanley and his wife, Cleta, of Seligman; one sister, Eldora Pratt and her husband, J.R., of Seligman; six grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter. Al lived his entire life in the Seligman area, graduating from Southwest High School in Washburn and later attended Community College of the Air Force. He joined the United States Air Force from where he retired as master sergeant after serving for twenty-six years. During this time, he served in the Vietnam War and was very proud of his military service and being a Vietnam Veteran. After returning home, he had various jobs that included working at Dollywood, Silver Dollar City, raising cattle and working at Pea Ridge High School in the maintenance department. Al enjoyed fishing, NASCAR, tinkering with motors, watching wildlife, donating to the lottery and traveling. He loved his cows and his dog, Jake. He was of the Christian faith. Graveside services with military honors will be held at 11:00 A.M. Thursday, November 3, 2022, at Nolan Cemetery in Galena under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Evangelist Rick Stanley will conduct the

services.

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KATHY GAIL (FILBECK) WHITE
Kathy Gail (Filbeck) White, age 61, of Washburn, gained her angel wings on Friday, October 21, 2022. The daughter of Charles and Barbara (Pickard) Filbeck, Kathy was born in Wichita Falls, Texas, on May 10, 1961. On November 30, 2000, Kathy was united in marriage to Joe White, in Bentonville, Arkansas; he survives. Kathy was a steady rock for her family and friends. She had a huge heart and a beautiful soul, brightening the world for anyone she was near. Kathy will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her. Fly high, dear heart. Rest

easy ‘till we see you again. Love you forever, 1 4 3
In addition to her husband, Joe White, Kathy is survived by one daughter, Ashley Filbeck, of Washburn; two sons, AJ Meyer and David Husser, both of Avoca, Arkansas; four grandchildren, Savanna, Summer, Stormy, and Wyatt; four siblings, Charlean Wilson, Charles S. Filbeck Jr., Tim Filbeck and his wife, Lisa, all of Arkansas, and LaVaughn Gore and her husband, Sam, of Georgia; nieces, Jennifer Bearden, Bobbie Barrentine, Jenet Meeks; nephews, Sam Gore Jr., Ryan Filbeck, Anthony Filbeck, John Groover; as well as many great nieces and nephews. Kathy was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Barbara Filbeck, and one brother-in-law, Steve Wilson. No services are scheduled at this time. Memorial contribution in honor of Kathy Gail (Filbeck) White may be made to the family, or entrusted to White Funeral Home and Crematory, P.O. Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of White Funeral Home and Crematory of Cassville.

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Cassville Senior Center to hold Veterans Lunch

The Cassville Senior Center, along with Security Bank of Southwest Missouri, are sponsoring a Veterans lunch on Friday, November 11, beginning at noon at the senior center, located at 1111 Fair Street in Cassville. All Veterans and their spouses are invited.

Cassville School to Host 34th Annual Veterans Day Assembly

Cassville High School will be hosting their 34th Annual Veterans Day assembly on Friday, November 11, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. The event will be located in the high school gymnasium and is open to the public. The assembly will include performances from the Cassville Mass Choir and Concert Band, a reading of essays written by Cassville students about the meaning of heroes and freedom, and a performance by the JROTC demonstrating the Thirteen Folds of the American Flag. Seating for the event will begin at 8:30 a.m. Any veterans that will be in attendance are invited to sign in at the registration table upon arrival so that they can be recognized for their service during the ceremony. At the conclusion of the ceremony, there will be a reception held in the FEMA gym. Pulled pork sandwiches, chips and dessert will be served for all veterans and their family members. For any additional information, please contact the school at 417-847-3137.

SW Schools to hold Veteran's Day Assembly

SW School will hold their annual Veteran's Day Assembly on Friday, November 11. All area Veterans and their families are invited to the annual assembly. Family members of students are also encouraged to attend. Lunch will be served to Veterans and their families beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the high school commons area, with the assembly beginning at 12:30 p.m.

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by Jill Pertler

Exploring love
“We’ve been infected with this idea that love is an emotion only felt between two people. But love is a universal energy.”
A.R. Lucas

Today, let’s explore the topic of love.
I think when we look back at life - at the end of it all - what we’ll remember most is love. And, as was referenced above, not just the romantic love we’ve experienced, but ALL of it, every bit of it. Love is all around us, every second of every day, if we are open and aware. Receiving as well as giving. I know that may sound corny, but it is truth (with a capital T).
Love fuels the soul. It makes the heart beat a little faster. It makes us catch our breath and causes our lips to curl upward. It improves our mood and makes life worth living. Love comes in many forms. It can be spectacular and it can be everyday - and everything in-between.
Noticing the beauty of dewy water droplets on blades of grass in the morning is love.
A mama duck leading a trail of her ducklings across the path is love.
Feeling the positive energy in a smile from a stranger is love.
A sunrise. A sunset. A full moon. A starry night. All love when seen and felt from the heart.
The same can be said for helping a turtle cross the road. Feeding birds in the winter. Rescuing a spider from your kitchen and bringing it outside.
Love isn’t complicated. It’s superbly simple when pure and done right. When done from within - from the heart.
Many of us live under the misconception that love comes from without - from other people, from the world at large. I don’t believe this to be true. Real love comes from within. It starts there, grows there and blooms there.
Once you embrace the love from within - truly embrace and accept it. Once you open yourself fully to it and understand its importance to your well-being and joy, then you can appreciate and enjoy the love all around you. You will be more open to accepting love because you are fully encompassed on spreading your own.

24th annual Check Out Hunger Campaign begins this month at local grocers

Ozarks Food Harvest is partnering with more than 60 local grocers for their 24th annual Check Out Hunger campaign to help provide meals for families this holiday season. The campaign begins November 1 and continues through December 31. Check Out Hunger allows customers to round-up or add a \$1, \$3 or \$5 tax-free donation to their grocery bill when checking out at local retailers. Every dollar raised through Check Out Hunger will help provide \$10 worth of groceries to children, families and seniors facing hunger in southwest Missouri. This year, participating grocers include Apple Market, Country Mart, Harter House, King Cash Saver, King Food Saver, Price Cutter, Ramey, Rhodes Family Price Chopper, Town & Country Supermarket and Woods Supermarket. Participating grocery stores will also have Check Out Hunger signs at the checkout lanes. When a customer decides to donate to the campaign, the cashier scans the donation barcode and the tax-free gift is added to their grocery bill. The cashier also provides the customer a paper apple to sign and display at the store to show their support for hunger relief. “We’re planning to see more families needing food assistance this holiday season as food prices continue to increase due to inflation,” said Bart Brown, President and CEO of Ozarks Food Harvest. “We’re so thankful for our local grocers and community members for stepping up to help their neighbors in need during this critical time.” In southwest Missouri, 1 in 5 children and 1 in 6 adults

As you sow your seeds and spread and grow this love outward, it returns to you exponentially, because you can’t give love without receiving it in return. That’s just how the universe operates. You benefit just as much from the love you give as from the love you receive - maybe even more so.
That’s the magic in it.
I think of the concept of love like an ice cream sundae. It starts with a scoop of ice cream at its core. It wouldn’t be a sundae without the ice cream. This is the love that comes from within.
Love from the world at large - people, animals, hobbies, passions, nature - is the whipped cream, hot fudge, sprinkles and other toppings. They enhance the sundae but without the ice cream, you are left with a bowl of condiments. They can’t stand alone. Without the base of ice cream, they fall flat.
The same goes for your ability to love others if you don’t first love yourself.
We talk of unconditional love. When my husband first left this earth, I reflected on our great love story and made it my goal to love even better and more fully in the future. I wanted to love other people unconditionally.
But I’ve changed my mind - or at least my choice of words. I’ve come to the conclusion that the term unconditional love is sort of an unnecessary phrase and perhaps even repetitive.
All love should be unconditional. Putting conditions on love negates it. It makes it less than love. Love, felt truly, madly, deeply from the heart is infinite and without conditions. It is love - plain and simple. Miraculous. Wonder-filled and wonderful. Infinite, expanding, without beginning or end. Love traverses time and thought. It is bigger than any of us as individuals, yet it lives individually within each of us. It encompasses us all. It is both within and without.
It just is. Now and forever. Beyond the end of “time” as we perceive it.
And that thought, I think, is unconditionally beautiful and even (if you’ll forgive me) lovely.
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face hunger, meaning they don’t know where their next meal will come from. Ozarks Food Harvest reaches nearly 50,000 individuals monthly and provides more than 20 million meals annually across its 28-county service area. Last year, Ozarks Food Harvest’s Check Out Hunger campaign raised nearly \$54,000 to help provide more than 210,000 meals to children, families and seniors in southwest Missouri. Since 1998, the holiday campaign has collected more than \$730,000 — providing 3.3 million meals.



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From The Roots Up

by Susan Lane

Greetings Friends! So the harvest is in, and you think the gardening season is over, and it's football weather. Yes, it is football weather, but gardening is not over. It's time to clean up our gardens now. Each year after the first frost, I go in and pull out all the old plants and remove all the stems, leaves, and veggies that have fallen to the ground. Cleaning the garden is crucial for pest and disease control for the next growing year.
I rake it all off, pull it out, and do whatever to get the ground clean. By doing so, I reduce my chances for diseases to be left to spread into my next growing season and remove the habitat for pests to hide in the soil and breed the following year.
Pest and disease-free plants can be composted if your compost pile reaches 140 degrees. This can be achieved by layering in fresh cow or horse manure. If you have livestock, they love to eat the "leftovers" from the garden. We have pigs, so that's easy; throw it over the fence, and the pigs go wild with excitement. Pigs and chickens are excellent garden cleaner-uppers! In my raised beds, I haul the stuff off to the pigs and chickens, but for the in-ground gardens, I just let the chickens in first for a few days, then pigs in for a day or so, and they eat it to the ground. I don't leave the pigs in for more than a couple of days, though, because I don't want the earth compacted, just cleaned. And I do not let livestock grow in any area that has had veggies from the nightshade family. These plants can be fatal if consumed by livestock. The nightshade family includes tomatoes, peppers, potatoes, and eggplant. I learned the hard way by feeding my left-over tomato plants to some goats one year. That turned out to be a sorrowful day for me. As they say, life lessons are hard learned. Since I struggle with disease issues yearly in my tomato plants, I haul them off to the driveway and burn them. I don't mess with trying to compost them.
After clearing my garden area, I start raking my leaves from the yard and spreading them over the garden. I add aged horse and cow manure, clean out the chicken house, and add that all in. We till all that in and let it do its work over the winter to enrich my soil for next year. I have been doing some research into planting cover crops but have yet to do any actual planting of cover crops. The no-till method is very popular too. Add layers of "good stuff" to the garden and let it be. Preparing your soil in the fall gets you a jump start into planting in the spring. Now is the time to prepare for next year's garden. Enjoy!



What You'll Pay for Medicare in 2023

Dear Savvy Senior,

I've read that retirees will be getting a nice cost-of-living increase in our Social Security benefits next year but what about Medicare? What will our Medicare Part B monthly premiums and other Medicare costs be in 2023?

Planning Ahead

Dear Planning,

From an entitlement program standpoint, 2023 is going to be a very good year for retirees! Not only will you receive a nice 8.7 percent cost-of-living increase in your Social Security retirement benefits – the largest since 1981 – the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services also recently announced that your Medicare Part B standard monthly premium will be lowered 3 percent (\$5.20) from the current rate of \$170.10 per month, to \$164.90/month in 2023.

The reason for the reduction is a correction to last year's hefty Part B premium increase, which was larger than it needed to be. The 2022 premium hike of about 14.5 percent was announced amid uncertainty about the potential impact of a new Alzheimer's drug called Aduhelm, which threatened to explode Medicare costs. That didn't happen. The cost of the drug was cut roughly in half from an original \$56,000 a year and Medicare sharply limited coverage. This created a large

financial reserve for Part B, allowing the program to reduce next year's premium.

You'll also be happy to know that in addition to the premium reduction, the annual deductible for Medicare Part B will also be lowered \$7 from \$233 in 2022, to \$226 in 2023. And if you have a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan, the average premium in 2023 will be about \$31.50, which is a 1.8 percent decrease from \$32.08 in 2022.

But the news isn't all rosy. The deductible for Medicare Part A (hospital coverage) per benefit period (which generally starts when you are admitted to the hospital) will be \$1,600 in 2023, up \$44 from this year's \$1,556. That applies to the first 60 days of inpatient care. For the 61st through 90th day, the coinsurance will be \$400 per day, up from \$389 this year. And for days 91 to 150, the charge will be \$800 per day (up from \$778 in 2022).

And the skilled nursing facility coinsurance for days 21-100 will also increase to \$200 per day, up from \$194.50 in 2022.

Wealthy Beneficiary Breaks

High earning Medicare beneficiaries, which makes

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up about 7 percent of all Medicare recipients, will also receive a break in 2023. Medicare surcharges for high earners are based on adjusted gross income from two years earlier, which means that 2023 Part B premiums are determined by 2021 annual income.

So, if your 2021 income was above \$97,000 up to \$123,000 (\$194,000 up to \$246,000 for married couples filing jointly), your 2023 Part B monthly premium will be \$230.80, down from \$238.10 in 2022.

Monthly premiums for singles with an income between \$123,000 and \$153,000 (\$246,000 and \$306,000 for joint filers) will decrease from \$340.20 to \$329.70 in 2023.

Individuals earning above \$153,000 up to \$183,000 (\$306,000 to \$366,000 for joint filers) will see their monthly premium decrease from \$442.30 to \$428.60 in 2023.

Those with incomes above \$183,000 up to \$500,000 (\$366,000 to \$750,000 for joint filers), your 2023 Part B premium will be \$527.50, down from \$544.30 in 2022.

And single filers with income of \$500,000 or more (\$750,000 or more for joint filers) will pay \$560.50 per month next year, versus this year's premium of \$578.30.

High-income beneficiaries with a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan will also pay a little less next

Stock Market Insights

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Positive Signs

Across the street from our house is an Indian Sign Tree. Native Americans would bend over young trees to hold the position and point travelers toward water or a trail. These trees were always helpful to the general community. Investors have taken notice of a couple of good, well-positioned signs too.

The S&P 500 stocks have rallied in the last 30 days over 5%. They are reacting to a positive Gross Domestic Product (GDP) report and positive signs from Federal Reserve officials.

Sign #1 GDP. Good news came on Thursday, October 27, 2022, when the GDP report showed it had grown by 2.6% from July through Sep-

year. If your income was over \$97,000 (\$194,000 for joint filers) you'll pay a \$12.20 to \$76.40 monthly surcharge on top of your regular Part D premiums based on your income level.

For more information on Medicare's 2023 costs see [Medicare.gov/basics/costs/](https://www.medicare.gov/basics/costs/) medicare-costs.

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

tember. This change breaks the cycle of two negative GDP quarters in a row.

The American consumer is continuing to spend, which pushes up the GDP. For example, many consumers are still planning to buy a car and large appliances within the next six months as prices continue to return to normal, according to LPL. Families spent less than they did the previous quarter but still enough to prop up the economy.

Sign #2 Federal Reserve speeches. The Federal Reserve (Fed) officials are making their rounds and giving many speeches. The Fed speakers have been concerned with the effects of the rate hike pace. Analysts following these speeches hope this means the Fed is losing its appetite for rate increases. If they slow the rate hikes, as expected, it could help ease many of the bond market's stresses.

We haven't seen the Fed raise interest rates this aggressively since the 1970s. Unfortunately, the full effect of these rate increases takes a few months to play out. The Fed was slow in responding

to inflation, and I hope they aren't slow in responding to pumping the brake before their policies create economic damage.

Discovering Indian Trees was one of my favorite parts of growing up in the Ozarks. I would imagine what it was like to be an Indian walking a strange trail and being surprised to find a sign pointing me to water. As a boy, I would walk in the direction the tree was pointing and find the spring the thoughtful sign maker was pointing to. I hope the leaders of our country are paying attention to the signs as well.

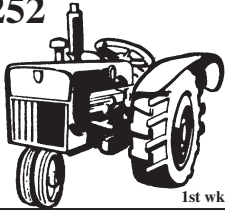
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MDC reports Missouri hunters took eight black bears this season

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reports that Missouri hunters harvested eight black bears during the 2022 bear-hunting season, Oct. 17–26.

More than 5,880 hunters applied during May for 400 permits for the season with the maximum total harvest being 40 bears. Of the 400 hunters selected through a random drawing of all applicants, 350 hunters purchased permits for the season.

Bear hunting in Missouri is limited to Missouri residents and restricted to three designated areas of southern Missouri called Bear Management Zones (BMZ). Each permit issued is for a specific BMZ and hunting is limited to public or private property within the BMZ.

All eight bears were harvested in BMZ 1 out of a maximum of 20 with 177 hunters purchasing permits to hunt the zone. No bears were harvested in BMZ 2 out of a maximum of 15 with 128 hunters purchasing permits to hunt the zone. No bears were harvested in BMZ 3 out of a maximum of 5 with 45 hunters purchasing permits to hunt the zone.

This year, three of the eight bears harvested were taken with bows. During last year's inaugural season, all 12 black bears harvested were



Chase Boggs, of Bolivar, harvested this sow bear with his bow on private land in Douglas County on Oct. 24. MDC data on the bear showed she was seven years of age. Shown with Boggs is Douglas County Conservation Agent Mark Henry.

taken with firearms. MDC notes that an even ratio of male and female bears was harvested this year, similar to last.

“We anticipated a lower harvest this season over last,” said MDC Bear Biologist Nate Bowersock. “Bears love gorging on acorns in the fall and the acorn crop around the state was much more plentiful this season over last. This resulted in bears moving less often and being more

dispersed, which made it more difficult for hunters to find them.”

Learn more about Missouri black bears and bear hunting in Missouri at mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/bear.

Young hunters harvest 13,759 deer during early youth firearms deer season

Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that young hunters ages 6 through 15 harvested 13,759 deer during Missouri's early youth portion of the 2022 deer hunting season, October 29-30. Top counties were Franklin with 330 deer harvested, Osage with 310, and Howell with 260. Youth hunters harvested 15,608 during last year's early youth portion.

“Saturday’s conditions were fairly comfortable for our young deer hunters,” said MDC’s Cervid Program Supervisor Jason Isabelle. “Although the rain we received in portions of the state on Sunday was much needed given the ongoing drought, it did put a bit of a damper on the latter half of the early youth portion.”

Missouri's archery deer and turkey season continues through Nov. 11 and resumes Nov. 23 through Jan. 15, 2023. The November portion of firearms deer season runs Nov. 12-22 followed by the late youth portion Nov. 25-27. The antlerless portion of firearms deer season runs Dec. 3-11 (in open counties) followed by the alternative methods portion Dec. 24 through Jan. 3, 2023.



Meyah Peckham, of Wheaton, bagged her first deer during youth season, with the assistance of her uncle, Randy Stewart, at 7 a.m. on opening day. Meyah is the daughter of Mindi and Tim Peckham, and the granddaughter of Mike and Gina Stewart. Did you have a young hunter harvest a deer during early youth firearm season in Barry County? Submit your photos to editor@4bca.com.

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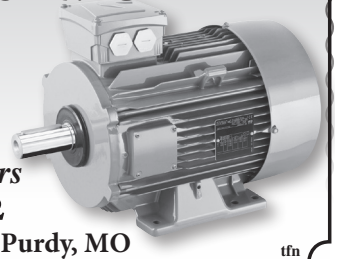
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Find Missouri's ranking dates for ACEP and other conservation programs at www.nrcs.usda.gov/staterankingdates/. To learn more or apply, please visit your local NRCS Missouri field office, or contact Tracey Wiggins, Easement Coordinator, at tracey.wiggins@USDA.gov or (573) 876-9406.

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1947 INTERNATIONAL KB ½ TON STREET ROD, VIN# GRD214149, 2 DOOR PANEL DELIVERY, 409 MILES, FULL FENDER ALL STEEL BODY STREET ROD, SBC 8 CYL ENGINE, AUTO TRANS, CHROME 12V ALTERNATOR, 4 WHEEL DISC BRAKES, RACK & PINON STEERING, TILT WHEEL, CUSTOM STEEL WHEELS W/HUB CAPS, STAGGERED FITMENT RADIAL TIRES, HIGH FLOW DUAL EXHAUST, FORD 9” REAR AXLE DUAL MASTER CYL, CUSTOM INTERIOR UNDER CONSTRUCTION, SMOOTHED CHOPPED BODY, LOWERED SUSPENSION, BILLET KNOBS, HID HEAD LIGHTS—1949 FORD WAGON WOODY STREET ROD VIN# 98BA522915 , 2 DOOR WOODY WAGON UNDER CONSTRUCTION, THIS CAR IS DISASSEMBLED, SEVERAL PARTS INCLUDED -1947 OLDSMOBILE SERIES 66 COUPE STREET ROD VIN# 66K4601, 2 DOOR 5 WINDOW COUPE, THIS STREET ROD IS DISASSEMBLED AND UNDER CONSTRUCTION, IT HAS PARTS TO BE MODIFIED, EXTERIOR IN PRIMER, SOME PARTS HAVE BEEN RE-FINISHED, SEVERAL PARTS INCLUDED—ALLIS CHALMERS 160 TRACTOR, DIESEL, WIDE FRONT END RUNS GOOD—INTERNATIONAL M FARMALL W/ LOADER, WIDE FRONT END, NEEDS WORK—FARMALL C PARTS TRACTOR, NARROW FRONT END—FARMALL SUPER C PARTS TRACTOR, WIDE FRONT END—INTERNATIONAL 460 TRACTOR DON'T RUN—INTERNATIONAL 460 DIESEL TRACTOR W/LOADER, WIDE FRONT END NEEDS INJECTOR PUMP—INTERNATIONAL FARMALL C TRACTOR WIDE FRONT END, RUNS—INTERNATIONAL H FARMALL PARTS TRACTOR NARROW FRONT END—1968 MODEL DUMP TRUCK W/BIG BLOCK MOTOR C60 SERIES, DON'T RUN—16' FLAT BED TRAILER TANDEM AXLE W/RAMPS—OLDSMOBILE PARTS CAR—ALLIS CHALMERS 6' BRUSH HOG—JOHN DEERE 2010 BACK HOE W/22" BUCKET NEEDS WORK—5' FORD BRUSH HOG—JOHN DEERE 550 4' ROTO TILLER 3 PT—2 PT INTERNATIONAL 2 BOTTOM PLOW—3 PT CARRY ALL—3 PT HOMEMADE BAY SPIKE—KING CUTTER 5' ROCK RAKE—GANNON BOX BLADE W/RIPPERS 6'-2 PT INTERNATIONAL WHEEL DISC—6' 3 PT BLADE—LAWN SWEEP—50 GAL SPRAYER—HUSQVARNA RIDING MOWER 36" CUT 15 HP, DON'T RUN—HUSQVARNA YTH24K48 RIDING MOWER 48" CUT, KOHLER 24 HP NEEDS WORK—PORTABLE DIESEL TANK--DITCH WITCH PILE WEIGHTS--SEEDER

TOOLS

BOSTITCH PANCAKE AIR COMPRESSOR 12 AMP, 6 GAL, 110 VT—SNAP ON CHEST TOOL BOX 12 DRAWER W/SIDE CABINET, 9 DRAWER CABINET—SNAP ON 6 DRAWER CHEST W/4 DRAWER SIDE CABINET, 5 DRAWER CABINET W/ SIDE CABINET—SNAP ON 7 DRAWER CABINET—DIAGNOSTIC CABINET—SNAP ON 3 DRAWER CABINET—3 METAL STORAGE CABINETS—CRAFTSMAN 12" BAND SAW—BLACK HAWK 5/8" DRILL PRESS—VICTOR OXYGEN ACETYLENE TORCH—SHOP FOX 5" X 6" BAND SAW—BUFFALO 6" BAND SAW—CRAFTSMAN DISC SANDER—CHERRY PICKER 2 ½ TON—MICHELIN 3 ½ TON FLOOR JACK—SUN INVESTIGATOR GAS DIESEL ANALYZER—4 DRAWER FILE CABINET—6 TON JACK STANDS—PORTABLE ROLLER—SAW HORSES—4 WHEEL DOLLY'S—CREEPERS--HALOGEN LIGHTS—PAPER MASKING STATION—2 SNAP ON ROLL AROUND CARTS—SNAP ON SOCKETS, RATCHETS, TORC WRENCHES, EXTENSIONS, ALLEN WRENCHES, SCREWDRIVERS, VISE GRIPS, PUNCHES, SNAP RING PLIERS, SPOT WELD CUTTER—MAC SOCKETS, WRENCHES, RATCHETS—MATCO WRENCHES, ALLEN WRENCHES—LOTS OF OTHER SNAP ON, MAC & MATCO—TITAN RATCHETS—WRENCHES, CRESCENT WRENCHES, CHANEL LOCKS—INNER TIRE ROD TOOL—LETTER PUNCH SET—SERPENTINE BELT WRENCHES—RATCHETING WRENCHES—TIN SNIPS, VISE GRIPS, DRILL BITS, CLECO FASTENERS—SHEET METAL FOLDERS—HOSE CUTTERS—BATTERY CHARGERS—HACK SAW—MO-CLAMP FRAME & BODY TOOLS—ROLLING 3 DRAWER SEAT—WERNER WORK PLATFORM—MATCO STUD SPOT'TER W/PULLER—ASSORT HAMMERS—SANDING BLOCKS—STRAIGHT LINE BODY FILES—BAR CLAMPS—SLIDE HAMMERS—AIR RIVET GUN—HOLE SAW—CAULKING GUNS—ELECT THERMOMETER—BIG DADDY DOOR RIVETER—10 TON PORT A POWER—MISC PULLERS, PRY BARS—ELECTRICAL TESTERS—RING GROVE CLEANER & COMPRESSOR—PUNCHES & CHISELS—STAPLE GUNS—AIR NAILS—CHEMICALS, SPRAYS, WAXES, PAINT, FILTERS, SANDING DISC—AIR PAINT GUNS—BUFFING WHEELS—PAINT BRUSHES—HAND RIVET GUNS—FUEL PUMP & GAUGE TESTER—OBD2 SCANNER—VACUUM PUMP—FLARING TOOLS—HARMONIC BALANCE PULLER—MICROMETERS--THREAD SETTER—HOLE PUNCH—TAP & DIE SET—NUT CERT INSERT FASTENER—MIGHTY VACUUM TESTER—COOLING SYSTEM PRESSURE TESTER—COMPRESSION TESTER—RADIATOR CAP ADAPTER SET—RATCHET STRAPS—MEASURING TAPES—6" BENCH GRINDER—AXLE NUT SOCKET SET—AIR IMPACTS, BUTTERFLY'S, HAMMERS, DRILLS, RATCHETS, DIE GRINDERS, SHEARS, SANDERS, STRAIGHT LINE SANDER, STEP FLANGE TOOLS—ELECT DRILLS, RIGHT ANGLE, 3/8 & ½, SAW ZALLS, SKIL SAWS, HEAT GUN, DREMEL MULTI PURPOSE TOOL, DRILL DOCTOR—4" & 6" DELTA BELT DISC COMBO—JIG SAWS, JAM SAWS—FINISH NAILERS, STAPLERS, COIL NAILERS, STRAIGHT LINE NAILER—CYLINDER BORING LOCK SET—SHOP VAC 6 ½ HP—SHOP FANS—CHAIN FALL—COME ALONGS-- CHAIN BOOMERS—HAND SPRAYER—5" VISE—MACHINIST VISE—WOODWARD FAB EDGER—24" BOX & PAN BRAKE—BEVERLY SHEAR—RACE RAMPS—AIR CONDT GAUGES—BOTTLE JACKS—SCRAP BATTERIES—5' ALUM LADDER—6' FIBERGLASS LADDER—EXT CORDS—RIGID TILE SAW—LAWN MOWER JACK—1 LOT MISC MOTOR PARTS, STARTERS, ALTERNATORS, DISTRIBUTORS, EDEL BROCK & DEMON CARBURETORS—MISC SCRAP METAL--(2) 350 TURBO CHEVY TRANSMISSIONS—FORD AUTO TRANSMISSION--(2) CHEVY SMALL BLOCK ENGINES COMPLETE—CHEVY SMALL BLOCK PARTS ENGINE—FORD ENGINE COMPLETE—FORD PARTS ENGINE--(2) MOTOR STANDS--(2) ENGINE CRADLES—MOTOR TEST STAND--(2) BODY SHOP STANDS—GRACO PAINT SPRAYERS—BOOKS & MANUALS

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MoDOT Extends Overwidth Hauling Permit to Aid Hay Movement

Continued drought conditions through much of the state have prompted the Missouri Department of Transportation to extend the special overwidth hauling permit for hay at no cost through Dec. 1, 2022. Loads must be of legal height, length and weight. Permits can be requested online using the MoDOT Carrier Express online service. To have the fee waived, customers can write a comment on the application about the fee waiver or call in when submitting their application to have the agent waive the fee.

Before hauling, drivers must apply for the special overwidth permit for loads that exceed 8 feet 6 inches in width and map their route to avoid work zones, bridges and other areas that have weight, narrow lane or height restrictions. This information, as well as a special bridge and height restriction view, is available on the MoDOT Traveler Information Map at www.modot.org.

MoDOT's waiver and special overwidth permit allows drivers in Missouri to:

- Obtain the permit at no cost.
- Haul hay loads of up to 12 feet 6 inches in width using a blanket permit.
- Haul hay loads up to 14 feet in width using a single-trip permit.
- Move hay during holiday periods and at night.
- At night, or when visibility is less than 500 feet, drivers must use a reflective, oversized load sign and clearance lights instead of the normal flags required at the edges of the load.
- Drivers must adhere to all permit requirements, such as using proper signing and lighting and stopping at weigh stations.
- Drivers are also advised that most of the southeastern United States is currently under a quarantine zone for imported fire

ants, which can easily spread through the movement of hay. Farmers and ranchers who believe they have received fire ants in a shipment of hay should call their local University of Missouri Extension agent as soon as possible.

To obtain a permit, hay haulers should visit www.modot.org/mce to login and use MoDOT Carrier Express to order hay permit(s). The login page also provides a link to obtain a Customer ID and password for those who are not regular users of MoDOT Carrier Express. Haulers will need the make, license plate number and vehicle identification number (VIN) of the power unit and must provide the farm business name and address. MoDOT permits cover movement within Missouri only and are required for each truck. Please call MoDOT's Motor Carrier Services office at 1-800-877-8499 if you have questions. Those who hold the special hay permit that expires on Oct. 31 will be issued one that is effective Nov. 1 through Dec. 1.

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These estimates are designed to give cow/calf producers a general idea of winter feed costs based on current prices. They may help with the decision to keep or sell livestock and to buy or not buy additional hay or other feed supplies.

You can download the Beef Cow Feed Cost Dashboard spreadsheet at <https://mizzou.us/BCFCD>.

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