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# "Superfund" Site Continues to Raise Concerns with Verona Citizens, Part 2

Adriana Keeton  
This is part two of a series. Part one can be found in last week's issue of the Advertiser.

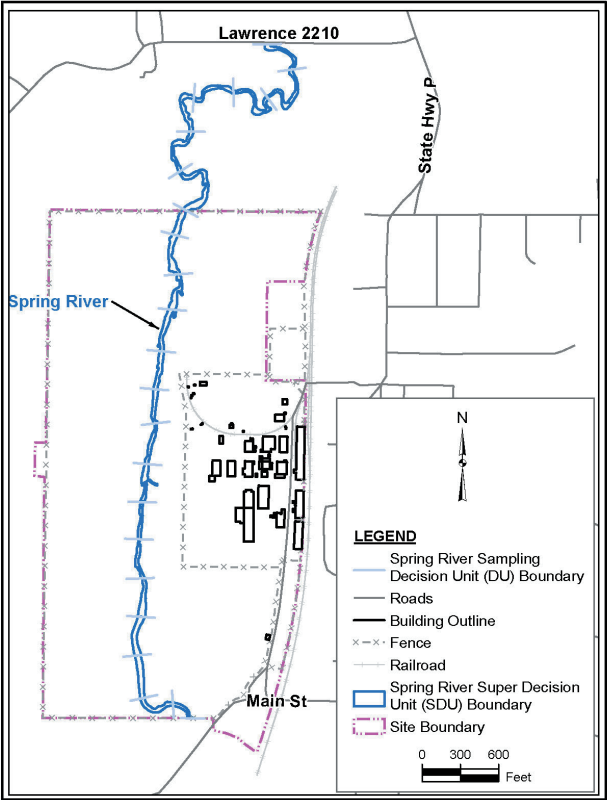
After ProPublica's analysis was released, Verona City Mayor Joseph Heck started asking questions and demanded government agencies look into the toxic air pollution and increased cancer risk within the city.

"I started doing my own research and I contacted the EPA with my concerns," said Mayor Heck. "We're a small town and to hear about these chemicals and what they are doing, its just not normal to sit and talk about chemicals like that here. I didn't even know what Ethylene Oxide was."

Ethylene Oxide, the chemical in question, is a known carcinogenic to humans by inhalation route of exposure. Evidence in humans indicate that exposure to the chemical increases not only the risk of Lymphoid Cancer, but Breast Cancer in females.

After Heck demanded officials look into the BCP facility, the Department of Health and Senior Services launched a cancer study in March of this year and the data released just a few months later confirmed what Heck and citizens of the community had already suspected. Between 1999 and 2018, seventeen individuals were diagnosed with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma in the 65769 zip code, which has a population of 2,979.

According to an EPA inspection report, EPA Compliance Inspector Lorenzo Sena, along with two other EPA compliance officers, arrived at the facility on June 7, unannounced, for inspection to determine if the facility was in compliance with the Clean Air Act and to investigate a spill of over 1,200 pounds of ethylene oxide which occurred while an ethylene oxide railcar was being emptied into storage tanks



BCP Industrials, Inc. sits on an approximate 180 acre site in Verona.

on a north loading platform in April of this year. The inspection report showed sixteen deficiencies were found over the two days EPA compliance inspectors were at the facility. This inspection raised even more concerns

See Superfund 3A

# Local Group dedicated to Veteran Mental Health

Ezra DeVore  
"Our motto is 'To serve those who have already served,'" says Scott Hettinger, leader of Charlie 22 Outdoors, a local veterans group dedicated to "show the meaning and grace that only comes from God," and help veterans through their mental health struggles. "We battle the PTSD and demons our military personnel face everyday."

Hettinger states that one of the greatest issues veterans face is struggling alone with fraying mental health. According to a CDC statement from June of this year, it is estimated that of the 130 suicides per day in 2021, 17 were veterans. However, Hettinger states that some estimates of daily veteran suicide are as high as 44, upon considering acts that aren't direct suicide, but substance abuse leading to eventual death. Individuals in this state may be at risk of putting themselves in deadly situations, with little care for their own health or safety.

"One a day is too many," Hettinger states. Signs to notice, he says, are: "If you notice somebody that is withdrawn, reclusive - they show signs of anxiety or depression, or they make statements that show a reason to be concerned: 'Why do I need to live,' 'Why am I here?' It's different for everybody, though."

Hettinger states that there is an application process for the events that are held nationwide to determine "who could benefit most from coming to an event." These events can be one to four days, and are meant as retreats to bring one closer to who they want to become, as well as to their community. Hettinger says that these issues of PTSD and other challenges that military personnel face are best faced surrounded by those one trusts and can relate to.

Though the program is faith-based, the retreats aren't always to churches. "Church can take place on a boat in the ocean. Church for us is getting the men and women together and letting them heal together. To let the veterans get together with their family and their friends - when they can relate to each other, it's healing. The last two years, I've noticed that every event has been returning veterans coming back to be a part of it, and to help it go forward. To see the veterans take ownership in this ministry - that's what we want, they're like family." Activities the groups do include hunting, fishing, sailing, golfing, horse therapy, and similar outdoor activities to recover communally, including events hosted at Roaring River State Park.

Hettinger states that one of the difficulties arising due to the organization paying for travel expenses and lodging is that of finances, and thus, Hettinger states that "prayer, volunteers, and donations," are what the organization needs most.

To reach Scott Hettinger and sign up for yourself or another for the program, interested persons may contact charlie22outdoors@gmail.com. To learn more, please visit www.charlie22outdoors.com.

# Missouri Republicans Have Historic Night



Adriana Keeton  
Tuesdays election made state history for the GOP. Come January 2023, Republicans will hold supermajorities in the Missouri House, Senate, as well as occupying all state-wide elected offices with Scott Fitzpatrick as the

Eric Schmitt took the U.S. Senator seat by 55.4% statewide (77.82% locally); Barry County local, Scott Fitzpatrick won 59.4% of the votes statewide (84% locally); and Eric Burlison swept the House District 7 position by a landslide, earning 70.9% of the votes statewide (80.67% locally).

County wide unofficial results show the follow candidates ran unopposed: State Representative District 158 Scott Cupps, Associate Circuit Judge Division 1 Johnnie Cox, Associate Circuit Judge Division 2 Robert Foulke, Presiding Commissioner Steve Blankenship, County Clerk Joyce Ennis, Circuit Clerk Craig Williams, Re-

corder of Deeds Danielle Still, Treasurer Gretta Tripp, Prosecuting Attorney Amy Boxx, and Collector of Revenue Skyler Bowman.

Of the five states nationwide, Missouri, Arkansas, North Dakota, South Dakota and Maryland, which had recreational marijuana amendments on the ballot, only two states passed. Missouri and Maryland will be added to the list of states approving recreational sale of marijuana in the coming year. Locally, Barry County residents responded with a heavy "No" to Amendment 3 by 68.41%, but statewide, voters were almost equally divided with the "Yes" taking a narrow win by 53.1%.

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# Thanksgiving: Have an Attitude of Gratitude

*Bryan Golden*  
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If you have enough to eat, a place to live, a way to get around, people who care about you, or people you care about, then you are wealthy. If you lack any of these elements, you must still be grateful for what you do have, while striving to obtain whatever is absent.

Focus on all positive aspects of your life. Take nothing for granted. Every morning, recharge your appreciation. Be happy for everything there is, not upset over what you feel is missing. Begin your practice of

gratitude each morning as soon as you wake. Every day is a great day. If you have any doubts, try missing one. Take inventory of everything, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, that is good in your life. If it helps, make a written list of all things you are grateful for. Read your list every day. As you do this, you will build and reinforce your attitude of gratitude. Don't waste any time with what you feel you don't have.

Keep things in perspective. Consider all the people who have overcome difficulties far worse than yours. Don't be consumed by your problems, there is always a solution. Maintaining an attitude of gratitude allows your mind to devise a resolution for your circumstances. Make everyday a day of Thanksgiving and you will be amazed how much better your life will become.

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**Superfund from Front**  
and other agencies started paying attention to the Superfund site and how the facility deficiencies could be affecting employees and citizens in the community.

Mayor Heck has made it his mission to stay on top of the situation. He lost his partner and mother to his children, Crystal Payne, in September to cancer and stated, "I will do what I need to do to not see another person be lost to cancer." He credits ProPublica's media exposure for shining a spotlight on the facility and its practices.

Within the last few months, the EPA has brought in three air quality monitors, which are placed by the BCP Industrial, Inc. Facility, on 3rd Street by Verona City Hall, and on the Verona School property. They have also incorporated an air monitoring mobile unit which drives around the city once a week that picks up levels of ethylene oxide in the air.

This is an ongoing investigation and another community meeting has been set for December.

# It's Official....The Winner Is....



Our "Find the Bats" contest, which ran throughout the month of October, has ended. On November 3, with the assistance of Barry County Clerk Joyce Ennis (left), we have drawn the winning entry. Out of 171 correct entries, Kim Cooper, shown above right, of Cassville, is the winner of the gift basket, sponsored by Security Bank of Southwest Missouri. She received a basket full of goodies, as well as \$50 cash.

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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](mailto: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.

Share Your Christmas Signups are from November 7th through the 18th (except for November 11th) from 9 A.M. to 3:30 PM. at the OACAC Barry County Neighborhood Center. Parents must bring Social Security cards for all household members, photo ID and proof of income for the month of October.

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.

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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 Mitchel 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.

## 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.

## Friday, November 11

The Stella Senior Center will host a Dinner and Dance with doors opening at 5:30 PM. and a pot luck buffet style meal at 6 P.M. The Dance starts at 7 P.M. Music will be performed by The Timberline Country Band. Cover charge is \$5. Refreshments are always available. Please call (417) 628-3314 or (417) 489-3661 for more information.

## November 11-13

“Murder in the House of Horrors”, a comedic who-dun-it, will be performed by the Shell Knob theater group, SKITS, at the Central Community United Methodist Church, Shell Knob. Show times are 6:30 P.M. Friday and Saturday evening, and a 2 P.M. matinee on Sunday. Tickets can be purchased online through the SKITS website, <https://shellknobspotlight.com/>, or at the door.

## Saturday, November 12

Country Breakfast will be hosted by Butterfield Firefighters Auxiliary from 7 to 11 A.M. at the Butterfield Fire Station. Menu will include biscuits and gravy, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice, milk and coffee. Price for ages 12 and up is \$5, and under age 12 is \$3. Deliver is available for Butterfield residents.

Firehouse Fundraiser Breakfast will be served from 7 A.M. to 10 A.M. at the Eagle Rock, Golden, Mano Station, 30625 Hwy. 86. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 under 10. All proceeds benefit the station and the efforts of our volunteer fire-fighters. This event can be enjoyed the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month.

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.

## Sunday, November 13

A Fall Harvest Dinner will be hosted by the Eagle Rock Community Association from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M. at the E.R.C.A. building. Free will offerings will be accepted.

## Wednesday, November 16

The Ministerial Alliance Annual Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at 7 P.M. at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Cassville. Pastor Caleb Ryman from Cassville Nazarene will be speaking. An offering will be collected for the benevolence fund the Ministerial Alliance uses throughout the year.

## Friday, December 2

Christmas at the Schoolhouse is a family holiday fund raising event being held at and for Kings Prairie Schoolhouse, 11760 Farm Road 2015, 2.5 miles east of Monett off of Hwy. Z and 60, from 5 to 8 P.M. Santa will be available for photos (please bring your own photo device). Refreshments will be provided and there will be Christmas decorations for sale. For more information, visit Kings Prairie Schoolhouse Facebook page or call (417) 489-4106 or (417) 489-0068.

## In Honor of Veterans

Mill Street Church of Christ, 1104 Mill Street, Cassville, will be hosting a breakfast on Sunday, November 13, at the fellowship hall. Breakfast will be served at 9 A.M. Veterans, active military, families, etc. are encouraged to attend.

Cassville Senior Center, 1111 Fair Street, Cassville, will be having a lunch on Friday, November 11, from 11 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. The meal will be sponsored for Veterans, spouses, and widows, courtesy of Security Bank. For everyone else, the suggested donation is \$3.50 for those 60+ and the price for those under 60 is \$6.

Cassville School will Host 34th Annual Veterans Day Assembly on Friday, November 11, at 9 A.M. The event will be located in the high school gymnasium and is open to the public. The assembly will include musical performances, readings, and a flag demonstration. Seating for the event will begin at 8:30 A.M. At the conclusion of the ceremony, there will be a lunch reception held in the FEMA gym for veterans and their family members. For more information, call the school at (417) 847-3137.

SW School will hold their annual Veterans’ day Assembly on Friday, November 11. All area Veterans and their families are invited. Family member 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. The assembly begins at 12:30 P.M.

Purdy R-II Schools will be holding a Veterans Day Assembly Friday, November 11, at 10:30 A.M. at the FEMA Building in honor of those who have served and/or are serving.



## Holiday Bazaar

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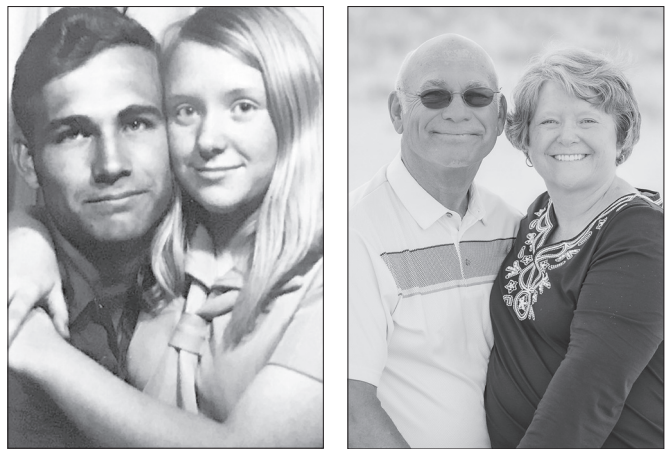
**Cassville R-IV High School:** Mon: B: biscuit and gravy or oatmeal, sausage, toast, pears or cereal, granola bar, orange. L: turkey sandwich or ham sandwich, Doritos, carrot sticks, pears. Tues: B: biscuit and gravy or breakfast pizza, sausage patty, fruit cocktail or cereal, graham cracker, orange. L: pizza or crispito, salad, corn, peaches. Wed: B: biscuit and gravy or breakfast burrito, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. L: nacho supreme or burrito, refried beans, corn, sugar cookie, applesauce. Thurs: B: biscuit and gravy or french toast, sausage patty, peaches or cereal, yogurt cup, apple. L: turkey, gravy or popcorn chicken, potatoes, green beans, hot roll, pumpkin pie, juice. Fri: B: biscuit and gravy or pancake on stick, hashbrown, pineapple or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. L: corn dog or fish sticks, mac & cheese, carrots, fruit cocktail.

**Cassville R-IV PR-IN-Middle:** Mon: B: biscuit and gravy or strawberry bagel, yogurt cup, fruit cocktail or cereal, Pop-Tart, pineapple. L: pizza or crispitos, corn, salad, peaches. Tues: biscuit and gravy or french toast, sausage patty, strawberries or cereal, Teddy Grahams, tropical fruit. L: hotdog or hamburger, Sun Ships, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail. Wed: B: biscuit and gravy or oatmeal, toast, sausage, mandarin oranges or cereal, Pop-Tart, peaches. L: chicken sandwich or burrito, nachos, broccoli and cheese, juice. Thurs: B: biscuit and gravy or scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, peaches or cereal, Rice Krispies Treat, apple. L: turkey and gravy, potatoes, green beans, hot roll, pumpkin pie, Sidekicks. Fri: B: biscuit and gravy or sausage biscuit, hashbrown, applesauce or cereal, chocolate muffin, orange. L: popcorn chicken or tangerine chicken, rice, carrots, egg roll, pears.

**Purdy R-II Schools:** Mon: B: oatmeal, whole wheat cinnamon toast, fruit. L: nachos, Mexican rice, beans, fruit. Tues: B: whole grain biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, fruit. L: spaghetti, tossed salad, tomatoes, ranch, garlic bread, fruit. Wed: whole grain french toast, syrup, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: whole grain chicken smackers, french fries, fruit. Thurs: B: whole grain cini minis, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: sliced turkey, whole grain roll, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, pumpkin cookie. Fri: B: blueberry muffin, Go-Gurt, fruit. L: grilled chicken patty sandwich, whole grain chips, baby carrots, fruit.



*50th Wedding Anniversary*



*Richard and Diane Bittle were married on November 17, 1972 and will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception at Ignite Church in Branson West on Saturday, November 19, 2022. Drop in any time between 2:00-5:00 pm*

*Richard is the son of the late Alton Bittle and Neoma Sherman, and Diane is the daughter of the late Clarence and Lillian Tisher. Both are graduates of Southwest High School in Washburn and college graduates of School of the Ozarks in Point Lookout.*

*Their family has grown to two sons and three grandsons. Michael, wife Melissa, and son Bennick live in Reeds Spring. Greg, wife Joy, and sons Fischer and Hudson live in the St Louis area.*

*The family extends the invitation to join the celebration of this marriage and life of love. Please no gifts, but cards of memories and well wishes may be mailed to PO Box 536, Reeds Spring, MO 65737.*

## Did You Know?

In honor of election day, Tuesday, the *Missouri State Archives* shared the story of (unpassed) Missouri House Bill 954 from 1913, "An act to determine and define what shall constitute a bottle of wine."

Apparently after a colleague failed to pay up the fancy bottle of wine wagered on an election result, Rep. John M Kennedy of Jackson County cheekily introduced the bill condemning anyone "attempting to palm off a pint bottle or a wine of inferior quality" to be "shot at sunrise without benefit of clergy."

It included an emergency clause that would immediately put the measure into effect after passage due to the presence of "A matter of grave dispute among some of our best citizens...and there being no adequate means to settle the controversy."

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## Washburn FBC Second Annual Holiday Bazaar Slotted

*Ezra DeVore*

The second annual Holiday Bazaar is slotted for November 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Washburn. With many returning vendors and some new, organizer Diana Vigil says the bazaar will offer everything one needs for local and homemade Christmas gifts, or personal household items, including holiday decorations, home decor, kitchen items, wreaths for all occasions, unique jewelry - some out of shotgun shells, screen printed hand towels, cutting boards, wood train sets as well as other wooden toys, barbeque hot sauces, soaps, cheeses, and more.

Since 2020, Vigil has been working closely with Jim Irwin, pastor of First Baptist Church, to hold the Bazaar, and this event will conclude the three similar events held at the church annually.

The event will have concession stands operated this year by the Southwest High School Project Graduation to raise money for its namesake. The Holiday Bazaar will be held in the First Baptist Church, located at 618 North 2nd Street in Washburn, at the Activity Center.

## 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 417-847-2113. 2022 taxes become delinquent on January 1, 2023.

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## Turkey hunters check 1,846 birds during fall firearm season

Preliminary data from the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) shows that hunters checked 1,846 turkeys during Missouri's fall firearms turkey season, Oct. 1-31. Top harvest counties were Franklin with 70 birds harvested, Gasconade with 52, and Laclede with 50.

For current fall firearms turkey harvest results by county, go online to MDC's website at [extra.mdc.mo.gov/widgets/harvest\\_table/](https://extra.mdc.mo.gov/widgets/harvest_table/).

Hunters harvested 1,836 birds during the 2021 fall firearms turkey season. For more harvest results for past seasons, visit MDC online at [mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey/turkey-reports/turkey-harvest-summaries](https://mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey/turkey-reports/turkey-harvest-summaries).

Fall archery turkey hunting continues through Nov. 11 and resumes Nov. 23 through Jan. 15, 2023. Get more information about fall turkey hunting at [mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey](https://mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/species/turkey)

MDC reminds Missouri turkey hunters to save and submit feathers from birds they harvest this fall for a research project that will improve its ability to estimate turkey abundance across Missouri. Interested hunters are asked to retain a wing and 3-5 feathers from the breast after Telechecking their turkey. They will then be mailed a feather submission packet, including a postage-paid return envelope to submit feathers at no cost. To receive a feather submission packet, register at [mdc.mo.gov/turkeyfeathers](https://mdc.mo.gov/turkeyfeathers).

## Driver Examination Station closed due to Holidays

The Missouri State Highway Patrol driver examination stations throughout the state will be closed on the following dates:

Friday, November 11, 2022, in observance of Veterans Day. Normal operations will resume on Monday, November 14, 2022.

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# Barry County Unofficial Election Results

US SENATOR		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	10,968	
<b>ERIC SCHMITT (REP)</b>	<b>8,535</b>	<b>77.82%</b>
TRUDY BUSCH VALENTINE (DEM)	2,043	18.63%
JONATHAN DINE (LIB)	247	2.25%
PAUL VENABLE (CST)	143	1.30%

STATE AUDITOR		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	10,949	
<b>SCOTT FITZPATRICK (REP)</b>	<b>9,197</b>	<b>84.00%</b>
ALAN GREEN (DEM)	1,527	13.95%
JOHN A. HARTWIG, Jr. (LIB)	225	2.05%

US REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 7		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	10,921	
<b>ERIC BURLISON (REP)</b>	<b>8,810</b>	<b>80.67%</b>
KRISTEN RADAKER-SHEAFER (DEM)	1,790	16.39%
KEVIN CRAIG (LIB)	321	2.94%

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 158		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,657	
<b>SCOTT CUPPS (REP)</b>	<b>9,657</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

ASSOCIATE CIRCUIT JUDGE DIVISION I		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,635	
<b>JOHNNIE COX (REP)</b>	<b>9,635</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

ASSOCIATE CIRCUIT JUDGE DIVISION II		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,560	
<b>ROBERT "BOB" FOULKE (REP)</b>	<b>9,560</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

PRESIDING COMMISSIONER		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,604	
<b>STEVE BLANKENSHIP (REP)</b>	<b>9,604</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

COUNTY CLERK		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,674	
<b>JOYCE ENNIS (REP)</b>	<b>9,674</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

CIRCUIT CLERK		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,617	
<b>CRAIG WILLIAMS (REP)</b>	<b>9,617</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

RECORDER OF DEEDS		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,689	
<b>DANIELLE STILL (REP)</b>	<b>9,689</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

TREASURER		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,572	
<b>GRETTA TRIPP (REP)</b>	<b>9,572</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,204	
<b>AMY BOXX (REP)</b>	<b>9,204</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

COLLECTOR OF REVENUE		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	9,732	
<b>SKYLER BOWMAN (REP)</b>	<b>9,732</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION		
Number of Precincts	17	
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%
Vote For 1		
Total Votes	10,535	
YES	3,328	31.59%
NO	7,207	68.41%

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# Barry County Unofficial Election Results

SUPREME COURT JUDGE FISCHER			
Number of Precincts	17		
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%	
Total Votes	9,777		
YES	7,734	79.10%	
NO	2,043	20.90%	

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 1			
Number of Precincts	17		
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%	
Total Votes	10,552		
YES	4,223	40.02%	
NO	6,329	59.98%	

CITY OF MONETT LOCAL USE TAX			
Number of Precincts	2		
Precincts Reporting	2	100.00%	
Total Votes	1,245		
YES	669	53.73%	
NO	576	46.27%	

SUPREME COURT JUDGE RANSOM			
Number of Precincts	17		
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%	
Total Votes	9,672		
YES	7,548	78.04%	
NO	2,124	21.96%	

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 3			
Number of Precincts	17		
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%	
Total Votes	10,959		
YES	4,016	36.65%	
NO	6,943	63.35%	

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Number of Precincts	17		
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%	
Total Votes	9,711		
YES	7,815	80.48%	
NO	1,896	19.52%	

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 4			
Number of Precincts	17		
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%	
Total Votes	10,570		
YES	6,550	61.97%	
NO	4,020	38.03%	

SOUTHERN DISTRICT APPEALS JUDGE GOODMAN			
Number of Precincts	17		
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%	
Total Votes	9,995		
YES	8,287	82.91%	
NO	1,708	17.09%	

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 5			
Number of Precincts	17		
Precincts Reporting	17	100.00%	
Total Votes	10,608		
YES	6,834	64.42%	
NO	3,774	35.58%	

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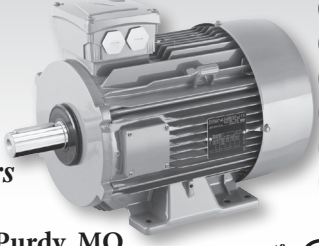
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## Cassville Schools Share the Good News



When a parent receives a phone call from their child's school district, oftentimes parents assume they are calling to share a concern. However, administrators at Cassville R-IV call to share good news as well.

Cassville Primary and Intermediate staff recognize good behavior through the Positive Office Referral program. The program started in 2021-2022 as a way to celebrate students for making good choices.

Pictured at left, with Cassville Intermediate Principal Jeff Swadley and Assistant Elementary Principal Lisa Schell is Ben Stanley Jr., who was the first student of the 2022-23 school year to earn this recognition. Stanley was referred by his teacher for demonstrating self control, having a positive attitude, and for being a good role model to his friends.

So the next time you see the school is calling you, it may be to share some good news.

## CHS XC State Results

The Cassville High School Cross Country teams participated in the Class 3 State Tournament November 4-5. The girls team finished 7th at the meet and the boys team finished 16th.	<b>Boys</b>	<b>Girls</b>
<b>Individual Results:</b>	Caleb Leach 12th All State Charles Elliot 110th Mason Gautney 122nd Ethan Bohmke 136th Jacob Martinez 143rd Evan Butler 150 Jacob Hudson 155th	Jolie Evans 19th All State Dakotah Anderson 47th Kayli Anderson 64th Tori Mitchell 80th Jadyn Williams 106th Evelyn Elliott 152nd Elizabeth Butler 158th

## Cassville falls to Reeds Spring in district semifinal

*Lee Stubblefield*

The Cassville Wildcats battled top-seeded Reeds Spring to a draw for three and a half quarters before falling to the Wolves in a Class 3 District 6 semifinal on Saturday, 14-7. The Wildcats could not overcome five turnovers in a game that spilled over from Friday night into Saturday afternoon thanks to a persistent lightning storm.

Despite moving Friday's opening kickoff to 5 p.m. at Reeds Spring, officials made the call to suspend play early in the second quarter with the Wolves leading 7-0.

It was a game that the Wildcats were glad to abandon, after seeing both of their possessions to that point end with interceptions by James Dowdy.

The Wolves also had an early turnover, when Blandy Burall's first pass of the game was intercepted by Garrett Ewing. But the Wolves

claimed an early 7-0 lead when Preston Blubaugh escaped for a 50-yard scoring run late in the first quarter.

The Wildcats responded, driving from their own 38-yard line deep into Reeds Spring territory. On the twelfth play of the drive, Bodee Rose found Ewing open for a 24-yard gain down to the 2-yard line. That would be the final play of the night. With lightning in the area, officials stopped play, and the game was suspended with 8:50 left in the half.

Eighteen hours after the opening kickoff, Rose wedged into the end zone, and Peter Littlefield's PAT tied the score at 7-7, a score that would last until halftime.

Just like Friday's opening sequence, the two teams traded interceptions to start the third quarter. Starting at the Reeds Spring 48-yard line after the Jake Anthonysz theft, the Wildcats drove in-

side the red zone. But on a crucial 4th-and-1 at the 17-yard line, Moses Barr - a 6-5 and 270 pound anchor - dumped Trey Wilson for no gain.

After the teams traded punts to end the third quarter, the Wolves drove 80 yards in 8 plays to retake the lead. Blubaugh keyed the drive with another 50-yard run, and then scored on a 6-yard burst to give Reeds Spring a 14-7 lead with 8:42 remaining.

Needing a touchdown and PAT to keep the season alive, Cassville's last three possessions ended with a punt, a fumble, and an interception.

The clock expired with Reeds Spring clinging to that 14-7 lead.

The Wildcats ended their season with a 5-6 record. Reeds Spring improved to 8-2 and will host Osage in the district championship game on Friday.

## Cassville Transportation Fleet to Upgrade

*Mindi Artherton*

With over 2,000 applications submitted across the U.S., Cassville R-IV was one of 391 school districts that were selected to receive grant money through the EPA's Clean Bus program.

The Clean School Bus program's goal is to transform school bus fleets across the country and make clean,

zero-emissions school buses the American standard. EPA has announced they are awarding nearly \$1 billion in rebates for school districts that will improve air quality in and around schools and communities, reduce greenhouse gas pollution and better protect children's health.

Cassville R-IV has qualified to purchase 5 electric

buses at no cost to the district. The grant money also allows the district to purchase infrastructure needed to keep the buses running.

The district anticipates the new buses will be delivered to Wildcat Nation in 12-18 months.

"Receiving 5 new buses to our current fleet is a big deal for our district," said Jake Kloss, Cassville R-IV Transportation Director. "The additional buses will allow us to put new buses on routes that typically use older buses."

After the arrival of the new buses, the district will train with both the local fire department and EMS to educate safety personnel about the new vehicles. Kloss also reported that additional training will be provided to the district transportation team.

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# CHS SADD hosts UNITE's Arrive Alive Tour and Assembly

Adriana Keeton  
The Missouri Department of Transportation teamed up with UNITE's Arrive Alive Tour and visited the Cassville High School campus on Friday, November 4.

UNITE's Arrive Alive Tour is the nation's number-one ranked drunk and distracted driving simulator in the country. The state of the art simulator allows participants to drive while distracted, drunk, or drugged in a fully functional vehicle without moving or being intoxicated.

Senior Dulce Rivera participated in the marijuana impaired driving simulation. When asked how she felt after using the simulation for marijuana impaired driving, she said, "I find it scary that some of my peers could be driving this way. That someone's poor decision can affect other's lives."

Missouri Highway Patrol Corporal Sam Carpenter was also available with a seat belt convincer. A seat belt convincer is an inclined seat, equipped with a seat belt, that replicates a 5 mph crash. Freshman Logan Marple was shocked after her turn on the convincer, "The impact is alot harder than I was expecting.



Cassville Senior Dulce Rivera demonstrates UNITE's state of the art marijuana impaired driving simulation.

It is a reminder to put my seat belt on every time."

Later in the day SADD Advisor Trevor McLaughlin headed an assembly that focused on "buckle up, phones down" and the affects of distracted driving. A video was shown, "Faces of Distracted Driving", which highlighted the story of Casey Feldman, a young woman whose life was lost too soon due to distracted driving. To view more information on Casey Feldman's story, visit <https://www.caseyfeldmanmemories.org/>.

Retired Missouri Highway Patrol Sargent John Luekenhoff also spoke with students during the assembly regarding the importance of

not driving distracted and wearing a safety device.

Luekenhoff pointed out that as of November 4, there were 842 traffic crashes in the state of Missouri. In 2021, 1,016 people died in traffic crashes and 60% were not wearing a safety device. Studies show that 1/2 of those individuals would be alive today if they had buckled up.

The mission of the tour and assembly was to educate young drivers on the dangers and consequences of distracted driving and to create life-long safe driving habits. For more information on UNITE's Arrive Alive Tour, visit <https://arrivealivetour.com/>.

# Winners Announced at SW NHS Pumpkin Carving Contest



Shown above are winners in the animal category: Finley Roe, Demi Roe, and Payton Wallace.

More than one hundred pumpkins were entered in the annual carving contest at Southwest Elementary School. A total of seventeen entrants were named winners in six different categories. The contest was sponsored by the Southwest High School National Honor Society. The winners in the following categories are: Creative- Carson Evans, Jayden Ruffin, Blakelynn Barnett; Animal- Finley Roe, Demi Roe, Payton Wallace; Funny- Hazel Roe, Paisley Hendrix, Penelope Cron; Cute- Bregan Mayse, Lola Chisholm, Shyla Johnson; Scary- Marshall Creed, Leland Selee, Cali Barber; Overall- John Townsend and Ethan Hall.



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JOHN CHARLES SEELY

The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in His way.

John Charles Seely, of Cassville, passed peacefully in loving company of his family on November 4, 2022, having served ninety-six years a devoted husband, father, and man of God.

John was chosen to lead a life of great proportion. Born in Tuxedo, New York, on February 2, 1926, to Frank Dunning Seely and Edith Aurora Christine Anderson, John was his parents' youngest son and fifth child of seven. John spent much of his childhood in New York and, when his family later moved to Barry County, Thomas Hollow. At just fifteen years old, in order to help provide financial support for his mother and sisters, John moved to California to build Liberty Ships shortly before joining the Merchant Marines during

the Second World War. After his wartime service of sailing the seven seas, John moved to Alaska to mine for gold until he was drafted in 1950 to serve in the Army during the Korean War. He would later reminisce of the food he enjoyed while stationed with the Army in Germany (much better than the powdered eggs he routinely suffered in his previous service, which demanded perhaps more hot sauce than egg).

When he again returned to Cassville, John met Betty Louise Baker, daughter of John Calvin Baker and Gladys Clara Beck, and the two married in 1955. Together with his wife, John helped grow his father-in-law's feed store into a prosperous, local grocery. The Baker-Seely Grocery Store was their home away from home until 1991. To this day, many people recognize John for surprising them with candy as children. The couple were graced with two sons and fifty-eight years of loving marriage. In addition to work, John and Betty shared in both worship and play. Both longtime congregants of the First Baptist Church where they touched to lives of many through their commitment to teaching Sunday School and driving the church van. The Seelys were also active

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members of the Cassville Golf Club, where John—who remained an avid golfer well into his 90's—made five Hole-in-Ones!

In 2005, John and Betty tragically lost their first-born son, John Charles Seely, Jr. Betty, always her husband's better half and with him firmly by her side, was too welcomed into God's kingdom eight years later. John is also preceded in death by his siblings: Norma Seely Simpson, Betty Seely Snider, Frank Dunning Seely, David Roe Seely, Ruth Seely Henbest, and Doris Seely Ray.

John's legacy is no smaller than the life he led. A righteous man who walks in His integrity—how blessed are his sons after him. John and Betty's son, Dan, lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma, with his wife, Jennifer. Together they have three children: John, Olivia, and Andrew. He is also survived by two half-brothers, Bill and Frank Welch, and their respective wives, Jeanette and Jo Ella. Eight nieces and six nephews also survive and will serve as pallbearers in John's funeral.

Services are scheduled for Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 10:00 A.M. at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor James Weaver will conduct the services. Burial with military honors will be at Oak Hill Cemetery in Cassville.

The family would like to extend special gratitude to John's nephew, Mike Henbest, who diligently and lovingly cared for John over the

past several years. Contributions may be made to First Baptist Church in memory of John.

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HELEN MARIE O'DELL

Helen Marie O'Dell, age 65, of Golden, passed away Sunday, November 6, 2022, at her home.

She was born May 4, 1957, in Clinton, Indiana, the daughter of William E. and Virginia (Armstrong) Shepherd. On November 3, 1992, in Miami, Oklahoma, she was united in marriage to Jimmy L. O'Dell, who preceded her in death on April 6, 2018. Also preceding her in death were her parents; two brothers, John Shepherd and Robert Shepherd; and one granddaughter, Halli Nikole Resz.

Surviving are one son, Jack Ray Sanders and his wife, Traci, of Seligman; two daughters, Bonnie Resz and her husband, Jared Craig, of Cassville, and Tami Wain-

scott, of Huntsville, Arkansas; one cousin who was like a sister, Brenda Apsey, of Golden; twelve grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Helen graduated from North Arkansas College in Harrison, Arkansas, in 2004 where she attained a four-year degree in nursing. After living in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas, she returned to this area in 1991, settling in Golden. She was employed by Brighton Ridge Nursing Home in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, where she worked for several years. Helen enjoyed going to the beach and flea markets. She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She was a member of Golden Baptist Church.

Services will be held at 2:00 P.M. Friday, November 11, 2022, at Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Shaun Crawford will conduct the services.

Contributions may be made to Golden Baptist Church in memory of Helen.

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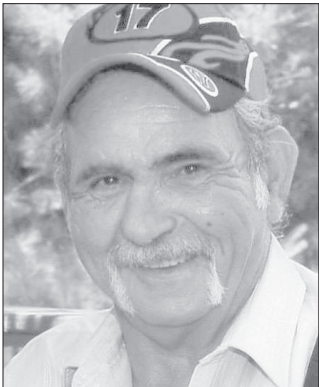
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MERLIN GAYLE BRUNER

Merlin Gayle Bruner, 89, of Monett, passed away Monday, November 7, 2022. Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 11, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church in Monett. Visitation will be held from 6-8:00 p.m. on Thursday at Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.

**WENDELL GEORGE "RUSTY" INGRAM, JR.**  
Wendell George "Rusty" Inghram, Jr., 59, of Monett,

passed away Thursday, November 3, 2022. Arrangements are under the direction of Buchanan Funeral Home, Monett.



AVIN BANKS

Avin Banks, 77, of Washburn, died November 2, 2022, in Rogers, Arkansas.

He was born May 26, 1945, in Washburn, to Vernon Dewey Banks and Virginia May Arnold Banks. He was a truck driver for NWA Poultry in Rogers, enjoyed fishing, fixing old cars and riding motorcycles. He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Deborah Parker Banks; a granddaughter, Daynaira Harlan; and a sister, Patsy Ann Banks.

Survivors are four children, Laurie Glynn (James), of Springdale, Ark., Cam Banks, of Washburn, Tresa Morgan (Rodney), of Rogers, Ark., and Jason Banks (Laurie), of Concord, Oklahoma; a sister, Janice Jones, of Bentonville, Ark.; fourteen grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Service is set for 10:00 a.m. Thursday, November 10, 2022, at Sisco Funeral Home Chapel in Pea Ridge, Ark. Visitation is set for 6-8:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at the funeral home.

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**JOE R. CARLISLE**  
 Joe R. Carlisle's spirit ascended to be with his beloved Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Friday, November 4, 2022. He was surrounded by loving family members. He was the youngest of nine children born to Charles Oscar Carlisle and Willa Nora Carlisle, of Purdy, and was preceded in death by his parents and siblings. He is survived by his beloved wife, Polly Ann Carlisle.

In 1972, Joe met the love of his life, Polly Ann Houk, whom he married August 6, 1976. They were together 50 years. They purchased property and built a beautiful home together on it while both were working full time jobs. Together they built not only their home, but also many fixtures and furniture. They enjoyed their property together while building, turkey and deer hunting, gardening, and cutting wood. They had a bountiful garden and orchard, and canned and froze a lot of their food. Together they enjoyed a simple and blessed life.

Joe was a Baptist who had accepted Jesus as his Lord at an early age. He served his God faithfully, loved his wife very well, and was a good steward of God's blessings.

A graveside service was held today, Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at Arnhart Cemetery in East Purdy. Arrangements are under the direction of White Funeral Home and Crematory of

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**CONNIE SUE BOBO**  
 Connie Sue Bobo, age 70, of Purdy, passed away Thursday, November 3, 2022, at her home.

She was born August 9, 1952, in Fort Worth, Texas, to Charlie and Ethel (Morgan) Millwee. On July 4, 1970, in Muskogee, Oklahoma, she was united in marriage to George Bobo, who survives. Also surviving are one son, Grady Bobo and his wife, Kimberley, of Purdy; one daughter, Cecily Dion Bobo, of Colorado Springs, Colorado; three sisters, Barbara, Sharline, and Josephine, all of Texas; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Preceding her in death were her parents.

Connie attended high school in Colorado Springs, Colorado, graduating from Palmer High School. She later attended Denver Academy of Court Reporting where she attained an associate degree. In 2016, Connie and George moved to Purdy, coming from Fort Carson, Colorado. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, shopping and she played concert piano. She was of a member of the Seventh Day Adventist.

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**JOHNNY EUGENE “JACK” KIMBROUGH**  
 Johnny Eugene “Jack” Kimbrough, age 67, of Fairview, passed away Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at Mercy Hospital Joplin in Joplin.

He was born November 30, 1954, in Wheaton, the son of Paul and Benny Joyce (Martin-Guinn) Kimbrough. On May 8, 1976, in Rocky Comfort, he was united in marriage to Patty Roechanne “Shawn” Edie, who preceded him in death on June 19, 2016. Also preceding him in death were his parents.

Surviving are one son, John Kimbrough and his wife, Nicole, of Verona; three daughters, Jennifer Allen and her husband, Randy, of Fairview, Kelli Kimbrough, of Phoenix, Arizona, and Velma Kimbrough, of Wheaton; four brothers, Dewayne Kimbrough, of Stella, Danny Kimbrough, of Stella, Michael Kimbrough, of Pineville, and Alan Hobbs, of Kansas City; four sisters, Pauletta Kimbrough, of Noel, Jeanie Kimbrough, of Neosho, Rowena Evans, of Neosho, and Kathy Hicks, of Stella; seven grandchildren, Stormi and her husband, Mariano, Sydney, Nemo, Rexx, Justin, Olivia and Sophia; and one great-grandchild, Roman.

Johnny grew up in the Rocky Comfort and Wheaton area, attending elementary school in Rocky Comfort and high school in Wheaton, from where he graduated. While attending school, he worked on the family farm and drove his tractor to school. After graduation, he had various jobs that eventually led him to construction as a heavy equipment operator. He had an outstanding work ethic that inspired those around him to work harder. Johnny also had a way with storytelling and had friends everywhere; no one was a stranger and if they were, they would soon be a friend. Johnny loved racing his dirt bike, hunting, fishing and hunting for arrowheads until his health started to decline. He then enjoyed arts and crafts, making knives and cracking pecans to share with his family and friends. He was of the Baptist faith and was saved at Wheaton Southern Baptist Church.

Services will be held at 2:00 P.M. Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at McQueen Funeral Home in Wheaton. Pastor Paul Wahlert will conduct the services. Burial will be at Maplewood Cemetery in Exeter.

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

Contributions may be made to the Missouri Department of Conservation in memory of Johnny.

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**HAL DUDLEY SMITH**  
 Hal Dudley Smith, age 65, of Cassville, passed away Monday, November 7, 2022, at his home.

He was born in Lincoln, Arkansas, the son of Glen and Lola (Cuzick) Smith. On February 1, 1985, in Miami, Oklahoma, he was united in marriage to Cindy Addison, who preceded him in death on August 24, 2021. Also preceding him in death was his father.

Surviving are his mother, Lola Smith, of Cassville; two sons, Tyler Smith, of Cassville, and Shane Smith and his fiancée, Jessica, of Cassville; one daughter, Sommer Smith, of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma; one brother, Vaughn Smith and his fiancée, Dixie, of Cassville; one sister, Debbie Dorman, of Fayetteville, Arkansas; and five grandchildren, Flynn Burnette, Caden Smith, Cash Smith, Ryder Smith and Emily Smith.

Hal attended school in Cassville, graduating from Cassville High School. He later attended Northeastern Oklahoma A & M in Miami, Oklahoma, for a short time where he played football. After returning to Cassville, he was employed at Justin Boots for thirty-six years from where he retired. Hal enjoyed camping, fishing, boating, skiing and golfing but loved watching Kansas City Chiefs football.

Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Thursday, November 10, 2022, at First Baptist Church in Cassville, under direction of Fohn Funeral Home in Cassville. Pastor Aaron Weibel will conduct the services. Burial will be at Oak Hill Cemetery in Cassville.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 A.M. until service time at First Baptist Church in Cassville.

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# How you feed hay this winter is more important than ever

With a shortage of standing forage for cattle and the low availability of hay, it is more important than ever this winter to reduce waste when feeding hay.

Hay waste is normal, but it can be controlled and minimized, said University of Missouri Extension agronomy specialist Tim Schnakenberg.

There can be considerable loss when livestock producers feed large round or square hay bales, Schnakenberg said. Research shows that losses from improper feeding of hay bales can be as high as 40%, depending on how hay is presented to the cows, he said. Feeding losses may be more typically around 10% to 20%. A 20% loss can make a \$60 bale of hay cost \$72 by the time it is fed.

Some believe hay can make great bedding for cattle and calves during cold weather. While true, it makes for some very expensive bedding, Schnakenberg said. Even poor-quality hay this year was expensive to roll up.

“There are several methods producers can use

to minimize losses when feeding round bales,” said Schnakenberg. At the very least, use a bale ring to restrict full access to the hay and minimize cattle stomping on hay and making bedding out of it. In one MU study, using rings kept losses to about 5% whether feeding a one-day supply or a seven-day supply of hay. Rings or racks are crucial for producers who do not choose to feed cattle on a daily basis, he said.

“Be sure to purchase enough rings so all cows can eat at the same time,” Schnakenberg said. “If you have 50 cows and your rings have 10 spaces for feeding, five rings are needed. If you do not have adequate space, the aggressive cows crowd out the timid cows, forcing them to eat lower-quality hay.”

The type of feeder can make a big difference in the degree of hay loss. Studies on types of ring feeders by MU, Oklahoma State University and Michigan State University found very similar re-

sults when feeding grass hay. In the MU study, an open-bottom ring feeder resulted in a 20% loss of hay. A sheeted-bottom ring feeder had a 13% loss, and a cone feeder resulted in only a 5% loss. The studies found that having a sheeted ring around the base made a huge difference in all cases.

While cone feeders are much more expensive, they can be worth it in the long run, Schnakenberg said. “If you can drop hay losses 8%-15%, that extra cost starts to be made up in hay remaining for cow consumption. These feeders also have a longer life, support heavier bales and have been found to keep cattle from pulling hay off the top and dragging it into the mud. Since they have a longer life, you can spread the investment of that feeder out over more animals.”

One of the best ways to reduce losses is to feed hay in small amounts. This gives cattle less opportunity to trample hay and make it unappealing for consumption. This requires some calculations of how much hay per animal is needed, factoring in potential losses associated with your feeding method. There are some who will unroll hay every day or even twice a day, making cows finish all the hay before they get more. This is the most efficient way to feed hay, but it takes more labor.

Bale unrollers are quite popular, and some producers use bale choppers that leave windrows of hay on the ground. These approaches work very well for distributing manure around the farm by moving the hay feeding to different locations each day. The practice also allows both aggressive and timid cows to eat together more efficiently. The losses can vary greatly from farm to farm depending on how this practice is done.

“If producers use these methods, it is imperative to not feed more hay than your

cows can consume in a day,” Schnakenberg said. Otherwise, hay losses may be more than 40%, according to one MU study. In this case, seven days of hay was unrolled. In comparison, daily amounts fed at one time resulted in about a 12% loss in that study.

Finally, it’s very important to feed in a well-drained area. A pad or an elevated surface for feeding is best. Keeping the area dry helps with body condition. “It has been determined that cow body condition can begin to drop in 8 inches or more of mud,” Schnakenberg said. “The most recommended way is to move the feeding area around the farm to better distribute manure and minimize excess mud.”

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But goats do, according to research at the University of Missouri’s Land of the Osages Research Farm in central Missouri.

MU Extension forage specialist Harley Naumann found that goats are also getting a health benefit from sericea lespedeza.

“It works as a natural anti-parasitic,” said Naumann. This is because of the condensed tannins produced by the plant.

At the end of the first year of the study, he found as much as a 51% decline in fecal egg counts, using no dewormers or other medications.

While one season of grazing didn’t decrease the invasive species, Naumann said it increased both warm- and cool-season grasses. In addition, the grazing decreased the presence of less desirable plants such as sedges.

“We are trying to promote some of our native warm-season grasses that we initially established in these fields that have been overrun by sericea lespedeza,” he said. “Primarily big bluestem and Indian grass. But cool-season grass species such as tall fescue responded favorably, too.”

Cattle do not like to graze on sericea lespedeza because of the bitter taste and the woody stems in mature plants. But goats seem to like the taste and have no problems chewing the woody stems.

Nauman is involved with the MU College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources’ Center for Regenerative Agriculture, the Center for Agroforestry and the Native Grass project team.

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A/B Honor Roll: Shawn Craig, Bailee Gorman, Marisa Grimaldo, Melanie Hang, Taylor King, Tatum Pender-graft, Yong Vang

11th Grade

A Honor Roll: Hayden Royer

A/B Honor Roll: David Bik, Jianna Cha, Angel Lopez, Leonel Millan-Gomez, Ken-zie Robbins, Wyatt Shipley, Eakatrina Vue, Jakob Walling

12th Grade

A Honor Roll: Kollin Garner, Trenton Imel, Joselyne Juarez, Kadence Mestas, Rowan Wise

A/B Honor Roll: Henrietta Klann, Zoey Martell, Jenny Par, Truman Thompson, Joshua Vang, Allison Whit-man







## Security Bank donates \$500 to Newly Established CHS Pickleball Club



Security Bank of Southwest Missouri has donated \$500 to the newly established CHS Pickleball Club. CHS Pickleball Club began this year and currently has nearly 20 members. The donation from Security Bank will be used to purchase t-shirts for participants as well as medals for an upcoming tournament.

Shown above, front row, left to right, are Dixon Reid, Jacob Martinez, Kyler Hayward, Elly Ramaeker, Dulce Rivera, Lorelei Vanderhoeff, Elizabeth Butler, Kyla Bowling and Corbin Rhodes. Back row, left to right, are Jon Horner- President of Security Bank, Simon Gates, Ashton Wheeler, Andrew Gray, Ethan Bohmke, Caleb Leach, Eli Stokes and Jackson Ray.





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## First Lady Essay Won by Purdy Student

*Ezra DeVore*

On November 1, Purdy High School student Courtney Patterson had the opportunity to travel to our state capital of Jefferson City for a luncheon reception hosted by Governor Mike Parson and his wife, First Lady Teresa Parson.

Patterson was the winner of the First Lady Essay contest and thus celebrated for her essay that detailed what she feels all Missourians should know about JAG (Jobs for American Graduates). At this event, the Purdy High student of fifteen even sang the National Anthem in front of the Missouri State Governor and First Lady Parson in the rotunda.

Patterson first heard of the JAG program last summer from the teacher of the class, Kelsey Fields. Patterson says she heard how the class could help with locating a future job, deciding what one wishes to pursue after high school, in addition to money management and other early adulthood lessons.

“That’s when I wanted to take the class, I felt that was a really good opportunity,” she says.

By the time the essay was written, Patterson says they had only been in class a few weeks, though also had already learned a great deal worth sharing in her paper. Patterson states that the class taught her “financial stability, responsibility, and a lot of respect.”

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Shown above is Purdy High School student Courtney Patterson on her recent trip to Jefferson City to meet Missouri Governor Parson and First Lady.

She also states she felt lucky to attend the event in the state capitol, an opportunity she doubts she would have been afforded otherwise.

“It was a great experience. The dinner was delicious and I met a lot of kind people, because we sat at a table with other schools. It was very interesting to hear about where they live, who they are, and what they wrote about.”

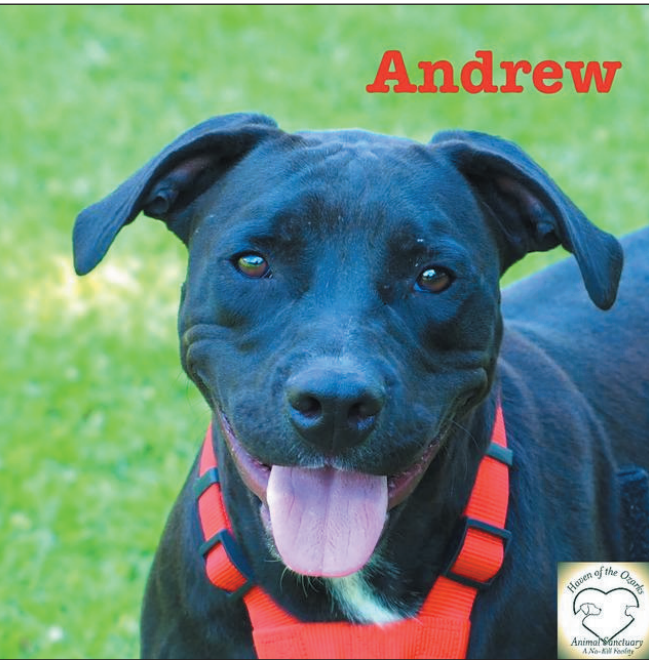
She noticed some differences in the cultures of home and abroad, though similari-

ties as well.

“It was more intimidating, I believe. Everybody was dressed nicely. I think all of the people treated each other the way we do. We treat each other pretty nicely, and I think they did the same thing there - they all talked very kindly about each other.”

Patterson says she recommends the class to those contemplating taking it. “Take every opportunity you have, you don’t really know what they can bring.”

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