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Spotlight

Cassville Cruisers meeting

The Cassville Cruisers Car Club will hold their monthly meeting on February 10 at 7 p.m. at the Show-Me Plaza, room 8.

Southwest Squirrel Derby

The Southwest FFA Alumni Squirrel Derby will be held on Saturday, February 7, rain or shine. The sign-in is at 9 a.m. at Three Corners Firearms. For more information, call (479) 903-2683.

Parkinson's Awareness Night

The Cassville Lady Wildcats will host a Parkinson's Awareness Night on Monday, February 9. There will be a special drawing at half-time to raise funds for awareness. The home game is against Monett with tip-off at 6 p.m.

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Chamber gala an evening of surprises and fellowship

Charlea Mills

An evening filled with a great meal, fun trivia and camaraderie was the focus of this year's Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce annual banquet. The event, attended by around 175 people, was held Saturday night in the commons area at Cassville High School and honored retiring chamber members and those in the community who work day in and out to make Cassville a better place to live.

In lieu of a speaker or performer at this year's banquet, the Chamber changed it up by holding an impromptu trivia night, asking questions about the Cassville area and iconic members of the community. Participants were selected randomly from those in attendance for the two teams who competed. The questions sparked a bit of healthy competition and a lot of laughs from players and the audience.

Awards were handed out to various members of the community for both Chamber and community recog-



Judge Victor Head, recipient of the Cassville Community Service Award, was surprised at the banquet when his family members from all over the state came out to celebrate his recognition for his years of dedication to the community.

nition. New Chamber president Michelle Bredeson, of Commerce Bank, thanked the retiring Chamber Board members, Joel Curren,

Shelly Davison, Karen Esary and Kelly Mills, for their service to the group.

Bredeson also presented a new award, the 4 Under

40 award. Bredeson said, "For 2014, the award will be given to four people under the age of 40 who put their heart and soul into Cass-

ville, and we know with their leadership, this will continue to be a great place

See BANQUET on 2A

SWEPCO line scrapped, STO seeks damages

Charlea Mills

After a nearly two year battle, Arkansas-based Southwest Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) recently withdrew a pending application to build a new power line in Arkansas and southern Missouri. Multiple routes were evaluated, including one that would have crossed into Missouri and breached Barry and McDonald Counties, concerning area residents due to the potential damage to the land and loss of property values with a major electric line running across their property.

SWEPCO initially asked for approval for the \$116 million power electric line in April 2013 after the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) did a study indicating the need for it based on electric trends. The SPP is the Regional Transmission Organization responsible for ensuring reliable supplies of power in parts of eight states, including Arkansas. While the line would not have provided any electricity to Missouri, one of the routes proposed constructing part of the towers in Missouri to avoid more extensive construction issues in more urban areas in Arkansas.

However, on December

29, the SPP notified SWEPCO that their updated forecasts indicated that the demands for power were significantly lower than originally estimated, and there was no need for the new line. As a result of the SPP's findings, SWEPCO withdrew their application from the Arkansas Public Service Commission (APSC) to continue with the project.

In a statement released by SWEPCO, president and chief operating officer Venita McCollon-Allen said, "As a transmission owning member of SPP, SWEPCO's role is to obtain regulatory approval and to construct electric transmission facilities as directed by SPP. SPP determines the need for projects based on studies containing future load growth and other transmission system usage projections. Based on SPP's new findings, we are notifying landowners, community leaders and elected officials that we have withdrawn our application to the APSC for authority to construct the Shipe Road to Kings River transmission project."

While this appeared to be a victory for Ozarks residents who did not want their property traversed by a 345 kV transmission line, the new issue at hand is the tens

of thousands of dollars of attorneys' fees that have been provided to fight the electric company's request and protect the land.

People in both Missouri and Arkansas were up in arms when they received letters from SWEPCO citing their intentions of building the line that would have meant 150-foot towers every 800 feet, with clearing a 150-foot area of right-of-way. People were immediately worried that the project would destroy the natural beauty of the landscape and negatively impact property values. As citizens networked and learned more about the proposal, Save the Ozarks (STO) was formed, a non-profit organization comprised of volunteers working to stop the project.

In an initial press release, SWEPCO estimated that the APSC would finalize the project withdrawal by the end of January. However, STO filed a petition with the APSC asking them to deny the request for withdrawal on January 12. STO requested that SWEPCO's application be denied instead of withdrawn.

In the petition filed by STO, it states, "After the expenditure of many tens of

See SWEPCO on 3A

Miller faces kidnapping victim in hearing

Charlea Mills

A Washburn kidnapping victim faced her alleged attacker in court last week when Mathew Miller, one of the Eagle Rock brothers accused of the crime, had a hearing in the McDonald County court system. Mathew, his brother, Michael, and Michael's girlfriend, Amanda Rhodes, all face charges for the crime in both Barry and McDonald Counties.

Mathew's McDonald County hearing last week led the court to determine that there was probable cause for a trial on the case. Victim Pamela Walker testified at the hearing, recounting the details of the event where the brothers abducted her, put her in the trunk of her car, and eventually dumped her and rolled her down a hill.

According to the affidavits of probable cause, the Miller brothers and Rhodes all played a hand in the kidnapping that spanned both counties. Walker was abducted from her home in McDonald County where the men demanded to know where her drugs were and what the PIN number to her bank account was. Later, she was shut in the trunk of her



Mathew Miller

car, which the brothers stole and then drove to Cassville.

The Millers were identified by the security footage at the 1st State Bank in Cassville where they withdrew \$351.50 from Walker's bank account. After visiting the ATM, the brothers allegedly drove the victim's car to an area in rural Eagle Rock where they took her out of the trunk, hit her, punched her, and then rolled her down a hill. The victim walked until she found a residence and could call 911, according to the probable cause.

The brothers dumped Walker's car, a 2011 Chevy Malibu, which was later found partially submerged in an arm of Roaring River

See HEARING on 3A

BANQUET from FRONT

to live.” The first year’s winners were selected as Justin Gates, Stacy Runnels, Caleb Buntin and Mindi Artherton. Each of the award winners volunteers with various organizations and dedicates a lot of time to community improvement. The award winners were selected by a committee of representatives from different organizations in the community, including the Rotary Club, the Soropotomist Club and the Industrial Development Corporation.

The Chamber awards were presented by outgoing Chamber president Kelly Mills. He began with the Business Beautification Awards, which were handed out to four different Chamber members. Country Dodge, Ken’s Collision, owned by Ken and Leesa Cieslinski, added around 4,000 square feet in June of last year with new offices and a customer waiting area. The 900 block of Main Street, owned by Bob and Carolyn Bishop, replaced the metal siding of the building with brick and also remodeled the inside to make room for two new businesses. Finally, Cr-ose Cafe, owned by Stu and Lavita Crow, moved from Washburn to Cassville, where the pair remodeled their current location, adding a parking lot and closed in a large deck area for more seating.

Country Dodge, owned by Randall Bland and Matthew Williams, is managed by Kurt Berndt. The renovations at Country Dodge included a totally remodeled show room, customer area, and the addition of a MOPAR Kids Zone. Ken’s Collision, owned by Ken and Leesa Cieslinski, added around 4,000 square feet in June of last year with new offices and a customer waiting area. The 900 block of Main Street, owned by Bob and Carolyn Bishop, replaced the metal siding of the building with brick and also remodeled the inside to make room for two new businesses. Finally, Cr-ose Cafe, owned by Stu and Lavita Crow, moved from Washburn to Cassville, where the pair remodeled their current location, adding a parking lot and closed in a large deck area for more seating.

Finally, Mills presented the year’s Cassville Community Service Award to retired Judge Victor Head. Head’s accomplishments in the community, particularly his involvement in the Barry County Drug Court program, were emphasized.

Head helped start the program in 2008 as a means for alcohol and drug offenders to get clean and motivate change in their lives. Mills said, “Since the inception of the program in 2008, there have been 56 graduates, and one of the most inspiring things, is that 17 drug-free babies have been born to parents in the program.”

Head served as an Associate Circuit Judge in Barry County for eight years, but worked in the public defenders position in Monett for 17 years before that. When Head received his award, he was surprised by his family, who came from all over the state, to celebrate with him as he was honored.

New Chamber President Michelle Redeson stated, “I think our celebrate Cassville event was enjoyed by all. The trivia competition was a lot of fun to watch. I was honored so many people agreed to help with this event. Cassville is a great place to live and has some amazingly talented people involved in its success.”

The evening was wonderful reminder to the community how the people of Cassville work together to make the community a warm, welcoming place for residents and visitors alike.



The first 4 Under 40 award recipients are pictured above, from left to right: Caleb Buntin, Stacy Runnels, Justin Gates and Mindi Artherton.



The Business Beautification Award winners are pictured above, from left to right: Kirsty Lawrence, Cr-ose Cafe; Jennifer Pendergraft, Cr-ose Cafe; Ken Cieslinski, Ken’s Collision; Kurt Berndt, Country Dodge; and Bob Bishop.

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in Eagle Rock. Rhodes then picked the brothers up in her van and drove them to Berryville, Ark., where they used the debit card again and withdrew more money from the victim's account, according to the investigation.

Michael and Rhodes were both arrested near Pittsburgh, Penn., and held in the Allegheny County Jail in Pennsylvania, and Mathew was arrested locally. According to information added to the probable cause, Michael's cell mate in Pennsylvania corroborated much of the story about the kidnapping and also told authorities that Michael was attempting to alter his tattoo that was used to identify him in the ATM security footage.

Another brother, Marc Miller, was also charged in connection with the crime in February, as was Mathew's girlfriend, Shelby Keeler. However, the kidnapping and tampering with a motor vehicle charges against them were dismissed on March 10. Initially, investigators believed the Marc and Keeler played a hand in transporting Michael and Mathew before and after the kidnapping.

Now that Mathew's case will go to trial, he has entered a plea of not guilty and has a pretrial conference scheduled in McDonald County for March 3. Michael waived his preliminary hearing in McDonald County, also entered a plea of not guilty, and has a pretrial conference scheduled for March 3 in McDonald County. Rhodes's pretrial conference in McDonald County is scheduled



Michael Miller

for February 18.

In Barry County, Michael has no hearings scheduled, but Mathew has a motion hearing under Judge Blankenship set for March 2. Rhodes has a disposition hearing set for February 17.

Each of the Miller brothers and Rhodes currently face kidnapping, burglary, and tampering with a motor vehicle in McDonald County and felonious restraint, tampering in the first degree, and assault in the second degree in Barry County.

Barry Electric kicks off Chamber quarterly luncheons



The Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce quarterly luncheons kicked off 2015 with a presentation by Barry Electric's CEO Bill Shiveley. Shiveley talked to the Chamber members about how and where the cooperative gets its energy, what proposed EPA changes would mean to customers, and other information about the company. Chamber members also had the opportunity to ask questions. The luncheon was held at the Barry County Museum and was catered by BBQ Station in Cassville.

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ing parties so that they could seek an award for their attorneys' fees. SWPECO filed their response to STO's petition on January 20, solidifying their position to have their application withdrawn instead of denied.

At this point, it isn't clear how long it will take for the APSC to make a ruling in the matter and as to whether STO will be able to recoup their attorneys' fees in fighting the electric company. However, much to the relief of area residents, the electric line that could have caused a significant loss in property values and impact the natural beauty of the Ozarks, is no longer in the cards.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Notice:

- **American Legion** holds bingo **every** Saturday. Early Bird starts at 5:15 p.m. and the regular session begins at 5:45 p.m.
- **Southwest R-5 School Parent/Band** booster will meet February 4, 6:30 p.m. in the band room. All are invited to help plan their annual chili/baked potato dinner and silent auction for March 7.

February 7th

- **Southwest FFA Alumni Squirrel Derby** Feb. 7th. Sign in will be at 9:00 a.m. Weigh in at 4:00 p.m. at Three Corners Firearms on Hwy. 37 in Washburn. For more information, see the ad on page B1 or call (479) 903-2683.
- **Cassville Cruisers Car Club** will hold their monthly meeting on February 10, at 7 p.m. at the Show-Me Plaza, room 8.
- **Benefit Auction and BBQ** for Cathy Townsend of Washburn. Cathy lost both her daughter and father in a double homicide. All proceeds will go to Cathy for the care and needs of her grandchildren. See ad below for times and location. For more information and donations, call (479) 866-9243 or (417)772-4516.
- **February 7-8th**
- **Barry County Southern Baptist Association Evangelism Conference** will be held Feb. 7th and 8th. See ad on page 10A for time and places. For more information, call (417) 847-2820 or (417) 861-0200.
- **Cassville Senior Center** located on Fair St. in Cassville is hosting a dance to benefit the center on Feb.7. The band will be playing from 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. There is a \$4.00 cover charge at the door. For more information, call (417) 846-3024.

February 8th

- **The Homestead Pickers** from Silver Dollar City will be performing at First Southern Baptist Church of Golden Feb. 8, at 1:30 p.m. See ad below for more details.
- **Reavisville First Baptist Church** is hosting a Homecoming Celebration February 8, 11:00 a.m. with dinner to follow. The Church is located on Hwy. TT.

Benefit In Memory Of Casey

A benefit auction will be held on February 7th, at the Chamber of Events Building, located North of Seligman on highway 37 for Cathy Townsend of Washburn.

Cathy lost both her Father and her Daughter in a double homicide in Washburn on Janurary 5th.

All proceeds will go to Cathy for the care and needs of her grandchildren, who’s Mother was tragically taken away from them.

We will begin serving food at 12:00, catered by Jeff Terry and Dan Judd.

Live Music from 1:00 to 3:00.

Auction starts at 4:00 p.m., Red Edens, Auctioneer. Something for everyone, houseware, furniture, some tools, lots of vintage, antiques, and collectables.

February 9th

- **Purdy Special Road District** will hold their monthly meeting at 5:30 p.m. on February 9, at the Purdy District Road Barn at 200 South 9th Street (Farm Road 1085).

February 10th

- **The Southwest Missouri Solid Waste Management** District N will hold its monthly Executive Board meeting at 11:50 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 10. The meeting is open to the public and will be held at the Alice Irene’s Restaurant in Marionville.

February 12th

- **Mineral Springs Road District** will hold their monthly meeting on Feb. 12, at 5:30 p.m. at the Mineral Springs road barn.

February 13th

- **The Cassville Band Boosters** present All That Jazz by the high school and middle school Jazz Bands. See ad below for more details.
- **Blood donation** opportunity Feb. 13 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Arvest Bank, 503 Main St. in Cassville.
- **Cassville Sr. Center** will be holding their annual Valentine’s Day lunch Feb. 13, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. They will have a special dessert table with a chocolate fountain and many other delicious treats. Located on Fair St. in Cassville.

February 20th

- **A Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University class** will be held in Washburn at the Washburn Fire Department. A preview class Friday, February 20, at 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact Sarah Dalton at (970) 978-9050, or Megan Shrum at (417) 342-2661.

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School Menus Week of Feb. 9th

All menus include milk and are subject to change.

Cassville: **Mon. B-** oatmeal, sausage patty, cinnamon toast, grapes, or cereal, teddy grahams, applesauce. **L-** chicken strips, (general’s chicken w/rice), glazed carrots, egg rolls, fortune cookie, orange, or salad meal. **Tues. B-** chicken nuggets, hashbrown, gravy, fruit cocktail, or cereal, graham crackers, pears. **L-** cheese dog, (ham/cheese on bun), nacho’s, broccoli/cheese, juices, or salad meal. **Wed. B.-** brfst burrito, hashbrown, pineapple chunks, or cereal, go-gurt, peaches. **L-** cheese pizza, (Chicken crispitos), tossed salad, corn, peaches, or salad meal. **Thurs. B-** biscuits/gravy, peaches, or cereal, cinnamon toast, applesauce. **L-** corndog, (BBQ pork sandwich), macaroni/cheese, green beans, juice, or salad bar. **Fri. No School.**

Cassville High: **Mon. B-** biscuits/gravy, go-gurt,orange, or cereal, yogurt cup, pear. **L-** shrimp poppers, macaroni/cheese, corn, juices, or chicken nugget meal, or salad meal. **Tues. B-** eggs extravaganza, hashbrowns, toast, pineapple chunks, or cereal, graham crackers, applesauce. **L-** general chicken, rice, glazed carrots, egg roll, fortune cookies, pineapple chunks, or pizza meal, or salad meal. **Wed. B-** pancakes on a stick, hashbrowns, applesauce, or cereal, granola bar, orange. **L-** cheeseburger, sun chips, baked beans, juice, or chicken nugget meal, or salad meal. **Thurs. B-** brfst pizza, tropical fruit, or cereal, PB&J, banana. **L-** chicken alfredo, broccoli/cheese, bread stick, brownies, peaches, or pizza meal, or salad meal. **Fri. No School.**

Southwest: **Mon. B-** scrambled eggs, yogurt cup, cinnamon toast, or cereal, cinnamon toast, juice. **L-** spaghetti/w meat sauce, or salad bar meal, garlic bread, roman salad bar meal, garlic bread, roman salad w/tomatoes, pears, ranch cup. **Tues. B-** biscuits, gravy, peaches, or cereal, graham cracker, peaches. **L-** salisbury steak, gravy, or salad bar meal, mashed potatoes, wheat bread, glazed carrots, rosy applesauce. **Wed. B-** pancake on a stick, apple slices, or cereal, banana nut muffin, juice. **L-** chicken alfredo with rotini, or salad bar meal, breadsticks, broccoli, peaches. **Thurs. B-** waffles sticks, strawberries, or cereal, toast wheat bread, juice. **L-** cheese pizza, or salad bar meal, roman salad w/tomatoes, corn, tropical fruit, ranch cup. **Fri. No School.**

Purdy: **Mon. B-** scrambled eggs, whole wheat toast, cereal, fruit. **L-** cashew chicken, green beans, fruit, fortune cookie, salad bar. **Tues. B.-** french toast sticks, cereal, yogurt, fruit. **L-** pepperoni pizza, baby carrots, ranch dressing, fruit, yellow cake, salad bar. **Wed. B-** grain biscuit/gravy, sausage patty, cereal, fruit. **L-** frito pie, vegetarian beans, corn, fruit, salad bar. **Thurs. B-** ham/egg/biscuit, cereal, fruit **L-** grilled chicken sandwich, french fries, broccoli, applesauce cup, salad bar. **Fri. No School.**

- **Seligman Area Senior Citizens**
- **February Events**
- 7th, Bingo 2:00 p.m. -4:00 p.m.
- 18th, Donation lunch 11:30 - 12:30 p.m.
- 21st, Bingo 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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Ozarks Festival Orchestra slates concert for Feb. 15

The Ozark Festival Orchestra continues its 35th season with its annual Pops in the Park and pie and ice cream fundraiser on Sunday, Feb. 15, at the Monett City Park Casino. The concert will feature orchestral showpieces from some of the most popular films in recent years.

Director Todd Borgmann has chosen suites from the Disney film "Frozen," "The Lord of the Rings: Return of the King," "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe," and "The Complete Harry Potter." In addition, the orchestra will sample John Williams' music from the "Star Wars" films, with several selections from the first film (Episode IV), plus samplings from "Revenge of the Sith" (Episode III) and "The Forest Battle" from "Return of the Jedi" (Episode VI).

From the Golden Age of Hollywood, a suite from Erich Wolfgang Korngold's 1940 film "The Sea Hawk", is also featured, one of the most rousing of swashbuckler scores.

The concert includes homemade pie and ice cream for those attending. Admission will be \$10. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. and the music

begins at 3 p.m.

The fundraising event will also feature a silent auction for music and art lovers. Antiques, artwork, books, tickets for shows at the Hammons Hall in Springfield, music recordings, themed food baskets and other specialty packages for arts lovers will be available. In addition, specialty pies will go up for auction.

Attendance at the first two OFO concerts this season surpassed the number attending at all of the 2013-2014 season as audiences have been drawn by the new polished sound Borgmann has shaped from the orchestra. Borgmann said players have responded well to the challenging music he has programmed, and he anticipates an exciting performance.

The OFO is a community orchestra composed of players from southwest Missouri and nearby towns, focusing primarily on classical music. Rehearsals are held weekly in Monett. The orchestra is supported by memberships, local foundations, ads in the orchestra program book and funds managed by the Monett Community Foundation. For additional information, call (417) 316-3302.



Ackels-Soper engagement announced

Allison Ackels and Braundon Soper of Dallas Texas are excited to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Allison is the daughter of George and Alana Ackels, of Dallas, Texas. She is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco Texas. She is Account Supervisor with the public relations firm Weber Shandwick, in Dallas, Texas.

Braundon is the son of Jeff and Cindy Coons, of Bella Vista Ark. and Bobby

Soper, of Parsons Kan. He is the grandson of Roberta and the late Rev. Jimmy Ellis, of Washburn, and Bob and Mary Soper, of Columbus, Kan.

Braundon graduated from Southwest High School in Washburn, and the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Ark.

He is the Intermodal and Sourcing Manager for Bear Transportation Services of Plano, Texas.

A wedding is planned for March 7, 2015 in Dallas, Texas.



Beesons celebrate 75th anniversary

Noble Beeson, originally of Barry County, and his wife, Kathleen, recently celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary with a card shower.

The couple was married on January 20, 1945 in Ot-

tumwa, Iowa.

The Beeson's continue to reside in Ottumwa. Both are retired. Cards may be sent to 1449 S. Milner St., Ottumwa, Iowa 52501.

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Obituaries



JOYCE HUGHES

Joyce Hughes, 69, of Seligman, passed away on January 27, 2015, at Mercy Hospital in Springfield. Mrs. Hughes, the daughter of Raymond and Geneva (Brummitt) Baldrige, was born on June 21, 1945, in Milan, Missouri, and was a 1963 graduate of Milan High School. Following graduation, she worked as a secretary for the Meat Cutters Union in Kansas City, Missouri. She was united in marriage to Robert "Bob" Hughes on April 14, 1995, in Kansas City. In March of 1999, they retired and moved to Seligman to make their home.

Joyce was very community minded, and always ready to volunteer. She was an active member of the Lion's Club in Seligman and attended the New Salem Baptist Church in

Seligman. Joyce never met a stranger, and will be greatly missed by all.

Survivors include her husband, Robert "Bob" Hughes, of Seligman; two sons, Brian Johnston, of Eagleville, Tenn., and Russ and wife, Jenny, Johnston, of Springfield; three grandchildren, Kristopher, Richard and Jakob Johnston; two brothers, Ron and wife, Sandra, Baldrige, of Kansas City, and Joe and wife, Vicki, Baldrige, of Osceola, Iowa; one sister, Kathryn and husband, Leon, Shafer, of Kirksville; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a grandson, Seth Johnston.

Memorials may be made to Susan G. Koman for the Cure or to the Bairdstown Cemetery and entrusted to the White Funeral Home & Crematory, PO Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 7, 2015, at the White Funeral Home & Crematory in Cassville, with Rick Owsley officiating. Burial will be at the Bairdstown Cemetery, in Milan, Missouri.

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SHERRY JEAN WINGERT HICKMAN

Sherry Jean Wingert Hickman, 52, of Wheaton, passed away in her home early Sunday morning, February 1, 2015.

Her memorial service will be postponed for a later date in late May, at Roaring River, a place she enjoyed. Cremation arrangements are under direction of McQueen Funeral Home, Wheaton.

Visit fohnfuneralhome.com for online obituaries, guestbook and private condolences.

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JAMES K. HARPSTER

James K. Harpster, 74, of Shell Knob, passed away Thursday, January 29, 2015, in Roaring River Health and Rehabilitation, Cassville.

Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home, Shell Knob.

Visit fohnfuneralhome.com for online obituaries, guestbook and private condolences.

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JOHN S. MESTAS, JR.

John S. Mestas, Jr., 85, of Wheaton passed away Monday, January 26, at home. He was born November 20, 1929 in Greeley, Colo.

In 1951 he entered the Army and served as a platoon runner in Company A of the 31st infantry regiment. He was wounded while on a mission on the Heartbreak Hill in the Korean War. He was awarded the Silver Star and Purple Heart for his gallantry in action.

Surviving are three children, daughters, Denise Aparicio, of Texas, and Karen Young and husband, Steve, of Michigan; son, Bob Mestas and wife, Phyllis, of Wheaton; two brothers, Leroy and Fred of Colorado, and seven grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Midland Cremation Society. Military services at the new veteran's Cemetery in Springfield are pending.



Wheaton December Students of the Month



Wheaton's Students of the Month for December were named as Noah Harmon and Kim Day. Noah Harmon is the ninth grade son of Derek and Lisa Harmon. Kim Day is the senior daughter of Rick and Theresa Day.

Wheaton's 2nd quarter Honor Rolls

7th grade A Honor Roll: Taylynn Banks, Calista Burns, Susan Cha, Tasha Graves, Brittany King and Zolanna Simpson.

7th grade A/B Honor Roll: Sarah Brattin, Emily Gonzalez, Tyler Hagerman and Eric Yang.

8th grade A Honor Roll: Tori Goostree, Kaylee Hutsell and Rachel Lacey.

8th grade A/B Honor Roll: Sarah Burton, Brenda Castillo, Viola Castro, Payton Harper, Hannah Lombard, Hallie Mitchell, Katie Stanley, Alyssa Xiong and Yeng Yang.

9th grade A Honor Roll: Lina Hang, Sean Lowry, Samantha Sherwood and Kayla Vang.

9th grade A/B Honor Roll: Lacy Birchfield, Joshua Bowling, Bo Brattin, Kimberly Graves, Catherine Haase, Noah Harmon, Elijah Kirk, Marius Lupescu,

Emily Pendergraft, Brittany Wells and Thomas Yang.

10th grade A Honor Roll: Adison Goostree, Karlee Mason, Hilsden Moseley and Lia-Boa Yang.

10th grade A/B Honor Roll: Jayce Brattin, Michelle Hang, Kyla Hicks and Connie Xiong.

11th grade A Honor Roll: Vanessa Cook.

11th grade A/B Honor Roll: Crystal Alvarado, Haley Beck, Sandra Castillo, Jeremiah Cline, Jera Prewitt, Marley Sherwood and Meng Yang.

12th grade A Honor Roll: Kelly Alvarado, Macy Brattin, Yesenia Castro, Kimberly Day, Kayla Mason, Skyler Scates, Kendrick Xiong and Lyda Yang.

12th Grade A/B Honor Roll: Justin Beck, Brittany Harmon, John Kimbrough, Joey Robbins and Trevis Schoelzel.

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\$50K dedicated to new Shell Knob Library

Steve Chapman

The Barry-Lawrence Regional Library Board of Trustees took another step toward the construction of a new Shell Knob building at their monthly meeting on January 15. The board voted to earmark \$50,000 of the library's end-of-year funds for the Shell Knob building fund.

Gina Milburn, Barry-Lawrence Library director, said the library received the donation of a three-acre parcel of land in November from Charles W. Singleton III and the Danny and Catherine Street Income Only Trust. She said the land is worth about \$158,000.

Milburn said around \$500,000 will be needed to construct the new building. She estimated the Shell Knob Friends of the Library has managed to raise about \$7,000 so far through fundraising activities, such as a soup supper, sending out letters soliciting donations and book sales. According to the board's meeting minutes, another \$1,500 was offered by the Shell Knob Masonic Lodge in exchange for permission to perform a cornerstone laying ceremony for the new library building. The board voted to accept the lodge's proposal.

When the new building is built, it will have 4,500 square

feet of usable space, more computers, Wi-Fi, and reading spaces for teens, children and adults.

Milburn said she believes the new building is still a couple of years away, but that could change depending on who donates what. "It just depends on who steps up," she said.

Anyone wishing to make a donation toward the new branch can send it to the Library's central office in Monett. The address is 213 6th Street, Monett, MO 65708. Checks should be made out to the Shell Knob Building Fund.

Local garden group meetings return in February

The local gardening group, Front Porch Conversations with Garden people, returns for its second season beginning in February. The group, spearheaded by Charlie Phaneuf and Kenny Redmon, both master gardeners, began the group for like-minded gardeners and enthusiasts to discuss a variety of topics related to gardening in the Ozarks.

The group discusses both flower and vegetable gardening as well as weather, pests and disease with plenty of opportunity for questions and sharing information. The first meeting of the new season will be on Thursday,

February 12, and will feature information on pruning by Master Gardener Bill Greet of Lampe.

Other topics for the second season of meetings will include: picking the right flowers, collective wisdom from five local gardeners, organic pest control, kitchen herb gardening, preserving your harvest, autumn gardening and more.

The meetings occur every second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. in the lower level of the Cassville Branch Library. For more information, contact the Cassville Library at (417) 847-2121.

Cassville Library events

- Bingo returns to the Cassville Branch Library on Thursday, February 5, at 6 p.m. There will be a Valentine's Day theme.
- Friday's movie at the library will be Million Dollar Arm. The film is rated PG and begins at 4 p.m. Bring your own snacks.
- A yoga practice will be held at the library on Tuesday, February 10, beginning at 6 p.m. in the library's lower level. Bring your mat.

Silver Leaf holds card drive for St. Jude's



For the past few years, the Cassville GWFC Silver Leaf Benefit Club has collected cards of all kinds for the children of St. Jude's Ranch to use for projects. The ladies save the fronts of cards, such as Christmas, birthday, sympathy, friendship and others, and send them in January.

The club is pictured above with this year's cards, from left to right. Front row: Louise Shultz, Ann Warren, Mary Lou Adams, Sarah Marney, Ann Angle, Ella Dean Lauderdale, Pat Chapman, Pauline Kowalski and Tracie Snodgrass. Back row: Sherry Johnson and Jana Tucker.

DeWater elected to nurses council

Missouri Nurses Association announced that Dr. Shanna DeWater was recently elected for a two-year term as the Vice Chair of the Missouri Council of Advanced Practice Nurses. The council is composed of a group of key leadership Advanced Practice Nurses from across Missouri. The task of the Missouri Council of Advanced Practice Nurses is to address practice issues of Missouri APNs. The council is located in Jefferson

City.

Dr. Shanna DeWater lives in Monett and is the daughter of Larry and Nisha Wise, of Purdy. She has two children, Jessica, 21, and Chase, 15. Dr. DeWater received her clinical practice doctorate at the University of Iowa and her Family Nurse Practitioner degree from the University of Missouri - Kansas City. Dr. DeWater is also the President Elect of the Advanced Practice Nurses of the Ozarks in

Springfield. This is an organization for Advanced Practice Nurses across Southwest Missouri. She is a member of the Advocacy Committee for the Missouri Nurses Association. Dr. DeWater also received the 2012 State of Missouri Clinical Excellence Award. She is employed full time teaching for a doctorate program and also practices at Cox Regional Services in their Urgent Care and Retail Clinics.

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Exeter: Catherine Meyer and Kevin Phillips.

Purdy: Deana Burch, Chue Hang, Casey Harris, Tanner Marshall, Clarissa Nunez, Francisco Salazar, Brooke Swadley and Madison Vice.

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The Rowdy Beaver Restaurant and Tavern opened their first location in 2006 in Eureka Springs, Ark., and has grown to include four locations including two in Eureka Springs, one in Branson, and one in Cassville. After renovations, the Rowdy Beaver, Cassville, opened in July of last year.

The menu includes a wide variety of quality options ranging from steaks to sandwiches and salads with a new menu coming that is being influenced by local customers.

“The restaurant prides itself on serving top quality choices at a competitive price,” stated Rod Miner, Rowdy Beaver spokesperson.


The nonsmoking restaurant is open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and 11 a.m.-10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and a late night menu offered in the tavern on Friday and Saturday until midnight. Rowdy’s tavern, located downstairs, is open 11 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. The restaurant offers dine-in, carry out and catering options.

Rowdy Beaver staff and Cassville Chamber of Commerce members are pictured above. Front row, from left to right: Tony Cerda, Rowdy Beaver staff; Tyra Pulliam, bar manager; Tara Cole, staff; Michelle Smith, office manager; Cindy Carr; Mike McCracken; Valerie Speer; Andy Lambel; Stan Kelley; and Mindi Artherton. Back row: Gary Whyte; Stacy Runnels; Dr. Brent Herrin; Michelle Bredeson; Dr. Lee Assing; Angela Seymour; and Raylene Hart.

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Airman Rick Linenbrick, a 1973 Cassville High School graduate, was assigned to Offutt Airforce Base in Nebraska.

Singer/songwriter Robby England, of Exeter, released a record entitled "I Feel Good When I'm With You," which was received very favorably across the United States.

Julie Dudley was named Exeter High School's 1974-75 Betty Crocker Family Leader of Tomorrow.

30 years ago

The Southwest High School Homecoming Queen candidates were named as: Kati Carter, Carla Resz, Lianna Learned, Paula Still and Kathy Sickles. The Homecoming King candidates were named as: Robert Catron, Jamie Pendergraft, Tom Learned, Sid Deans, and Gary Price.

The Wheaton High School Homecoming Queen candidates were named as: Christi DeSpain, Traci Mason, Cheryl Runnebaum, Stephanie Williams, and Gayle Taylor.

Dave and Jean Strickland purchased the Rainbow Motel in Cassville from Dave and Jane Eads.

20 years ago

Senior Kerry Senters was crowned 1995 Exeter Homecoming Queen.

Jennifer L. Bennett was named president of Region 11 of the Future Homemakers of America.

Seven-year old Pady Rose, of Washburn, took all of the top awards in her division at a gymnastics competition in Conway, Ark.

Southwest Elementary third graders Kellie Shrum, Elias Bozeman and Stephen Lee Pendergraft each read 100 books.

10 years ago


Cricket Miller and Jeremiah Beyer were crowned Cassville High School's 2005 Tip-Off Queen and King.

Nancy England retired as secretary from the Missouri University Extension office after 30 years of service.

Fifth grader Jessica Holenda won first place at a spelling competition at Cassville Intermediate School, qualifying her to participate in the Joplin Globe Spelling Bee the following March. Fifth grader Stephanie Smith won the position of alternate speller.

The candidates for Purdy's 2005 Homecoming Queen were announced as: Veronica Perez, Bobbi Houston, Lauren Sperandio, Christy Castlebury and Whitney Leonard.

Samantha Horner, a senior at Cassville High School, received two scholarships to attend Central Missouri State University.

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Purdy announces homecoming, tip-off candidates



The Purdy High School 2015 homecoming royalty are pictured above, from left to right: freshman candidates Layne Skiles and Jose Sanchez; sophomore candidates Hannah White and James Hughlett; crown bearer Cyris Williams and flower girl Kierstn Postlewait; junior candidates Skylar Lakey and Luis Cruz; and senior candidates Kailey Pettit and Brayden Jones.

The Purdy High School Student Council announced candidates for 2015 Homecoming Queen and Mr. Tip-Off. Freshman candidates are Layne Skiles, daughter of Bill and Sarah Skiles; and Jose Sanchez, son of Graciela Salas and Antonio Sanchez. Sophomore candidates are Hannah White, daughter of Shelley and Darren Prater and David and Val White;

and James Hughlett, son of James and Holly Hughlett. Junior class candidates are Skylar Lakey, daughter of Debi Lakey; and Luis Cruz, son of Juan and Norma Cruz. This year's senior candidates are Kailey Pettit, daughter of Gerri and Jeff Bell and Darrell and Cassandra Pettit; and Brayden Jones, son of Tim and Bobbi Jones.

The 2015 Mr. Tip-Off

will be crowned at a special assembly on Friday, February 6, at 2:40 p.m. The 2015 Homecoming Queen and her court will be presented between the junior varsity boys and varsity boys basketball games versus Southwest on Friday evening, February 6.

Leading the royalty procession will be flower girl Kierstn Postlewait, daughter of Heath and Rachel Postle-

wait; and Cyris Williams, son of Aaron Williams. Kierstn attends Mrs. Abramovitz's kindergarten class, and Cyris is a member of Mrs. Skiles's kindergarten class.

The Purdy R-2 School District will induct its inaugural class into the newly formed Purdy High School Athletic Hall of Fame following the varsity boys' basketball game. Inductees include the late Norman "Gabby" Gibbons, former Purdy High School basketball player, coach and teacher and Purdy R-2 School District Board of Education member; the late Earl Miller, former Purdy High School basketball player; and Becky Fly Woods, member of the 1981 Purdy High School Girls' Basketball Team that won the State Championship. Special displays and video presentations will be available for public viewing in the lobby and commons areas, highlighting the inductees' careers and accomplishments.

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Monett throttles Southwest, 57-34 CJ tames Lady Wildcats, 54-35

Lee Stubblefield

After a tense 10-10 first quarter, the Monett Cubs seized control in taking a 57-34 home victory over the Southwest Trojans on Friday night. Great defense, selfless passing and strong interior play helped Monett double up Southwest in the final three quarters.

The Trojans struggled to score, managing only 4 points in the second quarter as the Cubs rolled to a 26-14 halftime lead. The lead reached 19 midway through the third period when Cameron Witt converted a three-point play to establish a 38-19 score.

Monett carried a 42-23 lead into the final break and finished the game with an

8-1 run for the 57-34 win. The Trojans opened the game in a semi-stall, and opened a 6-0 lead when Robbie Randall rolled to the basket with a pressbreaker layup at the 5:00 mark. After a quick timeout, the Cubs found their stride offensively, and forged ahead on with a quick release trey by Logan Coones from the right corner.

Blake Barnes raced down the court and scored with a slicing underhand scoop to beat the buzzer, and Southwest tied the game at 10-10.

The biggest subplot of the game was Monett's excellent defense of Barnes. The newest Trojans member of the 1000-point club was held completely in check by Cam-

eron Witt's superb defense. Barnes finished the game with only 3 points.

Coones was the offensive star of this game, pouring in a game-high 19 points. Ten of those points came in the second quarter, as the Cubs rode a 16-4 wave to the 12-point halftime lead.

Jonah Paszek added 14 for Monett. Brad Daniels led Southwest with 13.

Southwest returns to action Friday night at Purdy in a crucial Ozark 7 matchup.

Monett scorers: Logan Coones, 19; Jonah Paszek, 14; Elijah George, 8; Cameron Witt, 5; Collin Randles, 4; Isaac Long, 4; Chad Swanson, 3.

Southwest scorers: Brad Daniels, 13; Orion Lawyer, 8; Robbie Randall, 5; Blake Barnes, 3; Trayvon Johnson, 2; Landon Wright, 2; Paton Clay, 1.

Lee Stubblefield

After posting a strong 47-39 win over Clever to improve to 9-10 on the season, the Cassville Lady Wildcats hosted Carl Junction on Monday night with their sights set on reaching the .500 mark. Instead, the Lady Bulldogs hung a 19-point defeat on the Ladycats. Brenlee McPherson put on a 22-point show in leading CJ to victory.

A nightmare of an opening quarter saw Cassville on the short end of a 14-2 score. Only Macey Parsons' lone bucket kept the Lady Wildcats from an 8-minute shut-out. Meanwhile, McPherson scored 5 in the first quarter and added 10 in the second to help stake CJ to a 29-13 halftime lead.

Cassville trailed 20-4 with 4:48 left in the half. Makenzy Durossette canned a mid-range jumper to cut the lead to 22-10, but the Lady Bulldogs regained the 16-point advantage when Skyler Sadler swished a rainmaker trey from the right corner. Durossette hit another jumper and Raeghan Blisard hit the second of a pair of free throws to cut the lead to 26-13 with just 32 seconds left.

But McPherson muscled up a half court bomb to beat the buzzer and quiet the crowd. The Lady Bulldogs led 29-13 at the half.

The Cassville girls opened the third period with a 7-2 run, capped by a Kaileigh



Courtesy of Priscilla Craig

Cassville Lady Cat Makenzy Durossette, is pictured above as playing defense. Durossette was named as one of the Lady Cats' Players of the Week.

Gorski trey. That cut the lead to 31-20, but was also as close as the Lady Wildcats would come in the second half. CJ led by 19 points twice in the third period, and held a 42-25 lead at the final break.

Hallie Long and Madi Stokes scored back to back baskets to open the fourth quarter and reduce the lead to 42-29. But CJ went on a 12-2 run to pull away to an insurmountable lead. Blisard and Kandace Wallace finished the scoring with late baskets, but the Lady Bulldogs were content to run out the clock on the 54-35 victory.

The Lady Wildcats will host Big 8 rival Monett on Monday, February 9.

Cassville scorers: Raeghan Blisard, 8; Brooks Fields, 6; Hallie Long, 6; Devyn Callahan, 6; Kaleigh Gorski, 3; Macey Parsons, 2; Madi Stokes, 2; and Kandace Wallace, 2.

Carl Junction scorers: Brenlee McPherson, 22; Emma Frack, 9; Skylar Sadler, 9; Alex Vogt, 6; Lauren Walker, 3; Megan Scott, 3; and Chase Boyd, 2.

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Cassville High School athlete helps lady basketball team receive \$500 grant

Cassville Lady Cat basketball player Lindsey Halterman along with her mother, Bette Ann Halterman, have been instrumental in helping the CHS Lady Cat basketball team receive a \$500 Volunteerism Always Pays (VAP) Grant.

To qualify, Lindsey had to contribute her time and talent to a charitable organization that mattered to her. She then maximized her impact to the basketball team through the CVAP program which recognizes and further supported her efforts basket on the hours volunteered.

"With the love of the game and her dedication to the team, Lindsey has helped by volunteering her time

with fundraising activities," stated Lady Cat head coach Chris Shore.

Lindsey's mother is a Walmart associate who was able to use volunteer hours by helping other parents feed the girls before home games and help to transport players to the summer basketball camp at Missouri Southern State University in Joplin. Lindsey has also volunteered hours by assisting with the team garage sale in order to help raise funds during the summer.

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Parkinson's Awareness Night

Next up for the Lady Cats is Parkinson's Awareness Night which will be Monday, February 9, as Cassville hosts the Monett Lady Cubs.

The team will be selling special awareness t-shirts and will be holding a drawing at halftime of the varsity game in order to raise funds to be donated to Parkinson's research.

Monday's games will begin at 6 p.m. at the CHS gymnasium.



Pictured above, left to right, are: Coach Mandy Henry, Coach Chris Shore, Lindsey Halterman and Coach Sherri Brooks.



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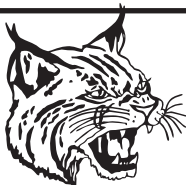
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Five Cassville teachers announce their retirement after the school year

Steve Chapman

At the start of the next school year, five faces familiar to Cassville Schools will no longer be seen in the classrooms. Teachers Sherri Brooks, Wendy Miekley, Kaye Hughes, Janet Kice, and Alene Campbell are retiring from education after the school year ends this May.



Sherri Brooks

Retiring teacher Sherri Brooks has spent almost 30 years teaching in Cassville R-IV. During her career, she has had a variety of experiences, including teaching second grade, sixth grade math and science, and seventh grade math.

Brooks likens teaching styles to a pendulum. "The teaching style we use will go away for awhile, and we will change how we do it," she said. "Then, it will come back with a different name and a few changes, but will basically be the same thing."

Asked about her retirement, Brooks said she plans to keep busy. "There are so many things that I would like to do, I don't really know where I will start," she said. "Whatever it is, I want it to be as enjoyable as teaching has been."

For those who are considering becoming teachers, Brooks suggested they get their feet wet by becoming substitute teachers. "Try to get into as many classrooms as you can," she said. "Number one, you will see if you think that is really what you want to do. The second thing is, you will see which age group appeals to you and maybe even a particular subject that you would like to teach."

Brooks also said even those who become teachers should never forget that they are also students. "Once you start teaching, don't be afraid

to ask for advice from the veterans. They have been there, and they have a wealth of knowledge that can help you a lot. Be a life-long learner. We can learn new things everyday. That is what keeps it fresh and new."



Wendy Miekley

Cassville teacher Wendy Miekley will retire after a career that has spanned nearly 30 years, 22 of those at Cassville. Before coming to Cassville, Miekley was already a veteran educator. She taught at Lebanon High School and Purdy Elementary for the first seven years of her career. When she came to Cassville, Miekley taught third grade for 12 years, followed by 10 years of teaching fifth grade.

Miekley, who graduated from Cassville High School, said her path as an educator began during her senior year of high school when she helped in a fifth grade classroom. "I loved seeing a child grasp a new concept or get excited about learning something new, and that is still with me," she said. "I've enjoyed witnessing it in my classroom in first graders though high school seniors."

Though much has changed in teaching over the last 30 years, a guiding principle in Miekley's educational philosophy has remained constant. "I still believe that every individual excels at some subjects and must learn to persevere at those that don't come so easily," she said.

Miekley plans a very active retirement. She has been working on a list of "100 Fun Things to Do upon Retirement," though she said she has only come up with 21 so far, including learning how to play the banjo and starting a small business. "I hear I'll be raking hay," she said, "and I hope we'll be going camping. I also hope to do more with

my Longaberger business and my eBay store."

For those who are planning to go into teaching, Miekley recommends it only for those who are truly dedicated to helping children learn. "Be strong, be energetic and enthusiastic," she said. "Examine why you think you want to pursue teaching as a career, and be sure that will sustain you when working long hours for lower pay than what your peers will receive in their careers. You must be passionate about teaching and excited about seeing learning happening."



Kaye Hughes

Kaye Hughes is retiring after a total of 25 years as an educator. She began her career at Wheaton Elementary and later came to Cassville where she taught sixth grade communication arts, social studies and science for 13 years. For the last five years, she has taught seventh grade communication arts.

According to Hughes, the greatest change she has seen in education has been her own approach to the way she grades her students. "Many of us only experienced traditional grading as students and continue to use traditional grading in our classrooms," she said. "I believe grading should be based on what students know and can show you they know for each skill that is needed to be successful at that grade level for that content."

Though Hughes is retiring, she plans to continue to serve in the community, though she has not yet decided in what way yet. "I feel I am being led to make this change," she said, "whether that is continuing to teach in some capacity, volunteering in my church more, or just being there for my five grandsons as they grow. I am

excited for this new adventure."

Hughes's advice to those who plan to become teachers is to make sure it is their calling and to be life-long learners. "There will be hard days, and there will be great days," she said. "Make sure you love what you are doing. Do not become stagnate and unwilling to always learn. Keep on learning with your students and find ways to make yourself the best at whatever profession you choose."



Janet Kice

After 15 years at Cassville R-IV, Janet Kice is preparing to retire. She has spent numerous years teaching fifth and sixth grades.

Kice actually began her teaching career in 1980 in Wichita, Kan. Later, she taught fifth grade and seventh grade math in Paola, Kan. for 15 years. After their sons were raised, she and her husband decided to move into the area to continue their careers.

During her many years in education, Kice has seen many changes in the field. "When my career started," she said, "teachers couldn't envision how technology and high stakes testing would drive student learning."

Kice and her husband are retiring together, and they are looking forward to taking it easy. "We will definitely sleep a bit later in the mornings," she said. "There will be a much longer boating and

fishing season for us on Table Rock Lake, and we will travel to Kansas City and Big Bend National Park in southwest Texas to visit our children on a regular basis. Finally, we're looking forward to lots of traveling, especially to warm beaches during the winter months."

For young people who are considering making education their careers, Kice has this advice: "Be assured, education is a rewarding career. It is remarkable how often a former student stops by in the classroom with a sweet memory about something we had shared that made a difference in their life. Know that teaching is an important vocation, and you will make a difference in the lives of children."



Alene Campbell

Alene Campbell will be retiring after 23 years as a teacher. She taught for 13 years at the Southwest R-V District before coming to Cassville. As a teacher in Cassville, she has taught reading and technology for eight years and was also an

instructional technology coach for two years.

Campbell said her views on teaching have changed greatly. "When I first started in education, my view was the teacher was more of a lecturer with students completing paper and pencil-type activities. These paper and pencil activities were what would show student learning. Now, my view is there are multiple ways for students to demonstrate their learning."

Despite the changes, Campbell said one factor in student learning remains constant. "All students have needs that need to be met in order for them to be able to learn," she said.

Campbell would like to travel and see her grandchildren after she retires but also wants to continue learning. "I want to take up new hobbies," she said.

For those who are thinking about becoming teachers, Campbell's advice is to be flexible. "The occupation is not an 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. job," she said. "You will spend lots of hours outside of the school researching for tools, methods or activities that will engage students in order to see that needs are met for as many students as possible."

"I would say also to be flexible in your materials you use to deliver information. Be willing to change and adapt if an activity didn't proceed as planned."

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Barry County courts send 10 to prison in the month of January

All information on Barry County felony convictions is provided by the Barry County Judicial Center. Information related to the specifics of the crimes is obtained from the affidavits of probable cause.

• **Carl E. Barnes**, 40, Aurora, pled guilty to forgery. Barnes was given a suspended execution of a three year incarceration sentence, supervised probation for four years and restitution.

Barnes charges originated following an arrest in November 2014 when he wrote a check in the amount of \$324.44 to Friendly Tire in Monett. The check was drawn on Academy Bank, but the account did not exist. Barnes signed the check. According to the Barry County Sheriff's Department, the arrest was part of an ongoing investigation into Barnes and two others.

Barnes is to serve probation until January 28, 2019.

• **Penny A Bingham**, 61, Cassville, pled guilty to distribution of a controlled substance and DWI-Alco-

hol as a persistent offender. She was given a suspended execution of a five year incarceration sentence and five years of supervised probation.

Bingham's charges stemmed from a traffic stop in September 2013. The Missouri State Highway Patrol stopped Bingham for speeding and noticed that she was intoxicated. She admitted to not having a driver's license, and the trooper also noticed that she had a baggie of marijuana in her wallet. She told him she was planning to deliver the bag to a friend. Bingham's license was suspended for multiple alcohol-related offenses.

Bingham is to serve probation until January 21, 2020.

• **Jessica E. Carlisle**, 21, Cassville, pled guilty to theft/stealing of property between \$500 and \$25,000 in 2011. Her probation has since been revoked, and she is to serve a five-year incarceration sentence.

Carlisle was originally arrested after she and another person were caught stealing from the Walmart in Monett. Items were stolen on multiple occasions by filling shopping carts

and pushing them out of the store without paying for any of the items.

• **Tara Nicole Carroll**, 23, Reeds Spring, pled guilty to theft/stealing from \$500 to \$25,000. She was sentenced to long-term drug treatment and four years incarceration.

Carroll was arrested in May 2014 when she was caught stealing from the Cassville Walmart. Carroll and a man she was with took a Dell computer, worth \$998, out of the store without paying for it. The Cassville Police Department investigated the matter by searching license plates and eventually matching the couple to their mugshots from Stone County's jail.

• **Roy E. Carrothers**, Cassville, pled guilty to theft/stealing of property less than \$500. He received a suspended imposition of sentencing and two years unsupervised probation.

In April 2013, Carrothers pawned items at Eggleston Trade and Pawn that were being rented from Castle Rental in Rogers, Ark. Carrothers also filed a report with the Seligman Police Department that the items has been stolen when he had actually pawned

them.

Carrothers is to serve probation until January 20, 2017.

• **Mark. A Crum**, 52, Cassville, pled guilty to possession of marijuana and received a suspended imposition of sentencing, two years unsupervised probation, and 40 hours community service.

Crum was arrested in August 2012 when he was found living inside a stolen RV. Inside, deputies with the Barry County Sheriff's Department found a baggie with methamphetamine residue and a syringe as well as marijuana paraphernalia.

Crum is to serve probation until January 21, 2017.

• **Bryan Mack Davis**, 36, Seligman, pled guilty to two counts of possession of a controlled substance, theft/stealing of \$500 to \$25,000, possession of a chemical with the intent to manufacture a controlled substance, and three counts of theft of a firearm. Davis is to serve five years incarceration for those offenses.

Davis' charges came from multiple arrests throughout 2014. In April, Davis was arrested by the Seligman Police Department for having three syringes and methamphetamine. Then, in September, Davis pawned a saddle that a friend had left at his home

and then denied having it. In October, Davis was found to have pawned three of another friend's guns to different area pawn shops. In November, the Southwest Missouri Drug Task Force executed a search on Davis' residence and found multiple items needed to manufacture methamphetamine as well as a spoon with melted Valium.

• **Dylan Wade Fisher**, 19, Aurora, pled guilty to theft/stealing of \$500 to \$25,000 and burglary in the 2nd degree in 2013. His probation has since been revoked, and he is to serve five years incarceration.

Fisher's original charges were from two separate occasions. In September 2012, Fisher and others stole two computers from Walmart in Cassville worth \$1,250. Then, in September 2013, Fisher was caught on a security camera stealing his car back after it had been towed to Wellbaum Tire Shop and Wreck Service in Monett.

• **Misty M. Forester**, 33, Monett, pled guilty to possession of a controlled substance. She received a suspended execution of a five-year incarceration sentence and five years supervised probation.

Forester was charged with possession of a controlled substance after the Missouri State Highway Patrol conducted a drug investigation following a traffic stop. The Highway Patrol went to a residence on County Road in Monett after finding the purse of one of the residents from the

vehicle in the traffic stop. In the home, Forester was found to have syringes and methamphetamine paraphernalia in her possession.

Forester is to serve probation until January 21, 2020.

• **Davie A. Gallion**, Harrison, Ark., pled guilty to a 2007 sexual assault charge in 2011. His probation has since been revoked, and he is to serve his four year incarceration sentence. No details were available on the initial case.

• **Chad Raymond Graham**, 42, Verona, pled guilty to domestic assault in the 2nd degree. He received four years incarceration for the crime.

Graham was arrested after pulling his 61-year-old mother out of a car by her head and putting her in a headlock. While in a headlock, he slammed her into the car multiple times, breaking the car's rear view mirror, and other parts of the vehicle. Graham was described as 190 pounds, and his mother was 112 pounds. The Barry County Sheriff's Department had to search the woods for an hour to find Graham and take him into custody.

• **Jason Robert Hobbs**, 27, Cassville, pled guilty to two counts of possession of a controlled substance, theft/stealing of \$500 to \$25,000, and burglary in the 2nd degree. Hobbs received a suspended imposition of sentencing, ordered to complete CRISP, 100 hours of community service, pay restitution, and serve five years supervised probation.

Hobbs' charges were related to multiple arrests during 2014. In February, multiple firearms were stolen from a residence on Park Avenue in Cassville. Later, in August, the victim found one of his rifles at Sportsman's Corner at Hilltop. Hobbs had pawned the victim's guns. In March, Hobbs was found to be in possession of syringes full of morphine when someone called in that there were people in a van "shooting up" at the Pack and Go convenience store in Monett. In October, Hobbs stole \$217.29 in change from his grandmother's house while she was out of town. In November, Hobbs was charged again once in police cus-

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tody when his father found syringes and a melted pill in Hobbs' car.

Hobbs is to serve probation until January 15, 2020.

• **Nicole Ann Jackson**, 27, Monett, pled guilty to tampering with a motor vehicle in the 2nd degree. Jackson received a suspended imposition of sentencing, two years unsupervised probation and must pay restitution.

Jackson was charge with tampering with a motor vehicle after she broke the windshield and scratched side windows as well as dented the door panels of a 2007 Hyundai Santa Fe in May 2012.

Jackson is to serve probation until January 21, 2017.

• **Scott Joseph Jackson**, Stella, pled guilty to non-support. He received a suspended imposition of sentencing and unsupervised probation for five years.

Jackson had two minor children that he was to be paying support for at \$400 per month. His total arrears in July 2012 were \$27,091.52.

Jackson is to serve probation until January 20, 2020.

• **Jose E. Martinez**, 34, Neosho, pled guilty to DWI-Drug Intoxication as an aggravated offender. He was sentenced to three years incarceration with of which he will serve 120 days of shock incarceration.

In May 2011, the Missouri State Highway Patrol arrested Martinez after a one-vehicle crash on Missouri 112 in Barry County. Martinez, the driver, suffered serious injuries when his vehicle went down a steep embankment and struck a tree. He was found to be intoxicated at the

scene. Another passenger was not seriously injured.

• **John P. McCaffrey**, 29, Monett, pled guilty to two counts of forgery and possession of a controlled substance. He received a suspended imposition of sentencing and five years supervised probation.

In September 2014, McCaffrey was found using counterfeit \$100 bills to get change at La Dureanguena Mexican Supermarket in Monett. The Cassville Police Department arrested McCaffrey in October for shoplifting at the Cassville Walmart. When officers caught him after he ran through a north field, they found him to be in possession of Xanax.

McCaffrey is to serve probation until January 20, 2020.

• **Eric S. Merritt**, 29, Cassville, made an Alford plea to forgery. He was given a suspended imposition of sentencing with five years supervised probation and was ordered to complete the CRISP program.

On October 16, 2014, Merritt went to Commerce Bank in Cassville and cashed his payroll check. He had changed the denomination of the check from \$72 to \$172. He told the bank he would return the \$100 but never did.

Merritt is to serve probation until January 30, 2020.

• **Jessie W. Oplinger**, 26, Seligman, pled guilty to possession of a chemical with the intent to manufacture a controlled substance and two counts of possession of a controlled substance. Oplinger received a suspended execution of a four year incarceration sentence and supervised probation for five years.

During two different drug investigations, Oplinger was involved. In October 2013, the Southwest Missouri Drug Task Force was investigating a residence on Westview Road in Seligman. Oplinger and another person were running to the woods when officers ordered them to stop, and Oplinger was found to have a bag containing a methamphetamine lab. In August 2014, Oplinger was arrested again when he was found to have a glass pipe that field-tested positive for methamphetamine.

Oplinger is to serve probation until January 20, 2020.

• **Jason Dewayne Ponder**, Aurora, pled guilty to trespassing in the 1st degree. He was sentenced to 10.5 months of jail time with credit for the 10.5 months he already served.

Between February 8 and February 10, 2014, Ponder and another person were living in a residence on Hidden Valley in Cassville without the permission of the owners. They stole utilities, including electricity and propane, while they were there.

• **Diego Rodriguez**, 20, Monett, pled guilty to property damage in the 2nd degree. He was ordered to pay restitution and was fined \$200.

Rodriguez and two juveniles damaged more than \$750 worth of property from spray paint in Monett in August 2014.

• **John Robert Rounds**, 42, Cassville, pled guilty to three counts of distribution of a controlled substance. Rounds was sentenced to 120 days of shock incarceration as part of his six year sentence.

On three different occasions in January 2013, Rounds sold methamphetamine to a confidential informant with the Southwest Missouri Drug Task Force.

• **Kelby Brok Tettendorst**, 19, Fordland, pled guilty to burglary in the 2nd degree. She was sentenced to long-term drug treatment, four years incarceration and was ordered to pay restitution.

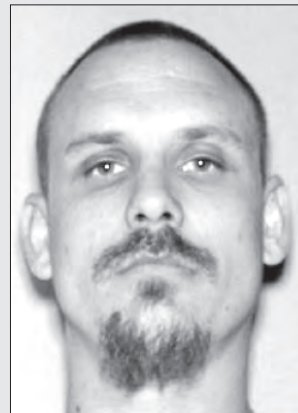
In February 2013, Tettendorst admitted to burglarizing a residence on Highway Z in Monett. Over \$500 worth of items, including a motorcycle, TV, deer stand, compound bow and chainsaw, were stolen.

• **Wayne Villines**, 54, Seligman, pled guilty to two counts of failure to register as a sex offender. He was sentenced to two years incarceration.

Villines was initially convicted of sexual conduct (sexual intercourse with a child) in 1987. The victim was 15 years old at the time.

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Danny Pat West, Jr.

Danny Pat West, Jr., 33, Monett, is wanted for burglary in the 1st degree. He is a white male, 5' 8" and 123 pounds.



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Wheaton crowns Homecoming King and Queen



Wheaton High School recently held Homecoming coronation for the 2014-15 school year with Marley Sherwood, junior, being crowned Homecoming Queen and Tate Banks, sophomore, being crowned Homecoming King. The Homecoming court is pictured above, in the front row, from left to right: Brittany Harmon, senior attendant; Aracely Nunez, senior attendant; Marley Sherwood, junior queen; Emily Killion, sophomore attendant; and Amaya Hudson, freshman attendant. Back row: Joey Robbins, senior escort; Justin Beck, senior escort; Tate Banks, sophomore king; Trevis Schoelzel, senior escort, and Hilsden Moseley, sophomore escort. The kindergarten flower girl Mallory Royer and crown bearer Jayson Peterson are not pictured.

Barry Electric Coop. plans District meetings

Marvin Phipps, secretary for the Barry Electric Cooperative, announced the schedule for the annual district membership meetings. District No. 1 members will meet at the Exeter Fire Department, on February 9, District No. 2 members' meeting will be held at the Barry Electric Office, 4015 Main Street, Cassville, on February 12, and the meeting for District No. 3 members' will be held at the Cassville Golf Course Club House located on Hwy. 112 south of Cassville on February 10. All meetings start at 7 p.m.

The purpose of the district meeting is to nominate candidates for the position of director to represent members from the district on the cooperative board of directors. The two candidates receiving the highest vote from each district nomination meeting will be placed on the ballot for election of one director from each district at the cooperative's annual membership meeting. The 68th annual meeting will be held on April 9, 2015, at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center 5th and West Street in Cassville at 1:00 p.m.

Directors with expiring terms are John Marney, from District number 1; Marlee Edie, District number 2; and Richard Asbill, from District number 3.

The cooperative's officers are Dr. David Cupps, president; John Marney, vice-president; and Marvin Phipps, secretary-treasurer. Also serving on the cooperative board of directors, in addition to Mr. Edie and Mr. Asbill, are Lewis Royer, Glen Craig, David Dalton and Ray Manley.

Golden Harvest meeting

The Golden Harvest Club will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 10. The meeting will be held at the Cassville Senior Center at 11:30 a.m. Members are asked to each bring a Valentine to exchange among the club.

Local authors to participate in Kimberling City signing

Charlea Mills

Multiple local authors will be attending a special book signing event hosted by the Kimberling City Library. The event will also feature well-known entertainers Roy Rogers, Jr., and Janice Martin.

This year marks the third annual Authors Book Signing Day at the Kimberling Area Library. This year, more than 40 authors will be there to sign books and there will be speaker topics from 9:50 a.m. until 1:10 p.m.

Locally published authors from the area include Dr. Larry Quinalty, Charles King, Tom Koob, Richard Meyer, Marilyn Smith and Cathy Wolven. Smith will be one of the featured speakers with her presentation "Highway 65 Then and Now" at 12:50 p.m., and King will present "Humor: Earl Eugene Needmore, Need I Say More" at 11:20 a.m.

Kimberling Area Library Director Kathryn Kufahl stated, "We are offering this free, stimulating event to provide individuals an opportunity to meet and talk with a treasure of talent. We feel fortunate that the event has attracted popular and award-winning authors who will be on hand to share their stories, sign books, answer questions and much more."

Kufahl continued, "We invite everyone to join us on February 7. It's an opportunity you won't want to miss."

The event will be held on Saturday, February 7, from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

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pen Lewis, Skyler McGar-
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CASSVILLE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Cassville R-IV School Board of Education meeting was called to order by President of the Board John Sullivan on Thursday, January 15, 2015.

The following programs were evaluated: Fine Arts and Technology by presenters Mary Richmiller and Errick Fuchs.

A motion made by Becky Henningson and seconded by David Haddock to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: December 16 regular board minutes, December financial reports, January bills, Bond Construction Payments and a retirement resignations from Alene Campbell as a middle school teacher effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year. Administrators reviewed building reports and other areas of interest. The motion carried six to zero. Jon Horner abstained.

A motion was made by Jon Horner and seconded by Greg Allen to approve the High School Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment Policy Update - IGCE. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by Becky Henningson and seconded by David Haddock to approve the Purchasing Card Program Revision. The motion carried seven to zero.

The following items were presented for discussion and information; Budget Discussion, 2015-2016 Calendar Option A and B, Capital Project Committee Planning and MET Insurance Compliance Update regarding employee groups.

A motion was made by Jon Horner and seconded by Carolyn Bowen to go into executive session for the purpose of personnel. Meeting to be closed under Section 610.021, subsection (3) RSMO: for the purpose of hiring, firing, and disciplining or promoting employees; with minutes closed to public examination. Motion carried with a seven to zero roll call.

A motion was made by Becky Henningson and seconded by Jon Horner to return to regular session. The motion called with a seven to zero roll call.

A motion was made by Greg Allen and seconded by Jon Horner to extend Superintendent Richard Asbill's contract through 2016-2017 school year. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by David Haddock and seconded by Becky Henningson to employ administrators for the 2015-2016 school year as follows: Jill LeCompte, Amy Stephenson, Jeff Swadley, Coy Dalton, Melanie Stringer, Ron Hudson, Eric White and Catherine Weaver. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by Hal Smith and seconded by Becky Henningson to adjourn. The motion carried seven to zero.

Fields named to Fort Hays Dean's List

Kelsey Renee Fields, Cassville, was named to the fall 2014 Deans Honor Roll at Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kan. Fields is a senior majoring in elementary education.

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Principal's List

The Principal's List is a GPA of 4.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

• **Freshmen:** Hannah Kelley, Garret Knight and Emily Sink.

• **Sophomores:** Allen Baldwin, Raegan Brock, Kaylyn Bryant, Abigail Buntin, Kaileigh Gorski, Mary Hennigan, Lindsay Hernandez, Levi Hodge, Camille Holman, Olivia Padilla, Macey Parsons, Brenna Pendergraft, Yesenia Rivera Huerta, Cindy Sanders, Matthew Skinner, Chelsey Small, Nicole Sutphin and Kandace Wallace.

• **Juniors:** Alyssa Brewer, Brooke Cornell, Zachary Denton, Colton Dilbeck, Parker Dunker, Makenzy Durossette, Lindsey Halterman, Jessica Haney, Andrew Hare, Jena Hilburn, Austin Holt, Cameron Johnson-Kalp, Dylan Klewer, Hunter Madison, Tawnie Nelson, Sydney Olbertz, Riley Wilson, Kiley Wolf and Shania Wolf.

• **Seniors:** Caroline Carr, Grace Gouvion, Dillon Hess, Audry Holman, Kathleen Hurst, Riley Lekarczyk, Lane Madison, Cody Olson, Clayton Perez, Levi Pollreis, Caterina Ravasi, Kelsey Roney, Autumn Scott, Matthew Vermillion, Andrew Whitham and Alyssa Wiertsema.

High Honor Roll

The High Honor Roll is a GPA of 3.67 to 3.99 on a 4.0 scale.

• **Freshmen:** Yesenia Aguinaga, Kaylee Aldridge, Abbi Atkinson, Joseph Bickford, Ellie Cahalan, Alexis Campbell, Alyssa Case, Emma Coenen, James Curtis, Grant Davis, Issac Dodson, Jesseca Edie, Trinity Ewing, Kaitlynn Grayum, Alex Hopper, Coleman Hoppes, Ashlynn Howe, Kaylie Hunter, Jessica Ibarra-Ibarra, Savannah Lawrence, Josephine Lone, Hallie Long, Hailey Matthew, Madison Olbertz, Dalton O'Neill, Elisabeth Phaneuf, Adan Ramirez, Colton Robinson, Andie Roper,

Jared Rowe, Grace Schell, Laura Stringer, Audrie Thorpe, Payton Varner and Skyler Wolf.

• **Sophomores:** Hope Boston, Abby Boyd, Devyn Callahan, Jordan Campbell, Kayla Clancy, Robert Elliott, Monsserrat Fierro, Kassandra Graves, Audrey Harrison, Bailey Hendrix, Brianna Hickman, Victor Ibarra-Ibarra, Gilbert Medina, Addison Perez, Lea Periman, River Phelps, Kyle Ruark, Brooklyn Sizemore, Anne Sommers, Austin Sparks, Ying Thao, Savannah Williamson, Lexie Wilson and Cole York.

• **Juniors:** Memory Barber, Cheyenne Black, Zachary Boley, Allen Boston, Danny Burns, Brett Cochran, Alesha Cousins, Leigh Cox, Jeffrey Crumpler, William Edmondson, Kourtney Greek, Dustin Griffis, Noah Hadlow, Madison Horner, Keyla Martinez Maldonado, Valeria Perez, Matthew Popanz, Madison Ray, Jessica Roberts, Abby Rose, Dustin Sims, Xamuyee Thao, Dakota Townsend, Hanna Williams and Kristian Young.

• **Seniors:** Brady Blisard, Raeghan Blisard, Geoffrey Brophy, Joshua Brown, Kristen Cox, Kallie Dickson, Christopher Edgar, Juan Enriquez-Dove, Brooke Fields, Jordan Fisher, Brooke Harris, Dillon Henson, Marshall Henson, Isaiah Herbert, Amanda Jackson, Chase Jackson, Cory Johnson, Gabriel Kirk, Cameron Koehler, Zachary Larson, Autumn Lawrence, Britani Long, Sophia Mueller, Cade Pendergraft, Isiah Phinney, Hannah Scott, Andrew Shepard, Morgan Shumaker, Megan Skinner, Donald Snow, Dean Sprinkle, Adriana Test, Na-

than Vitt, Jerica Wall, Deidre Westpheling, Tori Williams and Nakia Zamniak.

Honor Roll

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• **Freshmen:** Audra Brooks, Kaylee Coursey, Trey Dalton, Lawrence Dickson, Sky Dill, Haley Donovan, Jeremiah Fisher, Dylan Garner, Tempest Gray, Samuel Hunter, Sierra Lacy, Lisa Lambel, Samantha Mitchell, Dakota Moss, Britney Nowak, Bayla Osborne-Linebarger, Madison Popanz, Kaylee Reibert, Megan Richter, Carl Schell, Joshua Schreiner, Rachel Scott, Sarah Shumaker, Megan Sloan, Jacob Smith, Hayley Stewart, Madilynn Stokes, Caden Swearingen, Ambria Vaughan, Jessica Velasquez Vail, Dominic Wilderbuer, Kayla Williams, Austin Wilson, Corey Young and Autumn Youngblood.

• **Sophomores:** Mariah Anderson, Kynsey Branham, Dominique Christy, Alexis Cieslinski, Savannah Clere, Ashley Coffey, Debbie Davis, Casey Ellis-Dunbar, Grace Fisher, Riley Fletcher, Jeremiah Hilburn, Cameron Irwin, Anastasia Martinez, Madeline Mason, Jet Moua,

Addyson Nunley, Rhandi Pendergraft, Bailey Periman, Ashley Ray, Charles Seymour, Caleb Stephens, Joshua Verde, Destiny Whittenburg and Savannah Willis.

• **Juniors:** Christina Alexander, Emily Alder, Kiana Banks, Jakob Brede-son, Abigail Calhoun, Ian Coleman, Pauline Dodson, Jonathan Edgar, Jaci Evans, Tyler Flowers, Paige Holiday, Madeline Jones, Kane Kellner, Allen Lambel, Ashley McFarland, Callie Meek, Devin Messbarger, Samuel Paddock, Courtney Rasmussen, Taylor Sanders, Tyler Speakman, Paofue Vang and Curtis Williamson.

• **Seniors:** Melissa Arnold, Jonah Bundy, Kylee Cotton, Macy Cousins, Kira Dotson, JayCe Fink, David Griffith, Jade Holloway, Tiffany Irwin, Dalton Jett, Rachel Koperski, Tristen Larson, Korissa Latta, Mason Loveland, Keely McCracken, Brett Nickle, Neeral Patel, Alyssa Pearman, Anthoney Price, Kristopher Rhea, Levi Ruark, Parker Skinner, Stussy Stephenson, Tylar Townzen, Paige Turner, Carla Velasquez Vail and Dylan Williams.

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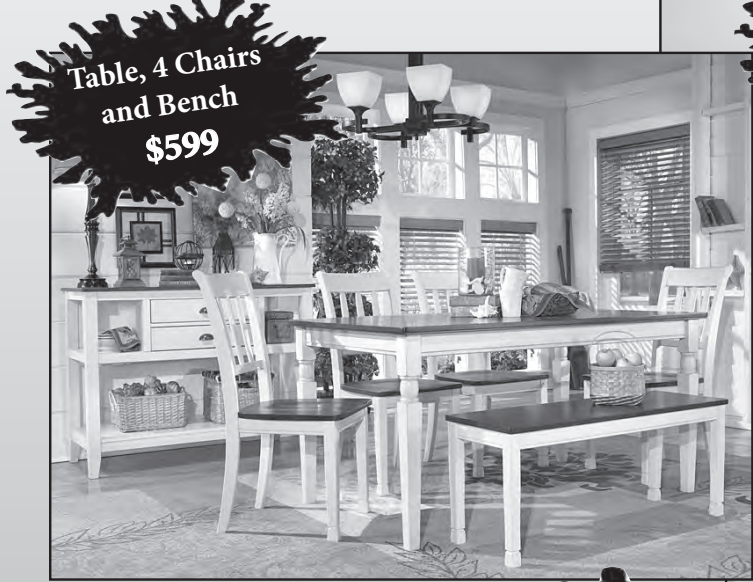
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