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## Spotlight

### Purdy FFA fish fry, labor auction

The Purdy FFA Alumni will be holding a fish fry on February 21 starting at 5:30 p.m. with a labor auction to follow at 7 p.m.

Meals are \$6 per person and Purdy FFA members will be auctioned off as well as various items to help raise money for the Purdy FFA Alumni. The Purdy FFA invites everyone to support the Purdy FFA Chapter and Alumni.

### Democrats meeting

Barry County Democrats will meet on Thursday evening, February 19, at the Cassville Branch Library meeting room. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.

For further information, call Ruth Thompson at (417) 847-3753 or Nolan McNeill at (417) 847-2893.

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## Washburn Fire Department looks to become tax-funded

Charlea Mills

Big changes are in store for the Washburn Fire Department and the residents they serve. They announced this week that the Department is seeking to become a Fire Protection District and also that residents in the district could see a decrease in their insurance premiums thanks to a new rating earned by the department.

Voters in the April General Municipal Election will vote to decide whether to grant the department that classification, and in turn, incur a small increase on property taxes.

Washburn Fire Chief Brandon Howard has been with the department for years and was promoted to chief around four years ago. Howard says the move to become a fire protection district is to protect the future of the department. “If this passes, it’ll ensure the financial future of the fire department. Otherwise, we will have to raise our dues which penalizes the people in the district who reliably support us each year.”

As it currently stands, all funds that run the Washburn Fire Department are generated through voluntary dues and fundraisers. The department also applies for grants for specialized equipment and training. Only around 60 percent of the residents within the Washburn district, which includes a small portion of McDonald County, as well, pay their dues. Dues of \$45 each year make residents members that support the district. Howard said, “We can bill people for our services if they aren’t members, but it doesn’t usually work out. It’s hit or miss if we see anything from that.”

If the switch to Fire Protection District is made, the funding for the department will go from approximately \$20,000 per year to around \$45,000 per year. As a Fire Protection District, instead

of members paying a voluntary due, an additional \$0.30 per \$100 of assessed value would be added to their annual real estate and personal property taxes and would go to fund the department.

Sherry Sears, Barry County Assessor, said that for someone with a real estate value of around \$50,000, that would mean around \$30 in additional taxes each year. Obviously, people with higher or lower property values will be affected in relation to their value. Dues would no longer be collected.

One thing is apparent to the department, to keep the department safe, changes need to be made. Howard said, “A lot of these grants we apply for are becoming more and more difficult to get. A grant that we might have gotten five or six years ago is either gone or we might not get it now. The grants can go away.” Howard added that the \$20,000 operational budget only covers their day-to-day costs, not equipment or training for the firefighters.

Howard said that they have already planned on how to incorporate those funds if the Fire Protection District is passed. He stated, “Over time, services will improve because we will be better able to train our staff, get more specialized equipment and it’ll mean it’ll be safer for our people responding.”

When the fire department began, it was only a handful of volunteers and a 1946 GMC pumper truck. Now, the department has 20 volunteers and 10 vehicles who work out of two different stations. With around 200 calls annually, the volunteers respond to fires, auto extrication, hazardous materials, EMS medical assists, rescue and public education.

The department is using all means to improve their training and better serve the

See FIRE on 3A



Pictured above is one of the Washburn Fire Department’s trucks. The department takes the trucks for public education, such as at Southwest School, as well.

## Winter storms bring fun snow days



With area schools out for the weather, kids are enjoying the winter wonderland that made its appearance throughout Barry County. Above, Kyley Miller, 10, of Cassville, shows off her snow bunny full of Wildcat pride.

## Seligman makes progress on splash pad

Steve Chapman

Seligman’s splash pad plans are coming together after last week’s city council meeting. The board accepted a bid from Sanders construction to build the splash pad this spring for \$18,246.

Barry Lenhart, who represented Sanders Construction at the meeting, spoke to the council to answer their questions concerning the construction company’s bid to build the splash pad. Lenhart explained to the council he could not give them a definite date of completion for the splash pad due to the volume of projects the company was already working on. “I don’t want to tell you something and then not follow through with it,” he told the council.

Finally, Lenhart asked the council if it would be ac-

ceptable for the project to be completed between the months of April and June in 2015, which the council agreed to. The council voted to accept Sanders’s bid to build the splash pad.

The council also discussed plugging city well #2. City Clerk Brian Nichols told the council he had received a communication from the state telling them that any well that has not been in use for two or more years had to be plugged, no exceptions. The estimated the cost for plugging the well to be a maximum of \$18,000, but Nichols is working on two grants. One grant would reimburse the city for 90 percent of the cost of plugging the well while the other reimburse the city for the other 10 percent. “The goal is zero percent out of pocket,” Nich-

ols told the council.

In other business, the council approved \$1,500 to be spent on fireworks for the 4th of July and also heard the second and final readings of three bills before they became ordinances. Ordinance 15-02 increases court costs to \$33.50 due to a \$2 domestic violence fee to be collected and submitted to the state. Ordinance 15-03 renews Seligman’s agreement with Barry County to allow the county to collect the city’s taxes, and Ordinance 15-04 establishes a policy to prevent a backflow through the service connection into the city’s water supply system.

The council went into closed session to conduct employee evaluations. Following the closed session, the council adjourned for the evening.

## Brown sentenced to 7 years for child abuse

Charlea Mills

In court last week, a man convicted of child endangerment received the maximum sentence in a judgment handed down for abuse of a two-year old girl in 2013.

Joshua Tyler Brown, 30, of Wheaton, was found guilty of child endangerment of the first degree in December after a four-day jury trial. On February 11, Stone County Judge Mark A. Stephens sentenced Brown to seven years incarceration for the crime, the maximum sentence allowed by Missouri State law. Judge Stephens was assigned to the case after Brown’s attorney John Lewright requested a change of judge from Judge

Jack Goodman in 2013.

According to the Barry County Prosecuting Attorney Johnnie Cox who tried the case, Brown left the two-year old girl with second degree burns on her buttocks, bruising on the back of her head, indications of bruising on the side of her head and places on the sides and top of her where her hair had been pulled out. When the child’s paternal grandmother saw the injuries, she and her biological father’s girlfriend took her to the hospital.

Since Cox has since taken a judgeship position, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Patrick Sullivan represented the State at the sentencing



Brown

hearing.

The jury deliberated for five hours in December before bringing back a guilty verdict. At the time, Cox

See ABUSE on 2A







## FIRE from FRONT

patrons in their community, and part of that meant being classified as a more safe district by the Insurance Service Offices (ISO). Before, Washburn was classified as a 9-10 district-wide. Now, with improvements to the department, city water department and E9-1-1 Dispatch Center, most of the district is a 5 or 6. For people in one of the 5 or 6 rating areas, they could be eligible for discounts on their property insurance on April 1.

Howard said, "For some people, they will save more on their premiums thanks to the new ISO rating than their taxes will be raised."

Howard attributes the lower ratings to multiple factors, including the City of Washburn's water storage and delivery capabilities as well as better equipment and training for the fire department. He said, "The hard work and dedication of the current and past volunteers, along with the strong support from the community, also played a huge role in the lower classifications."

Howard went on to say, "While some may see an increase over the current dues system, the lower ISO classification would offset the increase by lowering insurance premiums in most instances."

Those within the Washburn Fire District can vote

## Letter to the Editor

Bill Gracy gave an entertaining and informative Power Point presentation of the increased attempts by the Federal government to overrule the Second Amendment at the Tea Party meeting in Shell Knob. The American people have demonstrated time and time again that they want none of these attacks against our 2nd Amendment right to bear arms.

Because President Obama seems to have a total disregard for the rule of law and the legal process of our system of legislation, there is a real fear that he will enact restrictions on our arms by policy and not by legislation.

Using the UN Ban on Small Arms worldwide is and has been considered as a pretext to outlaw small arms in this country.

Local police authorities are jumping at the offers made by the Pentagon to provide overstocked military equipment to their police forces. Thus, we are seeing on the news now these huge pieces of equipment for local police forces.

One attendee in the meeting pointed out that her doctor told her in June he will have to start asking his patients if they have any fire arms. Talk about increasing the intrusiveness of the government. What's the connection between our doctors and our right to bear arms? Is this the purview of our healthcare providers?

We need to refresh our knowledge of the Constitution and the first 10 Amendments. The gun grabbers have never gone away. They're like ter-

mites. They keep eating away at the timbers that make up a free society.

-Bob Corke

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## World Missions Day service

The Oak Ridge Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate World Missions Day on Sunday, February 22, with a speaker. Missionary Don Newsom will be reporting on the work being done in the Philippines at 10 a.m. He will be preaching in the worship service at

11 a.m.

Everyone is invited to attend the World Missions Day service. The church is located at 16722 State Highway 248, five miles east of Cassville. Contact Pastor Henbest for more information at (417) 847-2552.



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## Notice:

- **Cassville Senior Center** is reminding all their February birthday seniors to attend their birthday lunch Feb. 27 from 11:00 to 12:00 noon. Freedom Bank sponsors Cassville Cash gift card in the amount of \$10.00 to each senior attending the birthday lunch.
- **American Legion** holds bingo **every** Saturday. Early Bird starts at 5:15 p.m., and the regular session begins at 5:45 p.m.
- **Barry County Democrats** will meet on Thursday evening, February 19, at the Cassville Branch Library meeting room. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will feature a dessert fellowship and several items of business, as well as a speaker. All interested persons are invited to attend. For further information, call Ruth Thompson at 847-3753 or Nolan McNeill at 847-2893.

## 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.
- **The Stella Sr. Center** will have a dinner and dance, Friday, Feb. 20, at 5:30 p.m., the kitchen will serve chili dogs, baked beans, slaw, dessert and drink for \$4. At 7:00 p.m., they will dance to music by the McDonald County Playboys, for \$3.00.

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## February 21

- **Seligman Area Senior Citizens** will host bingo from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
  - **The Purdy FFA Alumni** will be holding a fish fry, on February 21 starting at 5:30 p.m. with a labor auction to follow at 7:00 p.m. Meals are \$6 per person and Purdy FFA members will be auctioned off as well as various items to help raise money for the Purdy FFA Alumni.
- ## February 22nd
- **Free meal at Seligman Community Center** 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. New donations of clothing and household items will be available.
  - **Oak Ridge Missionary Baptist church** will celebrate World Missions Day on Sunday, Feb. 22, 10:00 a.m. Everyone welcome. Located at 16722 State Hwy. 248. For more information, contact Pastor Henbest at (417) 847-2552.

## February 23rd

- **Food giveaway** at Corinth Baptist Church in Cassville Feb. 23 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

## February 27th

- **Seligman Area Senior Citizens** will host a pot luck supper at 6:00 p.m.

## March 7th

- **SW Band dinner** and annual baked potato and chili supper will be held March 7 at 5:30 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria Commons area. Music and entertainment provided.

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## School Menus Week of Feb. 23th

All menus include milk and are subject to change.

**Southwest: Mon. B-** french toast sticks, strawberry yogurt, apple slices, or cereal, strawberry yogurt, toast, juice. **L-** chicken/noodles, or salad bar meal, wheat roll, mixed vegetables, pears. **Tues. B-** biscuits/pepper gravy, peaches, or cereal, graham cracker, peaches. **L-** frito pie, or salad bar meal, corn, peaches. **Wed. B-** pancakes, sausage patty, blueberries, or cereal, banana nut muffin, blueberries, juice. **L-** vegetable beef stew, or salad bar meal, crackers, carrot sticks, grape tomatoes, mozz. cheese sticks, pineapple. **Thurs. B-** breakfast sausage pizza, pears, or cereal, granola bar, juice. **L-** cheese pizza, or salad bar meal, romaine salad tomatoes, green beans, tropical fruit. **Fri. B-** hot ham sandwich, orange wedges, cereal, blueberry muffin, juice. **L-** BBQ rib sandwich, or salad bar meal, cole slaw, potato chips, fruit salad.

**Cassville High: Mon. B-** biscuits/gravy, pop tart, pears, or cereal, graham crackers, applesauce. **L-** shrimp poppers, mac/cheese, glazed carrots, pineapple chunks, or cheeseburger meal, or salad meal. **Tues. B-** french toast sticks, sausage patty, fruit cocktail, or cereal, blueberry muffin, orange. **L-** pepperoni pizza, vegetable mix, green beans, juice, or chicken nugget meal, or salad meal. **Wed. B-** sausage biscuits, hashbrowns, pineapple chunks, or cereal, dried cherries, go-gurt. **L-** chicken strips, potato wedge, broccoli/cheese, chocolate cake, peaches, or pizza meal, or salad meal. **Thurs. B-** brfst. pizza, tropical fruit, or cereal, PB&J, banana. **L-** cheeseburger, cb fixins, BBQ chips, baked beans, juice, or chicken nugget meal, or salad meal. **Fri. B-** biscuits/gravy, yogurt cups, peaches, or cereal, granola bar, grapes. **L-** turkey and dressing, whipped potatoes, corn, yogurt cup, granola, juice, or baked potato bar, salad meal.

**Cassville: Mon. B-** french toast sticks, sausage patty, blueberries, or cereal, teddy grahams, orange. **L-** spaghetti, (shrimp poppers), tossed salad, glazed carrots, bread sticks, applesauce. **Tues. B-** eggs extravaganza, toast, pineapple chunks. or cereal, blueberry muffin, orange. **L-** chicken nuggets, (orange chicken w/rice), egg rolls, green beans, fortune cookie, juice, or salad meal. **Wed. B-** blueberry pancakes, sausage patty, blueberries, or cereal, graham crackers, peaches. **L-** frito pie, (chicken quesadilla), refried beans, corn, orange, or salad meal. **Thurs. B-** biscuits/gravy, peaches, or cereal, pop tart, fruit cocktail. **L-** cheeseburger, (gorditos), french fries, baked beans, juice, or salad meal. **Fri. B-** pancake on stick, applesauce, or cereal, granola bar, mandarin orange. **L-** sausage pizza, (chicken strips), vegetable mix, corn, pineapple chunks, or baked potato bar.

**Purdy: Mon. No School. Tues. B.-** breakfast pizza, cereal, yogurt, fruit. **L-** corndog, baked beans, carrots, fruit mix, chocolate chip cookie, salad bar. **Wed. B-** biscuit, gravy, sausage patty, cereal, fruit. **L-** southwest spaghetti, wheat breadstick, tossed salad, ranch dressing, fruit cup, salad bar. **Thurs. B-** french toast sticks, cereal, fruit. **L-** chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, carrots, apples, bread, salad bar. **Fri. B.-** yogurt, cereal, wheat toast, fruit. **L-** turkey sandwich, potato chips, baby carrots, ranch dressing, grapes, salad bar.

**Exeter: Mon. B-** biscuit/gravy, peaches, juice, or cereal, biscuit, peaches, juice. **L-** spaghetti/meat sauce, salad yellow squash, breadstick, peaches. **Tues. B.-** mini pancakes, applesauce, juice, or cereal, graham crackers, applesauce, juice. **L-** hot dog, sweet potato fries, Monaco veggies, pineapple. **Wed. B.-** breakfast burrito, apple, juice, or cereal, vertical bar, apple juice. **L-** chicken patty, mashed potatoes, country gravy, pinto beans, biscuit, mixed fruit. **Thurs. B.-** egg and cheese bagel, mixed fruit, juice, or cereal, toast, mixed fruit, juice. **L- Fri. B.-** breakfast pizza, banana, juice, or cereal, vertical bar, banana, juice. **L-** hamburger, sweet potato fries, green beans, apple.

### INVITATION TO BID

**Campus Access Road Improvement**

Sealed bids will be received by the Superintendent's Office of Exeter R-VI School District, Barry County, 101 Locust Street, Exeter, MO 65647 until 3:00 pm, March 11, 2015 for base rock and excavation for access road improvement.

Specifications or additional details may be secured at 101 Locust Street, Exeter, MO 65647, (417) 835-2922 ext. 5. All bids must include the name and address of bidder.

The Exter R-VI School Board Reserves the right to reject any/or all bids or to waive any informalities, or to accept the bid or bids deemed best for Exeter R-VI School District, Barry County, Exeter, MO

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Core items, although important to the overall hygiene of the establishment, do not necessarily present an immediate threat to food contamination or illness and/or injury.

A report for each establishment that is inspected shows the number of priority items, along with a short statement as to the nature of the violations. The report also shows the number of core items but doesn't list the nature of those violations.

\*Corrected on spot

- **Monett Middle School** *Monett*  
Pre-Opening 1/5/15:  
New kitchen approved.
- **Dollar General** *Eagle Rock*  
Routine 1/5/15:  
Priority items: 1  
1. Water line broken and flooding lateral field.  
Core items: 2.  
Follow-Up 1/15/15:  
Priority items: 1  
1. Water line break flooding the septic system laterals.  
Follow-Up 1/21/15:  
Priority violation from 1/5/15 corrected.
- **Sunrise Family Restaurant** *Monett*  
Complaint 1/5/15:  
Priority items: 3  
1. Raw meat stored above onions.\*  
2. Mashed potatoes held at 134°F (must be 140°F or above).  
3. Stack of plates and one scoop put away as clean are soiled.\*  
Core items: 6.
- **L&L Stores** *Eagle Rock*  
Routine 1/5/15:  
Priority items: 0.  
Core items: 3.
- **Subway** *Cassville*  
Routine 1/6/15:  
Priority items: 2\*  
1. Nobody ServSafe certified or equivalent on duty.\*  
2. Pastrami removed from freezer to thaw on December 21

not discarded.\*

Core items: 1.\*

• **Happy House** *Monett*

Complaint 1/7/15:

Priority items: 5\*

1. Nobody ServSafe certified or equivalent on duty.\*

2. Blade of can opener has dried on food debris and knives stored as clean are soiled.\*

3. Uncovered employee beverages in kitchen.\*

4. Raw beef stored above cooked chicken.\*

5. Sink in kitchen is leaking.\*

Core items: 5.

• **Mercy Hospital Cafeteria** *Cassville*

Routine 1/7/15:

Priority items: 1\*

1. Can opener blade soiled.\*

Core items: 1.\*

• **Cassville Senior Center** *Cassville*

Routine 1/8/15:

Priority items: 2\*

1. Sanitizing solution not at proper strength.\*

2. Tartar sauce (made on site) not labeled with discard date.\*

Core items: 1.

• **L&L Stop & Shop** *Exeter*

Routine 1/8/15:

Priority items: 0.

Core items: 0.

• **C&C Country Store** *Exeter*

Routine 1/8/15:

Priority items: 0.

Core items: 3.

• **Big Baldy's BBQ** *Monett*

Routine 1/8/15:

Priority items: 2\*

1. Uncovered employee beverage in the kitchen.\*

2. Thermometer for temping food soiled.\*

Core items: 0.

• **Kum & Go** *Monett*

Routine 1/8/15:

Priority items: 0.

Core items: 3.

• **Mocha Joe's Coffee Café** *Monett*

Routine 1/8/15:

Priority items: 3\*

1. Uncovered employee beverage in kitchen.\*

2. Chopped kale with a discard date of 11/27/14 not discarded.\*

3. Sanitizer too weak.\*

Core items: 1.\*

• **El Mariachi** *Cassville*

Follow-Up 1/12/15:

Permit issued (new ownership).

• **Geraldi's** *Cassville*

Routine 1/12/15:

Priority items: 0.

Core items: 0.

• **Walmart #914** *Cassville*

Routine 1/12/15:

Priority items: 3\*

1. Rice, gravy, and mashed potatoes with a discard time between 2 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. not discarded.\*

2. Pan in bakery (on clean side of dish drain) is soiled. Bread slicer soiled.

3. Sanitizer stored above produce items.\*

Core items: 2.\*

Follow-Up 1/13/15:

Priority items from 1/12/15 inspection corrected.

• **Angus Steakhouse** *Monett*

Routine 1/13/15:

Priority items: 0.

Core items: 3.

• **Trojan PQ Mart** *Washburn*

Routine 1/13/15:

Priority items: 2\*

1. Tongs soiled, not washed after previous day's service.\*

2. Spray bottles of chemicals not labeled.\*

Core items: 3.

• **Taco Bell/KFC** *Cassville*

Routine 1/13/15:

Priority items: 2

1. Wire racks on top of biscuit oven are soiled; three wire racks, air drying after having been washed, are soiled. Can opener blade is soiled.

2. Three trays of grilled chicken with discard time of 3:30 p.m. not discarded and one tray of fried chicken with discard time of 4 p.m. not discarded.\*

Core items: 2.

Follow-Up 1/14/15

Priority item from 1/13/15 inspection corrected.

• **Antrim's Pancake House** *Seligman*

Routine 1/14/15:

Priority items: 2

1. Nobody ServSafe certified or equivalent on duty.

2. Food contact surfaces of equipment and utensils not be-

ing sanitized (sanitizing solution less than 50 ppm, should be between 50 ppm and 99 ppm).

Core items: 3.\*

Follow-Up 1/29/15:

Priority violations from 1/14/15 inspection corrected.

• **White Oak Station** *Seligman*

Routine 1/14/15:

Priority items: 1\*

1. Baked chicken with discard date of 1/12/15 not discarded.\*

Core items: 4.

• **Garcia's Mexican Restaurant** *Cassville*

Routine 1/19/15:

Priority items: 2\*

1. Uncovered employee beverage in the kitchen.\*

2. Sanitizer at three-compartment sink too strong.\*

Core items: 0.

• **Mazzio's Italian Eatery**

*Monett*

Routine 1/19/15:

Priority items: 1\*

1. Sliced tomatoes held in cold well at 61°F (must be 41°F or below).\*

Core items: 1.

• **Subway (inside Walmart)** *Cassville*

Routine 1/19/15:

Priority items: 0.

Core items: 2.

• **Sunrise Family Restaurant** *Cassville*

Complaint 1/20/15:

Priority items: 3

1. Condiments such as tartar, mayonnaise, ranch, etc., have either no discard date or are improperly dated.\*

2. Spray bottle of yellow chem-

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**JEWELL CHRISTINE  
IRBY HILBURN**

Jewell Christine Irby Hilburn, 29, of Seligman, passed away in her home on Saturday, February 14, 2015. Mrs. Hilburn, daughter of Marshall Irby and Helen Williams, was born on November 22, 1985, in Springdale, Ark. She was united in marriage to Bruce Hilburn on May 14, 2011, in Seligman. Mrs. Hilburn was an amazing woman who lived life to the fullest; her zest for life was matched only by the love for her children. She loved her family and friends dearly, and was always there to help out when she could. Mrs. Hilburn will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Survivors include her husband Bruce Hilburn, of Seligman; three sons, Payton Morris, Benjamin Morris, and Bruce Hilburn, Jr., all of the home; her father, Marshall Irby, of Siloam Springs, Ark.; her mother, Helen Williams and her husband Knial, of Seligman; two brothers, Travis Farmer and his wife, Megumi, of Japan, and Daniel Williams, of Seligman; one sister, Nancy Sheridan,

of Branson; several uncles and aunts; numerous nieces and nephews; and a host of friends. She was preceded in death by an infant son, Ronald Leslie Trinkle; her brother, Michael Irby; her grandparents; and the father of her two older sons, Christopher Morris.

Memorial contributions may be made to the educational fund for the children and entrusted to the White Funeral Home & Crematory, P.O. Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 19, 2015, at the White Funeral Home and Crematory with Pastor John Ledenham officiating. Burial will follow at the Russell Cemetery in Butterfield. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18th at the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the direction of the White Funeral Home & Crematory, Cassville. View our website at [www.whitefuneralhome.org](http://www.whitefuneralhome.org) for online condolences and obituaries.

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## LORETTA BURGESS

Loretta May Burgess, 72, of Seligman died at 2:00 a.m., Thursday, February 12, 2015, at Mercy Hospital, Springfield.

She was born November 26, 1942, at Pomona, to Harlow Guy Thompson and Dorothy Angelena Rainier Thompson. On January 4, 1963, she was married at Pomona, to Tommy Burgess. Mrs. Burgess attended Beauty College at Springfield, worked for the United States Postal Service a total of twenty-eight years, including West Plains as a clerk and carrier, assistant post master at Pomona and retired as post master at Seligman. She was also the Treasurer of Seligman Chamber of Commerce for twelve years. Mrs. Burgess was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Olden.

She is survived by her husband, Tommy Burgess, of the family home; two children, Angela Marti, husband, Terry, of Springfield, and Melissa Appleton, husband, Claude, of Seligman; two grandchildren, Brad Appleton, wife, Ashlee and Alisha Reese, husband, Jacob; two great-grandchildren, Braxton and Asher Appleton; one sister, Shirley Pitman, husband, Gerald, of Ozark; special friend, Cleta Stanley; special cousin, who was like a sister, Nann Albin, of West Plains; and several nieces and nephews.

Her parents and one brother, Richard Thompson, precede her in death.

Visitation was held from 1:00 until 2:00 p.m., Sunday, February 15, 2015, and funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., in the Rose Chapel at Robertson-Drago Funeral Home.

Burial was in the Howell Memorial Park Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Foundation, and may be left at Robertson-Drago Funeral Home. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.robertsondrago.com](http://www.robertsondrago.com).

## CLARA JEAN SEARS

Clara Jean Sears, 90, of Wheaton, died February 16, 2015 at Freeman West Hospital, following a lengthy illness. Jean was born Aug. 22, 1922 in Granby, the daughter of Solomon David and Mary (Finn) Judd. She was a lifelong area resident and had worked as postal clerk at the Granby Post Office and was a homemaker. She was a community volunteer and enjoyed sewing, painting, working puzzles and was an avid reader. She was a member of Wheaton United Methodist Church, UMW and a Bible scholar.

Jean married Calvin Hooper Sears on June 22, 1947 in Columbus, Kansas and he preceded her in death on November 16, 2004. She is survived by three children, Ted Sears, of Wheaton; Joy Prier, of Wheaton and Jill Offutt, of Lebanon; one brother, Carl D. Judd, of Granby; four grandchildren, Kevin Prier and wife, Michelle; Ryan Prier, Faith Offutt and Judd Offutt; four step grandchildren, Leon Offutt, Angie Becerra, Sandee Offutt and David Wayne Offutt; two great grandchildren, Kylie Bartlett and Gauge Bartlett and numerous step great grandchildren and step great great grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by her parents, a granddaughter, Tammy Offutt; three sisters, Mable Hopper, Phyllis

McMurtrey and Patsy McCleary and a brother, Bobby Judd.

Services will be Friday, Feb. 20, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at the Clark Funeral Home, Granby, Pastor Derrick Harmon and Rev. Ralph Walker officiating. Interment will follow in the Granby Memorial Cemetery. Friends may call at the Clark Funeral Home, Granby on Friday and the family will receive friends prior to the service from 1:00 p.m. until service time. Contributions in memory of Jean may be made to the Granby House Resident Activity Fund, c/o Clark Funeral Home, PO Box 26, Granby, MO 64844.

Services are under the direction of Clark Funeral Home, Granby. Online condolences may be posted at [www.clarkfuneralhomes.com](http://www.clarkfuneralhomes.com).

## MICAELA ANNE ABERNATHY

Micaela Anne Abernathy, 31, of Leesburg, Fla., passed away Tuesday, February 10, 2015.

She was born September 7, 1983, in Midland, Texas, the daughter of Michael Abernathy and Donna Houston Hurst. Micaela grew up and received her education in Houston, Texas and graduated from Cy Springs High School. She then attended College at Texas Tech in Lubbock, Texas. Most of her life was spent in Houston, Texas. She loved life and lived it to the fullest and those blessed enough to have known her enjoyed her quick wit and sense of humor. She was a creative person who collected friends as others collect coins. She had a huge heart and was an avid and involved warrior for PETA and Unleashed Pet Rescue and Adoption. Micaela was adored and loved by her family and friends and will be greatly missed.

Surviving are her father, Michael Abernathy, of Leesburg, Fla.; her mother, Donna Hurst, of Cassville; two sisters, Kathleen Hurst and Claire Hurst both of Cassville; paternal grandparents, Margaret and Glen Abernathy, of Fort Myers, Fla.; aunts and uncles, David Abernathy, of Fort Myers, Fla., Shawn Hedman, of Clearwater, Fla., Gerald Houston and Kristin Popanz, of Cassville, Vickie Houston, of Sarasota, Fla., Billie and Tim Sapp, of Exeter, Bettie and Audy Holman, of Cassville, and Michelle and Klaus Doranth of Sarasota, Fla. and her special friend, Scott Godsey.

Preceding her in death were her maternal grandparents, Bill and Ethel Houston.

Memorial services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, February 13, 2015, in Fohn Funeral Home, Cassville. Pastor James Weaver conducted the services. A Celebration of Life Ceremony will also be held in Florida.

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## GERITA J. “GERI” DUREE

Gerita J. “Geri” Duree, 72, of Shell Knob, passed away Sunday, February 15, 2015, in Roaring River Health and Rehabilitation Center, Cassville.

No services are scheduled at this time. Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home, Shell Knob, Missouri.

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## MARVIN CAR CRUZAN

Marvin Car Cruzan, 76, of Shell Knob, passed away Wednesday, February 11, 2015, in Mercy Hospital, Springfield.

Services with military honors will be held at a later date in Missouri Veterans Cemetery, Springfield.

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

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## VICKIE M. MARKS

Vickie M. Marks, 62, of Cassville, passed away Wednesday, February 11, 2015, in Roaring River Health and Rehabilitation Center, Cassville.

No services are scheduled at this time. Cremation arrangements are under direction of Fohn Funeral Home, Cassville.

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## REBA LOUISE KIRK YOUNG

Reba Louise (Kirk) Young, 70, of Washburn, passed away Monday, February 9, 2015, in Cassville Health Care and Rehabilitation Center.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 17, 2015, in War Eagle Cemetery, War Eagle, Ark., under direction of Fohn Funeral Home, Cassville.

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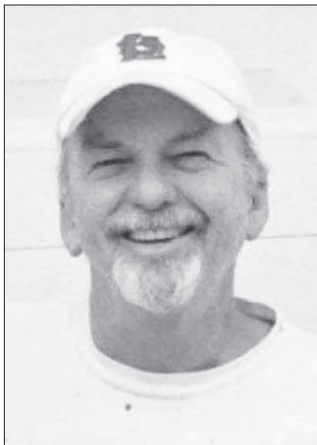
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**RONALD  
JAMES BUFORD**

Ronald James Buford, 64, of Golden, passed away suddenly in his home on Friday, February 13, 2015. Ron was born November 27, 1950 in San Diego, Calif., to James and Delores Buford. He graduated from Sweetwater Union High School in National City, Calif. He attended college at Southwestern Junior College in Chula Vista, Calif. As a young man growing up Ron enjoyed playing football and baseball but his favorite thing to do was go to the beach and surf the waves.

In 1981, he moved to Eagle Rock and started his own painting business, Arrow Star Painting. He was an exceptional and talented painter and he really enjoyed his work. Ron later took on the roll as a father of two sons: Chris Russell and Travis Russell, who he loved as his own. He was very involved in every aspect of his sons' lives especially when it came to sports. He not only took pride in watching his boys play ball but he was also a great teacher and coach. Ron later became a grandfather to five grandchildren who he cherished and loved very much; Devon Russell, Trevor Russell, Michael Russell, Jeffrey Gilmartin, and Baylea Gilmartin. Ron played a key roll in their lives, but his grandchildren played an even bigger role in his life. He was very proud of them.

He leaves behind a sister, Dianna Brown and her husband, Paul Brown, of St. Petersburg, Fla.; another sister, Kathy Stephens and her husband, Bob Stephens of La Mesa, Calif.; a brother, Chris Malcolm and his wife, Tess Malcolm, of Murrieta, Calif.; a son, Chris Russell and his wife, Stephanie Russell, of Pierce City; another son, Travis Russell and his fiancé, Brandy Lauderdale, of Cassville; Five Grandchildren: Devon Russell, Trevor Russell, Michael Russell, Jeffrey Gilmartin, and Baylea

Gilmartin. He was preceeded in death by his mother Delores K. (Dee) Collard and her husband, Tom Collard; his father James L. Buford and his wife, Jean Buford; and one Uncle, Bob Buford.

Ron was a member of the All Faith United Methodist Church of Eagle Rock. He was very loved and will be missed by all who knew him especially his family. "Papa River" you were taken too soon from us but you finally get to ride the perfect waves in heaven. Until we meet again, we will keep you in our hearts and know you are looking down on us every day. We love you."

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**LORETTA FLETCHER**

Loretta Fletcher, 76, of Exeter, passed away on February 14, 2015, at Cox South in Springfield. Mrs. Fletcher, daughter of John and Bertha (Reece) Goldsborough, was born on July 25, 1938, on Sugar Mountain, Ark. Loretta was united in marriage to Lloyd Day on July 8, 1954, in Exeter; he preceded her in death on August 18, 1996. On May 28, 1997, in Exeter she was united in marriage to Don Fletcher; he survives.

Loretta cooked at the Rainbow Dinner House in Cassville for five years, and then went on to work for Head Start in Cassville as a cook in the cafeteria, later becoming a certified teacher's aide for thirteen years.

Loretta instilled a love of the Lord in her children,

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never missing an opportunity to teach them. She loved to help people, was compassionate and always there for others, and dearly loved to spend time with her grandchildren, in addition to quilting, fishing and camping. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Exeter.

Survivors include, her husband, Don Fletcher, of Exeter; three sons, Leonard Day, of Cassville, DeWayne Day and his wife, Irene, of Exeter, and Bruce Day and his wife, Robin, of Exeter; four daughters, Linda Wyatt and her husband, Tony, of Mount Vernon, Jeanette Winchester, of Tampa, Fla., Sandra Schreiner and her husband, Edgar, of Aurora, and Lisa Jacobs and her husband, Dennis, of Cassville; one step-son, Ludon Fletcher and his wife, Shirley, of Cassville, two step-daughters, Vicky McDougal and her husband, Bob, of Shell Knob, and Trish McCracken and her husband, Mike, of Cassville; twenty six grandchildren; two sisters, Jenny Sperling, of Pryor, Okla., and Jane Skaggs, of Springdale, Ark.

Family received friends on Tuesday, February 17, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the White Funeral Home and Crematory. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, February 18, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Exeter with Pastor Jerry Yarnall officiating. Burial followed at the Maplewood Cemetery in Exeter. Memorials may be made to the Meal on Wheels program at the Senior Center in Cassville, and entrusted to the White Funeral Home & Crematory, PO Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625.

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**MARJOURIE MARIA  
HUBERT TABOR PARISH**

Marjourie Maria Hubert (Tabor) Parish, 71, of Cassville, passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 14, 2015. Mrs. Parish the daughter of Charles and Marjourie (Tickel) Hubert was born on January 10, 1944, in Long Beach, Calif. She was raised in California until her father retired from the Navy and they relocated to Dry Fork, Ark. She spent several years at the School of the Ozarks in Point Lookout, where she obtained a degree in Elementary Education. After marrying Tom Tabor whom she met at the School of the Ozarks they relocated to Washburn, where she taught several grades in Elementary until her retirement in 2000.

On October 4, 2001, she was united in marriage to Ron Parish of Tulsa, Okla. and they made their home in Cassville, where she had lived for many years. They enjoyed traveling, spending time at their lake house in Oklahoma and spending time with family especially her grandchildren. Marj enjoyed crocheting afghans, needlepoint, painting, playing dice games with family and spending time in her flower gardens. She had a kind and generous heart and was always willing to help others. She attended

First Baptist Church in Cassville.

Survivors include her husband, Ron, her sister Loraine Blevins, of Cassville, her children Sue Anne Edford and her husband, Steve, of Owasso, Oklahoma; Charlie Tabor and his wife, CJ of Jenkins and M. Lynne "Button" Mann and her husband, Eric, of Washburn; seven grandchildren, Ryleigh, Thomas, Gabe, Hailey, Piper, Ashley and William and seven great grandchildren; one nephew David Blevins and his wife, Julie, of Springfield; many friends, neighbors and friends of her twins who she loved as her own kids. She was preceded in death by her parents and nephew Mark Blevins.

In lieu of flowers the family asks for donations to be made to the American Cancer Society and entrusted to the White Funeral Home & Crematory, P.O. Box 890, Cassville, MO 65625. Please view our website at [www.whitefuneralhome.org](http://www.whitefuneralhome.org) for online condolences and obituaries.

A private family memorial will be held at a later date.

**KENNETH  
EWELL GRAVES**

Kenneth Ewell Graves, 76, of Purdy, passed away Wednesday, February 11, 2015, in his home.

No services are scheduled at this time. Cremation arrangements are under direction of McQueen Funeral Home, Wheaton.

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**LENA MAE  
"CUPIE" ATNIP WILSON**

Lena Mae "Cupie" (Atnip) Wilson, 92, was surrounded by her family when she went to be with her Lord and Savior Feb. 13, 2015 after a short illness. She was born August 9, 1922 to James and Cleve (Pierce) Atnip.

Cupie, as everyone knew her, was born in Aurora where she grew up and also attended school. On Feb. 5, 1940 she was united in marriage to Horrel Wilson. They made their home in Shell Knob.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband of 59 years; three brothers; three sisters and an eleven year old daughter, Aleene Wilson.

Survivors include one son, Kenneth Wilson, of Jenkins; two daughters, Louella Mooneyham, of Aurora and Rhonda Wilson, of Shell Knob; seven grandchildren; thirteen great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; three sisters, Gladys Clevenger, Wanda Haley and Norma Rainwater all of Aurora.

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3. Men’s restroom faucet broken and heavily leaking hot water.

Core items: 1.\*

Follow-Up 1/22/15:

Priority item from 1/20/15 inspection corrected.

• **Prime Cut Monett**

Routine 1/20/15:

Priority items: 4\*

1. Bacon held at 46°F (must be 41°F or below).\*

2. Salads, corndogs, brisket and cooked ham not labeled with discard date.\*

3. Raw beef stored below raw chicken.\*

4. Can opener blade is soiled.\*

Core items: 1.

• **Monett Family Restaurant Monett**

Routine 1/21/15:

Priority items: 3\*

1. Uncovered employee beverage in the kitchen.\*

2. Raw ground beef stored above ready-to-eat ham and raw beef stored above lettuce.\*

3. Sanitizer too weak.\*

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Priority items: 4

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2. Chicharoni crumbs on display for customers are not covered.\*

3. Pork and beef held in hot unit #3 at 135°F and 131°F. Cheese held at 50°F in mini cooler.\*

4. Bone saw and two meat slicers not sanitized at least every four hours.\*

Core items: 0.

• **Kwik T’s Cassville**

Routine 1/21/15:

Priority items: 2\*

1. Gravy labeled with discard date of 1/30/15 instead of 1/27/15.\*

2. Chili not labeled with discard date.\*

Core items: 5.

• **Wheaton Asian Market Wheaton**

Routine 1/22/15:

Priority items: 0.

Core items: 3.

• **G&L Place Wheaton**

Routine 1/22/15:

Priority items: 2\*

1. Tomato juice is past discard date of 1/20/15.\*

2. Unlabeled bottle of blue liquid (soap).\*

Core items: 4.

• **Wheaton RII School Wheaton**

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Routine 1/22/15:

Priority items: 1\*

1. Baja sauce not discarded on discard date of 1/21/15.\*

Core items: 1.

• **Dollar General #15781 Wheaton**

Pre-Opening 1/22/15:

Plan review.

• **Golden Discount Corner Golden**

Pre-Opening 1/26/15.

Permit issued.

• **Ramey #26 Purdy**

Routine 1/26/15:

Priority items: 3\*

1. Employee in meat department chewing gum.\*

2. Chicken breasts held at 135°F and chicken wings 120°F (must be held at 140°F or above).\*

3. Ready-to-eat sandwich with a discard date of 1/25/15 not discarded.\*

Core items: 3.

• **Subway (inside Walmart) Monett**

Routine 1/26/15:

Priority items: 1\*

1. Three bowls strongly discolored, have pitting and scratching (no longer smooth and easily cleanable).\*

Core items: 1.

• **VFW #4207 Monett**

Routine 1/26/15:

Priority items: 5

1. Nobody ServSafe certified or equivalent on duty.

2. Paper bag of peanuts is soiled by unknown liquid.\*

3. Cutting board in the kitchen is chipped, cracked and not cleanable.\*

4. Two coffee cups with spoons heavily soiled. Mini refrigerator soiled. Popcorn scoop soiled.\*

5. Septic tank lid has a large hole. Offensive odor in this area.

Core items: 3.

• **Dollar General #15781 Wheaton**

Pre-Opening 1/29/15:

Permit issued.

• **Cox Monett Hospital Monett**

Routine 1/29/15:

Priority items: 1\*

1. Mashed potatoes held at 124°F and gravy at 127°F and 134°F (must be held at 140°F or above).\*

Core items: 1.\*

• **The Family Room Monett**

Routine 1/29/15:

Priority items: 3\*

1. Raw chicken stored above ready-to-eat cheese and mushrooms.\*

2. Soda nozzles and soda gun have bacteria growth. Container of knives soiled by grease residue. Two grates for food soiled.\*

3. Employee medicines stored on top of the salad bar.\*

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# McAuley boys, Purdy girls front runners for Ozark 7 titles

*Lee Stubblefield*

The McAuley Warriors mowed down Southwest and then Purdy last week and clinched at least a share of the Ozark 7 Conference title. McAuley's boys will play at Thomas Jefferson on Thursday night with a chance to win the conference crown outright.

When Southwest escaped Purdy with a one-point victory on February 6, the Trojans appeared on track to win the Ozark 7. But McAuley, coached by veteran Randy Robertson, took a 66-63 road win over Southwest on Tuesday, February 10, after blowing a 9-point lead. The Warriors then topped Purdy by 62-50 in Joplin last Thursday.

That win gave McAuley a perfect 5-0 conference record heading into the regular season finale against TJ.

While McAuley has been perfect in Ozark 7 matches, the Warriors have struggled in tournament play. The Purdy Eagles dropped out of contention with losses to Southwest and McAuley, even though the Eagles defeated the Warriors earlier in both the Miller and Clever tournaments. McAuley also

dropped a 66-52 game to Thomas Jefferson in the Warrior Classic.

So the hopes of Southwest and Verona, both with conference losses to McAuley, hinge on Thomas Jefferson upsetting McAuley on Friday night. Even with that, the best either team could hope for is a tie with the Warriors in the conference standings.

**Purdy girls coasting to title**

The Purdy Lady Eagles, barring a shocking upset in the final week of the regular season, appear destined to wear the Ozark 7 crown. With a perfect conference slate to this point, and all of those wins by double digits, Eli Ernst's crew just needs to stay the course to close out a perfect conference season.

## Purdy holds Hall of Fame induction ceremony



Mrs. Dorothy Gibbons in front of the display honoring her late husband, Norman "Gabby" Gibbons, featuring Gabby's letter sweater, a team trophy from 1954 and several autographed annuals.

The Purdy R-2 School District crowned Senior Kayley Pettit its 2015 Homecoming Queen on Friday evening, February 6. Kindergarten students Kierstn Postlewait, flower girl, and Cyris Williams, crown bearer, led the processional into the gym. Pettit and her court, including freshman Layne Skiles, sophomore Hannah White and junior Skylar Lakey, reigned over the evening's basketball games versus Southwest.

Later in the evening the district inducted its first members into the newly formed Purdy High School Athletic Hall of Fame. Inductees included Becky (Fly) Woods, the late Earl Miller and the late Norman "Gabby" Gibbons. Miller scored a total of 2,083 career points and joined the All Conference, All District and All Ozarks teams in 1968 and 1969. He was named to the All-State First Team in 1969. Miller's widow, Luann Miller, ac-

cepted his recognition plaque from Purdy Schools Athletic Director Jennifer Schallert-Cornelius on behalf of Miller. Miller's Purdy High School basketball coach, Bill Lee, also participated in the ceremony. The Millers' children and grandchildren joined them on the gym floor for the induction.

Norman "Gabby" Gibbons was a Purdy household name for over half a century, first as a Purdy High School star basketball player and later as a Purdy High School teacher and coach, a Purdy Board of Education member and a beloved Purdy High School sports fan and community member. Two members from the first basketball team Gibbons coached at Purdy in 1951-52 were present to honor their mentor. His widow, Dorothy Gibbons, and her children accepted his recognition plaque on his behalf.

Becky (Fly) Woods was a member of the iconic "Purdy Dream Team" of the early 1980s, which traveled to the state tournament three years in a row, bringing home the district's first championship trophy in 1981. Woods made the All-State First Team in both her junior and senior years, and she set the state record for most points scored (96) by an individual in Class 1A over four state

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## HALL OF FAME from 10A



Mrs. Luann Miller beside the display highlighting the accomplishments of her late husband, Earl Miller. Available for viewing were several of Earl's high school yearbooks and two scrapbooks filled with newspaper clippings telling the story of his famed basketball career at Purdy High School.

playoff games. Former Purdy High School girls' basketball coach Bill Reece attended the event to applaud the accomplishments of one of his star players. Joining Woods on the court to accept her plaque were her husband and children. In her acceptance speech on behalf of all three inductees, Woods paid tribute to their beloved hometown, "Thank you, Purdy. This town will hold a special place in my heart forever."

Inductees, their families and other honored guests enjoyed a reception and time of fellowship in the school cafeteria prior to the induction ceremony. A special video presentation and memorabilia displays highlighting the inductees' accomplishments were available for public viewing throughout the evening. Schallert-Cornelius observed, "Purdy is a special place where people are always welcome to come home. This terrific little community greeted with hometown spirit three of its brightest stars on Hall of Fame night. It is an experience I will never forget. Working with the inductees and their families blessed me in a multitude of ways. I was inspired the impact Becky, Earl and Gabby had on so many people, and, in turn, the impact the community of Purdy had on them. It was truly an honor to be a part of such a special night and to honor so many special people."

Purdy School Superintendent Dr. Steven Chancellor added, "On behalf of the Purdy R-2 School District I wish to congratulate our inaugural

members of the Purdy High School Athletic Hall of Fame on their induction. Becky, Earl and Gabby stand as beacons of inspiration to current and future Purdy students. They define what it means to be Purdy Eagles. It was our great privilege to shine a well-deserved spotlight on their many accomplishments and their exemplary lives."



Becky (Fly) Woods poses behind her medal and patch bedecked letter jacket. Her table display featured team and action photographs, a summary of her high school accolades, numerous newspaper clippings heralding her team's three consecutive trips to the final four and a scrapbook of memories.

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## Barry County's years past

### 40 years ago

The Cassville High School Speech Department brought home five trophies from the Big 10 Conference Speech Tournament in Webb City. The members were: Jim Buckley, Hayden Head, Sharon Carney and Jim Colston.

Carmen Garrison, of Viola, was elected as a member of the Beta Xi Chapter of the Alpha Iota International Honorary Business Sorority.

Purdy High School seniors Helen Wormington, Donna Schad, Steven Dodson and Kelly Davis attended the Empire Honor Conference.

### 30 years ago

Lorie Lansdown was crowned Exeter High School's 1985 Homecoming Queen.

Barbie Schlichtman was crowned Cassville High School's 1985 Miss Tip-Off.

Lianna Learned was crowned Southwest High School's 1985 Homecoming Queen.

*Hanged by the Neck until Dead*, by Emory Melton, was published through Litho Printers. The book was a researched account of the execution of Edward F. Clum, the only legal hanging to ever occur in Barry County.

Melissa Phillips was named valedictorian of Exeter's Class of 1985 and Janease Robbins was named salutatorian. Sandy Davis and Michelle Richter were also honored as being among the graduating class's top 20 percent.

Wal-Mart announced plans to build a store in Cassville.

Kevin Easley, of Cassville, won \$100 in free groceries at the Baker-Seely Market.

The 1985 Cassville High School FFA Sweetheart candidates were named as: Tina Barnes, Debbie Fulton, Shelley Huston and Pam Glueckert.

Jill Strother, of Purdy, was awarded the title of Unit Queen of 1984 at the annual Home Interiors and Gifts Awards banquet in Kansas City.

### 20 years ago

Cassville High School Principal Ron Richardson signed a proclamation declaring February 18 through 25 to be Cassville FFA Week.

Ashley Hendrix, a fourth grader at Southwest Elementary, won first place in a contest to develop a race car powered solely by the throw of a mousetrap. Ashley's car traveled over 73 feet.

Cassville fourth grader Julie Bishop won the annual Cassville Spelling Bee at Eunice Thomas Elementary.

Lane Truman, of Cassville, won the Northeast Kansas United States Team Roping Championships in Topeka, Kan.

Wheaton Elementary fifth grader Alayna Myers won her school's spelling bee and went on to represent Wheaton at the Joplin Globe Spelling Bee at Missouri Southern State College.

Professional fisherman Jeff Fletcher, of Eagle Rock, designed a new fishing lure he called the "Crawlin Grub."

Marissa Bertalotto, a first grader at Wheaton Elementary, won state honors for a conservation poster she designed.

### 10 years ago

Jasmine Carte was crowned Exeter High School's 2005 Homecoming Queen.

Teresa Miller won a quilt that was raffled off by the Cassville High School Choir to raise funds for a trip to Nashville.

## Purdy crowns 2015 Homecoming Queen



Purdy High School crowned their 2015 Homecoming Queen on Friday, February 6, as senior Kailey Pettit. Pettit is pictured with her court. In the back row, from left to right: James Hughlett; Jonatan Salazar; Sydney Birge; Luis Cruz; Robby Moody; Brayden Jones, 2015 Mr. Tip-Off; Hunter Cook; and Jose Sanchez. Middle row: sophomore Hannah White; junior Skylar Lakey; senior Kailey Pettit, 2015 Homecoming Queen; and freshman Layne Skiles. Front row: kindergartner Kierstn Postlewait, flower girl.

## Cassville offers adult ag beekeeping class

The Cassville High School Agriculture Education Department will be offering an introduction to beekeeping class on Monday, February 23, at 6:30 p.m.

The class will be taught by Leon Riggs, a local beekeeper, who will present a short

history of beekeeping and an introduction to apiculture and the tools and equipment needed to keep bees and harvest and extract honey.

A meal will be provided. Please RSVP by contacting Kelin Kruse or Jimmy Hinson at (417) 847-3137,

kkruise@cassville.k12.mo.us or jhinson@cassville.k12.mo.us.

The class will be held in the Ag. Department room at the rear of Cassville High School.

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## Wheaton's January Students of the Month



Wheaton announced their January Students of the Month as Karlee Mason and Kaylee Hutsell. They are pictured from left to right. Karlee Mason is the 10th grade daughter of Clint and Cheryl Mason. Kaylee Hutsell is the 8th grade daughter of Sarah Hutsell and Matthew Hutsell.

## Missouri State's fall 2014 dean's list

Missouri State University - Springfield announced their fall 2014 dean's lists. Each semester, students at Missouri State University who attain academic excellence are named to the dean's list. For undergraduate students, criteria include enrollment in at least 12 credit hours during the fall semester and at least a 3.50 grade point average (on a 4.00 scale). Barry County students who made the list are:

• **Cassville:** Sarah N. Allen, Shqiprim Balazoski, Tracy A. Buntin, Clay A. Craig, Rebecca D. Haney, Zachary N. Harris, Cynthia M. Holman, Lyssa K. Knight, Jessica M. Lueckenhoff, Charla M. Mills, Donna K. Moore, Kendra Richter, Sarah K. Sandoval, Christopher Seymour, Ashley K. Speer, Nicole L. Terry and Marissa J.

Tucker.

• **Eagle Rock:** Hannah D. Morrison.  
• **Exeter:** Peighton S. Johnson, Jessica M. Maloney and Lora B. Weathers.  
• **Fairview:** Linna Lee and Yee Lee.  
• **Golden:** Kristeen B. Albert and Tiffany N. Sujkowski.  
• **Monett:** Keegan M. Allen, Sabrina M. Bennett, Melissa A. Gaspar, Breanna N. Homfeldt, Cara L. Kerns, Hayley R. Long, Casey B. Moller, Brooke K. Pierce, Lindsay K. Staudt and Kerry Tinklepaugh.  
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## Cassville FCCLA members appointed to Executive Council



The Cassville FCCLA chapter presented the 2015-16 Missouri Region 11 Executive Council. Pictured above are: State Candidate Kendra Kennedy, East Newton; Regional President Mackenzie Osborn, Lockwood; First Vice President of STAR Events Laura Stringer, Cassville; Vice President of Development (Secretary) Coleman Hopps, Cassville; Vice President of Finance Sarah Childress, Monett; Vice President of Public Relations Sierra Roper, Seneca; Vice President of Community Service Rachel Hymer Seneca; Vice President of Membership Whitney Junker, Carl Junction; and Vice President of State and National Programs Hunter Jordan, Joplin.

## Kornerstone adding a fatherhood program



Pictured above is Zandy Vandall and child.

Marlene Whitham

Kornerstone's Teen parent program is adding a fatherhood component to their comprehensive services for pregnant teen moms, babies, and baby's dad. "Doctor Dad," a curriculum by the National Fatherhood Initiative, will be implemented during personal visits with dads by Kornerstone's doula/advocate Jaynee Langley. Langley stated, "I believe our program will be strengthened with the addition of a fatherhood initiative. Young dads are often unaware of how to care for their new infant. The Dr. Dad curriculum covers topics such as what to do when baby is fussy, how to swaddle an infant, how to

take temperatures and other topics. This information will help boost dad's confidence in caring for their baby."

Kornerstone will also host four workshops with dads this program year with Zandy Vandall, of Golden Baptist Church, facilitating the groups. Topics on the 17 Critical Issues to Discuss with Dads will be the focus of the workshops. The first workshop is scheduled on March 28 at the Family Life Center in Cassville.

The objective of the dads' workshops is to focus on the role of the father in a child's life as well as to make fathers aware of the significant importance they play in raising their child.

## SOUTHWEST SCHOOL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

As part of continued efforts in keeping their patrons informed, the Southwest R-V School Administration provides monthly information concerning board meetings.

A recap of the February 12 regular meeting is as follows:

The Board convened at 7 p.m.

The consent agenda was approved, including the addition of Janice Wallace to the district's substitute bus and custodian lists. The Board also accepted the resignations of teachers Diane Craig, Jacqueline Fuller, Freda Wolf and Brenna Zucca, all effective at the end of this school year.

Under old business, the Board approved May 7 and May 8 as the dates for 8th grade promotion and high school graduation, respectively. In addition, high school Principal Tosha Watson updated the Board in respect to this spring's Senior Trip.

Concerning new business items, the Board approved a district assessment plan, as well as new policy INC, the Missouri Student

Religious Liberties Act. Policy INC is the result of House Bill 1303, which was successfully passed during the last legislative session.

Under administrative and program evaluations, reports from the fine arts teachers were reviewed: Brandon Burns (choir), Glenda Dalton (band), Wyatt Hester (drama), and Freda Wolf (art), as well as a speech and debate report from Karen Huffman. In addition, the monthly maintenance and administrative reports were also reviewed.

The Board was in Executive Session for approximately one hour and thirty minutes, discussing various personnel items.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

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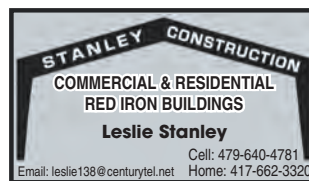
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Carole Parker has worked with Warner Brothers, Disney, MTV and New Line Cinema, and at Jaffe/Braunstein films, where she worked on nine TV movies and two miniseries. To date she has written twenty six features, seven pilots and five shorts and has worked with every major producer in Hollywood. Her political mockumentary, *A New Tomorrow*, won the audience award at the Seattle Independent Film Festival.

In the last few years, Carole has developed material with Mark Ordesky (The Lord of the Rings) and Daniel Ostroff (The Missing), and is in discussions with Vince Gerardis (Game of Thrones) to write for his new series.

On February 28, Jacqueline Wolven will teach a workshop on blogging at the Village Writing School from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The workshop will cover technical aspects of blogging, how to grow your blog, all about SEO, and how to develop your brand through your blog.

If you have a blog and it has been floundering or if you know you need a blog but you haven't done it yet, this workshop can help get you on track. If you're just curious if a blog is for you, come and see.

Arkansas Women Blogger member Jacqueline Wolven teaches small businesses and entrepreneurs nationwide to brand themselves. She runs the Northwest Arkansas Bloggers community, speaks at blogging conferences nationwide, writes for the Huffington Post and Beliefnet.com, and was recently named a So Fab Writer and Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation Blogger. You can find out more about her and get inspired at JacquelineWolven.com.

The workshop will be held at the Village Writing School at 177 Huntsville Road in Eureka Springs. The cost for the all-day event is \$45.

For more information or to register go to [www.village-writingschool.com](http://www.village-writingschool.com) or call (479) 292-3665.



## CASSVILLE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

On Thursday, February 12, the Cassville School Board held a public hearing and regular board meeting. A public hearing was called to order by President of the Board John Sullivan. Superintendent Richard Asbill presented the 2015-2016 School Calendar options. John Sullivan asked for any public comment and none was given.

The Cassville R-IV School Board of Education meeting was called to order by President of the Board John Sullivan.

The following programs were evaluated: guidance and counseling. The presenters were Shelley Sparkman, Kristie Preddy, Amy Cole and Jordi Miller.

A motion was made by Becky Henningson and seconded by David Haddock to approve the consent agenda as follows: January 15 regular board minutes, January financial reports, February bills, and administrators reviewed building reports and other areas of interest. Asbill set the Shell Knob dinner for February 26 at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried with Jon Horner and John Sullivan abstaining.

A motion was made by Greg Allen and seconded by Hal Smith to approve the 2015-2016 School Calendar Option B with the following revision: the August 7 Professional Development Day was moved to August 12. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jon Horner and seconded by Becky Henningson to revise the current health insurance start dates to be as follows: all certified employees will have insurance effective the first of the month following date of hire and all classified employees will remain the same at first of the month following thirty days of employment. Term dates for all employees for insurance will be the end of the next month following term date. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jon Horner and seconded by Carolyn Bowen to approve the 2015-2016 transportation schedule. The motion carried with seven yes and zero no votes.

A motion was made by David Haddock and seconded by Becky Henningson to purchase a 15' replacement finishing mower from Fritz Implement for \$14,222. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Hal Smith and seconded by Jon Horner to set the Student Activity Dead Week as June 27 through July 4 and the Student Athletic Dead Week as July 25 through August 4. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Carolyn Bowen and seconded by Jon Horner to approve Board Policy INC. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Greg Allen and seconded by Becky Henningson to approve the annual audit procedures agreement with KPM CPAs. The motion carried.

The following items were presented for discussion and information: Student Safety-Athletic Trainer Service Agreement, Senior Sidewalk Renovation Committee Report and Budget Planning.

A motion was made by Jon Horner and seconded by Carolyn Bowen to go into executive session for the purpose of personnel. The motion carried with an all yea roll call.

A motion was made by Becky Henningson and seconded by Jon Horner to return to regular session. The motion carried with an all yea roll call.

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

## UCM announces fall 2014 graduates

The University of Central Missouri - Warrensburg announced their fall 2014 graduates.

To be eligible for graduation with honors, a student must have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 and must have completed a minimum of 30 semester hours of credit at the University of Central Missouri with a GPA of 3.50. Those with a cumulative grade average of 3.50 to 3.74 graduated Cum Laude; 3.75 to

3.84, Magna Cum Laude; and 3.85 and above Summa Cum Laude, based on whichever is lower, their cumulative GPA or their grade point average at Central Missouri.

Barry County natives who graduated are:

- Jacob D. Roller, Cassville, Summa Cum Laude, Bachelor of Arts.
- Kayla L. Monahan, Cassville, Master of Arts.
- Valerie J. Bennett, Purdy, Master of Science.

## Central Crossing offers Medicare help

A total of 385 Barry and Stone County seniors saved \$55,582.00 by participating in the free Medicare Enrollment Review in 2014. This service was provided by the Medicare Assistance Team, 10 fully trained counselors, and courtesy of the Central Crossing Senior Center.

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The Medicare enrollment for 2015 will begin October 15 and end December 7. You can set an appointment for a Medicare Enrollment Review by calling the Central Crossing Senior Center at (417) 858-3456 beginning one week prior to the start date,

## Cassville High offers credit recovery

Cassville High School offers Credit Recovery every Monday to Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. for any student who failed a core class last semester. Contact the Counselor's Office at (417) 847-4014 for more information.

## ESA starts new chapter in SWMO

Beta Alpha of ESA, International will be holding a membership drive for the Pea Ridge, Ark., chapter as well as a new chapter in the southwest Missouri area. Each year, they raise thousands of dollars for St. Jude's Children's Hospital, as well as serve and give back to our community.

On February 27 at 7 p.m. at the Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church in Pea Ridge, Ark., there will be a "Painting with ESA" event. People can also learn more about their organization and how you can get involved.

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