



**Phelps County University of Missouri Extension Council
2012 Slate of Candidates**

DISTRICT (County-East): (Dawson, St. James East and West, and all St. James City Wards, Meramec, Cold Springs, Dillon North, Central and South)
2 positions open

SCOTT ALFORD – ST. JAMES, MO

Scott is a farmer in the Meramec Township of Phelps County. His family was selected the 2011 Phelps County Missouri Farm Family. He is a former educator and a 12-year 4-H Leader, and serves on the board of Rolla Bible Church. Scott has previously served two years on the Phelps County Extension Council.

SARAH FARMER – ROLLA, MO

Current President of the Phelps County Master Gardeners
Master Gardener since 2006
Secretary of RACUG (Rolla Area Computer Users' Group) - member since 1999
Girl Scout leader 1992-1994

Graduated from College of the Ozarks (1980) with BS in Biology
Interests include vegetable and herb gardening, cactus and succulents, African violets, propagation, composting, repurposing/recycling

ADAM HOUSEWRIGHT – ROLLA, MO

I was born and raised in Steelville, MO, and returned back to the area after graduating from the University of Missouri in Columbia with a degree in Ag Systems Management in 2006 to be close to family and the family farm. My family has raised beef cattle in the Crawford and Phelps Counties for over 20 years. My wife Kelly and I, and our two kids, Brody and Brooke have resided in Steelville since 2006 and we moved to Rolla in the Fall of 2008. Baby number 3, Cooper, is due in a few weeks! Upon moving back to the area, I began working for First Community National Bank in 2006 and currently serve as a Small Business Loan Officer/ Credit Analyst/ Assistant Vice President. I am active in my church, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and work full time with Troop 137 of the Boy Scouts of America. I also serve as a board member on the Choices for People board in Rolla, which serves the developmentally disabled in providing alternative activities and adult day care facilities. I am proud to call Phelps County home!

FRED MUSSIG – St. James, MO

I am a retired engineer who has been involved with the Master gardener Program, in Phelps County for the last 5 years, and have recently been elected Treasurer.

My participation as a volunteer has been in the area the Annual Garden Tour (our primary Fund raiser); one time as a garden on tour; and last year as the co-chairman to the Garden Tour Committee. Here in St. James, I participated with the local Kiawanas club, for the last 2 years to establish and maintain a community garden. I also work with our local Garden club to maintain several public flower beds.

VICTOR SCHAEFFERKOETTER – ROLLA, MO

Victor Schaefferkoetter and his wife Joyce have been married for 33 years, have two sons in their mid-30's and live approximately eight miles southeast of Rolla, Missouri in Phelps County. Vic is a 58 year old businessman who has been an electrician or electrical contractor for 34 years. Currently he owns Schaefferkoetter Electric, Inc. and operates in Rolla and surrounding communities, having an approximate forty mile service radius.

Vic serves on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Rolla Federal Credit Union.

From 1986 until 2001 he and Joyce owned and operated J Bar V Ranch in Lohman, Missouri. The ranch was a cow/calf operation that utilized intensive managed grazing. There was also a 3 acre "pick-your-own" produce operation on the ranch. Both were profitable.

In the past I was the beneficiary of the Cole County Extension and the services it provided. Being grateful for those services I am compelled to give something back to an organization I deeply believe in. Though we're no longer involved in production agriculture I still follow events and trends, costs of goods, livestock and grain prices. I believe my experience in the finance, contracting and agricultural businesses will be of benefit to the Phelps County Extension. If elected to the Board I will perform my duties to the best of my ability.

BARRY WHITE – Rolla, MO

Barry White is a University of Arizona Graduate from the School of Business and Public Administration. He served 25 years in the Army and Air Force Exchange Service in assignments around the world. Highlights include 4 years in the Pentagon as the Executive Secretariat to the AAFES Board of Directors and as the Executive Assistant to the Chairman of the Board. His last assignment as the General Manager of the Post Exchange at Ft. Leonard Wood/Whiteman AFB resulted in revenue growth from \$45M per year to \$90M per year while quadrupling the bottom line, leading a team of 49 managers in 19 various business areas. Retiring in 2003 he became the Business Manager of the Ft. Leonard Wood Housing Project, then in 2006 he was hired by the UM Extension office and Missouri S&T as the Director of the Small Business Technology Development Center on Campus, retiring again in April 2011.

Responsibilities focused on developing technologies and providing business development around those technologies, while also working with the general population in the Rolla area in business acumen and guidance. He has also served on the Program Leadership Council within MU System for Extension. Since April, he launched the Technology Business Group, LLC, providing Business Planning, grant pursuit, and government proposal writing services. His interest in serving on the Extension Council is based on a strong understanding of the Extension System/hierarchy, seeking to share his business experiences and becoming part of a team with focus on improving Extension services in the South Central Region.

DISTRICT (County-West): (Doolittle Outside, all Doolittle and Newburg Wards, Jerome, Miller East and West, Cold Springs East and West, Edgar Springs)
2 positions open

JO ANNIE CHAPMAN – ROLLA, MO

Born in Humansville MO

I Graduated Newburg Public Schools; received my AA from East Central College; BS - Drury University; MEd - William Woods University. I worked as an Office/business manager and as a 7-12

grade educator in biology, earth science, health, and family/consumer science.

I am currently retired from teaching, but often substitute as needed. I am actively involved in the daily operation of our beef cattle farm here in Rolla. I am a Musician and teacher at the First Baptist Church-Rolla; volunteer at the Houston House Kitchen; Member, Rotary Club of Rolla and Member, Phelps County Retired Teachers Association.

I am married to Dennis Chapman and have three children: Jill Johns, Geoffrey Heavin, Daniel Heavin as well as 5 granddaughters and 3 grandsons.

HEATH PICKERILL – Rolla, MO

I have served one two-year term on the extension council and have appreciated the opportunity to serve the people of Phelps county and look forward to doing so again if elected. I work at Missouri S&T where I am involved in a local technical assistance program that allows me to work with various local government agencies across Missouri. I appreciate all that Extension does for rural Missouri as I was raised and still live in the county. I enjoy owning and riding horses in my free time.

DISTRICT (Rolla): (Rolla Outside North and South, all Rolla City Wards)
2 positions open

ALFAYE JACKSON – ROLLA, MO

My name is Alfaye Jackson. I am a God fearing, law abiding, homeowner, taxpayer productive citizen of Rolla Missouri for the past eleven years. I am a single parent of a 19-year-old son (Jonathan B. Jackson), the proud daughter of John and Dorothy Jackson (Rolla, MO) and the youngest of four siblings two sister and one brother. I am an advocate of education, community support, and the homeless youth. In August of 2009 I was given a vision which entailed a program that would bring about a universal intervention for our youth...starting in Rolla. House of Prevention, Education, and Training Inc (HOPE) was registered with the state of Missouri in 2009 and is a non-profit 501 c3 (pending) agency. Our mission is to provide shelter, education, training and preventative measures through faith based, holistic in nature programs to homeless pregnant youth, aging out of foster care, at risk youth and youth in need.

Alfaye Jackson MA, PLPC., RASAC1
H.O.P.E. Inc, CEO

- Doctor of Education in Counselor Education and Supervision with Argosy University status (Incomplete) 2009
- MA in Professional Counseling From Webster University (2007)
- BA in Psychology w/Minor in Business University Of Missouri Rolla UMR (2003)

SHERRIE SENNE – ROLLA, MO

It would be an honor to serve on the UM Extension Council in Phelps County. I bring to the table 30 years of professional experience in education working as a teacher and developer of enrichment programs and innovative curriculum for students and teachers, Pre-K through the Masters Degree level.

In 2006 I moved from the Catskill Mountains of NY to the Ozarks in order to be of assistance to my parents during their final years. I also made friends and came to realize how special Rolla is. So in 2010, I purchased a modest home overlooking a lovely valley near the southern edge of town.

I cherish the natural beauty that surrounds us here. Recently I spoke with Dr. Oerther of MS&T's Environmental Engineering program. In addition to living with his family in one of the University's solar village homes, Dr. Oerther expressed great enthusiasm for our Extension program and said that he would be delighted to visit a Council Meeting in order to discuss the possibility of bringing to Phelps County a variety of programs on the fascinating subject of "Sustainable living." I am very interested in working with the Council and Dr. Oerther to help make this happen.