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Two long-time employees at the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources' Fisher Delta Research Center retired recently.

Gary Rainwater and Denis McCrate worked in various capacities during their careers at the Center, located in Portageville. Together they represent 58 years of exemplary service.

"It was an honor to work with both Gary and Denis," said Director Trent Haggard. "They were hard-working and passionate about what they did here at the Center. We always strive to hire employees who are as dedicated as both Gary and Denis."

Rainwater began his career at the Fisher Delta Research Center in July 1976. He worked his way from a Farm Worker to a Mechanical Trades Specialist Electrician, ending his service at the Center with more than 40 years of service.

"Forty years of service to a single organization is an incredible accomplishment," Haggard said. "Gary has been asked to fix anything and everything at the Center, but more remarkably he rarely needed to be asked – he knew what needed to be done and when it was needed."

McCrate began as a Farm Worker in November 2000. He served as an Assistant Foreman and Agriculture Associate, before retiring this year after several years as a Senior

Agriculture Associate.

"It has also been great working with Denis during the past few years," Haggard said. "He filled several critical roles during his time at the Center and did a tremendous job juggling both our unique research project needs, and our basic farming needs, at the same time for over 17 years. Not to mention, he can also cook a great barbeque lunch or fish fry. We're very appreciative of his years of service to Mizzou."

Rainwater and McCrate were both honored during the Fisher Delta Research Center field day in August.

Attached photos credit: Logan Jackson, University of Missouri

Attached photos cutline: Gary Rainwater (left) and Denis McCrate (middle) were honored by Fisher Delta Research Center Director Trent Haggard during the annual field day in August. McCrate-

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## President Trump Orders Flags to Half Staff

President Trump Sunday ordered all flags on public grounds to be flown at half-staff until Thursday in honor of the 26 people killed and 20 others wounded in a mass shooting at First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, Texas.

"As a mark of respect for the victims of this senseless act of violence perpetrated on November 5, 2017, by the authority vested in me as President of the United States by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, I hereby order that the flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff at the White House and upon all public buildings and grounds, at all military posts and naval stations, and on all naval vessels of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia and throughout the United States and its Territories and possessions until sunset, November 9, 2017."

"I also direct that the flag shall be flown at half-staff for the same length of time at all United States embassies, legations, consular offices, and other facilities abroad, including all military facilities and naval vessels and stations."

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Dexter, Missouri - On Friday, November 3, 2017 three local businesses in Dexter received counterfeit bills according to the Dexter Police Department.

Denominations were \$100 and \$50. Local businesses should be on the lookout for more suspicious looking money.

#### LOOK FOR THE SECURITY THREAD!

The security thread is one of the most distinctive security indicators of an authentic bill

If you hold any bill up to the light, you will see a security strip on an authentic bill. It will have "USA" and the Bill's denomination, aka "USA 20" running vertically on the bill.

The ultimate test is to put the bill under a UV or black light and make sure the bill glows the correct color. This extra security measure was originally added to provide a quick way for bar owners (one of the businesses most commonly targeted to dispose of counterfeit bills) to check the legitimacy of a bill.

Here are the location and colors of the security threads on different bills:

- \$5 Right side. Glows blue under UV light
- \$10 Right side. Glows orange under UV light
- \$20 Far left hand side. Glows green under UV light
- \$50 Right around the middle. Glows yellow Under UV light
- \$100 On left side. Glows pink under UV light

The newly printed \$100 has an extra security feature. There is a visible blue security ribbon down the right middle of the bill that is 3D. If you move it back and forth, you will actually see the number 100 and a variety of little bells will move from side-to-side as the bill shifts.

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Stoddard County, Missouri - It's that time of the year again. It's time to change the clocks back, as we say goodbye to daylight saving time. At 2 a.m. Sunday (Nov. 5), the clocks "fall back" one hour and we return to standard time - "standard" being the time we use for only four months of the year.

The time change means we get an extra hour of sleep this weekend. If you're an early riser and dislike waking up in the dark, you'll be pleased to see much brighter mornings. But with daylight in short supply this time of year, setting the clocks back will rob us of even more evening light. Get ready for sunsets in the 5 o'clock hour and trekking home from work in the dark.

Why do we still bother with daylight saving time?

Whenever daylight saving time (DST) starts or ends, we hear the same debate about whether the system is worth keeping. Originally adopted in Europe and the U.S. to save energy during World War I, DST has long been controversial. Research now shows that switching the clocks twice a year saves little, if any, energy, and we often hear the practice is bad for our health. Some 70 countries around the world use daylight saving time, and in many of them, public debate about whether to keep the system has grown.

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# Open House at 14008 County Road 403, Dexter

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Dexter, Missouri - Join host Micah Staggs at 14008 County Road 403 in Dexter on Sunday, November 5th from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Every guest will be given a FREE GIFT!

Mark your calendars - It's time to turn over a new leaf!

The size will surprise! Laid out with family in mind, this rare offering of 5 bedrooms and 3576 sq. ft. is sure to delight the entire family.

Create lasting memories in the 2 common living areas adjoined by the kitchen with custom cabinetry and dining room. The family room showcases shelving with gas fireplace insert built especially for this space by Corner Cottage.

Pella French doors with between the glass blinds lead out onto tiered decking.

Designer windows and doors were installed in '16. These improvements plus additional insulation has made a huge impact on the utility costs. There are 2 bedrooms on the main level, 1 with an attached full bath.

In addition to 3 bedrooms, the upstairs hosts a sizeable storage room and a common area perfect for a home office or craft room.

The 525 sq. ft. master suite is impressive with upper deck access.

Lastly, the man of the house will make good use of the workshop in the oversized 2 car garage.

City convenience, country serenity!

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