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Today, October 5, 2021, Governor Mike Parson recognized Principals around Missouri declaring October as School Principals' Month.

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"Find Your Spark" is the theme of this year's National 4-H Week, observed Oct. 3-9.

The theme celebrates the resilience of young people who have brought about significant innovations in agriculture and technology, says Lupita Fabregas, director of the University of Missouri Extension 4-H Center for Youth Development.

"In Missouri 4-H, we offer all youth the opportunity to find their spark!" Fabregas says. Through a variety of educational programs, 4-H members choose their own paths to success, she says. "By providing caring adult mentors who have a passion about what they do, we are able to give youth hands-on experiences to help them on their spark."

On Sept. 7, Gov. Mike Parson signed a proclamation designating Oct. 3-9 as National 4-H Week in Missouri and encouraging Missourians to recognize 4-H's significant role in empowering youths in the state.

National 4-H Week is celebrated across Missouri in many ways, Fabregas says. Many clubs use this time to kick off the new 4-H programming year with window displays, yard signs, radio spots and fun family activities such as scavenger hunts and scarecrow contests. Some clubs use this time for service-learning projects, like thanking first responders or veterans for their service. This is also a popular time for awards and recognition nights when youths are celebrated for completing projects.

The Wednesday of National 4-H Week is always 4-H Spirit Day. Many 4-H'ers use this day to recruit new members.

To learn more about National 4-H Week, click here!

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Missourians will see their first fuel tax increase since 1996 beginning October 1, 2021. There will be a price increase of 2.5 cents per gallon. This is part of the gas tax bill lawmakers passed and Governor Mike Parson approved on July 13, 2021.

Each year prices will rise until the tax reaches a total of 12.5 cents in 2025.

There is a positive side. Missourians can get an exemption and refund for the fuel tax tax, but you have to keep accurate records of each and every time you fill up!

The following is what the Missouri Department of Revenue will require:

Drivers to provide the vehicle's "vin" number

Date of sale

Names and addresses of the purchasers and the seller

The number of gallons purchased and charged the Missouri tax

The Department of Transportation estimates the fuel tax increase, when fully implemented, will generate another \$460 million annually for the state's roads and bridges.

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Route U in Stoddard County Reduced for Pavement Repairs

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Route U in Stoddard County Reduced for Pavement Repairs

Route U in Stoddard County will be reduced to one lane as Missouri Department of Transportation crews perform pavement repairs.

This section of roadway is located from County Road 641 to County Road 607.

Weather permitting, work will take place Tuesday. Sept. 28 and Wednesday, Sept. 29 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

The work zone will be marked with signs. Motorists are urged to use extreme caution while traveling near the area.

For additional information, contact MoDOT's Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MODOT

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Dexter, MO - Large yard sale at 12114 County Road 637 in Dexter on Saturday from 8 a.m. - ?

Lots of women's clothing from small to extra large, lots of brand new with tags, never worn! Some furniture and household items as well.

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