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## BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



### Cadiz woman struggles through breast cancer but is well today

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Kathy McCraw had a mastectomy and 12 radiation treatments after being diagnosed with breast cancer in February of 1995.

Almost four years later, in November of 1998, the cancer returned, discovered in lymph nodes in the center of her chest.

"They told me there was nothing they could do," said McCraw, a Cadiz resident and cancer survivor who has participated in local events bringing awareness to cancer.

Thankfully for McCraw, her doctor in Hopkinsville, Dr. Ratilal Gajera, offered another option; aside from the surgery they couldn't do, there was a stem cell treatment in Nashville.

When McCraw's husband, Donnie McCraw, asked the doctor what he would do if it was his wife, Gajera replied that he would send her to Nashville for the stem cell treatment.

Kathy McCraw did a lot of high dose chemotherapy treatments every day. She also had shots to make new cells.

When her body began making those new cells, doctors froze the cells and did chemotherapy treatments to put them in her body, Kathy McCraw recalled of the



Cancer survivor Kathy McCraw, left, is pictured with her husband Donnie McCraw at the Louisville Zoo. Photo Provided

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### Exams, mammograms important in fight against cancer

Breast cancer among top causes of cancer deaths in U.S.

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Robin Powell considers the incidence of breast cancer in Trigg County and said she believes things have gotten better when it comes to the cancer that the National Cancer Institute estimates is among the top causes of cancer death in the U.S. in 2020.

"I couldn't put a number on it, but it is

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#### FREE EXAMS

Dr. Carl Hinton, general surgeon at Trigg County Hospital, is offering free breast exams in the hospital's surgery department from 1-4 p.m. Thursday. Refreshments will be available, and radiology will have a small gift for anyone who comes in for a breast exam.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The National Cancer Institute estimates that in 2020 the list of top five causes of cancer death in the U.S. will include:

- Lung cancer:** 135,720 deaths
- Colorectal cancer:** 53,200 deaths
- Pancreatic cancer:** 47,050 deaths
- Breast cancer:** 42,960 deaths
- Liver cancer:** 30,160 deaths

### Retired Trigg teacher captures Best of Show in museum juried event

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Mitchell Bryant doesn't know why his entry won Best of Show in the Janice Mason Art Museum's Biennial Juried Show 2020.

"It was probably different than most of the things down there," said Bryant, a Cadiz resident and retired art teacher who entered three pieces in this year's show including the overall winning piece that was titled simply "2020 #2."

The collage featured various materials used by Bryant to create a piece of art, and the show's juror, Paducah artist Juanita Neal Gilliam, said the



Mitchell Bryant stands next to his winning mixed media entry at the Janice Mason Art Museum. The collage captured Best of Show at the museum's Biennial Juried Show 2020. Photo Provided

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### Study of Kings Chapel Road reveals average speed of 45 mph

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The results of a traffic study requested by Trigg County Judge-Executive Hollis Alexander for Kings Chapel Road revealed vehicles traveling at an average speed of 45 miles per hour during a period that saw more than 90 vehicles on the road.

The judge-executive and magistrates discussed the traffic study on Monday during a meeting of the

Trigg County Fiscal Court that, for social distancing, took place at the Trigg County Emergency Operations Center on Jefferson Street.

Alexander noted that trucks hauling loads along the road were traveling around 20 miles per hour while a few other vehicles were speeding along at 60 miles or more. And given those numbers, he said an average of almost everybody

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