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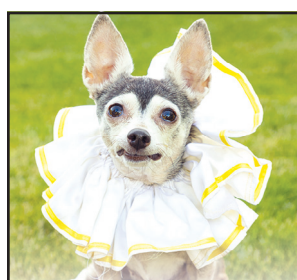
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"The roots of all goodness lie in the soil of appreciation for goodness."

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Weakley County Couple Charged in Niece's Murder

DRESDEN (February 2) — Christopher Thompson, age 45, and Jessica Thompson, age 36, of the Jolley Springs area of Weakley County have been arrested and charged in connection with the murder of Mandy Noe, age 32, of Paris, Tennessee.

Christopher Thompson is charged with second-degree murder, domestic assault, false imprisonment and fabrication/tampering with evidence.

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Christopher Thompson

Jessica Thompson

McKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



Vice-Chairman LaShonda Williams, Chairman Jon Davis, and Director of Schools Lynn Watkins.

School Board Affirms Decision To Build Multi-Purpose Facility

BY JOEL WASHBURN

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McKENZIE (February 1) — For a second time, the Board of Education of the McKenzie Special School District affirmed their intent to seek authorization from the Tennessee General Assembly to borrow up to \$4 million. During the February 1 meeting, the board revisited the issue at the request of a school board member.

The outcome did not change and the Board plans to borrow - possibly \$2.5 million - to construct a

multi-purpose facility on the campus of McKenzie High School.

A multi-purpose facility will be approximately 50 yards of turf and allow indoor practice for football, band, cheerleading, basketball, soccer, softball, and baseball, plus physical education classes.

The long-term debt for the construction of McKenzie High School retires this year, leaving the school free of any long-term obligations.

The voice vote in favor of seeking approval by the General Assembly were George Cassidy, Chad Brown, and Misty Aird. Voting against was

Karen Fowler. LaShonda Williams indicated she abstained on the issue. Jon Davis did not vote in the chairman's role. Greg Barker was absent.

In voicing her opposition, Fowler said the school has more pressing needs, such as a new K-8 school. She noted the board's strategic plan emphasizes children first, noting that not all students play sports.

The McKenzie Elementary School (MES) was constructed in the 1960s and the McKenzie Middle

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Bethel Sports Management Students to Work Super Bowl

McKENZIE — The working staff at Sunday's big Super Bowl game between the Los Angeles Rams and the Cincinnati Bengals includes students from the Sports Management program at Bethel University.

Six Bethel University students will be on-site through the week.

The sport management major at Bethel University goes beyond the classroom and emphasizes experiential learning that allows students to apply their knowledge in real-world settings.

As program coordinator and assistant professor of sports management, Dr. Josh Greer explained, "Experiential learning is a way to introduce students to the sports industry and provide them with



(L to R) Jeffery Lee, Matt Ellis, Joey Cascarano, Antonio Costas, Nathan Holliman and Alex Lipsey.

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Randy Frazier

Randy Frazier Named To TSSAA Hall of Fame

GLEASON — Former Gleason Coach Randy Frazier will be inducted into the TSSAA Hall of Fame April 2 in Murfreesboro. Frazier is among 11 persons being inducted in this year's class in the Hall of Fame.

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Brock Martin

Martin Announces Candidacy for State Representative

HUNTINGDON (February 7) — Dr. Brock Martin, clinical director and chiropractor at Southern Chiropractic and Acupuncture, is announcing his candidacy for Tennessee State House District 79. Martin is running for

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Arnold CPA Opens in McKenzie

McKENZIE (February 2) — McKenzie's newest business, Arnold CPA and Associates, PLLC, was welcomed with a good attendance at its ribbon-cutting ceremony hosted jointly by the McKenzie Chamber of Commerce and the Weakley County Chamber of Commerce.

Sandra M. Arnold, owner, opened January 3 at 25 Henderson Drive, McKenzie adjacent to Casey's General Store.

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Deadline Approaches for Candidates

BY JOEL WASHBURN
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HUNTINGDON (Updated February 7) — The February 17 noon deadline is quickly approaching for the 2022 elections for state, federal, county and school board candidates.

Candidates can run in a party primary on May 3 ahead of the August 4 local general elections. State and federal races have an August 4 primary and a November general election.

Many offices are beginning to attract candidates, however one county commission district has no candidates as of Monday, February 7.

The list of persons who have picked up petitions to seek office and those who have completed the petition process are listed below. Persons seeking candidacy, must obtain the signature of at least 25 registered voters, who reside in the district. Those signatures must be on a petition obtained from the Election Commission office.

General Sessions Judge - Larry Logan, Michael King

Circuit Court Judge - Part 1 — Brent Bradberry. Circuit Court Judge - Part 2 — Terry Leonard, Vance Dennis, Bruce Griffey.

Chancellor — Vicki Hodge Hoover.

District Attorney General — Neil Thompson.

Public Defender — Robert "Tas" Gardner.

Court of Appeals — John Everett Williams (retention vote only).

U.S. Congressman - District 8 — no listed candidate.

Tenn. House - District 76 — no listed candidate.

Tenn. House - District 79 — no listed candidate.

Tandy Darby is seeking reelection.

County Mayor — Joseph Butler.

County Commission District 1 (elect 3) — Patrick Lindsey, Randy Long, Frank Casteel, Jimmy Halford, Jr., Darrell Ridgely.

County Commission District 2 (elect 2) — Bertha Taylor, Daniel Lee Willman, Lana Suite.

County Commission District 3 (elect 2) — Larry Spencer, Joey Simmons, Will McMackin.

County Commission District 4 (elect 2) — T. Richard Goodwin, Hal Eason, Donald Finch, Daniel Thomas.

County Commission District 5 (elect 3) — Joey Darnall, Barry Mac Murphy, RaKaya Humphreys, Cyril Ostiguy, Vince Taylor.

County Commission District 6 (elect 2) — Jimmy D. McClure, Kurt Hunley, Philip E. Moore.

County Commission District 7 (elect 2) — Virginia Ginger House, Manuel Crossno, Walter Smothers, Jr.

County Commission District 8 (elect 2) — no candidates - McKenzie.

County Commission District 9 (elect 3) — John Austin, Jason R. Martin, Spiros Roditis.

Assessor of Property — Rita Jones.

Trustee — Paula Bolen.

Sheriff — Tim Pratt, Andy Dickson.

Circuit Court Clerk — Sarah Bradberry.

County Clerk — Darlene Kirk.

Register of Deeds — Natalie McCullough Porter.

Road Supervisor - District 1 — Ricky Scott.

Road Supervisor - District 2 — Michael Kyle and Ronnie Wade.

County School Board - District 1 — Mike Foster.

County School Board - District 2 — Deborah Broadbent, Randy Kelley.

County School Board - District 3 — Charlotte Tucker, Michael Tate.

Hollow Rock - Bruceton - 16th Civil Dist. — Brandy Boyd, Randy Kelley.

HR-Bruceton At Large — April Hampton.

HR-Bruceton 15th — Michael Graves.

HR-Bruceton 17th — James Holder, Vicki Brown.

Huntingdon School Board (elect 2) — RaKaya Humphreys. Kennedy White, Clark White, Elicia Stevens.

McKenzie School Board (elect 4) — Renee Hobson, Bobby Young, George Cassidy.

South Carroll School - at large (elect 2) — Jimmy McClure, Colton Moore, Christy Blount, Tom Miller.

West Carroll - Old County — Patrick Lindsey, Betty Wallace, Jared Mims.

West Carroll - Old Atwood — David Hilliard, Keith Murray.

West Carroll - Old Trezevant — Kelly M. Weaver, Becky Mueller.

Clarksburg Mayor — Howell W. Todd

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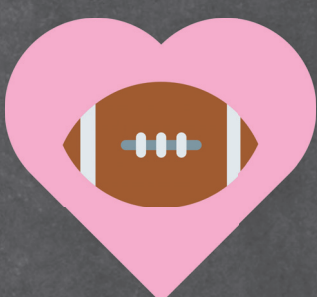
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Above, Arnold CPA and Associates, PLLC held its ribbon-cutting ceremony on Wednesday, February 2 at 25 Henderson Drive, McKenzie. Below, Sandra Arnold (holding ribbon) was welcomed by (L to R) Mayor Jill Holland, McKenzie Chamber Director Monica Heath, Carroll County Mayor Joseph Butler, Arnold, Weakley County Economic Director Justin Crice, and Weakley County Chamber of Commerce Director Barbara Virgin.



Arnold

...From Front Page

The company is a full-service accounting and tax service which provides services to businesses and individuals.

She started in the accounting industry in 1989 in Paris and earned her certified public accountant degree in 1996.

"I love helping people," said Arnold to the attend-

ees at the ribbon-cutting ceremony. "I am overwhelmed with the support I have received."

McKenzie Mayor Jill Holland, Carroll County Mayor Joseph Butler, McKenzie Chamber Director Monica Heath, Weakley County Chamber of Commerce Director Barbara Virgin, and Weakley County Economic Developer Justin Crice welcomed Arnold CPA and Associates to McKenzie.

Sandra Arnold's staff includes her son, Daniel Arnold, Faye Alexander and

Kim Moyer and her daughter, Paris Culpepper.

Arnold CPA and Associates welcomes walk-in clients and hopes to build a long-time relationship with them.

The motto of the company is "Thinking in and out of the box for our clients." The company offers forecasting, tax planning, and budgeting services. It also provides Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University classes.

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Clarksburg Awarded \$940,500 Sidewalk Grant

During the regular meeting of Clarksburg's Mayor and Aldermen on Monday night, Mayor Howell Wayne Todd announced the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) awarded the City a \$940,500 Multimodal Access Grant for the construction of sidewalks in town.

"We have been working on a grant for sidewalks for three years, and to say we are grateful and excited wouldn't be sufficient. We are 'over the moon!'" Todd said. "It will add so much to the appearance of the town, but more importantly, it will improve safety and convenience. Traffic has increased on Highway 22, and there just isn't any place for a person to walk without walking on the grass or the highway." Clarksburg's plan calls for sidewalks to extend from the City Park to Highway 22 and then on the east side of Highway 22 to the dollar store. Another segment will connect the supermarket parking lot to the Post Office on the west side of Highway 22.

Alderman Barbara McClure said "I am excited for this wonderful grant that

will benefit our town and be enjoyed by so many. It will provide a safer environment." Alderman Judy Grant Smith also expressed her delight with the grant. "It will really improve the looks of the town as well as being a great benefit," Smith said.

The Mayor and Aldermen also approved an offer from TDOT to deliver the project through TDOT's management and construction. TDOT is extending this option to communities within Distressed and At-Risk counties such as Carroll County. "To have the option for TDOT to do all the work is a significant bonus for us because it eliminates the need for us to go through a lengthy process of selecting a private firm. The City will need to be heavily involved during construction, but TDOT will engineer it, construct it, and be responsible for meeting standards." Todd said. The Mayor did not indicate a start date for the project but said he expected it to begin in the spring. He said the next step would be awaiting TDOT's Local Programs staff to set a calendar.

There was discussion of the use of the City's allocation of Federal ARP funds flowing through the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. The Mayor said "We have two aging sewer lift stations which are nearing the end of their expected life cycle, and we have to place a priority on how we are going to replace them. The cost for replacing a single station is estimated to be \$200,000." "I surely hope we can leverage these funds to address these stations, but the initial eligibility requirements are challenging," said Todd. "We are working to comply with the requirements."

In other business, Todd provided updates on the addition to City Hall and the December financial reports were approved. Immediately following the meeting the planning group for the City's annual Valentine Breakfast detailed responsibilities for the Saturday, February 12 event at City Hall. The Breakfast is the primary fundraiser for maintenance of the City Park. The next regular meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen is February 28.

Murder

...From Front Page

His bond is set at \$250,000. Jessica Thompson is charged with second-degree murder (accessory after the fact), fabrication/tampering with evidence and filing a false report. Her bond was set at \$75,000.

Captain Marty Plunk of the Weakley County Sheriff's Department said Jessica Thompson came to the sheriff's department on February 2, 2022, to report her niece, Mandy Noe, missing.

Captain Plunk commented, "She (Jessica Thompson) came in and reported her niece missing. The night before, Jessica and her husband had been involved in a domestic dispute and he had been arrested." He added, "The last time Mrs. Thomp-

son saw the victim was on January 22, 2022, when Mrs. Thompson left to visit family in Georgia."

After making her report, Thompson allegedly made comments linking her husband to the possible murder of Noe. Plunk took the accusations seriously and began his investigation.

"We interviewed him (Christopher Thompson) and over the course of that interview, we learned that Mandy J. Noe had been murdered by him. He gave us some indication that she has been buried on the property," Plunk stated.

It was determined Christopher Thompson murdered and hid Noe's body on or around January 21, 2022. Captain Plunk obtained a search warrant to search the Thompson property of 6384 Highway 190. The sheriff's department was able to locate Noe's remains in an un-

marked grave on the couple's property.

After Noe was murdered, the couple worked to hide her remains on their property.

"He is charged with second-degree murder and tampering with evidence. She's been charged with accessory after the fact, second-degree murder and tampering with evidence, along with filing a false report," Plunk said. "With coming in to report her missing, knowing all along where she was at."

"During the course of this investigation we were able to discover that Ms. Jessica Thompson had an active role in this incident," Plunk said.

The Thompsons were arraigned and appeared before Weakley County Judge Tommy Moore.

The exact cause of death has not been released as Noe's body has been sent off for an autopsy.

Frazier

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Frazier coached Gleason High School's Lady Bulldogs for over 20 years

along with the Junior High School girls program. He recorded over 600 career victories which included nine state tournament appearances and won three state championships in 1992, 1999, and 2007. He also

had one state runner-up finish. Frazier served as principal at Gleason for 14 years and became Director of Weakley County Schools in 2009. He recently had the gym floor at Gleason named in his honor.

Bethel

...From Front Page

opportunities to begin to explore what the industry has to offer. This type of learning is vital to break into the world of sports."

Bethel's sports manage-

ment department has worked with the National Football League (NFL), NCAA college football, Super Bowl host committees and local sports councils to provide students with opportunities to network and gain experience for future employment.

Earlier this year, Bethel University Sports Man-

agement students traveled to Indianapolis to work the NCAA College Football Playoff National title game between Alabama and Georgia.

Students in Los Angeles are Jeffery Lee, Matt Ellis, Joey Cascarano, Antonio Costas, Nathan Holliman, and Alex Lipsey.

Martin

...From Front Page

the seat currently held by Curtis Halford, who announced he would not be seeking re-election. The newly redrawn District 79 includes a portion of Carroll, Henderson and Gibson counties. "I am excited to announce my candidacy for District 79. My wife and I began our business here and are raising our son here. We have served thousands of residents as health-care providers, and I hope to continue serving them in Nashville," Martin started Southern Chiropractic and Acupuncture with his wife, Dr. Krista Martin. The couple has grown the practice from a one-man operation to a successful small business in Huntingdon. Martin discussed that he supports Tennessee's commitment of not implementing a state income

tax and keeping property tax low, "Local businesses are the heartbeat of rural counties. Small businesses thrive when government is limited." Martin is a lifelong Tennessee resident. He is a graduate of Camden Central High School and attended Bethel University in McKenzie. Martin is the son of two educators, so he understands the value of teachers and the impact of a strong education system within rural communities. As the father of a child in public school, he has a strong desire for Tennessee to become a leader in education. Through the input of school administrators, parents and state legislators; he looks forward to creating ways to help parents become more involved in their child's educational process. Martin believes that the teachings of Critical Race Theory and other divisive theories should never have a place in the curriculum found in Tennessee schools. Martin

claims, "I am a firm believer in advocating for all children of all races. Critical Race Theory creates a more divisive learning environment and strays away from our top priority, which is to help our students achieve their educational goals." Martin has a passion for service. He serves as a key member on several boards and is the president of the Tennessee Chiropractic Association.

"The Tennessee General Assembly has taken great steps towards increasing freedom and personal responsibility. I know that the leadership skills I have garnered throughout my life would be a great asset to make District 79 an even better place to raise a family and grow a business."

Martin discussed his other significant goals are to protect the second amendment, promote all Pro-Life initiatives, and support law enforcement.

School

...From Front Page

School (MMS) in 1975.

Fowler said the district funds \$250,000 annually in maintenance of the buildings.

Jon Davis said construction of a new K-8 school would cost an estimated \$50 million and would require several years before construction could begin. The "new" high school was constructed in 1998 at a cost of \$12 million.

Any new school construction would require an increase in taxes. Davis said taxes have not been increased during his 16-year tenure on the board. He is not seeking reelection in August.

During a previous school board meeting, the board talked about constructing a new football stadium on the campus of McKenzie High School and then building a new K-8 on the existing football campus, located on Woodrow.

Director Watkins said the schools are currently undergoing \$1.5 million in upgrades including heating and air conditioning in the gymnasiums of MES and MMS, renovations of the dressing rooms at the MMS Gym, and replacement windows at McKenzie High School. The improvements are funded through ESSER, a COVID-relief fund from the federal government.

On Friday, Lynn Wat-

kins, director of schools, said he forwarded the request to allow the school system to borrow up to \$4 million to State Representative Tandy Darby and State Senator John Stevens for introduction as a private act for consideration by the General Assembly. Watkins said the new facility will not require any new taxes. The board plans to use the existing debt service funds of \$550,000 annually to retire the new indebtedness.

In April 2021, the Board heard a report from Director Watkins indicating the multi-purpose building could be paid through a ESSER 4.0 federal grant, if 4.0 ever came to fruition. At this point, it appears ESSER 4.0 is not under consideration by Congress.

The Banner reported in April, "McKenzie's Director of Schools Lynn Watkins said the funds are restricted in their use. He said the Tennessee Department of Education believes a ESSER 4 round of funding will allocate funds for facilities. "ESSER 2 and 3 will provide funding to air condition the gymnasiums at the elementary and middle schools, replace windows at MHS, hire teachers and assistants to help students who struggled during the pandemic, buy educational equipment, software, install water-bottle filling stations, buy a new food freezer at MMS, and perform maintenance and repairs. Watkins said one

of the priorities of a previous school board was to construct a multi-purpose facility at MHS for teams and the band to practice, and use to hold sporting events. MHS has a lone gymnasium, which is in high demand during the school year. In 2016, the cost of the multi-purpose facility was estimated to cost \$2.6 million."

The Board in the year 2016 authorized preliminary drawings of the multi-purpose facility.

During the Director's Report, Watkins announced the gifts for school board members and the many posters hanging on the wall at the Board Office were in recognition of School Board Appreciation Week.

He announced four seats on the school board are expiring on August 31, 2022. Deadline to seek office is February 17 at the Carroll County Election Commission. Persons, aged 18 and older and a registered voter within the geographic boundary of the school district can seek office by qualifying by the deadline. The expiring at-large seats are LaShonda Williams, Jon Davis, Greg Barker and George Cassidy.

Substitute teachers employed were Alley Burnett, Molly Boucher, Jessica Chandler, Paul Conquest, and Kensley Crossno.

Also employed were educational assistants Brittany Parham and Jessica Rogers. The director noted the resignation of Andra Herrin.

Thank You

Dear McKenzie Rebels Touchdown Club,

It has been an honor to support the teams this year through coverage, printing and fundraising. We've spent many years on the sidelines with the Rebels; and it's always exciting to witness the energy and intensity of game time.

This year's team displayed such heart and teamwork, which seems to suggest that the leadership and support behind them are equally as amazing.

We are honored and humbled to receive The J.A. Abernathy Award. Thank you for allowing us to be a small part of this amazing season.

Sincerely, The McKenzie Banner

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Above, Mr. Cas Pearson and his singing school from the Twenty Third District. Top Right, a Baptizing in the early day in Whitthorne. Bottom Right, Whitthorne scene, Boyd Little and Miss Vera Cunningham on a Sunday drive.



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Celebrating McKenzie's oldest business and historical record

The Carroll County Neighbors, Part V

THE TWENTY THIRD DISTRICT

The southern part of the Twenty Third District lies along the banks of Crooked Creek. The land has hills rolling down toward the creek. The hill land is mostly clay, but the bottom-land is rich black soil.

The first land grant was made to men coming from North Carolina. They were Wright Mebane, Steve Thompson, Prieence and Jim and Ballie Woods. The first homes were made of logs and put together without nails. The first cotton gin was just north of the creek and was owned by Shoffner. It was operated by a treadwheel with an ox and mule.

In the 1870s Bill Johnson became a very impressive man in the community. He owned the first cotton gin run by a small boiler. It stood on the south side of the creek and served the entire district. He had the only grist mill for miles around, and everyone brought wheat and corn to be ground. He had a sawmill farther down the creek. The lumber in the John Barrow building in Huntingdon was sawed at that mill, the floor was made of two-by-twos.

There was no bank in Huntingdon and Bill Johnson served as a bank and finance company. It might be interesting to know what some of the old-timers told of the man: He went barefooted most of the time, and usually wore clothes almost in tatters; he carried a roll of bills to bug the eyes.

He was very kindhearted and helped many young men get started by letting

them have money and a long time to pay it back. One page of land transactions in the recorder's office shows his name in ten different transactions. He was one of the most remarkable men who lived in this community.

The industry changed to farming, later some cattle raising. In the 1920s there was a general store but it closed in the early thirties. More than a hundred years ago, the settlers built a log school with a big fireplace and named it Thompson's because it was built on land given by Steve Thompson. Eighty or ninety years ago a weather-boarded school was built about 300 yards from where the first one stood. In 1938 or 1939, a new school was built on land donated by Prieence. This boxed house was used for school, or for any denomination to hold services.

No account was given of any denomination except the Methodists taking advantage of it. In 1885, the Methodist burned brick and built a beautiful new brick church that is still standing and a very impressive landmark. Having a lot of brick left, the people burned more brick and built a new school, which was in use until about 1956. Thompsons was discontinued about 1951.

About 1902, the Missionary Baptists got together and organized a church in Thompson's School; in 1903 a church was built and because it was built at the cross of the roads it became known as New Cross Roads. In the early 1920s, the church site was moved about a fourth of a mile and a new church was built

that still stands at another crossroads. The social life of the community centers around church activities and before 1900, quilting bees were popular; log rolling and community activities were attended by all. Debates and spelling bees were held through the winter. Exhibitions were held at the end of the school year, a red-letter day for the young people. Singing schools were taught in the spring on Sunday afternoon, sometimes on Saturday. (Submitted by Hazel Wyatt)

WHITTHORNE

The country village of Whitthorne was located in the western part of Carroll County six miles east of Milan on Highway 104. In earlier years, Whitthorne had three stores, a cotton gin, sawmill, grist mill, post office and school.

The first school was named Denny as it was built on land belonging to Ben Denney. Years later a short distance from this school another house was built on Dr. Edd Caldwell's land across the highway in front of the Whitthorne Stores and named Whitthorne School. In 1916 a room was added allowing for two teachers. Around 1930 the building was enlarged and made into Whitthorne Junior High.

Shiloh Methodist Church about one mile east of Whitthorne was one of the early churches built in Carroll County. In the early 1860s, the church was of log and used for both church and school. Also, it was used as a "camp-ground" for church revivals. Two or three church houses have been built on this location. The present brick church was completed in early 1930. The first service in the building was held on the second Sunday in March.

The post office, organized in 1886, was in the home of Reverend John W. Jones, who was the first postmaster. His home was about a mile east of Whitthorne. Later, the post office was moved to Whitthorne; the following people served as postmasters: Moses Bryant, Alma Vawter, and Mrs. Lela Sloan. Mrs. Sloan became

Postmistress on June 30, 1908, and served until the post office was closed after World War II. Elmer Frost was the first Rural Route Carrier.

Whitthorne was located in one of the best farming sections of Carroll County. Two years before the Milan Arsenal was built, surveyors were in the area asking many questions and making maps. Finally, the people were told that this area was to be a government project and they would have to relocate. Many of the farmers moved to the McKenzie area and surrounding communities.

The United States Government paid \$72 per acre for this fine farmland lying in Carroll and Gibson Counties. Many things were discovered by the surveyors; one, a sand vein that furnished all the sand needed to build all the buildings in the project. This was found near the home of Mose Bryant, a few feet below the surface. What this move meant to the people of Whitthorne and the people of all the other places affected can only be known by the ones who endured giving up homes settled by their fathers and grandfathers, leaving sacred places, family cemeteries, and the like.

The Government fenced these burying grounds but as time passed the fences became dilapidated and many of the headstones are missing. Governor Browning's father lived in the area in Gibson County. This story was told by Mrs. Little and Gov. Browning:

After hearing the news Mr. Browning sent for Gordon and then went into his bedroom. There he stayed for two days. When he came out he said, "If this is the gun I am forced to shoulder, I will put it to my shoulder and move on." And move on they did so that their country could have their homes if that was best for America. Governor Browning relates this story to his father. After leaving his home he tried to join the Army; the Governor said, "Pa, you know you can't do that; you are almost Baptizing in the early days. 90 years old." Mr. Browning



answered, "I don't see why not; I can still plow all day, and that's more than most of you boys can do."

When the government took over Whitthorne in 1941, it consisted of two stores, a post office, a junior high school, the Church of Christ, and ten homes. The schoolhouse was enlarged and became the administration building of the Arsenal. The following farmers were the earliest land-owners in the Whitthorne area: Ben and Martha Utley Denny, Dr. Edd and Maggie Denny Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Atkinson, Lafayette and Thenia Atkinson Douglas; Giles and Martha Ann Cox Bryant; James H. and Emma McLemore Bryant, Festus D. and Anna Bowles Bryant, Abner G. and Sarah Cunningham Propst, second wife Delthia Clay, Joe and Mabel Smith Propst, Phillip and Ida Rhodes Hurt, Albert and Mary Rhodes Mullins, Lem and Amanda Rhodes Vawter, Vilas and Carrie Depriest Vawter, Johnny and Hennie Macksey Haynes (Mr. Haynes operated the cotton gin, sawmill, and grist mill), Mr. and Mrs. Dolly Haynes, Wayne Elmer and Emma Courtney Frost, William Thomas and Eliza Ann Via Little, William T. Jr. and Mary Walker Little, Level and Jane Walker Minor, Bruce and Cornelia Little Minor, Rev. John W.

and Janie Burns Jones, Boyd and Josie Douglas Little, Manley and Tenny Swiney Harrell, Frank and Margie Little Barger, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams, Mr. and Mrs. John Stribling, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Peeler, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Milam, Dr. and Mrs. Wiley Bryant, Logan Minor and his sister Mrs. Amanda Milam, Ottis and Eva Dickey Haynes (Mr. Haynes was a rural route mail carrier from the Whitthorne post office). This article was compiled by Mrs. William T. (Mary Walker) Little, Jr., who came to Whitthorne from Bumpus Mills (TN) in 1914 to teach in the school.

(Parts from the interview with Mrs. Little and Gov. Browning)

(The research for this article came from History of Carroll County, Tennessee, 1986.)



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HUNKER DOWN WITH KES Here's The One Party Cupid Missed!

It might have been the concrete block walls. Cold and austere would have been an understatement. And don't count the red bunting taped sparsely around the room. It was only temporary "window dressing."

It looked like a basement. For a very good reason. I could hear a bevy of mothers in the kitchen whispering loud enough to wake up those disciples who had waited in the garden for Jesus to finish praying.

It could have been the green and white checked tile floor. The only word that comes to mind for that piece of art is bland. And it stretched endlessly across the wide expanse of the room, adding a forlornness I'd never noticed before.

Something was amiss about this night.

It wasn't the lighting. For sure! The place was lit up like the lobby of that fancy hotel in Memphis that has those famous ducks waddling about out front. Of course, I'd never been to Memphis. But everybody that went came back talking about them.

The lighting, in fact, was too good! You could see the wonder, the uncertainty and the awkwardness plastered all over every guest's scrubbed and sparkling face. It never seemed this bright on Sunday nights when we'd play ping pong down here between Training Union class and the evening service.

But it wasn't Sunday. And we were not here for church, ping pong or Brother Hatcher's sermon. This was a Friday night.

I couldn't remember ever

being here on Friday, except for the spring and fall revivals. It looked mostly like the same old basement if you ignored the "up in your face" red and white theme. But it was definitely different on this occasion.

The folding tables were set up rather close together. And I'd never seen the red tablecloths that covered them. We had real plates! And two forks! I'd have to ask Leon about the extra fork when I got home.

The music began before I could get the first piece of roast beef in my mouth. The mothers had borrowed some guy from out of town to play the violin. Right while we were trying to eat! I turned to Ruth Ann Wiley to ask what in the heck was going on... But stopped before I started when I realized her cheeks

had turned the color of the tablecloth!

LaRenda Bradfield was sitting on my right. She was NEVER at a loss for wor— She had her head down in the mash potatoes purposely avoiding me.

I'm telling you, life for a twelve year old in February of 1958, just sometimes made no sense at all.

And here is the kicker. I really liked LaRenda and Ruth Ann and all the others. We'd grown up together. We'd laugh and kid each other. Tell stories. Make fun of somebody's shoes. Shoot, there wasn't nothing we couldn't talk about; and didn't talk about...in class, at lunch, during recess, at the swimming pool and while Joe Sasser and Billy Thompson were using the ping pong table on Sunday nights.

But we were having a little trouble in front of the real plates and two forks. Maybe it was because all

the girls were wearing dresses. And me and Joe and the other guys had on suits—and nobody had died!

Pam Collins was sitting right behind me. She could loosen this thing up! I turned around and asked if she wanted to "arm wrestle." She gave me the "get lost—this is not-the-time-nor-place" look.

Then my mind took over. Mom really liked all those girls. Was this banquet some kind of "set up?" By my own Mother!

The silence was deafening. It filled every bit of that basement...except the kitchen.

And when I didn't think it could get any worse, I spied the cards sprinkled around on our table. The closest one had a picture of two cats hugging that read, "You'd be a PURR-fect Valentine!"

The guy on the violin was dancing across the lit-

tle fake brook as I counted the concrete blocks on the side wall. I reckoned somehow we were growing up a mite. But I'm telling you, it was being done at a terrible price!

It would have been a roaring hoot if we'd been nine years old eating cake and ice cream. And by age fifteen and sixteen, these same mothers were working desperately to keep us as far apart as they could.

But at that particular moment in time, space and continuum, we couldn't think to talk about the weather, how many had seen the ducks in front of the Peabody Hotel, whose big brother was the meanest, what's playing this weekend at the Park Theatre...or anything else.

Shoot, we didn't even ask the fiddle player to do a little "Turkey in the Straw" for us...

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Obituaries

JAMES PEARCE, SR.

James Thomas Pearce, Sr., 82, of McKenzie, Tenn., died on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at his home.

He was born in Jackson, Tenn., raised in Milan, and had resided in McKenzie since 1985. A graduate of the Sewanee Military Academy, Jim attended the University of Tennessee (Knoxville) before enlisting in the United States Air Force.

After his discharge, he was hired by the International Telephone and Telegraph Company (ITT), where he worked as a freight traffic manager. He retired from Milan Express in 2008.

James attended the Long Heights Baptist Church in McKenzie. He loved his home state of Tennessee and his country and was a staunch supporter of the constitutional republic established by the founding fathers of the United States.

He enjoyed reading and was an avid sports fan, especially the St. Louis Cardinals and the University of Tennessee athletics.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul Swink Pearce, Sr., and Mary Denny Pearce, of Milan, Tenn., his wife, Winifred

Pearce of McKenzie, and his brother and sister-in-law, Paul and Kay Pearce of Signal Mountain, Tenn.

Survivors are his son, James Thomas Pearce, Jr. of Culleoka, Tenn. and daughter, Elizabeth Pearce Stockdale of Jackson, Tenn.; four grandchildren, Sarah Pearce of Nashville, Tenn.; James Pearce, III of Culleoka, Tenn., Lillie Pearce of Culleoka, Tenn., and Samuel Stockdale of Jackson, Tenn.; four great-grandchildren; one niece and three nephews.

He is also survived by stepchildren, Vincent "Pat" Kaminski, Pamela Campbell, and Wanda Rainey and their families.

Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home has charge of arrangements. For more information, phone 731-352-4848.

BETTY JEAN TYLER 1955 — 2022

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Betty Jean Tyler, 66, of Huntingdon died Friday, January 28, 2022 at Baptist Hospital.

Funeral services were February 2, 2022 in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Alan Trull officiating. Interment followed in Liberty All Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband of 23 years, Dale "D.J." Tyler, a daughter, Melinda Ann Crocker-Shaffer (Deric) of McKenzie, two step-daughters, Bridget Jones (James) of Cookeville, and Heather Small, of Spring Creek, her mother, Dorothy Sue (Matlock) Horton of Huntingdon, four sisters, Rita Crocker, of McKenzie, Kathy Carson (Ken) of Huntingdon, Trish Waggoner (Rick) of Mar-

tin, Danita Land (James) of Huntingdon, two brothers, Johnny Horton (Theresa) of McKenzie, Mike Horton (Tina) of Huntingdon, and seven grandchildren.

CAROL CLARK 1941 — 2022

CEDAR GROVE, Tenn. — Mrs. Carol Jane Clark, 80, of Cedar Grove, Tennessee died Thursday, February 3, 2022 at her home. Graveside services were private. A public memorial service will be held at a later date.

She is survived by two daughters, Cheryl Woodruff and Lisa Stanley, a son, Greg Clark all of Cedar Grove and five grandchildren, Lindsey Butler, Maggie Butler, Bruce Heidelberg, Michael Heidelberg and Mackenzie Clark. Chase Funeral Home.

DONALD DUNLAP 1948 — 2022

Mr. Donald W. Dunlap, 73, of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Sunday, January 30, 2022, at the Tennessee State Veterans' Home in Humboldt.

Funeral services were Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at the Veterans' Cemetery Chapel with Bro. Tim Parish officiating.

He is survived by three sisters, Myra Sasser, Ann Wright (Leo), both of McKenzie, Sue Smith of Huntingdon, and one brother, Steve Dunlap (Mary) of Bon Aqua. He also leaves several nieces and nephews.

ETHAN JOHNSON 1993 — 2022

HUNTINGDON — Mr. Ethan Alexander Johnson, 28, of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at Jackson Madison County General Hospital.

Funeral services were Sunday, February 6, 2022 in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Ivey Jamison officiating. Interment followed in Humbles Cemetery.

MAUDIE PARISH 1934 — 2022

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Maudie Lounete Parish, 87, of Huntingdon, Tennessee died Thursday, February 3, 2022 at the Baptist Hospital in Huntingdon.

Funeral services were Saturday, February 5, 2022 in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Steve Wilkinson officiating. Interment followed in Lewis Cemetery in Wildersville.

She is survived by two daughters, Tina Shands (Roger) of Huntingdon, Rita Matheny (Mike) of Brownsville, a son, Steve Parish (Judy) of Huntingdon, a sister, Virginia Mae Maness of Wildersville, six grandchildren, Madeline Matheny, Miles Matheny, Adam Parish, Ryan Parish, Adyson Shands, Sadie Shands, and two great-grandchildren, Austin Ivy Parish, and Tate Bennett Parish.

BILLY JOE SMITH 1931 — 2022

CEDAR GROVE — Billy Joe Smith, 90, of Cedar

Grove died on January 28, 2022. His funeral service were Saturday, February 5 at Bodkin Funeral Home, Milan Tenn., at 2 p.m. Graveside services were at Hickory Flat Methodist Church Cemetery located at 130 Highway 220, Cedar Grove.

Born September 30, 1931, in Jackson Tenn., Bill was the son of the late Bonnie Sumler McCollum and John Lee Smith. He is survived by his wife, Joe Ann Smith, and their two daughters, Cynthia Gail Smith (James), of Atlanta and Suzanne Smith Hardin (Lee), of Greenville, South Carolina.

Bill was predeceased by his sisters, Shirley Vinson and Joann Carroll.

He was civically active as a Carroll County commissioner for 20 years and served on the boards of the Election Commission (chairman), Indigent Board, 911 Board, and Carroll County 1000-Acre Lake Planning Commission.

ELIZABETH ZIMMERMAN 1947 — 2022

McKENZIE — Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Zimmerman, 74, of McKenzie, Tenn. died Monday, January 31, 2022 at The Waters of McKenzie.

Funeral services were Thursday, February 3 in the Chapel of Dilday-Carter Funeral Home. Interment was in Mixie Cemetery.

Mrs. Zimmerman was born on April 11, 1947 in Crawfordsville, Indiana to the late Ray Eugene and Mary Blades Quinnette. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, George Frank Zimmerman and her sister, Linda Sweet.

She is survived by a daughter, Shelley (Bruce) Weston of Maine; three sons: Henry Mack McCurdy of Yazoo City, Miss., Michael McCurdy and Dennis (Sylvia) Zimmerman, both of McKenzie; one sister, Sandra Foster of Indiana; one brother, Michael (Becky) Quinnette of Ohio; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dilday-Carter Funeral Home in charge of arrangements 731-986-8281.

DORIS PRITCHARD WARD 1930 — 2022

HUNTINGDON — Ms. Doris Nelle Pritchard Ward, 91, of Huntingdon, Tenn. died Sunday, February 6, 2022 at Baptist Memorial Hospital.

Ms. Ward was born on May 20, 1930 in Huntingdon, Tenn. to the late Andrew T. and Gurtha Griggs Pritchard.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Dewey Pritchard; and her sisters, Ruth Baker, Dorothy Sue Looney, and Betty Belew.

She is survived by two sons, Paul Ward, Jr. and Bobby Ward, both of Huntingdon; one brother, James Ronald (Margaret Ann) Pritchard of Brentwood, Tenn.; three grandchildren: Jill (Tony) Bonds, John Hunter (Suzanne) Ward, and Travis (Holly) Ward; and five great-grandchildren.

Dilday-Carter Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements, 731-986-8281.



Sister Hazel Delights Audience at The Dixie

HUNTINGDON (February 5) — Just days after an ice storm affected west Tennessee, the Dixie PAC stage was heated up by the Florida-based band, Sister Hazel. An appreciative audience was cheering for the performers. Some audience members moved to the aisles so they could move to the music.

Originating from Gainesville, Sister Hazel is comprised of five gifted, seasoned musicians whose well-spring of natural talent has been called "one of the Top 100 Most Influential Independent Performers of the last 15 years" by Performing Song-

writer Magazine. Song "All for You" topped the adult alternative charts during the summer of 1997 and the success propelled their album to platinum status.

In their first showing on the country music charts they made a strong debut with "Lighter In The Dark" at #4 on Billboard's Top Country Albums chart, #6 on Billboard's Independent Albums chart, #30 on Billboard's Top Current Albums chart.

In February 2018, "Water," landed on the Billboard Country Albums chart at #9 and at #2 on Billboard's Independent Albums chart along with

making their debut on the most revered stage in country music, the Grand Ole Opry. Since 2018, Sister Hazel has continued to land on Billboard's charts and continue to find success through music and special connections with their fans.

This is the Dixie Performing Arts Center's 16th season. The facility is named in honor of hometown star, the late Dixie Carter. The stage is named in memory of her late husband, Hal Holbrook.

For more information, visit www.dixiepac.net.

Tiffany McCutcheon Joins HCMC Board of Trustees

PARIS — Henry County Medical Center Board of Trustees chairman Dr. Scott Whitby welcomed Dr. Tiffany N. McCutcheon as the board's newest member.

McCutcheon, a Paris native, is the coordinator of student services at the Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT). She joined TCAT after a 10-year stint at Bethel University in McKenzie where she served in the Financial Aid Department. She went to Bethel after working for the Tennessee Career Center in Paris from 2006-2011.

Prior to working at the Tennessee Career Center, McCutcheon worked at the Mid-South Credit Bureau in Paris from 2003-06.

McCutcheon graduated from Murray State University in 2001 with a Bachelor of Science in Business. She earned her Master of Business Administration from Bethel in 2009 before earning her Doctor of Business Administration with an emphasis in Social



Dr. Tiffany McCutcheon

Impact Management from Walden University in Minneapolis, MN in 2019.

During her career, McCutcheon has taught in-classroom as well as on-line business courses for Bethel University where she is currently an adjunct faculty member.

Dr. McCutcheon was selected by the Henry County Commission to serve as a Board of Trustees member for the county-owned facility. HCMC is pleased to welcome her in leadership.

For more information about HCMC including its history and leadership, go online at www.hcmc-tn.org.

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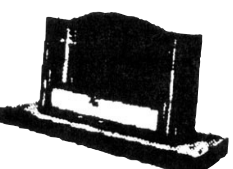
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FIRST CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHILI COOK OFF

First Cumberland Presbyterian-McKenzie is hosting a Chili Cook Off on Saturday, February 26, 5 p.m. at the church at 16835 Highland Drive. Church teams will compete for the designation of the favorite chili.

SUMMER BASEBALL, SOFTBALL SIGN-UPS

McKenzie Summer Softball and Baseball sign-ups are February 12, 19, 26 at McKenzie City Hall, 9 a.m. to noon.

CAPITOL TALK WITH JOHN STEVENS

State Senator John Stevens will speak at Capitol Talk, a forum hosted by the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce on Friday, Feb-

ruary 11. The event is at the Carroll County Civic Center, 8:10 a.m. to 9 a.m. It is a free event. Please RSVP to the Chamber by phoning 731-986-4664.

ELECTION COMMISSION TO MEET

Carroll County Election Commission meets Tuesday, February 8, 6 p.m. in the Election Commission office, Carroll County Office Complex. On the agenda are preparing for the upcoming primary elections on May 3 and general election on August 4. This is a public meeting.

MCKENZIE CITY COUNCIL MEETS MONTHLY

The McKenzie City Council meets at 6 p.m. the second Thursday of each month.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE, WOMEN MEET MONTHLY

Carroll County Democratic Women Committee meets each third Tuesday at 6 p.m. Meetings are held at the Huntingdon Police Department, Lexington Street in downtown Huntingdon. Everyone is welcome to attend.

HUMANE SOCIETY HOSTS STRAWBERRY FUNDRAISER

The Carroll Co. Humane Society is taking orders for delicious fresh strawberries that will arrive at the shelter during the first week of March. The price is \$25 per flat. The deadline for ordering and making payment is Feb-

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THE SHEPHERD'S TABLE COMMUNITY KITCHEN

The Shepherd's Table, the community kitchen located in Huntingdon, Tenn. serves meals twice monthly. On each third Tuesday at First Presbyterian Church located at 19835 E. Main Street and on each fourth Tuesday at First United Methodist Church located at 201 Asbury Circle. Meals are served drive through 5 to 7 p.m. The Shepherds Table is open to the public and there is no cost.

The meals are prepared by volunteer staff hosted by different congregations in our town and donated by local businesses. Our town's community kitchen was created by a group of volunteers that saw the need in the Carroll County community. Food scarcity is real and the Shepherd's Table's success is dependent on the support of volunteers and donations. They are scheduling the 2022 calendar. To volunteer or donate you can call 731-415-9199 and leave a message or email fpcshepherdstable@gmail.com.

MCKENZIE CONDEMNATION MEETINGS MONTHLY

City of McKenzie Condemnation Meetings are the fourth Monday of each month at 3 p.m. in the city hall council chambers.



Top, Middle School Mustang Football Award Winners. Above, Mustang Middle School Basketball Award Winners. Below, Middle School Girls Basketball Award Winners. Bottom, Huntingdon Middle Soccer Award Winners.



Huntingdon Middle Sports Banquet

BY JIM POTTS
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Huntingdon Middle School held their annual sports banquet last Thursday honoring their middle school athletes.

Following the meal, softball was the first team honored however no individual awards were given. Soccer posted a 3-5 record in their first season with two wins against Trenton and one against Westview. Two defender awards and two offensive awards were given. Erin Morey and Savannah Vinson won the two defensive awards while the two striker awards went to

Makayla Brinkley and Destani Whitson. Team Spirit Award went to Ali Harris while Most Improved Award went to Brooklyn Pearson. The MVP award went to Kaki Dillahunt.

Football coach indicated they had just one game with all of their starters and all of their coaches thanks to COVID. They started out slow and got better as the season progressed. Individual football awards went to Jay Martin-Most Improved, Owen King-Count On Me Award, Gage Foster-Special Teams Award, Braylin Dearmon-Mustang Award, Silas Sharpe-Defensive Line Award, and MVP Award

went to Broox Bennett. In boys basketball, Owen Kruezigier won the offensive award while the defensive award went to Tyreke Hutch. Jeremiah Cannon won Most Improved while Most Valuable Teammate went to Broox Bennett. The Coaches Award went to Braylin Dearmon and Caleb Ezell was named MVP.

Several young ladies received individual basketball awards including Camden Sellers-Sportsmanship Award, Defensive Player of the Year went to Knox Bennett, Mary Kendall Stevens won the Rebound Award and MVP Award while Milie Singleton won the Spark Award.

Carroll County Humane Society to Host Bingo, Soup Supper

The Carroll County Humane Society is hosting a bingo and soup supper (Soup Cook-Off) Saturday, February 12, 6-9 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Insurance building at 125 Third Avenue in Huntingdon.

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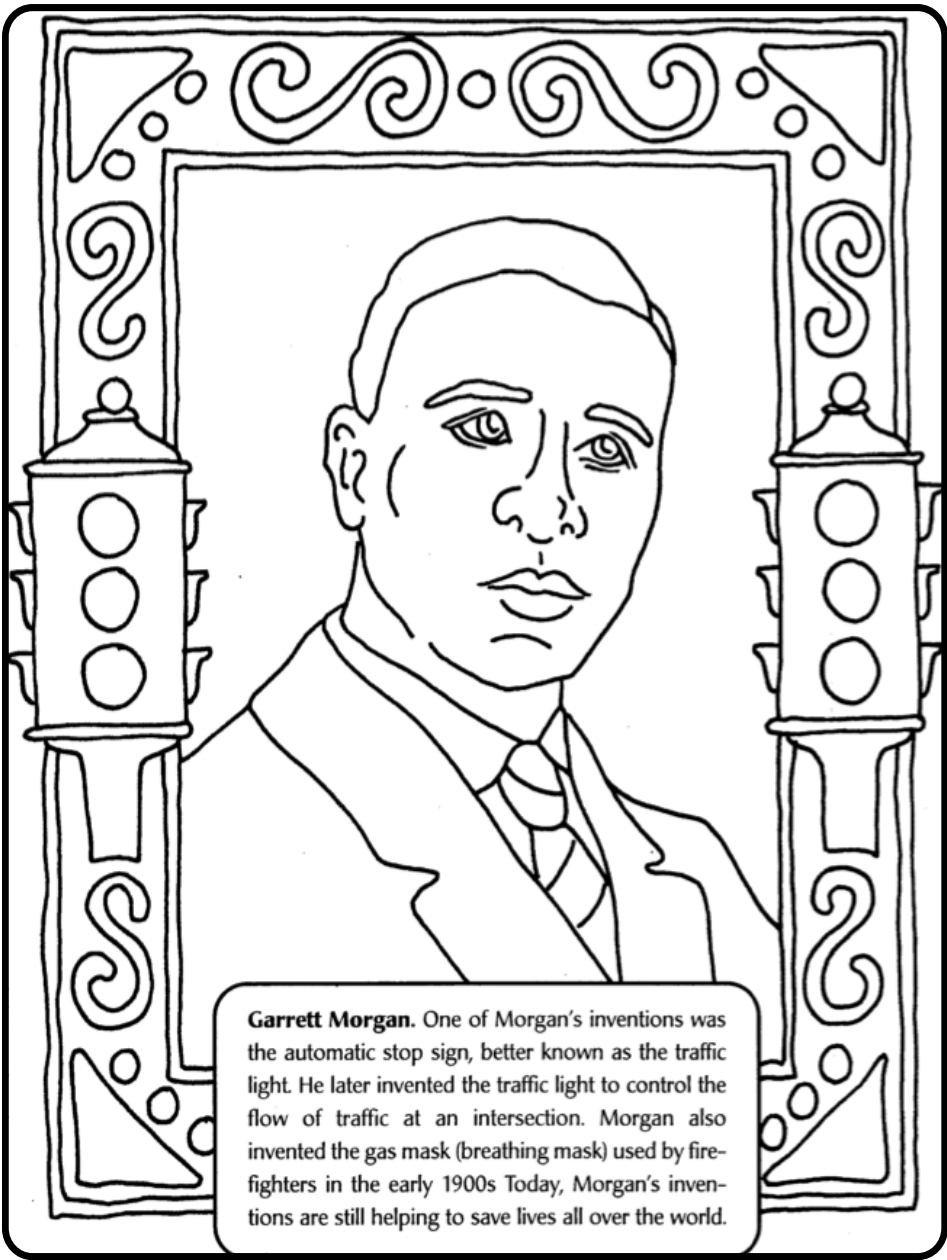


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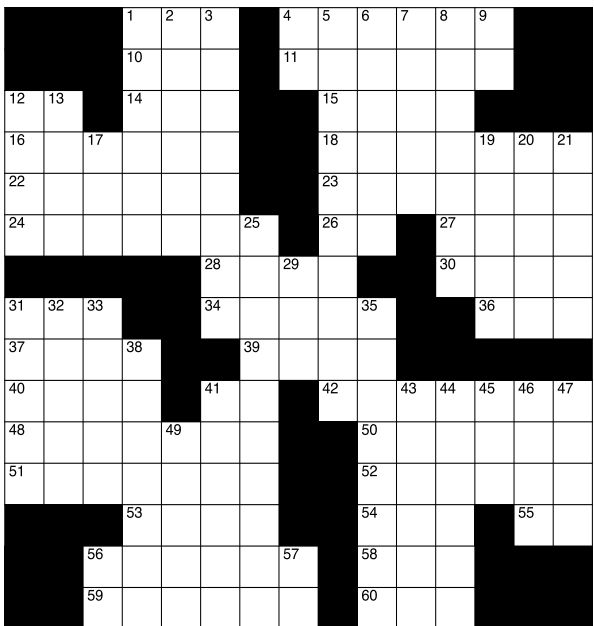
Weekly Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. One point east of due south
- 4. City in Maine
- 10. Inquire too closely
- 11. Make dirty
- 12. Small Greek island
- 14. Bitterly regret
- 15. Millisecond
- 16. ___ the ante
- 18. Without value
- 22. Eurasian ryegrass
- 23. Authentic
- 24. Having a mournful quality
- 26. Not out
- 27. Salvador ___, Spanish artist
- 28. Cargo (abbr.)
- 30. This (Spanish)
- 31. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 34. Slang for trucks with trailers
- 36. Helps you hear
- 37. Steer a boat
- 39. British School
- 40. Genus of olive
- 41. Computer term (abbr.)
- 42. Horse gear
- 48. Give off
- 50. A type of salt
- 51. Exposing human vice or folly to ridicule
- 52. One who watches birds
- 53. Sailboat
- 54. A major division of geological time
- 55. Sodium
- 56. American state
- 58. Soak in water
- 59. Thin decorative covering of fine wood
- 60. Affirmative

CLUES DOWN

- 1. One of the four seasons



- 2. Its sultan is famous
- 3. A lens for correcting defective vision in one eye
- 4. College degree
- 5. Soldiers need it
- 6. Japanese car manufacturer
- 7. A way to address
- 8. Obstruct
- 9. Atomic number 45
- 12. Ill-mannered
- 13. Opaque gem
- 17. Indicates before
- 19. Remove
- 20. Populous Argentine city
- 21. More cunning
- 25. Rich dessert
- 29. Payment (abbr.)
- 31. Footwear
- 32. Famed Alabama city
- 33. Sheep's cry
- 35. Arrogance
- 38. Clerical vestment
- 41. Serving no practical purpose
- 43. An evening party
- 44. Print errors
- 45. Not good
- 46. Egyptian Sun god
- 47. Industrial German city
- 49. Scottish island
- 56. Early multimedia
- 57. Atomic number 18

Week 6

See solution in next week's edition.

Black History Month Word Search

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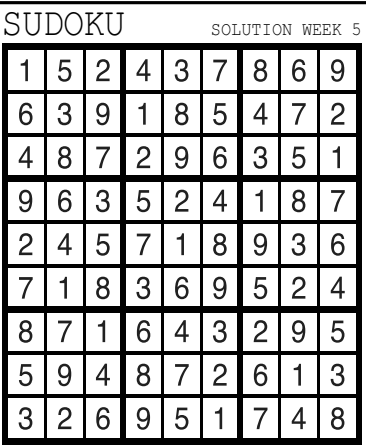
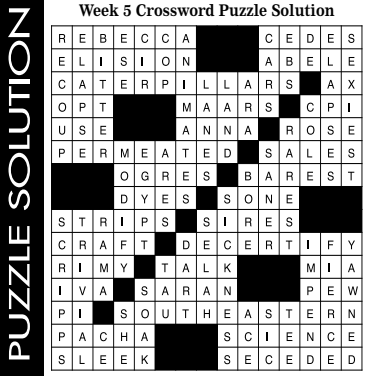
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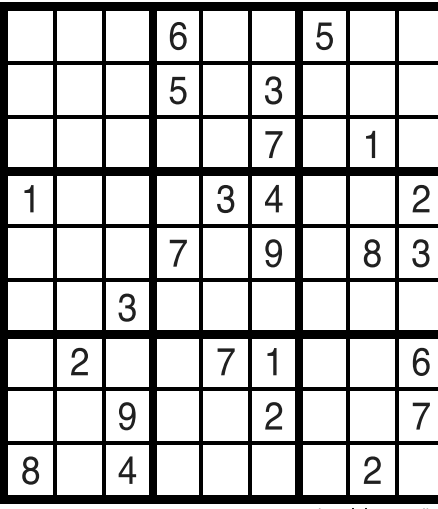


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Carroll County Sheriff's Reports

Warrant, Drugs — Kenneth Ray Beckham, 35, of 1450 Dollar Hill Road, Huntingdon, was arrested on an outstanding warrant during a January 27 traffic stop in Lavinia.

According to the report by Deputy Dakota R. Meier, he pulled over a vehicle driven by Beckham on Spring Hill Road for a light law violation at around 12:45 a.m. A computer check of Beckham's license showed an outstanding warrant out of Milan. Meier then took Beckham into custody and was transporting him to the county line to be turned over to the Milan Police Department when other deputies who had been at the traffic stop contacted Meier and advised him that they found a baggie containing a clear crystal-like substance and an empty baggie on the ground near where Beckham had been placed in the back

of Meier's patrol car.

High-Speed Pursuit — Rico Javon Fuller, 36, of Jackson was charged with evading arrest, reckless driving, and speeding following a January 29 high-speed pursuit in Cedar Grove.

According to the report by Deputy Steven Scott, he attempted to pull over a vehicle driven by Fuller for speeding on Highway 70, but Fuller did not stop and Scott pursued. Scott noted that Fuller was driving recklessly and reached speeds of over 100 mph. The pursuit ended when Fuller lost control of his vehicle and crashed. Scott placed Fuller under arrest.

Firearm Theft — Tristian Shawnlynn Hood, 19, of 457 Forrest Avenue, McKenzie, was charged with theft under \$1,000 and unlawful possession of a firearm during a January 30 traffic

stop in Huntingdon.

Deputy Steven Scott reported that he pulled over a vehicle in which Hood was a passenger for a light law violation. While speaking with the driver, Scott detected the odor of marijuana, and during a subsequent search of the vehicle, the deputy found a Springfield XD nine-millimeter pistol with an estimated value of \$450. A computer check of the gun's serial number showed that it had been stolen in 2013 in McKenzie.

Tires Slashed — Sarah Wortham of Huntingdon told deputies on January 28 that someone slashed all four tires on her vehicle, which was parked in front of her residence on Wortham Loop.

Wortham said she thought the theft may have happened between 2 and 3 a.m. that morning. The value of the tires was estimated at \$450.

McKenzie Police Reports

Thefts — The McKenzie Police are investigating multiple thefts from businesses on North Highland Drive which occurred between January 30 and February 1. The thefts occurred at Exxon, Peppers Ford and West Tennessee Movers. The first theft was reported at Exxon with Officer Jeremiah Brooks talking to Chance Flippin who advised his catalytic converter had been cut off his truck sometime between 3 p.m. on January 30 and 5:30 a.m. on January 31. Later that day, Officer Jeremiah Brooks was dispatched to Peppers Ford where Parts Manager Kyle Chapman notified Brooks that a catalytic converter had been taken from a customer's vehicle. The converter was valued at \$728.16.

Sgt. Kyle Beauchamp and Officer Jeremiah Brooks responded to a call from West Tennessee Movers that one of their trucks had a catalytic converter cut off of it. The owner of West Tennessee Movers had been advised of earlier thefts and had his employees check their trucks and did find one with a converter taken off by a power tool. The converter was valued over \$1,000 for the part and installation.

Domestic Assault/Burglary — On Monday, January 31, McKenzie police were contacted about an argument taking place in

the front yard of a Walnut Avenue residence. Christavon Horton, 55, of McKenzie, was confronted by another local man claiming a witness told him Horton had allegedly broken into a parked vehicle and taken some items. The two began to argue during which Horton shoved the other man and went to his vehicle and took something from it.

After police arrived and questioned the two men, Horton was arrested for domestic assault and burglary and was transported to Carroll County Jail.

Theft/Burglary — Investigator Justin Brister was notified by Officer Ryan White of a theft from a vehicle on Maple Avenue on Wednesday, February 2, and also advised a laptop computer had been stolen from the same vehicle months ago but not reported until today.

Brister remembered items at a pawn shop in Paris that were brought in by a group of individuals who also pawned stolen items from an aggravated burglary on Booker Street. Brister remembered a Lenovo laptop being among the items pawned. The police department had information that helped trace the computer's owner and also the person who pawned it in Paris. Brister found that Akevion Scharai McCoy of McKenzie had pawned the stolen laptop in Paris and is preparing

arrest warrants on McCoy charging him with Theft of Property and Burglary.

Theft/Burglary — Kassie Arnold notified police on Wednesday, February 2, that she had items stolen from her vehicle parked in front of a Maple Street residence. Arnold advised she was missing a backpack containing her college school books and her wallet containing her drivers license and social security card. The value of the stolen items was set at \$280. Arnold also advised the last time she saw the items was around 8:30 p.m. February 1.

Theft/Burglary/Vandalism — According to a report from Patrolman Dalton Raspberry, he responded to a potential burglary and theft from a Paris Street residence Sunday evening, February 6. The homeowner, Norman Watne, of McKenzie, advised officers that he and his wife had left to go visit a relative in Huntingdon and when they returned, they found their dogs loose in the yard and their back door open. Several prescription medications were found to be missing. After filing the theft report, Dispatch advised that Watne had two active warrants for Violations of the Sex Offender Registry and went back to arrest him and transport him to Carroll County Jail.

Baptist-Carroll County Offers HEART Score Screenings During American Heart Month

HUNTINGDON (February 4) — In observation of American Heart Month, Baptist Memorial Hospital-Carroll County is offering HEART score screenings every Friday during February from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the hospital, located at 631 R.B. Wilson Drive in Huntingdon.

Baptist's HEART score screening is a painless, non-invasive CT scan of the heart that measures the amount of calcium in the coronary arteries. Although calcium is necessary for many body functions, it also deposits as plaque in arteries. Research has shown a direct correlation between the amount of calcium in the coronary arteries and the likelihood of a future heart attack.

"American Heart Month is a good reminder to get screened to help prevent heart issues," said Susan Breeden, CEO and administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital-Carroll County. "We

are happy to provide this type of preventive care close to home."

The scan takes approximately 10 minutes and does not require needles or fasting. Results are sent to each patient's physician for review. Patients will need to pay for the test at a discounted rate of \$99. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call 731-986-7381.

Baptist Memorial Hospital-Carroll County provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient medical care to West Tennessee in a wide variety of specialized areas, including cardiac care, pediatrics, general surgery, physical therapy and palliative care, among others. The 70-bed facility is located in Huntingdon, Tennessee, and offers advanced medical technology, such as 3D mammography and the Baptist TeleHealth Center, using TeleGuardian. Baptist Carroll County is the recip-

ient of many awards and accolades, including the Tennessee Quality Award, the QUEST Award for High-Value Healthcare from Premier Inc., the Quest Hero Award, Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval in 2015 and an "A" Hospital Safety Grade from the Leapfrog Group in 2021.

General Sessions Report

HUNTINGDON — The following cases were heard in Carroll General Sessions Court on February 22, 2022.

The following case resulted in guilty verdict or guilty plea:

Brandi M Hill, Magnolia

Avenue, McKenzie, found guilty of Domestic Assault, 11/29 sentence to serve, time served, Unsupervised probation for the balance of the sentence; dismissed charge of Child Abuse/Neglect/Endangerment.

The following cases were dismissed:

Clayton Milton, Booker Street, McKenzie, dismissed charges of Meth-Mfg, Deliver, Sale, Poss with Intent, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, and Failure to Appear.

Huntingdon Police Reports

License Violation — Rachel Lynn Lopez, 27, of Huntingdon was cited for driving on a suspended license during a January 11 traffic stop in Huntingdon.

Sgt. Brad Allen reported that he pulled over a vehicle driven by Lopez on Northwood Drive because he had prior knowledge Lopez's license was suspended. A computer check confirmed Lopez's suspended status.

Drug Possession — Ethan Isaac Depriest, 18, of Huntingdon was cited for simple possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia during a January 11 traffic stop in Huntingdon.

Sgt. Brad Allen reported he pulled over a vehicle in which Depriest was a passenger after clocking the vehicle at 54 mph in a 35 mph zone on Buena Vista Road. While speaking with the driver, Allen detected the odor of marijuana. Allen said he had probable

cause to search the vehicle and asked if there were any illegal substances in the vehicle. A passenger handed Allen a bag containing 15.3 grams of marijuana, and during a search of the vehicle, the officer found a silver pipe. Depriest said that both the marijuana and pipe belonged to him.

Theft — Warrants have been issued against Savannah Michelle Whitfield, 26, of Huntingdon and Hunter Birdwell, 25, of Bruceton for theft of property over \$1,000.

According to the report by Officer Labe Ezell, Whitfield and Birdwell took numerous items valued altogether at around \$1,400 from a residence on Cotham Drive in Huntingdon on January 21. Prescription medication was also taken from a vehicle parked at that residence. Ezell noted that Whitfield acknowledged taking a cell phone from the home but said it was an accident.

Disorderly Conduct —

Clinton Dailey Hoard, 35, of Huntingdon was charged with disorderly conduct on January 22 at a local hospital.

According to the report by Officer Labe Ezell, Hoard had just been treated and released from the emergency room at Baptist Memorial Hospital-Carroll County, but, instead of leaving, he went throughout the hospital and out into the parking lot yelling profanities at staff members and others while refusing to leave the premises. Hoard was transported to the Carroll County Jail, and his bond was set at \$2,500.

License Violation — Steven Chad Ross, 46, of McKenzie was cited for driving while revoked (first offense) during a January 28 traffic stop in Huntingdon.

Sgt. Brad Allen reported that he pulled over a vehicle driven by Ross on Highway 22 South because the vehicle did not have a license plate. A computer check showed that Ross's driver's license was revoked.

Property Transfers

Jason A. Roberts to Haley Brooke Byrd.

Daniel and Amy Hollowell to Daniel and Amy Hollowell in District 9.

Felicia Hindman to Jason Sanford Reeves in District 5.

Joe W. Peters and others to James A. Keen in District 6.

Carl and Kim Johnson to Teresa Ann Jackson in District 11.

Bobby Bills to Tommy R. Berryhill in District 22.

Centennial Bank to Rita Williams Webber in District 22.

Virginia McDade Manner and others to MMT Properties, LLC in District 4.

Albert W. Smith to Alexander and Samantha Estes.

Luican M. Jr. and Lorillie R. Kee to David Arouni in District 6.

Steven Townsend and others to Robert E. Ekman 2013 Revocable Trust and others in District 24.

Jan Wayatt and Crolyn E. Aylor to Breya Knuutila in District 16.

Rachel R. Barlow to Merchant's Properties LLC in District 22.

Samantha R. McElwain and others to Jon P. Sawyer. Janice Spencer and Clarence Anthony Moon to Amanda Jane and Natalie Christine Spencer in

District 24.

Michael and Steven Haywood to Thaddeus Hall and others.

Miller Farms At Road Center, LLC to Lee Taylor and Cameron Ann Estes in District 1.

Clear Recon, LLC to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC in District 4.

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That, WHEREAS, by Deed of Trust recorded on April 7, 2020, of record in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee, in Trust Deed Book 689, page 140, **BARBARA NICOLE MOORE** did convey in trust, to W. KENT JONES, Trustee, a tract of land hereinafter described, to secure the payment of the indebtedness described in said Deed of Trust to CARROLL BANK & TRUST; and,

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust provides that in the event of default in the payment of the debt secured by said Deed of Trust, when due, or in the event of failure to comply with any of the conditions and/or covenants of said Deed of Trust, the whole amount of the unpaid principal sum, together with all interest due and accrued upon the same, together with all other payments agreed to be made, shall, at the option of the holder, become due and payable immediately without demand or notice thereof; and,

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and there have been other violations of the conditions of said Deed of Trust, and the owner and holder of said debt has instructed the undersigned Trustee, to foreclose said Deed of Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority in me vested as such Trustee, I will on the 25th day of February, 2022, offer for sale and sell in front of the Courthouse door in Huntingdon, Tennessee, at the hour of 10:05 a.m. to the last, highest and best bidder, for cash in hand, free from the equity of redemption, homestead, dower and curtesy rights, and all other rights or exemptions of every kind, and all unpaid taxes, to effect satisfaction of principal, interest and costs due on said promissory note(s) and Deed of Trust aforementioned, as well as to pay all attorney's fees and costs necessarily incident to this foreclosure, the following tract of land, situated in the 24th Civil District of Carroll County, Tennessee, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a 1/2" rebar found on the east right-of-way of Anark Road (50' R.O.W.), said rebar serves as the southwest corner of Larry F. & Rebecca Kirby (Deed Book 307, Page 495), the northwest corner of Harold Gene Brewer (Deed Book 312, Page 411), the northernmost corner of another tract owned by Harold Gene Brewer (Deed Book 167, Page 162) and the northwest corner of the herein described tract; runs thence, leaving the right-of-way with the south line of Kirby, South 74 degrees 50 minutes 04 seconds East a distance of 246.26 feet to a rock found with a steel fence post witness on the west line of another tract owned by Larry F. & Rebecca Kirby (Deed Book 307, Page 481); thence, with the west line of Kirby, South 08 degrees 17 minutes 13 seconds West a distance of 321.96 feet to a set iron pin; thence, leaving the west line of Kirby to partition across both tracts of Harold Gene Brewer, North 74 degrees 50 minutes 04 seconds West a distance of 308.17 feet to an iron pin set on the above mentioned right-of-way of Anark Road; thence, with the right-of-way the following three calls: with a curve turning to the left with an arc length of 134.63 feet, a radius of 475.41 feet, a chord bearing of North 26 degrees 44 minutes 52 seconds East, and a chord length of 134.18 feet to a point; thence, with a compound curve turning to the left with an arc length of 99.92 feet, a radius of 927.48 feet, a chord bearing of North 15 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds East, and a chord length of 99.87 feet to a point; thence, North 12 degrees 26 minutes 15 seconds East a distance of 88.44 feet to a found 1/2" rebar, which is the point of beginning, having an area of 1.95 acres more or less as surveyed by Stokes Surveying, LLC, Andrew Stokes R.L.S. #2577, P.O. Box 129, Clarksburg, TN 38324. All iron pins set are 1/2" rebar with plastic cap stamped "STOKES RLS 2577", all bearings are relative to Grid North, Tennessee State Plane, NAD 83. Survey dated March 13, 2020. The above-described property is subject to any right-of-way and utility easements that may not be shown.

Map 118 - Parcel 51.00-Property Assessor's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee

The above description is the same as in the previous deed of record.

For source of title, see Deed Book 392, page 506, Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee.

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 2220 Anark Rd., Huntingdon, TN 38344 but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control.

Other Interested parties: NONE. If applicable, the notice requirements of TCA 35-5-117 have been met.

The debtors' equity of redemption, homestead, dower and all other rights or exemptions of the debtors are waived in said deed of trust, and the title is believed to be good, but said real estate will be sold and conveyed by me as Trustee and not otherwise.

Said sale will be made by Trustee only, without covenants of seizin or warranties of title, and title will be made subject to any unpaid taxes and assessments and all valid restrictions, liens, covenants or easements, if any, of record on said property.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth herein, or with publication setting out the new date, time and place for the sale.

This law firm is acting as a debt collector. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Dated at Huntingdon, Tennessee, this the 24th day of January, 2022.

W. Kent Jones, Substitute Trustee
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- All grilling/cooking must be done outdoors. Microwave, popcorn popper, and warmers may be used inside.
- Concession stand must be fully staffed and operate with a minimum of 2 windows open for all baseball and softball games with the exception of the opening day jamboree.
- At the conclusion of ball season, all food/drink supplies shall be removed and interior of concession stand cleaned and keys returned.
- If you have questions please call Jennifer Waldrup at 731-352-2292 or Billy Hollowell at 731-415-7887.
- Bids will be accepted until February 25, 2022.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE, FOR THE TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

RONNIE J. MAXWELL, Plaintiff,

V. No. 21-DR-199

TERESA JEAN MAXWELL, Defendant.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court from the sworn petition or affidavit filed in this cause that the whereabouts of the Defendant, TERESA JEAN MAXWELL, are presently unknown and cannot be ascertained upon diligent inquiry, so that ordinary process cannot be served upon her. Therefore, this Order of Publication should be published in The McKenzie Banner newspaper located in McKenzie, CARROLL County, Tennessee, as the best possible notice to the Defendant under the circumstances.

Defendant, TERESA JEAN MAXWELL, is hereby required to appear and file an answer with the Clerk and Master of the CARROLL County Chancery Court, CARROLL County Courthouse, 22 Main Street, Huntingdon, Tennessee, or otherwise defend against the Complaint for Divorce, and to serve an answer to said petition by January 27, 2022, which is thirty (30) days from the last day of publication of this notice, and send a copy of said answer to Howard F. Douglass, Attorney for Plaintiff in this cause, whose address is 42 South Main Street, Lexington, Tennessee, 38351, or default judgment will be entered against the Defendant, TERESA JEAN MAXWELL, and this cause set for hearing in the Chancery Court of CARROLL County, Tennessee, sitting in the CARROLL County Courthouse in Huntingdon, Tennessee, ex parte as to Defendant, TERESA JEAN MAXWELL.

If there is no answer, a hearing on Plaintiffs' motion for default shall be heard on February 3, 2022 at 9 a.m. Failure to answer or appear may result in granting a divorce to the Plaintiff.

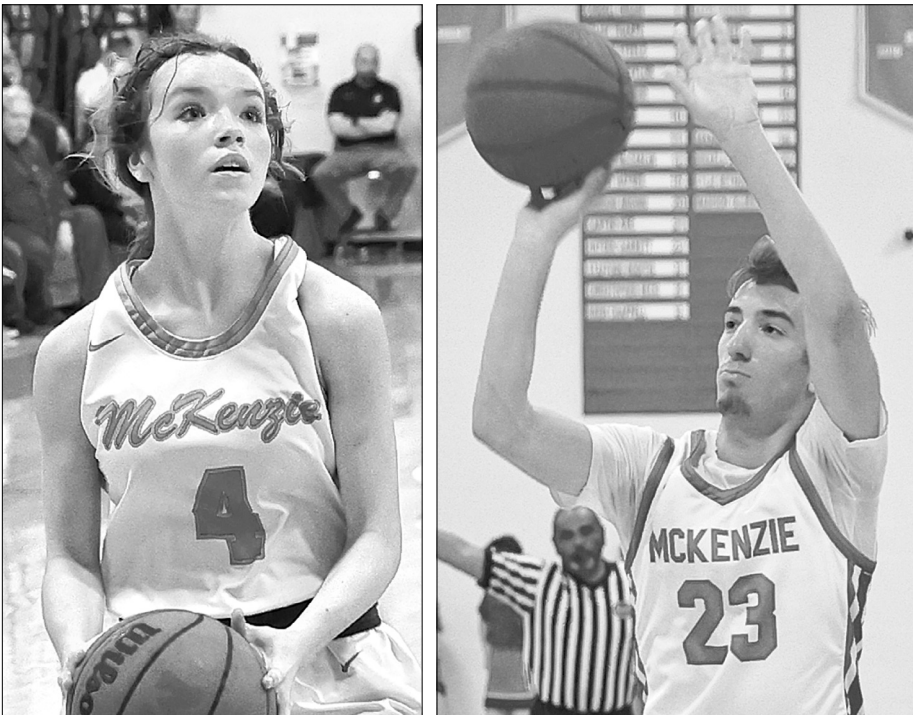
Entered this the 18th day of January, 2022.

Vicki H. Hoover, Chancellor

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Above Left, Hannah Dillingham decides whether to shoot or pass. Above Right, Stafford Roditis takes a shot against Big Sandy. Below Left, Mikaela Reynolds takes a shot against Big Sandy. Below Right, Bryson Steele puts up a layup against the Red Devils.



McKenzie Picks Up District Wins

BY JIM POTTS
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It would be easy to guess that both McKenzie teams came into their district contest Tuesday night at home against Big Sandy with a chip on their shoulder after both teams lost at Westview the night before in Martin. The girls contest was a battle of ranked teams with McKenzie #1 in Class A and Westview is #3 in Class AA.

Lady Rebels 73, Lady Red Devils 24

That chip was really showing in the first period with McKenzie racing to a 28-0 lead by the end of the first period. The second period slowed a little but the Lady Rebels still outscored the Lady Red Devils 14-7 to lead 42-7 at halftime.

The Lady Rebels put up 18 points in the third and 13 more in the fourth to finish the win 73-24.

Four Lady Rebels were in double figures led by Mikaela Reynolds with 17 points followed by Ally Gibson with 13 points while Katie Chesser and Briley Auvenshine had 12 points each for McKenzie. Hannah Dillingham added nine while Savannah Davis had five points. Madison Gilbert and Kylie Reynolds contributed three and two points respectively.

Big Sandy was led by Bailey and Ashlyn Berry with eight points each while Kaylee Stockdale had six points and Ava Wade chipped in two points for the Lady Red Devils.



Macey Mayo cheering with the rest of the Rebel Cheerleaders.

McKenzie's win improves their record to a whopping 20-2 on the season with a little over a week remaining in the regular season.

Rebels 73, Red Devils 33

The Rebels didn't mess around either as they opened up a 17-6 lead by the end of the first period. Their hottest period was in the second period outscoring Big Sandy 22-9 to post a 39-15 halftime score.

McKenzie put up 16 points in the third period and 18 more in the fourth period to secure the district win 73-33.

Bryson Steele and Zayden McCaslin led the Rebels with 12 points apiece while Zay Webber added nine points.

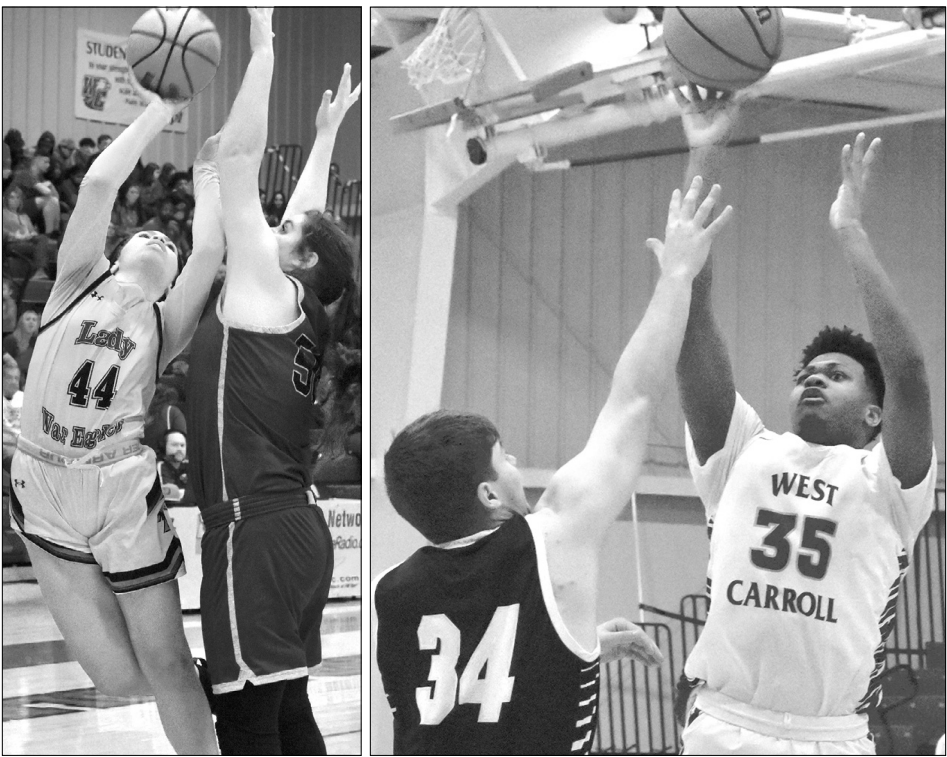
Tate Surber, Carter Kee, Hayden Garrett, and Stafford Roditis had six points each for the Rebels. Etijay Tharpe had five points while Marquez Taylor and Christopher Beck had four points each and Zach Aird contributed three points for McKenzie.

Big Sandy was led by Thane Terry with eight points followed by Seth Green and Cole Pierpoint with six points each. Mikey Rushing, Garrett Cagel, and Cain Keefe had three points each while Keegan Staggs and Blake Sims chipped in two points each for the Red Devils.

McKenzie improves their record to 14-8 overall and 5-0 in district play.



Above Left, Mia Jones goes for 2 of her 25 points. Above Right, Jalen Anglin works the ball against Perry Co. Below Left, Erin Norman takes a shot over a defender. Below Right, Josh Clark takes a shot. Photos by Jim Potts/McKenzie Banner



West Carroll Sweeps Perry County

BY JIM POTTS
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West Carroll played host to Perry County in a district matchup Tuesday night, February 1. Both West Carroll teams are on track to be top seeds in the upcoming district tournaments so district wins are critical at this point in the season.

Lady Eagles 52, Lady Vikings 47

The Lady Vikings jumped out to an 8-2 lead in the first two minutes of the opening period as West Carroll was a bit chilly shooting early. In the last half of the period, the Lady Eagles got warmer cutting into the Perry County lead trailing 15-9 at the end of the first period.

The Lady Eagles made it a 16-14 game early in the second period but weren't able to get over the hump quite yet as the Lady Vikings went on to hold a 24-18 lead.

It was in the third period that West Carroll utilized a 6-2 run to take their first lead 31-30 but didn't hold it long as Perry County took the lead back and added another three-pointer to take a 35-33 lead at the end of the third period.

The Lady Eagles tied it 35-35 in the first minute of the fourth period and tied it again on a three pointer 39-39 with four minutes to play. West Carroll regained the lead 42-41 with just over three minutes to play and extended the lead to 47-43 with a little

over a minute to play. Perry County was forced to start fouling and the Lady Eagles took care of business at the free throw line and secured the win 52-47.

Mia Jones had a big night for the Lady Eagles leading the way with 25 points most of which came in the second half. Amaya Thompson added 10 points while Erin Norman had eight points. Skyler Jones had four points. Jayden Rader had three points and Kaylee Butler chipped in two points for the Lady Eagles.

Perry County was led by Cianna Wilson with 21 points while Jaylin Monroe added eight points and Kaylee Byrd had seven points. Skylen Cosrill had six points along with Briley Trull with three points and Grace Klase chipping in two points for the Lady Vikings.

War Eagles 89, Vikings 73

The War Eagles are really hitting their peak right now on a four-game win streak averaging 90 plus points per game. During that streak they scored 104 points on Frank Hughes in their homecoming game.

Perry County led the first three minutes of the first period until the War Eagles tied it and took the lead 9-7 with five minutes left in the period. Several well-placed three pointers hit their mark helping West Carroll take a double digit lead 25-13 by the end of the first period.

In the second period, West

Carroll rained three-pointers scoring 23 points during the period. The Vikings hung in there the best they could chipping away at the War Eagle lead. West Carroll held a 48-32 lead at halftime.

The War Eagles continued to be hot from beyond the arc hitting five three-pointers during the period enroute to a 71-52 score at the end of three periods. West Carroll began pulling their starters out during the fourth period giving younger players a chance to play as they won and secured the top seed in the upcoming district tournament.

Jalen Anglin had another big night with 27 points including a pair of three-pointers leading five War Eagles in double figures. Xander Moon had 14 points including four three-pointers. JD Pique came off the bench scoring 13 points including three three-pointers. Andrew Huff had 12 points including three three-pointers while JaQuan Adkins had 11 points including a pair of three-pointers. Josh Clark added eight points while Jayden Taylor and Will Robinson chipped in two points each for West Carroll.

Perry County had three in double figures led by Lechlen Mathews with 29 followed by Jeremiah Donelson with 16 points and Linden Brown with 14 points. Gunner Bradford had six points while Cody Burner added four points. Russ Richardson and Ryvyn Brown chipped in two points each for the Vikings.

Seth Hatchett Achieves Perfect Score on ACT

HUNTINGDON — Seth Hatchett, son of Richard and Ginger (Hutcherson) Hatchett of Huntingdon earned the highest possible ACT composite score of 36. Seth is home schooled.

Fewer than one-half of one person of the students, who take the ACT, earn a top score. In the U.S. high school graduation class of 2021, only 4,055 out of 1.29 million students who took the ACT earned a top composite score of 36.

The ACT consists of tests in English, mathematics, reading and science, each scored on a scale of 1 to 36. A student's composite score is the average of the four test scores. The score for ACT's optional writing test is reported separately and is not included with the ACT composite score.

The ACT is a curriculum-based achievement exam that measures what students have learned in school.



Seth Hatchett

Final Week Basketball Schedule

Tuesday, February 8
McKenzie @ Camden, 6 p.m.
Huntingdon vs Milan (Homecoming)
West Carroll vs Bruceton

(Senior Night)
Gleason vs South Fulton (Senior Night)
Thursday, February 10
McKenzie vs Houston County (Senior Night)

Huntingdon vs Carroll Academy (Senior Night)
West Carroll @ Liberty
Friday, February 11
Huntingdon @ Martin Westview

Basketball Tournaments on the Way

BY JIM POTTS
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The final week of regular season basketball is this week so that means tournament time is near. District Tournaments get underway Monday, February 14 and Region Tournaments will be starting February 25. Let's take a look at where teams are headed into tournaments.

MCKENZIE

The Rebels and Lady Rebels are in great shape to be seeded first in the District 11 tournament. The Lady Rebels are ranked #1 in Class A while the Rebels are also having a successful season. They have one more district contest on Thursday, February 10, against Houston County which is the regular season finale. Both teams will likely open up tournament action at home with the Lady Rebels and Rebels likely hosting Big Sandy on February 14 and 15. If they take care of business as they should, they will face the winner of Houston County and McEwen for the District Championships later in the week on Thursday and Friday, February 17 and 18. One tournament win will

qualify them for the Region Tournament.

HUNTINGDON

The Mustangs and Fillies have had an up and down season in their new district. Make no mistake, reclassification did not do Huntingdon any favors in basketball ending up in District 12AA with Gibson County and Martin Westview. Both of their girls teams are state ranked in AA.

Their district tournament will be at Martin Westview while the region tournament site is not known at press time. Both the Mustangs and Fillies have the chops to catch someone on a bad night in the tournaments. The Mustangs are currently seeded last and likely will face Gibson County and then face top-seeded Westview next. The Fillies are in fourth place and likely will face Milan with the winner taking on Westview.

WEST CARROLL

Both the Lady Eagles and War Eagles are having excellent seasons so far. They are currently unbeaten in district play with one district contest left against Bruceton. If they take care of business

against Bruceton, they will both be top seeds in the District 12 tournament to be held at Perry County (Linden).

The Lady Eagles will likely face the winner of Frank Hughes and Bruceton while the War Eagles likely will face the winner of Clarksburg and Bruceton.

West Carroll will be hosting the Region 6A Tournament which will feature the top four teams from District 11 (McKenzie's District) and their district.

GLEASON

Gleason's Lady Bulldogs have done well this season in District 13A and are in second place headed into the final week of the season trailing rival Greenfield. The Bulldogs have struggled winning only one district contest so far this season. They are sitting in fourth place as of press time.

District 13A's district tournament will be played at UT-Martin with the Lady Bulldogs facing Dresden and the Bulldogs likely will face South Fulton to open the tournament. Their Region Tournament will feature the top four teams from District 13A and District 14A.



Left, 2021 Rebels Award Winners — Drew Chappell, Hayden Hudson, Collin McLearn, Jackson Cassidy, Gage Moon, Brandon Hatley, Andrew Cole, Trey Cook and Marquez Taylor. Above Left, George Cassidy, president of the Touchdown Club, presented the J.A. Abernathy Awards and presented other gifts to players. Above Right, Mayor Jill Holland presented a proclamation on behalf of the Mayor and Council to honor the 2021 Rebels. Below Left, 2021 Football Cheerleaders. Below Right, Cheerleader Award Winners — Ava Warman, Belle O'Brien, Ava Jones, Brett Toombs and Alajah Gilbert.



Senior Players — Hayden Hudson, Collin McLearn, Gage Moon, Brandon Hatley, Andrew Cole and Trey Cook.



McKenzie Rebels Feted on Record-Breaking Season

McKENZIE (February 6) — McKenzie Rebels football team were feted for a record-breaking 2021 season.

The 2021 campaign concluded with the most points in a season at 637, best overall winning record with 14-1, best home record with 9-0 (tied with the 2007 team), most points in a game — 72-7 over South Fulton.

Marquez Taylor scored 252 points with 30 touchdowns, and Zach Aird had the most scored points as a kicker with 76 extra points and five field goals for 91 total points.

For the sixth time in the last 20 years, the Rebels had a TSSAA Mr. Football nominee, with Marquez Taylor earning the finalist position this year.

The MHS Cafeteria was near capacity Sunday afternoon as players, parents, cheerleaders and others gathered to celebrate the historic season.

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All-Region Awards were as follows: MVP — Jackson Cassidy; Offense MVP — Marquez Taylor; Kicker — Zach Aird; Camden Allison, David Cheney, Trey Cook, Brandon Hatley, Daniel Latimer, Rashad McCreary, Gage Moon, Etijay Tharpe; Honorable Mention-All Region — Drew Chappell, Andrew Cole, Elijah Edmonson, Hayden Hudson, Zay Webber.

All West Tennessee All-Star Game: Andrew Cole, Trey Cook, Brandon Hatley and Gage Moon.

Jackson Sun All-West Tennessee: 1st Team Offense — Marquez Taylor; Second Team Offense —

Zach Aird, Kicker; Second Team Defense — Jackson Cassidy and Rashad McCreary.

Tennessee Football Coaches Association All-State Team: Jackson Cassidy, Rashad McCreary, Marquez Taylor.

Those presented awards included:

Cheerleaders: Leadership Award — Alajah Gilbert; Awesome Attitude — Ava Jones; Best Team Player — Belle O'Brien; Most Spirit — Brett Toombs; and Best All-Around — Ava Warman.

Players received the following awards:

Most Valuable Running Back — Marquez Taylor; Most Valuable Lineman — Hayden Hudson; Most Valuable Lineman — Rashad McCreary; Most Valuable Defensive Lineman — Gage Moon; Most Improved Drew Chappell; Most Valuable Wide Receivers — Andrew Cole and Zach Aird. Most Valuable Defensive Back — Jackson Cassidy; Team Captain — Trey Cook; MVP (Mr. Rebel Award) — Jackson Cassidy.

David Long Academic Award — Mia Chesser, Collin McLearn, Andrew Cole, Hayden Hudson.

Jeff Givens Sportsmanship Award — Collin McLearn and Brandon Hatley.

Jerry Phillip Carter Most Inspired Play Award — Daniel Latimer.

Howard Nolen Team First Award — Etijay Tharpe.

Kermit Holland 3-D (Dedication, Discipline, Determination) — Trey Cook.

George Cassidy, president of the Touchdown Club presented two awards named in memory of J.A. Abernathy.

The McKenzie Banner was presented the J.A. Abernathy Award for publishing and printing the annual football sportsbook and giving a portion of proceeds back to the Touchdown Club.

Kentrell Diggs, a volunteer coach, was presented the J.A. Abernathy Award

for an individual supporter of the McKenzie Rebels.

The 2021 Rebels football team included:

9th Grade — Landon Brown, KD Cunningham, Skylor Fornea, Carson Hill, Ryan McCreary, Colt Norden, Jacob Smith, Tate Surber, Carter Swalley, Martez Teague and Craegen Travis.

10th Grade — Camden Allison, Lane Anderson, Brady Brewer, Jake Cassidy, Drew Chappell, Ace Fisher, Cameron Flippin, Dalton Hatley, Lute McCaslin and Stafford Roditis.

11th Grade — Zach Aird, Ty Anderson, Jackson Cassidy, David Cheney, Elijah Edmonson, Jose Jaime-Luna, Daniel Latimer, Rashad McCreary, Marquez Taylor, Etijay Tharpe and Zavier Webber.

12th Grade — Andrew Cole, Trey Cole, Brandon Hatley, Hayden Hudson, Collin McLearn and Gage Moon.

Each senior received a shadowbox filled with their jerseys, photos, and other memorabilia and a photo memory book. Each also signed a football that will be placed in the trophy case along with the State Championship Runner-Up Trophy.

Managers: Kristen Bradberry, Meya Chesser, Taniyah Diggs and Alyse Lowe.

Ball Boy: Ethan Bradberry.

Cheerleaders: Coach Jennifer Ognibene, 9th Graders — Reese Carroll, Reese Gallimore, Emmy McMullin, Lydia Pate, Laila Scott, Abbi Sumrok; 10th grade — Kamryn Brewer, Skylor DeLoach, Ava Jones, Parker Lyons, Macey Mayo, Belle O'Brien, Brett Toombs, Kaida Walton and Ava Warman; 11th Grade — Alajah Gilbert. No seniors.

2021 Coaches: Head Coach — Wade Comer; Assistants — Dylan Benson, Trey Cantrell, Austin Chapman, Nick Cobb, Kentrell Diggs, Alex Hayes, Randy Thomas and Chris Wall.

MHS Principal: Kelly Spivey.



Above Left, McKenzie senior football manager Meya Chesser signs a football. It will be signed by all seniors and placed in the school's trophy case. Above Right, Kentrell Diggs, a volunteer coach, was presented the J.A. Abernathy Award for an individual's contribution by the McKenzie Touchdown Club. Left, Joel Washburn accepts the J.A. Abernathy Award on behalf of The McKenzie Banner for its contributions to the McKenzie Rebels. It was presented by Head Coach Wade Comer on behalf of the Touchdown Club.

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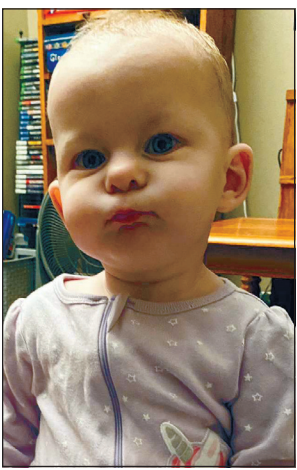
Kase
Seavers

BORN: April 15, 2021
PARENTS: Kyle and Kelsey Seavers
I'M THANKFUL FOR:
NICU doctors and nurses



Samuel Keith
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BORN: August 12, 2021
PARENTS: Tim and Brandi Everett
I'M THANKFUL FOR:
God providing us with a healthy beautiful baby boy!



Alivia Grayce
Lockhart

BORN: February 18, 2021
PARENTS: Samantha Crocker and Cody Lockhart
I'M THANKFUL FOR: My family



Kaden
Phillips

BORN: August 31, 2021
PARENTS: Haley Bostwick and Davion Phillips
I'M THANKFUL FOR: A healthy baby!



Charlie Alan
Heath

BORN: June 9, 2021
PARENTS: Courtney Paschall and Noah Heath
I'M THANKFUL FOR: This most precious and perfect gift from God.

Thankful for the Babies of 2021

Congratulations to the Babies of 2021! Pregnancy is one of the most blessed and challenging times of a parent's life. If you're a new mother, you worry about every weird symptom, the hazards around you, while nesting, looking forward to ultrasounds and wondering

how you're going to keep them safe after they are born. During a pandemic, the stakes are even higher. To all parents with new babies, our wish is that you have a blessed year and are able to keep your family healthy and happy. Thank you for sharing your little ones with us via this special edition. Sponsors, thank you for

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HEALTH BENEFITS OF FOLIC ACID Beyond Pregnancy

Women of childbearing age are urged to maintain ample amounts of folic acid in their bodies through supplementation and consumption of foods with folate. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicate that folate/folic acid is essential to preventing major birth defects of the baby's brain and spine. Folic acid is not just beneficial for pregnant women and their growing babies. There are several benefits behind this potent B vitamin.

Food folates, according to the CDC. Therefore, it is better suited for food fortification and supplement manufacture because it will not break down under heat and when exposed to light.

Where It Is Found
In natural sources, folate is found mainly in dark green, leafy vegetables. It also can be obtained by eating beans, peas and nuts. Fruits also have folate, including lemons, oranges, bananas, melons, and strawberries. A combination of natural folate and folic acid can ensure that individuals get the recommended levels of folate to avoid deficiency.

Benefits of Consuming Folic Acid, Folate
In addition to the reduction of neural tube, brain and spine defects, there are other reasons why folic acid or folate is necessary.

- **Prevents folic acid deficiency:** Many foods, like cereals and breads, are fortified with B vitamins so folic acid de-

ficiency no longer is a problem in many countries, states the Mayo Clinic. However, if folic acid deficiency is diagnosed, supplementation can help.

- **Helps the heart:** Folic acid works with both vitamins B6 and B12 to control high levels of homocysteine in the blood. Elevated homocysteine might increase the risk of diseases of the heart and blood vessels.
- **Makes new cells:** Folate aids the body in producing and maintaining new cells, including the formation of red blood cells. People who do not have enough folate may develop anemia, according to the health supplement company Pür-Medica.
- **Reduces depressive symptoms:** The Mayo Clinic says there is some evidence that folic acid might be helpful in treating depression.
- **Improves memory and thinking:** While more evidence is needed to make a definitive claim, WebMD reports that folate may help prevent a decline in memory and thinking skills. Folate is an essential B vitamin that serves many functions in the body. Maintaining healthy levels may prevent a wide variety of conditions.

Learn The Signs of COLIC

New parents know there is a learning curve when an infant comes home for the first time. Even with the best planning and research, it takes time for new parents to find their grooves caring for a newborn whose abilities to communicate are limited. Babies cry to alert their caregivers when they are hungry, tired or wet. Tears are a normal part of the parenting process - as babies

can cry for as much as two hours per day, according to WebMD. But excessive crying may be a symptom of colic.

What Is Colic?
The Mayo Clinic defines colic as frequent, prolonged and intense crying or fussiness in an otherwise healthy infant. When experiencing colic, a baby seemingly cries for no apparent

reason and no amount of consolation seems to bring any relief. Johns Hopkins Medicine indicates that colic is most common during the first six weeks of life and usually it will go away on its own by age three to four months. Twenty-five percent of newborn babies may have colic.

Identifying Colic
Crying is not necessarily indicative of colic, though certain types of crying, especially when accompanied by other symptoms, are sug-

gestive of colic.

- Crying that lasts for more than three hours a day.
- Crying that occurs more than three days a week.
- Crying that occurs for more than three weeks at a time.
- Crying that often begins suddenly, with mostly loud, nonstop sessions.
- Crying that starts in the evening, typically at the same time each day.
- Extreme fussiness even after crying has diminished.
- Facial discoloration, such as reddening of the face

and pale skin around the mouth.

- A tense body that includes stiffened legs and arms, clenched fists, an arched back, or tense abdomen.
- Excessive gas, likely resulting from swallowed air during prolonged crying.

Ruling Out Other Issues
By collecting information when the infant cries, parents can share that data with the pediatrician to determine if colic may be the culprit. Sometimes fussiness may occur for other reasons, including food allergies or sensitivities, hunger or weakness, pain from an illness or injury, acid reflux, or discomfort from being too hot or too cold. All symptoms should be checked by the pediatrician, especially if the child seems like he or she is in pain. Running a fever of 100.4 or higher also should be investigated. Even if colic is suspected, a doctor can help manage colic to help reduce parents' stress and make it easier to cope with the condition.

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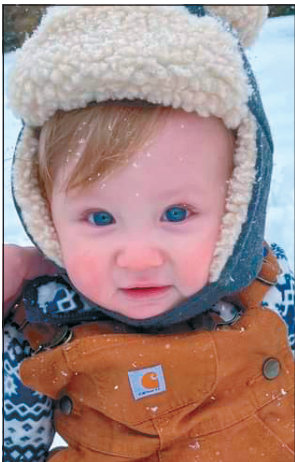
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BORN: July 2, 2021
PARENTS: Madison and Cody Coleman
I'M THANKFUL FOR: My family



Laken Marie Dinkins
BORN: October 20, 2021
PARENTS: Collin Dinkins and Kinley Millsap
I'M THANKFUL FOR: A beautiful healthy baby girl!!



Noah Needham
BORN: August 2021
PARENTS: Josh and Bridgett Needham
I'M THANKFUL FOR: My brother and sister and watching football with my Poppi.



Grayson Lee Forrest
BORN: October 15, 2021
PARENTS: Lilly Forrest and Jamey Stone
I'M THANKFUL FOR: This healthy little boy and everyone's support



Lilly Lu Ann Hunley
BORN: September 13, 2021
PARENTS: Doug and Patricia Hunley
I'M THANKFUL FOR: My family



Holder Allen Lindsey
BORN: November 9, 2021
PARENTS: Faith Coleman and Peyton Lindsey
I'M THANKFUL FOR: We are so thankful for all God has given us, especially our sweet boy!



Adequate sleep is important for children's health, states the American Academy of Pediatrics. Quality sleep is just as important as well visits and protective immunizations. Babies and young children may sleep between 10 and 18 hours per day, but by the time a child reaches school-age, he or she may be well-rested after getting between 9 and 11 hours. Sleep is vital for the body to recover and rebuild and for the brain to process new information. The Center for Pediatric Sleep Disorders at Boston Children's Hospital says that children who are not getting enough sleep may experience difficulty learning new tasks. Parents who want to foster good sleeping habits in their children can try the following strategies.

- Set a smart bedtime and nap schedule.
- Do not allow the use of electronics approximately one hour prior to bedtime.
- Create a regular bedtime routine that includes winding down and cues that rest is coming.
- Stick to the same schedule every day of the week - including week-ends.
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BORN: December 25, 2021
PARENTS: Sydney and Matt Lane
I'M THANKFUL FOR: Healthy baby boy and a life full of adventures with him.



Dallen Ray White

BORN: February 20, 2021
PARENTS: David and Hannah White
I'M THANKFUL FOR: My family, moo cows, Simba, and all the snacks.



Samuel Zuñiga

BORN: April 22, 2021
PARENTS: Ciria Perez & Jorge Zuñiga
I'M THANKFUL FOR: Our beautiful healthy baby boy.



Oakley Gibson

BORN: June 30, 2021
PARENTS: Ryan Gibson and Irelan Newsome
I'M THANKFUL FOR: Mommy and Daddy



Britt Allen

BORN: March 23, 2021
PARENTS: Michael and Lauren
I'M THANKFUL FOR: My family.



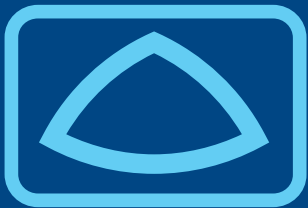
Paisley Bradberry

BORN: November 23, 2021
PARENTS: MaryAnn Arnold and Steven Bradberry
I'M THANKFUL FOR: For my baby girl that survived a major even that happened October 26, 2021. I had a broken wrist and messed up foot. I was worried I wouldn't get to hold my baby girl because my wrist on my right arm was broke, but God showed out let me hold her and she was safe. Now, I am able to do anything with that wrist and hold my baby girl. God is a way maker.



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