



McKenzie Rotarians learn about the problem of child exploitation from Henry County Lt. David Andrews. (L to R) McKenzie Police Chief Ryan White, Rotary President Ricky Price, Henry County Lt. David Andrews, and Henry County Sheriff Josh Frye.

Local Law Enforcement Warns of 'Staggering' Rise in Online Child Exploitation

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MCKENZIE (January 13) — Online child exploitation has seen a “staggering” 98% increase between 2020 and 2022, according to Lieutenant David Andrews of the Henry County Sheriff’s Office Criminal Investigation Division, who also serves as a task force officer with the FBI’s Child Exploitation Task Force. Lt. Andrews emphasized the massive scale of the global issue, noting that local West Tennessee cases are part of a nationwide surge that generated 22 million “Cyber Tips” in 2022 alone.

Andrews presented his program to members of the McKenzie Rotary Club on Wednesday, January 13.

Working a job that is 90% computer-based, Lt. Andrews highlighted that predators are leveraging rapidly evolving technology across popular platforms, including Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, and even messaging features on gaming consoles like PlayStation and Xbox. The game Roblox was specifically cited as a dangerous venue, hosting organized groups that expose children to harmful content.

Predator Tactics

Andrews detailed the chillingly efficient methods used by predators to groom children. They often create fake profiles, posing as relatable teenagers to build trust—a process that can take less than 48 hours.

“The process frequently starts with a simple selfie request, which predators immediately analyze for personal details like school logos or sports memorabilia to deepen the connection,” Andrews explained. “Within 10 days of contact, a child, having shared personal information, often sends the first explicit image.”

The primary tool of exploitation is then blackmail, with predators threatening to send the images to the victim’s friends and family unless demands for more content or money are met. Law enforcement also faces challenges as perpetrators continually move victims across multiple platforms to evade detection.

Local Cases Underscore the Danger

Lt. Andrews shared several case examples to illustrate the risks:

- A 14-year-old Henry County girl, lured by a man on Snapchat, was picked up locally and later located by US Marshals near the North Carolina-Tennessee border.
- A 15-year-old boy who sent a nude picture on Instagram was blackmailed when the predator found the boy’s father on Facebook and sent the image directly to him after the boy refused to pay.

Prevention and a Call to Action for Parents

Andrews stressed that the successful prosecution of these crimes requires a multi-agency approach, involving evidence preserva-

tion, forensic interviews at centers like the Carl Perkins Center, and strict sentencing by judges.

However, prevention starts at home. Parents are urged to take proactive measures:

- Establish “No Phone Zones”: Keep phones out of bedrooms and bathrooms, and have children charge their devices in common areas to prevent unsupervised, late-night use.
- Be Aware of Hidden Features: Parents should know about features like Snapchat’s “My Eyes Only,” a hidden, password-protected vault often used to store inappropriate content.
- Open Communication: Andrews noted that open dialogue is critical, as children who are being exploited often feel unable to tell their parents out of fear.

For victims, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) offers the “Take It Down” program, which helps scrub exploited images from the internet. Lt. Andrews and his team also offer an educational program for schools, targeting 5th grade and up, to teach children about online dangers and how to protect themselves.

Speaker’s Background and Role in Law Enforcement

- The speaker is David Andrews, a Lieutenant over the Criminal Investigation Division for the Henry County Sheriff’s Office.
- He is also a task force officer with the FBI’s Child Exploitation Task Force, operating out of the Sheriff’s Office.
- Electronic Service Providers (ESPs) like Google and Facebook use algorithms to detect Child Sex Abuse Material (CSAM), conversations with trigger words, and now transaction-based exploitation.

Scope and Rise of Online Child Exploitation

- There was a 98% increase in exploitation cases from 2020 to 2022, largely due to increased internet usage during the pandemic.
- Exploitation is a global problem, not just a big-city crime, with local cases in West Tennessee involving perpetrators as far away as Nigeria.
- In 2022, there were 22 million Cyber Tips reported nationwide, underscoring the massive scale of the issue.
- Platforms used for exploitation are widespread and include Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, YouTube, and messaging features on gaming consoles like PlayStation and Xbox.
- The game Roblox is identified as particularly dangerous, hosting satanic cult groups like “741” that expose children to harmful content.

Predator Tactics and the Exploitation Process

- Predators use rapport-building tactics, similar to law enforcement techniques, to gain a child’s trust—often within 48 hours.
- They create fake profiles

and pose as teenagers, using familiar language and shared experiences (e.g., being grounded or hating school) to seem relatable.

- The process often starts with a simple selfie request, which predators analyze for personal details (sports memorabilia, school logos) to deepen the connection.
- Within 10 days of contact, a child often sends the first nude image after feeling comfortable and sharing personal information such as parents’ names and school.
- Blackmail is the primary exploitation tool; predators threaten to send explicit images to the victim’s friends and family if demands for more content or money aren’t met.
- Predators move victims across platforms (e.g., from Instagram to Omegle) to evade law enforcement and cover their tracks.

Case Examples of Child Exploitation

- An 8-year-old girl downloaded Snapchat on a Wi-Fi-only phone and was coerced into sending increasingly explicit photos. Her 13-year-old sister intervened and told their mother.
- A 14-year-old girl in Henry County, unhappy at home, was lured by a man on Snapchat who drove to pick her up. She was found by US Marshals on the North Carolina-Tennessee border.
- A 15-year-old boy sent a nude picture to someone he thought was a girl on Instagram. The predator then found the boy’s father on Facebook and sent him the image when the boy refused to pay money.
- A 22-year-old man created a fake female Snapchat account to trick teenage boys into sending nude images, resulting in a 25-year federal prison sentence.

Prevention, Intervention, and Law Enforcement Response

- Parents are advised to set “no phone zones” such as bedrooms and bathrooms and have kids charge phones in common areas to prevent late-night, unsupervised use.
- Parents should be aware of Snapchat’s “My Eyes Only” feature—a hidden vault that often contains inappropriate content and requires a password to access.
- Open communication is critical, as children often feel unable to tell their parents about being exploited.
- The speaker and his team offer an educational program for schools (5th grade and up) to teach children about online dangers and how to protect themselves.
- Successful prosecution requires a multi-agency approach: patrol officers preserving evidence, forensic interviews at the Carl Perkins Center, district attorneys, and judges who impose strict sentences.
- The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children offers the “Take It Down” program to help scrub exploited images from the internet.

South Carroll Goes Statewide Virtual Learning Programs Triple District Enrollment

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The South Carroll County Special School District (SCCSD) has expanded statewide. While the brick and mortar Clarksburg School still stands on 145 Clarksburg Road, the district’s student base now spans throughout the state of Tennessee through two virtual school programs introduced in July 2025.

The Clarksburg Virtual Academy, which is open to students in grades six through 12, and the Clarksburg Virtual Adult High School, which is open to students aged 17 and older, offer fully asynchronous classes to students whose personal situations are incompatible with in-person schooling.

Both programs are only open to Tennessee residents and are 100 percent tuition-free. Upon admission, students will receive a laptop provided by the school.

SCCSD Director of Schools Dr. Lisa Norris said the idea of a virtual academy had been in the works for a few years. She and the SCCSD school board pushed the initiative in 2025 to combat changes in school funding.

With Tennessee Investment in Student Achievement (TISA) funding, Tennessee schools are funded per each enrolled student.

“Last year, we cut eight positions in order to be able to balance our budget,” said Norris. “And then we brought these [virtual academies] on in order to be able to help bring in more students.”

As of January 15, the SCCSD had 928 enrolled students. Of those students, only 297 attended the physical Clarksburg School. The Clarksburg Virtual Academy had 293 students, and the Clarksburg Virtual Adult High School had 338 students.

Of Clarksburg’s virtual students, only 25 live in Carroll County. Large pockets of students come from Kingsport, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Cleveland, Nash-



ville, Memphis, Brownsville and Jackson.

“It’s really been interesting to watch,” said Norris. “I kind of thought when we started, we would just receive students who didn’t want to go to school. And that’s not true at all.”

One of the first referrals she received was a student who wanted to stay by his father’s side after his father had a transplant surgery. One student gets up at 2:30 a.m. every day and does her school work until 8:30 a.m. before taking her mother to receive chemotherapy treatments. There is a sixth grade student currently enrolled who is homebound for six weeks after having brain surgery. Another student is on track to attend an Ivy League school but is in an outpatient setting for the semester.

“It amazes me sometimes when I get to talk to the parents about what the issue is,” said Norris. “It’s exciting to know that you are part of helping a family make the best of whatever situation they’re dealing with at the time.”

Some students also enroll in order to accelerate and get out of school quicker, since Clarksburg Virtual Academy offers an early graduation track.

Upon starting the program, students are put into an introductory class to get used to the asynchronous learning style. They are assigned a case manager who keeps up with their attendance and performance.

With asynchronous classes, students are essentially their own supervisors. Each course has a state-certified instructor who organizes the course, but students must have the drive to log onto virtual school and complete their daily tasks.

Huntingdon Town Council to Meet January 27

The Huntingdon Town Council meets Tuesday, January 27 at Huntingdon City Hall at 5:15 p.m.

The council will discuss/vote on the following new business items:

1. Public Hearing relating to the proposed text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create provisions governing Specialty Smoke and Vape Shops.
2. Ordinance No. 652, an ordinance amending the Official Zoning Ordinance of Huntingdon, Tennessee, to create provisions gov-

erning Specialty Smoke and Vape Shops, second and final reading.

3. Ordinance No. 653, an ordinance to amend Chapter 2, Personnel Regulations; Title 4 Municipal Personnel and Chapter 18, Water & Sewers, Chapter 1, Water of the Huntingdon Municipal Code, as it pertains to Department of Finance and Administration Office hours, second and final reading.
4. Ordinance No. 654, an ordinance amending the Official Zoning Map of

Clarksburg Virtual Academy requires six hours of active learning per school day, at any time of the day.

While virtual classes have similar coursework to in-person classes, Norris said virtual programs focus more intently on individualized experiences.

“Our curriculum has a diagnostic component in it,” said Norris. “If you work on a skill and you don’t understand it, it’ll go back to the skill below it and build you up and come back. It makes sure that there’s a breadth of knowledge when you’re learning. You master the skill before you go on. A lot of times we don’t do that in a regular classroom because we’re teaching to the masses.”

Clarksburg Virtual Adult High School operates in the same fashion. Adults may apply to attend the asynchronous program to obtain their high school diploma. The virtual program meets them where they are, creating an individual plan of study for each student based on their high school transcript.

Clarksburg Virtual Adult High School and Clarksburg Virtual Academy had their first graduation ceremony in December 2025, honoring 10 graduates.

“I really didn’t realize the impact that we had [on students] until I saw those graduates in front of me,” said Norris. “One young graduate sat there and she cried the entire graduation. She came up to me afterwards and shook my hand. She had her four-month-old child with her. She said, ‘Thank you so much for this opportunity.’”

Every adult who graduated in December had a post-graduation plan. Some were going to attend college or TCAT to further their education. Some received a boost in their employment because they earned their degree.

Clarksburg Virtual Adult High School is on track to become the largest adult high school in Tennessee, according to Norris.

Lorrie Morgan Delights Audience at The Dixie

HUNTINGDON (January 23) — A sold-out audience enjoyed the concert by Lorrie Morgan on Friday, January 23 - just one day ahead of the major winter storm that hit early Saturday.

Lorrie Morgan is one of country music’s most eloquent and enduring voices—a Nashville native who made her Grand Ole Opry debut at age 13 and went on to become the first woman in country music to begin her career with three consecutive Platinum albums. Known for timeless hits like “What Part of No,”

“Five Minutes,” “Something in Red,” and “Except for Monday,” Morgan’s lustrous vocals and emotional storytelling have defined her as one of the genre’s great interpreters. A CMA and TNN/Music City News Female Vocalist of the Year multiple times over, she has recorded with legends from Keith Whitley and Dolly Parton to Frank Sinatra and The Beach Boys. With her signature mix of heartache, humor, and undeniable grace, Lorrie Morgan continues to captivate audiences worldwide.



Lorrie Morgan on the stage at the Dixie Carter Performing Arts Center, Hal Holbrook Theater on Friday, January 23. Photo by Joel Washburn/The Dixie PAC

Bethel/Eastside FCE January Meeting

The January 8 meeting was called to order by our president, Gail Eubanks.

She began the meeting by reading the Club Pledge. The devotion was given by Lisa Williams, the hostess of the month, using Blessings based on Psm. 5:12. Roll call was answered with, “What is one kitchen tip you would give someone?”

The minutes were read from the November meeting, approved as written.

The treasury report was given. We are still in the black.

Old business: Cakes for the nursing home will be donated by Judy Roberts and Penney Mays will do February.

New business: Reading lists, and CVUs are due in

February. Our president downloaded several recipes for meals in a bag if we care to use one. We will get our new year books at our February meeting.

Dates to remember: Thursday, January 15 is Leadership in Action. The County Council meeting is January 12. January 30 is a cluster meeting in Henry County. February

12 is our FCE meeting. April 6 is the County Council. May 1 Carroll County FCE hosts the cluster meeting.

We reviewed the service projects we have done this year. Here is the list: Boo boo bunnies for the nursing home; cakes for the nursing home; extension food drive; Read Across America, donate for cancer through the Baptist hospital; collect tabs for Ronald McDonald house;

medicine bottles for the vet clinic and we added a new one, teddy bears for the fire department.

There will be a workshop for Boo boo bunnies in March.

The educational program was given by Gail Eubanks. Since we are going to do the meal in a bag as a service project she researched the different stores in Huntingdon. Gail used the recipe

for Shepherds Pie and gathered all the ingredients from Walmart. Price was \$7.62, Dollar Tree \$9.71, Cash Savers \$8.19, Dollar General \$10.03.

She included one instant potato, one pkg. brown gravy, can of peas, carrots and one can of roast beef with the recipe.

The next meeting hostess is Lisa Williams.

Fern

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feeding crews,” said Drewry. “To our customers, we greatly appreciate your patience as icy conditions greatly complicate power restoration efforts. Assessments and repairs are slowed by travel conditions. Switches are often found frozen, making them difficult to open or close. Extra time is required to clear the ice so these don’t break.”

“It takes solid teamwork to move safely, quickly, and efficiently in widespread outage events. Special thanks to all personnel for working through long hours, extreme conditions, and other challenges to serve our customers during Winter Storm Fern,” concluded Drewry.

Tennessee experienced more than 300,000 customers without electrical power and was suggested as the hardest hit state during Winter Storm Fern.

In the area, Birdsong boat marina near Camden began to sink because of the heavy snow and ice on its roof. Also, the boat dock at Lake Halford was also impacted as the snow/ice combination weighed down its roof.

According to TEMA, while snow accumulation was light in West Tennessee, the ice storm that followed caused the most damage and disrupted travel.

Below-normal temperatures combined with freezing rain and sleet resulted in significant ice accumulation across much of the state. This weather system remains ongoing, and conditions are expected to worsen overnight as temperatures drop into the single digits. Continued ice accumulation and cold temperatures will further impact power restoration efforts, transportation, and communications infrastructure.

Widespread power outages persist across Tennessee. TVA reports that the bulk power system remains stable; however, icing has caused extensive damage to local distribution systems. Local power companies and linemen are working around the clock under hazardous



Above, On Saturday at approximately 5:20 p.m., a small pickup truck slid off the road on S. Stonewall Street in McKenzie and overturned between the road and the railroad tracks. No injuries were reported. Below, Frozen logs at Shomaker Lumber. Photos by Joel Washburn/The Banner



conditions to safely restore service as quickly as possible.

Road conditions across the state are expected to continue deteriorating overnight due to ongoing ice and extremely cold temperatures. Travel remains hazardous, and the public is strongly urged to avoid driving unless absolutely necessary. Reducing traffic allows emergency responders, utility crews, and TDOT personnel to operate more safely and effectively.

Communications infrastructure has been impacted in some areas, including reduced cellular service due to power loss and ice damage. Even if cellular connectivity is limited or unavailable, residents are still able to call 911. The public is urged to call 911 only for life-threatening emergencies. For non-emergency situations, residents should contact their local public safety non-emergency number or their local emergency management agency.

According to the National Weather Service, the forecast shows continued frigid weather for the remainder of the week.

Tuesday

Sunny, with a high near 30. Wind chill values as low as -7. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

Tuesday Night

Mostly cloudy, with a low around 5. Calm wind.

Wednesday

Sunny, with a high near 30. Calm wind becoming west around 5 mph.

Wednesday Night

Partly cloudy, with a low around 12. Calm wind.

Thursday

Partly sunny, with a high near 31. Calm wind becoming north northeast around 5 mph.

Thursday Night

Mostly cloudy, with a low around 10. North northeast wind around 5 mph.

Friday

Partly sunny and cold, with a high near 20.

Friday Night

Partly cloudy, with a low around 2.

Saturday

Mostly sunny and cold, with a high near 20.

Saturday Night

Partly cloudy, with a low around 4.

Sunday

Mostly sunny, with a high near 28.

The Tennessee Emergent Management Agency (TEMA) confirmed three weather-related deaths in a news release on Monday.

- One fatality in Crockett
- One fatality in Haywood
- One fatality in Obion

Kee

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from his previous contract with the district.

The board adopted the 2027-28 district calendar two years in advance. The approved calendar, already adopted by Carroll County, decides students will start back to school August 3, 2027. Students will have the usual holiday breaks — three days out of school for Thanksgiving and two weeks out of school for winter break. Students will return from break January 4, 2028. Spring break will be the last week of March, and classes will end May 18, 2026, for students.

The board also “officially” approved the naming of two HSSD properties after privately approving the dedications with Kee.

In December, Kee announced that the playing surface at Paul Ward Stadium would be named in Coach Eric Swenson’s honor after the head football coach became the all-time wins leader at Huntingdon High School and led the Huntingdon

Mustangs to a state championship victory.

In January, former coaches Bill Ezell and David Hale became the namesakes for Huntingdon Middle School’s gymnasium. Over the course of 37 years, Ezell coached high school baseball, softball, girls’ basketball and football and middle school football and boys’ basketball. Hale coached basketball for 43 years, including 37 years in Carroll County.

Student representatives Madison Dill and Page Costello updated the board on high school news. The high school just recently wrapped up homecoming week, and both representatives agreed students were most receptive to the school’s pajama day and “Blue and Gold” day festivities. The Future Farmers of America convention is coming up, and the club has many activities scheduled for February. HOSA – Future Health Professionals students are also attending a state convention in the coming months. The Youth Leadership Carroll County group attended a meeting that morning.

Applications are open for next year’s student repre-

sentatives. The chosen students — a rising junior and a rising senior — will also attend Tennessee’s Student Congress on Policies in Education (SCOPE) conference in March at Belmont University. Applications are due in February.

School board members received gift cards from Huntingdon schools in honor of School Board Appreciation Week, which falls January 26-30, 2026.

Kee reported that Granges will foot the bill to give 60 state championship rings to the Huntingdon Mustangs. There will be a ring ceremony in the near future.

Brick is going up on the baseball press box, and construction should be finished before the baseball season starts.

Kee recognized HSSD’s grounds crew for keeping schools’ campuses clean despite fallen leaves and recent cold weather. He also thanked the district’s food service staff for their work this year for maintaining either a 100 or 99 score in all of their health inspections this year.

Lifeline

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The Paris donor center has eight donor chairs and provides a convenient location for donors to give blood and platelets that directly support local hospitals and patients in need.

“Opening this new center allows us to better serve Paris and the surrounding counties by ensuring a strong local blood supply,” said Melinda Reid, marketing manager.

“This center represents more than a new building.

It represents hope, generosity and a commitment to saving lives right here. Every donation made here will help local patients in their time of greatest need,” said John B. Miller, CEO of Lifeline Blood Services.

There is currently a critical need for all blood types, and volunteers are encouraged to consider donating platelets as well.

Operating hours for the Paris donor center are:

Sunday through Tuesday: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Wednesday and Saturday: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Thursday and Friday:

Closed

No appointment is necessary for whole blood donations. Platelet donation appointments may be scheduled by calling 731-427-4431, ext. 271.

Lifeline Blood Services has donation centers in Jackson, Dyersburg and, now, Paris. It has served the West Tennessee region for over 75 years, supplying 16 hospitals with whole blood, platelets and plasma. Lifeline encourages all eligible individuals to donate blood or platelets and be a part of this life-saving mission.

ELECTIONS 2026

Updated List of Candidates

CARROLL COUNTY (January 20) — Political races for county offices, school board seats and some municipal seats are officially underway, with 56 individuals holding petitions for local offices on the May and August 2026 ballots.

The primary election for county offices and board of education seats — for each political party — is Tuesday, May 5, 2026.

All candidates, party affiliated or independent, must file their petitions by noon on February 19, 2026, to be considered for the May 5 primary and August general election.

Following the primary election is the Thursday, August 6, general election — which includes the county office race, board of education race and Clarksburg municipal race for mayor and two alderman seats. Also August 6 is the primary election for state governor, state representative, U.S. Senate and U.S. Congress seats.

Candidates must qualify by March 10 at noon to be put on the August 6 election ballot.

Carroll County Administrator of Elections Peg Hamlett provided the following list of petitioners and qualified candidates on January 20 at 3:15 p.m.

Four candidates have picked up petitions since The Banner’s last update on January 15.

Currently, 21 individuals seek Republican (R) nominations, one individual seeks office as a Democratic (D) candidate and 40 individuals seek office as independent (I) candidates. Eighteen have filed their petitions, officially qualifying for candidacy.

Circuit Court Clerk (four-year term): Incumbent Sarah Bradberry (R) is the sole petition-holder.

County Mayor (four-year term): Incumbent Joseph G. Butler (R) is the sole petition-holder and has filed as a qualified candidate.

Property Assessor (four-year term): Incumbent Rita Jones is not seeking re-election. John Austin (R) is the sole petition-holder and has filed, solidifying his candidacy.

County Clerk (four-year term): Incumbent Darlene Kirk (I) is the sole petition-holder and has filed, solidifying her candidacy.

Trustee (four-year term): Incumbent Paula Bolen (I) is the sole petition-holder and has filed, solidifying her candidacy.

Register of Deeds (four-year term): Incumbent Natalie McCullough Porter (D) and Chad Barnhart (R) have each picked up and filed petitions for this office.

County Sheriff (four-year term): Incumbent Sheriff Andy Dickson is not seeking re-election. Joel Pate (R), Tim Pratt (R), Eric Sawyers (R), Michael A. Smith (I) and Ryan White (I) have each picked up petitions for this office. Pratt, Sawyers and White have filed their petitions, qualifying for the county sheriff race.

Road Supervisor (four-year term): The county has reduced the number of road supervisors from two to one effective September 1, 2026. Incumbent Ronnie Wade (I) and newcomers Otis Nesbitt (I) and William Jason Longmire (I) have picked petitions for the position. Wade and Longmire have completed and filed their petitions, qualifying for candidacy.

Currently, there are no petition-holders for the Republican State Executive Committee Man and Woman seats, held by Ryan El-

legood and Tess Robbins, respectively.

The following county commission seats have four-year terms:

There are three District 1 (Atwood, Cedar Grove, Lavinia) seats on the ballot. Incumbents Darrell Ridgely (R), Jimmy Halford (I) and Randy Long (I) have each picked up petitions.

There are two District 2 (McLemoresville, Trezevant) seats on the ballot, held by Daniel Willman and Lana Y. Suite. Incumbents Daniel Lee Willman (R) and Lana Y. Suite (I) have picked up petitions.

There are two District 3 (Bruceton, Buena Vista, Sp. Grove, Vale) seats on the ballot — one vacant and one held by Joey Simmons. Newcomers Will McMackin (I), Amon Miller (I), Dwayne Tordsen (I) and Brandy Boyd (R) have each picked up petitions for these seats.

There are two District 4 (Cannon, Hollow Rock, Macedonia) seats on the ballot. Incumbents Morris Rogers (R) and Daniel J. Thomas (R) have each picked up petitions.

There are three District 5 (Civic Center) seats on the ballot, held by Joey Darnall, Cyril Ostiguy and Barry Mac Murphy. Incumbents Cyril Ostiguy (R) and Barry Mac Murphy (I) and newcomers Paul D. Huguely (I), Rakaya Humphreys (I), Anna Wheat (I), Curt Taylor (I) and Jimmy Crossett (R) have each picked up petitions for these seats. Murphy and Ostiguy have filed.

There are two District 6 (Clarksburg, Concord, New Liberty, Westport) seats on the ballot. Incumbents Jimmy D. McClure (I) and Philip E. Moore (I) and newcomers Kurt Hunley (I) and Madison Boyd Endres (R) are all petition-holders. Endres is the sole petition-holder to file.

There are three District 7 (Huntingdon Police Station) seats on the ballot. Incumbents Walter Smothers (I) and Lori Dillahunt (R) and newcomer Lynn Grice (I) are petition-holders.

There are two District 8 (McKenzie Senior Citizens Center) seats on the ballot. Incumbents Jay Phipps (R) and Willie Huffman (I) each hold petitions. Huffman has filed his petition.

There are three District 9 (McKenzie Church of Christ, City Hall) seats on the ballot, held by Jason R. Martin, Spiridon L. Roditis and John Austin. Incumbents Jason R. Martin (I) and Spiridon L. Roditis (I) and newcomer Rick Price (I) each hold petitions. Martin and Price have filed their petitions, qualifying for the election.

There are three seats (four-year terms) available on the Carroll County School Board:

Currently, there are no petition-holders for the District 1 (Lavinia, Cedar Grove, Atwood, McLemoresville, Trezevant, McKenzie Senior Citizens Center) seat, held by Mike Foster.

Incumbent Deborah Broadbent (I) is the sole petition-holder for the District 2 (Bruceton, Recycling Center, Hollow Rock, McKenzie Church of Christ, McKenzie City Hall) seat.

Incumbent Charlotte Tucker (I) is the sole qualifying candidate for the District 3 (Civic Center, Clarksburg, Concord/Westport, Huntingdon Police Station) seat, having filed a completed petition.

There are four seats available on the Hollow Rock-Bruceton Special School District school

board:

Currently, there are no petition-holders for the District 16 Hollow Rock city seat (2-year unexpired), held by Jonathan Tedford.

Incumbent Brandy Boyd (R) is the sole petition-holder for the District 16 Bruceton city seat (four-year term).

Incumbent April Hampton (I) and Eric Daniel Gonzalez (R) have picked up petitions for the District 16 at-large seat (four-year term).

Incumbent Michael Graves (I) is the sole petition-holder for the District 15 Buena Vista seat (four-year term).

There are two at-large seats available on the Huntingdon Special School District School Board (six-year term):

Incumbents Morgan Butler (I) and Shawna Smith (I) each hold petitions for the two at-large seats.

There are four at-large seats available on the McKenzie Special School District School Board (four-year term):

Incumbent Spiridon L. Roditis (I) and newcomer Brian Winston (I) each hold petitions. Other incumbents Bobby Young, LaShonda Williams and George Cassidy have not picked up petitions. Candidates must live in Carroll County.

There are two at-large seats on the ballot for the South Carroll Special School District School Board (four-year term):

Newcomer Sam Melton (I) is the sole petition holder for one of the at-large seats. Incumbents are Christy Blount and Tom R. Miller.

There are three seats on the ballot to join the West Carroll Special School District School Board (four-year term):

Newcomers Patrick E. Lindsey (R) and Linda Black (I) hold petitions for the Old County seat, held by Betty Wallace.

Currently, there are no petition-holders for the Old Atwood seat, held by Keith Murray.

Incumbent Kelly M. Weaver (I) and newcomer Paul Mueller (I) hold petitions for the Old Trezevant seat.

The City of Clarksburg will hold an election for mayor and two alderman positions on August 6:

Currently, there are no petition-holders for Clarksburg mayor. Howell Todd is the current mayor.

Incumbent Barbara A. McClure has picked up a petition for one of two alderman positions. She is the sole petition holder. Judy Grant Smith currently holds the other alderman seat but has not yet picked up a petition for the seat.

Other offices on the August 6 primary midterm election ballot are David Kustoff’s U.S. Congressional District 8 seat, Bill Haggerty’s U.S. Senate seat, Bill Lee’s Tennessee Governor seat, Tandy Darby’s Tennessee House of Representatives District 76 seat and Brock Martin’s Tennessee House of Representatives District 79 seat.

Brock Martin (R) has picked up a petition to maintain his House of Representatives District 79 seat.

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Tax

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approval MHS FFA to State FFA Convention, Gatlinburg, March 21-25, 2026; consider for approval, on First Read-

ing, amendment(s) to the McKenzie Special School District Board of Education Policy Manual (6.4081 — Safe Relocation of Students); consider for approval McKenzie SSD budget amendment(s)

The meeting takes place at 5:30 p.m. in the Middle School Library.

THE WIT AND WISDOM OF DAVID JOHNSON

Keys to Achieving Peace in Relationships

Acrimonious. Rancorous. Embittered. Angry. Acrid.

If you pay even the least amount of attention to the news, it's easy to deduce that most of the trouble in this world is related to poor relationships between people. Pick any of the adjectives above and you'll be able to apply them to politics, work settings, marriages, and families.

What's needed is a heavy dose of peace in relationships. But how do you accomplish that?

Let me make four suggestions.

Humility

Humility is a difficult trait to develop. The old saying is, once you think you've got it, you've lost it.

Too often people equate humility with weakness or with being taken advantage of by people. They're afraid if they kneel, they'll get stepped on.

In truth, humility is a very powerful position. It's the choice to give up what I want, big or small, for the sake of someone else. It's choosing to allow someone else's wishes to take precedent over mine.

The Ability to Compromise

Ludwig Erhard said, "A compromise is the art of dividing a cake in such a way that everyone believes he has the biggest piece."

This is about finding a win-win solution, not a win-lose solution. People get locked into battles and draw lines, intending to make

someone accept their position. No one wins in that scenario — even if they've won.

The only way to have productive compromise is if both parties have a spirit of humility.

Gentleness

"A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger."

Gentleness is all about how you approach someone. It's the opposite of harshness.

Tone of voice, facial expression, and body language are how you demonstrate gentleness.

While working as part of an equine-assisted psychotherapy team, I learned that horses reflect the type of energy one approaches them with. If a horse seems anxious, it's because the rider's anxious. The same is true if a horse is calm.

I've found that people are much the same way.

Being Calm in the Midst of a Storm

The author of the following illustration is unknown to me, but it depicts well the importance of remaining calm in spite of a storm.

There once was a King who offered a prize to the artist who painted the best picture of peace. Many artists tried.

The King looked at all the pictures, but there were only two he really liked. So, he had to choose between them.

One picture was of a calm lake. The lake was a perfect

mirror for the peaceful towering mountains all around it. Overhead was a blue sky with fluffy white clouds. All who saw this picture thought that it was a perfect picture of peace.

The other picture had mountains too. But these were rugged and bare. Above was an angry sky from which rain fell, and in which lightning played. Down the side of the mountain tumbled a foaming waterfall. This did not look peaceful at all. But when the King looked, he saw behind the waterfall a tiny bush growing in a crack in the rock. In the bush a mother bird had built her nest. There, in the midst of the rush of angry water, sat the mother bird on her nest.

Which picture do you think won the prize?

The King chose the second picture.

Why?

"Because," explained the King, "peace does not mean to be in a place where there is no noise, trouble, or hard work. Peace means to be in the midst of all those things and still be calm in your heart. That is the real meaning of peace."

I promise you, if you work harder on being gentle and humble with others, staying calm when in discussions with them, and being willing to compromise, your life with dramatically change because peace thrives in that kind of environment.

**Taken from The Wit and Wisdom of David Johnson, Volume III: A Harrowing Halloween Tale*

They also readied debris clearing equipment and vehicles should support be needed. Black Hawk helicopters with rescue hoist capabilities are also standing by.

So far, Guardsmen have assisted numerous stranded motorists and transported more than 40 medical and essential personnel to area hospitals.

"We will assist our fellow Tennesseans through these challenging times for as long as we're needed," said Ross.

"We're all Tennesseans, and we're a part of this community. Our Soldiers and Airmen constantly practice responding to situations like this. It's our honor to serve our fellow neighbors."

The Tennessee National Guard responds to emergencies at the request of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency.

National Guard Supports Winter Storm Response

NASHVILLE (January 26) — Soldiers and Airmen with the Tennessee National Guard are supporting state, county, and local emergency responders as they assist Tennesseans affected by the inclement winter weather, which includes snow, ice, and freezing rain, that began on January 23.

At the request of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, Guardsmen have been activated to support statewide emergency response and recovery. They are assisting stranded motorists, performing health and welfare checks, transporting medical personnel, and other tasks as needed. This is in addition to Guardsmen already supporting emergency re-

sponse in Memphis.

"Our Soldiers and Airmen are always ready to assist our fellow citizens," said Maj. Gen. Warner Ross, Tennessee's Adjutant General. "They have been supporting state and local emergency responders since before the storm began. We started preparing earlier this week and are ready to help in any way necessary."

Beginning January 21, Tennessee Guardsmen readied equipment, vehicles, and armories for possible use. They prepared humvees and other all-purpose vehicles capable of traveling in deep snow and pre-positioned them in locations expected to have the most need and limited access to this equipment.

Schools Close for Snow

TENNESSEE (January 26) — Carroll, Henry and Weakley County students were gifted a few snow days following the weekend's unrelenting winter storm that began with heavy snow and ended with bouts of sleet and frozen rain.

Carroll County schools, including Carroll Academy, are closed through Wednesday (January 28) — the longest school closing announced in the tri-county area so far.

The Henry County school system is closed Monday and Tuesday (January 26 and 27), as announced January 24 on Facebook.

Weakley County schools are closed Monday and Tuesday (January 26 and 27), as announced on January 23. County school rep-

resentatives will re-evaluate weather conditions Tuesday afternoon to decide if additional closures are needed. Families will be notified over call or text, and updates will be posted on weakleyschools.com and on Weakley County Schools' social media channels.

The Tennessee College of Applied Technology Henry/Carroll is closed for in-person classes through Wednesday. Students and faculty are on a remote hybrid platform for those days. A decision about Thursday's classes will be announced Wednesday afternoon. For future updates, check the school's Facebook page or website.

Bethel University also canceled classes in response to the winter storm. There

were no classes Monday, January 26, for the College of Arts & Sciences, and all administrative offices were also closed. Students in the College of Health Sciences received guidance directly from the physician assistant and nursing faculty. College of Professional Studies online courses continued as scheduled. The university's most recent update was Thursday, January 22.

While snow and ice have exited the forecast, temperatures are expected to remain below freezing for several days, likely prolonging impacts from the winter storm.

Keep an eye out for additional school postings in the coming days.

HUNKER DOWN WITH KES

The Way Things Shouldn't Happen

I was teaching a class last week at Gulf Coast State College on "Presidents and Rabbits." It wasn't going well. Most everyone in the class knew far more than I did about George Washington and John Adams. Thomas Jefferson was next in line, and I was trying to think of something noteworthy about him.

As soon as his name came up, class members jumped on his authorship of the Declaration of Independence, his famed knowledge on a vast variety of subjects, his foresight in doubling the size of the US with the Louisiana Purchase....

I'm listening, learning, and wondering who is teaching whom in this class when it grew silent as it became my turn to say something discerning about Mr. Jefferson. I cleared my throat. A couple of times. And proclaimed that Thomas Jefferson, noted third president of the United States, and "Founding Father" extraordinaire, had wed the lady that I had always wanted to marry!

Her name was Martha Wayles Skelton.

And her late, dearly departed, husband had left her with not one, but two, sprawling plantations. Which Thomas graciously accepted as part of her dowry. I know what you are thinking, it can't get any better than that. But wait, it can! A year after the marriage, Martha's somewhat well-off father died and left her two more plantations.

This is the kind of stuff people dream about. Of course, life often doesn't work out like the Cinderella story. Some of the plantations came with a fair amount of debt.... And for all his outstanding achievements, Jefferson was not noted for his business acumen.

He died as an admired and much revered icon of early America. But not, sadly, a

rich one.

Once upon a time I was rolling all of this over in my seventeen-year-old mind. The only mistake I could see here was not checking the debt ratio. Armed with this safety net, I went looking for a modern-day Martha Jefferson.

Her name was Mary Hadley Hayden.

I met her at a baseball game in Paris, Tennessee. Her expensive scarab bracelet and Lincoln Continental caught my attention as a mutual friend introduced us. She was dating our second basemen. It was no big deal and I didn't want to interfere with anyone's relationship. I was moving on in life....

Until one of our pitchers casually mentioned that Mary Hadley's father owned the bank in town. A couple of games later I caught said pitcher alone in the far corner of the dugout, "Is the bank Mr. Hayden's only enterprise?"

"Oh, heck no. He owns a sawmill up near Puryear. And I believe he has a half interest in the hardware store. And he owns 5,500 acres of good bottom land down by the Tennessee River. You ought to see the house he lives in out by the Country Club."

"Do you think he's in debt with any of this stuff?" See, I'm out thinking the brilliant Thomas Jefferson here.

"Oh, heck no. It's family money from generations back."

People, I went all in!

I really liked our second baseman, but all's fair in love and land grabbing. I sent her a birthday card. I called her late at night when no one was looking. I gave her my very best Frankie Avalon smile. I asked her to hold my billfold (in which I planted a five-dollar bill so she'd think I was well off also) during the baseball games.

I got Bobby Winchester

and Bill Kemp, two of our better players to put in a good word for me. I learned to play golf so I could hang out at the Country Club. I took to living part time at the A & W Root Beer stand in hopes she'd stop by for a frosty mug.

I practiced saying "Mary Hadly" with a slight John Wayne tone in my voice. I read that book by Dale Carnegie about "How to Win Friends and Influence People." I offered to do her homework. I left no stone unturned....

Leon tired pretty quickly of this decidedly one-sided amorous affair. "Good Lord, you buy her mother flowers! You pine around all day thinking about her. Yet, you've never taken her on a date. You've never even brought her by the house. What does this girl look like?"

"IT DOESN'T MATTER!"

Mary Hadley didn't ever seem to catch any of my sterling qualities. Or my non-sterling ones for that matter. She married a real estate mogul from Lexington and they settled down comfortably in their 14-room mansion overlooking the Tennessee River in the southern section of what ought to be my 5,500 acres.

I met Cathy Cotham a couple of years later at the swimming pool in Trenton. She was young, polite, and she talked to me!

AND her granddaddy lived in that big house up on the hill. It didn't take a Sherlock Holmes' investigation to find out he was loaded. And that Cathy was his favorite granddaughter.

I bought some flowers the second day I worked at the pool, and walked Cathy home that afternoon....

Respectfully,
Kes
kesley45@aol.com

U.S. Recommends Fewer Child Vaccines

On January 5, 2026, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released a new child and adolescent immunization schedule, reducing the number of recommended vaccines from 15 to 11 and the number of diseases targeted from 18 to 11.

The removed vaccines previously recommended for children were for rotavirus, influenza, meningococcal disease and hepatitis A. Now, though they are still covered by the Affordable Care Act and federal insurance programs, the four vaccines are completely optional.

The revision relied on scientific review and a comparison of the United States' immunization requirements with requirements in peer, developed nations, as directed by President Donald Trump.

"President Trump directed us to examine how other developed nations protect their children and to take action if they are doing better," Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. said. "After an exhaustive review of the evidence, we are aligning the U.S. childhood vaccine schedule with international consensus while strengthening transparency and informed consent. This decision protects children, respects families and rebuilds trust in public health."

After consulting with health ministries of peer nations, considering the assessment's findings and reviewing the decision memo

presented by National Institutes of Health Director Dr. Jay Bhattacharya, Food and Drug Commissioner Dr. Marty Makary and CMS Administrator Dr. Mehmet Oz, Acting Director Jim O'Neill formally accepted the recommendations and directed the CDC to move forward with implementation.

"After reviewing the evidence, I signed a decision memorandum accepting the assessment's recommendations," O'Neill said. "The data support a more focused schedule that protects children from the most serious infectious diseases while improving clarity, adherence and public confidence."

The United States categorizes childhood vaccines into three categories: immunizations recommended for all children, immunizations recommended for certain high-risk groups or populations, and immunizations based on shared clinical decision-making.

The HHS moved the vaccines for rotavirus, influenza, meningococcal disease and hepatitis A from the first category to the third category. Now, these vaccines may be distributed depending on independent decision-making between a parent and health care provider. They are not outright recommendations.

Previously, the rotavirus vaccine, which protects against contagious gastrointestinal infections that cause diarrhea among infants and young children, was recom-

mended for children beginning at 2 months old for either a two-dose or three-dose series.

Influenza vaccines were generally recommended for children beginning at six months.

The vaccine for meningococcal disease, a serious bacterial infection, was recommended for all preteens and teens, as well as children 2 months through 10 years old, at increased risk. The disease can be prevented through three types of vaccines.

Hepatitis A vaccine recommendations previously included a two-dose series starting at 12 months.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) now recommends 11 vaccines for all children, targeting diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (whooping cough), Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib), Pneumococcal conjugate, polio, measles, mumps, rubella, and human papillomavirus (HPV), for which there is international consensus, as well as varicella (chickenpox).

All immunizations recommended by the CDC as of December 31, 2025, will continue to be fully covered by Affordable Care Act insurance plans and federal insurance programs, including Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program and the Vaccines for Children program. Families will not have to purchase them out of pocket.



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Obituaries

JOHN H. DOUB
1938 — 2026

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for John. H. Doub are tentatively scheduled for Friday, January 30, 2026, at 1 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday from 11 a.m. until service time. Interment will follow at Shiloh Cemetery, McKenzie.

Mr. Doub, 87, died Thursday, January 22, 2026, at Cherrywood Post Acute. He was a member of First Baptist Church, a Marine, a Mason, and a retired rolling supervisor at Norandal. He was born in Winston-Salem, N.C., on March 22, 1938, to John H. and Agnes Stephen Doub.

He is survived by his son, Chris Doub, of McKenzie; his granddaughter, Crystal (Matt) Brasfield; and his great-grandson, Bo Tyler Brasfield.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Eleanor Doub.

If you require additional assistance, please contact Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home at 731-352-4848 or visit our website at brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com. +

MARK DOUGLAS
VINSON
1960 — 2026

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for Mark Douglas Vinson were Thursday, January 22, 2026, at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Interment was at Everett Chapel Cemetery.

Mr. Vinson, 65, died at St. Thomas West on Tuesday, January 20, 2026. He was born on October 13, 1960, to Jerry Douglas and Margaret Crocker Vinson.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Delaney Vinson; his mother, Margaret Vinson, both of McKenzie; a daughter, Tracy (Michael) Byrd; a son, Steven (Lorrie) Vinson all of Huntingdon; a sister, Christy (Mike) Creyssels of Trezevant; a brother, Van (Michelle) Vinson of McKenzie; and five grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his father.

ADDIE LOU DAWSON
1938 — 2026

MCKENZIE — Memorial services for Addie Lou Dawson, 87, of McKenzie, were Friday, January 30, 2026, at 2 p.m. at Williams Funeral Home in Greenfield. Burial was in New Prospect

Cemetery.

Mrs. Dawson is survived by daughter, Julie (Bill) Gilbert of McKenzie; son, Dennis (Janet) Dawson of Mount Holly, N.C.; along with grandchildren, Brad (Brittany) Featherston of Gleason, Lindsey (Jacob) Hodges of Gleason, Macon (Sheena) Dawson of Paragould, Ark., Zack (Hannah) Dawson of Asheville, N.C., and Rusty (Cadence) Dawson of Cowan, Tenn. She also leaves behind great-grandchildren, Noah Aeschbacher, Addison Aeschbacher, Landon Aeschbacher, Bentley Dawson, and Lilah Dawson. She is preceded in death by her husband, Russell Dawson; and parents, Macon and Annie Mae Dinwiddie.

Williams Funeral Home of Greenfield.

ROBERT EDWIN
HIRES
1944 — 2026

HUNTINGDON — Mr. Robert Edwin Hires, affectionately known as Eddie to his friends and family, died Sunday morning on January 18, 2026, at his home in Huntingdon, surrounded by his loving family.

A Celebration of Life will be announced at a later date.

Mr. Hires, 81, was born April 15, 1944, in Plant City, Fla., to the late Loyd James Hires and Katherine Yancey Ward. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his stepfather, Robert Ward; and sister, Frieda Studstill. One surviving brother remains, Curtis Hires.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Margaret (Margie) Hires, and his children: Charlotte (Phil) White, Liz (Mike) Brooks, Debbie (Ben) Ellington and Robbe Hires.

He was a grandfather to five grandchildren.

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

INA MAE PRESSON
1923 — 2026

Ina Mae Presson, 102, died on January 18, 2026, in Jackson, Tenn., following a brief illness. She was born on December 3, 1923, in the Christmasville community to John William and Ona Shankle Culver.

A graveside service was on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at the Seminary Cemetery in the Pillowville community.

Mrs. Presson was preceded in death by her parents, John and Ona Culver; her first husband, James Grooms; her siblings, Buren,

Jay, Homer, and Faye; and her second husband, Rufus Presson.

She is survived by her son, David and Susan Presson of Medon, Tenn.; her granddaughter; and a great-granddaughter.

HELEN JOYCE
MORRIS
1938 — 2026

GLEASON — Helen Joyce Morris, 87, of Gleason, died peacefully at home on January 20, 2026.

Joyce was born September 9, 1938, in Benton County to the late William Phillip Berry and Laura Mae Melton Berry. She was co-owner of Gleason Superette, where she worked for 60 years.

She is survived by her children, Mike (Sally) Morris of Greenfield, Laurie Morris of Gleason, and Steve Morris of Nashville. She also leaves behind three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were at Williams Funeral Home in Gleason on Friday, January 23. Burial was at Hopewell Cemetery.

Williams Funeral Home of Gleason.

PATRICIA A.
FULLMER
1939 — 2026

MCKENZIE, Tenn. — Mrs. Patricia A. Fullmer, 86, died at her residence on Monday, January 5, 2026. There will be no services at this time.

She was born March 27, 1939, in Big Rapids, Michigan, to Milford and Estella DeWitt Croff. She worked at Walmart and Save-A-Lot as a salesclerk, as well as for Amway. She enjoyed horseback riding, crafting, and painting. She sewed most of her clothes and her children's western wear. She was also strong in her faith and enjoyed singing. She also owned and operated The Pizza Barn.

She is survived by her husband, David Fullmer, a daughter, Estella (Scott) Brown, two sons, Alex (Donna) Fullmer and Jeff (Violet) Fullmer of Paris, Michigan, a brother, Paul Croff, eight grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

She is preceded in death by her parents, a daughter, Roxanne Elaine Pett, and one grandchild.

If you require additional assistance, please contact Brummitt McKenzie Funeral Home at 731-352-4848 or visit our website at brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com.

CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

BEATING HEARTS
SOUP FOR LIFE

Beating Hearts is hosting its annual Soup for Life event at the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church on February 6.

THE BREAKFAST CLUB
AT HOMETOWN HEALTH
CLINIC

Everyone is invited to The Breakfast Club every Monday from 9-10:30 a.m. for coffee, snacks, mingling and a light activity. Take the chance to connect and socialize before getting interactive with games, light exercise and fun! Bring a friend and come make new ones at Hometown Health Clinic - Pediatrics/Specialty Entrance. We can't wait to see you there!

TRIVIA BOWL
RESCHEDULED FOR
JANUARY 31

Carroll Arts, Inc. presents its 15th annual Trivia Bowl on Saturday, January 31, 2026 (rescheduled from January 24) at 7 p.m. at the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 16835 Highland Drive in McKenzie, Tennessee. Teams will battle it out for first, second and third place trophies and all the bragging rights! Only \$5 per person for teams of three to six players. Refreshments provided. For more information, contact carrollartsinc@gmail.com.

CARROLL DEMOCRATIC
PARTY MEETS

The Carroll County Democratic Party meets every second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Carroll County Office Complex, 625 High Street, Huntingdon, Tenn.

CARROLL REPUBLICAN
PARTY MEETS

Carroll County Republican Party meets Tuesday, January 27 at 7 p.m. in the McLeomoresville Activity Center (across from CB&T).

CARROLL HUMANE
SOCIETY EVENTS, NEWS
Job Opening

We are currently accepting resumes for the Kennel Manager position. If interested, contact 731-358-1019 for more information or email cchstrn@gmail.com.

Cat Vouchers

Cat spay/neuter vouchers are always available for \$60. To purchase by phone for use at Paris Vet Clinic, call 731-514-0878 and leave a message. These are available to anyone regardless of residency. We now offer cat vouchers to Carroll County residents for \$60 at the Huntingdon Animal Clinic. These must be purchased in person at the shelter with cash or card, and proof of residency is required. However, Carroll Co. residents can still use Paris Vet Clinic if preferred.

MCKENZIE TOPS MEETS
WEEKLY

Win over weight with support and encouragement by meeting with the McKenzie Chapter of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) each Monday at 3 p.m. in the McKenzie Church of Christ gymnasium. The first meeting is free. For more information, call 731-352-7309. If no answer, leave a message.

CARROLL COMMISSION
MEETS MONTHLY

Carroll County Commission meets the second Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the Conference Room of the Carroll County Office Complex, High Street, Huntingdon. No meetings in February and July.

ADULT EDUCATION
CLASSES

Huntingdon Location — Adult Education Building, 14155 Paris Street. Office

hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Classes are offered for one-on-one instruction on Mondays, 1-4 p.m. and Thursdays, 9 a.m.-NOON. For more information, phone 731-364-5481.

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Henry County Hospital's Be The Good
Meant to Be: Denise's Journey into Hospice Nursing

When Denise lost her husband, Tony, to leukemia at only 39, her world shifted forever. She was 29. "He was diagnosed July 17, 1992, and died July 16, 1993," she recalls. "I quit working to be with him. We didn't have children, and afterward, I needed something that would let me survive and take care of myself."

That something became nursing. A career she never planned, but one that would eventually help her rebuild, heal, and serve families during life's most fragile moments.

At the time, Denise managed a small restaurant and store called Uncle Will's, perched on a hill near Paris Landing. "If I hadn't gone into nursing," she laughs, "who knows what path my life would have taken." But life had other plans. In her thirties, as a non-traditional student at Murray State, she enrolled in nursing school, determined to rebuild her own story, one chapter at a time.

The journey tested her. She balanced classes with part-time work at a flower shop, living through seasons where everything felt moment to moment. "One

Christmas, I had \$75 to my name," she says. "I had a home and food, but it was still one day at a time."

Support came from her second husband, Barry, an engineer "who was good at math when I wasn't." With his steady belief in her, she pushed through and graduated in 1999. "When I got my acceptance letter into nursing school, I couldn't even open it," she remembers. "I made him do it because I was scared."

But fear eventually gave way to certainty when she found Hospice.

She tried hospitals, home health, even dialysis, but after three months, she knew dialysis wasn't the right place for her. Then came a part-time hospice opportunity. "I turned in my notice and never looked back," she says. "It was where I was meant to be. It's not a job. It's just me."

For Denise, hospice nursing isn't about endings; it's about helping families find peace, honesty, dignity, and hope in the final chapter. She carries the responsibility with deep reverence. "We're the last chapter," she says softly. "And if that chapter ends poorly, a lot of it is

on us."

She leads with truth and compassion. "I'm always honest," she explains. "I tell families what I know and what I don't. I don't lie. But I'm never without hope, not until the very last breath."

Denise understands the weight of grief personally. When her own father passed away, she carried guilt for not being there at the exact moment. Then a hospice nurse told her, "You needed to leave, he needed to go, and he couldn't with all of you sitting around." Denise calls it "a gift that released me from carrying guilt."

Those small, sacred, soul-shifting moments define her care.

Ask Denise for a favorite story and she smiles. "Oh honey, I could tell stories forever." One favorite involves Mr. Robert, his dog Cookie, who was "meaner than a snake," and a litter of puppies. Before he passed, he told her, "Take care of Cookie and her puppies."

So she did. She gathered the pups, found them homes, even keeping two herself, Oscar and Felix. Cookie eventually moved north, where she now goes everywhere "in a little bag" with a family who



includes her in every photo. "She lives in New Jersey now," Denise says, "and she's in every family picture."

That's Denise. Caregiver, advocate, story-finisher, and steady ground for families who need it most.

Since 2008, Denise has served with the same Hospice organization. She has earned awards and community admiration, but she will tell you none of that was the point. "I just want to make sure the last chapter is a good one," she says. "That's all I want."

Her hope for miracles isn't seasonal, but the New Year always feels like a gentle reminder to notice them.

Denise's journey reminds us that sometimes the hardest heartbreaks lead us to the most meaningful callings. Some call it a coincidence. Some call it resilience. Denise simply calls it her calling. Meant to be.

McKenzie, Bethel Alumna to Represent Tennessee in Mrs. International Pageant

BY BRAD SAM
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A Greenfield resident and alumna of McKenzie High School and Bethel University will represent Tennessee in the 2026 Mrs. International Pageant this summer.

Kaitlin Robbins (nee Sturdivant) is a marriage and family therapist with the Association of Behavioral Counselors in Jackson, where she provides pro-bono therapy on an income-based sliding scale.

She is a 2012 MHS graduate. She earned a BA in Psychology from Bethel in 2016 and an MA (with honors) in Marriage and Family Therapy from Northcentral University in 2023. She is a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success and the National Honor Society.

Robbins and husband Christian started Robbin's Nest, LLC in 2024, combining her expertise with his as a contractor.

Robbins told The Banner, "I don't have any of that experience, but I know how to help families. So we decided together that we would create Robbin's Nest, where we would provide resources, housing and free education. It's for people who are suffering from domestic violence or are in need in any way. We give free therapy, free education resources, and we're working on providing free housing and putting a therapist in the house with these families so that we can intervene before people go to jail.

"We pushed for the domestic violence registry, and that has happened now. And



Kaitlin Robbins

so we're trying to intervene before they get on the registry. We're not going to be able to save everybody, but as long as they're willing to cooperate, we can talk to the courts. If for some reason, they do get into an altercation and get charged while in therapy, we can work things

out for them where they won't be on the registry as long as they are compliant.

"[Being on the registry] will affect things like jobs and things of that sort, because if you can't interact with your partner at home, how can you interact in a public setting consistently?"

"There are things like the way they were raised and the way they think... they never realized that was the wrong way of thinking. We're firm believers that you can turn any situation around as long as you're willing to try. All of the consequences may not go away, but you can prevent more from happening."

Robbins was contacted in October 2025 by Mary Richardson, executive director of Mrs. International, about serving as Tennessee's representative.

Richardson told Robbins she fit what the pageant was looking for and believes that Kaitlin could win.

Contestants in the annual pageant must have no prior modeling experience, be married for at least six months and be involved in community service.

Some states have pageants to determine their representatives, but many, like Tennessee, do not, and Richardson selects one herself.

"The program is all about the legacy that you're leaving behind," said Robbins.

Mrs. International was developed to promote today's married women, their accomplishments, and commitment to family and marriage. Each contestant competes in an interview competition (which is 50 percent of her overall score),

evening gown (25 percent) and fitness wear (25 percent). Each contestant has the opportunity to select a platform of her choice that she spends the year promoting. Husbands are a direct part of the show, escorting their wives in the evening gown competition, and the husband crowns his wife titleholder.

The 2026 Mrs. International Pageant is July 23-24 in Chicago at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts. It will be aired live nationally on NBC News and will stream on Peacock, YouTube, Telemundo, Fubo and pageantlive.com.

Robbins is seeking sponsors and contributions for the pageant. Fifty percent of contributions go to the WRAP, a domestic abuse treatment center in Jackson.



Youth Leadership Carroll County participants from Clarksburg, Hollow Rock-Bruceton, Huntingdon and West Carroll schools attended Friday's Capitol Talk. Here, they are pictured with Representative Brock Martin, Colonel James Harding, Carroll County Chamber of Commerce President Brad Hurley and school superintendents. Photo by Lyndsey Summers/The Banner

Representative Brock Martin Discusses Legislative Issues, New Bills at Capitol Talk

Bill Inspired By Fallen Lineman Chance Carlton Among Proposals

BY LYNDSLEY SUMMERS
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HUNTINGDON (January 16) — State Representative Brock Martin (R-Huntingdon) was the featured speaker at the first of three Capitol Talks hosted by the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce.

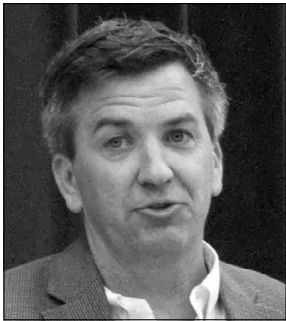
Martin represents portions of Carroll, Gibson and Henderson counties. During the forum, he discussed current legislative issues, education policy and several bills he is sponsoring this session, including one inspired by the late lineman Chance Carlton, who died while working during severe flooding in April 2025.

Brad Hurley, president of the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, welcomed Martin to the event, which was held at the Carroll County Civic Center. Martin was first elected to the Tennessee House of Representatives in November 2022 and currently serves on the Commerce, Health and Insurance committees. He is seeking re-election this November.

Rep. Martin shared two ongoing conversations about property taxes:

A proposed constitutional amendment on the November ballot would determine whether Tennessee could ever impose a state property tax. Although Tennessee has not had a statewide property tax since the 1940s, the amendment would permanently prohibit one.

Martin also referenced a proposal by Rep. Chris Todd (R-Madison County) that would raise the state sales tax in an effort to eliminate property taxes. Martin described sales tax as "more of a fair tax across the board" than property taxes. The bill



State Representative Brock Martin (R-Huntingdon) spoke during Friday's Capitol Talk. Photo by Lyndsey Summers/The Banner

has not yet been filed.

Next, Rep. Martin discussed the school choice bill from 2025:

Rep. Martin addressed that people in private schools profited most from the school choice bill in its first year. He addressed a common misconception, explaining the differences between the new Educational Freedom Scholarship (created with the school choice bill) and the Educational Savings Account (created in 2019).

In 2025, 350 families from Carroll, Gibson and Henderson counties applied for the program. Gibson County had the most applications, followed by Henderson County. Carroll County had 75 applicants.

Martin said he supported the legislation because education models are changing and state policy must adapt.

Martin also addressed third-grade retention. Last year, 42 percent of Tennessee third graders met or exceeded TCAP standards—an 11-point increase since legislative changes were enacted. Fifth-grade scores were also at an all-time high.

While current efforts focus on third- and fifth-grade retention, Martin said early intervention should begin in

kindergarten through second grade. He also believes fourth-grade intervention is more effective than summer programs between fourth and fifth grade.

Martin outlined three bills he is sponsoring this session.

The first would classify gas utility and electric line workers as emergency first responders for state benefits during emergencies. The bill is inspired by Chance Carlton, a Carroll County Electric lineman who died while responding to severe flooding in April 2025. Martin is working on the legislation with Rep. Dennis Powers of East Tennessee.

"If, heaven forbid, it ever happened again where there was an emergency and an individual were to die on the scene, there would be a way to get some money back to that family," Martin said.

Sen. John Stevens (R-Huntingdon) will sponsor the bill in the Senate. Martin said it could pass in 2026.

Another bill would increase the fee paid by convicted offenders to the Carl Perkins Center from \$45 to \$120.

The third bill addresses prior authorization in healthcare. It would require medical professionals making authorization decisions for Tennessee patients to be licensed in the state.

Martin also discussed funding from the Rural Health Transformation Program, made possible by the passage of President Donald Trump's "Big Beautiful Bill."

Tennessee will receive \$200 million in 2026 and a total of \$1 billion over five years to support rural healthcare initiatives.

Read more of this story on mckenziebanner.com



Private William B. Clark's relatives Phyllis Taylor and Buddy Smothers are pictured with speaker Joe Norval (right) with photographs of Private Clark and his gravesite in Normandy. Photo by Lyndsey Summers/The Banner

A Fallen Soldier Remembered

Private William B. Clark Goes on One Final Mission

BY LYNDSLEY SUMMERS
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HUNTINGDON (January 21) — The Huntingdon TN Historical Society heard a story of sacrifice and longevity early Wednesday morning. Joe Norval, principal at the Carroll County Technical Center, spoke about a young Carroll County man who, despite losing his life in the Battle of Normandy, is on one last mission.

Private William Bernice Clark, a 1942 graduate of Central High School, was only 20 years old when he faced his final battle.

A young Army man, Private Clark was a member of the Second Battalion, Company H (Weapons Company), of the 116th Infantry Regiment, 29th Infantry Division ("The Blue and Gray Division").

Private Clark was one of 3,100 United States soldiers from the 116th Regiment on the shores of France on D-Day. He landed on Easy Red Beach, Omaha Beach, Normandy, on June 6, 1944, in part of the first assault wave. To this day, historians debate whether Easy Red or Dog Green was the worst sector on Omaha Beach that day.

By the late afternoon, 800 soldiers from the 116th Regiment had been lost to the war. Private Clark was one of them, struck by multiple machine-gun rounds and mortar shrapnel.

Private Clark is buried at the United States cemetery in the Colleville-sur-Mur commune of Normandy, overlooking the area on which he and many others were killed.

But Norval's story didn't focus on Private Clark's death. Instead, he told of the Bruceton man's lasting legacy.

Private Clark was the only child of William Clarence Park and Alvada "Vadie" Smothers. Upon news of his death, neither of his parents believed he was gone, never even having a funeral for their son. They thought he was lost and would someday return home. They kept an old country ham in their



Joe Norval spoke to the Huntingdon TN Historical Society about Private William B. Clark, of Bruceton, who died in the Battle of Normandy. Photo by Lyndsey Summers/The Banner

smokehouse, waiting for his eventual return.

Private Clark would never return home, but one lost artifact eventually would.

In 2002, an Englishman discovered one of Private Clark's dog tags on Omaha Beach, likely at or very near the spot the soldier was killed. The tag had been buried in the sand since the invasion. The man, not comfortable with keeping this relic to himself, donated the dog tag to the National D-Day Museum in Bedford, Virginia. The museum curators would eventually feel the same way, deciding to search for Private Clark's closest living relatives.

On June 6, 2007 — the 63rd anniversary of D-Day — Private Clark's recovered dog tag found its way home.

Private Clark's surviving family members, including his 79-year-old first cousin Lota Park, gathered for a formal presentation ceremony at Huntingdon's Thomas Park.

Private Clark's dog tag has traveled a bit since 2007, presently being held by Clark Smothers in Richland, Michigan.

Norval and Private Clark's surviving family want the dog tag to make one last trip — to New Orleans. Private Clark's second cousin, Mary Elizabeth Gilmore McCord, has been in contact with a museum curator from the National World War II Museum to donate Private Clark's dog tag and photos,

memorializing his story for years to come.

In a conversation with Norval, Phyllis Taylor — a second-cousin to Private Clark — said the family donation of the dog tag would be a fitting end to Private Clark's story.

Norval begged to differ.

"This is only the beginning of the 'Rest of the Story,'" said Norval. "Hundreds of thousands of people visit this site every year from all over the world...Once secured by the World War II Museum, Private William Bernice Clark will begin his final mission. Many people will learn the story and know the sacrifice made by Private Clark and the thousands of his fellow brothers on the beaches of Normandy."

Marketing students from the Carroll County Technical Center filmed Norval's presentation for submission to the National World War II Museum. The full video is posted on the Huntingdon Historical Museum's YouTube channel, titled "Sacrifice: A Carroll County Soldier's Story."

Huntingdon TN Historical Society President Johnny McClure teased next month's meeting. Instead of listening to a storyteller, the society might interview one or two West Tennessee rock-and-rollers from the 1960s and 1970s.

The Huntingdon TN Historical Society meets every third Wednesday of the month.

Driver's License Kiosk Prioritizes Convenience

CARROLL COUNTY — The driver's license kiosk at the Carroll County Office Complex makes renewals quicker and more convenient for Carroll County residents. County Clerk Darlene Kirk shared that many residents have been very receptive to the self-service kiosk since its installation in February 2025.

The kiosk, located outside the county clerk's office, minimizes the hassle of driving to the nearest Department of Motor Vehicles and waiting in line for a renewal. The kiosk is completely self-serviced, but

nearby office personnel are available to help if any issues come along.

To renew or replace a driver's license or photo ID, a person only needs his or her driver license number, photo ID number or social security number. The kiosk can also take a new ID photo if necessary. Users will receive a paper copy of the new driver's license, and the card version will be sent over the mail.

The kiosk also processes address changes and upgrades from Intermediate Restricted (IR) to Intermediate Unrestricted (IU) li-

censes for drivers 17 years or older.

The kiosk does not accept cash or checks; only a credit card, a debit card, Apple pay or Google pay can be used to pay for a replacement or renewal.

The driver's license kiosk is issued by the Tennessee Department of Homeland Security. While the kiosk can renew Real IDs, it cannot help someone obtain a Real ID unless he or she uploads the correct documents before using the kiosk.

Carroll County Sheriff’s Reports

Drug Charges — On January 16, Deputy Dustin McClure was conducting criminal interdiction patrol on Highway 79 in Trezevant when he observed a red 2013 Dodge Charger traveling northbound from Main Street. As the vehicle passed his patrol unit, the driver appeared to lean back in the seat in an apparent attempt to conceal himself. Deputy McClure then observed the vehicle fail to come to a complete stop at a posted stop sign near the new construction area past Oak Grove Road.

Deputy McClure initiated a traffic stop and made contact with the driver, who was identified as Anthony L. Massie Jr., 22, of McKenzie. While approaching the vehicle, Deputy McClure detected the odor of marijuana coming from inside. During the encounter, Massie advised there was an item inside the vehicle that did not belong to him.

Due to weather and traffic conditions, Massie was asked to exit the vehicle and was seated in the patrol unit. He later advised Deputy McClure of the location of narcotics inside the vehicle and stated he believed additional narcotics may be present. A search of the vehicle resulted in the discovery of approximately 27 grams of suspected psilocybin mushrooms and approximately 9.6 grams of a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana. Torn pieces of a black baggie consistent with narcotics packaging were also located.

After consultation with another deputy, Massie was released from the scene.

The suspected narcotics and related items were logged into evidence for laboratory analysis. This incident occurred in Carroll County.

Driving on Suspended License — On January 18, Deputy Dustin McClure conducted a traffic stop after observing a vehicle with window tint darker than legally allowed.

During the stop, the driver was identified as Monserrat Rodriguez-Serrano, 27, of McKenzie. A check of the driver's license revealed it was suspended at the time of the stop. No additional violations were noted in the report.

Rodriguez-Serrano was cited for driving on a suspended license. The incident occurred in Carroll County.

Driving on Revoked License — On January 16, Deputy Dustin McClure observed a white SUV parked on a back road with only its parking lights on. As he approached to check on the occupants, smoke was visible filling the interior of the vehicle.

The driver, later identified as Cierra Maxine Kirby, 28, of Atwood, drove away as the deputy approached, with smoke continuing to billow from the vehicle and the odor of marijuana coming from inside. Deputy McClure initiated a traffic stop shortly afterward.

Kirby advised she did not have a valid driver's license. A check through dispatch confirmed her license was revoked for DUI out of Madison County, with no reinstatement date on file. Kirby was taken into custody and transported to the Carroll

County Jail.

A green leafy substance believed to be marijuana was located and destroyed at the scene. The incident occurred in Carroll County.

Drug Paraphernalia Citation — On Jan. 17, Deputy Steven Scott responded to a call regarding a reckless driver in Atwood. Upon arrival, Deputy Scott made contact with a vehicle parked in a driveway and identified the driver as Angela Rae Hartsock, 47, of Atwood.

Hartsock was found asleep in the driver's seat. After making contact, she gave consent for a search of the vehicle.

During the search, Deputy Scott located a glass pipe with white residue commonly used for smoking methamphetamine inside the glove box.

Hartsock was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia.

ATM Machine Recovered — On January 20, Deputy Dillon Crowe responded to a call reporting an ATM-type machine located in a ditch along Sulphur Springs Road in Cedar Grove.

Upon arrival, deputies identified the machine as an ATI Connect Pacific kiosk ATM. Notifications were made to surrounding coun-

ties to determine whether any kiosk machines had been reported missing; however, no theft reports were located.

An alert message was also issued due to the lack of matching reports. The ATM machine was recovered from the scene and transported to the Carroll County Sheriff's Office. The incident remains under investigation.

Identity Theft — On January 16, Investigator Angel Furr took a report regarding identity theft and fraudulent activity involving a bank account.

According to the report, the victim advised that unauthorized changes had been made to banking contact information and that a large sum of money was withdrawn without permission. The victim reported discovering the activity after speaking with the financial institution's fraud department.

The bank confirmed fraudulent transactions and returned a portion of the funds while the remaining activity continued to be reviewed. The victim also reported the matter to federal authorities, including identity theft reporting agencies.

The incident remains under investigation.

Huntingdon Police Reports

Theft of Merchandise — According to a report made on January 11, officers were contacted by Walmart security regarding a shoplifting incident that occurred on January 8. Store security advised that Bethany R. Brown and a man identified as Cody Bradley entered the store and took a pair of women's shoes valued at \$59.98 without paying for the merchandise.

Warrants were issued for Brown and Bradley for theft of property, conduct involving merchandise.

At the time the report was completed, neither subject had been located.

Speeding, Driving on a Suspended License — According to a report made on January 10, Sgt. Tony King observed a vehicle traveling southbound on Highway 22 South at a high rate of speed. Radar confirmed the vehicle was traveling 72 mph in a 55-mph zone.

A traffic stop was conducted, and the driver was identified as Raymond Blackburn. A check through dispatch revealed Blackburn's driver's license had been suspended as of November 10, 2025, due to failure to appear in Huntingdon City Court.

Blackburn was cited for speeding and driving on a revoked, suspended or canceled license and was issued a 10-day booking citation. He contacted a friend to drive the vehicle from the scene.

The incident occurred in Huntingdon, Carroll County.

Marriage Licenses

Ethan Thomas Peevy-house, 20, of Huntingdon, to Kaylee Nichole Cope-land, 20, of Huntingdon.

Ralph Anthony McDona-ld, 60, of Brooklyn, N.Y., to Annette Joy Lessie Sand-erson, 66, of Huntingdon.

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2024, CACHENGO, INC., by a Deed of Trust of record in Trust Deed Book 743, at Page 904, in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee, conveyed the following described property in trust to secure the payment of a Promissory Note in the original principal amount of One Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand and 00/100 (\$152,000.00), payable to CARLA MARIE HARVEY AND HEIDI VARELA; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned was appointed Substitute Trustee by CARLA MARIE HARVEY AND HEIDI VARELA, the legal owners and holders of the said Note, by appointment executed on December 29, 2025, and recorded in Trust Deed Book 763, at Page 120, in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of said indebtedness and other provisions of the Deed of Trust have been violated, and CARLA MARIE HARVEY AND HEIDI VARELA, the lawful owners and holders of the said indebtedness, have declared the entire amount due and payable as provided by the Deed of Trust in accordance with the terms thereof, and instructed the undersigned to foreclose.

NOW, THEREFORE, the public is hereby notified that the undersigned Substitute Trustee will sell the hereinafter described real estate at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, for cash in hand paid in certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or upon a credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the Substitute Trustee. The auction shall occur at the East door of the Courthouse at Huntingdon, Carroll County, Tennessee, on Tuesday, February 4, 2026, at 4:00 p.m., said property to be sold in bar of the equity of redemption and subject to the lien of all special assessments against it.

Lying, and being situate in the City of Huntingdon, 11th Civil District of Carroll County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows; to-wit:

A tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in the 11th Civil District, Carroll County, State of Tennessee and being situated in the Town of Huntingdon and fronting on Main or Nashville Street and being our home place bounded on the North by N. C. and St. L. Railroad right of way on the East by Harold Hayes formerly W. H. Lassiter on the South by Main or Nashville Street and Iva Mae Williams on the West by Iva Mae Williams and Marshall Priest heirs and being a part of the Lot which was bought from the James Glizzrd heirs, a part of said Lot having been sold off to the Baptist Church of Huntingdon. And a tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in the 11th Civil District, Carroll County, State of Tennessee and being situated within the Corporate Limits of the Town of Huntingdon and being on the North side of East Main Street formerly Nashville Street and described as follows: Said Lot fronts 80 feet on East Main Street, formerly Nashville Street and 80 feet on the back, said Lot is also generally described as follows: Bounded on the West by Mrs. W. H. Lassiter (now Ramsey); on the North by N. C. and St. L. Railway, now the L&N Railway, on the East by Warc (now Graves) and on the South by the North Margin (sic) of East Main Street. (Description taken from prior deed of record)

It being the same property as that described in a Warranty Deed from Carla Marie Harvey and Heidi Varela, to Cachengo, Inc., dated August 1, 2024, and of record in Warranty Deed Book 416, at Page 196, in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee.

Map 073L, Group D, Parcel 013.00

The street address of the above-described property is believed to be 20065 Main St., Huntingdon, Tennessee 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.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO TENANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION, IF ANY.

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. Other interested parties: None.

This property is subject to the to the permanent telecommunications easement granted to U. S. Sprint Communications Company in Warranty Deed Book 364, at Page 579, in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee.

Title to said property is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell as Substitute Trustee only and will assign to the purchaser all covenants of warranty contained in said Deed of Trust.

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. Said sale may be adjourned to another time or may be postponed to another date by public announcement at the appointed time of sale without readvertisement.

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

This Notice of Sale has been posted by ForeclosureTennessee.com and can be viewed online at ForeclosureTennessee.com.

WITNESS my signature, this the 13th day of January, 2026.

KIZER, BONDS, HUGHES & BOWEN, LLC

BY: STEPHEN L. HUGHES, Substitute Trustee
P. O. Box 320, Milan, TN 38358 (731) 238-3199

Carroll County General Sessions Court Report

HUNTINGDON (January 21) — The following cases were heard in Carroll County General Sessions Court on January 21.

The following cases were bound over to a grand jury:

Anais Benitez, Lexington Street, Huntingdon, bound over, Financial Responsibility Law; bound over, Possession of Handgun While Under Influence, bound over, DUI: First Offense.

Anais Benitez, Lexington Street, Huntingdon, bound over, DUI: First Offense; bound over, Vehicular Assault; bound over, Reckless Endangerment - No Weapon Involved; bound over, Reckless Driving.

Anais Benitez, Lexington Street, Huntingdon, bound over, Joyriding - Temporary Taking of Vehicle.

Eugene M. Cummings, Poplar Woods Circle S, Germantown, bound over, DUI: Commercial Vehicle - First Offense.

Charles Daniel Dunning, Elm Street, McKenzie, bound over, Sexual Battery.

Randy L. Lipford, Salem Road, Humboldt, bound over, Meth - Possess or Casual Exchange; bound over, Casual Exchange - Adult/Minor - Schedule VI.

John Odell Odom, Clarksburg Road, Huntingdon, bound over, Drivers to Exercise Due Care; bound over, DUI: First Offense; bound over, Reckless Endangerment - No Weapon Involved.

The following cases resulted in a guilty plea or finding:

Elantraiona J. Burke, Manning Drive, Clarksville, guilty - lesser charge, Drivers License to be Carried and Exhibited, 30 days, payment arrangements through clerk's office, unsupervised probation for 30 days, must show proof of obtaining a valid Tennessee driver's license within 30 days.

Charles Daniel Dunning, Elm Street, McKenzie, guilty - as charged, Probation Violation - Booked, no fine, 11/29, can receive day-for-day credit upon successful completion of rehab.

Mindy M. Isaacs, High Street, Mayfield, Ky., guilty - lesser charge, Driving While License Suspended, \$250 fine, 11/29, supervised

probation for 11/29, unsupervised probation once all paid, must obtain a valid Kentucky license; dismissed, Seat Belt - 18 and Older.

Kenneth Sherill, guilty - lesser charge, Theft (Up to \$1,000), no fine, 11/29, no contact with victim's residence, cognitive behavioral training course, alcohol drug evaluation and recommendation; dismissed, Aggravated Burglary (Habitation).

Phillip D. Stanford, Shades Bridge Road, Greenfield, guilty - as charged, Meth - Possess or Casual Exchange, \$750 fine, 11/29, supervised probation for 22 months 58 days, report to jail February 20, 2026, must be in jail or rehab on or before February 20, 2026, 26+CR19 1,2 shall run consecutive for effective 22 months 58 days period, the state agrees that the six-month in length and if successfully completes day-for-day jail credit; guilty - as charged, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia Uses & Activities, \$250 fine, 11/29, supervised probation for 22 months 58 days, report to jail February 20, 2026, must be in jail or rehab on or before February 20, 2026, 26+CR19 1,2 shall run consecutive for effective 22 months 58 days period, the state agrees that the six-month in length and if successfully completes day-for-day jail credit; dismissed, Tampering With Evidence.

Stephanie Waynick, Harts Bridge Road, Jackson, guilty - as charged, Probation Violation - Booked, no fine, 15 days, supervised probation for remainder, report to jail January 30, 2026, serve consecutive weekends for last 10 days, probation extended for four months.

The following cases were dismissed:

Khylan Burton, Cobblestone Street, Humboldt, dismissed, Failure to Appear; dismissed, Probation Violation - Booked.

Frederick Jon Godfrey, North Wilson Street, Dresden, dismissed, Driving While License Suspended.

The following cases were rescheduled:

Shun Ulric Conley, Shun Ulric Conley, Brent Earl Venable, Tyler Wright.

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2024, CACHENGO, INC., by a Deed of Trust of record in Trust Deed Book 745, at Page 396, in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee, conveyed the following described property in trust to secure the payment of a Promissory Note in the original principal amount of One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 (\$139,300.00), payable to CURA, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned was appointed Substitute Trustee by CURA, LLC, which appointment will be recorded in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee prior to the deed evidencing this sale; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of said indebtedness and other provisions of the Deed of Trust have been violated, and CURA, LLC, the lawful owner and holder of the said indebtedness, has declared the entire amount due and payable as provided by the Deed of Trust in accordance with the terms thereof, and instructed the undersigned to foreclose.

NOW, THEREFORE, the public is hereby notified that the undersigned Substitute Trustee will sell the hereinafter described real estate at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, for cash in hand paid in certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or upon a credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the Substitute Trustee. The auction shall occur at the East door of the Courthouse at Huntingdon, Carroll County, Tennessee, on Tuesday, February 4, 2026, at 3:45 p.m., said property to be sold in bar of the equity of redemption and subject to the lien of all special assessments against it.

Lying, and being situate in the City of McKenzie, 4th Civil District of Carroll County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows; to-wit:

Tract No. 1: BEGINNING at a stake in the west margin of Medical Center Drive, the stake being located 50 feet north of the eastern extension of the water tank fence; runs thence North 31 degrees 00 minutes West with the west margin of Medical Center Drive 220 feet to a stake; thence South 58 degrees 45 minutes West 103.5 feet to an iron pin; thence South 04 degrees 05 minutes East 228 feet to a stake; thence North 63 degrees 30 minutes East 207.3 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.76 acres, be the same more or less.

Tract No. 2: BEGINNING at an iron pin in fence on State of Tennessee Vocational School's east line at Motheral's original southwest corner; thence North 4 degrees 50 minutes 17 seconds East 67.23 feet along fence and Dr. Holancin's west line to an iron pin; thence South 64 degrees 00 minutes West 39 feet through Motheral's property to an iron pin on State of Tennessee Vocational School's east line; thence South 33 degrees 30 minutes East 61.3 feet along School's east line to the point of beginning, containing 0.027 acres, more or less. Description taken from survey of Sameul K. Carrell, Tennessee RLS No. 349, dated January 22, 1996.

(Descriptions taken from prior deed of record)

It being the same property as that described in a Warranty Deed from Cura, LLC, a Tennessee Limited Liability Company, to Cachengo, Inc., a Tennessee Corporation, dated September 20, 2024, and of record in Warranty Deed Book 416, at Page 915, in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee.

Map 011, Parcel 040.02

The street address of the above-described property is believed to be 132 Hospital Drive, McKenzie, Tennessee 38201, 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.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO TENANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION, IF ANY.

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. Other interested parties: None.

Title to said property is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell as Substitute Trustee only and will assign to the purchaser all covenants of warranty contained in said Deed of Trust.

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. Said sale may be adjourned to another time or may be postponed to another date by public announcement at the appointed time of sale without readvertisement.

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

This Notice of Sale has been posted by ForeclosureTennessee.com and can be viewed online at ForeclosureTennessee.com.

WITNESS my signature, this the 13th day of January, 2026.

KIZER, BONDS, HUGHES & BOWEN, LLC

BY: STEPHEN L. HUGHES, Substitute Trustee
P. O. Box 320, Milan, TN 38358 (731) 238-3199

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF CARROLL, TOWN OF BRUCETON,
TOWN OF HOLLOW ROCK, TOWN OF HUNTINGDON,
CITY OF MCKENZIE, AND TOWN OF TREZEVA

VS. CIVIL ACTION NOS: CIVIL ACTION NOS: 2025-CV-96, 2025-CV-84, 2025-CV-99, 2025-CV-102, 2025-CV-85 & 2025-CV-94

ALVIN ABEL, ET. AL., 2023 DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT FOR DELINQUENT 2023 PROPERTY TAXES

NOTICE OF THE ADDITION OF TITLE OPINION FEES

NOTICE OF DEFAULT JUDGMENT AND TAX SALE

WHEREAS, the above Plaintiffs have filed their Complaints in the above referenced Cases for the collection of the 2023 delinquent property taxes; AND WHEREAS, the above Plaintiffs prayed for a Default Judgment and Order of Sale to satisfy the 2023 property taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney fees;

THEREFORE, NOTICE is hereby given to the below listed Defendants that their 2023 property taxes remain unpaid, then the Plaintiffs will on **Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in the Chancery Courtroom on the second floor in the Carroll County Courthouse, in Huntingdon, Tennessee: ask the Chancellor for a "Default Judgment and Order of Sale"** of the property of the below listed Defendants whose property taxes remain un-paid. If the 2023 property taxes remain unpaid, **the actual Tax Sale will be advertised later and the Tax Sale will take place on or about 10:01 a.m., on Friday, April 24, 2026,** at the Carroll County Courthouse in Huntingdon, Tennessee. **The actual Tax Sale date is subject to change and will be advertised later.**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026, A TITLE OPINION FEE OF \$200.00 WILL BE ADDED TO THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAXES DUE ON EACH TRACT THAT THE TAXES REMAIN UNPAID ON.

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby notify the below listed Defendants who: as shown below and some are not to be found in Carroll County, Tennessee, after diligent search, and the resident and non-resident Defendants that their 2023 property taxes for the County of Carroll, the Town of Bruceton, the Town of Hollow Rock, Town of Huntingdon, the City of McKenzie, and/or the Town of Trezevant are delinquent and unpaid as follows:

CARROLL COUNTY DELINQUENT TAXES

TAX YEARS SELECTED: 2023 TO 2023

Owner	Property Address	Parcel	Deed Book/Page	Total Tax Due For Parcel	Owner	Property Address	Parcel	Deed Book/Page	Total Tax Due For Parcel
Allen Kalap D	14005 Paris St	11-062 - -062 -094.00- -000	00407/00440	\$291.00	Williams Billy Et Ux Peggy	345 Mt Pleasant Church Rd	11-064 - -064 -010.01- -000	00369/00648	\$73.00
Anderson James Stephen	Main St	22-012 M -J -012 M -015.00- -000	00401/00221	\$195.00	Life Estate				
Barker Joe L Jr Et Ux Pamela K	400 Abbott Ln	11-063- -063 -030.01- -000	00342/00146	\$135.00	Willis Hulon Et Ux Shirley	200 Thorne Ln	11-062 - -062 -069.00- -000	00119/00294	\$348.00
Becerra Hugo Et Al Prudencio And Jose Becerra	203 Paris Pike	04-011 H -B -011 H -010.00- -000	00375/00512	\$370.00	C/O Diane Johnson				
Becerra Hugo Etal	Walnut Ave W	22-012 L -A -012 M -005.00- -000	00410/00575	\$156.00	Willis Hulon Etux Shirley	Thorne Ln	11-062 - -062 -083.03- -000	00207/00759	\$54.00
Becerra Jose Et Al Hugo & Prudencio Becerra	698 Stonewall St	04-012 L -C -012 L -004.00- -000	00353/00183	\$1,057.00	C/O Diane Johnson				
Becker Bradley A Et Ux Danielle H	4155 Hwy 423	09-018 - -018 -005.03- -000	00401/00001	\$487.00	Willis Linda	2240 Buena Vista Rd	11-072 - -072 - 101.04- -000	00233/00041	\$283.00
Becton Thomas Kevin	208 Hwy 79	21-100 - -100 -053.02- -000	00287/00673	\$729.00	Willis Shirley Ruth	Thorne Ln	11-062 - -062 -081.01- -000	00268/00308	\$142.00
Becton Thomas Kevin Et Ux Carol Elizabeth	690 Barker Rd	21-100 - -100 -025.02- -000	00298/00472	\$1,160.00	C/O Diane Johnson				
Berger Carl Etux Mildred	Hwy 70	16-065 - -065 -007.01- -000	00090/00340	\$54.00	Wolfchase Limb & Brace Llc	919 Excalibur Trl	06-154 - -154 -008.21- -000	00339/00030	\$319.00
Bledsoe Geneva C/O Jennifer Bledsoe	724 Hamilton St	22-012 M -F -012 M -001.00- -000	00228/00019	\$939.00	7thirtyone Nutrition	16214 Highland Dr	04-011 1-E -011 1-007.00-P-007	00380/00033	\$31.00
Bobb Renee R	113 Park St	22-012 K -B -012 N -015.00- -000	00359/00986	\$13.00	Abc Discount Grocery Llc	585 Main St N	04-012 L -P-012 L -001.00-P-004	00406/00329	\$30.00
Branon Frank Et Al Candice Branon & Yolanda B Eskew	220 Leach Rd	07-107 - -107 -051.00- -000	00351/00186	\$220.00	Addy's Car Wash	215 Main St S	22-012 M -J -012 M -015.00-P-004	00401/00221	\$5.00
Brown Linda	Main St	21-079 P -A -079 O -016.01- -000	00248/00206	\$22.00	Anderson James Stephen	Main St	22-012 M -J -012 M -015.00- -000	00401/00221	\$74.00
Brown Linda	915 Main St	21-079 P -A -079 O -016.02- -000	00248/00206	\$350.00	Bledsoe Geneva C/O Jennifer Bledsoe	724 Hamilton St	22-012 M -F -012 M -001.00- -000	00228/00019	\$357.00
Bryant William	Park St	02-058 - -058 -082.00- -000	00327/00233	\$50.00	Bullen Steve C/O Joyce Bullen	15 Walnut Ave E	04-012 L-K -012 L -025.00- -000	00310/00277	\$14.00
Bryant William	Park St	02-058 - -058 -082.00- -001	00327/00233	\$196.00	Burke Sammie C C/O Carol Crocker	773 Main St	04-012 L -F -012 L -012.00- -000	00218/00432	\$312.00
Bryant William	Broad St North	02-058 - -058 -083.00- -000	00327/00233	\$664.00	Clean Kutz	15750 Highland Dr	04-011 I-F-011 I-015.00-P-004	00401/00948	\$4.00
Bryant William	Broad St North	02-058 - -058 -083.00- -001	00327/00233	\$17.00	Coco's Essentials	130 Locust Ave	22-012 K -A -012 K -020.00-P-001	00355/00125	\$4.00
Carroll Tracey Lajean	580 High St	16-066 A -C -066 A -025.00- -000	00345/00386	\$109.00	Cole Margaret G	41 Cheryl St	22-012 M -H -012 M -031.00- -000	00174/00206	\$134.00
Cole Margaret G	41 Cheryl St	22-012 M -H -012 M -031.00- -000	00174/00206	\$353.00	Crocker Zachary Todd	Highland Dr	04-011 - -011 - -017.04- -000	00324/00841	\$212.00
Coleman Deborah L	92 Walker Rd	02-055 - -055 -035.01- -000	00342/00956	\$1,237.00	Davis Millie A Et ALJ B D	112 Winchester St	22-012 L -J -012 L -003.00- -000	00222/00231	\$65.00
Coleman Norma Gail	11520 Hwy 77	11-074 - -074 -047.00- -000	00349/00971	\$1,406.00	C/O Helen Floyd				
Irrevocable Trust					Davis Samuel Sr Et Ux Myra Bennett	273 Booker St	22-012 N -C -012 N -003.00- -000	00385/00076	\$3.00
Crocker Todd Et Ux Denise	325 Mt Pleasant Church Rd	11-064 - -064 -010.04-000	00313/00661	\$93.00	Expressions Tanning Salon	299 E Walnut Ave	22-012 L -L -012 L -004.00-P-002	00227/00381	\$19.00
Crocker Zachary Todd	Highland Dr	04-011 - -011 -017.04-000	00324/00841	\$557.00	Ford Marvin C	314 Oak St	22-012 M -C -012 M -012.00- -000	00323/00070	\$331.00
Crocker Zachary Todd	167 Sydnor Rd	22-031 - -031 -049.00- -001	00349/00610	\$629.00	Freeman Sarah M	195 Bailey St	04-012 E -K -012 E -008.00- -000	00408/00319	\$163.00
Davis Millie A Et ALJBD	112 Winchester St	22-012 L-J-012 L -003.00- -000	00222/00231	\$171.00	French Robert T	40 Field St	22-012 F -G -012 F -006.00- -000	00293/00656	\$71.00
C/O Helen Floyd					Gulledge Robert F Etux Mary Louise	56 Cheryl St	22-012 M -H -012 M -002.00- -000	00307/00857	\$107.00
Dos Santos Adilson	Dollar Rd	18-115 - -115 -008.00- -000	00383/00010	\$440.00	Hensley James E	Cherry Ave	04-012 E -D -012 E -001.02- -000	00300/00040	\$2.00
Driggers Warren	233 Wyatt St N	16-047 M-D -047 N-012.00- -000	00356/00424	\$217.00	Howard Derrick A Et Al Tho	78 Haynes St	22-012 N -D -012 N -024.01- -000	00377/00250	\$133.00
Drinkard Henry PEtux Deanna	125 Leach Rd	08-107 - -107 -048.00- -000	00226/00087	\$216.00	Howard Derrick Antwon	Jackson St	22-012 M -G -012 M -019.00- -000	00381/00933	\$17.00
Ford Marvin C	314 Oak St	22-012 M -C -012 M -012.00- -000	00323/00070	\$870.00	Howard Derrick Et Ux Tiffa	23 Caldwell St	22-012 M -G -012 M -020.00- -000	00377/00124	\$32.00
French Robert T	40 Field St	22-012 F-G-012 F-006.00- -000	00293/00656	\$186.00	Howard Jermaine	20 Caldwell St	22-012 M -G -012 M -003.00- -000	00355/00329	\$20.00
Galinsuga Rogelio	893 Excalibur Trl	06-154 - -154 -008.18- -000	00400/00332	\$56.00	Howard Thomas Jermaine	Haynes St	22-012 N -D -012 N -023.00- -000	00377/00248	\$79.00
Garrett Nell	Harts Mill Rd	21-079 J-B -079 J-011.01- -000	00335/00925	\$10.00	Howard Thomas Jermaine Et	66 Haynes St	22-012 N -D -012 N -024.00- -000	00384/00691	\$16.00
Goodrum Justin	145 Old 22 Ln	11-062 - -062 -072.00- -000	00343/00350	\$563.00	Jermaine Howard Jr-King Ho				
Graham Lindsey	1065 Mann Rd	10-007 - -007 -019.03- -000	00309/00753	\$678.00	Hunley Harold Douglas Jr Et Al John Keith Adams	5717 Cole St	04-002 O -B -002 O-006.00- -000	00374/00540	\$129.00
Gulledge Robert F Etux Mary Louise	S6 Cheryl St	22-012 M -H -012 -002.00- -000	00307/00857	\$282.00	Johnson Juanita R				
Gullett Clyde Allen Etal Debra Kay Gullett Cra	5795 Main St	02-077 C -D -058 N -031.00- -000	00379/00734	\$244.00	C/O Bobby Sneed	56 Pate Aly	04-012 L -D -012 L -021.00- -000	00214/00258	\$95.00
Hammer Ophelia Price	95 Park Cr	22-012 N -B -012 N -005.00- -000	00280/00278	\$373.00	Johnsonius J B Dds	14815 Highland Dr	22-016 D -H -016 D -012.00- P -001	00323/00325	\$24.00
HANSBRO JOHN E	150 Melton St	02-058 N -B N N -022.00- -000	00134/00299	\$341.00	Jones Arnita	Booker St	22-012 N -D -012 N -015.00- -000	00318/00641	\$5.00
Hays Lisa Dawn	120 Crooked St	02-077 B -A -058 N -006.00- -000	00333/00024	\$69.00	Luna David J	54 Morris St	22-012 M -J -012 M -020.00- -000	00408/00803	\$35.00
Henderson Bill C	600 Christian Chapel Rd	07-120 - -120 -032.01- -000	00340/00649	\$319.00	Martin Jack	97 Broadway St	04-012 L -F -012 L -004.00- -000	00386/00958	\$160.00
Hernandez Hugo Becerra Et Prudencio Becerra Lopez. An	46 Chestnut Ave	22-012 M -B -012 M -020.00- -000	00403/00783	\$285.00	Masimo Americas Inc	161 Hospital Dr	04-011 - -011 -040.03- P -015	00401/00122	\$6.00
Hernandez Jose R Becora	105 Spruce St	04-012 E -F -012 F -008.00- -000	00399/00701	\$333.00	C/O Ryan, Llc				
Hinson Samantha Jo	190 Pine St	04-012 M -K L L -000	00378/00477	\$59.00	McKenzie Nutrition	16214 Highland Ave	04-011 I -E -011 I -007.00- P -006	00380/00033	\$31.00
Holder George Russell Et Ux Mildred Jane	489 Cotton Ln	11-072- -072 -038.04- -000	00354/00611	\$712.00	McKenzie Station Bar & Gri	5 Broadway St	04-012 L -N -012 L -014.00- P -002	00369/00540	\$53.00
Jordan Dennis N	2352 Buck Ditch Rd	15-093 - -093 -028.00- -000	00302/00402	\$252.00	Morgan James Michael	6 Lee Ave	04-012 L -P -012 -011.00- -000	00398/00833	\$75.00
Jordan Jessica Marie Aka Jessica Foster	230 Hollow Rock Branch Ln	16-065 - -065 -021.00- -000	00372/00823	\$482.00	Old West Steak House	15895 Highland Dr	04-011 1 -E -012 L -018.02 -P -001	00397/00804	\$220.00
Joseph Jesse Et Ux Ashley	496 Cheatham St	16-066 C -D -066 C -017.00- -000	00365/00071	\$265.00	Pate Roanne M	72 Spruce St N	04-012 E -L -012 E -004.00- -000	00318/00194	\$99.00
Koebel Sharon	North St	16-048 - -048 -034.01- -000	00354/00587	\$31.00	Phillips Brian A Et Ux Whi	Elwood Dr	04-011 A -A -002 P -012.02- -000	00396/00748	\$21.00
Koebel Sharon	3192 North St	16-048 - -048 -034.07- -000	00354/00587	\$933.00	Serendipity	15142 Highland Dr	22-016 D -B -016 D -002.01 -P -003	00353/00511	\$11.00
Mccaslin Patrick	13880 Hwy 79	22-016 - -016 -055.00- -000	00346/00936	\$630.00	Sexton Julian L. Et Ux Thelma	118 Hazel Ave	04-001 M -B -001 M -011.00- -000	00159/00342	\$178.00
Mccauley Eric D	Roundhouse Rd	16-047 - -047 -088.00- -000	00299/00209	\$13.00	Steele James Gladstone III	43 West End Ave	04-012 L -A -012 L -006.00- -000	00388/00398	\$221.00
Moclure Delana Brinkley	180 B&g Ln	11-095 - -095 -006.07- -000	00403/00844	\$1,006.00	Steele James Gladstone III	West End Ave	04-012 L -N -012 E -007.00- -000	00388/00398	\$10.00
Mckenzie Mhp Llc	Fields School Rd	09-018 - -018 -028.03- -000	00334/00075	\$39.00	T-N-T Bbq	436 Elm St	04-012 F -F -012 F -003.02 -P -003	00387/00488	\$3.00
Mcmullen-Richman Deborah	419 Snap Bean Ln	06-154 - -154 -008.04- -000	00336/00436	\$84.00	Thompson Regina Brooks	134 Everett St	22-012 N -A -012 N -004.00- -000	00399/00740	\$89.00
Etvir Jeff Richman					Thompson Regina Brooks	151 Mcdonald Ave	22-012 N -D -012 N -019.01- -000	00396/00445	\$95.00
Mendoza Jose Carmen	237 Elm St	22-012 K -B -012 K -034.01- -000	00323/00751	\$133.00	Tiny Tots Daycare	299 Walnut Ave E	22-012 L -L -012 L -004.00- P -001	00227/00381	\$26.00
Moody Jonathan Lee Et Ux Jamie Kathryn	Shoreline Dr	07-120 - -120 -018.22- -000	00400/00409	\$631.00	Townes UL. C/O	Stonewall St	22-012 N -C -012 N -024.00- -000	00169/00208	\$2.00
Orr Michael Craig Et Al Cameron Mitchell Orr	745 Concord Rd	24-117 - -117 -004.02- -000	00363/00022	\$154.00	Jessie Townes				
Orr Michael Craig Et Al Cameron Mitchell Orr	172 Concord Rd	24-118 - -118 -018.01- -000	00363/00022	\$186.00	Walker Mildred	37 Florida Ave	04-012 E -L -012 E -015.00- -000	00394/00720	\$68.00
Owen Teresa	390 Clear Lake Rd	04-011 - -011 -031.01- -000	00304/00525	\$202.00	Chappel Frankie Et Al	5025 Green Allen	15-093 - -093 -005.00- -000	00250/00591	\$215.00
Pace John	Kee St	16-065 - -065 -023.00- -000	00328/00640	\$130.00	Maggie C Mumford	Springs R			
Pearson Wylie J Etux Martha J	235 Hwy 219	23-064 - -064 -009.01- -00							

Property Transfers

Eddie D. and Raquel S. Hixson to Diamond Jr. Col-lins in District 4.

Charles Frederick and Teresa K. Thomas to Krista Nicole Thomas Nored, as trustee, in District 11.

Rita Gail Kelley to Rita Gail Kelley. No District listed.

James G. Johnson to Jenifer Monica Kernahan in District 16.

Walter D. Shymkiw to Brooke Spivey and Corey Dale Burress in District 4.

David L. Yarbrough Sr. to Cheryl R. Yarbrough. No District listed.

Wendy Julie Concepcion to Juan Ruben Concepcion Lopez. No District listed.

Robyn Marie Halter, as trustee to RM Trust dated March 14, 2025, in District 7.

Meredith Kelley Surber and others to A & W Man-agement LLC in District 11.

Kevin M. Smothers and others to Edward D. and Raquel S. Hixson in Dis-trict 4.

Meredith Kelley Surber and others to A & W Man-agement LLC in District 11.

Meredith Kelley Surber and others to A & W Man-agement LLC. No District listed.

Teresa Scates Tidwell to David Barrett Hensley in District 19.

Opal Hays to Wyatt M. Hays and others. No Dis-trict listed.

Opal Hays to Wyatt M. Hays in District 1.

Robyn and Fred Halter to Douglas and Teri Picard in District 23.

Joanie Blankenship and others to Justin David and Hope Ashley Coffman Thompson in District 6.

Jason and Brenda Griffin to Austin Wright in District 15.

Ricky Lewis Price Jr. to Ricky Lewis Price Jr. and

others in District 22.

Rocky Top Land, LLC to Delta Land Investments, LLC. No District listed.

Charlotte Ann aka Char-lotte A. Foster Rayburn to Lecrishia Ann Brinkley and others in District 17.

Tyler L. Murphy to Kevin P. Wilson in District 9.

Town of Trezevant, Ten-nessee, to Steven Reid. No District listed.

Steven Reid to Jeffrey Wayne Baugh in District 2.

Scott Lee and Pamela Todd Bennett to Elmer

Abel Sorto Machuca in District 7.

Dustin J. and Jodi A. Hertz to Daniel Brock in District 1.

Anthony C. Newman to Tracy Jo Foster and others in District 5.

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to Bryan M. Merrick in Dis-trict 4.

Gloria G. Graves to Bran-don Douglas Hilliard in District 2.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: **2026PA6**

ESTATE OF: **MARY EDNA SCATES**, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the **16TH** day of **JANUARY, 2026** Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **MARY EDNA SCATES** deceased, who died **NOVEM-BER 18TH, 2025**, were issued to the undersigned by the Chan-cery Court Clerk & Master of Carroll County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required by law to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor re-ceived an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received a copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1) (A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

All persons indebted to the above Estate must come forward and make proper settlement with the undersigned at once.

This 16TH day of JANUARY, 2026.
THIS NOTICE WILL RUN TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.

FILE CLAIMS IN TRIPLICATE WITH:
KENNETH TODD - CLERK & MASTER
99 Court Square, Suite 105, Huntingdon, TN 38344

MELANIE S. HERNDON, Executor/Administrator
BEAU E. PEMBERTON, Attorney
KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

A561/R26999/4-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: **2026PE4**

ESTATE OF: **DENNIS M. COLEMAN**, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the **15TH** day of **JANUARY, 2026** Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **DENNIS M. COLEMAN** deceased, who died **JULY 5TH, 2025**, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Clerk & Master of Carroll County, Tennessee. All persons, resi-dent and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required by law to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor re-ceived an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received a copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1) (A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

All persons indebted to the above Estate must come forward and make proper settlement with the undersigned at once.

This 15TH day of JANUARY, 2026.
THIS NOTICE WILL RUN TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.

FILE CLAIMS IN TRIPLICATE WITH:
KENNETH TODD - CLERK & MASTER
99 Court Square, Suite 105, Huntingdon, TN 38344

DOUGLAS B. COLEMAN, Executor/Administrator
STEVEN L. WEST, Attorney
KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

A561/R27000/4-2

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: **2026PA8**

ESTATE OF: **IAN GRAYSON OWNBY**, LATE OF CARROLL COUN-TY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the **20TH** day of **JANUARY, 2026** Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **IAN GRAYSON OWNBY**, deceased, who died **DECEM-BER 20TH, 2025**, were issued to the undersigned by the Chan-cery Court Clerk & Master of Carroll County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required by law to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor re-ceived an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received a copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1) (A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

All persons indebted to the above Estate must come forward and make proper settlement with the undersigned at once.

This 20TH day of JANUARY, 2026.
THIS NOTICE WILL RUN TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.

FILE CLAIMS IN TRIPLICATE WITH:
KENNETH TODD - CLERK & MASTER
99 Court Square, Suite 105, Huntingdon, TN 38344

JENNIFER OWNBY, Executor/Administrator
LAURA A. KEETON, Attorney
KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

A561/R27018/4-2

CARROLL COUNTY DELINQUENT TAXES NOTICE					CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8				
Owner	Property Address	Parcel	Deed Book/Page	Total Tax Due For Parcel	Owner	Property Address	Parcel	Deed Book/Page	Total Tax Due For Parcel
Yoder Jesaias Etux Ida	Hwy 77	11-063 --063 -046.00- -000	00404/00978	\$109.00	Moore Jarrett	Spring Creek Rd	01-175 - -175 -023.01- -000	00399/00232	\$1,268.00
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Above Left, Lady Rebel Molly French drains one of her three three-pointers. French had eleven points. Above Right, Rebel Cole Brown fires one of his three threes. Brown scored 18 points. Below Left, Lady Rocket Addison Milam is wide open for one of her three three-pointers. Milam led Clarksburg with nine points. Below Right, Rocket Weston Vestal gets inside for two points. Vestal led Clarksburg with 23 points. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



Lady Rebels, Rockets Claim District Wins

BY BRAD SAM
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MCKENZIE (January 20) — McKenzie High School hosted Clarksburg Tuesday for a pair of district basketball contests. The Lady Rebels stormed out to an early lead and cruised to an 88-32 win. The boys' contest saw momentum swings and lead changes throughout, but the Rockets finished strong for a 78-71 victory.

McKenzie Lady Rebels 88, Clarksburg Lady Rockets 32

McKenzie jumped out to a 30-7 lead after the opening frame, led by Jaycee Stafford with seven points. Braylin Auvenshine scored six on a pair of three-pointers. Molly French and Addyson Littleton each scored five, both with a three-pointer. Madeline Gottshall had five points, and Ava Hastings hit a three. Addison Milam hit a three for Clarksburg, and Cari Glosson and Carlie Swinford each had a pair.

The Lady Rebels had a 22-17 edge in the second quarter, led by Stafford with eleven points. French scored six on a pair of threes, Littleton also hit a three, and Gottshall added a pair. Glosson, Brooklyn Laws and Natalie Scott each scored four for the Lady Rockets. Milam hit another three, and MaKenna Bolen had a pair. At the half, the Lady Rebels led 52-24.

McKenzie had a 26-6 advantage in the third, led by Stafford with 16, includ-

ing a trio of three-pointers. Littleton scored eight, and Gottshall added a pair. Milam and Swinford each hit a three for Clarksburg. Entering the final frame, McKenzie led 78-30.

The Lady Rebels closed the win with a 10-2 tilt in a quick fourth, led by Al-leigh Britt with five points, including a three-pointer. Zayda Scates also hit a three, and Aurora Johnson had a pair. Lady Rocket Star Dixon had a pair.

Lady Rebel Jaycee Stafford led all scorers with 34 points, including a trio of threes. Addyson Littleton scored 16 with a pair of threes, and Molly French had eleven points with a trio of three-pointers.

Addison Milam led Clarksburg with nine points on a trio of threes.

Rockets 78, Rebels 71

The first frame was a 12-12 wash. Cole Brown led McKenzie with seven points, including a three-pointer. Nolan Fawcett also hit a three, and Avery Brown had a pair. Trae Cobb led Clarksburg with six points on a pair of threes. Reagan Halter, Garrett Bartholomew and Gabriel Derryberry each had a pair.

The Rockets had a 22-20 edge in the second quarter, led by Weston Vestal with eight points. Derryberry and Clay Glosson each scored four, and Cobb and Jake Miller each hit a three. A. Brown led the Rebels

with 13 points. C. Brown hit another three, and Cayden Ownby and Kason Brown each had a pair. At the half, the Rockets led 34-32.

Clarksburg had a 22-17 advantage in the third, led by Vestal with eleven points, including a three. Glosson scored six, Cobb had three points, and Miller added a pair. A. Brown scored four for McKenzie. Fawcett and Eli Vinson each hit a three-pointer, and C. Brown also had three points. Ownby and K. Brown each added a pair. Heading into the final frame, the Rockets led 56-49.

McKenzie rallied down the stretch and the game went back-and-forth, but Clarksburg had the momentum at the end and the fourth was a 22-22 wash. Cobb led the Rockets with eleven, including a pair of threes. Vestal scored six, Kannon Hampton hit a three, and Glosson added a pair. A. Brown scored ten for the Rebels, including a pair of threes. C. Brown had five points with a three, Fawcett hit a three-pointer, and Vinson and K. Brown each added a pair.

Rebel Avery Brown led all scorers with 29 points, including a pair of threes. Cole Brown had 18 with a trio of threes.

Weston Vestal led Clarksburg with 23 points, including a three. Trae Cobb scored 23 with five three-pointers. Clay Glosson had 12 points.



Lady Rebel Jaycee Stafford is all smiles as she learns, along with her teammates during a timeout, that she had just scored her 1,000th point. Photo by Davarion Gilbert/The Banner

McKenzie's Jaycee Stafford Reaches 1,000-Point Milestone

Sophomore Hits Mark Fastest in School History

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ATWOOD (January 22) — Early in the fourth quarter of McKenzie High School's win Thursday at West Carroll, Lady Rebel sophomore Jaycee Stafford hit a pair of free throws to bring her career total to 1,000 points.

Head Coach Dru Emerson immediately called a timeout to inform Jaycee and her teammates of the milestone, which the West Carroll PA announcer also announced to the crowd.

After the game, Stafford spoke to The Banner about the accomplishment.

She said she knew she was approaching the mark, but those in the know kept her wondering. "I asked my mom before the Clarksburg game [two nights earlier] and she wouldn't tell me. I asked Dad and he said I was about 60 points away. So I knew I needed a high-scoring night for both nights."

She said about the moment and sharing it with her team, "It definitely feels surreal. This gym holds memories for me, I reached my 500 here. It's a feeling of accomplishment. I'm never satisfied, obviously, I'm always going for more, but it's a feeling of accomplishment knowing that my hard work and my teammates' hard work can pay off into something big like that."

Stafford is the fastest player to reach 1,000 points in MHS history, hitting the mark in 48 games. She is outpacing Anna (Trull) Riggins, McKenzie's all-time leading scorer, who



Lady Rebel Jaycee Stafford scores her 1,000th point on the second of two free throws during Thursday's win. Photo by Davarion Gilbert/The Banner

reached the century mark in 56 games en route to 2,154 points before she graduated in 2007.

The only other McKenzie player to surpass 2,000 points is Savannah Davis (2024) with 2,040.

Davis' 646-point senior effort set the single-season record, which was previ-

ously held by Trull (633 in 2004-5).

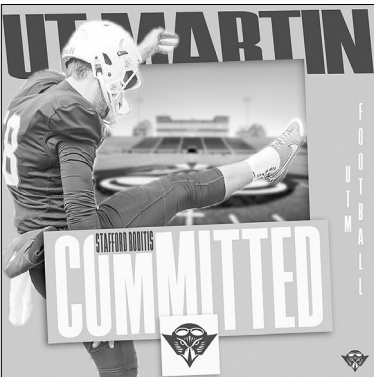
Stafford scored 619 points in her freshman season.

Clearly on track to break the career record, Stafford said, "I can get there for sure. Hopefully, if I stay healthy, no injuries. That's the plan, just to go as high as I can."

Asked about the pressure of being the centerpiece of the team, she said, "Definitely last year, with all of the injuries, the pressure fell a little bit heavier on me. But I feel like this year, especially in the summer, everyone put in the work, everyone developed. [Injured players] came back healthy, and that's definitely played a part in our team this year."

The Lady Rebels made a statement in their district two weeks ago with a road win over McEwen. Stafford said, "Everyone's been locked in right now. Everyone's staying after practice taking extra shots. I feel like we just kinda take it one game at a time. We pre-game in the locker room together, listening to music. Everyone is locked in on just going game-by-game and getting win-by-win. Especially in the district, we know that we can compete with anyone now. We know that people can't overlook us, and I feel like that plays into how we're playing every game. We're coming out and competing and putting up high numbers."

The team's next big test comes Friday as McEwen comes to McKenzie seeking to avenge the home loss.



Left, Former Rebel Stafford Roditis has transferred to the University of Tennessee at Martin. Right, Former Rebel Marquez Taylor has transferred to the University of Western Georgia. Submitted photos

Former Rebels Taylor, Roditis Make Moves During College Transfer Portal

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Former McKenzie High School football standouts Marquez Taylor and Stafford Roditis will continue their college careers with new teams following moves during the recent transfer portal.

Marquez and Stafford are the sons of Spiros and Sandi Roditis.

Marquez, a running back, graduated from MHS in 2023 and attended Austin Peay State University (APSU) in Clarksville for one semester as a redshirt for the Governors. The team's coach, Scotty Walden, departed for the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP), and Marquez was among those to follow.

During four semesters at UTEP, Marquez was redshirted for one football season and exhausted one season of eligibility with the Miners.

Over the winter break, Marquez considered several options and made the decision to join the Wolves of the University of Western Georgia (UWG) in Carrollton, Georgia (yes, in Carroll County).

Marquez was recruited and recommended by Kade Glenn, a coach for UWG who had been on the coaching staffs of both APSU and UTEP while Marquez was on the roster.

The Wolves compete in the NCAA's Division I Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) in the United Athletic Conference (UAC). Marquez is a Physical Education major planning to teach and coach after college.

Stafford, a kicker and punter, graduated from McKenzie a year later in 2024 and attended Bethel University for three semesters. He was redshirted one football season and played in another.

He also spent the recent winter break contemplating his next move and is now enrolled at the University of Tennessee at Martin.

He was recruited by special teams coordinator TJ Jefferson and will play for the Skyhawks this fall.

The Skyhawks compete in the NCAA's Division I Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) in the Ohio Valley Conference (OVC).

A math major at Bethel, Stafford is now pursuing a career as a biomedical engineer.

Sandi told The Banner that both young men are excited about their new schools and teams.

Sandi and Spiros are also thrilled. Though Carrollton is a six-hour drive, El Paso was three times that at 18 hours. And though Martin is technically farther than their two-block walk to Bethel, Stafford had considered schools much farther.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Mustangs, Fillies, Bulldogs Ranked in Latest Poll

NASHVILLE (January 26) — The Tennessee Sports Writers Association and USA Today Network announced the second week of basketball rankings for the 2025-26 season on Monday. Several area teams are ranked in the top ten of their classification, including both teams from

Huntingdon and the Gleason Bulldogs.

In Boys Class 1A, Eagleville (16-0) holds the top spot for the second straight week. Gleason (17-3) holds steady at Number 7.

In Boys Class 2A, Chattanooga Prep (8-10) is Number 1. Huntingdon (13-3) sits at Number 4, up three

spots from last week.

In Girls Class 2A, York Institute (18-3) stays in the top spot. Huntingdon (18-3) is at Number 4, up one spot and sandwiched between Number 3 Westview (16-3, steady) and Number 5 Gibson County (18-6, up a spot).

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL



Above Left, War Eagle Trey Williamson goes strong to the basket for two points. Williamson had five points. Above Right, War Eagle Skyler Wilhite fires a corner three. Wilhite scored 15 points on five three-pointers. Below Left, Lady War Eagle Hailey Mitchell gets inside for two points. Mitchell led West Carroll with eleven points. Below Right, Lady War Eagle Chloe Rimmer fires a three. Rimmer scored ten points. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



Dresden Sweeps West Carroll

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DRESDEN (January 23) — Dresden High School hosted West Carroll Friday for a pair of basketball contests. The Lady Lions took an early lead en route to a 52-35 win. The War Eagles had an edge at the half, but the Lions took control in the third for a 67-45 victory.

Dresden Lady Lions 52, West Carroll Lady War Eagles 35

The Lady Lions jumped out to a 14-2 lead after the opening frame, led by Elizabeth Jarred with six points on a pair of three-pointers. Jacie West and Molly Robinson each hit a three, and Gracie Adams had a pair. Aubrey Hammett scored West Carroll's two points.

Dresden doubled up West Carroll 12-6 in the second quarter, led by West with six points on a pair of threes. Jarred, Caroline Stephenson and Irah Cianfarani each had a pair. Lady War Eagle Hailey Mitchell hit a three-pointer, Chloe Rimmer had a pair, and Taylor Robinson hit a free throw. At the half, Dresden led 26-8.

The Lady Lions had a 16-14 edge in the third, led by M. Robinson with seven points, including a three. West, Cianfarani, Jentri Mangiarcinia and Marissa Owens each had a pair,

and Adams hit a freebie. Mitchell led West Carroll with four points. Rimmer and Abbi O'Bryan each hit a three, and Hammett and T. Robinson each added a pair. Entering the final frame, Dresden led 42-22.

The Lady War Eagles had a 13-10 advantage in the fourth, led by Rimmer with five points, including a three-pointer. Mitchell scored four, and Marissa Mueller and Gracelyn Vernon each had a pair. Cianfarani led Dresden with four points. Stephenson hit a three, West added a pair, and Rylee Cousins hit a free throw.

Lady Lion Jacie West led all scorers with 13 points, including a trio of threes. Molly Robinson scored ten with a pair of three-pointers.

Hailey Mitchell led West Carroll with eleven points, including a three. Chloe Rimmer scored ten with a pair of threes.

Lions 67, War Eagles 45

Dresden had a 17-10 lead after the first frame, led by Landon Floyd with five points, including a three-pointer. Connor Floyd scored four. Athan Spaulding and Ayden Flora each hit a three, and JD Seaton had a pair. Demarion Gilbert led West Carroll with six points, including a three. Mason Taylor scored four points.

The War Eagles stormed back 18-9 to take the lead

in the second quarter, led by Skyler Wilhite with 12 points on four three-pointers. Taylor, Trey Williamson and Chandler Rimmer each had a pair. L. Floyd scored five for the Lions with a three. C. Floyd and Landon Cantrell each had a pair. At the half, West Carroll led 28-26.

The Lions bounced back with a 22-6 advantage in the third, led by C. Floyd with eleven points, including a trio of threes. Spaulding scored six on a pair of threes, and Flora had five points with a three. Williamson, Taylor and Rimmer each added a pair for West Carroll. Heading into the final frame, Dresden led 48-34.

Dresden sealed the win with a 19-11 tilt in the fourth, led by Flora with six points. Cantrell scored four. Grey Forrester hit a three, and C. Floyd also scored three points. Jacob Durham had a pair, and Spaulding hit a freebie. Gilbert led West Carroll with six points. Wilhite hit a three, and Williamson and Isaiah Snyder each hit a free throw.

Lion Connor Floyd led all scorers with 20 points, including a trio of threes. Ayden Flora scored 14 with a pair of threes.

Skyler Wilhite led West Carroll with 15 points on five three-pointers. Demarion Gilbert scored 12 with a three.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL



Above Left, Lady Rebel Addyson Littleton goes strong to the basket. Littleton scored ten points. Above Right, Rebel Cayden Ownby finds a lane for two points. Ownby scored four points. Below Left, War Eagle Bryler O'Neal takes an off-balance shot in the paint. O'Neal scored 13 points. Below Right, Lady War Eagle Chloe Rimmer gets inside for two points. Rimmer scored five points. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



McKenzie Sweeps West Carroll

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ATWOOD (January 22) — West Carroll High School hosted McKenzie Thursday for a pair of basketball contests. The opener was close for three quarters, but the Lady Rebels pulled away in the fourth for a 61-37 win. After a tight first half, the Rebels had the momentum in the third, but had to hold off a fervent War Eagle rally in the fourth to claim a 59-53 victory.

Early in the girls' fourth quarter, McKenzie sophomore Jaycee Stafford hit two free throws to bring her career points total to 1,000 (see separate story).

McKenzie Lady Rebels 61, West Carroll War Eagles 37

The Lady Rebels had a 16-12 edge after the opening frame, led by Jaycee Stafford with nine points, including a three-pointer. Ava Hastings and Addyson Littleton each hit a three, and Madeline Gottshall hit a free throw. Chloe Rimmer scored five for West Carroll. Abbi O'Bryan hit a three, and Aubrey Hammett and Hailey Mitchell each had a pair.

McKenzie built on the lead with a 13-6 advantage in the second quarter, led by Stafford with eight points, including a pair of threes. Molly French also hit a three, and Gracie Aird had a pair. Mitchell hit a three for the Lady War Eagles, and Hammett also scored three points. At the half, the Lady Rebels led 29-18.

West Carroll rallied 16-12 to close the gap in the third, led by Mitchell with ten points, including a pair of threes. Hammett also hit a three. Taylor Robinson had a pair, and Marissa Mueller hit a free throw. Stafford scored five for McKenzie. French and Littleton each hit a three, and Aird hit a freebie. Entering the final frame, McKenzie led 41-34.

The Lady Rebels pulled away with a 20-3 tilt in the fourth, led by Stafford with eight, including a three. Littleton scored four points with a three-pointer. French hit another three, and Hastings also scored three points. Alleigh Britt had a pair. Mitchell had a pair for West Carroll, and Mueller hit a freebie.

Lady Rebel Jaycee Stafford led all scorers with 30 points, including four three-pointers. Addyson Littleton scored ten points with a trio of threes, and Molly French had nine on a trio of threes.

Hailey Mitchell led the Lady War Eagles with 17 points, including a trio of three-pointers. Aubrey Hammett scored eight with a three.

Rebels 59, War Eagles 53

West Carroll had a 13-12 edge after the first frame, led by Bryler O'Neal with five points, including a three-pointer. Demarion Gilbert scored four, and Isaiah Snyder and Mason Taylor each had a pair. Avery Brown scored five for McKenzie, including a three. Nolan Fawcett had four points, Cole Brown had

a pair, and Eli Vinson hit a free throw.

The Rebels took the lead with a 12-10 advantage in the second quarter, led by Fawcett with five points, including a three. Vinson also hit a three-pointer, and C. Brown had four points. War Eagle Skyler Wilhite scored four points, and Taylor and O'Neal each had three points. At the half, the Rebels led 24-23.

McKenzie doubled up West Carroll 22-11 in the third, led by A. Brown with seven points. Vinson scored five with a three. C. Brown and Cooper Davidson each had four points, and Ethan Bradberry had a pair. Wilhite scored five for West Carroll with a three-pointer. Gilbert also hit a three, O'Neal added a pair, and Chandler Rimmer hit a free throw. Heading into the final frame, the Rebels led 46-34.

A War Eagle rally in the fourth came up short at 19-13, led by Gilbert with six points, including a three-pointer. Snyder scored five with a three. O'Neal and Wilhite each hit a three, and Rimmer added a pair. C. Brown scored nine for McKenzie with a three, and Cayden Ownby had four points.

Rebel Cole Brown led all scorers with 19 points, including a three-pointer. Avery Brown scored 12 with a three.

War Eagles Demarion Gilbert and Bryler O'Neal each scored 13, both with a pair of threes. Skyler Wilhite had 12 points, also with a pair of three-pointers.

West Carroll Spotlights Students of the Week

WEST CARROLL (January 23) — The West Carroll Special School District announced its newest round of students of the week from its primary, elementary and junior/senior high schools. The three students — Finleigh Wildridge, Jemma Hanks and Maddison Janda — were each nominated for their kindness and willingness to help in the classroom.

First-grade student Finleigh Wildridge is West Carroll Primary School's student of the week, nominated by Ms. Cindy.

"Finleigh models WCP Eagle expectations," said Ms. Cindy. "She listens and pays attention to details. She is a great helper. Often in class, she helps model the correct way to play a game or execute a skill because she focuses on instructions. She is kind and has the sweetest



(L to R) Finleigh Wildridge, Jemma Hanks and Maddison Janda.

smile."

Sixth-grade student Jemma Hanks is West Carroll Elementary School's student of the week, nominated by Ms. Shanna.

"Jemma is kind and caring towards others," said Ms. Shanna. "She excels in the classroom and always tries her best. Her determination to do the right thing is outstanding."

Eleventh-grade student



Maddison Janda is West Carroll Jr/Sr High School's student of the week, nominated by Ms. Sonya.

"Maddison is kind, thoughtful and works hard to do her best. Maddison shows motivation in completing any task or assignment given to her completely and on time. She shows kindness to everyone she meets and goes out of her way to assist anyone needing assistance.



I consider it a privilege and a blessing to have Maddison as one of my students," said Ms. Sonya.

The West Carroll Special School District also recognized West Carroll Primary School special education teacher Christal Marie Reed as teacher of the week.

West Carroll honors three students and one educator each week for their efforts in the classrooms.

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A non-mandatory walk thru will be at the location on January 29, 1 p.m. Bid packages and requirements will be able to be picked up at Barger Construction, 23134 Hwy 22N, Yuma, TN 38390 or by email at lisat@bargerconstructionco.com by January 21.

Any questions contact Lisa at 731-535-3374 ext 4.

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Thank you for sending all the wonderful photos. Our only regret is that we don't have enough room for all of them. We decided to publish without the photo captions in order to get the most photos published. Additional photos will be posted online with the Winter Storm Fern story from page 1. Thank you again. — The Banner

