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Bethel Students, Faculty to Work Super Bowl LVII

McKENZIE — Six Bethel University students and two faculty members will travel to Glendale, Arizona to work Super Bowl LVII. This is the fourth consecutive year Bethel's sports management program has earned the honor of



BETHEL SPORTS MANAGEMENT (L to R): Tim Wilson, assistant professor of sports management; Hayden Thoman from Qulin, Missouri; Mak- enya Graskin from Atwood, Tenn.; Nicklaus Romero from Coldspring, Texas; and Dr. Josh Greer, associate professor of sports management.

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HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



Carroll County Habitat for Humanity

"Helping Families"

Ms. Schaccara Weatherford and her children — Zhayvareion (13), Jamair (10), Nazier (7), Jacaden (8) and Malaya (4) break ground for their new home at the intersection of Randle and Magnolia Street. Andrew Stokes of Habitat cheers them on.

Groundbreaking Ceremony Held for New Habitat House

BY JOEL WASHBURN
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McKENZIE (February 5) — A symbolic groundbreaking ceremony was held Sunday, February 5 to mark the beginning of a new Habitat for Humanity home in Carroll County.

Schaccara Weatherford and her family are the newest partner family to be privileged to have a new, comfortable, modern, affordable and safe home.

Habitat for Humanity is not a handout but rather a hand up for its partner families. The organization provides affordable housing for families, who pay their own mortgage and provide other 'sweat' equity to Habitat for Humanity.

This is the first Habitat build since 2019 - prior to the pandemic.

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Dana Deem of the Municipal Technical Advisory Service, was invited to address Mayor Ryan Griffin and members of the McKenzie Council concerning good policies and state laws regarding their operations. In the background is Councilman Charles Pruneau.

McKenzie Officials Learn About Open Meetings Law

BY JOEL WASHBURN
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McKENZIE (February 2) — McKenzie Mayor Dana Deem and council members Bobby Young, Carol Arm- priest, Tom Alexander and Charles Pruneau were in attendance to hear Dana Deem, consultant with the Municipal Technical Advisory Service speak about laws that affect the operations of public business, operating a meeting according to Robert's Rule of

Order, and otherwise good policy for public officials.

Deem told members they cannot deliberate toward decisions while meeting in private. He encouraged them to listen to their constituents, not to form an opinion quickly, and then vote as they choose in a meeting. Discussion and deliberation should be in a public meeting, said Deem.

Small cities have a fish bowl effect,

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Carroll Chamber Capitol Talk Dates

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce is hosting its annual series of Capitol Talks on the following dates:

February 10, 2023 — State Senator John Stevens.

March 10, 2023 — State Representative Tandy Darby.

April 14, 2023 — State Representative Brock Martin.

Each Capitol Talk takes place at the Carroll County Civic Center at 8 a.m.

Anyone planning to attend needs to contact the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce at (731) 986-4664 to RSVP. There is no admission fee.

CARROLL COUNTY Commission To Discuss Several Budget Amendments

The Carroll County Commission meets Monday, February 13 to discuss the following items on the agenda: amend the General Fund Budget for grants received for Carroll County Prevention Coalition in the amount of \$26,000; amend the General Fund Budget for grants received for Carroll County Sheriffs Office in the amount of \$107,706 for an "Evidence-Based Programming Project" through the Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs; amend the Highway Fund Budget for Capital Outlay Note Series 2022 in the amount of \$268,000 for two gravel trucks; amend the General Fund Budget for the grants coordinator position in the amount of \$18,897 fiscal year of 2022-23; appoint Braden Maddox to the Carroll County Library Board; and appoint Steve Parker to the Carroll-Henry County Railroad Authority.

The Commission will hear a presentation from Lori Dillahunty concerning the Carroll County Inclusion Park to be located in Huntingdon. There will be an announcement about the volunteer firefighter equipment and training grant award.

The Commission meets at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Carroll County Office Complex.

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Winter Storm Mara Freezes West Tennessee

MCKENZIE (January 31) — The first week of February blew in with a chill as Winter Storm Mara covered West Tennessee with ice and snow. Mara’s ice unfolded in multiple rounds beginning on January 30 and ending by midday on February 3. Carroll County schools were closed Tuesday through Thursday and reopened Friday, February 3. The Banner asked Facebook followers to submit photos of the ice and snow in their area. Thank you to all who submitted photos for this edition.



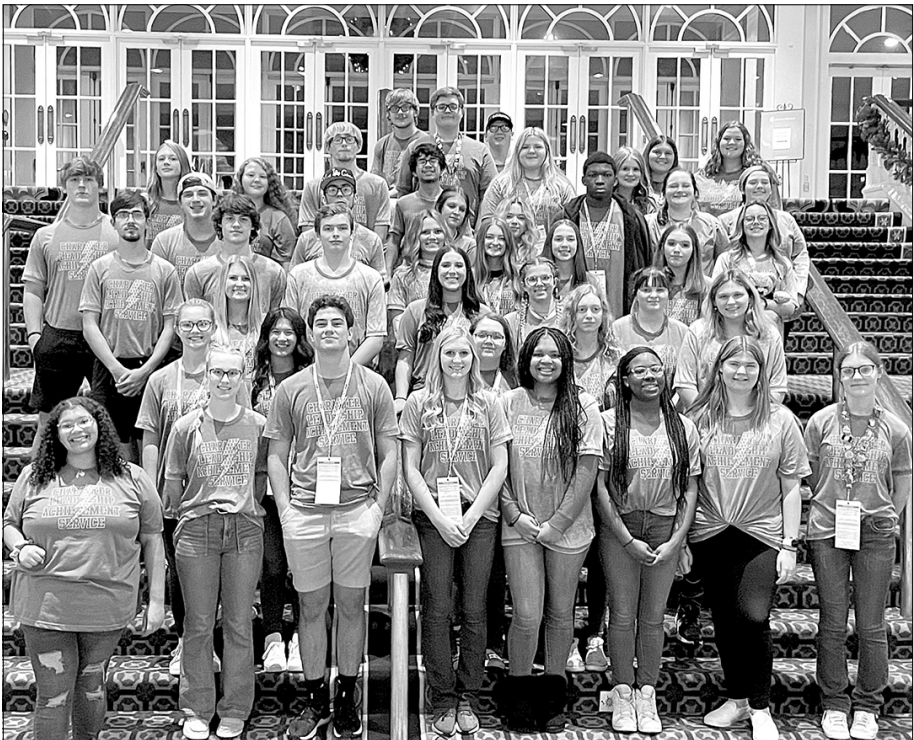
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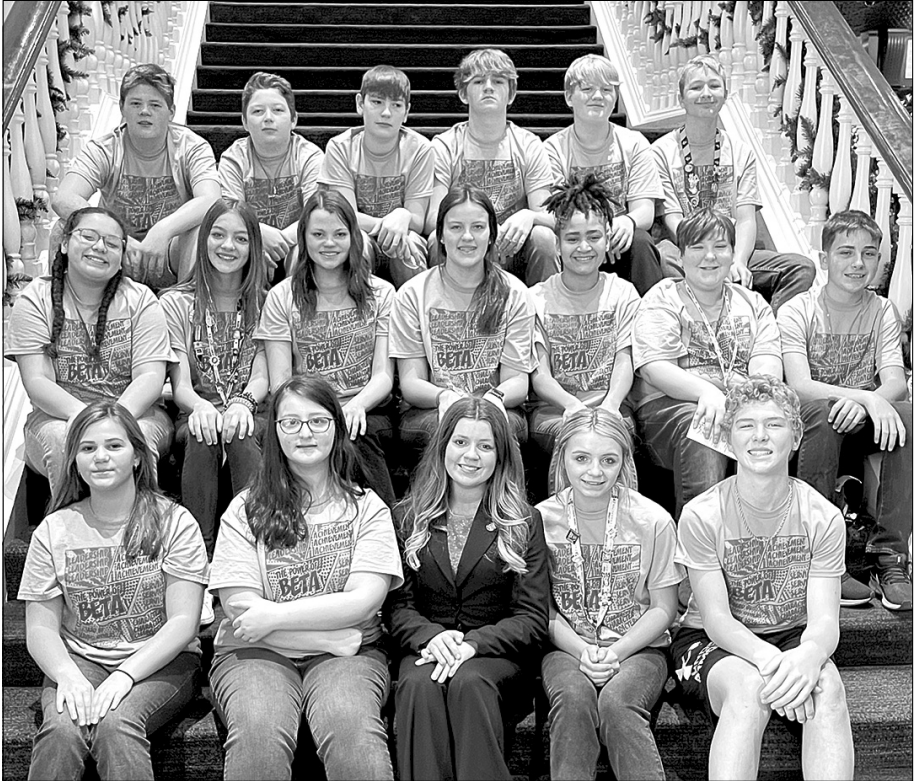
working the championship sporting event, and Bethel is one of only two schools from the state attending. Josh Greer, associate professor of sports management, and Tim Wilson, assistant professor of sports management, will be accompanying the students on this experiential learning experience. “While we were developing this program, I knew we needed to invest in our students. These hands-on experiences and networking opportunities help our students find jobs in the field af-

ter graduation,” said Greer. The students will work in a variety of jobs throughout the weekend leading up to game day on Feb. 12 to learn what it takes to put together such a large scale sporting event. Hayden Thomas, senior sports management major from Qulin, Missouri, states that no matter what area of the event they may be working, there will be many opportunities to network with professionals in the field. “You never know who you could be talking to at these events... one may be your future boss,” Thomas said. Other students attending the event include Nicklaus Romero, from Coldspring, Texas, and Makenya Graskin, from Atwood. Both

state they are specifically excited to learn more about the background of sports networking and prepare for their futures in the career field. “It’s fascinating to understand the background of the bigger teams and how much really goes into it,” said Romero. In 2022, Bethel’s sports management program worked 16 different sporting events across the country. Greer and Wilson plan to continue building the program and finding new, exciting experiential learning opportunities for their students. For more information about the sports management program, contact Greer at greerj@bethelu.edu or 731-352-6313.



Above, Senior Beta Convention Award Recipients. Below, Junior Beta Convention Award Recipients.



West Carroll Special School District Beta Club, Beta Members Place in State Competition

The West Carroll Junior/Senior High School Beta Club members competed in various academic, individual, and team competitions during the 2022 Tennessee State Beta Convention held on November 22. Aubrey Hammett was elected Tennessee State Beta Secretary and will begin her service in June 2023. She will also represent the Volunteer State at the National Beta Convention at Louisville, Kentucky seeking the office of National Beta Secretary. Additionally, the following students placed in the Top Five and will showcase their talents at national level this summer.

Junior Beta Convention Awards

Two Dimensional Design, Second place. Three Dimensional Design, Third place. Service Learning, Second place. Marketing and Communications, State Champion including Zac Fowler, Ava Pinson, Harlan Hames, Taylor Robinson and Jack Robinson. Woodworking, Sawyer Jackson, Fifth place. Club Trading Pin, Jack Robinson, State Champion. Campaign Skit, Second place. Engineering, Second



Aubrey Hammett was elected Tennessee State Beta Secretary.

place including Zac Fowler, Jack Robinson, Sawyer Jackson, Gunner Martin and Jace Hammett. Quiz Bowl, Fourth place including Jonah Mims, Zac Fowler, Jace Hammett and Sawyer Jackson. Technology, Fourth place including Jonah Mims, Brayden Arnold, Caleb Vermillion, Ava Martinez, Zach Griggs and Wade Keymon. Premier performer, Taytum Jenkins, Vocalist and will perform a special performance as vocalist during the National Convention.

Senior Beta Convention Awards

Academics, Ninth grade Agriscience, third place, Chandler Rimmer; Tenth grade Agriscience, third place, Hannah Beth Fowler. Ninth Grade Bio Med Champion, Hannah Pinson. Speech Champion, Olivia Arnold. Visual Arts, Champion Mixed Media, Hannah Fowler. Champion Woodworking, London Hudgins. Third Place Fiber Arts, Hannah Pinson. Champion Quilling, Mac-ey Mitchell. Fifth place Recyclable Art, Hayden Weaver. Third place Colored Photo, Chloe Pinson. Champion 3-D Design. Champion Service Learning. Champion Apparel Design. Champion Freshman Problem Solving. Second place Marketing and Communications, Hannah Fowler, Hannah Pinson, Seth Edwards, Mac-ey Mitchell and Morgan Reynolds. Third place Quiz Bowl, Joe Vermillion, Kennedy Hillsman, Peyton Baum and Olivia Arnold.

Law

...From Front Page

said Deem, who once served as McKenzie’s city recorder, a position now held by Jennifer Waldrup. City Council members should be informed so as not to be surprised when a citizen speaks of something going on in the city. The Council cannot meet in private, except in a lawyer-client privilege concerning litigation. All governmental meetings shall be open to the public. That in-

cludes advisory committees. The MTAS website is filled with lots of information and training, said Deem, who represents several cities through MTAS. He encouraged them to contact him with any questions concerning municipal business. Deem also encouraged the mayor and board to hold a strategic planning session - possibly over two days. The first day could be to hear from the department supervisors and the second is to develop long-range plans and a SWOT analysis - Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats. He suggested it would be a

good time to set goals. Deem said he can write the strategic plan once the Mayor and Council agree on the goals for the city. Deem reminded the new members that some decisions in the city are unpopular, such as necessary tax increases. He noted the Ford Blue Oval Project in Stanton will have a churn effect throughout the region. The higher wages there will force local municipalities to pay more to retain valued associates. Deem also cautioned the public officials from responding to criticism on social media.

House

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It is located at the intersection of Magnolia and Randle streets at the Carroll/Weakley county line. It is dedicated to the memory of the late Dr. Jerry Atkins, a McKenzie native, who served as a family physician in Huntingdon for

decades. His wife, Paula Atkins was in attendance and she was the driving force to the founding of Habitat in Carroll County. Andrew Stokes, chairman of Habitat, thanked everyone for coming to the groundbreaking. Hunter Jones led the group in scripture and prayer, and then Ms. Weatherford and her children — Zhayvareion (13), Jamair (10), Nazier (7), Jacaden (8) and Malaya (4) broke

ground for the house. It is 1,248 square feet and has four bedrooms and 1.5 baths. A building ‘blitz’ day will occur soon and volunteers are needed to help construct the home. Habitat for Humanity is an independent, charitable faith-based housing program dedicated to the elimination of poverty housing by building homes in partnership with deserving families.

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Customers Concerned About Undelivered Newspapers

A recent spate of undelivered newspapers through the United States Postal Service (USPS) is concerning to the McKenzie Banner staff. Each Tuesday, The Banner deposits the subscribers' newspapers in the U.S. Mail for delivery to subscribers' mailboxes. USPS does a great job of delivery. That's why this newspaper has utilized the mail service for delivery for at least 100 years. However, we are concerned about a very small percentage of newspapers that fail to be delivered. Most of the non-delivered newspapers are more than 20 miles from McKenzie.

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of The Banner. That is an added-value service. The newest online edition is available each Tuesday at 4 p.m. The Banner also sends an email at 4 p.m. alerting subscribers of 10 headlines of stories in the new issue. Additionally, the website, www.mckenziebanner.com, includes past issues of the newspaper for retrieval.

Every print subscriber has access to the online edition by simply contacting The Banner, providing an email address and a postal mailing address.

Since every subscriber has the possibility of online access, The Banner staff cannot send a duplicate print issues in the case a print edition does not arrive in the mail.

HUNKER DOWN WITH KES Mom Way Smarter Than Arrow Boy

Red and white are not my favorite colors. And that personal preference, in some kind of off-handed, backwards, subliminal way, may have a direct connection to Valentine's Day. I have never been on friendly terms with the little half-dressed chubby guy who comes out every February waving his bow and arrows around.

Our problem can be traced back to Millicent Blackburn's front porch over on Magnolia Avenue. We were in junior high. I'm thinking the year was 1960. I walked her home on a Valentine Sunday night after church. Millicent kissed me right on the mouth. Before I could recover, she kissed me again.

I floated to my house thinking it was true love for sure, and checking to see if I had any arrows sticking out of my heart. Life was good. Like it was supposed to be! I had found the one! This was going to last a lifetime. We were going to grow old together.

My last thought before I went to sleep was, "I've got to buy her a box of chocolates!"

I sprinted to school the next day. Millicent wasn't in our first period English class. I musta been a better kisser than I thought! But I got a bit worried when she also didn't make it to science class. Pam Collins told me at lunch that Millicent had moved back to Memphis...

I went home heartbroken, lost, lonely, adrift, confused, befuddled and wondering if this was the way your teenage years were supposed to be.

along Sugar Creek. My future grandparents and a houseful of "gonna be" aunts and uncles were living large and loving each other dearly. But there was not a poorer family in the whole county! If Dad was serious, he sure didn't take his own advice!

But I understood his meaning. It took me four Valentine Days later to find Mary Hadley Hayden. She looked great. She liked baseball. She would listen to country music if you insisted. And her daddy, in fact, owned a bank. And a sawmill! And he had hundreds of acres, most of it along the Tennessee River.

Life, love, and Ecclesiastes were finally working out for me.

Until Millicent Blackburn came back to spend the summer with her grandmother....

Somehow, somehow (To this day I still blame it on the little guy with the bow and arrows) "Porchgate" became the topic of our teenage world. Talk about a mountain out of a molehill! But Mary Hadley moved on faster than "Maybelline" in her Coupe Deville. Millicent went back to Memphis.

I didn't get the bank, sawmill or one acre on the river. And I was too old to cry on Mom's shoulder. But you can bet your last dollar I was seeing a little red...

My college years were spent at the University of the South, an all-boys school located on a high mountain in the Cumberland Plateau. Girls were scarcer than hens' teeth. Arrow boy couldn't even find this place!

But once a year, at Valentine's, the valley girls from Winchester, Huntland, Estill Springs and Decherd would crawl out of the woodwork and gather up around the university's Thompson Student Union. I would shine myself up and walk over there.

I walked because I didn't have a car. And, as I'm sure you have figured out by now, my Father didn't own a bank.

Not one girl noticed me. Ever! I walked into the student union like the "Invisible Man!" Every girl was out by the small parking lot checking out who was driving up in a Jaguar, Porsche, Aston Martin...

You know that "thing" about finding a girl that was blessed by a rich and prosperous family and marrying her as quick as you could—I have come to realize that gate swings both ways...

Respectfully,
Kes

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Weekly 150

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Sam Houston Tennessee and Texas Legend

One of the more intriguing individuals from Tennessee history has a more significant impact on Texas history. Sam Houston, who became the first President of Texas, was originally from Virginia and found a foothold in politics within the State of Tennessee. He would go on to be the only person to serve as governor of two separate states.

Houston was the son of a planter family in Rockbridge County, Virginia, born on March 2, 1793, to Samuel Houston and Elizabeth Paxton. He was the fifth of nine children. The family moved to Maryville, Tennessee after his father's death in 1806. There the family purchased over 400 acres and opened a store. At the age of 16, Houston developed a love for frontier life and soon left home to live with the Cherokee.

While living amongst the Cherokee, he assimilated with the group under the tutelage of Oo-Loo-Te-Ka or John Jolly (a name used by white society). The Cherokee leader taught Houston the language and ways of his people. Houston was given the Cherokee name "Colonneh," the Raven. He left the tribe to return to Maryville in 1812, and he was hired at age 19 for a term as the schoolmaster of a one-room schoolhouse. He attended Porter Academy, where he was taught by Rev. Isaac L. Anderson (founder of Maryville College).

After a year, Houston was tired of the mundane life of a school teacher and wanted adventure. In 1813, he enlisted in the United States Army. The country was engulfed in the War of 1812 against the British. By the end of the year, Houston was promoted to third lieutenant in the 39th Infantry Regiment. Eventually, the 39th Infantry would be under the command of General Andrew Jackson.

Houston was severely wounded and nearly died at the Battle of Horseshoe Bend against Red Sticks and the Creek Indians. After convalescing back in Maryville, he was able to retain his officer's commission. Some time in early 1817, Sam Houston was assigned to a clerical position in Nashville, serving under the adjutant general for the army's Southern Division. Later in the year, Jackson appointed Houston as a sub-agent to handle the removal of the Cherokee from East Tennessee.

In 1818, following a falling out with the Secretary of War John C. Calhoun, Houston resigned his commission but continued working as a liaison between the Cherokee and United States governments. After leaving government service, Houston began an apprenticeship with Judge James Trimble in Nashville. He quickly won admission to the state bar and opened a legal practice in Lebanon, Tennessee. With the aid of Governor Joseph McMinn, Houston won the election as the district attorney for Nashville in 1819. He was also appointed as a major general of the Tennessee militia.

With heavy support from Jackson and his machine, Houston won a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives (1823 and 1825), using his position to champion his mentor's bid for the presidency. After serving a second term, with Jackson's support, he successfully ran for governor in 1827.

According to Sam Houston researcher John Hoyt Williams, "at age forty-one Governor Sam Houston stood on the brink of a national career, but his own character flaws undermined his chances. Over the years Houston had acquired a legendary drinking problem; public drunkenness virtu-

ally became his trademark and caused growing concern among his admirers. While campaigning for a second gubernatorial term, Houston married Eliza Allen of Gallatin after a scandalously brief courtship. When this daughter of an old, politically powerful Tennessee family left him after less than eighty days, Houston's future in the state became bleak."

It was rumored during the breakup that Allen loved another man or that some physical problem prevented the marriage from being consummated. Either way, Houston left Tennessee and Allen refused to grant him a divorce. He would rejoin the Cherokee in what was known as the Arkansas Territory (Oklahoma). Houston went on to marry Tiana Rogers, a member of the Cherokee nation, and sister to John Jolly. The marriage did not last and was not recognized by the United States as Houston was still married to Allen.

Back among the Cherokee, Houston was made a member of the group. With his ties to Jackson and the federal government, the trip requested his help in mediating disputes and communicating their needs to the Jackson administration. It took only a few years before Houston found himself embroiled in controversy.

When Houston returned to Washington in 1832, Congressman William Stanbery alleged that Houston had placed a fraudulent bid in 1830 in collusion with the Jackson administration. On April 13, 1832, after Stanbery refused to answer Houston's letters regarding the incident, Houston beat Stanbery with a cane. After the beating, the House of Representatives brought Houston to trial. By a vote of 106 to 89, the House convicted Houston, and Speaker of the House Andrew Stevenson formally reprimanded Houston. A federal court also required Houston to pay \$500 in damages.

In mid-1832, Houston was convinced by friends to move to the Mexican territory of Texas. The area was a hotbed for unrest as many of the Anglo-American settlers were unhappy with the Mexican government. Shortly after moving into the Texas Territory, Mexico granted the former Tennessee governor land.

Houston was elected to represent Nacogdoches, Texas at the Convention of 1833, which was called to petition Mexico for statehood (at the time, Texas was part of the state of Coahuila y Tejas). Houston strongly supported statehood, and he chaired a committee that drew a proposed state constitution. The petition failed and soon Antonio López de Santa Anna assumed the presidency over Mexico. This led to the imprisonment of Stephen F. Austin who led the petition for statehood.

In October 1835, the Texas Revolution broke out with the Battle of Gonzales, a skirmish between Texan forces and the Mexican Army. After the battle, Houston was elected to the Consultation, a congregation of Texas leaders. Houston and the other delegates demanded Texas statehood and the restoration of the 1824 Constitution of Mexico. The Consultation appointed Houston as a major general, the highest-ranking officer of the Texian Army.

The following year, at the Convention of 1836, the Republic of Texas declared independence from Mexico and appointed Houston, Commander-in-Chief of the Texas Army. After drafting the declaration, Houston received a request for assistance from William B. Travis, who commanded Texian forces under siege by Santa Anna at the Alamo. The convention con-

Sam Houston served as governor of Tennessee and Texas along with other political positions and posts in the government. Portrait by Matthew Brady

firmed Houston's command of the Texian Army and dispatched him to lead a relief force to Travis. The Alamo fell before Houston could organize his forces at Gonzales, Texas.

With an insufficient number of troops to battle Santa Anna, Houston retreated east. He informed his troops that they constituted "the only army in Texas now present ... There are but a few of us, and if we are beaten, the fate of Texas is sealed." Santa Anna's force of about 1,350 soldiers trapped Houston's force of 783 men in a marsh; rather than pressing the attack, Santa Anna ordered his soldiers to make camp.

On April 21, 1836, Houston ordered an attack on the Mexican army, beginning the Battle of San Jacinto. The Texans quickly routed Santa Anna's force, though Houston's horse was shot out from under him and his ankle was shattered by a stray bullet. In the aftermath of the Battle of San Jacinto, a detachment of Texans captured Santa Anna. Santa Anna was forced to sign the Treaty of Velasco, granting Texas its independence. Houston stayed briefly for negotiations, then returned to the United States for treatment of his ankle wound.

Houston, highly regarded as a revolutionary hero, was elected president of the Republic of Texas. He took office on October 22, 1836. The people of Texas desired to be annexed into the United States. Once in office, Houston sought normalized relations with Mexico and arranged the release of Santa Anna. President Andrew Jackson refused to push for the annexation of Texas but granted Texas diplomatic recognition.

The Texas constitution barred presidents from seeking a second term. He was succeeded by Mirabeau B. Lamar, who, along with David Burnet, led a faction of Texas politicians opposed to Houston. Lamar's administration removed many of Houston's appointees and established a new capital at Austin. The Texas government also battled against the Cherokee.

Houston returned to the public sector opening a legal practice and co-founded a land company with the intent of developing the town of Sabine City. In 1839, he was elected to represent San Augustine County in the Texas House of Representatives.

The following year married Margaret Lea of Marion, Alabama, with whom he had eight children. Three years prior, Houston was granted a divorce in Texas. Margaret acted as a tempering influence on her much older husband and convinced him to stop drinking. By 1854, Margaret had spent 14 years trying to convert Houston to the Baptist church. With the assistance of George Washington Baines, she convinced Houston to convert, and he agreed to adult baptism.

In the election of 1841, Houston defeated Burnet to reclaim the presidency of Texas. Again he pushed for annexation by the United States but faced harsh opposition from John Tyler's administration along with pushback from Martin

Van Buren and Henry Clay. With the election of James K. Polk, Texas annexation was imminent. Tyler used Polk's victory to convince Congress to approve of the annexation of Texas. A Texas convention approved the annexation in July 1845.

In February 1846, the Texas legislature elected Houston and Thomas Jefferson Rusk as Texas's two inaugural U.S. senators. He served until 1858, making a name for himself as a strong Unionist, a promoter of the transcontinental railroad, and a critic of the army. In 1859, he made a successful bid for governor of Texas defeating incumbent Hardin Richard Runnels. While serving as governor he was one of the top presidential contenders of the Constitutional Union Party. He did not receive the nomination but worked tirelessly trying to prevent Texas from seceding from the Union. Houston campaigned across his home state, calling on Texans to resist those who advocated for secession if Republican nominee Abraham Lincoln won the 1860 election.

In 1861, he said, "Let me tell you what is coming. After the sacrifice of countless millions of treasure and hundreds of thousands of lives, you may win Southern independence if God be not against you, but I doubt it. I tell you that, while I believe with you in the doctrine of states' rights, the North is determined to preserve this Union. They are not a fiery, impulsive people as you are, for they live in colder climates. But when they begin to move in a given direction, they move with the steady momentum and perseverance of a mighty avalanche; and what I fear is, they will overwhelm the South."

A Texas political convention voted to secede from the United States on February 1, 1861, and Houston proclaimed that Texas was once again an independent republic, but he refused to recognize that same convention's authority to join Texas to the Confederacy. After Houston refused to swear an oath of loyalty to the Confederacy, the legislature declared the governorship vacant. Houston did not recognize the validity of his removal, but he did not attempt to use force to remain in office, and he refused aid from the federal government to prevent his removal. His successor, Edward Clark, was sworn in on March 18.

After leaving office, Houston returned to his home in Galveston and later settled in Huntsville, Texas. He died on July 26, 1863, at 70 years of age.



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Obituaries

SALLY HOUSE BRANON 1944 — 2023

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for Sally House Branon were Saturday, January 28, 2023, at 11 a.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. The family received friends on Friday, January 27, 2023, and Saturday morning, 9:30 a.m. until service time. Interment was at Mt Olivet Cemetery McKenzie, Brother Dennis Trull was the officiant and pallbearers were Dillon York, Conor Morgan, Brandon Bookout, Luke Sadler, Zack Sadler, Jess Dill, Collin Pruett and Blake Davis.

Mrs. Branon, 78, died Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at Henry Co. Medical Center. She was a member of First Baptist Church McKenzie, a retired dairy farmer and homemaker. She was born in McKenzie on September 28, 1944, to I.D. and Sara Everett House.

She is survived by her husband, Phil Branon of McKenzie, four daughters, Kathy Sadler of McKenzie, Kim Morgan of Franklin, Audrea (Kenny) Vaughn of McKenzie and Jan (Eric) Wright of Mt. Juliet, a brother, Dee House of Dresden and nine grandchildren, Cara (Collin) Pruett, Katie (Jess) Dill, Luke Sadler, Zack Sadler, Conor (Jackie) Morgan, Kaylee (Blake) Davis, Brandon (Ashlyn) Bookout, Brittany Leight and Dillon York and one great-grandson, Kingston Jones.

She is preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Anne Todd.

In lieu of flowers please send memorials to a charity of your choice or to Young Life, Le Bonheur Children's Hospital Chattanooga or

COPD Foundation. Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. If you need assistance please call 731-352-4848 or visit our website at brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com. +

WILLIE MAE SCOTT 1934 — 2023

CLARKSBURG — Mrs. Willie Mae Scott, 88, of Clarksburg, Tennessee, died Monday, January 30, 2023, at the Life Care Center in Bruceton.

Funeral services were Thursday, February 2, 2023, in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Philip Halter officiating. Interment followed in Sellers Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Scott was born August 8, 1934, in Huntingdon, Tennessee, to the late Jessie and Florence (Douglas) Pendergrass. She was a homemaker and a member of Clarksburg Baptist Church.

Other than her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, James P. Scott, two sisters, Brooksie McDaniel, Nita Lovell, two brothers, Adron Pendergrass, and Cecil Pendergrass.

She is survived by one daughter, Wanda Morris (Ryan), one son, Ricky Scott (Carol), and one sister, Joyce Altom (Tommy), all of Clarksburg. She also leaves four grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Chase Funeral Home.

JAMES R. WATSON, JR. 1945 — 2023

GLEASON — A memorial service for James R. Watson Jr., 77, of Eva, Tenn., was Sunday, February 5, 2023, at the New Valley Venue in Gleason, Tenn.

He was born May 22, 1945, and died January 25, 2023.

Mr. Watson is survived by his daughter, Deana (Tim) Braatz of Bonita Springs, FL. He is also survived by seven siblings - Brenda (Joe) Hampton of Camden, Tenn., Lloyd (Nancy) Bell of Newbern, Tenn., Gary (Pat) Bell of Eva, Tenn., Cil Weddington, Floyd (Beverly) Bell, Eddie Bell, and Tommy (Janie) Bell, all of Gleason, Tenn.

Mr. Watson leaves behind two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents, James Watson Sr. and Mavis Bell, and three sisters, June Bynum, Barbara and Dorothy Summers. Williams Funeral Home of Gleason, Tenn.

LILLIAN HALL CARSON 1947 — 2023

MCKENZIE — A memorial service for Lillian Hall Carson is Friday, February 10, 2023, at 6 p.m. The family will receive friends on Friday at 4 p.m. until service time. Interment will follow at a later date in Massachusetts.

Mrs. Carson, 75, died at The Waters in McKenzie on Saturday, February 4, 2023. She is a retired school cafeteria worker and assembly worker in Massachusetts before moving to Tennessee. She was born in Laconia, NH, on August 13, 1947, to Ernest and Dorothy May Foss Hall.

She is survived by her daughters, Rose M. (David) Vick of McKenzie and Carol J. (Wally) Williams of McKenzie, sisters, Ernestine (Arnold) Nedeau, Dorothy Hall, Margorie (Paul) Sikora, a brother, Jonathan (Christina) Hall all of NH, six grandchildren, Allen (Callie) R. Vick, Jr., Shawn Vick, Tyler Vick, Shannan Cheney, David Cheney Jr, Alex (Audrey) Williams and

two great-grandsons, Carson and Clayton.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband of 34 years, David A. Carson and her sister, Alberta Constant.

Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home of McKenzie. +

REBECCA SUE TABOR 1965 — 2023

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for Rebecca Sue Tabor were Monday, February 6, 2023, at 6 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Cremation followed services.

Mrs. Tabor, 57, died Wednesday, February 1, 2023, at her residence. She was born in Chicago, Illinois, on April 13, 1965, to James and Shirley Robb Trojan.

She is survived by her husband of 26 years, Ronald Tabor, a daughter, Colleen E. Tabor, four sisters, Debra (Butch) O'Brien, Sharon Lopez, Kimberly (John) Tabor and Trina Trojan, two brothers-in-law, Tom (Pamela) Tabor and Bob Tabor, and three grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, a sister Frances Trojan and a sister-in-law, Maria Tabor.

Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. If you need assistance, please call 731-352-4848 or visit our website at brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com.

LINDA KATE MARTIN 1950 — 2023

BUCHANAN, Tenn. — Services for Linda Kate Martin, 72, of Buchanan were Sunday February 5, 2023, at Tumbling Creek Baptist Church in Gleason, Tenn. Cremation followed services. She was born October

29, 1950, and died February 1, 2023. Mrs. Martin is survived by her husband, Carmen Martin of Buchanan. She is also survived by three children Charles (Lois) Bates of Buchanan, Jimmy (Priscilla) Vallery of Paris, and Kelly Elliott of Bend, Oregon. Mrs. Martin leaves behind a daughter-in-law, Crystal Vallery, thirteen grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, G.W. and Ruby Arnold, three children, Robert Charles Vallery Jr., Douglas Joseph Vallery Sr., and Barbara Ann Vallery, and three siblings, Betty Sisson, Billy Wayne Arnold, and James Ronald Arnold. Williams Funeral Home of Gleason.

PEGGY SEGRAVES ZELNO

BOSTON — Peggy Joyce Segraves Zelno, of Boston, Massachusetts, died on Thursday, February 2 surrounded by her loving children after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born and raised in McKenzie, Tenn., where she made lifelong friendships. She was a 1971 graduate of McKenzie High School and attended Bethel College before earning a degree from the University of Nevada Reno.

Her life's greatest passion was being a loving mom and Granny. She is survived by her children, Benjamin Brian Zelno, Tara Zelno, and Stacey Zelno; grandchildren and jewels of her life, Molly Rae Zelno and Deven Patrick Patel; sisters, Sherry (Lyman) Vancil, Judy (Milton) Hendrickson; sister-in-law, Carol Segraves; and many beloved nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her brother, Gary Segraves; mother, Lorene Segraves; and father, Lester Segraves.

She embraced everyone she met. Her joy, gratitude, and love for life were infectious. Over the course of her life, she was a teacher, flight attendant, and adventurer, embracing the out-of-doors and world travel in equal turn. In retirement, she volunteered at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, providing Reiki healing, loving kindness to anyone in need, and magical comfort to the most fragile infants. She believed deeply in humanity and our ability to love one another. She was a voracious reader and a lifelong student.

The family requests that those who wish to send flowers instead donate in her name to St. Jude's Children's Hospital as she would have wished.

RICHARD RENDA 1946 — 2023

PARIS — Mr. Richard A. Renda, 76, died at his home Friday, February 3, 2023. He is a Korean War Navy veteran. He was born in Elko, Nevada, on October 3, 1946, to the late Guido and Lola Ann Reynolds Renda.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Randa Walker Renda of Paris, a daughter, Dotti (Martin) Owens of Meridian, Idaho, two sons, Justin (Janae) Bekker of Nampa, Idaho and Kevin Bekker of Gresham, Oregon, three sisters Lola Renda (Eugene Perry) of Shelter Cove, California, Judy McCrum of Elly, Nevada and Jean Hampton of Tucson, Arizona and ten grandchildren.

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WHAT'S COOKIN'

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By Teresa Washburn



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Cheddar Cheese Biscuits

2 cup buttermilk baking mix
1/2 cup shredded Cheddar Cheese
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
2/3 cup milk
1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted

Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Combine buttermilk baking mix, milk and shredded cheese with a wooden spoon until soft dough forms. Beat vigorously 30 seconds. Drop dough by heaping tablespoons onto an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 8 to 10 minutes, until golden brown. Combine butter or margarine and garlic powder; brush over warm biscuits before removing from cookie sheet. Serve warm. Makes 10 to 12 biscuits.

No Fail Rolls

2 eggs
1 cup warm water
1/3 cup Crisco oil
3/4 cup sugar
3 1/2 cup plain flour
1 package dry yeast
Add yeast to warm water.

Beat eggs, sugar and oil. Add yeast and water mixture. Beat and add 1 cup flour at a time, mixing well. Let rise until doubled. Punch down and knead dough on a lightly floured board. Cut out rolls. Place in muffin tins. Let rise. Bake at 400 degrees for 20 minutes.

Chili

2 lb ground beef
3 large onions,diced
2 cans kidney beans
1 large can tomatoes
4 tablespoons Chili powder
3 Tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon red wine vinegar
1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
1/2 teaspoon oregano
2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoon cumin
1/4 cup ketchup
2 tablespoons sugar

Monkey's Salad Dressing

1 1/2 cup salad oil
1/2 cup vinegar
6 tablespoon minced parsley

3 tablespoons minced green pepper
1/2 teaspoon red pepper
1 large onion, chopped
1 tablespoon each confectoners sugar and salt
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1 -3oz. package cream cheese
Put first eight ingredients into blender and blend for 1 minute. Break up cream cheese; add to above and blend again. Make at least 1 hour before using. Shake thoroughly. Use on green salad.

Hamburger Soup

1 -46 oz. can V-8 juice, less if desired
Seasoned salt, to taste
Lemon pepper to taste
1 1/2 lb. lean ground chuck
3 stalks celery, sliced thinly
3 cans mixed vegetables, drained (or use frozen mixed vegetables)
3 chicken bouillon cubes
Parsley flakes, to taste
1 tablespoon sugar
1 yellow onion or minced dry onion
Brown ground chuck, onion and celery until vegetables are tender and meat is browned. Pour in the V-8 juice and add the chicken bouillon cubes. Add spices, herbs and sugar. Let this cook together for about 15 minutes, stirring once in a while. Add in vegetables and let it cook on medium heat for 30-45 minutes, stirring occasionally. This makes a lot, but can be made in any quantity you wish.

AAA: TN Gas Prices Fall Nine Cents

Tennessee Moves to 10th Least Expensive Market in the Nation

NASHVILLE (February 6, 2023) — For the first time in five weeks the Tennessee gas price average moved towards less expensive. Over last week gas prices declined nine cents, on average. The Tennessee Gas Price average is now \$3.19 which is 20 cents more expensive than one month ago and nearly six cents more than one year ago.

“We’re starting to see pump prices move lower thanks to a sharp drop in the oil and gasoline futures markets,” said Megan Cooper, spokeswoman, AAA - The Auto Club Group. “Right now, a combination of domestic and global factors are working together to place downward pressure on pump prices. However, keep in mind that the market still remains volatile. This week, barring any big changes in the crude oil market, it’s likely Tennesseans will continue to see pump prices fluctuate lower.”

Quick Facts

- 11% of Tennessee gas stations have prices below \$3.00.
- The lowest 10% of pump prices are \$2.95 for regular unleaded.

- The highest 10% of pump prices are \$3.50 for regular unleaded.
- Tennessee is the 10th least expensive market in the nation.

National Gas Prices

The national average for a gallon of gas barely budged over the past week, drifting lower by three cents to \$3.47. Last week’s decision by OPEC+ to maintain current production levels and not make any cuts led to lower oil prices. But Friday’s blockbuster U.S. report of 517,000 jobs added in January, dropping the unemployment rate to a 54-year low of 3.4%, may have the opposite effect. Are recession fears fading, and could a healthier global economy lead to more demand for oil and higher prices?

According to data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gas demand rose from 8.14 million to 8.49 million b/d last week. Meanwhile, total domestic gasoline stocks increased by 2.6 million bbl to 234.6 million bbl. Despite rising

gas demand, total supply growth has helped limit pump price increases.

Today’s national average of \$3.47 is 18 cents more than a month ago and four cents more than a year ago.

National Oil Market Dynamics

At the close of Friday’s formal trading session, WTI decreased by \$2.49 to settle at \$73.39. Crude prices fell last week amid ongoing market concerns that if a recession occurs this year, crude demand and prices would likely decline. Additionally, crude prices dropped after the EIA reported that total commercial stocks increased by 4.2 million bbl to 452.7 million bbl.

Drivers can find current gas prices along their route using the AAA Trip-Tik Travel planner.

Tennessee Regional Prices

Most expensive metro markets — Memphis (\$3.26), Nashville (\$3.22), Jackson (\$3.20).

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WEST CARROLL
SPECIAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT MEETS
FEBRUARY 9

The West Carroll Special School District Board of Education meets Thursday, February 9, 6:30 p.m., in the West Carroll Junior/Senior High School cafeteria, 760 Highway 77, Atwood.

FREE SPAGHETTI
SUPPER MCKENZIE
CHURCH OF CHRIST
FEBRUARY 9

The McKenzie Church of Christ is hosting a free spaghetti supper at the church on Highland Drive, Thursday evening, February 9, 5-7:30 p.m. or until all the food is gone. Dining-in is available or drive-thru for pick up. The menu consists of spaghetti, bread, dessert and a drink (drink for dining in only). This meal is free to all who are hungry or in need of Christian fellowship. All you have to do is come by. Everyone is welcome. If you have questions, call 731-352-2106 or 731-695-6576.

CARROLL COUNTY
HUMANE SOCIETY
STRAWBERRY SALE

The Carroll County Humane Society is taking orders for delicious Florida strawberries through February 14 for delivery in early March. A flat is \$30 and half flat \$18. Pre-orders can be made by calling 731-358-1019 or in person at 21822 Hwy 22, McKenzie.

ADULT CRAPPIE
FISHING WORKSHOP
FEBRUARY 11

The Tennessee Wildlife Federation is hosting an Adult Crappie Fishing Workshop on Saturday, February 11, at 149 Eastern Shores Drive, Lexington, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The price is \$35 per person and topics include the biology of crappie, tackle

preparation, pairing lures with rods and reels, patterns and locations and technique and strategies for catching crappie. To register go to <https://act.tnwf.org/a/crap-fishing-workshop-lexington-fy23-20230211> or for more information, contact Chris Hearn at chearn@tnwf.org.

FUNDRAISER FOR
MATTHEW JONES
FEBRUARY 11

The Cupid Shuffle 5K/One Mile Fun Run/Tot Trot to benefit Matthew Jones takes place Saturday, February 11, 2023, at McKenzie City Park, 570 Como Street, McKenzie. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the race begins at 8 a.m. Preregistration guarantees a shirt and a mug. Tee shirts and mugs available for sale on site and hot chocolate provided post-race. Matthew has been fighting amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease since January 2021.

CARROLL COUNTY
DEMOCRATIC PARTY
MEETS

The Carroll County Democratic Party meets the third Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. at 12740 Lexington Street, Huntingdon.

WEST TENNESSEE
SARCOIDOSIS
SUPPORT GROUP
MEETS FEBRUARY 18

The West Tennessee Sarcoidosis Support group meets Saturday, February 18, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the Reedy Creek Missionary Baptist Church, 150 Adams Street, McMoresville. Receive health tips and knowledge from guest speaker Chris Blount, Physician's Assistant.

\$25 each and on sale now at the Carroll County Humane Society or by calling 731-358-1019. Raffles, door prizes, silent auction, cash bar (ID required) and complimentary bar snacks available. Poot's BBQ food truck will be there.

HUNTINGDON HIGH
SCHOOL 5K MARCH 5

The Huntingdon High School Track, Field and Cross Country teams are hosting a 5K run on Sunday, March 5. The race begins at 2 p.m. at the Huntingdon Middle School. Entry fee is \$25 and a long sleeve tee shirt is guaranteed if registered by February 17.

For more information email elott@huntingdonschools.net or cezell@huntingdonschools.net.

SMALLTOWN
CRUISERS ANTIQUE
CAR CLUB MEETS
MONTHLY

The Smalltown Cruisers Antique Car Club meets the second Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. at the Hollow Rock Fire station, 21280 Seminary Street, Hollow Rock. The monthly Cruisers begin in April. For more information, contact Jan Ostiguy at 217-304-2606 or email jano1970@att.net.

CARROLL COUNTY
REPUBLICAN PARTY
MEETS

The Carroll County Republican Party meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the court room of the Public Safety building, 12740 Lexington Street, Huntingdon. The reorganization election of executive committee members will take place on February 28.

where individuals can come in and have a meal and a comfortable setting. We encourage friendly conversation, prayers and laughter. If you would like to volunteer to help prepare the meal, serve the meal or help in any way, please call 731-415-9199 and leave a message or email fpeshepherdstable@gmail.com or write PO Box 651, Huntingdon, Tennessee.

MOUNT ZION
UNITED METHODIST
FOOD PANTRY

The United Methodist Church Caring Heart Food Pantry at Mt Zion Church, 120 Mt. Zion Road, Huntingdon has a food distribution the second Saturday of each month, 9 to 11 a.m.

MCKENZIE CITY
COUNCIL MEETS
MONTHLY

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

TAKE OFF POUNDS
SENSIBLY

The McKenzie TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter meets on Mondays at 3 p.m. at the McKenzie Church of Christ gym. Anyone interested in losing weight can join. Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Linda Lawrence at 731-352-7309. If no answer, leave a message.

CARROLL COUNTY
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. There are no meetings in December, February, and July.

ADULT EDUCATION
CLASSES

Huntingdon Location - Adult Education Building, 14155 Paris Street. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Classes are offered for one-on-one instruction on Mondays, 1-4 p.m. and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to NOON. For more information, phone 731-364-5481.

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Portraits of the Four Chaplains (L to R) Alexander Goode, Clark Poling, George Fox and John Washington. Photo Courtesy of U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Huntingdon American Legion to Celebrate Four Chaplains Day

HUNTINGDON (February 3) — Huntingdon American Legion Post 47 is hosting a Four Chaplains Day celebration in memory of the four men that gave their lives on the troop ship USAT Dorchester in 1943. The memorial celebration is Saturday, February 11, 2023 at Carroll County Civic Center, 201 Mustang Drive in Huntingdon, Tenn. The public is invited to attend. For more information, contact Chaplain Wilma Pearson 865-406-9889 or Post 47 Commander Dennis Simpson 731-358-3031.

About Four Chaplains Day

February 3, 2023, is the 80th anniversary of the sinking of the United States Army Transport (USAT) Dorchester and the legendary acts of selflessness by four U.S. Army chaplains who were onboard. Four Chaplains Day was designated by Congress to honor these men for their devotion and sacrifice.

On February 3, 1943, off the coast of Newfoundland, the troop ship USAT Dorchester was sunk by a German submarine, U-223. The Dorchester had left New York less than two weeks earlier as part of a three-ship convoy bound for Greenland. There were about 900 souls onboard, including the four relatively new Army chaplains. Each represented a different faith. Alexander Goode was Jewish, Clark Poling was Baptist, George Fox was Methodist, and John Washington was Catholic.

The torpedo that struck the Dorchester, also knocked out the ship's electrical system. Those on board were left in darkness and many were trapped below deck. As it became obvious that the Dorchester was sinking, panic set in. During those last moments afloat, the four chaplains helped to calm the crew and passengers and organized an orderly evacuation.

Although all hands had been ordered to wear their life jackets at all times due to the possibility of this very scenario, most of the men had discarded them as uncomfortable and most likely unneeded. The chaplains distributed what life jackets were available, but the supply ran out before each man had one. In response, the four chaplains removed their life jackets and gave them to those who didn't have one. Simultaneously, they continued to help disoriented men into available lifeboats. Without flotation devices and no room in any of the now launched lifeboats, the chaplains linked arms, prayed, and sang hymns as the ship slipped beneath the icy North Atlantic water. More than 600 lost their lives that night, including all four chaplains.

On December 19, 1944, each of the four chaplains was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart and the Distinguished Service Cross. In 1988, Congress established February 3 of each year as Four Chaplains Day.

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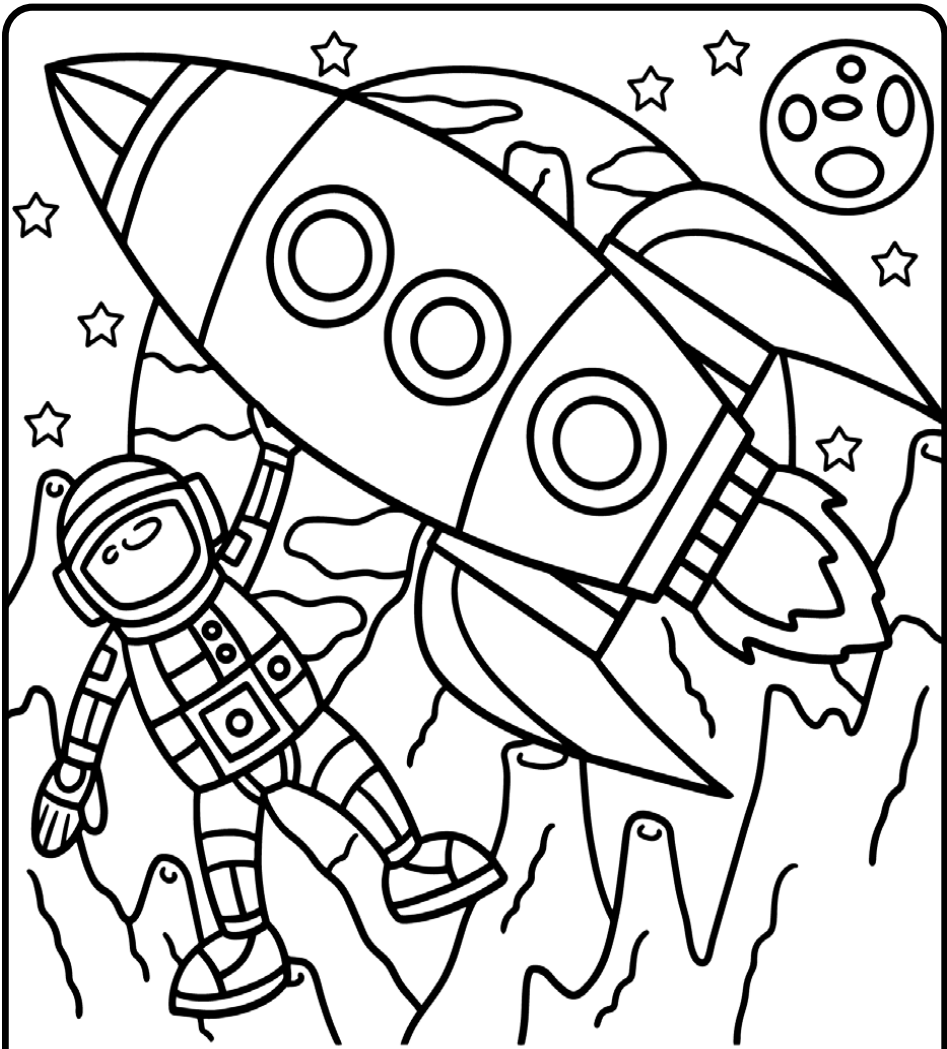
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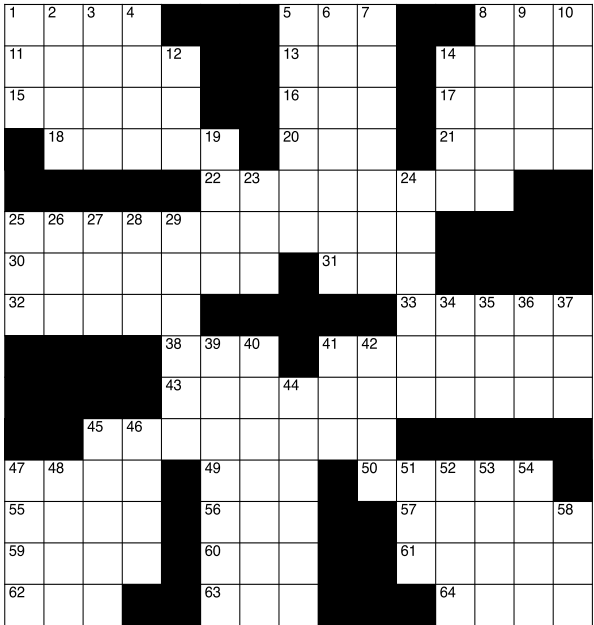
Weekly Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Functions
- 5. Records electric currents associated with contractions of the heart
- 8. Trigonometric function (abbr.)
- 11. Secret political clique
- 13. Type of gibbon
- 14. Nocturnal S. American rodent
- 15. Famed American playwright
- 16. Mesopotamian goddess
- 17. Abba __, Israeli politician
- 18. Long ridge of gravel and sediment
- 20. A place to stay
- 21. Actor Idris
- 22. One who behaves in a rebellious way
- 25. A way to measure movement
- 30. Distinguish oneself
- 31. Type of drug (abbr.)
- 32. Basketball great Baylor
- 33. Masses of salivary matter
- 38. Calls balls and strikes
- 41. Plant that grows along the ground
- 43. A recreational activity in the air
- 45. Consumes too much
- 47. Island nation
- 49. Pistol
- 50. Mixtures of soul and calypso
- 55. Ancient Greek City
- 56. Similar
- 57. Roughly trimmed tree trunk used in a Scottish game
- 59. Semitic fertility god
- 60. Born of
- 61. Frogs, toads, tree toads
- 62. School in the northeast (abbr.)
- 63. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 64. "___ the Man" Musical, baseball player

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Fiddler crabs
- 2. Discount



- 3. Partner to "flows"
- 4. Ethnic group of Laos
- 5. Beloved "Seinfeld" character
- 6. Book of tickets
- 7. The last name of "Hermione"
- 8. Type of TV package
- 9. Helps to heal a cut
- 10. Town in Galilee
- 12. Actor Horsley
- 14. "Hocus Pocus 2" actor Ed
- 19. Bird-loving group (abbr.)
- 23. They respond when someone is sick
- 24. Emerged
- 25. Midway between south and southeast
- 26. Monetary unit of Afghanistan
- 27. Unit of work or energy
- 28. Indicates near
- 29. Famed river
- 34. For each
- 35. News organization
- 36. CNN's founder
- 37. They ___
- 39. Areas off to the side
- 40. Satisfies
- 41. A spare bed
- 42. Legendary singer Diana
- 44. Frothy mass of bubbles
- 45. A kind of sorcery
- 46. River in South Africa
- 47. Philippine Island
- 48. County in China
- 51. S. American plant
- 52. Beverage containers
- 53. Edge
- 54. Protein-rich liquids
- 58. Moved quickly on foot

Week 6

See solution in next week's edition.

Black History Month Word Search

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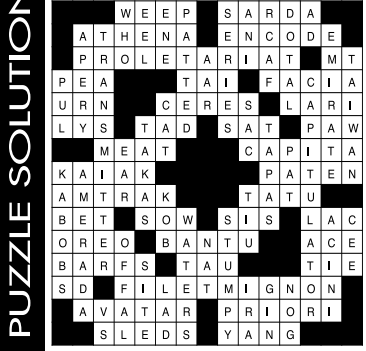
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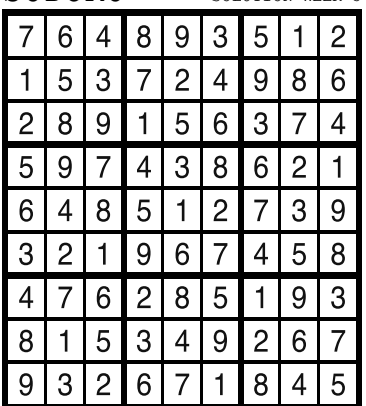
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- 1733: ENGLISHMAN JOHN OGLETHORPE FOUNDED GEORGIA BY SETTLING AT SAVANNAH.
- 1818: CHILE FORMALLY PROCLAIMS ITS INDEPENDENCE FROM SPAIN.
- 1909: THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP) IS FOUNDED.

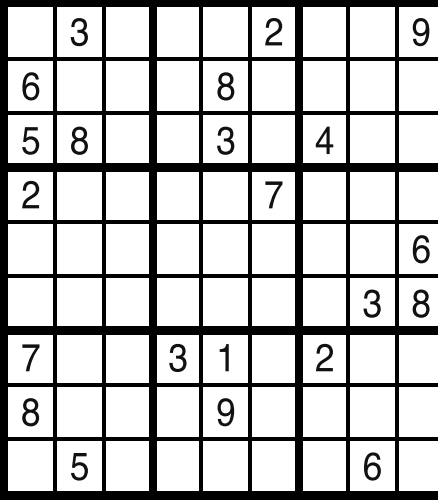
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McKenzie Police Reports

DUI — Myles Bottorff, 41, McKenzie Avenue, McKenzie, was charged with Driving Under the Influence on February 4.

Officer Sean Beck observed an SUV driving down Walnut and witnessed it strike a curb and fail to maintain the lane of traffic. Officer Beck stopped the vehicle driving by Myles Bottorff and smelled alcohol. A field sobriety test was administered and Bottorff was charged with DUI-First Offense with a bond of \$5,000. A blood-alcohol test was administered.

Sale/Delivery of a Controlled Substance, Prohibited Weapon — Dale Maurice Teague, 35, Paris, was charged with Driving on a

Suspended License, Prohibited Weapon, and Sale and Delivery of a Controlled Substance.

Officer Sean Beck initiated a stop of a vehicle after seeing Teague driving. Officer Beck knew Teague had prior driving offenses. During the stop, a set of brass knuckles was located. When the car was towed, an inventory of the vehicle revealed Adderall pills and three unidentified pills, a digital scale, and a residue on the scale that tested positive for meth.

A passenger, Brianna Howard, 32, Forrest Avenue, McKenzie, was charged with Possession of Schedule II drugs, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Domestic Assault — Sean B. Beasley, 22, Stonewall Street, McKenzie, and Jason Nolin, 54, Newsome Street, McKenzie were arrested on charges of Domestic Assault after an incident on January 31.

Officer Austin Jones reported he responded to a Stonewall Street resident at 9:44 a.m. where he witnessed Beasley bear hugging his (Beasley's) ex-girlfriend, tossing her around, and then dropping her to the floor.

A witness said Nolin had also struck Beasley, who had marks consistent with being struck.

Both Beasley and Nolin were arrested on Simple Domestic Assault charges.

Carroll County Sheriff's Department

Felony — Michael Wayne Hilliard, 37, of Bruceton has three active warrants including a felony evading charge, with a bond of \$10,000.

On January 25, a traffic stop was conducted due to a light law violation. After the vehicle took several minutes to come to a complete stop, as the officer approached on foot, the defendant spun tires to flee off from the traffic stop. The officer was engaged in a chase which reached speeds of 90 mph, the defendant finally wrecked on the corner of Green Valley Rd. and Grooms Rd. The driver, later identified as Michael Hilliard, slid off the roadway traveling airborne, before a striking a tree. Hilliard proceeded to flee on foot towards the woods on Highway 70. After several officers searched for several hours in

the woods, they were unable to locate Mr. Hilliard.

Revoked/Suspended License — Justin Spindler, 41, of Huntingdon was charged with Driving on a Revoked/Suspended license.

On January 30, Deputy Sevarns initiated a traffic stop in reference to a vehicle having an "old style" license plate. Dispatch confirmed the driver, Justin Spindler, who had a suspended license due to failure to pay fines out of Clarksburg city court.

Theft — On January 30, James Bonds reported someone stole the registration plates from his black Ford F150. He stated the last time he seen the plate was on 01/28/23. Under investigation at this time.

Vehicle Damage — On January 25, Deputy McGee took a report from victim

Steven Knight. His vehicle had been keyed all the way around and three tires punctured. He stated the vehicle was in his driveway, the estimated damage is \$10,000. Knight stated he was unaware of who could have vandalized the vehicle and that he was new to this area.

Drug Equipment — Nakisha Arlene Milton, 46, of Trezevant was placed under arrest for possess of drug paraphernalia. She was given a bond of \$500.

On January 30, a traffic stop was conducted due to the officers knowledge of the driver, Eric Milton, having an active warrant. He was placed under arrest. The passenger, Nakisha Milton, was found in possession of two glass pipes containing narcotic residue.

Carroll County General Sessions Court

The following cases were heard in the Carroll County General Sessions on February 1.

David Lee Hampton, Hol-lowell Road, Buena Vista, guilty, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange, \$750 fine, 11/29 jail suspended except 24 days, supervised probation; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Joshua Dwayne Hilliard, Cedar Street, Bruceton, guilty, Failure to Appear, \$100 fine, 11/29 jail - suspended except 30 days, supervised probation.

Maurice Lawrence, homeless, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation, six months jail or substitute for a facility that can care for his

needs.

Justin Vansunder, Second Street, Milan, dismissed, Meth-Possession or Casual Exchange; guilty, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia., 11/29 jail-suspended except 26 days already served, restitution to fast food restaurant of \$9.84; supervised probation.

Kevin McMinn, C. Street, Jackson, guilty, probation violation, 30 days jail, supervised probation.

Toni Gail Pearson, Highway 219, Huntingdon, judicial diversion, Driving While Revoked-second offense, 11/29 supervised probation.

Sebastian Rojas, Cherry Avenue, McKenzie, pre-trial diversion, Theft of Merchandise, 11/29 supervised proba-

tion or until costs are paid.

The following cases were dismissed.

Dora Lee Ewald, Paris Street, Huntingdon, dismissed, probation violation.

Brittany Renee Farley, Buck Ditch Road, Huntingdon, dismissed, Speeding, Driver's License - failed to update address.

Dillon Edward Ray Gregory, Main Street, McKenzie, dismissed, Driving While Suspended; dismissed, Assault-Physical; dismissed, Violation of Protective Order.

Stephanie Vazquez, Smith Avenue, McKenzie, dismissed, Speeding, Violation of Financial Responsibility, traffic school ordered.

Huntingdon Police Reports

Multiple Charges — Darrell Williams was charged with Driving Under the Influence and an Open Container.

On January 23, a caller

requested a welfare check on a person asleep in their car for at least two hours in the Taco Bell parking lot. Officers located the vehicle parked sideways and run-

ning, the driver, Darrell Williams was observed having blood shot eyes and slurred speech. Williams performed poorly on the field sobriety test, officers did a probable cause search and located five empty containers of alcoholic beverages and a half full opened one.

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Margaret Owens and others to Ola Graham in district 13.

Jo H. Noel to Dawn Marie Gardner and Jo Helen Noel

in district 11.

Willie Dean Bobbitt to Willie Dean Bobbitt and others in district 22.

Don L. and Alice J. Cook to Christopher Matthew Cook in district 4.

Danny Brandon to Danny Brandon and others in district 24.

Sarah M. Freeman to Bread Capital, LLC in district 4.

Sheila Buchanan Fletcher to Jimmy Ray Daniel in district 10.

Raymond Neil and Troy Hopper to Raymond Neil and Troy Hopper in district 16.

Jimmy James Hugh Cannon to Cherri Cannon in district 11.

Lady Rebels, Rebels Split with Houston County

ERIN (February 3) — McKenzie Lady Rebels (15-7, District 4-1) lost to their district rival Houston County 82-65. It was McKenzie's first district loss of the year.

McKenzie scored 11, 21, 8, and 25 in the respective quarters. Savannah Davis led the team with 21 points including three 3-pointers. Katie Chesser had 17, including five 3-pointers. Kylie Reynolds, a Bethel signee, had 13 points, Briley Auvenshine had 8, including two 3-pointers, and Mikaela Reynolds with 6.

Houston County scored 18, 14, 24, and 26 in the respective quarters. The team was led by Karli Stinson with 27, including six 3-pointers, R'Shante Kizer with 19, including two 3-pointers; Josey Gant with 11, including one 3-pointer; Hailey Brooks with

10, and Kennedy Jones with 9, including a 3-pointer.

Houston County hit 16 and 19 fail shots. McKenzie hit seven of seven.

In the nightcap, the McKenzie Rebels (13-5, District 5-0) prevailed 58-48 over their district competitor, Houston County. The Rebels scored 14, 15, 13, and 16 in the respective quarters. Tate Surber led all scorers with 14, including one 3-pointer; Bryson Steele had 12; Zach Aird, Zay Weber, and Carter Kee each had 10, and Stafford Roditis had 2. They hit 7 of 11 free throws.

Houston County scored 15, 5, 13, and 15 in the respective quarters. The team was led by Kollin Hibbeler with 17, including four 3-pointers, Clayton Mitchell had 10 including two 3-pointers, Logan Medders had seven, Mac Bag-

gett had 5, Carson Conwell had 4, Hagen Honeycutt had 3, and Jed Baggett had 2. The team hit six of 10 foul shots.

2023 Bethel University Baseball Preview

McKENZIE (February 2023) — Coach Rusty Thompson (371-299-3) enters his 16th season as the Wildcat skipper. Coach Thompson and his staff are eager for the 2023 season to unfold. Assistant Coach Nick Thompson enters his 16th season while Lee Whitaker enters his sixth as an assistant.

Coach Thompson said, "We look forward to the upcoming season with a young but experienced roster. The majority of our starters have returned, and most of them are freshmen from last season. We feel we have added some key pieces and depth to our roster that can truly make us a formidable opponent for anyone. We hope to build on our 5th place finish last season and push ourselves to the top of the conference."

Key Players Lost:

Jacob Foster who was injured for most of the season managed to play in 31 games. He had a .305 average and led the team in home runs. Logan Beecham played 40 games and led the team in hit-by-pitches and was second in on-base-percentage with .447 percentage. John Boren started eight games on the mound and pitched 32.2 innings. Thompson stated, "We will miss these guys as they were key members for us on and off the diamond."

Key Returners:

Most of the team returns including seven starting position players and two weekend starters on the mound. Most of the returners got a lot of experience last season in various roles. Thompson commented, "We have a lot of new guys both on the mound and in the field and we feel this will make a big difference for us moving through the season."

Infield:

Thompson spoke about the infield. "At first base we have a large number of guys battling it out for playing time with sophomores Rivers Moffatt and Paden New leading the way with previous experience and good showings last year in various roles. At second base Jose Olmeda, who started last year at third base looks to provide the team with experience and talent on both sides of the ball after starting as a freshman last season. At shortstop Adriel Vega is a freshman who is expected to be the everyday player at the six position. Wyatt McKee is a returning starter from last season who played all over the field. We expect him to play third base this season. He has a solid bat and glove and looks to build off a successful freshman campaign. Noah Foster is a freshman and looks like a player who can help at the hot corner when needed."

Catcher:

Ivan Vega returns after catching the majority of games last season. He was a middle-of-the-order batter with a lot of abilities defensively. Also, Chase Hoover looks to be a very good defensive catcher with a lot of upside at the plate. Thompson commented, "We have a lot of faith in these two young men behind the plate."

Thompson added, "In addition to these guys we feel we have a lot of really good young players who can help this season and be really beneficial as they age here." Joseph Hufstetler (r-freshman) is a lefty bat who can play multiple positions. Zayden McCaslin (Freshman) is a very athletic young man with good speed. Preston Bright (freshman) is a young man who shows a lot of potential with his size and bat. Brantlee Brasher (freshman) has shown us a very good bat who could help us in various roles with his defensive flexibility. Jake McDaniell (freshman) has a lot of upside with the bat.

He has the ability to be a run producer in the near future. Todd Etheridge (freshman) is a lefty hitter who provides the ability to play both middle infield positions."

Outfield:

Coach Thompson shared his thoughts on the outfield. "We return our entire starting outfield along with a couple of pieces who look to push for playing time. Bryan Catala is a junior who started in center last season. He is a plus defender and has grown a lot offensively. Kendrick Osborne is a senior who started at second and right field last season. He's coming off a strong offensive season and looks to build off of it this upcoming season. Justin Morgan is a sophomore who started in left field last season. He was a middle-order batter, who provides us with speed as well. Noah Hawkins is a junior who has played a lot of innings for us in the past and is looking to push for more playing time this season. Aidan Morris is a Senior who can play multiple positions and able to provide some power at the plate."

Pitchers:

Thompson talked about his staff, "We have two returning weekend starters on the mound in Alexis

Rodriguez (sophomore) and Marco Santa (senior). They both have had a lot of success but will have to compete against a number of new arms for weekend innings. We also return David Baer (senior) and Ryan White (sophomore) who should provide us some flexibility along with experienced talent. Tyler Proctor (junior) transferred in last year and red-shirted. The big-armed righty looks to push for one of the weekend spots. New addition Luke Boswell (freshman) is another big arm who looks to push for a weekend starter spot. We also added a couple of junior college transfers that should get a lot of important innings either as starters or relievers. JJ Gray has a lot of ability and is working on getting himself in position to push for a large role either as a starter or reliever. Briar Fischer is another very capable arm who provides us with experience and flexibility. We also have a couple of talented freshman who we believe will help us tremendously in various roles. Lucas Smith and Zach Zimmer have both showed us they have a lot of talent and ready to face adversity in college baseball. We have a lot of confidence in this entire group."

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS CONCERNING ORDINANCES TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF MCKENZIE, TENNESSEE

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-7-203, notice is hereby given of two (2) public hearings that will be held by the McKenzie Board of Mayor and Council on Thursdays, March 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the McKenzie Municipal Center. The hearings are being held in order to receive public input regarding the following proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance of McKenzie, Tennessee:

- 1) AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 4, GENERAL PROVISIONS, OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF MCKENZIE, TENNESSEE BY AMENDING ADDING A NEW SECTION 11-421 "ACCESSORY STRUCTURES & USES;
- 2) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TEXT OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF MCKENZIE, TENNESSEE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 9, PROVISIONS GOVERNING INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS, SECTION 11-902, M-2 (HEAVY INDUSTRIAL) DISTRICTS, NUMBER (1) USES PERMITTED, LETTER (a) BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE FOR GENERAL MERCHANDISE

Full copies of the proposed amendments may be viewed in McKenzie Municipal Center during normal business hours. All interested persons are invited to attend and comment.

Jennifer Waldrup, City Recorder

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **March 1, 2023 on or about 11 a.m.** local time, at the East door, Carroll County Courthouse, Huntingdon, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by ASHLEY SULLIVAN, to David R. Wilson, Trustee, on December 4, 2006, at Record Book 559, Page 329-344 as Instrument No. 118727 in the real property records of Carroll County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, on behalf of the holders of the J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Trust 2007-CH4 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-CH4

The following real estate located in Carroll County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

The land referred to in this policy is situated in the State of TN, County of Carroll, City of Huntingdon and described as follows:
A certain tract or parcel of land in Carroll County, State of Tennessee, described as follows, to-wit:
Lying and being in the Eleventh Civil District of Carroll County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a stake in the East margin of Spring Street, the same being the Southwest corner of the Mallard and Lucas Lot; thence East with South line of said lot 100 feet to a stake; thence South parallel to Spring Street, 220 feet to a stake in the North margin of L&N Railroad, formerly N.C. and St. L. Railroad; thence West with the North margin of the right of way of said railroad, 100 feet to a stake in the East margin of Spring Street; thence North with the East margin of Spring Street 257-1/2 feet to the point of beginning. Being the same parcel conveyed to Ashley Sullivan from Bank One, National Association, as trustee by virtue of a deed dated October 23, 2001 recorded November 9, 2001 in deed book 310 page 809 document no. 85245 in Carroll County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 073E M 00800 000

Current Owner(s) of Property: ASHLEY SULLIVAN

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 144 Spring St, Huntingdon, TN 38344, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: None

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. §67-1-1433.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 23-000001-850-1

Mackie Wolf Zientz & Mann, P.C., Substitute Trustee(s)
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TOWN OF TREZEVANT

INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Trezevant will be accepting sealed bids for an outdoor stage.

Bidder must be insured and licensed.

Sealed bids will be accepted until Tuesday, February 14 at 3 p.m.

Bids will be opened at City Hall on Tuesday, February 14 at 4 p.m.

Any questions or specification requests should be directed to City Hall at (731) 669-4831.

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Above, 2023 Gleason Seniors — Front Row (L to R): Ayden Bennett, Aaron Lawson, Kylan Borneman, Carter Cook and Connor Cook. Back Row (L to R): Raelyn Goad, Kaylee Tucker, Ava Sawyers, Haylee Young, Hannah Watson, Sophie Wilson and Paige Smith. Below Left, Sophie Wilson drives around a Greenfield defender. Below Right, Kylan Borneman has an open shot. *Photos by Erin Douglas/The Banner*



Gleason Trumps Greenfield on Senior Night

BY ERIN DOUGLAS
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GLEASON (February 3) — The Gleason Lady Bulldogs triumphed over the Greenfield Lady Yellow Jackets on Senior Night. The Lady Bulldogs defeat the Lady Jackets 39-37.

Gleason and Greenfield were neck-to-neck in the first quarter. Autumn Mingle chalked up seven points in the first quarter for the Lady Bulldogs. Kaylee Tucker drove to the basket for two points.

The Lady Jackets tied the Lady Bulldogs 9-9 during the first quarter. Emma Grace Alford and Anastyn Vujicic drained a 3-pointer each. Stormie Ricketts chalked up two points. Alford tacked on one more point at the free-throw line.

Greenfield fell behind during the second quarter. Vujicic drained two 3-pointers. Brenley Little and Anna Grace Abernathy drove to the basket for two points each.

The Lady Bulldogs took a 25-19 lead during the second quarter. Sophie Wilson drained a 3-pointer, then had a three-point play in

the paint and chalked up another two points with a shot under the basket. Maya Lamb and Tucker made a 3-pointer. Mingle had two points in the paint. At halftime, Gleason led Greenfield 25-19.

The Lady Bulldogs were held to five points in the third quarter. Mingle drove to the basket for two points, and Tucker drained another three-pointer.

The Lady Jackets had six points in the paint during the third quarter. Alford had four points. Jacie Allen drove to the basket for two points. The Lady Jackets trailed 30-25.

The Lady Jackets chalked up a dozen points in the final quarter. Alford had six points alone. Rayana Fisher had a three-point play in the paint and made her free throw. Vujicic drained another 3-pointer.

The Lady Bulldogs secured their victory at the free-throw line. Mingle drove to the basket for two points, then drained four free throws. Ava Sawyers made two free throws. Wilson tacked on one free throw. The Lady Bulldogs defeated the Lady Jackets 39-37.

Gleason will travel to

South Fulton on Tuesday, Feb. 7. Tip-off is 6 p.m.

Bulldogs Lose to Yellow Jackets

The Greenfield Yellow Jackets defeated the Gleason Bulldogs 59-42. The Yellow Jackets took a 13-9 lead in the first quarter and kept their lead throughout the game.

Matt Scates led Greenfield with 23 points and Barkley Biggs had 19 points for the Jackets.

Brake Lehmkuhl had 16 points for the Bulldogs.

The Yellow Jackets chalked up 13 points in the first quarter. Biggs drained a 3-pointer and two shots from the free-throw line. Scates drove to the basket for two points. Easton Sullivan chalked up 6 points behind the arc.

The Bulldogs scored all their points from behind the 3-point arc. Lehmkuhl drained two shots. Kylan Borneman made one shot.

During the second quarter, Kade Sawyers and Lehmkuhl drove to the basket for two points each. The Bulldogs were held to just those four points.

Biggs had nine points in the second quarter. He drove to the basket for six points, and drained a shot from behind the arc. Scates drained a 3-pointer, then chalked up four points in the paint and made one shot at the free throw line. The Jackets led 30-13 at halftime.

The Bulldogs scored nine points again during the third quarter. Borneman drained two shots behind the arc. Sawyers drained one 3-pointer.

The Jackets added 11 points to their side of the scoreboard during the third quarter. Scates had seven points. Biggs and Sullivan drained one shot at the free throw line. Carson Wills drove to the basket for two points. The Jackets led 41-22.

The Jackets chalked up 18 points in the final quarter. Scates had six points. Caden Sparkman and Biggs had four points each, two in the paint and two from the line. Aiden Jones and Wills had two points each.

The Bulldogs rallied in the final quarter scoring twenty points. Lehmkuhl had eight points. Carter Cook had four points. Ayden Bennett and Tristan Chandler had two points each. Connor Cook drained a 3-pointer. Aaron Lawson tacked on one point at the free throw line. The Bulldogs fell to the Yellow Jackets 59-42.

Gleason will travel to South Fulton High School on Tuesday, Feb. 7 to take on the Red Devils. Tip-off is at the conclusion of the girls' contest.



Front Row (L to R): Tanisha McCreary, Rashad McCreary, Jose Luna and Lisa Luna. Back Row (L to R): Bethel Coach Hunter Scott, Bethel Head Coach Michael Jasper, MHS Coach Wade Comer and Bethel Coach Jay Bright. *Photo by Joel Washburn/The Banner*

McCreary, Luna Sign to Bethel

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MCKENZIE (February 3) — Rashad McCreary and Jose Luna signed their letters of intent to Bethel University and extended their football careers to the collegiate level.

McCreary has been on the gridiron for six years. He honed his skills through the McKenzie program and looks to continue to do that at the next level.

During his time on the McKenzie Football team, McCreary was a running back and a linebacker for the Rebels. His favorite memory throughout the years was attending the Blue Cross Bowl two years in a row.

During his senior season, McCreary was awarded the Most Valuable Linebacker award. Throughout the state, McCreary was selected to the Tennessee Sports Writers Association All-State Team. He was voted to be an All-Region player.

McCreary is looking forward to taking the next step in his career and to playing at a new school.

"I'm excited to play on a new field," he said. "[Attending Bethel] will give me the chance to showcase my skills and show my talents on the field."

While he attends Bethel, McCreary plans to study business.

Throughout his years on the field, McCreary has had many people touch his life path. He thanks all of the people that have come along and made a difference in his life.

"I have my parents to

thank," he said. "Also Coach Comer and my friends for keeping me in the sport. I also would like to thank God for leading me along the way."

Bethel University Head Coach Michael Jasper commented on his new signee.

"I've been watching Rashad since he was a kid. A lot of these guys from this class that made it to the state championship last year were little kids when I was going to school at Bethel and now they have grown up. I've seen and known them for some years now. Rashad is a unique talent. He is brilliant in the classroom. He has a phenomenal football IQ in some of the things he can do for us offensively and defensively. This past year he was a juggernaut on defense, but we are looking for a hard-nosed player on the offensive side of the ball so we are going to try him out at tailback and just let him be an all-around football player."

Jose Luna has been playing for five years. He played two years in the middle school program and three years in the high school program.

Luna recalls winning state as the highlight of his high school career.

"I felt like we came and did what we had to do in that game," Luna said.

Luna was an All-Region player and was awarded the Phillip Carter most inspired memorial award by his coaches.

Luna is excited to bond with his new team and be a part of their legacy.

"I am excited to chase another championship with another team full of greatness,"

he said.

Being able to play at the next level means a lot to Luna, for it has been his dream since he was young.

While he shows his skills on the gridiron, he plans to major in Business.

Luna's support system throughout the years has been his parents and coaches.

"I have my parents and coaches and really anyone who showed me a valuable lesson in life to thank for this accomplishment," Luna said.

Jasper mentioned that he is excited to have Luna on his roster for next season.

"Jose is a great young man," Jasper said. "Jose is someone we are going to pour into and develop. He is another great kid. I'm excited to get with Jose and get to work and watch him develop over his career at Bethel."

The Bethel program is thrilled to have both athletes join their program next fall.

"We are extremely blessed to have Jose and Rashad join our program," Jasper said. "Obviously they come from McKenzie, which we know right in our backyard that they are a story tradition and have a phenomenal football program. We are blessed to have two young men join our program that are from right here in West Tennessee. Both Rashad and Jose are not men of a lot of words, but they work hard and love the game of football."

During the 2022-2023 season, the Bethel Wildcats went 11-1 with their only loss ending their season in the playoffs. Bethel's football season will get underway in the end of August 2023.



Phylis White, Taniyah Diggs, Angel Lawrence and Alyse Lowe. *Photo by Joel Washburn/The Banner*

Taniyah Diggs Signs with Bethel

BY ERIN DOUGLAS
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MCKENZIE (February 3) — Taniyah Diggs signed with Bethel University to be one of their team managers.

Diggs has been a football manager at McKenzie High School for the past four years. She accompanied the team to both of their state appearances.

She recalls that going to Chattanooga was her favorite memory during her time

on the team.

"Going to Chattanooga was exciting," Diggs said. "I had never been there. It was a new experience and the food was great."

As she steps into her new chapter in the fall, Diggs plans to study sports management.

"I am excited to make new friends and also get my degree along the way," Diggs said.

Along with being a football manager, Diggs is also a basketball cheerleader and a

part of the track team. She is also a member of the Future Christian Athletes, the Library Club, Spanish Club, Renaissance Club, Deca and Science Club. She is a member of the Minority Club, M Club, Maniacs and on the yearbook staff.

Diggs thanks her mom for her endless support throughout the years.

"I have my mom to thank for my success. Without her, I would not have studied or still be in school at that," Diggs said.

Gov. Lee Names Tennessee Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals Appointees

NASHVILLE — Today, Tennessee Governor Bill Lee announced the appointment of Dwight E. Tarwater to the Tennessee Supreme Court and Matthew Wilson to the Court of Criminal Appeals, Western Section.

Matthew "Matt" Joseph Wilson is an Assistant United States Attorney in the Western District of Tennessee. Wilson brings significant criminal law experience to the Court of Criminal Appeals, including nearly 20 years of legal service at both the state and federal levels. Wilson earned his bachelor's degree at Auburn University and J.D. at Florida State University College of Law. Wilson will fill a vacancy created by the death of Judge John Everett Williams in September 2022.

Wilson was selected from a field of candidates including Vance Walker Dennis, Joshua B. Dougan, John Morris Miles, Hillary Lawler Parham, Jeffrey William Parham, Matthew F. Stowe, William Mark Ward, and Chadwick R. Wood.

The Governor said, "Dwight is a highly qualified attorney who will bring significant experience to the Tennessee Supreme Court," said Lee. "His understanding of the judiciary's appropriate role and commitment to the conservative principles of judicial restraint make him well-suited for the state's highest court, and I am proud to appoint him to this position."

Dwight Tarwater is a partner at Paine, Tarwater, Bickers, LLP. Tarwater

brings more than 40 years of legal background to the Tennessee Supreme Court, including decades of trial and appellate experience and service as Chief Legal Counsel to Tennessee Governor Bill Haslam. Tarwater earned his bachelor's degree at the University of Tennessee and J.D. at the University of Tennessee College of Law. Tarwater will fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Justice Sharon Lee, effective August 31.

"Matt's extensive background in criminal prosecution has prepared him well to serve Tennesseans on the Court of Criminal Appeals," said Lee. "I am confident he will bring valuable expertise to the bench, and I appreciate his service."

Carroll County Tennessee Republican Party

REORGANIZATION MEETING

Carroll County Tennessee Republican Party will have a Reorganization meeting Tuesday February 28 at 7 p.m. in the court room of the Huntingdon Public Safety Building.

Anyone who would like to run for Chairman of the Executive Committee needs to send notice to CCRP at carrollcogop@outlook.com or mail to P.O. Box 134, Huntingdon, TN or text to Secretary Jan Ostiguy at 217 304 2606.

Must receive notice of intent to run by February 21 to be eligible.

Candidates must be bona fide Republican active in Carroll County, TN.

We, the Conservative Citizens, must remain active; we must continue to make our voices heard, and every voice matters.

Join us as we work to keep America Strong!

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