





## McKenzie Chamber Of Commerce, Industry Hosts Upcoming Events

The McKenzie Chamber of Commerce and Industry is hosting the Second Annual Chamber Easter Egg Drop on Saturday, April 1, from 9-11:30 a.m. Event sponsors are Cachengo, Haven Steel, McKenzie Banking Company, Allegion/Republic Doors and the McKenzie Industrial Board.

A helicopter starts the event at 9 a.m. dropping 50,000 eggs above the McKenzie City Park, 570 Como Street, McKenzie. The 0-2 years hunt starts at 9:30 a.m.; ages 3-4 egg hunt at 10 a.m.; ages 5-7 egg hunt at 10:30 a.m. and ages 8-10 egg hunt at 11 a.m. There is a grand prize per hunt of \$25 Park Theater gift certificate, \$25 Hometown Hangout gift certificate and a chocolate bunny. Other activities include balloon twisting,

face painting, food trucks, jumpy houses, the Easter Bunny and picture props. Volunteers are needed to spread the eggs and prizes on the fields, to wear the Easter Bunny suit and to help with crowd control. Candy donations are also needed. For more information, contact Myra Carlock, 731-352-4090 or Monica Heath, 731-352.2004

A Chamber Coffee hosted by Mayor Ryan Griffin is scheduled Tuesday, April 11, at McKenzie City Hall from 8-9 a.m.

A Chamber Coffee hosted by the Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT) is scheduled Wednesday, June 14, from 8-9 a.m.

The Chamber Banquet is scheduled Tuesday, June 20, at The Venue at Waddell Place, 6-8 p.m. More information coming soon.

## Electric

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Carroll County Electric Department General Manager Ryan Drewry told the CCED Board of Directors that truck delivery is 30 months to six years from the time the order is placed. Presently, the department has two 3500 foremen's trucks on order from Peppers Ford in McKenzie and a new digger truck order from a different company. The new RAM trucks from Peppers will be the first in the fleet by that brand name, since the quoted Ford brand trucks were too long in estimated delivery time. The previous orders for Ford trucks were summarily canceled. Drewry said he received confirmation that the two RAM trucks are on order, but no build dates.

Drewry and Danny Toombs both said the department will need utility trucks because some in the current fleet are reaching their end of life.

Toombs recommended order Kenworth trucks with Cummings engines

for the next trucks.

Drewry said he will bring purchase orders to the Board later this year for delivery in five years. Those include two double-bucket trucks to replace the 2017 models.

Drewry said Spectrum (Charter) is extending its fiber-optic internet in the county and attaching the lines to utility poles owned by CCED. Many of the poles must be replaced, said Drewry, who noted 26 poles had been replaced as of the February 23 date.

In a separate matter, an insurance company filed a complaint in court attempting to recover losses after a construction company's equipment hung a low-lying utility line in Huntingdon. Attorney Robert Keeton, II, said it appears the fault is with Spectrum, whose line was too low on the pole and did not meet clearance standards. Keeton is filing a response, indicating the CCED was not at fault.

Drewry said he will present a plan for cybersecurity in an upcoming meeting. The new laws require the standards be reviewed on a two-year cycle.

# Bethel Students Compete in National Sports Sales Contest

McKENZIE — Three Bethel University students majoring in sports management have qualified to compete in the National Collegiate Sports Sales Championship and Conference (NCSSC) Feb. 27-29 in Atlanta.

Matthew Ellis of Huntingdon, Alexandria Lipsey of New Albany, Miss., and Aubrey Wallace of Gleason, have qualified to represent Bethel and will compete with students from across the nation. The contest, held in State Farm Arena, home of the NBA's Atlanta Hawks, is open to college seniors and graduate students.

"There was a first round virtual role-playing competition that took place in November that served as the round that decided team and individual seeding. In the role playing scenario, our students had 20 minutes to make a sales pitch to a buyer and they were judged based on how they performed," explained Tim Wilson, assistant professor of sports management at Bethel. "As we head to Atlanta, the championship is now set up like the NCAA Basketball Championship. There are 64 students competing in a playoff bracket like the March Madness Tournament."

The competition is judged by ticket sales professionals and professors.

"These past three months have been an absolute jour-



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ney," said Ellis, who completed his sports management degree at Bethel in December and is ranked fifth in the nation entering this phase of the competition. "This competition has truly been an eye-opener for me. The night before I graduated a team reached out to me with a job opportunity, and the rest has been history. This competition has afforded me many interviews and meet-

ings with professionals in the field. It's crazy to think that in a few short days I'll be heading out to Atlanta to represent my alma mater as ranked in the top five in the nation in the qualifier."

The students will do more than compete while at NCSSC. There is also a day devoted to interviews with professional and collegiate sports teams with immediate job openings for these stu-

dents at the top of their field.

"I am so excited to be able to attend this year's NCSSC competition," said Lipsey, who is ranked number 76 nationally entering this phase of the competition. "This experience has already given me confidence that I have what it takes to be great in such an amazing industry. Because of this competition, I have had several career opportunities, and I am excited for what the future holds."

Both Lipsey and Ellis noted the impact of Bethel University's sports management program on their lives.

"I feel really fortunate to be a part of this incredible sports management program," said Lipsey. "This program has helped me expand my network, meet amazing people, and it has also given me confidence in myself, and helped me discover the potential I never realized I had."

Ellis added, "Today I sit and am truly thankful for every bit of support from Bethel and my professors for pushing me because my life can completely change when I get there and hopefully I will be offered an opportunity to show a team what I learned from my time at Bethel University."

For more information about the sports management program, contact Dr. Josh Greer at greerj@bethelu.edu or 731-352-6313.

## McKenzie Middle School Hosts Black History Program

On Wednesday, February 22, McKenzie Middle School held an African-American History Program. Sixteen students presented information about African American's contributions to the past and present. The focus of the event was the accomplishments of: Sojourner Truth, Rosa Parks, Dr. King, Maya Angelou, Madame C.J. Walker, Robert F. Smith, Bobby Marshall, Fritz Polard, Bobby Marshall, Patrick Mahones, Jalen Hurts, and the recognition of the 50th Anniversary of Rap.

The next section of the program featured African-American greats from Tennessee, they included: The Fisk Jubilee Singers, The Tennessee State University Band, Wilma Rudolf, Tina Turner, Morgan Freeman, and Aretha Franklin. We were honored with a powerful offering from our two musical guests Dr. Jones (Director of Bands) and The Bethel University Renaissance Jazz Band and Mr. Tremayne Johnson (Director of Renaissance



Percussion).

The Jazz Band performed several numbers to the delight of the assembly, prefaced with a brief history of Duke Ellington.

Mr. Tremayne Johnson beautifully sang the uplifting "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

Lamarr Cheatham gave a commanding oration of Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" Mrs. Raven Cunningham

confidently recited the poem "Phenomenal Woman" by Maya Angelou.

The guest speaker was Ms. Hannah Bilger. She is the daughter of Jeremy and Aimee Bilger. Ms. Bilger is a 2018 graduate of McKenzie High School, a recent Communications graduate of UT Martin, and is now pursuing her master's degree. She inspired and motivated the audience with her theme "I

Can, I Will, and I Want to!

These following students spoke during the assembly: Lashontiana Clark, Kailynn Cowan, Zayda Scates, Aleecia Williams, Lamarr Cheatham, Ruby Calderon, Kamdyn Tharpe, Matteo Campbell, Brayden Mort, Wade Chandler, Zacara Staten, Jordyn Leslie, Schariyah Horton, Zaryiah Townes, Brooklyn, Wallace and MaKayla Dabbs.

## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **March 23, 2023 on or about 12 p.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 VERONA NUNN AND DONALD NUNN, JR., to Wesley D. Turner, Trustee, on October 21, 2004, at Record Book 527, Page 407-422 as Instrument No. 104874 in the real property records of Carroll County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R12

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:

**Lying and being situated in the 22nd Civil District, Carroll County, Tennessee, and further described as follows:**

**BEGINNING** at a stake in the West margin of Cherrywood Road, same being the Southeast corner of Lot No. 49 in the Highland Subdivision and 290 feet South of the intersection of Bertha Street and runs thence South 40 degrees 30 minutes West with the South line of Lot #49, 119 feet to a stake, thence South 19 degrees East 120 feet along Pruitt East line to a stake, the Northwest corner of Octa Morgan, thence North 46 degrees East with the North line of Morgan, 122 feet to a stake in the West margin of Cherrywood Road, thence North 22 degrees West with the West margin of said Cherrywood Road 130 feet to the point of beginning.

**BEING** the same property conveyed to Donald B. Nunn, Jr. and wife, Verona A. Nunn, by Warranty Deed from Gary M. Parish, a single person, dated June 4, 2002, and filed for record on July 1, 2002, in Book 222, page 647, Register's Office for Carroll County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 016D-D-017.00-000

Current Owner(s) of Property: VERONA NUNN AND DONALD NUNN, JR.

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 9635 Cherrywood Ave, McKenzie, TN 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 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: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF DONALD NUNN, JR.

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 or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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## Standoff

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Witnesses at the scene told the Mirror Exchange that gunfire was exchanged between Jason Todd Perry, 50, of 4615 Hamilton Street and police. Perry was reportedly struck in the upper torso area, but spoke to law enforcement officials and family members by phone throughout the standoff.

No law enforcement officers were shot or injured and no hostages were held.

According to news reports and witnesses, three

deputies from the Carroll County Sheriff's Office responded to a disturbance call at a home just before 4 p.m. The report states Perry was reportedly driving recklessly on his family's property and behaving erratically. Upon arrival, the deputies attempted to make contact with Perry, who according to initial reports, produced a high-powered weapon and began firing at the deputies. The deputies had to run several yards for cover and returned fire. Perry then barricaded himself inside a shop next door to his home.

At one time, over 50 emergency vehicles were on the scene including a tactical SWAT utility vehicle from Jackson Police. Two helicopters also circled above the property.

At approximately 10 p.m., after close to six hours of negotiations, SWAT teams made entry into the home and found Perry suffering from a gunshot wound. He was transported by medical helicopter to a Nashville hospital for treatment. Perry was charged with two counts of Unlawful Carrying or Possession of a Weapon. His bond was set at \$1,000,000.

At the request of 24th Judicial District Attorney General Neil Thompson, TBI agents are investigating the circumstances lead-

ing to the shooting.

According to police reports, Perry had at least two other brushes with Carroll County officials over the last several months.

In January, Perry was arrested and charged with Aggravated Assault, domestic assault, vandalism, theft, and violation of a court order granting bail following a Dec. 31 incident in Atwood.

In March of 2022, Perry faced charges of Domestic Assault, Vandalism Up To \$1,000, Violation Of Protection/Restraining Order, Aggravated Assault and Stalking.

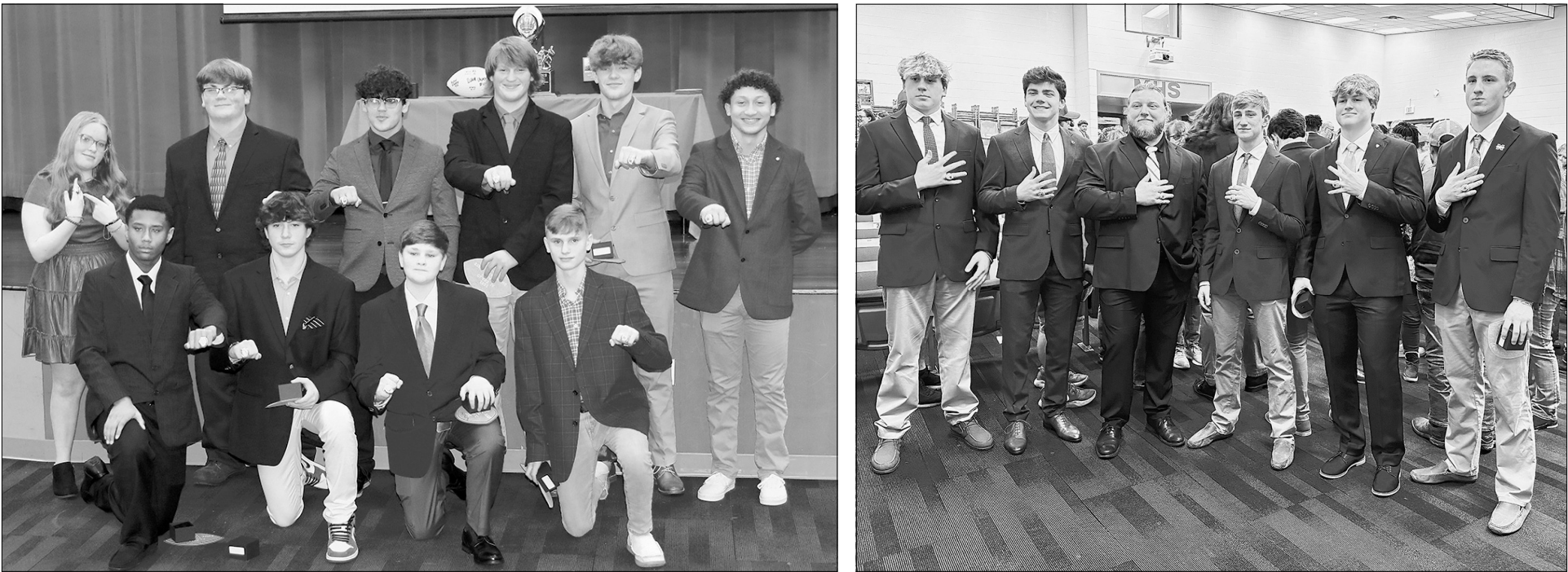
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Above Left, MHS Juniors. Above Right, MHS Sophomores. Below Left, MHS Freshmen. Below Right, Displaying their championship rings are: Craegen Travis, Tate Surber, Coach Dylan Benson, Jake Cassidy, Drew Chappell and Jackson Cassidy. Photos by Joel Washburn/The Banner



# Rings

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Each player, coach and manager received a championship ring, which include the Rebels logo and individually personalized with the recipient's name.

A video recap of the season was shown and each ring recipient crossed the elevated platform to receive his or her ring from the coaches. At center stage was the Class 1A championship trophy as prop for photo opportunities.

It was a season to remember as the Rebels scored 666 points, had a 15-0 season, and record-breakers with Marquez Taylor scoring the most single-season points with 276, had 46 touchdowns, and 1966 rushing yards. Zach Aird was 87 of 89 extra kicking points, had seven of seven field goals



A capacity audience attended the championship ring ceremony at McKenzie High School. Photo by Joel Washburn/The Banner

and had 108 points. The Rebels were so dominate, many times, the starting team was sidelined after halftime to give younger players the privilege of playing time. Quarterback Jackson Cassidy was named the Class 1A Mr. Football for the TSSAA. To date, eight senior Reb-

els have committed to play at the collegiate level.

**Twelfth Grade** — #1 Etijay Tharpe, #2 Camden Allison, #3 Zach Aird, #4 Zay Webber, #7 Marquez Taylor, #11 Jackson Cassidy, #26 Rashad McCreary, #34 Ty Anderson, #47 Jakob Grgic, #40 Elijah Edmonson, #60,

#60 Hunter Harvey, #66 David Cheney, #74 Jose Luna, #77 Daniel Latimer, #83 Matthew Garriott and manager Taniyah Diggs.

**Eleventh Grade** — #8 Brady Brewer, #9 Jake Cassidy, #13 Stafford Roditis, #15 Drew Chappell, #30 Dalton Hatley, #50 Ace Fisher,

#56 Christopher Beck; #71 Cameron Flippin and manager Alyse Lowe.

**Tenth Grade** — #5 Landon Brown, #12 Colt Norden, #14 Tate Surber, #20 Carson Hill, #25 Gage Crosland, #27 Martez Teague, #51 Craegen Travis, #57 KD Cunningham, #67

Jacob Smith, #71 Charles Jennings and manager Jaylin Taylor-Megaw.

**Ninth Grade** — #6 Timmy Arline, #17 Owen Walker, #22 Matthew Gaylord, #24 Mason Batten, #54 Davarion Gilbert, #61 Ethan Batton, #63 Tyler Puckett, #64 Caden Tucker, #73 Ryan Toombs, and manager Olivia Cantrell.

**Coaches for 2022 were:** Head Coach Wade Comer, Assistant Coaches — Dylan Benson, Trey Cantrell, Nick Cobb, Kentrell Diggs, David Duncan, Alex Hayes, Randy Thomas and Chris Wall.

**Cheerleaders for 2022 were:** Coach Brittney Colotta; 12th Grade — Alajah Gilbert (co-captain); 11th Grade — Skylor DeLoach, Ava Jones, Parker Lyons, Macey Mayo, Belle O'Brien, Brett Toombs, Ava Warman (co-captain); 10th Grade — Reese Gallimore, Emily McMullin, Laila Scott and Janai Tabada.



911 Board Approves New McKenzie Computer-Aided Dispatch System (L to R): McKenzie Police Chief Ryan White, 911 Board Chairman Max Anderson, 911 Director Kristy Meggs, and McKenzie Mayor Ryan Griffin following the approval of new enhanced dispatching services for McKenzie.

# Dispatching

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and ambulance, but does not have the interactive mapping and other enhanced services. McKenzie has a new dispatch console and the enhanced dispatching. Meggs said both the county and city can see the dispatches of each other on their monitors. Once the system is installed, McKenzie dispatchers can know the location of emergency services throughout the county.

The extra cost is a \$10,000 licensing fee to be paid by E911. The additional high-speed internet line is to be funded by the City of

McKenzie.

McKenzie Mayor Ryan Griffin thanked the board for expanding the services to McKenzie. "It is a true partnership and very much appreciated," said the mayor. Griffin said the city has a fiber-optic internet connection that can handle the needed capacity. He noted the fiber will also serve the downtown McKenzie public wi-fi that is to be operational soon. He noted former Mayor Jill Holland contracted with AT&T for the internet service during her tenure.

McKenzie Police Chief Ryan White said the county is paying the \$10,000 licensing fee and the city of McKenzie is paying for

the needed computer and two additional dispatch positions in McKenzie. During a major emergency, dispatchers can operate from either McKenzie or the EOC with dispatching services.

In other business, the 911 Board approved an enhancement to its texting service. Presently, dispatchers can receive emergency 911 notifications from cell phone texts, but cannot respond to those texts. The new RapidSOS enhancement allows the dispatcher to make a responding text.

Lieutenant Jamie Summers, director of dispatch services, said there are occasions that the one initiating the 911 text can only

text and not talk for his or her personal safety.

Meggs said all area first responders can attend training on emergency situations involving individuals with autism. The course is taught by Bart Barta, a retired law enforcement officer who has an adult son with autism. He has taught more than 10,000 first responders in how to interact with persons with autism.

The course is April 18 and 19 at Bethel University. Law enforcement officers will receive four hours of POST credit. For more information or to register, contact Kristy Meggs at 731-986-8911.

# Felon

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The officer observed a glass pipe and a cigarette lighter in Jordan's hands and directed him to exit the vehicle, at which time he was detained. A search of the vehicle revealed the following:

- A Smith and Wesson .40 caliber handgun, which was loaded with nine rounds
- An additional 12 .40 caliber rounds of ammunition
- A bag containing approximately 93 grams of methamphetamine
- A bag containing 41 Xanax tablets
- A bag containing 14.2 grams of marijuana
- \$7,285.75 in cash
- A box of baggies
- Digital scales

According to the laboratory report issued by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), the methamphetamine seized from Jordan's vehicle tested positive for methamphetamine hydrochloride with a net weight of 93.89 grams and a purity level of 97%.

A special agent with

the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) examined Jordan's firearm and ammunition and determined that the firearm and ammunition were manufactured outside the state of Tennessee.

On February 17, 2023, the Honorable S. Thomas Anderson sentenced Jordan to a total of 140 months' imprisonment, to be followed by three years of supervised release. Judge Anderson also ordered Jordan's federal sentence run consecutive to a state sentence that Jordan is presently serving following his convictions for aggravated kidnapping and aggravated assault with a weapon in Carroll County in 2019. While Jordan could be paroled from his current state sentence, there is no parole in the federal system.

This case was investigated by the Huntingdon Police Department, the ATF and DEA.

United States Attorney Kevin Ritz thanked Assistant United States Attorney Josh Morrow, who prosecuted this case, as well as law enforcement partners who investigated the case.

# Registry

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compliance checks for 47 registered sex offenders. Law enforcement teams made contact with 39 of those registered offenders. Of those where contact was made, 38 were found to be in compliance. The

non-compliant offender was found to have failed to register a vehicle.

Sex offender registry compliance check operations such as this one have been conducted periodically in various counties across Tennessee, involving the US Marshals Service and TBI, with the assistance of local law enforcement agencies.





# Fisk University Jubilee Singers

I came across another story of interest this weekend about the Fisk Jubilee Singers. The story centered around Fisk University in Nashville and how the Jubilee Singers saved the school. Founded in 1866, Fisk University, a private historically black liberal arts college, is the oldest institution for higher education in Nashville. The school is named for Clinton B. Fisk, a Union general and assistant commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau of Tennessee. Fisk secured a site to house the school in a former military barracks near Union Station and provided \$30,000 for its endowment.

Adam K. Spence, the school's principal, made expansion plans and moved the school to a larger campus in north Nashville on a site that had been Fort Gillem. To raise money for the school's initiatives, his wife Catherine Mackie Spence traveled throughout the United States to set up mission Sunday schools in support of Fisk students, organizing endow-

ments through the American Missionary Association. Spence supported the founding of a student choir, the Fisk Jubilee Singers. By 1871, faced with financial difficulties, Fisk University began looking for a way to raise funds. Under the direction of professor and university treasurer George L. White, the Fisk Jubilee Singers toured the U.S. and Europe singing before Ulysses S. Grant, Mark Twain and Queen Victoria. White named the group after the biblical reference to the year of Jubilee in the Book of Leviticus, Chapter 25. Each fiftieth Pentecost was followed by a year of jubilee in which all slaves would be set free, most of the students at Fisk University and their families were newly freed slaves.

The nine-member choral ensemble of students left campus on October 6, 1871. It consisted of four black men (Isaac Dickerson, Ben Holmes, Greene Evans, Thomas Rutling) and five black women (Ella Sheppard, Maggie Porter, Minnie Tate, Jennie Jackson, Eliza



Above Left, Photo of Jubilee Hall on the Fisk University campus. Above Right, Portrait commemorating the Fisk Jubilee Singers' performance before Queen Victoria. Painted in 1873 by Edmund Havel, the queen's court painter, it depicts, left to right (men): Benjamin Holmes, Isaac Dickerson, Thomas Rutling, and Edmund Watkins; left to right (women): Mabel Lewis, Minnie Tate, Ella Sheppard, Jennie Jackson, Julia Jackson, Maggie Porter and Georgia Gordon.

Walker). Fisk University celebrates Jubilee Day annually on October 6 to commemorate the day. The first concerts were in small towns. The group introduced "slave songs" to the world in 1871 and were instrumental in preserving this unique American musical tradition known as Negro spirituals.

The initial United States tour earned \$40,000 for Fisk University. The next year, the group performed at the World's Peace Jubilee and International Musical Festival in Boston and was invited to perform for President Ulysses S. Grant at the White House in March. They traveled to New York, where they performed before enthusiastic audiences at Plymouth Church in Brooklyn and Steinway Hall in Manhattan. They worked the New York circuit for six months and raised \$20,000 for the university.

In 1873 the Fisk Jubilee Singers, featuring 11 members, toured Europe. While in Great Britain, they per-

formed for Queen Victoria and Prime Minister William Gladstone at Buckingham Palace. Queen Victoria requested certain songs by name, including "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," "Did the Lord Deliver Daniel," and "Go Down Moses."

While Victoria was entertained by the group's singing ability, it was another facet that caught her attention. As Ella Sheppard, one of the group's leaders, recorded in her diary, the Queen was transfixed by the singers' variety of skin tones. "Tell the dark-skinned one to step forward," the Queen is reported to have said to an attendant.

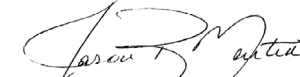
The Queen commissioned Edmund Havel to paint a floor-to-ceiling portrait of the Fisk Jubilee Singers. Upon their return to Nashville, White announced they had raised \$50,000. The university then began construction of its first permanent building commissioned as Jubilee Hall in honor of the performance group. It was designated a National His-

toric Landmark in 1974 and houses the Havel portrait gifted by Queen Victoria.

The original Fisk Jubilee Singers disbanded in 1878 because of the grueling touring schedule. As Ella Sheppard recalled, "our strength was failing under the ill-treatment at hotels, on railroads, poorly attended concerts, and ridicule." Maggie Porter added, "There were many times when we didn't have a place to sleep or anything to eat. Mr. White went out and brought us some sandwiches and tried to find someplace to put us up." Other times while the singers would wait in the railway station, White "and some other man of the troupe waded through sleet or snow or rain from hotel to hotel seeking shelter for us."

A new group of Fisk Jubilee Singers formed the following year. The group has had several members and changes over the years but they have served the university faithfully. Noted as the premier carriers of the Negro spirituals, the Fisk

Jubilee Singers were selected in November 2008 as one of nine recipients of the 2008 National Medal of Arts. The award, which is the highest recognition for artistic excellence given by the United States Government, was presented by President George W. Bush and First Lady Laura Bush. In 2021, the Fisk Jubilee Singers won their first Grammy at the 63rd Annual Grammy Awards.



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## HUNKER DOWN WITH KES

# They Didn't Act Like Heroes To Me

I did not have the honor of being a part of the Greatest Generation. But I did have the privilege of knowing many of them "up close and personal." I grew up in a small town surrounded by these icons.

Most were like Mr. "Woody" Boaz. He was about as regular as they come. He would not have ever considered himself a member of the greatest anything. It was not his nature.

You had to lean in a little close to hear him. He was not going to shout at you. We'd walk over when he was working in his backyard. Sometimes we'd chat a few minutes, but mostly we wanted to see the tattoo on his arm.

It was a dark blue anchor. With a chain intertwined around it. We didn't see many tattoos out at the end of Stonewall Street. Mom told us not to stare at it. And she told us pretty strongly not to ask him about it.

"How did you get that tattoo, Mr. Woody." Leon sometimes forgot what Mom said as soon as he got out of sight of the kitchen window.

"It was a few years back, boys. I was young and foolish. And a long way from home..." He laughed when he told us how he "joined" the Navy. He laughed about "swabbing the deck" and

he laughed as he remembered that "shore leave" always landed him in big trouble.

He sure didn't like 2nd lieutenants. He said the food wasn't very good, but there was plenty of it. And he told us about having to run like the dickens when "General Quarters, man your battle stations" was sounded.

Chandler King was at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. I went over to his house a hundred times to see Kay. It never entered my mind that I could get an eye witness account! And he certainly never brought it up. We talked baseball. Fishing and hunting. And current events.

He was just so down to earth, friendly and seemingly undistinguished. Mostly, he was just Patty and Kay's father. I really liked him...but he would give me the "evil eye" if I stood a mite too close to his daughter!

I was surrounded by the Greatest Generation (although we never thought that) when I went to church. They were deacons, taught Sunday School, took up the offering, stood and prayed when Bro. Hatcher called on them...

I would see them at the Tri-County Stockyards. They would be picking

up supplies at Wrinkle's Hardware Store right beside me. I would eat amongst them at the Dixie Coffee Cup. I pulled on that "green chain" under their watchful eye at the Star Lumber Company.

It was the same sitting around that old stove at Bill Argo's Gulf Station. I'd guess every man in the room had served in World War II. But I don't ever remember the subject coming up. It was all about the weather, ball scores or hog prices. And they would get off on Senator Estes Kefauver from time to time.

My nearest and clearest window into the Greatest Generation sat at either end of the table every time we sat down to eat. But that was Mom and Dad for goodness sakes! When we were small we didn't pay any attention.

And as we grew we got so deep into what was happening in junior high, high school or out at Frank's Dairy Bar that we zoned most everything else out. It seemed natural at the time.

It seems a bit more short-sighted, myopic, tone deaf, clueless, self-centered and totally un-in-tune sixty-five years later! And when you consider the countless missed opportunities...

Mr. Woody talked a

lot about big boats, but he never once spoke of his actual "shore leave" problems and he never went past what happened AFTER "man your battle stations..."

Mr. King was so unassuming and polite. But good gosh, looked what he survived! I should have paid for every meal at the Dixie Coffee Cup, helped those guys carry their supplies out of the hardware store, paid more attention at the stockyard...

None of those men at church seemed all that special. But I'm kicking myself for not listening harder to every prayer, hanging on every word in Sunday School and sitting with them at the after-church dinners on the ground.

And if I could get myself back to Bill Argo's Service Station, I'd go around that small room shaking every hand. I'd give them the Greatest Generation speech BEFORE it became a speech!

I know it is not Memorial Day or Veteran's Day. And it is probably not Hug-An-Old-Person-Day. But somehow in my heart this week, I'm thinking March is a perfect time to remember some extraordinary, ordinary men and women...

Respectfully,  
Kes

# Guest Editorial

## State Bill Allows Government to Remove Foreclosure Ads, Legal Notices from Local Newspapers

BY DEBORAH FISHER  
*Tennessee Coalition of Open Government*

NASHVILLE (February 20, 2023) — The Secretary of State's Office would gain nearly \$1 million in new annual revenue under a bill that allows it to take over the business of advertising foreclosure sales from local community newspapers where they have appeared for years.

The bill also would remove requirements that banks post notices of upcoming sales in physical locations in the county where the property is located.

Instead, the Secretary of State would create a new website and charge banks and mortgage companies \$200 for each notice.

The fiscal note on the bill shows the Secretary of State's Office will spend \$146,000 to create and operate the website in the first year and receive \$488,900 in increased revenues, netting \$342,500.

In subsequent years, costs to the state decrease and the Secretary of State is estimated to earn \$977,800 a year and, after paying for an additional employee and web hosting, net \$921,800.

The bill is expected to hurt local community newspapers the most, taking another swipe at local journalism which has suffered as giant media tech companies like Facebook and Google have created new advertising models for local businesses.

The bill (SB1324/ HB1355) is sponsored by Sen. Paul Bailey, R-Sparta, Sen. Shane Reeves, R-Murfreesboro, Rep. Andrew Farmer, R-Sevier-

ville, and Rep. William Lamberth, R-Portland.

The bill passed out of the House Civil Justice Subcommittee last week, with sponsors arguing that notices of foreclosure sales would be better on a statewide website than in local communities and in local newspapers where the property is located.

Current state law requires banks and mortgage companies to advertise foreclosure sales in local communities. Foreclosure sales are sales of property that banks and mortgage companies have taken in a foreclosure process to satisfy a debt or lien.

**Lawmakers Want to Replace Press's Statewide Website with Government Website**

Lobbyists for the Tennessee Press Association have argued that it operates a public notice statewide website in which all notices of foreclosure sales that are published in local community newspapers are available. The notices are also on the local newspapers' websites. The press association has argued that having the Secretary of State create a new website would be duplicative.

The General Assembly in 2013 passed the statute (T.C.A. § 1-3-120) requiring the press association website, putting certain parameters around its services and operations to ensure legal and public notices were free and searchable to the public and added at no additional charge to the advertiser.

Lobbyists for the banking and mortgage companies requested the bill in which they set the statutory price of their foreclosure notices at \$200.

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Obituaries



MARTHA JOANN HICKMAN 1932 — 2023

MCKENZIE — A Memorial service for Mrs. Martha Joann Hickman, 91, is Sunday, March 5, 2023, at Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church-McKenzie. The family will receive friends at the church on Sunday, 1-3 p.m. Brother Kenny Carr is the officiant, and there is a private burial to follow.

Mrs. Hickman, a retired elementary school teacher in Gleason and McKenzie, died Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at AHC in McKenzie (McKenzie Healthcare and Rehab). She was born on January 29, 1932, in McKenzie, Tennessee, to Aubrie Roy and Vera Green Blackshear Arnold. She was a lifelong member of Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Gaylon Wallace Hickman, who died October 1, 2019, her son, Daniel Sheridan Hickman, two sisters, Ruth Forbes and Frances Beebe, and two brothers, Paul Revere Arnold, who died in WWII and John Howard Arnold.

Survivors include her daughter, Gaye Lynn (Dale) Coleman, her son, David (Lynda) Hickman all of McKenzie, five grandchildren, Jacob (Misti) Corpus Christi, Texas, Rebekah (Travis) Wales of Burns, Tenn., Lauren Hickman of McKenzie, Meagan Hickman of Panama City Beach, Florida, Sheridan (Chase) Mendenhall of Liberty, Tenn., eight great-grandchildren: Ginny Wales, Anna Beth Coleman, Lynnsie Coleman, Creek Coleman, Silas Coleman, Olivia Wales, Miles Mendenhall, and Lucas Mendenhall.

Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. For more information, please call (731) 352-4848 or visit [www.brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com](http://www.brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com). +

ELIZABETH ANN BUGG 1991 — 2023

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for Elizabeth Ann “Liz” Bugg were Sunday, February 26, 2023, at 2 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Interment followed at Mt Olivet Cemetery, McKenzie.

The family received friends on Sunday, 10 a.m. until service time. Brother Brian Goodman was the officiant. Pallbearers were Nicholas Hesford, Corey Ballentine, Michael Morgan, Jaden Brewer, Gage Brewer, Holden Puckett, and honorary pallbearers were Austin Goodman, Jeremy Russell, Chris Singleton and Hunter Hughey.

Ms. Bugg, 31, died Tuesday, February 21, 2023. She was born in Covington, Tenn., on May 17, 1991, to David Bugg and Diane Russell Ballentine.

She is survived by her son, Fenix Vaughn Walker of McKenzie, her mother and step-father, Diana (Craig) Ballentine of McKenzie, her father and step father David Bugg and Dean Hesford, three sisters Renee (Brian) Goodman of Carthage, Scarlet Brewer of Louisville, Kentucky and Brittany (Michael) Morgan of McKenzie, two brothers, Corey Ballentine of Martin and Nicholas Hesford of McKenzie, aunts, Janie Hargrove and Susie Cross, uncles, Mark Russell and Bobby (Sharon) Russell, all of McKenzie, grandmothers, Sherry Parker and Linda Ballentine, nieces and nephews Austin, Nathan, Noah, and Peyton Goodman, Zoey, Xander, Paisley and Xayden Morgan, Gage Brewer, Jaden Brewer and Holden Puckett and several cousins.

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JACKIE BATTON 1943 — 2023

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for Jackie Earl Batton were Friday, February 24, 2023, at 2 p.m. at McKenzie Church of Christ. The family received friends at the church on Thursday, February 23, 2023, at 5-8 p.m. and on Friday, 11 a.m. until service time. Interment was at Mt Olivet Cemetery, McKenzie.

Mr. Batton, 79, died at Baptist Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, February 21, 2023. He was a member of McKenzie Church of Christ, an Army veteran and a retired logger. He was born on July 12, 1943, in Caruthersville, Missouri, to James Frederick and Helen Virginia Dial Batton.

He is survived by his daughter, Jaclyn (Mike) Mayo of McKenzie, a brother, Bruce (Anita) Batton of McKenzie, two grandchildren, Dylan Hart and Audrey Hart, a great-granddaughter, Adalyn French and his ex-wife, Ruth Batton Morgan.

He is preceded in death by his parents and two sisters Freddie Ghyers and Irene Daniels.

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GREG BOYD 1960 — 2023

HUNTINGDON — Mr. Greg Boyd, 62, of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Monday, February 20, 2023, at his home.

Funeral services were Thursday, February 23, 2023, at Howse Baptist Church. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Boyd was born July 2, 1960, in Huntingdon, Tennessee. He was preceded in death by his father Harold “Bee” Boyd.

He is survived by his wife, Debbie Boyd of Huntingdon, Tennessee; mother, Dorothy Moody of Huntingdon, Tennessee; one daughter, Ashley (Chad) Edwards of Huntingdon, Tennessee; one son, Nicholas Boyd of Martin, Tennessee; one step-daughter, Brandi (Patrick) Adams of Atwood, Tennessee; two stepsons, Greg (Ambere) Mauldin of Atwood, Tennessee and Lance (Deena) Mauldin of Robbins, North Carolina; four grandchildren, Wesley Edwards, William Edwards, Kinley “Gracie” Adams and Shelby “Sassy” Adams.

Dilday-Carter Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT POWELL 1956 — 2023

HUNTINGDON — Mr. Robert “Bob” Green Powell, 66, of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Saturday, February 18, 2023, after a long illness.

Memorial services were Saturday, February 25, 2023, in the Chapel of Dilday-Carter Funeral Home.

Bob was born July 12, 1956, and was a 1974 graduate of Huntingdon High School.

Bob was preceded in death by his father, Robert Powell, Sr., and a special cousin, Suzanne L Shackelford.

He is survived by his mother, Barbara Powell; sister, Angie (Lee) Tipton; and brother, Tommy (Janet) Powell.

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MIGNON EDWARDS 1937 — 2023

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Mignon Edwards, 85, of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Sunday, February 19, 2023 at her home.

Funeral services were 11 a.m., Thursday, February 23, 2023, in the Chapel of Dilday-Carter Funeral Home. Interment was in Carroll Memorial Gardens.

The family received friends at Dilday-Carter Funeral Home on Wednesday, 4-8 p.m. and on Thursday, 9 a.m. until time of services at 11 a.m.

Mrs. Edwards was born October 9, 1937, to the late Pete Leon Murphy and Madelyn Massey Nesbitt. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jerry Edwards who died March 28, 1999, one brother, Billy Murphy and step-father, Morgan Nesbitt.

She is survived by two sons, Burton (Melinda) Edwards of Yuma, Tennessee, and Robert “Rookie” (Teri) Edwards of Paris, Tennessee; one brother, Barry Mac (Linda) Murphy of Huntingdon, Tennessee; two grandchildren, Cole Edwards and Allison Edwards; two step-grandchildren, Kaylan Belew and Alyssa Belew; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude.

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

CHARLOTTE ANN LOGGAINS 1948 — 2023

HUNTINGDON — Ms. Charlotte Ann Loggains, 74, of Camden, formerly of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Saturday, February 25, 2023, at Lifecare Center of Bruceton.

Funeral services were Monday, February 27, 2023, in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Robert Simmons officiating. Interment was at Christian Chapel Cemetery.

Ms. Loggains was born December 28, 1948, in Huntingdon, Tennessee, to the late Thomas Ray Campbell and Brooxie Nell (Belew) Campbell.

She is survived by one daughter, LaBriska Ann Blow (William) of Camden, one son, Brian Elton Gateley (Michelle) of Cedar Grove, and one sister, Cheryl Battles (Jerry) of Huntingdon. She also leaves four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Chase Funeral Home.

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1 1/2 tablespoon baking powder  
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8 cup water  
2 cup sugar  
4 small cans frozen lemonade, undiluted  
6 cans peach or apricot nectar  
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Mix all ingredients together except ginger ale. Freeze in quart containers.

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Vermicelli Salad

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3 tablespoon lemon juice  
4 tablespoon oil  
1 tablespoon accent  
Mix together and marinate overnight.  
Then add the following:  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1 cup green peppers, chopped  
1 medium can pimento  
1 pint mayonnaise (low fat)  
1 can chopped ripe olives  
1 cup celery, chopped  
Mix together all ingredients, along with marinated vermicelli and refrigerate. Makes a large Tupperware salad bowl of salad.

Cheese Casserole

20 saltine crackers, crushed  
1 1/2 cup milk  
1 can mushrooms, drained  
1 1/2 cup cheddar cheese  
3 eggs beaten  
2 tablespoons melted butter  
Combine all ingredients except butter. Melt butter in 1 1/2 quart casserole. Pour mixture over butter and bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 minutes or until puffy and set.

Tennessee Gas Prices Fall

Average gasoline prices in Tennessee have fallen 10.5 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.99 per gallon today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 3,821 stations in Tennessee. Prices in Tennessee are 28.6 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 44.1 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 7.7 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.38 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Tennessee was priced at \$2.68 per gallon on Sunday while the most expensive was \$4.39 per gallon, a difference of \$1.71. The lowest price in the state was \$2.68 per gallon while the highest was \$4.39 per gallon, a difference of \$1.71 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 4.3 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.33/g today. The national average is down 17.6 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 26.3 cents per gallon lower than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

Historical gasoline prices in Tennessee and the national average going

back ten years:

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| February 27, 2022: | \$3.43/g (U.S. Average: \$3.59/g) |
| February 27, 2021: | \$2.47/g (U.S. Average: \$2.72/g) |
| February 27, 2020: | \$2.20/g (U.S. Average: \$2.44/g) |
| February 27, 2019: | \$2.18/g (U.S. Average: \$2.42/g) |
| February 27, 2018: | \$2.30/g (U.S. Average: \$2.53/g) |
| February 27, 2017: | \$2.07/g (U.S. Average: \$2.29/g) |
| February 27, 2016: | \$1.51/g (U.S. Average: \$1.74/g) |
| February 27, 2015: | \$2.16/g (U.S. Average: \$2.37/g) |
| February 27, 2014: | \$3.21/g (U.S. Average: \$3.43/g) |
| February 27, 2013: | \$3.61/g (U.S. Average: \$3.79/g) |

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices include Chattanooga, \$2.89 per gallon, down 13.0 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.02 per gallon; Nashville, \$3.03 per gallon, down 14.0 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.17 per gallon and Huntsville, \$3.01 per gallon, down 7.3 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.08 per gallon.

"The national average has resumed its decline after a pause last week as oil and wholesale gasoline prices fell on worrisome inflation figures showing the Fed likely to ramp up rates to slow inflation," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "Some nine out of 10 states saw de-

clines over the last week, so the drops are showing up for most across the country, with the exception of the West Coast as the transition to summer blends continues, and in the Great Lakes, where prices cycled last week but have now resumed declining. For the weeks ahead, tradition tells us to expect prices to move up eventually, but that could be at least be partially offset by inflationary data that continues to be hotter than expected, leading to anxiety that the Fed will boost interest rates and cooling the economy and oil demand considerably."

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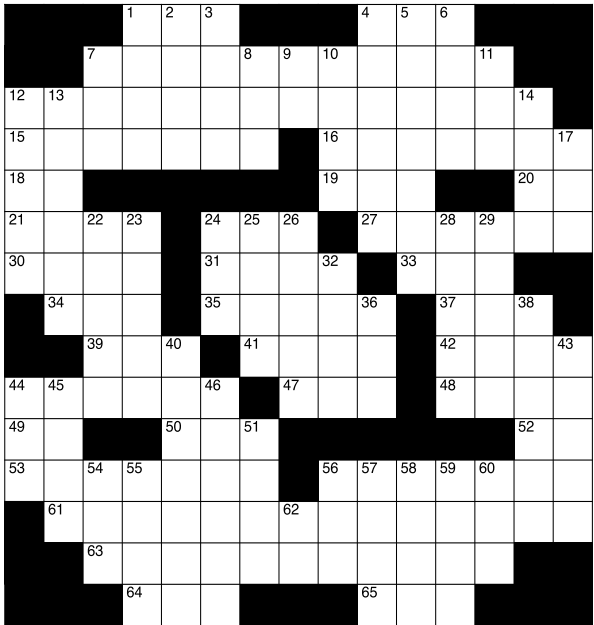
Weekly Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Relaxing place
- 4. Plant by scattering
- 7. A type of explorer
- 12. Unique traits
- 15. Lady
- 16. Dismayed
- 18. Railway
- 19. Type of whale
- 20. Sodium
- 21. Manning and Lilly are two
- 24. Where golfers begin
- 27. Entrapped
- 30. Influential punk artist
- 31. Hebrew calendar month
- 33. Car mechanics group
- 34. Undesirable rodent
- 35. Minneapolis suburb
- 37. Witch
- 39. Get free of
- 41. A written proposal or reminder
- 42. British School
- 44. Country on west coast of Africa
- 47. Cool!
- 48. Information
- 49. \_\_\_ route
- 50. Jim Nantz's network
- 52. Something to register (abbr.)
- 53. Give cards incorrectly
- 56. One who's learning on the job
- 61. Stevenson adventure novel
- 63. Taking careful notice
- 64. CNN's founder
- 65. Speak badly of

CLUES DOWN

- 1. A person with unusual powers of foresight
- 2. Single sheet of glass
- 3. Portrays a character
- 4. Expresses happiness
- 5. Acquires



- 6. "The Martian" author
- 7. Degree
- 8. 60-minute intervals
- 9. A detective's pal
- 10. Group of nations (abbr.)
- 11. Popular Georgia rockers
- 12. Fencing swords
- 13. Basement
- 14. Samoan monetary unit
- 17. Male parent
- 22. Finnish lake
- 23. A smooth fabric
- 24. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
- 25. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
- 26. Very willing
- 28. Expressed pleasure
- 29. Lasso
- 32. Hindu model of ideal man
- 36. Move your head in approval
- 38. Ill-\_\_\_: gained illegally
- 40. Die
- 43. Accused publicly
- 44. Precious stone
- 45. Individual thing or person
- 46. Behaved in a way that degraded
- 51. Derogatory term
- 54. No seats available
- 55. Liability
- 56. Popular beverage
- 57. Tough outer skin of fruit
- 58. \_\_\_ Spumante (Italian wine)
- 59. Troubles
- 60. Negative
- 62. Camper

Week 9

See solution in next week's edition.

Read Books Word Search

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SUDOKU

WEEK 9

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# McKenzie Police Reports

**Trespassing, Assaulting First Responder** — Shaquise Taleasha Long, 30, Walnut Circle, McKenzie was charged with Aggravated Criminal Trespassing, Resisting Arrest, and Assault of a First Responder on February 24. Officer Kyle Beauchamp received a dispatch of a domestic incident on Walnut Circle at the home of Long's child's father. Long entered the home screaming and slamming doors before exiting and going to her nearby home on Walnut Circle. Officers went to the location of the incident, gathered information, and then went to Long's home. Officer Jeremiah Brooks went to Long's home, where he heard screaming. Brooks collected the same information about the prior incident as the victim reported. The incident occurred at the change of shifts of the officers, so Officer Bryan Batchelder, Sergeant Cody Coleman, Officer Darren Davis and Officer Shy'ann Williams were all on the scene. As Long was handcuffed and placed in the patrol car, she kicked the officer with both feet - forcing him against the car door. She continued to kick the patrol car door once it was closed. As officers pulled her away from the door, she attempted to bite the officers.

**Driving on Suspended License** — Amber Lynn At-

kins, 35, Belair Drive, Greenfield, was charged with Driving on Suspended License, Failure to Change Address, and Display of Registration Plates on February 21. Sergeant Cody Coleman initiated a stop shortly after midnight because of a violation of display of license plate. That stop revealed Atkins' license was suspended because of a previous driving conviction and she had not changed the address on her license as required by law. She was cited into court.

**Driving on Suspended License, Speeding** — Carla Gonzalez, 29, Mockingbird Avenue, Henry, was charged with Speeding, Driving on a Suspended License, and Violation of Financial Responsibility after a traffic stop for speeding on February 21. Officer Darren Davis stopped the speeding vehicle and discovered the suspended license and the failure to have proper liability insurance. She was cited into court.

**Simple Possession** — Anthony Allen Copeland, 48, Blooming Grove Road, McKenzie, was charged with Simple Possession/Casual Exchange after a traffic stop on February 25. Officer Darren Davis stopped a vehicle in which Anthony Copeland was the passenger. After a consent to search, Officer Davis discovered eight grams of a

green leafy substance believed to be marijuana. Copeland was cited into court. The driver, Dana Copeland, was cited for Failure to Maintain Lane, Expired Registration, and Financial Responsibility.

**Joyriding** — Amy Lynn Guentz, 36, Bethel Court, McKenzie was charged with Joyriding after an incident on February 25. Sergeant Cody Coleman said he ran across Anthony Marr at 3:35 a.m. on Magnolia Avenue. Marr was walking and looking for his vehicle. His phone was also taken along with the car. He rode in the patrol car in search of the car. When they returned to Marr's home, Guentz was there and the car was still warm. Guentz claimed Marr granted her permission to take the car. Marr filed a sworn statement indicating otherwise. She was arrested and transported to Carroll County Jail.

**Public Intoxication** — Timothy L. Johnson, 37, Forrest Avenue, McKenzie was charged with Public Intoxication on February 20. Sergeant Cody Coleman charged Johnson after witnessing Johnson pulling on the locked door of United Neighbors at 10:42 p.m. Sergeant Coleman smelled alcohol and arrested Johnson for his own safety. He was transported to Carroll County Jail.

# Carroll County Sheriff's Department

**Prostitution** — On February 16, several deputies responded to a call on Highway 70 in reference to a female subject bleeding from the head walking along side of the highway. EMS arrived on scene to respond to the female feeling cold and pain, transported her to the hospital. Deputies later found out the woman was with a male truck driver. Officers questioned the driver, who stated the two had an agreement for sexual favors for \$300 on a local prostitution site listscrawlers.com. The female did ask the driver to pull over, when he failed to do so quickly enough, she pulled a knife on him and jumped from the vehicle before it came to a stop.

**Package Thief** — On February 22, Deputy Tucker contacted a victim who stated someone was taking her packages from her mailbox on Highway 104. Victim stated she has not received it, but the tracker on her phone says it was delivered on February 21.

**Theft** — On February 22, dispatch received a call in reference to a missing plate on a camper. Victim stated the plate was last seen a couple weeks prior to the report. This did occur in Carroll County, all the information currently.

**Property Theft** — On February 20, Deputy Hamilton was contacted a victim on Ball Creek Rd. The owner has not been to his property in a couple weeks, but a late 1950s model Ford Jubilee tractor with a bush hog attached had been stolen.

Description of the tractor; blue and white with a lawn mower ignition as well as a green toolbox on the left fender. Approximate value is \$3,000.

**Drug Violations** — Clayton Milton, 39, of McKenzie was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. On February 16, Deputy Scott initiated a traffic stop for failing to maintain traffic lane. Deputy Scott asked the driver, Brian Garlott, for consent to search as he was issuing a citation. Garlott did give consent, passenger Clayton Milton, was found in possession of digital scales, plastic bags, and a glass pipe used for smoking marijuana.

**Theft** — On February 19, a victim reported her Walther's P22 pistol missing. The pistol is light blue with silver; 10 round magazines. It was last seen on 02/09/23.

**Vandalism** — On February 18, Deputy Crowe responded to a call about vandalism. Upon his arrival he observed to rear windows broken out of a camper. Estimated damage is \$400, no entry was made ad nothing was missing.

**Drug Violations** — James Rowe Hudson, 51, of Bruceton was arrested for possession of schedule II with intent and drug paraphernalia.

On February 15, deputies initiated a traffic stop for window tint violations. The driver, James Hudson, appeared nervous and agitated that he was pulled over. Deputy Townes allowed Hudson to observe him test the

window tint, as it was 27% and the legal driving tint is 35% and above only. Deputy Townes did advise he would be issuing a warning ticket. Hudson asked why the deputy was harassing him and pulling him over, he wanted to know what the deputy's problem was. Hudson was very standoffish, not wanting to be near the officers. Based on nervousness, suspicion was gained that criminal activity was at play. After a long dispute with officers, Hudson did give consent to have his vehicle searched. Deputy Meier located a loaded needle that tested positive for meth, spoon, bags that contained 20 grams of a crystal substance that tested positive for meth, multiple small bags in the driver side door panel. Bond is set at \$250,000.

**Drug Violations** — James E. Bowling Jr, 55, of Clifton was charged with possession of schedule II meth, possession of drug paraphernalia, and reckless driving.

On February 19 a traffic stop was conducted due to suspicion of the driver being under the influence. Driver, James Bowling, stated he was coming from McKenzie headed towards Memphis. An officer spotted a glass pipe in clear vision and performed a pat down. Officers located a plastic bag containing a substance that field tested positive for meth; weighing at 13 grams. Bowling's vehicle was towed by R&R Towing.

# Carroll County General Sessions Report

HUNTINGDON (February 22) — The following cases were heard in Carroll County General Sessions Court on February 22.

Four persons were bound over to the Grand Jury of the Carroll County Circuit Court.

David Chad Ables, And Ridge-Bargerton Road, Lexington, bound over on charges of Aggravated Burglary, Arson.

Shelby Bennett, Route 114, Buena Vista, bound over on charges of Reckless Endangerment-Vehicle/Felony, DUI-Second Offense, Driving While Revoked Due to DUI Conviction, Violation of Vehicle Ignition Interlock Device, Possession of Street/Highway Signage, Reckless Driving, Violation of Registration Law, Violation of Financial Responsibility; dismissed a charge of Leaving the Scene of an Accident.

Tai Van Lam, Roan Creek Levee Road, Yuma, bound over on charge of Schedule VI Drugs - Manufacture, Deliver, Sell, or Possess; Possession of a Weapon by Convicted Felon; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Cruelty to Animals; Trafficking for Forced Labor or Services.

Alicia Janette Wilson, Davis Road, Camden, bound over, DUI-First Offense; Implied Consent; Speeding.

The following cases resulted in a guilty finding or plea.

Clinton Baldwin, Dunlap Street, Paris, guilty, Casual Exchange, \$500 fine, 11/29 jail-suspended, must complete long-term inpatient treatment ordered; dismissed, Simple Possession; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Bobby Gene Carroll, Highway 77, Huntingdon, dismissed, DUI-First Offense; guilty, Simple Possession, \$250 fine, jail sentence suspended.

Jonathan Craven, Rockport Road, Camden, guilty, Simple Possession, \$750 fine; guilty, Schedule II Drugs, Jail Sentence Suspended; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Jaylen Tyreese Crumble, Ury Street, Union City, guilty, Evading Arrest, 11/29 jail-suspended, supervised probation for six months; dismissed, Driving While Suspended.

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 consecutive to prior unserved sentence.

Kevin R. McMin, C. Street, Jackson, guilty, Probation Violation, 30 days jail, supervised probation extended for 75 days.

Toni Gail Pearson, Highway 219, Huntingdon, guilty, Driving Without License, 30 days supervised probation; dismissed, Light Law Violation; dismissed, Violation of Financial Responsibility.

Hunter Uselton, Rolling Acres Trailer Park, guilty, Drivers License to be Carried/Exhibited, \$50 fine, 30 days jail-suspended, unsupervised probation; dismissed, Speeding; dismissed, Violation of Financial Responsibility; dismissed, Driving While Suspended; dismissed, Light Law Violation.

Justin Vansunder, Second Avenue, Milan, dismissed, Meth-Possession or Casual Exchange; Guilty, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, \$350 fine, 11/29 jail-suspended except 26 days, supervised probation; dismissed, Meth-Possession; dismissed, Theft.

Zachariah Wayne Wilson, Forest Hill Drive, Huntingdon, guilty, DUI-First Offense, \$600 fine, 48 hours jail, not to drive for one year, forfeit handgun; dismissed, Possession of Handgun While Under Influence; dismissed, Driving While Revoked Due to DUI; dismissed, Implied Consent.

Brittany Renee Farley,

Buck Ditch Road, Huntingdon, pre-trial diversion, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange, \$250 fine, 11/29 jail-suspended, supervised probation.

Samuel B. Parish, Main Street, Huntingdon, judicial diversion, Underage Driving While Impaired, \$250 fine, unsupervised probation for 11/29; dismissed,, Implied Consent.

Stephanie R. Vazquez, Smith Avenue, McKenzie, pre-trial diversion, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, six months supervised probation; dismissed, Simple Possession and Speeding; dismissed, Drivers License to be Carried and Exhibited; traffic school ordered.

Helen Dianne Coleman, Carlton Street, Gleason, pre-trial diversion, Simple Possession, \$350 fine, unsupervised probation.

The following cases were dismissed.

Dora Lee Ewald, Paris Street, Huntingdon, dismissed, Probation Violation, Arthur Amos, Teas, Sr., Spruce Street, McKenzie, dismissed, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange; dismissed, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia.

Justin Cody Wright, Batey Lane, Bruceton, dismissed, Driving While Suspended; dismissed, Violation of Light Law-Vehicle.

# Property Transfers

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Jack Camp Jr and Tracy Scott to Adam Reed in district 619.

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Corrie and Flora Taylor to Aaron D. Taylor in district 21.

Wanda Akins to Jason DePriest in district 19.

Ricky L. Miller to Renee W. Miller in district 11.

Barbara Guyton to Michael and Letrell Huff in district 2.

Gregory G. and Amy J. Barker to Chanpothea Pen in district 4.

Terry Lynn Gilliam to Carl W. Johnson in district 13.

Philip W. Kesterson to Marlin m and Tammy M. Cathey in district 22.

Henry Leroy Berry to Fridie Algee in district 21.

Jenny Pearson and

others to Jenny Pearson in district 5.

Ryan Bomar to Carl G. Campbell in district 9.

Scott and Joy Rimmer to Scott and Joy Rimmer Life Estate in district 2.

Jasmina Anderson to Jasmina Anderson in district 22.

Michael and Lorie Pritchard to Curtis Ray and Kami Jo Ward in district 7.

Jones and Moore Properties, LLC to Brett A and Krystle L. Watters in district 11.

Laverdia McCullough and others to Laverdia McCullough and others in district 5.

Jo Ann Stewart to Jo Ann Holmes and others in district 1.

John C. Eubanks to Don-

na Michelle Cizunas in district 22.

Landon Charles Ledsinger to Larry Michael Ledsinger in district 23.

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Lovonda Crider to Seth and Jill Bennett in district 12.

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PROBATE CASE NO: 2023PE26

ESTATE OF: THOMAS DUELL MCDEARMON, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the 15 day of FEBRUARY, 2023, Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of THOMAS DUELL MCDEARMON deceased, who died DECEMBER 19TH, 2022, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery 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 received 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 FEBRUARY, 2023.

THIS NOTICE WILL RUN TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.

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

SUSAN G. HILL, Executor/Administrator  
DWAYNE D. MADDOX III, Attorney  
KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

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City of McKenzie

NOTICE

Hearing was held February 13, 2023: City of McKenzie vs. Owners of property located at 218 Paris Pike, McKenzie, Tennessee 38201, Parcel 5.01, Group E, of Tax Map 11H.

This cause came to be heard on Monday, February 13, 2023, by the below hearing officer. This cause was initiated by the City of McKenzie alleging a violation of City Ordinance section 13-201 involving slum clearance.

Present at the hearing of February, 2023, was codes officer Jim Seaton on behalf of the City of McKenzie. The following property maintenance committee members were also in attendance: Police Chief Ryan White and Codes Enforcement Officer Phillip Morrissett, City Recorder Jennifer Waldrup, and Fire Chief Brian Tucker. No one appeared on behalf of the property owner, Mary Wood. The hearing officer finds that all interested parties were properly notified before said hearing pursuant to proper notice as required.

The hearing officer finds that the City of McKenzie has carried its burden of proof under the ordinance and that there is a basis for a finding of unfitness under section 13-209. The owners have sixty days (60) days from March 7, 2023, to pull the proper permits and perform the necessary repairs or demolish the structure. Any possible appeal, in accordance with Section 13-211, of this order, must be within sixty (60) days after the posting and service of this order of the public officer.

Jennifer Waldrup, Hearing Officer

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# McKenzie Crushes Clarksburg, Advances to Semifinal Round

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McKENZIE (February 24) — The McKenzie Lady Rebels defeated the Clarksburg Rockets 95-34 in regional action at Bethel University on February 24. The Lady Rebels took a quick lead in the first quarter and left the Rockets behind.

The Rockets were held to four points in the first quarter. Grace Bartholomew drove to the basket for two points. Sam Segraves made two shots at the free throw line.

The Lady Rebels chalked up 34 points in the first quarter. Savannah Davis had 12 points during the starting quarter. Davis drained two 3-pointers then chalked up six points in the paint. Mikaela Reynolds had nine points. She drew a foul for a 3-point play in the paint, then drove to the basket for four points and tacked on two shots at the foul line. Kylie Reynolds made two baskets from the free throw line, then drove to the rim for four points. Briley Auvenshine tacked on four points under the net. Katie Chesser made a shot from beyond the arc. The Lady Rebels led 34-4 going into the second quarter.

The Rockets added 11 points to their side of the scoreboard. Chloe Crum and Segraves drove to the basket for four points each. Crum then made two free throws and Segraves tacked on one from the foul line.

McKenzie added 36 more points to their lead before halftime. Mikaela Reynolds had 15 points in the second quarter. Davis had six points. Chesser and Auvenshine had five points each. Kylie Reynolds drove to the basket for two points, then made one free throw. Sophie Pate tacked on two points. At halftime, the Lady Rebels led the Rockets 70-15.

Clarksburg chalked up 14 points in the third quarter. Segraves had ten points in the paint, then tacked on one from the free throw line. Carly Blount drove to the basket for two points. Crum tacked on one point from the free throw line.

The Lady Rebels slowed their roll in the second half. McKenzie chalked up 13 points in the third quarter. Molly French drained a 3-pointer, and made two free throws. Ally Gibson made a 3-point shot then drove to the basket for two points. Pate added three points. The Rockets trailed 83-29.

The Rockets finished off the game scoring five points. Addison Milam drove to the basket for two points. Morgan Gentry tacked on two points from the free throw line, and Segraves added one.

The Lady Rebels topped the game off with 12 points in the final quarter. Sarah Luci chalked up four points at the free throw line, then made a shot from beyond the arc for three points. Gibson drained a 3-pointer. Gracie Aird drove to the basket for two points. McKenzie dominated Clarksburg 95-34 to move on to the regional semifinals game.

McKenzie takes on the McEwen Lady Warriors Monday, Feb. 27. Tipoff is at 6 p.m. at Bethel University.



Above, Molly French shoots from the free throw line. Below, Kylie Reynolds drives inside for two points. Photos by Tammy Graves



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# Rebels Defeat War Eagles, Advance to Semifinal Round

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McKENZIE (February 25) — The McKenzie Rebels defeated the West Carroll War Eagles 75-55 to move on to regional semifinals at Bethel University's Crisp Arena.

The Rebels and War Eagles were neck to neck in the first quarter. West Carroll fell behind by just one point during the first quarter. Jaquan Adkins drained a 3-pointer, and tacked on one more point from the foul line. Jaden Taylor drove to the basket for four points. JD Pigue added two points.

The Rebels led 11-10 at the end of the first quarter. Tate Surber and Marquez Taylor had four points each. Zach Aird made a shot from beyond the arc for three points.

The Eagles chalked up 11 points in the second quarter. Darair Taylor had four points. Izaia Clark and Pigue had two points each. Taylor drained a 3-pointer for West Carroll.

The Rebels pulled ahead during the second quarter scoring 21 points. Aird chalked up nine points. Bryson Steele had six points under the basket, and made a 3-point shot. Taylor tacked on three points from behind the arc. The Rebels led 32-21 at halftime.

The Eagles added 16 points to their side of the board. Taylor had five points. Adkins drove to the basket for two points, then tacked on one point from the free throw line. Preston Bosley had two shots in the paint for four points. Clark had two points under the net, and Pigue made two shots at the line.

The Rebels increased their lead with 19 points in the third quarter. Surber chalked up nine points. Taylor and Steele had four points each. Zay Webber tacked on two points. The Rebels took a 14-point lead over the Eagles. McKenzie held a 51-37 lead over West Carroll.

The Eagles chalked up 18 points in the final quarter. Adkins drained a 3-pointer, then drove to the basket for four points and made three free throws. Pigue added four points. Clark and Taylor had two points each.

The Rebels topped off their victory with 24 points in the final quarter. Aird led with nine points. Steele had six points. Taylor and Surber had three points each. Carter Kee had two points in the paint. Stafford Roditis made one shot



Above, Carter Kee drive the lane for the layup. Below, Zach Aird picks up the duce. Photos by Tammy Graves



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# Williams Participates in WestStar Leadership 2023

MARTIN — Christy Williams, of Carroll County, was selected to participate in the University of Tennessee at Martin's WestStar Leadership Program class of 2023.

Williams is the branch manager and vice president of Regions Bank. She is a member of the McKenzie Chamber of Commerce and Rotary and is the chair of the Northwest Economic Board. Williams is a Leadership Henry and Weakley County graduate. She has also served on several Weakley County committees, such as the Martin Business Association, Soybean Festival Board and the Martin Chamber of Commerce.

"Participating in WestStar will help equip me to grow and develop better partnerships with the leadership of McKenzie and build the best community in Carroll County for my family, friends and customers," said Williams.

The WestStar Leadership Program was founded at UT Martin in 1989 and is the state's oldest and largest regional leadership program. The program equips regional leaders with new skills and knowledge designed to impact the education, economic and social development of West Tennessee. The program also provides members with a growing network of community-minded people committed to serving the area.



Christy Williams

For more information about the WestStar Leadership Program, contact Virginia Grimes, assistant director, at 731-881-7787.

# Ella Reynolds Earns Eagle Scout

Ella Jessica Reynolds, a member of the Boy Scout Troop 5252 and a resident of Clarksville, Tennessee, has earned the honor of Eagle Scout. She is the granddaughter of McKenzie residents Brigadier General (Ret) and Mrs. Charles Argo and the daughter of Jesse and Susan (Argo) Reynolds. Ella is the second female in Troop 5252 to accomplish the honor. A Court of Honor ceremony was held on Saturday, February 25, 2023, celebrating her Eagle Scout rank. Eagle Scout is the highest rank offered by the Boy Scouts and only 3 to 4 percent of Boy Scout members attain this prestigious honor.

Ella, 17 years old, is a senior at Clarksville High School in Clarksville, Tennessee. She earned the 21 merit badges required to receive the Eagle Scout award and built and placed wood duck boxes for her Eagle Scout project. Wood ducks use natural tree boxes for nesting, but with shrinking natural areas they will use artificial boxes.

"This Eagle Scout rank is easily the most challenging and fun thing I've ever done, said Ella. As an Eagle Scout, I am part of a community of trailblazers who are changing the face of Scouting. I am grateful to my fellow Scouts, my mentors, my friends and my family for supporting me on this journey. I am proud to be a part of a movement that is committed to inclusivity, diversity, and equality."

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# Congressman Kustoff's March Mobile Office Hours

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman David Kustoff (TN-08) announced mobile office hours for the month of March. Mobile office hours are Thursday, March 2, and Tuesday, March 7.

"Mobile office hours are a great way for constituents to connect with our office and let us know how we can continue to best

represent Tennessee's Eighth Congressional District in Washington," said Congressman Kustoff. "If you need assistance with a federal agency such as the Small Business Administration, Social Security Administration, or the Department of Veterans Affairs, I encourage you to visit our mobile office sites across West

Tennessee."

The mobile office is in Carroll County on Thursday, March 2, 9-11 a.m., Huntingdon City Hall, 19801 East Main Street, Huntingdon and in Henry County on Tuesday, March 7, 1-3 p.m., Henry County Courthouse, Basement Conference Room, 101 West Washington Street, Paris.

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