

Gasoline Prices Fall Over Week

Average gasoline prices in Tennessee have fallen 5.6 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.34/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 3,821 stations in Tennessee. Prices in Tennessee are 7.9 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 10.3 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 0.9 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.426 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Tennessee was priced at \$2.59/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$4.49/g, a difference of \$1.90/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.59/g while the highest was \$4.49/g, a difference of \$1.90/g.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 1.6 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.79/g today. The national average is down 3.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 11.4 cents per gallon higher 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:

September 11, 2022: \$3.23/g (U.S. Average: \$3.67/g).

September 11, 2021: \$2.86/g (U.S. Average: \$3.17/g).

September 11, 2020: \$1.92/g (U.S. Average: \$2.19/g).

September 11, 2019: \$2.26/g (U.S. Average: \$2.57/g).

September 11, 2018: \$2.57/g (U.S. Average: \$2.83/g).

September 11, 2017: \$2.60/g (U.S. Average: \$2.65/g).

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:

Chattanooga — \$3.23/g, down 10.8 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.34/g.

Nashville — \$3.42/g, down 7.5 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.49/g.

Huntsville — \$3.38/g, down 4.0 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.42/g.

"The national average hit some road bumps over the last week after starting to decline early in the week. The second half saw the national average rise as gas prices in the Corn Belt started spiking, pulling the average price in the US along with it," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "In addition, the West Coast saw more refinery snags, pushing

gas prices higher, and so areas of the West Coast got punched along with the Corn Belt states. Over 10 states saw prices rise by over 10 cents per gallon compared to last week, while some like Iowa and Minnesota have seen average prices spike by over 30 cents per gallon. There is some good news for those in the hardest hit states in the Midwest, however, as gasoline prices should start to level off and even decline by mid-week. And with most of the nation switching back to cheaper winter gasoline on Saturday, we should see more price decreases for most the nation in the weeks ahead, barring further refinery disruptions and hurricane season. Fall tends to bring falling gas prices, and I'm hoping this year won't be any different."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data. GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at <http://prices.GasBuddy.com>.

Area Agencies Receive Safety Grants

TENNESSEE — On Thursday, September 7, the Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) announced \$28.5 million in federal grant funds to be distributed statewide from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) for the 2023-2024 federal fiscal year. Click here to view the list of grant awards and recipients: <https://bit.ly/3YY2t0Z>.

"The THSO is pleased to announce the allocation of federal grant funds to support our traffic safety partners across Tennessee," said Tennessee Highway Safety Office Director Buddy Lewis. "These funds will be used to increase traffic safety education, public awareness, advocacy, training, and enforcement initiatives to improve driver behavior and protect Tennessee roadways. These partnerships are essential to saving lives and reducing

traffic fatalities across Tennessee."

Over 370 federal grants exceeding \$28 million in total have been awarded to law enforcement agencies and highway safety partners across Tennessee. Approximately \$3 million in media grant funds will be allocated for statewide highway safety education and public awareness campaigns.

Every year, traffic safety advocates, non-profit organizations, emergency response personnel, law enforcement, district attorneys general, and other state agencies across Tennessee seek funding through grant applications offered by the THSO. Applicants who meet the required data-driven criteria and highway safety standards are awarded grant funds to support the THSO's mission to reduce traffic crashes, injuries, and fatalities.

Locally, grants were award-

ed as follows:

Carroll County Sheriff's Department \$26,500 for the enforcement of DUI.

Clarksburg Police, \$5,000 for High Visibility Enforcement of Traffic Laws.

McKenzie Police, \$29,784 for enforcement of DUI laws.

24th Judicial District - DUI Prosecution, \$340,665.

Police Department, \$5,000 for High Visibility Enforcement of Traffic Laws.

Henry County Sheriff - \$5,000 for High Visibility Enforcement of Traffic Laws.

Henry Police - \$4,925 for High Visibility Enforcement of Traffic Laws.

Dresden P.D., Gleason, Greenfield, \$5,000 each for High Visibility Enforcement of Traffic Laws

Martin P.D. \$55,000 for High Visibility Enforcement of Traffic Laws and Network Coordinator

It's Time to Celebrate with Huntingdon's 30th Annual Heritage Day Festival

It is time once again to celebrate Huntingdon Heritage Day Festival with the Town of Huntingdon. On Saturday, September 23, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., all are invited to Huntingdon's historic Court Square to join this free all-day special event honoring the rich history of Carroll County and its county seat, Huntingdon.

This year marks the 30th annual Heritage Day and its longstanding tradition, and the festival's schedule promises to deliver fun and entertainment. Festivalgoers can expect to enjoy a cruise-in, inflatables, ISTEATrain rides, Carroll Arts Storytelling, face painting and

mudslinger's pottery, pony rides, petting zoo, and vendor booths for jewelry, clothing, crafts, food, snow cones, and ice cream, along with music and entertainment acts on two stages.

Opening Ceremony at 10 a.m.

Outstanding Citizen of the Year Award- Marge Tucker.

Pioneer Family Award — Billy Dillahunt Family.

The children's stage, sponsored by the Huntingdon Animal Clinic, will feature family entertainment from:

11 a.m. — Disney Dance Party.

11:30 a.m. — Animal Ex-

hibit from Paris State Landing Park.

12 p.m. — Animal Exhibit from Paris State Landing Park.

12:30 p.m. — Magic by Ray Moore.

1 p.m. — Disney Dance Party.

1:30 p.m. — Carroll County Library Story Time.

The Carroll Bank & Trust Bandstand Stage will host a variety of live music acts from 11:15 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Alyssa Scott and Ian Bennett — 11:15 a.m.-Noon.

24 Seven Band — 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Oak Ridge Boys — 2-3:30 p.m.

Murder

...From Front Page

Sexual Abuse of a Child, two counts of Rape, two counts of Statutory Rape by an Authority Figure, and Sexual Battery.

Samantha Lynn Chesser was indicted on Theft of funds from the On Deck Club, a sports support club of the McKenzie High School Softball program.

Vince Douglas Vandiver was indicted on charges of Evading Arrest, two counts

of Reckless Endangerment, Aggravated Assault Against a First Responder, Driving on Roadways Lane for Traffic, Possession of Meth with Intent to Deliver, and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia.

John Adam Phillips was indicted for Vandalism.

Bobby Joe Hoffman was indicted on a charge of Domestic Assault.

Isiah Germial Willis was indicted on charge of Burglary.

Jimmie Lee Moore was indicted on Criminal Attempt to Commit First Degree Murder, Aggravated Assault (two counts), Do-

mestic Assault, and Resisting Arrest. He is accused of stabbing his ex-wife in the neck and chest.

Tanner Ray Walton was indicted on Rape of a minor child.

Shanique Cree Williams was indicted on Child Neglect. Officers found a child, age 8 or less, wandering alone and issued the charges.

Angelica Kesia Holden was indicted on a charge of Possession of Methamphetamine with Intent to Deliver and Introduction of Drugs in a Penal Institution.

Theft

...From Front Page

The Comptroller's Office initiated its investigation after school officials identified and reported questionable activity in the club's bank account.

Investigators have also questioned additional club disbursements totaling \$3,400.08 which include cash withdrawals and debit card transactions. These disbursements lacked the necessary documentation to support the purchases and withdrawals.

Furthermore, due to the club's failure to maintain collection logs for fundraisers and document admission fees collected for softball games, investigators could not determine if all collections were deposited in the club's bank account.

Based upon this investigation, in September 2023, the Carroll County Grand Jury indicted Samantha Chesser for one count of theft of property over \$10,000 and one count of forgery over \$10,000.

"Booster club officials have a responsibility to ensure they maintain invoices, receipts, or other supporting documentation for all disbursements," said

Comptroller Mumpower. "The Comptroller's Office has developed model policies that each club across Tennessee should be following to help prevent fraud, waste, and abuse."

To view the investigative report, go to tncot.cc/doireports. To view a map depicting Comptroller investigations, go to tncot.cc/mappinginvestigations.

If you suspect fraud, waste, or abuse of public money in Tennessee, call the Comptroller's toll-free hotline at 800.232.5454, or file a report online at: tncot.cc/fraud. Follow Tennessee Comptroller's Office on X/Twitter @TNCOT and Instagram @tncot.

Budget

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Cafeteria budgeted at around \$800,000.

Debt Services budgeted at around \$410,000.

Federal Projects.

Caldwell explained that board members technically only approve the first three funds, and that Federal Projects are already budgeted with the federal government and are not up for approval. The local property tax rate was approved at \$1.2207 per \$100 assessed value of real estate.

West Carroll's fiscal year is July 1 to June 30 of the following year. Based on a 2023 tax assessment, West Carroll estimates to bring in a net collection of \$1,303,253 in local taxes for the fiscal year from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

75 percent of that revenue will go toward the General Purpose Fund, and 25 percent will go toward the district's Debt Services Fund. All of West Carroll Special School District's properties are assessed at a combined value of \$110,968,451.

Employee Raises and Budget Highlights

During the budget work session, Superintendent Caldwell highlighted a 6.25 percent salary raise for every employee in the district as part of this budget.

"There is a 6.25 percent increase in salary for every teacher, assistant, custodian and cafeteria employee," Caldwell said. "It's a very, very nice raise, and I'm very proud to ask you to approve it

tonight. It's a nice, nice raise."

Caldwell said that the money for these raises is all coming from TISA -Tennessee's new funding formula for schools replacing BEP.

"I have also presented in the budget \$10,000 to start paying for transportation for sporting events," Caldwell said. "We're estimating it to be about \$10,000. What we will do, and what most districts do, is pay for the mileage. The sports will pay for the driver ... The problem is not having the money for them, the problem is the time and getting drivers to make the trips for the sports because so many of them have to complete a route before they do it."

Additionally, \$8,000 will be budgeted for all of the district's Beta Clubs to help pay for their trips. Caldwell made note of a \$300,000 line item under expenses budgeted for bus-

sing, but he said that the district will not be paying that much this year.

"We're budgeting as if we have to pay it," Caldwell said. "It's complicated, but as we move through next year -and the next year- we will start having to pay for transportation. We're going ahead and budgeting it to see our savings with it, but also to get accustomed to that expense."

Caldwell explained that the district will save nearly \$1 million over the next three years by doing this.

"As we are now in TISA and budgeting \$300,000, Mr. Johnny McAdams is still on BEP," Caldwell said. "We're getting our services this year com-

pletely free -that's transportation and his CTE classes. Next year in fiscal year 2025, we will only pay 25 percent of his estimated costs. The year after that in FY 2026, we'll only pay 50 percent. The year after that in FY 2027, we'll pay 75 percent. So in FY 2028, we're looking at paying that \$300,000 finally. So, you'll notice the savings that we have over the next three years."

Regular Meeting

During the regular meeting, the school board voted unanimously to approve Caldwell's budget for the 2024 fiscal year.

Board members elected officers for the 2023-24 school year. Officers elected included the following: William Robinson, Chairman; Jeremy Jackson, Vice-Chairman; Kelly Weaver, Secretary/Treasurer and Betty Wallace, TLN Representative.

During his superintendent's report, Caldwell thanked all of the staff at West Carroll schools. He commended district maintenance worker Mark Wright for helping make repairs to another water main line burst in the floor drains at the Elementary School.

"I'm going to brag on Mr. Mark Wright," Caldwell said. "He worked on it the night before last, then they were up until after 8 last night. He was back there at 6 this morning just doing a super job. While he's doing that, he's also coming over to the high school tending to things and the primary school, too. He just does an outstanding job, so if you see Mark Wright, pat him on the back for a job well done."



Squash Pickles

6cup squash -diced
2 cup onions -diced
4 large bell peppers -diced
1 small hot pepper -diced
Put dash of salt and let stand 1 hour. Drain and put into jar.

Mix 2 cup vinegar, 3 cup sugar, 1 teaspoon celery seed, 1 teaspoon mustard seed. Bring to a boil and pour over mixture in jars and seal.

Pickled Peaches

5 quarts peeled peaches
6 1/2 cup sugar
1 quart cider vinegar
1 1/4 teaspoon pickling spices (mixed)
10 cloves
5 small pieces stick cinnamon

Make a syrup of vinegar and sugar. Heat and add peaches, simmer for 10

minutes.

To each quart jar add 1/4 teaspoon pickling spice, 2 cloves and 1 stick cinnamon. Place fruit in jar and cover with hot syrup. Seal jar.

4 In 1 Cake Dessert

1st Layer

1 1/2 stick butter -melted
1 1/2 cup flour
1/2 cup chopped nuts
3 tablespoon powdered sugar

Mix and press into 13x9x2 inch pan. Bake 20 minutes at 350 degrees.

2nd Layer

1 8 oz. cream cheese
1 cup cool whip
1 cup powdered sugar

Mix and spread on 1st layer.

3rd Layer

3 small packages instant pudding mix

4 1/2 cup milk
Mix and spread on 2nd Layer

4th Layer

Spread cool whip on top of 3rd layer. Sprinkle with chopped nuts.

Skillet Cake

1 cup self rising flour
3/4 cup oil or melted butter
2 eggs
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

Mix all together and bake in large greased skillet at 350 degrees for about 30 minutes. Eat it warm.

Pineapple Nut Pie

1 can eagle brand milk
3 egg yolks
1 small can crushed pineapple-drained
1/4 cup crushed pecans
1/4 cup lemon juice

Mix milk and egg yolks thoroughly and add lemon juice and mix. Add pecans and pineapple. Place in a baked pie shell. Cover with beaten egg whites and brown. Cool and serve.

French Coconut Pie

1 1/2 cup sugar
1 stick butter -melted
3 eggs beaten
1 tablespoon vinegar
1 tablespoon vanilla
1 can Angel flake coconut

Mix together with large spoon. Cook at 350 degrees for 45 minutes to 1 hour in an unbaked pie shell.

West Nile Virus Detected in West Tennessee Animal

NASHVILLE — The state veterinarian confirms that a horse in Gibson County tested positive for West Nile Virus (WNV).

"The recent case of WNV is a reminder of measures horse owners can take to prevent this disease and others," State Veterinarian Dr. Samantha Beaty said. "Environmental controls against mosquitoes can save off WNV, and horse owners should vaccinate against the virus. There is no cure for WNV, so prevention is key."

WNV is transmitted direct-

ly from infected mosquitoes to equines, birds, and humans but not between animals or people. Symptoms in horses may include fever, weakness, weight loss, and circling or convulsions. WNV can cause lasting effects and can be fatal. Contact your veterinarian if you notice any signs of illness in your animals.

Tips to prevent vector-borne viruses include:

- Eliminate standing water sources and damp areas where insects could gather and breed; Keep animals in-

side during insect feeding times, typically morning and evening; Manage manure and disposal; Keep barns clean and apply fly sprays and insect repellents as needed; Never share needles, dental, or surgical equipment among different animals; Consult with your veterinarian to determine appropriate vaccinations for your herd.

The Tennessee Department of Agriculture's Animal Health Division is responsible for promoting animal health in Tennessee.



Above, Stagecoach Mary in later years with wagon. Below, Mary was known to be an incredible shot with her rifle.



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Stagecoach Mary

A Trailblazing Odyssey

There are individuals whose stories transcend the limitations of time, resonating with unyielding determination and fortitude. One such remarkable figure is Mary Fields, famously known as “Stagecoach Mary.” Born into the shackles of slavery in Hickman County, Tennessee, Mary’s life journey traversed the spectrum of human experience, encompassing struggle, resilience, and triumph. Her tale, like a beacon of inspiration, illuminates the path of the human spirit’s capacity to overcome adversity and forge ahead into the unknown.

Mary’s life began in the oppressive shadow of slavery, a system that sought to confine her dreams within the narrow bounds of servitude. However, Mary was not one to be defined by the chains that sought to hold her back. Emerging from the darkness of her early years, she embarked on a path that would rewrite the narrative of her existence. As she worked on a riverboat, the waters served as both a reflection of her journey and a source of her burgeoning spirit. In those formative years, Mary honed her skills and cultivated the indomitable resolve that would become her hallmark.

It was during this phase of her life that Mary’s path crossed with that of Edmund Dunne, an encounter that would become the foundation for the next chapter in her epic saga. Employed as a nanny for the Dunne family, Mary’s compassion and resilience quickly left an indelible mark on their lives. Soon tragedy struck and Mrs. Dunne died. Feeling unfit to raise children, Edmund sent the children and Mary to live with his older sister. This began the chapter where Mary began living in a convent as Dunne’s sister was Mother Superior Mary Amadeus of

the Order of Saint Ursula. Destiny, it seemed, had plans beyond the bounds of tradition for Mary. As she ventured westward, the rugged landscapes mirrored the challenges she had already conquered in her life. Mary built a strong bond with Mother Amadeus. So much so, that Mary would soon be on the move further westward and working as a construction forewoman.

Finding her way to Montana was just a happenstance but she played a pivotal role in the construction of Saint Peter’s Mission. It was here that Mary’s steadfastness came to the fore once again. When illness befell Mother Amadeus, Mary stepped in to nurse the nun back to health and oversee that the mission’s legacy endured. In doing so, she continued to defy expectations and redefine the possibilities for women in her era.

Fields took on multiple roles regarded as “men’s work” at the time such as maintenance, repairs, fetching supplies, laundry, gardening, hauling freight, growing vegetables, tending chickens, and repairing buildings, and eventually became the forewoman. Native Americans called Fields “White Crow”, because “she acts like a white person but has black skin”. Life in a convent was placid, but Fields’ hearty temperament and habitual profanity made the religious community uncomfortable. In 1894, after several complaints and an incident with a disgruntled male subordinate that involved gunplay, the bishop barred her from the convent. Fields moved to Cascade where she opened a tavern, but profits waned due to allowing the cash-poor to dine free. It closed due to bankruptcy about 10 months later.

Yet, it was perhaps on the stagecoaches and postal routes that Mary Fields truly etched

her name into the annals of history. Fearless and resolute, she traversed treacherous terrains, defying the elements and the constraints of conventional gender roles. Tales of Mary fending off wolves during her journeys became the stuff of legends, a testament to her unwavering courage and resourcefulness. If the snow was too deep for her horses, Fields delivered the mail on snowshoes, carrying the sacks on her shoulders. Her presence on the stagecoaches was a reminder that strength knows no gender and courage recognizes no bounds.

Beyond her feats on the open road, Stagecoach Mary transcended societal norms, shattering stereotypes and paving the way for future generations. Her ownership of a laundry business showcased her entrepreneurial acumen, while her unapologetic entry into saloons challenged prevailing notions of propriety. Mary’s audacious spirit not only propelled her own journey but also ignited a spark of possibility in the hearts of those who witnessed her fearlessness.

She was a respected public figure in Cascade, and the town closed its schools to celebrate her birthday each year. When Montana passed a law forbidding women to enter saloons, the mayor of Cascade granted her an exemption. In 1903, at age 71, Fields retired from star route mail carrier service. The townspeople’s adoration for Fields was evident when her home was rebuilt by volunteers after it caught fire in 1912. She continued to babysit many Cascade children and owned and operated a laundry service from her home

Stagecoach Mary’s saga stands as a testament to the extraordinary power of character that defies the limits imposed by society. Her life story echoes the boundless potential awaiting those who dare to dream and persevere. In her unwavering pursuit of independence and purpose, Mary Fields shattered barriers and blazed trails for generations to come. Her legacy is an everlasting reminder that the human spirit is capable of triumphing over adversity, and that even in the face of seemingly insurmountable odds, determination can pave the way to greatness.

Mary Fields, the embodiment of courage, resilience, and audacity, will forever resonate as a testament to the capacity of the human spirit to overcome, achieve, and inspire. Fields died in 1914 at Columbus Hospital in Great Falls. Her funeral was one of the largest the town had ever seen. She was buried outside of Cascade.


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HUNKER DOWN WITH KES

This Whole Thing is Making Me Thirsty

You people never cease to amaze me! I wrote a simple story about liking Coca-Colas. It really wasn’t all that great. Real newspaper people would call it “filler” material. I promise I have done better....

Everybody and his brother has called, emailed, or stopped me on the street to talk about Coca-Colas. Half of you agreed with me. It was also your favorite drink. You remembered carefully pouring peanuts down the neck of an ice cold bottle. Or you had a story of when you enjoyed a special Coke at a special moment with a special friend.

Of course, the other half condemned me for “endorsing, propagandizing, and romanticizing” a drink that was slowly killing me—and anyone else I talked into drinking it—one sip at a time! Goodness gracious, you’d think we were reminiscing about snake-oil remedies, Hadacol, or Carter’s Little Liver pills!

And I didn’t understand that romanticizing part unless they knew something about Cokes that I didn’t!

I did get an email from Somerset, Kentucky. From a Pepsi feller! He made it abundantly clear that Pepsis were far superior to Cokes in every possible way. And only a tasteless, uncouth, ignorant, and helpless soul would venture down the Coca-Cola trail. I believe I quoted him almost verbatim on some of his wordage.

I politely thanked him for his opinion and wished him the blessings of the day. And refrained from telling him about my late Uncle Harvey who raised albino chickens, thought pigs could talk, wrestling was real and the moon landing was as spurious as a three dollar bill!

A message also arrived from a delightful lady in Albany, Georgia. She sent me a recipe for a Coca-Cola cake that had been in her family for generations. I figured if it had been several generations back, it might have contained some cocaine from the original flavored Cokes.

Cathy is at the store right now gathering all the cake ingredients, except for the Cokes. Naturally, I have that covered!

I appreciate every single person who took the time to share their inner most thoughts on the subject. And we’ve really only scratched the Coca-Cola surface. We didn’t mention “last time” about the endless checker games. They were big at our house on cold or rainy days.

The dogs would chew up our wooden checkers. Or sometimes

Leon would use them for target practice. We’d save our caps off the Coke bottles and make “checkers” out of them. You could turn one side down and one up for the opposing players. Or you could take the cork out of half of them and play that way.

We’d flip the tops to land them “right side up” in a freshly drawn circle. Sometimes we’d hang a loop made from an old coat hanger on the side porch and practice sailing the caps through the hole. We had distance throwing contests. We’d also see how many half dollars we could place inside a cap so that all or part of each one would be inside the cap.

But most always, every Coca-Cola cap game, no matter how innocently it began, ended up in all-out warfare. We were brothers growing up in the 1950’s for goodness sakes! We had to invent our own entertainment. Leon would bounce those things off the bedroom wall, the kitchen cabinets, Pa and Gran’s picture in the hallway, me and David Mark’s neck, arms, chest, head....

We practiced our honesty up at Mr. Moore’s Tire Center. When cold drinks went from a nickel to six cents, Mr. Moore didn’t change machines. He just screwed a small attachment on the front of the upright drink box so you could voluntarily drop your penny in. Us Coke drinkers put the extra one cent piece in every time. I’m not so sure about those Pepsi guys....

We did some serious gambling over those six ounce Coke bottles. This was when I was working up at Mr. Hill’s DX service station in high school. Buddy or Yogi would come in and we’d “pull” a Coke out of the top of the chest type box machine. The local bottling company would be embossed on the bottom of each bottle. Mostly we’d have Jackson or Bolivar, Tennessee, Paducah, Kentucky, or Sikeston, Missouri. The guy who pulled the closest bottling company, paid for all the drinks.

We played “spin the bottle” at Susie Branon’s house with an empty Coke bottle. Uh...Ur...Aw...I might have forgotten about Susie’s living room when those anti-Coke people were getting on me about that romanticizing part....

Respectfully,
Kes

PS: If you perhaps have a Coca-Cola recipe for cakes, pies, Amish pudding, éclairs, or double chocolate fudge brownies...please email it to kesley@mediacommbb.net just as fast as you possibly can!



Womanless Beauty Revues - An Opinion

The year was 1982 and I had just been elected District Attorney. One of the counties in my district was my home county of Carroll. I was in the court house for some reason or another when I was approached by a very nice and polite young lady. She said she was from one of the schools in the western part of the county and that they would be holding a womanless beauty review soon and she wanted me to be in it. Womanless beauty reviews were common in those days and politicians and other men who were considered of some prominence were recruited to participate.

These events consisted of grown men wearing dresses of various make and description and a wig of some sort while they paraded around on stage while the audience whooped and hollered. The audience actually paid money to witness this. It is important to note that there was no age requirement for admission of children and all ages

from infants on up were allowed to witness these spectacles. The local newspapers were there and pictures of these events appeared in the next edition of the local papers boosting sales and allowed those who did not attend to witness this performance.

If you held public office your attendance was expected, no: mandated and to not participate would certainly be held against you in the next election. I declined. The young lady looked at me in amazement not believing what I said. I said no, I did not wish to participate in a womanless beauty review. “....But everyone will be in it “ she said not specifying just who everybody was.

That very day I came upon another office holder and the subject of the womanless beauty review came up. I don’t think the term drag was in vogue at that time, female impersonators possibly. After hearing of my refusal he allowed that he would join me in my refusal. Soon the word circulated through the courthouse and beyond and the event was not held, at least not then. Whether there have been others I do not know. I do know I was never asked again.

In the event that no more womanless beauty reviews have held then I inadvertently rendered a great service to our county. I have since learned from our general assembly that seeing a man dressed as a woman by anyone under the age of 18 will warp that person for life. Maybe that explains some of the behavior of our citizens who were witness to such an event early in life. I would think that most of them have moved on by now. I certainly hope so.

Robert “Gus” Radford

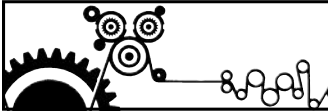
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Obituaries



GEORGE AYLOR 1954 — 2023

Mr. George David Aylor, 71, of McMoresville, Tennessee, died Monday, September 4, 2023, at his home, surrounded by loved ones.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be directed to McMoresville Cemetery, PO Box 44, McMoresville, TN 38235.

Funeral services were Friday, September 8, 2023, in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Phil Williams officiating. Interment was in McMoresville Cemetery.

Mr. Aylor was born July 28, 1952, in Milan, Tennessee, to the late David H.B. and Betty (Jones) Aylor. Other than his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife of 42 years, Sallye (O'Neil) Aylor.

He is survived by one son, Greg Aylor of McMoresville, two sisters, Anita West (Danny) and Kathy Scoggins, both of Mississippi and a special friend, Donna Marshall of Trezevant and other family. Chase Funeral Home, Huntingdon. +



DOROTHY HORTON 1939 — 2023

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Dorothy Sue Horton, 84, of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at her home.

Funeral services were Friday, September 8, 2023, at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Ronnie McClure officiating. Interment was in Liberty All Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Scott Bond, Mitchell Horton, Kris Land, Stephen McClure, Josh Gray and James Lee.

Mrs. Horton was born January 6, 1939, in McKenzie, Tennessee, to the late Wiley and Rosa Lee (White) Matlock. She worked at Huntingdon Health and Rehabilitation Center in housekeeping and attended Union Grove Baptist Church. Other than her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Clifford Horton, one daughter, Betty Jean Tyler, two brothers, Dwayne Matlock and Bill Matlock.

She is survived by four daughters, Trish Waggoner (Rick) of Martin, Kathy Carson (Kenneth) of Huntingdon, Rita Crocker of McKenzie, Danita Land (James) of Huntingdon, two sons, Mike Horton (Tina) of Huntingdon, Johnny Horton (Theresa) of McKenzie, two sisters, Janice Bartholomew (Jack) of Oklahoma, Faye Hartzer of McKenzie, and one brother, Jerry Matlock of McKenzie. She also leaves twenty grandchildren, forty-six great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren. Chase Funeral Home, Huntingdon. +

IRIS BRASHEAR HUBBARD 1946 — 2023

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for Mrs. Iris Brashear Hubbard were Friday, September 8, 2023, at 3 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home.

The family received friends on Friday, 11 a.m. until service time. Interment was at Carroll Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Hubbard, 77, died Saturday, September 2, 2023, at Jackson General Hospital.

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She had her Master of Education degree and was an educator at various locations. She was a member of First Presbyterian, U.S.A.

She is survived by her husband, Reverend Doctor Julius Pratt Hubbard of McKenzie, two sons, Lt. Colonial Julius Pratt (Jay) Hubbard, III of Lee's Summit, Missouri and Edward Augustine Hubbard of Henry, a sister, Joy Brashear of McKenzie, two grandchildren, Autumn Sky Hubbard and Melanie Grace Brewer.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Annabelle Gatley and brother, Ed Brashear.

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MAXINE R. DAVIS 1950 — 2023

MCKENZIE — Ms. Maxine R. Davis, 72, died September 1, 2023, at her residence. There are no services at this time, the family has chosen cremation.

She was born November 30, 1950, in Carbondale, Illinois, to Bud and Ruth Raspberry. She was a cook for several area restaurants.

She is survived by her daughters, Emily (Teardrop) Hood, and Stormy Craig (Kyle Tucker), both of McKenzie and a granddaughter, Brayley Tucker.

She is preceded in death by her parents and daughter, Hailey Craig.

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JOANN TRULL 1947 — 2023

MCKENZIE — Funeral Services for Joann Trull were Sunday, September 10, 2023, at 2 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. The interment was at Shiloh Cemetery.

Mrs. Trull, 76, died Thursday, September 7, 2023, at The Waters, Rehabilitation & Nursing Center. She was a retired certified nurse assistant. She was born August 4, 1947, in Detroit, Michigan,

to Edward Turner and Mary Bone Rodriguez.

She is survived by her daughters, Denise (Richard) Noble of Milan, Michelle Walden of Paris, Tina (Terry) Milam of Henry and Lisa (Jody Rayburn) Richardson, thirteen grandchildren, Trey(Tara) Petty, Justin (Rachel) Petty, Brittany (Austin) Wynn, James (Carlee) Walden, Jacob Waller, Tina Marie (Mickey Pullen) Milam, TJ (Tay) Milam, Braden (Morgan) Richardson, BJ (Courtney) Richardson, Briley (Courtney) Richardson, Katelyn Richardson, Keira Richardson and MiKinlee Rayburn and 13 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents and husband, Willie Trull.

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CHARLES MILES TRAVIS 1943 — 2023

MILAN — Charles Miles Travis, 80, of Medina, Tenn., died Monday, September 4, 2023, at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital surrounded by his loving family.

Charles was born February 19, 1943, in Carroll County, Tenn., to the late Miles and Marie Featherstone Travis.

He graduated from Trezevant High School in 1960 and completed his business degree at Bethel University. After completing his college degree, he joined the U.S. Army, where he proudly served his country. He worked for Equifax prior to the many years of service/retirement from Milan Express.

He enjoyed many things during his life: singing for his church family at Gregory's Chapel Assembly of God, listening to gospel and country music, and watching old westerns on television. He was also very attentive to his garden, that he loved sharing with others. He enjoyed yard sales and estate sales in his free time. When he wasn't delivering/picking up cars for dealerships in the area, he

also enjoyed spending time with his grandkids.

Charles is survived by his beloved wife of 36 years, Patricia Graham Travis; his sister, Ann (Greg) Hammett; his daughter, Vickie (Mitch) Goodwin; his step-daughter, Jill Hopper; his step-son, Tommy (Juliana) Hopper; his grandchildren, Amanda Bechtel, Jon Michael (Ashlyn) Goodwin; Graham, Nolan, Reagan, Allie, Carlie, and Mattie Hopper; his sister-in-law, Cathy Travis (Doug) Lowery; and two great-grandchildren, Brycen and Keaton Jones; and many nieces and nephews.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents; his son, David Michael Travis; his daughter, Melissa Rene Travis; and his three brothers, Kenneth, William, and Larry Wayne Travis.

Services for Charles were 2 p.m., Thursday, September 7, 2023, at Replogle-Lawrence Funeral Home in Medina, Tenn., with Jessica McCoy officiating. Burial followed at Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery in McKenzie, Tenn. +.

DEBRA KAY ENSLEY 1952 — 2023

HUNTINGDON — Ms. Debra Kay Ensley, 71 of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Monday, September 4, 2023, at the Baptist Hospital in Huntingdon.

The family received friends in the Cherrywood Room of Chase Funeral Home on Saturday, 1-4 p.m.

Ms. Ensley was born February 21, 1952, in Sedro-Woolley, Washington, to the late Richard Eugene and Paula (Waldrop) Fox. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one grandson, Kyle Bradley.

She was survived by one daughter, Jamie Deanne Johnson (Jason) of Wasilla, Alaska, two sons, Jesse Duane Bradley (fiancee' Elisa Kyle), Marty Ensley (Alice Marie), both of Huntingdon, three sisters, Barbara Fox of Redding, California, Christine Groves and Lori Greenough, both of Washington, one brother, Ricky Fox of Arizona. She also leaves seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, Chase Funeral Home, Huntingdon.

NANCY MURPHY 1927 — 2023

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Nancy Laverne Murphy, 96, of Huntingdon, Tennessee, died Friday, September 8, 2023, at NHC Milan.

Funeral services were Monday, September 11, 2023, at 11 a.m. in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Hunter Jones officiating. Interment was in the Seventh Day Adventist Cemetery.

Mrs. Murphy was born June 19, 1927, in Milan, Tennessee, to the late Luther Allen and Lillian (Pryor) Rogers. Other than her parents, she was also preceded in death her husband, Lonnie Martin Murphy, a daughter, Janice Foster, a son, Lonnie Murphy, two brothers, Leon Rogers, and Edward Rogers.

She is survived by two sons, Ronnie Lynn Murphy (Wilma) and Marty Lane Murphy (Connie) both of Cedar Grove. She also leaves six grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren, Robbie and Ella. Chase Funeral Home.

BETTY WARMAN MERRITT 1946 — 2023

TREZEVANT — Funeral services for Betty Warman Merritt were Saturday, September 9, 2023, at 11 a.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. The family received friends on Friday, September 8, 2023, at 5:30-8 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. until service time. Interment was at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, McKenzie.

Mrs. Merritt, 76, died Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at AHC of McKenzie.

She was a member of Union Grove Baptist Church and a retired factory worker, employed by Brown Shoe, the Pajama Factory and H.I.S. Trezevant. She was born on December 20, 1946, in Dyer, to Milford and Bonnie Cooper Warman.

She is survived by her daughters, Sherri Sutton of McKenzie, Sandy Sutton of Milan, Shelia (John) Sutton Triplett of Trezevant, a sister, Toni Warman Brush of McKenzie and three grandchildren, Sandy(Andy) Denton, Colton Stanford and Jace (Trisha Ward) Williams.

Her parents and brothers, Bobby Warman and Ronnie Warman preceded her in death.

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JAMES HERSHEL RIGGS 1947 — 2023

BRUCETON — Mr. James Hershel Riggs, 76, of Bruceton, Tennessee, died Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at his home, with his daughter by his side.

Memorial services were Saturday, September 9, 2023.

Mr. Riggs was born May 18, 1947, in Camden, Tennessee, to the late Early Riggs and Nancy Grooms. He was a maintenance supervisor at UTI New Johnsonville.

Besides his parents, he was also preceded in death by one son, James Hershel Riggs, Jr., two sisters, Sherry Tanaka, Helen Riggs, three brothers, Billy Riggs, Marty Grooms

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HUNTINGDON BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

The Huntingdon Board of Education meets Wednesday, September 20 at 5 p.m. at the Central Office, 585 High Street, Huntingdon. Individuals wishing to address the board on an agenda item must notify the director by 1 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

MCKENZIE REBELS BASKETBALL'S GOLF TOURNAMENT IS SEPTEMBER 16

McKenzie Rebels Basketball 12th Annual Golf Tournament and Four-Man Scramble is Saturday, September 16, 2023 at Carroll Lake Golf Course, McKenzie, Tenn. The price includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch and a chance to meet the 2023-24 Rebel and Lady Rebel Basketball Teams. The cost is \$300 for a four-man team. Sponsors are needed at \$150 per hole. Sponsorship opportunities include: Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, Longest Putt. For more information, contact Coach John Wilkins at

731-352-2133 or email wilkinsj4@mckenziezschoools.org.

E911 BOARD TO MEET SEPTEMBER 19

The Carroll County Emergency Communications District Board of Directors will meet on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 5 p.m. The meeting is at 200 Norandal Drive, Huntingdon in the training room (this is the Carroll County Sheriff's Office in the training room at the jail).

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.

FREE HAMBURGER, HOTDOG SUPPER AT CHURCH OF CHRIST

McKenzie church of Christ is hosting a free hamburger and hotdog supper at their building on Highland Drive, McKenzie on Thursday, September 21, 5 to 7:30 p.m. (or until the food is gone). Dining-in is available or drive-through if you want to pick it up and leave. The menu is hamburgers, hotdogs, dessert and a drink (for dine-in only). The meal is free to all who are hun-

gry or in need of Christian fellowship. All you have to do is come by. Everyone is welcome. If you have questions, please call 731-352-2106 or 731-695-6575.

EAGLE WING MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

Eagle Wing Motorcycle Association's kickoff meeting is September 16, 1 p.m. at Tom's Steak House, Paris. McKenzie Riders Chapter X. Everyone is welcome. John McConsey, 731-336-4407.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ROAD BLOCKS

Carroll County Sheriff's Department is conducting roadblocks on September 15 and 16, Highway 79, McKenzie and Highway 70, Bruceton.

MCKENZIE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1968 55TH REUNION

The McKenzie High School Class of 1968 is having a catered dinner for their 55th Reunion at 6 p.m. on September 16, 2023, at The Barn, 700 Hill Road, McKenzie. To register, please send checks for \$25.00 per person by September 2, 2023, made out to Charlie Beal at: 219 Diamond Drive, McKenzie, TN 38201. Please bring any school or class memorabilia with you to share with everyone. For more information, look for the Facebook group: McKen-

zie High School, Class of '68, or contact Carl and Melissa Powell at 731-986-8838 or Charlie Beal at 731-225-1919.

SMALLTOWN CRUISERS ANTIQUE CAR CLUB

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 Cruise-Ins begin in April. For more information, contact Jan Ostiguy at 731-444-1801 or email jano1970@att.net.

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.

OAK RIDGE BOYS IN HUNTINGDON

The Oak Ridge Boys will perform a free concert during the Huntingdon Heritage Festival on Saturday morning, September 23 in downtown.

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.

REVIVAL AT CARTERS CHAPEL CHURCH

Revival at Carters Chapel Church located at 65 Carters Chapel Lane, Huntingdon Tenn., September 17-20. Services are 7 p.m. with an add-a-dish at 5:30 p.m. on the 17th. Speakers include: Sunday — David Sauer; Monday — Darrel Ridgely; Tuesday — Phil Williams; Wednesday — Jennifer Sauer. For additional information, call 731-987-2830.

MCKENZIE CITY COUNCIL MEETS MONTHLY

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

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.

MCKENZIE INDUSTRIAL BOARD TO MEET

McKenzie Industrial Development Corporation Board of Directors meets Thursday, September 14, 6 p.m. at the RailYard, Broadway Street, McKenzie.

CORRECTION



Cole Brown (3) hits the corner extending the play. Photo by Tammy Graves.

Rebels Bounce Back with Win Over Chester County

In the September 5 edition of The McKenzie Banner, a photo caption in the "Rebels Bounce Back with Win Over Chester County" story incorrectly listed Ace Fisher as the

error. The Banner regrets the error.



Pictured (L to R): McKenzie Rotary Club President Jason R. Martin, Executive Director of Northwest TN Tourism Kasey Muench, and Rotary Club Vice President Christy Williams.

McKenzie Rotary Learns About Local Tourism

MCKENZIE (September 4) — The McKenzie Rotary Club's program on Tuesday was present by Kasey Muench, executive director of Northwest Tennessee Tourism.

Muench informed the club that Northwest Tennessee Tourism has been a source for regional marketing source since 1971. The district represents the counties of Benton, Carroll, Crockett, Dyer, Gibson, Henry, Lake, Obion, and Weakley. It was developed by the Tennessee Department of Tourist Development as one

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Muench said, "Our aim is to showcase the best our region has to offer, from our natural beauty to our

rich cultural heritage, and everything in between.

It is the goal of the organization to networks its members setting each other up for success. This would encourage individuals visiting one member's business in Henry County and then being referred to cross into another county like Carroll either to eat or maybe attend an event.

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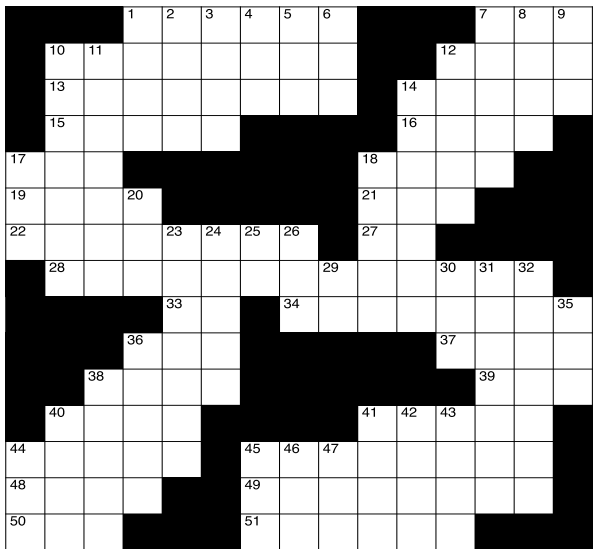
Weekly Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Type of crayon
- 7. Fashion accessory
- 10. Most cerebral
- 12. Incline from vertical
- 13. Dependent on
- 14. Broken in
- 15. Strongly desires
- 16. Mounted soldier
- 17. Ad ____: when necessary
- 18. Cattle
- 19. Ottoman military commanders
- 21. ____ student, learns healing
- 22. Composed in poetic meter
- 27. Promotional material
- 28. Where people live
- 33. Sodium
- 34. Embarrassing
- 36. Medical man
- 37. Mother of Hermes
- 38. One who saves the day
- 39. Tooth caregiver
- 40. Not clothed
- 41. Slope covered with loose stones
- 44. Used to cook
- 45. Praises enthusiastically
- 48. Rooney is a famous one
- 49. Beekeeper
- 50. Pigpen
- 51. Potato chip brand

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Living quarters
- 2. Horizontal passage
- 3. Attacks
- 4. Vietnamese offensive
- 5. Midway between east and southeast
- 6. Confined (abbr.)
- 7. Book of Esther antagonist
- 8. Port in Yemen
- 9. CNN's founder
- 10. Type of bulb
- 11. Prepare
- 12. Promoted
- 14. Dinner jackets
- 17. Partner to cheese
- 18. Nebraska city
- 20. Human gene
- 23. Pays no attention to
- 24. Lowland South American plain
- 25. Blood group
- 26. Mauna ____, Hawaiian volcano
- 29. Atomic #37



- 30. Unit of electrical resistance
- 31. Jeweled crowns
- 32. Nastiest
- 35. Traditional cars need it
- 36. Bowler hat
- 38. Robust
- 40. Not straight
- 41. Stony waste matter
- 42. Have an interest in
- 43. Jacob ____, journalist
- 44. Maintains possession of
- 45. Swiss river
- 46. Average cost of market goods
- 47. Spanish soldier: El ____

Week 37

See solution in next week's edition.

Coastal Clean Up Word Search

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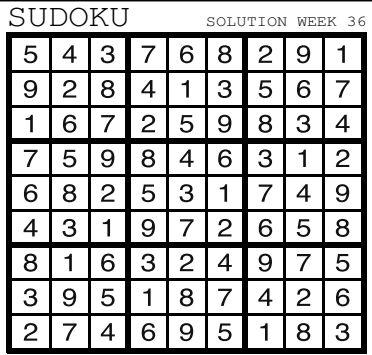
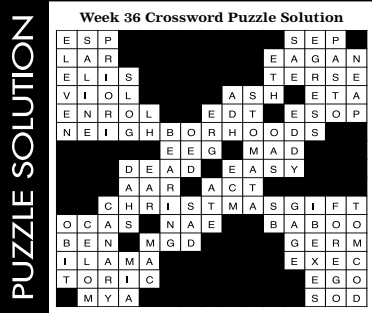
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Carroll County General Sessions Court

HUNTINGDON (September 9) — The following cases were held in Carroll County General Sessions Court on September 6.

Cases bound over to the Grand Jury of the Circuit Court were:

Daniel Isaiah Harris, South Forks Creek, Huntingdon, bound over on Drugs-Manufacture, Sell, Possess - Fentanyl; Schedule II Cocaine; Schedule VI Drugs - Manufacture, Deliver or Sell; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Adrian Newbitt, Walnut Avenue, McKenzie, bound over on a charge of Contraband in a Penal Facility; Criminal Responsibility for Facilitation of a Felony; Schedule VI Drugs - Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess.

The following cases resulted in a guilty plea or finding.

Christopher Brown, Battery Lane, Bruceton, guilty, Probation Violation, two days jail, supervised probation.

Adrian Ramon Florence, Hunter Ridge Cove, Huntingdon, guilty, DUI-First Offense, \$350 fine, 11/29 jail suspended to 48 hours, not to drive for one year, alcohol and drug evaluation and to follow recommended treatment; dismissed, Driving While Revoked; dismissed, Implied Consent; dismissed, Speeding.

Shawn Michael Riley Foreman, Florida Court, Paris, pre-trial diversion, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, credit for time served, probation; dismissed, Driving While Suspended; dismissed, Financial Responsibility.

Marvin Gaston, Forrest Circle, McKenzie, guilty, Community Supervision Violation, 10 days jail, supervised probation.

Michael Howard, Garland Street, McKenzie, guilty, Public Intoxication, probation, in-patient treatment.

Rachel M. Johnsonius, Stonewall Street, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation, 11/29 jail consecutive with current sentence; guilty, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, \$150 fine.

Malik L. Lee, Farris Carter Street, Atwood, guilty, Driving While Canceled, six months jail, suspended to time served, supervised probation, obtain a driver's license.

Darek Lewis, Park Cove, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation; dismissed, Driving While Suspended; dismissed, Improper Display of Registration Plates.

Lonnie Nelson, Lee Street, Martin, guilty, Driving While Canceled, 10 days, supervised probation, must make reasonable effort to get driver's license; dismissed, Financial Responsibility; dismissed, Driving Unregistered Vehicle.

Dakota Parker, Roby Road, Reagan, Tenn., guilty, Failure to Appear, Driving on a Canceled License, six days jail, must obtain a valid driver's license; dismissed, Speeding.

Sherry Pirtle Fairview Cove, Oakland, Tenn., guilty, Reckless Endangerment; 11/29 jail with 75 percent release eligibility and possible judicial diversion; pre-trial diversion Improper Lane Change.

Hugo Tox Pop, Tumbling Creek Road, McKenzie, guilty, DUI - First Offense, \$350 fine, 15 days jail; DUI School, not to drive for one year, hold for Obion County and Immigration; dismissed, Open Container; dismissed, Light Law; dismissed, Financial Responsibility.

sponsibility.

Julie Supp, Prosser Road, Leoma, Tenn., guilty, DUI - First Offense, 16 days jail, supervised probation, not to drive for one year, DUI School, alcohol and drug evaluation, \$350 fine; dismissed, Driving While Revoked; dismissed, Implied Consent; dismissed, Speeding.

Karen Webb, Park Cove, McKenzie, guilty, Youth Tobacco, Smoking Hemp and Vape Products; \$50 fine, unsupervised probation, must complete vape class and file certification with the court.

Michael Allen Webb, Highway 45, Bradford, guilty, Reckless Driving, credit for time served in jail, supervised probation; dismissed, Simple Possession; dismissed, Speeding; dismissed, Registration Must Be Carried.

Ausie Welch, McKendree Lane, Huntingdon, guilty, Disorderly Conduct, Theft of Property-Shoplifting; 10 days jail, no contact with retailer.

The following cases were dismissed.

Jamie Barker, Highway 22, McKenzie, dismissed, Schedule II Drugs; dismissed, Drug Paraphernalia.

Carrie J. Brake, Highway 424, Yuma, dismissed, Driving While Suspended.

Colton Blake Kyle, Green Valley Road, Bruceton, dismissed, Evading Arrest.

Thomas Mayo, Highway 70, Huntingdon, dismissed, Driving While Revoked Due to Conviction of DUI. Defendant had valid license.

Cameron Orr, Concord Road, Huntingdon, dismissed, Probation Violation.

Keith Smith, Lyon Avenue, Memphis, dismissed, Criminal Trespass.

Property Transfers

Megan A. Peach to Ashley L. Barlow in district 16.

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Phillip D. Powell to Anita Fay Montgomery in District 4.

Carolyn Knight to Terry and Marian M. Herndon in District 21.

Teresa Crider Lowe to Ashley Weiffenbach in District 11.

David and Jamie L. Huss to Travis and Kimberly A. Rosenberg in District 4.

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Bethany Thomas in District 22.

Kevin and Vicki Crossno to Steven Tyler Lane in District 11.

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Richelle M. Stokes to Taylor Rental, LLC in District 11.

Timbervest Partners III Tennessee, LLC to Iperionx Critical Minerals LLC in District 9.

Reef Point, LLC as Trustee to Global Real Estate, LLC in District 22.

Huntingdon Police Reports

Odell Holder, 49, of Memphis, was arrested on September 3, for Reckless Endangerment, Contraband in a Penal Facility, and Evading Arrest. On this date, Officer Ethan Parham observed a Nissan Maxima travel onto Old Stage Road from West Main Street. The vehicle was traveling at excess speeds of 100 MPH to evade arrest. Officer Parham then lost sight of the vehicle close to Gaskins Lane. Holder was then found walking down Gaskins Lane headed towards Old Stage

Felony Reckless Endangerment, Felony Evading, and Contraband entered in a Penal Facility.

Reco L. Haynes, 45, of Memphis, was arrested on September 4, for Revoked/Suspended License. Officer Tony King did a speed check on a vehicle on 22 North which was traveling 71 MPH in a 55 MPH zone. The vehicle was driven by Reco Haynes. It was found that Haynes' license had been suspended for non-payment of fees. He was arrested and given a 250.00 bond and cited for speeding.

Marriage Licenses

Ricky Lynn Morris Jr, 42, of Trezevant, to Karen Denise Baker Weifdenhof, 41, of Trezevant.

Vallie Marie Schultz, 18, of Cedar Grove, to Dylan Damon Tyler Johnson, 24, of Cedar Grove.

Lindsey Annette Jones Everly, 46, of Lavinia, to Timothy Ray Pollard, 49, of Lavinia.

Michael Wayne Border Sr, 60, of Yuma, to Alma Edith Brewer Messina, 66, of Yuma.

Emily Jean Silver, 23, of Trezevant, to Clinton Andrew Blackwell, 27, of Milan.

Phillip Dwayne Willis, 52, of Huntingdon, to Salida Christina McNeal, 47, of Wildersville.

Kennedi Aniya Hayes, 22, of Huntingdon, to Adrian Mukabwa Masiubi, 24, of Huntingdon.

Carroll County Sheriff's Reports

Domestic Assault — On September 6, Deputy Bradley Hardin responded to a call for a possible domestic assault. When he arrived on the scene, he contacted the victim who stated Mark Douglas Wortham Jr., 29, had struck her on the head with his head. The victim did have a small, raised knot on the upper right side of her head. Wortham drove by the residence while the officer was talking to the victim. Deputy Hardin and Sgt. Scottie Davis went to speak with the defendant. The defendant was sitting in the middle of Smyrna Road just across Westport Road. The defendant stated he ran out of gas. The defendant was charged with Domestic Assault.

Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property — On September 4, Deputy Jeff D. Winberry responded to a call of a 2007 Dodge Caravan, located on Highway 70, had been shot and there was damage to the vehicle. The owner of the vehicle, Margaret Merriman, 65, stated she heard a shot around 1 a.m. and came outside and noticed her vehicle had been shot in the rear hatch area, causing over 1,000 dollars' worth of damage.

Drug/ Narcotic Violations — On August 29, Deputy Chance M. Townes initiated a traffic stop on a blue Yukon for registration not being on file. The driver was identified as Thomas Anthony Jr., 44, of Yuma. The deputy was issuing a warning ticket, but then asked for consent to search the vehicle. During the search a napkin was found with two white oxycodone pills

inside. Thomas was cited for Possession of Schedule II drugs and was given 10 days to book into the Carroll County Jail.

Theft of Property — On August 30, Deputy Michael C. Seavarns reported to an address in Hollow Rock for a call on theft of property. The victim, Trina Noles, 53, stated that she had jewelry taken from her residence and wanted to file a report. Ms. Noles stated that she last seen the jewelry on 08-28-23 by her master bedroom.

McKenzie Police Reports

Aggravated Burglary — Zheng Xiufeng of Stonewall Street, McKenzie reported his home had been vandalized and items stolen on September 8.

Officer Matthew Cunningham filed the report indicating that cash, bracelets, and handbags were stolen in the amount of \$11,000. Additionally, every room in the house was ransacked.

Theft — Two McKenzie men were charged with the theft of a motorcycle on September 3.

Scott Arrand, 48, Seminary Road, McKenzie and Christopher Mann, 43, Rochelle Road, were both charged in the theft of a motorcycle on Spruce Street.

Officer Austin Jones filed charges against Arrand and Jones after a security camera indicated they were involved in the theft of the Honda Shadow

VLX600 motorcycle.

Aggravated Assault — Jason B. Nolin, 55, Newsome Street, McKenzie was charged with Aggravated Assault and Domestic Assault after an incident on September 6.

Officer Jeremiah Brooks filed a report that stated the victim reported Nolin hit her with a backpack that caused a laceration under her left eye. She was transported to Baptist Hospital - Carroll County. Nolin was transported to Carroll County Jail.

Criminal Trespass — Lloyd James Sawyer, 58, Winchester Street, McKenzie was charged with Criminal Trespass and Drug Paraphernalia after an incident on September 9.

Officer Darren Davis was summoned to a childcare business where Sawyer was spotted walking around the property. Sawyer was located in the building and

crawling on the floor. He was arrested for Criminal Trespass and also for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Driving on Suspended License — Juan M. Hernandez, 29, Addimack Cove, Bells, Tenn. was charged with Driving on a Revoked License, Speeding and Expired Registration on September 9.

Officer Bryan Batchelder conducted a traffic stop on U.S. 79 for speeding. A status check revealed Hernandez's license was suspended. He was additionally charged as noted above.

Theft — A bicycle was reported stolen from a Park Circle address on September 10.

Officer Batchelder filed a report that indicates a woman reported her son's bicycle was stolen from the residence. Whoever took the bike swapped it for a bike in disrepair.

McKenzie City Council

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of McKenzie, Tennessee, will meet in regular public session at 6 p.m., local time, on Thursday, September 14, 2023, in the City Hall, for the purpose of considering and transacting all business which may come before such City Council.

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Carroll County Emergency Communications District

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Carroll County Emergency Communications District will meet in regular session on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 5 p.m. The meeting will be held at 200 Norandal Drive, Huntingdon, TN 38344, in the training room of the Carroll County Sheriff's Office.

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City of McKenzie

RULING/ORDER

Hearing was held August 28, 2023: City of McKenzie vs. Owners of property located at 344 Park Street, McKenzie, Tennessee 38201, Parcel 11, Group G, of Tax Map 12F.

This cause came to be heard on August 28, 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 August 28, 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, Fire Chief Brian Tucker, Mayor Ryan Griffin, and City Recorder Jennifer Waldrup. Codes Consultant Jim Pillow was also in attendance. Property Owner Daniel Grisham was also in attendance. 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 September 19, 2023, to pull the proper permits and repair 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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City of McKenzie

RULING/ORDER

Hearing was held August 28, 2023: City of McKenzie vs. Owners of property located at 362 Forrest Street, McKenzie, Tennessee 38201, Parcel 32, Group E, of Tax Map 12L.

This cause came to be heard on August 28, 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 August 28, 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, Fire Chief Brian Tucker, Mayor Ryan Griffin, and City Recorder Jennifer Waldrup. Codes Consultant Jim Pillow was also in attendance. No one appeared on behalf of the property owner, Brandy Edna Frazier. 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 September 19, 2023, to pull the proper permits and repair 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.

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City of McKenzie

RULING/ORDER

Hearing was held August 28, 2023: City of McKenzie vs. Owners of property located at 307 Linden Street, McKenzie, Tennessee 38201, Parcel 21, Group F, of Tax Map 12M.

This cause came to be heard on August 28, 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 August 28, 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, Fire Chief Brian Tucker, Mayor Ryan Griffin, and City Recorder Jennifer Waldrup. Codes Consultant Jim Pillow was also in attendance. Micki Hall, daughter of property owners Joseph P. Jordan and Nellie Jordan was also in attendance. Ms. Hall stated that both of her parents were deceased. 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 ninety days (90) days from September 19, 2023, to pull the proper permits and repair 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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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: 2023PA177

ESTATE OF: DORIS DEAN THOMAS, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the 5TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2023 Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of DORIS DEAN THOMAS deceased, who died JUNE 13TH, 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 5TH day of SEPTEMBER, 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

LINDA CALLOWAY, Executor/Administrator DWAYNE D. MADDOX III, Attorney KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Above, #4 Gleason’s Kursin Gustafson rolling to his right led by #24 Gage Byington and #13 Baker Atkins. Below, #24 Gage Byington pursued by a swarming Union City defense final score was 48-8. Photos courtesy of Gary Owens



Gleason Loses to Union City 48-8

Eighth-ranked Union City checked all the right boxes Friday night with its 48-8 mercy-rule win over Gleason in the Region 7-1A opener for both teams.

Gleason scored the first and last points of the game. Drake Lehmkuhl 26 pass from Kyzer Crochet (run failed) for the first score of the contest. And the final two points were on a safety scored by Gleason after a bad snap by Union City.

- The deeper and more talented Tornadoes scored on each of their first seven offensive possessions while controlling both lines of scrimmage.
- Save for a long opening kickoff return by the Bulls

dogs and a 26-yard touchdown pass on Gleason’s second snap, UC dominated defensively – surrendering fewer than 150 yards total for the second straight week.

- Firmly in control before halftime (41-6), the Twisters used reserves extensively over the final two quarters, getting young players valuable experience and coming out of the contest relatively healthy.

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G — Drake Lehmkuhl 26 pass from Kyzer Crochet (run failed). 11:06, 1st

UC — Tayehari Jones 37 run (Finn Frankum kick) 9:17, 1st

UC — Keaten Brown 22 run (kick failed) 5:22, 1st

UC — Brown 43 run (Frankum kick) 2:32, 1st

UC — Jones 70 run (Frankum kick) 11:33, 2nd

UC — Jacob Arnold 51 run (Frankum kick) 8:51, 2nd

UC — Jones 20 run (Frankum kick) 7:14, 2nd

UC — Zakary Summers 41 run (Marcos Landeros kick) 7:15, 3rd

G — Safety. Snap over UC punter’s head out of the endzone 4:40, 4th

Story by Mike Hutchens. Communications Director of Union City Schools and Banner Staff. Story is edited.

West Carroll Pounds Perry County with 47-14

BY MICHAEL ODOM
(Milan) Mirror-Exchange

ATWOOD (September 8) — For West Carroll coach Clayton Morris, the difference came in a simple adjustment that had to be made on the offensive line based on how Perry County was lining up.

The result was 33 unanswered points as the War Eagles opened up the Region 6-1A schedule with a 47-14 victory over Perry County.

“It was good to get back out, and the way the season has gone, it was good to play another game,” Morris said. “He opened some things up for us, especially in the second half. My coaches did a good job at halftime simplifying some things with the offensive line. Perry County was doing a lot of moving around in the box, and it was messing with our blocking rules. So it took some talking to them at halftime.”

West Carroll (2-1, 1-0 6-1A) travels to Erin to play Houston County in Week 5 action.

West Carroll junior Jayden Milton scored five touchdowns as he rushed for 227 yards on 19 carries.

And the Milton attack started early as he scored a touchdown on a 10-yard run with 6:47 left in the first quarter. Zach Fowler hit Daelon Drasal for the two-point conversion for the 8-0 lead.

Milton scored again on an eight-yard run with 9:57 left in the first half for the 14-0 lead.

But Perry County responded with a touchdown with five minutes left in the first half to cut the West Carroll lead to 14-6. Milton had one more touchdown in the first half as he scored from 35 yards out, and a Drasal two-point conversion



West Carroll junior Jayden Milton scored five touchdowns as he rushed for 227 yards on 19 carries.

catch from Fowler put the War Eagles up 22-6 at halftime.

It was all about adjustments that the West Carroll coaching staff had to make with how the offensive line was blocking.

“Perry County was causing our offensive line to have conflict with our rules, and the communication was off,” Morris said. “It was a panic mode with our offensive line. And credit Perry County, if they can get three to four yards a play, they can bleed a quarter. That is what happened in the first half.”

The War Eagles scored twice in the third quarter to start to put the game away as Fowler scored from four yards out and Milton scored on a 40-yard run with Milton converting the two-point conversions both times, and West Carroll led 38-6.

Milton scored once more in the fourth quarter on a 33-yard run to finish off the scoring.

West Carroll’s defense held Perry County to 133

yards of offense with 115 coming on the ground. Drew Smith led the defensive effort with 10 total tackles with two tackles for loss.

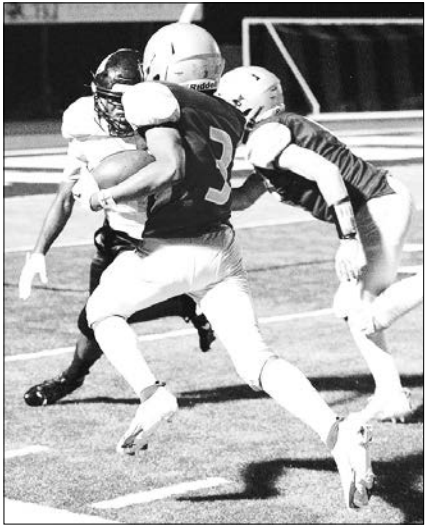
“They had one drive where they were converting and getting first downs,” Morris said. “Our defense did a good job playing downhill and not giving up big plays.”

Fowler threw for 63 yards on six completions and rushed for 48 yards.

Morris is hoping the lessons learned from the 19-14 loss at FACS will benefit the team this week.

“I will worry more about the trip than the game,” Morris said. “Houston County is better than they were the two years we scrimmaged them. They have a quarterback that throws the ball pretty well. The biggest challenge is handling the road trip better than we did against FACS. The trip to Erin is about like FACS, and I don’t think we handled that trip well. I hope we learned some things from that trip.”

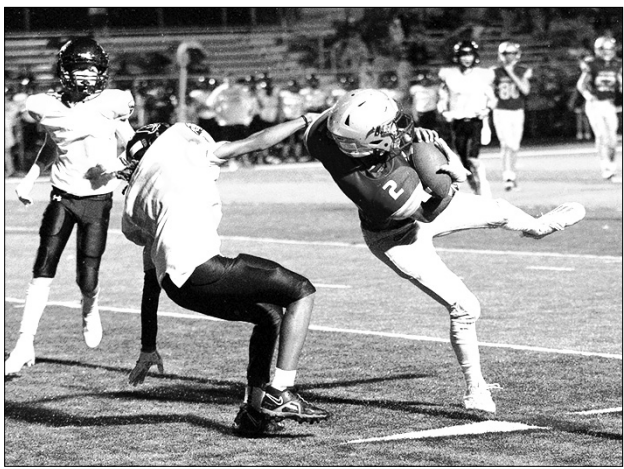
MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Left, Mustang Keimonte Strayhorn beats the Bears defender for a Huntingdon reception. Right, Ayden Woods scampers toward the end zone to move the chains for Huntingdon. Photos By Kathy Bush/The Banner

Huntingdon Mustangs Trample Trenton Bears

HUNTINGDON (September 5) — The Trenton Rosenwald Bears traveled to Paul Ward Stadium Tuesday night for a matchup with the Huntingdon Middle School Mustangs. After posting 30 points in the second quarter, the Mustangs overpowered the Bears in a 58-8 victory and continued their undefeated season. The team has dominated the competition by outscoring their opponents 158-18 through their first four games. Tuesday night K’Shun Carter led the Mustangs with 107 of their total 221 rushing yards as he scored three offensive touchdowns, returned a kickoff for another touchdown, and converted three two-point conversions. Hayes Eubanks scored three touchdowns and completed three passes for 54 total yards.



Huntingdon K’Shun Carter catches a pass for yardage from quarterback Hayes Eubanks. Photo By Kathy Bush/The Banner

Thursday, September 14, the Middle Mustangs will defend their 4-0 season record as they host McKenzie at Paul Ward Stadium. Kick-off is 6:30 pm.



McKenzie Middle Softball Holds Eighth Grade Night

MCKENZIE — Ten McKenzie Middle School Softball players were honored on their last regular season home game. They along with their parents were recognized during a pre-game ceremony.

#18 Delta Baker Delta is the daughter of Roger and Melissa Baker. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for two years as a catcher, first baseman and right fielder. She is a member of the Beta Club.

#13 Addison Milam is the daughter of Tyler and Laura Beth Milam. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for three years as a second baseman, short stop, and third baseman. She is a member of the Beta Club, FCA, FTA, Teen Health Committee, and Pep Club.

#11 Aurora Johnson is the daughter of AJ and Ashley Johnson. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for three years as a pitcher, first baseman, and right fielder. She is a member of the Beta Club, Pep Club, FCA, and FTA.

#4 Kailie Hudgins is the

left fielder, and second baseman. She is a member of the Beta Club. Pep Club, FCA, and FTA.

#12 Natalla Taylor was escorted by her grandparents Bemice Foster and Anita Newbill. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for two years as a right and left fielder. She is a member of the Beta Club.

#1 Maggie Hall is the daughter of Chris and Kim Hall. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for three years as a centerfielder. She is a member of the Beta Club, FCA, FTA, Teen Health Committee, and Pep Club.

#7 Kynadie Brown is the daughter of Justin and Kristi Brown. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for three years as a catcher and outfielder. She is a member of the Beta Club, FTA, FFA, and Pep Club.

#14 Bravlin Auvenshine is the daughter of Brent and Brandi Auvenshine. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for three years as a pitcher and third baseman. She is a member of the Beta Club, Pep Club, FCA, and FTA.

daughter of Chance and Erica Hudgins. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for two years as a left fielder, short stop, and second baseman. She is a member of the FCA.

#10 Javcee Stafford is the daughter of Justin and Jill Stafford. She has been a member of the MMS Lady Rebels Softball team for three years as the short stop. She is a member of the Beta Club, Pep Club, and FCA.

BETHEL UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL

Wildcats Rout St. Andrews in Home Opener

MCKENZIE — The No. 8 Bethel Wildcats opened the home portion of their season Saturday playing host to St. Andrews University. The Cats looked worthy of their lofty ranking, beating the visitors from North Carolina 77-0.

Bethel moved to 2-0 on the year while the Knights dropped to 0-3. Bethel is 2-0 versus St. Andrews all-time. The Wildcats have won 14 straight regular season games.

Bethel led 42-0 after the first quarter and 63-0 at the half. The coaches agreed to play just 10-minute quarters in the second half. Bethel played reserves for much of that half.

Bethel had a 462-146 advantage in total yards. The Wildcats had 200 yards rushing and 262 yards passing.

Three different quarterbacks threw touchdown passes for the Wildcats. Joaquin Collazo III threw for 146 yards and a score. Avaun Rucker had a 100-yard performance and a touchdown. Taylor Yancey had the other scoring effort.

J. D Dixon, Will Secker and Dedrick Borden had touchdown receptions.

Three different running



Bethel’s Darian Burns returns an interception for touchdown.

backs rushed for touchdowns. Martize Smith rushed for 113 yards and two scores. Mitchell Faulkner scored three times while Jordan Cason crossed the goal line once.

Andrew Welch was perfect nailing 11 straight point-after attempts. Brayden Johnson had a big day punting and kicking. Johnson had

a 40-yard average on four punts and was credited with six touchbacks.

The Wildcat defense did their part with two interception returns for touchdowns. Darian Burns returned a pick for 68 yards. Javonte Carter ran a score back from 20 yards out. Makel Crawford led the Cats with five total tackles. Dee Hines, Treyon Wash, and Brody Franks had four total stops each. Ten different Wildcats had tackles for losses.

The Cats have four interception returns for scores on the young season.

Coach Michael Jasper was proud of his troops. “We are really proud the way the guys executed as an entire program. We went into this game wanting to focus on correcting the mistakes we had in game one. The entire program, from the staff to the players committed to preparing the right way and it was awesome to see that translate to on-field production and success. We have to continue to love the process and will keep finding ways to get better.”

Next Week:

The Cats remain at home to host Bluefield at 1 p.m. Saturday.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Above Left, Huntingdon’s Ashton Hutcherson rushes for the end zone for a Mustang touchdown. Above Right, Freshman Kenton Smith finds a hole in the defense late in the Huntingdon-Columbia Academy match-up. Below Left, Mustang Meal Leavitt rushes for yardage against the Bulldog defense. Below Right, Huntingdon quarterback Gray Eubanks shoulders aside the Columbia Academy defender. Photos By Kathy Bush/The Banner



Huntingdon Defeats Columbia Academy

BY KATHY BUSH
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COLUMBIA (September 8) — On Friday, the Huntingdon Mustangs traveled to Columbia to take on the Columbia Academy Bulldogs in a non-region matchup. This was the first meeting between the two schools. Although both teams moved the ball well in the first quarter, turnovers and a lack of offensive yardage for the Bulldogs in the remaining three quarters proved problematic and led to a 48-14 Mustang victory. The road win gave Huntingdon a 2-1 record for the season. After scoreless opening drives for both teams, Columbia drove seventy-seven yards on their second possession to score the first touchdown of the game. With a successful point after attempt, they led the Mustangs 7-0. Huntingdon then responded with their own 67-yard march down the field that ended with a 10-yard touchdown run by Gray Eubanks with 11:51 remaining in the second

quarter. Kicker Greyson Anderson added the extra point to tie the game 7-7. Columbia started the next drive at their 22-yard line. Ten plays later, with another combination of runs and successful passes, they scored on an 18-yard touchdown run, and the extra point gave the Bulldogs a 14-7 lead. Despite their first half offensive success, these were the last points of the ballgame as the Mustangs took control of the field both offensively and defensively for the remainder of the game. On the first play of their next drive, Huntingdon’s Ashton Hutcherson broke through the Bulldog defense to race 74 yards for the second Mustang touchdown of the evening. Anderson added his second extra point of the night to even up the score at 14-14. The Huntingdon defense shut down the next Bulldog drive which ended in a turnover on downs. On the second play from scrimmage, Hutcherson broke loose again for a 64-yard run and a third Mustang touchdown with

4:50 left in the half. After a blocked extra point, Huntingdon led Columbia Academy 20-14. After a fumble recovery by Huntingdon’s Easton Byars on the kickoff, the Mustangs took three plays to add six points on a 13-yard touchdown run by Meal Leavitt. With 3:34 left in the half, the Mustangs led 26-14 following a failed two-point conversion. After pushing the ball into Huntingdon’s territory on their next drive, Columbia fumbled the ball for their second of three turnovers, giving the Mustangs field position at their own 41 for their last drive of the first half. Three plays later, a Eubanks’ pass to Brady Warbritton connected for their fifth touchdown of the half. The successful two-point conversion allowed the Mustangs to take a 34-14 lead into the halftime locker room. Huntingdon received to begin the third quarter and ended a 54-yard drive down the field with a 12-yard touchdown run by Warbritton. Anderson added another extra point to broaden the

Mustang lead to 41-14 with 5:47 left in the third quarter. After forcing the Bulldogs to turn over the ball on downs, Huntingdon scored in three plays with a 44-yard scamper by Warbritton to add another touchdown. After Cole Chafin kicked the extra point, the Mustangs led 48-14, which proved to be the final score for the ballgame. For the night, Huntingdon gained a total of 517 offensive yards, with 461 running yards and three pass completions for 56 yards. After posting 167 yards rushing in the first half, Columbia Academy was held to minus 1-yard rushing in the second. They completed 13 of 25 passes for a total of 118 offensive passing yards. For the Mustangs, Hutcherson led the offense with 222 yards on 10 carries, Warbritton gained 88 yards on 7 carries, and Leavitt, gained 39 yards with 4 carries. This Friday the Mustangs (1-0 in region play and 2-1 for the season) will host Crockett County at Paul Ward Stadium in a non-region match-up scheduled for 7 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Left, Colt Norden (12) led McKenzie’s ground game with 102 yards and one touchdown. Right, Tate Surber (14) was 12 of 17 passing for 173 yards.

McKenzie Handles McEwen with Ease

Comer One Win Away from 200

BY JASON R. MARTIN
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McEWEN (September 8) — On Friday night, the Rebels traveled to middle Tennessee picking up their third win of the session and Coach Wade Comer’s 199th career win. In a quick-moving game, McKenzie led McEwen from start to finish picking up the 23-0 win. Looking at the numbers, the Rebels ran a total of 53 plays picking up 303 yards versus McEwen’s 43 plays for 71 yards. McKenzie had 173 rushing yards and 130 yards rushing. As for penalties, the Rebels were flagged 11 times for 85 yards while McEwen was called for 4 penalties equaling 47 yards. Tate Surber was 12 of 17 passing for 173 yards. Colt Norden led the rushing game with 19 carries for 102 yards with one touchdown. The receiving core was led by Jake Cassidy with three receptions for 64 yards, his longest of the night was for 26 yards. Surber and Stafford Roditis each picked off a Warrior pass. KD Cunningham had three tackles with three assists and one for a loss. He was followed by Surber, Drew Chappell and Barry Swalley with two each. Cassidy had a fumble recovery. The Warriors won the coin toss and deferred to the second half. The Rebels moved the ball downfield gingerly picking up four first downs. On first-and-goal from the two, Ryan McCreary picked up the touchdown. McKenzie converted the two-point conversion but was negated by a holding penalty. Roditis then kicked the extra point as the Rebel led 7-0 with 7:58 to play in the quarter. McEwen’s opening drive

resulted in three first downs but failed to produce any points. The drive faltered on the McKenzie 24-yard line as the Warrior turned the ball over on downs. McKenzie’s second on their third possession of the night. From 49 yards out, Norden found running room thanks to a block by Cole Brown. The PAT by Rodit was good as McKenzie led McKenzie 14-0 with 4:31 to play in the second quarter. The Rebels recovered the kickoff as the Warriors bobbled the return. On McKenzie’s second play, the ball was fumbled and recovered by McEwen. With 32 seconds remaining in the half, Roditis intercepted Landon Davis’ pass. Surber found open receivers in Brown and Roditis, moving the ball to the Warrior 21-yard line. The Rebels elected to kick the 38-yard field goal but it was ruled no good. McEwen was flagged for roughing the kicker and Roditis was successful on his second attempt. The 28-yard field goal closed the half with McKenzie up 17-0. McEwen’s opening drive of the second half was cut short as Surber intercepted Davis. The Rebels failed to capitalize on the turnover. Both teams went back and forth in the scoreless third quarter. At the 5:53 mark of the fourth quarter, McKenzie tacked on the final points. On third-and-two from the three-yard line, Surber faked the run to McCreary and kept it for himself. The final score was 23-0 after the missed PAT. Next Friday night, the Rebels travel to Reagan in Henderson County to take on the Scotts Hill Lions. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Kerby is West Carroll Homecoming Queen

West Carroll High School held its 2023 Football Homecoming on Friday, September 8. The royalty was crowned in pre-game ceremonies at 5:30 p.m. Senior Alexa Kerby was crowned as the 2023 WCHS Homecoming Queen. Freshman Representative: Kayleigh Maitland, daughter of Amanda and James Mail-

land was escorted by Preston Bosley and Kayden Melton. Sophomore Representative was Madison Polinski, daughter of Stephanie Polinski, escorted by Cornelius Cannon and Daelon Drasal. Junior Representative Linda Murphy, daughter of Christy Murphy and Jerry Neal. She was escorted

by Jaxon Mims and Manuel Aguilar. Junior Representative Ainsley Worrell, daughter of Nathan and Shelly Worrell. She was escorted by Will Robinson and Drew Smith. Senior Representatives include Alexa Kerby, daughter of Dayna Anderson. She was escorted by Peyton Baum and Nate Wykoff.

Senior Representative Autumn Houston, daughter of Stephanie Walls and Michael Walls, was escorted by Hayden Holley and Nick Andre. Senior Representative Morgan Reynolds, daughter of Jason and Sarah Reynolds, was escorted by Joe Vermilion and Jose Martinez.

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