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—William Arthur Ward



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The Fillies are Headed to the 'Boro

The Huntingdon Fillies punched their ticket to Murfreesboro to play in the State Tournament Class AA quarterfinals with two late-game victorious rallies. Wednesday night the Fillies defeated Cheatham County 67-60 for the Region 6-2AA title. After trailing the Lady Cubs for most of the game, Huntingdon pushed forward in the final minutes to win the region title.

Lilly Kee led the Fillies' scoring with 25 points, followed by Josie Stokes with 18, Delaney Byars with 15, Sara Beth Smith with 5,

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Dr. Perry Moulds

Moulds Named President Of Bethel University

COURTESY BETHEL UNIVERSITY

MCKENZIE (March 4) — Bethel University's Board of Trustees has selected Perry Moulds, Ph.D., to serve as the university's president, effective July 1, 2024.

Dr. Moulds currently serves as senior assistant to the president for philanthropic initiatives at Belmont University in Nashville. He previously served as Belmont's vice president for advancement from 2014 until 2023. Moulds succeeds Walter Butler, who retired in December after leading the university for 10 years. Alumnus and

former trustee Dr. Bob Watkins has served the university as interim president since Butler's retirement.

"Thank you to the search committee, Nancy Bean and the full Board of Trustees, and Interim President Watkins for your diligence throughout the search process, and for the honor of becoming Bethel University's next president," Moulds said. "I am excited to arrive on campus and lead this storied institution into the future with the strong foundation provided

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John Penn Ridgeway

John Penn Ridgeway Is New TCAT President

John Penn Ridgeway returns to the Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT) at McKenzie, Paris, and remote campus at Dresden. This time, he returns as the president of TCAT-Henry/Carroll.

Ridgeway is the Henry County mayor and formerly a staff member at TCAT from 2007 through 2020. He holds a master of arts in education from Bethel University and a bachelor of arts in public administration from the University of Tennessee at Martin. He is the elected mayor of the County of

Henry, where he oversees the county's governmental operations with a \$14 million general funds budget.

John Penn served at the McKenzie campus of TCAT under the presidency of now retired Dr. Brad White.

Previously, he worked with the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development and worked in Washington with Congressman John Tanner. He was a previous member of the McKenzie Rotary Club, where he served as

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A Tribute to Charles Felts

BY THE BANNER STAFF
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Goodbye friend, Charles Felts died suddenly on March 1. He was the picture of health for a 75-year-old man. He took great pride in everything he did. He was a valued associate of The McKenzie Banner. No task was too great. No task was too little. He was always eager to help.

The Banner's staff members have a heavy heart with the news of Charles's death. He retired at age 70, but his association with the staff did not end.

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Attorney 'Bob' Keeton, Jr. Dead at 86

BRUCETON — Robert (Bob) Taylor Keeton, Jr., born June 21, 1937 died February 24, 2024.

Memorial services were Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Bruceton First United Methodist Church.

He was predeceased by his parents, Dr. Robert T.

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Former State Representative Don Ridgeway Died Saturday

Don Ridgeway died Saturday, March 2 after a brief illness. He was born on leap day, February 29, 1948.

Ridgeway served as the state legislator for 18 years, serving Henry, Carroll, Benton, Stewart and Dickson counties.

In 2006, the Convention Center at Paris Landing State Park was named in honor Ridgeway.

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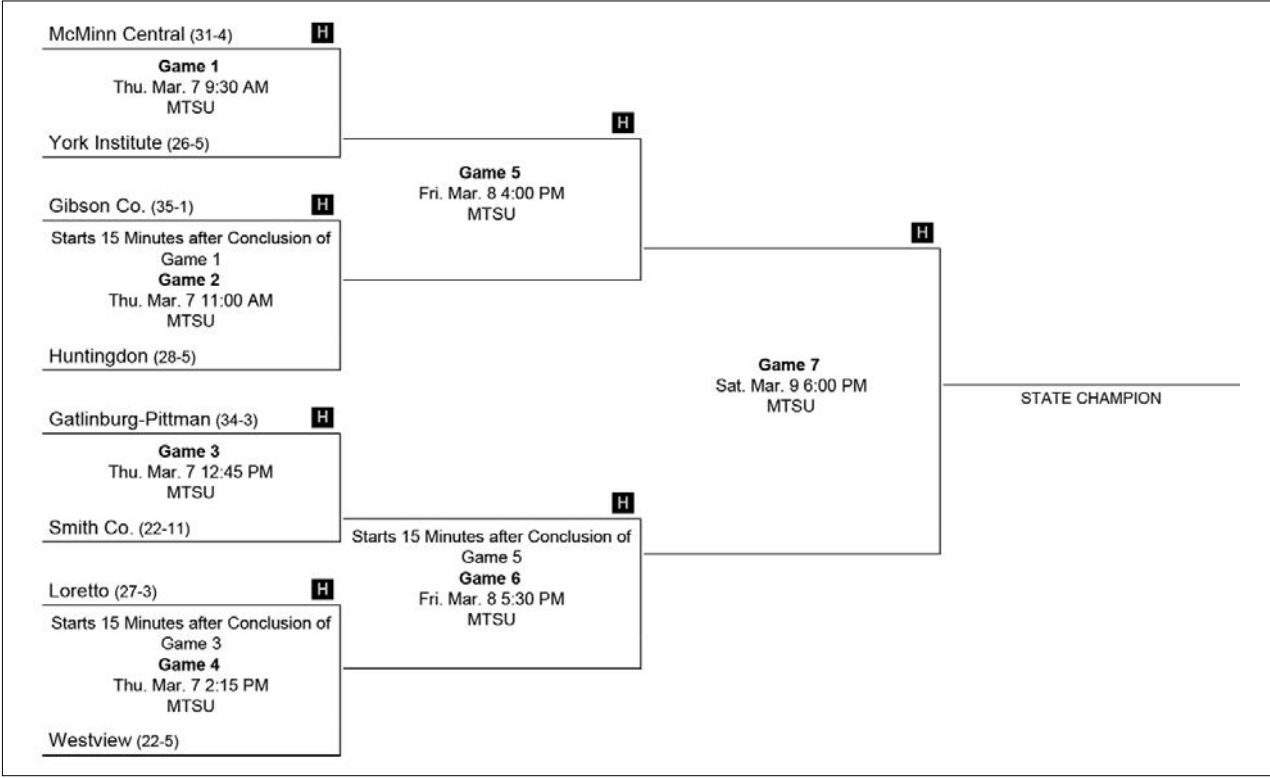
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Left, Huntingdon’s Sara Beth Smith finds a gap in the Summertown defense. Center, Huntingdon’s Lilly Kee makes a crucial late-game basket against the Lady Eagles. Right, All-Region Team, Region 6-2AA: Annabelle Singleton, Lilly Kee and Delaney Byars. Photos by Kathy Bush/The Banner



Fillies

...From Front Page

and Annabelle Singleton with 4. Cheatham County scoring was led by Ellie

Pardue with 18 and Montana Lee with 15. The win guaranteed the Fillies home-court advantage for their substate matchup Saturday night against the Summertown Eagles. Huntingdon trailed for most of the game. At the half, the Fillies were

down 30-22. In the second half, they outscored the Lady Eagles 30-19 and held them to only five points in the fourth quarter. Consistent shooting at the line contributed to a Fillies victory as they were 18-22 from the foul line. Stokes was the high scor-

er for the Fillies with 16 points, followed by Byars with 12, Kee with 11, Singleton with 6, Smith with 6, and Quinn Kelley with 3. Kelby Crossno contributed 6 rebounds, and Kee and Smith each had 5. Abbi Shaffer led Summertown with 20 and Karlie Camp-

bell with 17.

For the first time since 2020, the Fillies advance to the state tournament in Murfreesboro. With a record of 29-5 for the season, Huntingdon faces Gibson County (35-1) in the first round of the Class AA tournament.

Tip-off is 11 a.m., Thursday, March 7 at MTSU’s Murphy Center. The game will be the father-son matchup of the Wiklins family; Mitch Wilkins is the head coach for Gibson County and David Wilkins is the head coach for Huntingdon.

Felts

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BY JOEL WASHBURN:

When Charles Felts visited The McKenzie Banner on a class tour in high school, he knew he wanted to be a pressman, a career that last him about 55 years. Soon after he graduated from McKenzie High School, he started work at The Banner and also joined the Tennessee National Guard. James Lloyd Washburn and Karl Barlow were managing the newspaper for owner, J. Frank Barlow at that time.

Felts was also a participant in part of U.S. history. When the riots occurred in Memphis following the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., he and soldiers from the National Guard Armory were deployed. The unit was an armor division; he was one of the soldiers who manned tanks and had rifles in the streets of downtown Memphis. Fortunately, their weapons were not used.

At The Banner, he was responsible for printing on the old letterpresses (hot metal) in his early career. He was responsible for printing business forms. His co-worker, Kenneth Kee, worked on the offset presses. On Wednesdays and Thursdays, the two relocated to Waldran Street, where the printing press was located, approximately where Sunrise Cafe is. There is where they printed The McKenzie Banner and Dresden Enterprise from 1963 to 1973. That was one of two printshops The Banner had in downtown. The Waldran Street location closed in 1973.

Felts worked as a printing press operator at The Banner until 1979, when he left to be the manager of Office Products’ printshop for the next 20 years.

After he left Office Products, he started his



Left, Charles Felts gets the troops in formation before the Best of Carroll County banquet in 2016. Right, Charles (left) supervises Jason Martin (center) and Joel Washburn as they unjam the printer.



own printing company in Sharon.

The Banner outsourced some of its commercial printing to Felts to ensure a successful start for the new printing company.

Eventually, Felts made his way back to The Banner, where he spent the last 20 or so years as the print shop manager. He was eager to tackle any task - either for the short or long term. He was involved in sales of printing and advertising. But regardless of his title, Felts was eager to perform any task as needed.

He watched printing go from hot metal (raised type) to offset to digital during his career.

Charles was also the lone caretaker for his wife, Janie, who needed much assistance through the years with her physical limitations. Living just two minutes from the newspaper office, Charles often left work to care for his wife, only to return to work just minutes later.

Charles and Kenneth Kee taught my brother, Jeff,

and me how to print on old letterpresses and on offset presses in the late 1960s. These two men were like family. I think, ‘If you had a problem with either of these guys, you were the problem.’

BY BRITTANY (WASHBURN) MARTIN:

Charles later mentored his successor, Jason, on the ins and outs of printing. After passing the torch of leadership, he worked part-time in the print shop until he retired.

Charles was much more than an employee at the Banner, he was a life-long friend that would do anything for you.

Charles Felts was an active member of Long Heights Baptist Church in McKenzie, where he volunteered with the youth.

He was a loving, devoted husband and caregiver to Janie, his wife of 52 years.

Charles was a fierce McKenzie Rebels fan and enjoyed attending many games at Rebel Stadium.

He was a good man. He always did what was right. His hugs could melt away all your troubles and replace them with comfort and love.

Whatever he did, he always gave 100%. He served his country and his community with pride. He was a hard worker who poured his time into woodworking and volunteering after he retired. He never hid his feelings, he was honest and genuine.

His smile is forever burned in my memory and I never want that memory to fade.

We will miss you so much, Charles.

BY JASON MARTIN:

I can’t even wrap my head around my thoughts and feelings. Charles guided my transition into printing. He welcomed me right away and tried his darndest to teach me everything he could about printing. His wealth of knowledge and how to treat customers was astounding. He never met

a stranger and was always kind to customers even though some may have been less than kind to him.

Charles had a self-deprecating sense of humor. His alter-ego was Chester Fallout, the guy that messed up jobs in the back or forgot to return a message. Like Charles, I learned to blame the boy in the back, my alter-ego, for errors.

As I moved into the manager’s position, Charles did not see it as a threat. He welcomed the change and the lessening of day-to-day stress. He reminded me repeatedly that someday Brittany and I would run the show. I would laugh it off and say not a chance. Well here we are.

He was my mentor and my sounding board. When I had an idea to change things up, he was always open-minded to the change especially as we moved further away from offset printing to digital. We didn’t always see eye to eye but that is how it should be between a teacher and his student.

As I try to figure out what

to say, one thought sticks in my head. Charles was the epitome of true humanity as he lived up to his Christian ideals. He was a good husband who gave tirelessly to his spouse. While he never had his own children, he was a father figure to so many. He was a soldier who loved his country and would fight to defend it. He was a friend to many who needed that kind word. He loved the Lord and loved the Church.

All I can say is I am going to miss you Charles. Thank you for your kindness, your guidance and your love. We love you bud. Good-bye, Chester.

Billy Fuzzell said, “He was the type of guy that would help you out no matter what if you needed him. He was always happy and had a smile. He was always good to me.”

At the end of a news story, journalists used the emblem -30- to let the editor know that’s the end.

Charles Felts, 1948-2024 -30-

Keeton

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Keeton and wife, Theresa Keeton and his sister, Dorothy M. Baker (Thomas W.). He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Laura P. Keeton, and two children, Robert Taylor Keeton, III and Laura Agnes Keeton, and a large extended family.

Robert Keeton was a preeminent attorney well known throughout the State of Tennessee and a mentor to many, but none more so than his two children, who were blessed to practice law with him for over 30 years.

Mr. Keeton graduated high school from Castle Heights Military Academy before earning a Bachelor's degree from Memphis State University, and then entering the University of Tennessee School of Law. He earned his Juris Doctorate Degree, passed the bar, and returned to Carroll County to practice with partner Jimmy Lee Taylor in 1962.

Mr. Keeton was admitted to all Courts in Tennessee, the Federal Courts in Tennessee, the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States Supreme Court. He was a past president of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association (1981-82), a past president of the Tennessee County Attorneys Association (2001-02), inducted in 1987 as a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, a member of the Carroll County Bar Association, Tennessee Bar Association, American Bar Association, Tennessee Municipal Attorneys Association, past



Robert Taylor Keeton, Jr.

member of American Association of Trial Attorneys, and was awarded the Huntingdon Pinnacle of Excellence Award.

Mr. Keeton served many years as the attorney for the county of Carroll. He also served as the attorney for the Town of Huntingdon, the E-911 Board, the Carroll County Electric Department, and the Carroll County Watershed Authority. He served for many years as the Town of Bruce-ton's attorney and as the attorney for the School Board for the Hollow Rock-Bruce-ton Special School District. Plus, he was a trial lawyer representing his clients in many courts.

Mr. Keeton was a member of the First Methodist Church in Bruceton. He was proud to be a Mason, a member of the Scottish Rite, and a member of the Al Chymia Temple of the Shrine. He was also a member of the Benevo-

lent Protective Order of the Elks and, in his younger days, an active member of the Lions Club. He supported all these organizations and more for the good works they do.

He loved to hunt, boat and camp with his family. He served as Boy Scout Troop Leader. He owned numerous dogs over his lifetime as well as owning and riding horses with both his parents and children. He also raised cattle for many years.

He was a loving and giving family man and friend with a kind heart who put on a gruff exterior. He will be greatly missed, as he was a true treasure to this community and our family.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Shriners Hospital, Bruceton First United Methodist Church, or the charity of their choice.

Dilday-Carter Funeral Home, Huntingdon, Tenn.



Barnett Family Suffers Midday Fire

HUNTINGDON (February 28) — On Wednesday, the home of Andrew and Lindsey Barnett caught fire. Carroll County 911 received a call stating smoke was coming from the Browning Avenue residence. The family was not home at the time of the fire.

According to family members, "The house is still standing but with smoke and water damage throughout nothing can be salvaged. They are currently staying in an apartment in downtown Huntingdon."

While the fire did begin in the master bedroom an exact cause has yet to be determined. The family spent part of Monday, going through the house, digging through rubble and docu-

menting the damage.

Maternal Grandmother Susie Reid said, "the saddest part to me has been watching the children go through this, especially Greyson, being a strong young man for his family when all his worldly possessions in his young life are gone."

The Barnetts are trying to keep a positive outlook on life as everyone is safe and alive.

If you wish to help the family, there is a Barnett Family Fund at the Johnsonville TVA Employees Credit Union in Huntingdon. The Barnetts have four children: Greyson, 15, a freshman at Huntingdon High School; Madelyn, 12, a seventh grader at Huntingdon Middle School; Reid, 7,

a second grader and Phoebe, 5, in kindergarten at Huntingdon Primary.

Lindsey is a math teacher at Huntingdon High School. Since January of last year, Lindsey has been fighting breast cancer.

The family extends their thanks to the Red Cross who responded within a couple of hours, the Huntingdon and McLemoresville Fire departments for their quick response, Becky Dodds and also a U.S. Mail carrier that called in the fire.

Contributions to the Barnett Family Fund can be mailed or delivered to the Johnsonville TVA Employees Credit Union, 20405 E. Main St., Huntingdon, TN 38344.

Don

...From Front Page

He was a Baptist and was very active in his community of Paris. He enjoyed working to improve his community and the livability of his fellow man.

He served 20 years as the executive director of Northwest Tennessee Economic Development Council located in Dresden. Northwest Tenn. Economic Development Council is the local Community Action Agency in Northwest Tennessee serving the counties of Benton, Carroll, Crockett, Dyer, Gibson, Henry, Lake, Obion and Weakley counties. The Agency provides services to children and families in the northwest service area through the programs of CSBG (Community Services Block Grant), LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program), TEFAP (Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program) and the Head Start/Early Head Start Program. The Head Start/Early Head Start Program provides ser-



Don Ridgeway

vices in the 8 counties of Benton, Carroll, Gibson, Henry, Lake, Obion, Madison and Weakley.

His celebration of Life service is Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 4 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Paris. No visitation is planned. There will be a private entombment in Rose Lawn Mausoleum.

He leaves behind his wife,

Mary Kate Penn Ridgeway and one son, John Penn Ridgeway (Melissa) and two grandsons.

Memorials may be made to: Henry County Helping Hands 2025 Auction, PO Box 22, Paris, TN 38242 or Todd Latta Junior Golf League, c/o Andy Collins, 204 W. Washington St, Paris, TN 38242.



Sidewalk improvement at the intersection of Broadway and State Route 124 (Cedar) in downtown McKenzie.

Sidewalk Improvements Continue

MCKENZIE — The concrete approaches for sidewalks along State Route 124 (Magnolia, Stonewall, and Cedar) were improved to meet the American with Disabilities Act.

The Tennessee Depart-

ment of Transportation authorized and funded the project. Martin Paving Company was the contractor.

Sidewalk approaches were ripped out and replaced with new concrete

approaches to connect with the streets.

Mayor Ryan Griffin said the city has an upcoming project for sidewalk improvement along Broadway Street in downtown McKenzie.

Moulds

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by Dr. Butler and our predecessors. This university is vital, both to the region and to students around the globe, and I look forward to working with the entire Bethel community to further our success."

During his Belmont tenure, Moulds led development, alumni and family engagement, advancement operations, university marketing, communications, and public relations, and he served on the senior management team overseeing comprehensive institutional leadership. Notably, he was the architect and leader of the largest fundraising campaign in the school's history, ultimately raising and investing \$336 million for student, faculty and programmatic support, and increased the university's endowment

by 233 percent. He and his teams brought new events to the university, and elevated the university's profile in local, regional and national markets. In addition, Moulds and his team partnered with other university leaders to increase enrollment by 22 percent through innovative marketing strategies, comprehensive family programming and increased support for scholarships through private philanthropy.

"We were fortunate to have a very strong pool of applicants who were anxious to lead Bethel and be a part of our mission, and we deeply appreciate each of them," said Nancy Bean, chair of Bethel's Board of Trustees. "Dr. Moulds's experience, vision and charisma emerged as key indicators that he is the right person to lead us into the future."

As Bethel's president, Moulds will work closely with the Board of Trustees and university community

to shape the future of the university as its chief executive officer overseeing academic and administrative operations within the institution, including budgetary and other matters critical to university success. His responsibilities include maintaining a dedicated leadership team; liaising between faculty, staff and students, and the Board of Trust; and serving as Bethel's key spokesperson in the community.

"I believe institutions like Bethel—dedicated to excellence in education while modeling a Christ-centered approach—are vital to developing future leaders who possess the intellectual capacity and drive to be successful, along with the strength of character to lead others and achieve greatness," Moulds said. "Bethel has demonstrated that it is in the enviable position to excel in this regard and be a leader among Christian universities."

Prior to his roles at Bel-

mont, Moulds served in positions at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, the Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center and the University of Mississippi. He holds bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Mississippi. Moulds is a Pressnell Fellow of the Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association (TICUA) Executive Leadership Institute, an alumnus of Leadership Nashville, and is active in the Council for the Advancement and Support of Higher Education (CASE). His community involvement includes service on the boards of directors for Easter Seals of Tennessee and Girls Scouts of Tennessee; the nonprofit PENCIL, dedicated to connecting Nashville public schools with community resources; and the Sigma Phi Epsilon Educational Foundation. He is also active with the Rotary Club of Nashville and the Nashville Chamber of Commerce.

TCAT

...From Front Page

secretary and was once named the Rotarian of the Year. He is a graduate of WestStar Leadership Program. Ridgeway resides in Paris. He and wife, Melissa have two adult children.

The new president was among three finalists for the local position. After reviewing public and campus community input from the forums and conducting final interviews, Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor Flora W. Tydings recom-

mended Ridgeway to the Board of Regents. He will replace Willie Huffman, who is retiring from the presidency.

During a special called meeting of TBR, the board voted unanimously to appoint Ridgeway.

The new president will oversee the expansion of both campuses - with a new campus to be built in Paris and a major expansion planned for McKenzie.

Governor Bill Lee's initiative is to expand vocational education. While the campuses are best known for the education of adults, many high school students also attend to earn certificates in certain vocations.

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HUNKER DOWN WITH KES

The Fat Lady Is Clearing Her Throat

You can call it luck. Or blessed. Or God's di-vine intervention. I'm not smart enough to un-derstand half of the stuff that makes up life as we know it. Maybe I owe it all to the Domestic Egg Company.

That is how my parents ended up in McKenzie, Tennessee. Daddy took a job there, driving a truck for them. This was back before World War II. After a three-year mandated "sabbatical" in the South Pacific, he returned to what was to become the only place that I would ever call home.

I first saw the light of day in 1947. Dr. Holmes, in his clinic on Main Street, slapped my bot-tom, and I yelled "hello" to the world just as loud as I could. I had no idea about luck, blessings, God, or the price of eggs (pun most definitely intended) in China at the time.

It didn't take long. My first memory is of my old-er brother pulling me out of that lead-painted crib and carrying me outside. Leon rode me around the yard in a wheelbar-row, practiced his wres-tling moves on me, and talked incessantly about spaceships and Tarzan movies. If I cried, he'd let me drink out of the water hose in the backyard to pacify me.

When David Mark came along, I jerked him out of that same crib, raced him around the house in that same wheelbarrow, and practiced MY wrestling moves on him...

It was like living in the Garden of Eden.

And it was only going to get better!

I don't remember life without Bobby Brewer, Buddy Wiggleton, Ricky Hale, Pam Collins, LaRen-da Bradford, Jane Hill... I could name dozens more, but you get the idea. They were way more than friends.

We explored together. We chased rabbits in the snow with a hope that knew no bounds. We dis-covered the wonderment

of TV together. We ate ice cream in kindergar-ten when one of us had a birthday. We cut out those presidents' heads in red construction paper every February.

We swung across the big ditch on grapevines. We'd fight for those front-row seats at the Park Theatre every Saturday afternoon. We played baseball, foot-ball, and basketball in ev-ery vacant lot, backyard, or wide spot in the road. We swam at Twin Pools until our skin browned and our hands shriveled. We learned to drive those old dinosaur-sized au-tomobiles with an equal amount of trepidation, bewilderment, and joy.

If one of us had a dime, we all had a dime.

We shared our thoughts, dreams, hopes, and life itself, sitting in those red and white vinyl seats out at Frank's Dairy Bar. We knew it was special even back then...we didn't un-derstand how much so until we tasted a bit of the rest of the world.

And we had help. Lis-ten, I couldn't tell you with any certainty who the President of the Unit-ed States was 15 years ago. I can name every teacher, see his or her face, recall distinct man-nerisms, and remember specific things they said, taught, laughed, demand-ed, begged, and loved into us from the first grade until we graduated from high school in 1965!

I have spent a lifetime trying to make them proud of me.

We had parents who didn't spare the rod, but never quit on you either. Brother Hatcher looked after our souls. Mr. Robert Hall, Bailey Moore Wrinkle, and J. A. Abernathy would let you shop all day in their respective stores...when they knew you didn't have the mon-ey to buy anything.

You don't forget men like that. Ever!

Mr. Ramond White would give you the weather report whether you wanted to hear it or

not. I wish I had a nickel for every chocolate shake I enjoyed at Mr. John Motheral's Drugstore. McDonald's, Applebee's, Five Brothers', etc. can only dream about turning out a hamburger like the old City Café.

The sun is always shin-ing on McKenzie. The air has a freshness that can take your breath away. I've seen the sky so blue it would hurt your eyes...

I intercepted a pass in a high school foot-ball game against Milan and as I raced down the field toward our goal line, everybody on the McKenzie side stood up and cheered for me. It is the only place on earth where I have ever been so honored.

I can't live long enough, nor do I have the writ-ing ability to adequately express my love for this place, my time here, and the people who loved and helped me along the way. But I have, with all my heart, been trying to do just that every sin-gle week for the past 40 years.

This is my last article.

I have bothered you people long enough. And I've told you everything I know. Twice. Or three times!

I certainly thank Joel Washburn and the Banner for their help and support over the years. They are, as you know, first class in every respect. I wish them the best.

As I do for you also. Thank you for listening.

In the vernacular of those old western movies, we so cherished on those unforgettable Saturday af-ternoons, it is time for me to ride off into the sunset.

Well, actually, I am thinking about getting my life in order so I can return to McKenzie, buy a house out toward the north end of Stonewall, and see if I can't find a few friends...so we can choose up sides and get a baseball game going...

Respectfully,
Kes



The 1885 Nashville Americans.



The Nashville Americans
Tennessee's First Professional Team

A s baseball gears for another season. I just happened to come across an article saying Tennessee had a professional baseball team. My curiosity got the best of me, and I naturally clicked on the link expect-ing to be thoroughly disap-pointed. Well, I was wrong, what a shock.

There was a professional team, albeit a minor league team but professional none-theless. The Nashville Amer-icans played in the Class B Southern League from 1885 to 1886.

The team was formed on October 6, 1884, as Nash-ville's first professional baseball team. They played several exhibition games against major league teams in the fall at the Nashville Fairgrounds as they sought admission to the Union As-sociation, one of three major leagues at the time.

Baseball was first played in Nashville by amateur teams after the Civil War. By summer 1884, the city was home to countless teams, with an estimated 20 clubs being formed that year alone. The various teams played at fields around town, including East Nashville's Spring Park, the Nashville Fairgrounds, Fort Negley, Vanderbilt University, and Sulphur Spring Bottom.

On October 6, 1884, the American Baseball Associ-ation, a local stock com-pany with \$1,000 in capital, met to establish the Nash-ville Americans. Will Bryan, a well-known local player, was selected to manage the team. He promptly left for Cincinnati with instructions to hire first-class players with no regard for their cost.

On November 7, club di-rectors signed a five-year contract to lease the baseball grounds at Sulphur Spring Bottom on which they would build a ballpark to be called Sulphur Spring Park. Located just north of the Tennessee State Capitol. The old bath houses were demolished and replaced with new ones, and the grounds were graded, leveled, sowed with grass, and enclosed by a 15-foot fence. A grandstand was erected in the northeastern corner of the block near the intersection of Cherry Street (Fourth Avenue North) and Jackson Street.

With the possibility of membership in the Union Association looking dim, Bryan attended a meeting of Southern baseball men on November 25 in Montgom-ery to organize the Southern League for 1885. Though a

tentative membership was arranged, the final league makeup was not determined until another meeting on February 11 at the Kimball House in Atlanta, where franchises were granted to Atlanta, Augusta, Chattanoo-ga, Columbus, Macon, Mem-phiss, and Nashville, with Birmingham later admitted from a pool of applicants.

Bryan's players reported to Nashville to prepare for the coming season, with their first practice being held on March 6. Two of the 10 men who began the season with the Americans had played on major league teams the previous year. Alex Voss, the more experienced of the two, pitched in 34 games for the Kansas City Cowboys and Washington Nationals of the Union Association. Joe Wer-rick played a few games for Union St. Paul White Caps. Their spring training reg-imen consisted of several series of exhibition games against amateur, minor, and major league teams, many of which traveled south to prepare for their seasons in a warmer climate.

In their first two games, held at the not-yet-completed Sulphur Spring Park on March 30 and 31, the Amer-icans lost to the Indianap-olis Hoosiers of the minor Western League, 8-4 and 12-4. Nashville defeated the Cleveland Forest Cities of the same league, 15-7 and 3-2, on April 1 and 2.

They then traveled to Chattanooga for a game against the Southern League's Chattanooga Look-outs on April 6, losing 6-5. Rain prevented playing a second day's game, but the teams returned to Nashville for two more games on April 8 and 9. Nashville won both, 12-3 and 4-3. Nearly 4,000 people were in attendance at Sulphur Spring Park as the National League's Chicago White Stockings defeated the Americans, 4-2, on April 10. They then played two final warm-up games against an amateur club from Mont-gomery on April 13 and 14, winning 10-7 and 18-5.

The Nashville Americans were scheduled to begin the Southern League cham-pionship season of 1885 with a road trip beginning on April 15 at Columbus. Though several players were not placed at their regular positions, the Opening Day roster consisted of pitcher Billy Crowell; catcher James Hillery; first baseman Len Sowders; second baseman Ed McKean; third baseman Joseph Deistel; shortstop Joe Werrick; left fielder George Rhue; center fielders Will Bryan and Tony Hellman;

and right fielder Alex Voss.

With over six weeks of games left to be played in the 1885 season, the Southern League was soon to come to an abrupt end. The collapse began when Birmingham withdrew from the league on September 5.

Other financially strug-gling teams were soon to follow. Columbus dropped out on September 7, and it was expected that Chatta-nooga and Macon would be the next to go. League directors decided to de-duct the results of some surviving teams' games against Birmingham and Columbus to have an even number of series between each club. Macon planned to play until September 15 before disbanding to keep an even record.

The modified standings gave Nashville a 57-31 (.648) record, 2+1/2 games behind Atlanta with a month left to play. Howev-er, league directors met on September 12 and voted to end the season one month early on September 17.

In preparation for the 1886 season, Southern League team representa-tives voted to reduce the schedule from six months to five months and require each club to pay a US\$500 deposit to guarantee they would play the entire cam-paign. Locally, the Nashville Baseball Association raised its capital to \$6,000 to afford the best possible players.

Much like the last cam-paign, the Southern League would not complete this sea-son intact. On July 7, Augusta forfeited its franchise to the league. Chattanooga, last in the standings, voluntarily dropped out on July 10 to provide the circuit with an even number of teams. On July 11, an off day before the resumption of the league's adjusted schedule, Nashville stood in fourth place at 30-24 (.556).

Nashville played its final game on September 4, losing 10-9 at home against Savan-nah. After the game, players were paid and the team dis-banded. Their final record for the 1886 season was 46-38 (.547), a third-place finish 14 games behind the pen-nant-winning Atlanta.

A total of 32 men played in at least one game for Nash-ville across the 1885 and 1886 seasons. Of these, 24 also played for major league teams during their careers.



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Tennessee Celebrates March Literacy Month

NASHVILLE (March 4) — Throughout the month of March, the Tennessee Department of Education invites all Tennesseans to celebrate Tennessee Literacy Month, as pro-claimed by Governor Bill Lee, spotlighting the Reading 360 initiative and the focus Tennessee's ed-ucators, families, elected officials, and community partners have on continu-ing to improve literacy rates for all learners in the state.

The department and Riley the Reading Rac-coon will travel across the state throughout the month, highlighting the incredible work happen-ing around literacy in-cluding strong founda-tional skills instruction. Additionally, families can practice reading at home using the Interac-tive Decodables Books now available on Best for ALL Central.

Celebrations began over the weekend as classrooms and teachers across America and in

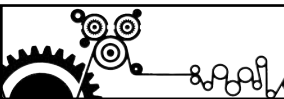
Tennessee honored Dr. Seuss's great legacy with Reading Across Amer-ica Week, taking place March 2-6. Using the hashtags #Reading360, #TNReadingForALL, and #ReadLikeRiley, Tennes-seans can engage on so-cial media throughout the month to learn about at-home resources, share their literacy stories, and learn about why Riley the Reading Raccoon loves reading.

"Our educators, families, elected officials, and com-munities are all working incredibly hard to support our young readers and are committed to fostering a love for reading by provid-ing access to resources and positive experiences in and out of the classroom," said Lizzette Reynolds, Commissioner of Educa-tion. "During this March Literacy Month, I hope all Tennesseans will engage and help us celebrate by opening your books and reading with us!"

Through Tennessee's commitment to continue

and sustain a focus on early literacy, the department is excited to announce the fourth summer of Early Reading Trainings for all educators, instructional coaches, administrators, and educator preparation providers (EPPs). This course builds knowledge about early reading in-struction and provides educators a path to devel-op strong readers. More information will be re-leased soon regarding the dates and locations of the trainings.

Additionally, the depart-ment had over 500 district and school leaders, teach-ers, community partners, and EPPs participate in the virtual TN ALL Corps Tutoring Summit, held February 21-22. During the summit, attendees shared ideas and insights around launching tutor-ing programs, creating a strong tutoring team, using high-quality instructional materials, and strong tu-toring practices for both reading and math.



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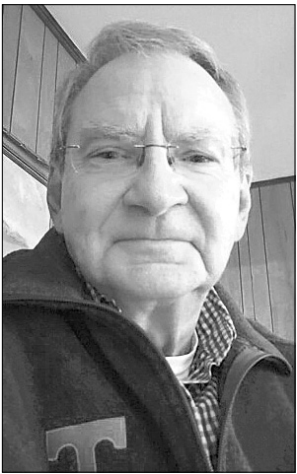
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Obituaries



CHARLES FELTS
1948 – 2024

McKENZIE — Funeral services for Charles Edward Felts were Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 1 p.m. at Long Heights Baptist Church. Entombment was at Carroll Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Felts, 75, died Saturday, March 2, 2024, at Baptist Memorial Hospital Huntingdon. He was a member of Long Heights Baptist Church, retired from the U.S. Army and from The McKenzie Banner. He was born in McKenzie on December 11, 1948, to Johnny A. Felts and Mildred Aline Ervin Felts Coleman.

He is survived by his sister, Lois Lamb of Lavergne, his brother, Troy Felts of Bartlett, five nieces, Ronda (Kenny) Grieme, Tammy (Mark) Rector, Christina Suyak, Jennifer (Brian) Ayers and Sherry (Forrest) Osborne, several great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and wife, Janie Felts.

If you need further assistance please call Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home at 731-352-4848 or visit our website at brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com.

DORIS ANN REID
1945 – 2024

McKENZIE — Funeral services for Mrs. Doris Ann Reid were Sunday, March 3, 2024, in the chapel of Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Interment was in Sunset Cemetery in Dresden.

Mrs. Reid, 78, died on Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at The Waters of McKenzie.

She was born March 19, 1945, in Dresden to the late L.T. Baker and Alice Marie Johnson Baker. Mrs. Reid loved gardening and buying and selling antiques. She also enjoyed quilting and bird watching. Mrs. Reid was a member of Bethel Baptist Church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Mavis Reid; daughter, Anita Reid; grandson, Caleb Leyhue; three sisters, Alice Valentine, Gloria Kirkland, and Phyllis Koebel.

Survivors include one son, David Reid, and wife, Martha of Dresden; daughter, April Tolbert and husband, Donald of McKenzie; brother, Harry Baker of Springville. Other survivors include four grandchildren, Lindsey Goad (Jamie), Kristi Reddick (Adam), Liberty Calderon (Miguel), and Kinzi Reid, as well as six great-grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers are Adam Reddick, Miguel Calderon, Buford Norden, Philip Davis, Jordan Winstead and Bruce McCartney.

Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home, 731-352-4848.

JOYCE WOFFORD
1936 – 2024

McKENZIE — Mrs. Joyce Wofford, 87, of McKenzie, Tenn., died Sunday February 25, 2024, at AHC McKenzie.

Graveside services were Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at Carroll Memorial

Gardens.

She was born February 29, 1936, to the late William V Hart and Clessey Enoch Hart. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Leon Wofford.

She is survived by two daughters, Patsy (Jerry) Taylor of Beech Bluff, Tenn., and Rita (Lynn) Brandon of Atwood, Tenn.; one son, James Lynn (Lora) Wofford of McKenzie, Tenn.; three sisters, Lois (Hugh) Pinson, Margaret Stoner and Gayle Beasley; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

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

ILY DARRELL WILLIAMS
1990 – 2024

HUNTINGDON — Mr. Ily Darrell Williams, 34, of Huntingdon, Tenn., died Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at his home.

Graveside funeral services were 3 p.m. Friday, March 1, 2024, at Tucker Cemetery in Westport with Bro. Chris King officiating.

Mr. Williams was born January 11, 1990, in Conway, S.C., to Darrell Williams and Abbie Gail (Smith) Williams, who survived.

Chase Funeral Home, Huntingdon.

IRENE EATON
1931 – 2024

McKENZIE — Funeral services for Irene Eaton were Thursday, February 29, 2024, at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Interment was at Concord Cemetery.

Mrs. Eaton, 92, died Sunday, February 25, 2024, at her residence. She was a homemaker and a member of Liberty Hill Baptist Church. She was born in Dyersburg, Tenn., on August 31, 1931, to Hyder and

Pauline Comer Ham.

She is survived by her children, Larry (Betty) Eaton, Ricky (Cathy) Eaton, Tim (Michelle) all of McKenzie, Ronnie (Debbie) Eaton of Milan, Joey (Jhanettia) Eaton of Tenn. City, Darla (Mike) Hicks of Chesapeake Bay, Virginia, and Melissa Moore of McKenzie, brother, Elmer (Effie) Ham of Dyersburg, 16 grandchildren, Jonathan (Anna) Eaton, Cari House, Eric Eaton, Alex Eaton, Michael (Jessica) Eaton, Matthew (Hailee) Eaton, Zachary Champion, Ryan Eaton, Jason (Anna) Eaton, Nichole (John) McKinney, Greg Eaton, Angela Fowler, Kristen Dienst, Colton (Cari Gean) Moore, Kyle Moore and Brenda (Roger) Christian, 26 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband of 65 years, Vance Eaton, daughter, Mary Melton, sisters, Judy Lee, Martha Mitchell, and Rosie Sanders, and brothers, OC Ham, John Ham, and Willard Ham.

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EVOLA THOMPSON
1927 – 2024

HUNTINGDON — Evola Laws Thompson, 96, of Huntingdon, died February 27, 2024. She was born in Huntingdon, Tenn., on August 28, 1927, one of twelve children. She married Robert Thompson on June 1, 1945, a union lasting 66 years until his death in 2011.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Goethe and Sophia Laws; spouse, Robert Thompson; siblings, Doye Simmons; Homer Laws; Lusetta Laws;

Irene Rodgers; Odell Laws; Dorothy Sanders; Waldon Laws; Wilburn Laws; John Laws; and Joseph Laws.

Survived by children, Gene and Rosa; Phyllis and David; Marsha and Rick; sister, Juanita, 7 grandchildren, 11 great-grand-

children and five great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at Chase Funeral Home in Huntingdon on Saturday, March 2, 2024. Burial was at Sellers Hill Cemetery.

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TENNESSEE — Average gasoline prices in Tennessee have risen 7.7 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.99/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 3,821 stations in Tennessee. Prices in Tennessee are 16.5 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 3.8 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 2.7 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.03 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Tennessee was priced at \$2.39/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$3.89/g, a difference of \$1.50/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.39/g while the highest was \$3.89/g, a difference of \$1.50/g.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 10.0 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.34/g today. The national average is up 22.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 3.2 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:

March 4, 2023: \$3.03/g (U.S. Average: \$3.37/g).

March 4, 2022: \$3.74/g (U.S. Average: \$3.92/g).

March 4, 2021: \$2.53/g (U.S. Average: \$2.75/g).

March 4, 2020: \$2.14/g (U.S. Average: \$2.41/g).

March 4, 2019: \$2.22/g (U.S. Average: \$2.43/g).

March 4, 2018: \$2.29/g (U.S. Average: \$2.52/g).

March 4, 2017: \$2.06/g (U.S. Average: \$2.31/g).

March 4, 2016: \$1.59/g (U.S. Average: \$1.81/g).

March 4, 2015: \$2.21/g (U.S. Average: \$2.45/g).

March 4, 2014: \$3.20/g (U.S. Average: \$3.46/g).

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:

Chattanooga — \$2.95/g,

up 7.0 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.88/g.

Nashville — \$3.05/g, up 9.9 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.95/g.

Huntsville — \$3.04/g, up 8.9 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.95/g.

"A majority of the nation's 50 states have seen gasoline prices rise, with the national average posting a gain for the second straight week, a trend that is hardly surprising for this time of year, and will likely continue as the entire nation has now made the first step toward summer gasoline," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "The pinch at the pump has been manageable for now, with prices about 30 cents higher than mid-January,

but that will likely change as we enter the madness we tend to see in March with refinery maintenance hitting its peak, impacting how much gasoline can be produced as we make the changeover to the summer blends. This always crimps supply, leading to further gas price increases."

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>.

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More details coming soon regarding tickets, menu, etc.
As a reminder, CCHS always has cat spay/neuter vouchers for \$50 each to be used at the Paris Vet Clinic.
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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.

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 February and July.

MCKENZIE CITY COUNCIL MEETS MONTHLY

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

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.

MCKENZIE TOPS TO MEET

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

PARIS ROTARY HAM BREAKFAST

The annual Paris Rotary Club Ham Breakfast is Saturday, March 9, 6 to 11 a.m. Tickets are available at the door at Paris Elementary School cafeteria on Volunteer Drive in Paris.

NWTN EDC TO MEET

The Board of Directors of Northwest Tennessee Economic Development Council meets Friday, March 15, 2024, 10 a.m. at the McKenzie Central Office, 938 C Walnut Ave. West, McKenzie in the Conference Room. This meeting will also be provided virtually via Zoom.

Congressman Kustoff Announces March Mobile Office Hours

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman David Kustoff (R-TN) announced mobile office hours for the month of March. Mobile office hours will be held on Tuesday, March 5, and Thursday, March 7.
“Mobile office hours are a good 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.”
Congressman Kustoff’s staff will be in Carroll County, Thursday, March 7, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
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McKenzie Runs Past Milan in Lions Sight Bowl

MILAN (March 1) — The 11th annual Milan Lions Club Sight Bowl was held at Milan’s newly renovated stadium on March 1. The scrimmage featured the Milan Bulldogs and the McKenzie Rebels.
Under a misting rain, the McKenzie Rebels had a very successful spring game. The scrimmage consisted of each team getting six consecutive offensive plays. After over an hour and a half, the Rebels were able to score an impressive six touchdowns while holding Milan to two.
Milan started the scrimmage on offense. The Bulldogs’ first play was a 70-yard touchdown. McKenzie’s first possession was very productive as well. On the fifth play, Rebel Quarterback Tate Surber rolled right and out-distanced the entire Bulldog secondary for a 62-yard touchdown.
During the scrimmage, the Rebels’ senior-dominated line took care of business. Junior running back

Timmy Arline found good running room on the Rebels’ next possession. Arline ran for eight, six, and four yard Then a hole opened on the Rebels’ left side and Arline sprinted for a 47-yard McKenzie go-ahead touchdown.
Minutes later, a Surber to Colt Norden pass provided a 28-yard Rebel score. Later in the scrimmage, on McKenzie’s fourth play, Jacobi Melton hit the middle of the Bulldog line for 16 yards. Two plays later, Melton sped into the end zone for a six-yard touchdown. McKenzie’s last two plays were both touchdowns.
Cole Brown, as the Rebels’ quarterback took a snap and rambled some 44 yards for the fifth Rebel score. One play later, Matteo Campbell found running room to the outside and finished the scrimmage with a 70-yard score.
The scrimmage finalizes the Rebels’ football for this spring. A few scrimmage occur in the next school

year prior to the season begins. The Rebels compete in Region 6-1A.
Since the 2021 season, McKenzie has accumulated an unprecedented 42 wins, 3 losses record, two state runners-up and a state championship.
Scrimmage Stats:
McKenzie had 21 rushing carries for 376 yards; passing was 4 of 9 for 97 yards for 473 total yards.
Milan had 16 carries for 218 yards in rushing.
Rebels’ Stats:
Timmy Arline with 7 carries for 120 yards and one TD.
Matteo Campbell 4 carries for 79 yards and one TD
Tate Surber for 2 carries for 78 yards and one TD.
Jacobi Melton with 7 carries and 55 yards and one TD.
Cole Brown with one carry for 44 yards and one TD.
Passing - Tate Surber was 4 of 9 for 97 yards and one TD.

Carroll County Commission Meets Monday

The Carroll County Commission meets Monday, March 11 with two resolutions on the agenda.
Resolution 3-01-2024, if approved, reappoints Eli Ford, Casey Drewry, Jerry Holland, Carl Nolen, and Bradley C. Smith to the Carroll County Board of Equalization with terms ending March 2026.
Resolution 3-02-2024, if approved, amends the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-24. There five proposed amendments:
1. Sheriffs Office — \$10,000 — Recruiting and Retention Grant received through the State of Tennessee. Grant is for 5 years, starting with FY24. This amendment

is for 3 officers that have been hired and are able to receive funds through the Grant in FY24.
2. Prevention Coalition — \$10,300 — Intern Grant through the State of Tennessee. This amendment is a revision to the initial Grant.
3. Carroll Academy - \$64,620.24 – Fully reimbursed EANS Federal Grant
4. General Sessions Judge — \$1,474 — Adjustment to the Cost of Living for General Sessions Judge statewide, due to the State of TN Administrative Office of the Courts adjustment from 4% to 5% increase in FY24. This is to cover back pay from July 2023 through January

2024, with Payroll having corrected it moving forward.
5. Flood Control (West Tennessee River Basin Authority) — \$18,150 — WTRBA annual contribution. In the past, this was split in half by the County and the Carroll County Watershed Authority. The County will now be required to cover the full cost with the CCWA now inactive. This amendment covers the fee for FY23 and FY24.
The legislative body meets in the Carroll County Government Complex building in the conference room at 7 p.m. in Huntingdon.

McKenzie School Board Agenda

MCKENZIE — McKenzie Special School District Board of Education meets March 11, 5:30 p.m. at the central office on Bell Avenue, McKenzie.
TENTATIVE AGENDA:
Prayer and Pledge to the Flag.

Adoption of Agenda: A. Consent Agenda and Regular Agenda.
Hear correspondence addressed to the Board.
Public comment(s) on actionable agenda items (not to exceed 15 minutes)*.
MSSD Board Policy 1.404.
NEW BUSINESS:

Consider for approval budget amendments to the McKenzie Special School District School Funds.
Discussion of McKenzie High School roof.
Discussion of McKenzie High School parking lots—paving project.
Director’s Report.

Bow Wow at the Barn is Saturday

The annual Bow Wow at the Barn is Saturday, March 9, 6-10 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
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2 eggs
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dients. Bake in unbaked pie shell at 350 degrees for 1 hour.
Pistachio Cake
1 package white cake
2 small boxes instant pistachio pudding
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup water
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5 eggs

Mix ingredients together and bake in ungreased tube or bundt pan at 350 degrees for 1 hour. Cool cake in pan.
No Bake Cookies
1 large bag vanilla wafers, crushed.
1 can eagle brand milk
1 cup raisins
1 cup coconut
1 cup chopped nuts
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Weekly Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

1. Chaps
5. Currently fashionable
9. Collision
11. More slim
13. European city
15. Implicitly
16. The side of something that is sheltered from the wind
17. The Mount Rushmore State
19. Gold or silver wire cord
21. Muscles along insects' diaphragm
22. Trent Reznor's band
23. Sweet juicy gritty-textured fruit
25. Broken branch
26. Indicates ten
27. Expression of annoyance
29. Brings together
31. Ancient city in Thrace
33. Sailors' spirit
34. Looked into
36. Muckraking woman journalist Rheta
38. A type of cast
39. One's responsibility
41. Where golfers begin
43. Make a mistake
44. Semitic Sun god
46. Ancient Italian-Greek colony
48. Beheaded
52. A place to stay
53. Unwise
54. Most supernatural
56. "Dennis" is a famous one
57. Ointments

CLUES DOWN

1. Baseball managers assemble it
2. Revised
3. Mountain is a popular kind
4. Takes to civil court
5. Pouches
6. A type of veil
7. Chants
8. Boston hoopster
9. Elongated appendage
10. Sailboat
11. 2017 Oscar-winning film
12. Actor Gosling
14. Monetary units
15. Assembly
18. Russian pop duo
20. Embellished with expressions
24. Infrequent
26. Temperature unit
28. Hydrophilic amino acid
30. Honk
32. Legislative body
34. Swinish
35. Russian assembly
37. Take over for
38. Put in advance
40. Satisfy
42. Felt
43. Dutch cheese
45. Witnesses
47. Strong insects
49. Gasteyer and de Armas are two
50. Ancient people of Scotland
51. Cheerless
55. Sick

Week 10

See solution in next week's edition.

Women's History Word Search

Amelia Earhart
Bessie Coleman
Beyoncé
Billie Jean King
Elaine Chao
Eleanor Roosevelt
F. Nightingale
Gabby Giffords
Grace Hopper
Harper Lee
Hedy Lamarr
Indra Nooyi
Jane Fonda
Julie Andrews
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Madonna
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MAR 7

- **1931:** THE PARLIAMENT HOUSE OF FINLAND IS OFFICIALLY INAUGURATED.
- **1986:** DIVERS LOCATE THE CREW CABIN OF THE "CHALLENGER" SHUTTLE ON THE OCEAN FLOOR.
- **2007:** THE BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS VOTES TO MAKE THE UPPER CHAMBER, THE HOUSE OF LORDS, 100% ELECTED.

Week 9 Crossword Puzzle Solution

PUZZLE SOLUTION

SUDOKU SOLUTION WEEK 9

3	6	5	8	4	7	9	2	1
4	2	8	5	9	1	3	7	6
9	1	7	6	2	3	8	4	5
8	3	6	4	1	9	7	5	2
7	5	9	2	3	6	4	1	8
2	4	1	7	5	8	6	9	3
1	7	4	3	8	2	5	6	9
6	9	3	1	7	5	2	8	4
5	8	2	9	6	4	1	3	7

SUDOKU WEEK 10

		1			8		2	
9								
	5				4	8		
8				9			5	
	6		2					7
				4	6		9	
7	3						4	5
1					2			6
2						7		1

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Scott stopped McCaslin for failure to maintain the lane she was driving in.

She denied drinking any alcohol at first, but admitted she had been drinking beer.

She was asked to perform the standardized field sobriety test which she did poorly causing her to be charged with D.U.I., first offense.

Drug Charges — Carroll County Deputy Chance Townes charged Cody James Jarrett, 34, of Milan with Possession of Schedule II (Meth), Schedule VI (Marijuana) and Schedule IV (Xanax). His bond was set at \$12,500.

On Feb. 23 around 1:14 a.m. Townes performed a traffic stop on Highway 220 on Jarrett failed to maintain the lane he was driving in.

He said he was on his way to see his cousin, but couldn't recall his real name. The deputy deployed his K-9 Abbey to search the vehicle which alerted on the rear passenger door seam. Townes found a brown purse on the passenger

side of the vehicle. There he found a small black cloth bag with an even smaller plastic baggy that contained what was believed to meth. He also discovered another purse with a prescription bottle with Jarrett's name on it. There were 21 pills that he believed to be Alprazolam. He also located a small joint of marijuana.

Driving Under the Influence — Robert Glenn Reynolds, Jr., 49, of Milan was charged with Driving Under the Influence on Feb. 24 by Deputy Jeremy D. Smith. Smith said at 11 p.m. he was sitting at the intersection of Bryant and Brooks Rd. in Atwood watching for stop sign violators. He observed a black Chevy truck traveling south on Brooks Road, continuing east. The truck failed to stop at the sign, according to Smith.

Smith stopped the truck and immediately observed the driver's speech was slow and his eyes were glassy. He also did poorly on a sobriety test.

In the center console, there was a half empty can of Bud Light and a cooler filled with ice and 10 unopened Bud Light cans. Reynolds admitted to drinking at least 10 beers since 3 p.m.

Possession of Schedule II (Meth) — Kenneth Tracy Davis, 52, of Trezevant was charged with Possession of Schedule II (Meth) on Feb. 25 after a baggie with the drug was discovered in his vehicle.

On Feb. 25 Deputy Chance M. Townes stopped Davis around 9:16 for being on the opposite side of the road and also having no registration plate light. Townes asked Davis to step outside the vehicle while he issued a warning ticket.

The deputy noticed Davis became very restless while not standing in one place, but pacing back and forth and looking at his vehicle.

Townes then asked Davis permission to search his vehicle which he refused. However, he deployed his K-9 Abbey, which indicated drugs on the driver's side. Townes instructed Davis to removed his dog that was in the back seat and that he would be searching the vehicle. Once inside the vehicle, Townes located in the pocket of a pair of overalls a baggy containing a white crystal substance that he believed to be meth. Davis then placed Davis under arrest and gave him a bond of \$10,000.

Rubin Lublin as Substitute Trustee to Jeff Johson. District 4.

Kristi J. Cox to Megan L. Shelton. No District Listed. Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC. No District Listed.

Arnold Trueman to Arnold and Janet Lynette Trueman. No District Listed.

Bradley Damon Umsted to Robert and Angie Parish. District 11.

Roger Dale Nelson Sr. to Paul and Lisa Wilson. District 21.

Randall Dale Autry to Michael Gene Autry. No District Listed.

Jerry Steve and Georgia Jane Hart to Mary Louise Hart Evans. District 6.

Steven P. Liss to Steven Liss, Trustee for the Steven Liss Trust. District 23.

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to Nationstar Mortgage LLC. No District Listed.

Property Transfers

Espey Gin Co. to Timothy R. and Lisa L. Williams, District 5.

Kenneth E. Jacobson to James and Logan Beasley. No District Listed.

Phillip Boyd and Rebecca Jean Bradley to John Kelly and Jackie S. Palmer, No District Listed.

Debra Ann McGowan to Jerry Pickryl. District 6.

David Ralph Bennett to Luke James and Wendy Lynnett Baart. District 22.

Raymond P. Walker to Michaela Brown. District 4. Regions Bank to Pedro and Gisella Garcia. No District Listed.

Jeanie Kay Dill to Delana and Alicia Johnson. District 7.

Mark Bayley Family to Brittany Nicole Murray as co-trustee and others. No District Listed.

Ken Edward and Michelle D. Adamson to NTCH-West

Tenn, Inc. District 20.

Bird Dog LLC to Theodore and Donita as trustees. No District Listed.

Justin Stoltzfus to Benjamin and Hannah Tucker. District 16.

Michael R. and Gina Bestler to Robert Dennis Jr. and Miriam Elaine Painter. No District Listed.

Ruby F. Hillsman to Thomas Walker. District 22. Justin Stoltzfus to Anthony Couch, No District Listed.

Justin Stoltzfus to Lance and Jacquelyn Atkins. No District Listed.

Justin Stoltzfus to Jimmy Ray Milan. No District Listed.

Aubrey Ray Chamberlain to Aubrey Ray Chamberlain. District 23.

Diane Hames, also known as, Dorothy Diane Hames to Dorothy Diane Hames. District 6.

Carroll County General Sessions Court

HUNTINGDON (February 28) — The following cases were heard in Carroll County General Sessions Court on February 28.

Two defendants were bound over to the Grand Jury of the Carroll County Circuit Court.

Christopher Horton, Walnut Avenue, McKenzie, was bound over on a charge of Aggravated Assault.

Danny Trotter, Harmon Cemetery Road, Paris, was bound over on charges of Tampering with Evidence and Meth-Manufacturing, Deliver, Sell or Possession with Intent.

The following cases resulted in a guilty plea or finding.

Christopher Brown, Hebron Church Road, Hollow Rock, guilty, Probation Violation, 45 days jail, probation extended six months.

Makism Getmanska, no address, guilty, DUI-First Offense, 48 hours jail, not to drive for one year, probation; dismissed, Open Container.

Zachary Ryan Hill, Harmon Creek Road, Eva, guilty, Disorderly Conduct, \$50 fine, probation.

Christopher R. Horton, Walnut Avenue, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, \$500 fine, 11/29 jail concurrent with another sentence; dismissed, Theft of Property;

dismissed, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange; dismissed, Meth-Possess or Casual Exchange.

Kestin D. Horton, Florida Court, McKenzie, guilty, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange; guilty, Probation Violation; \$500 fine, probation, alcohol and drug evaluation, must complete outpatient treatment, subject to random drug testing.

Joseph William Jackson, Cedar Street, Gleason, guilty, Probation Violation, no sentence listed.

Michael B. Phillips, Rolling Meadows, Henry, guilty, Fugitive from Justice, 10 days jail; Criminal Impersonation, 15 days jail; to be extradited to Fulton, Kentucky following sentence.

Donald Ragon, Lone Elm Road, Lexington, guilty, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, \$250, time served, supervised probation, forfeit weapon; dismissed, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon; dismissed, Schedule II Drugs.

Gavin Rosson, homeless, Cedar Grove, guilty, Public Intoxication, seven days jail.

Michael Wayne Shackelford, Pleasant Hill, Hollow Rock, Probation Violation, inpatient rehab ordered.

Ronnie Glen Smith, Ephesus Church Road, Hollow Rock, guilty, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, \$750

Area Marriage Licenses

Emile Elizabeth Brewer, 21 of McKenzie to Cody Thomas Hoffman Bullington, 30, of McKenize.

Leland Kirby Esch, 31, of McKenzie to Kendal Elise Johnson, 30, of McKenzie.

McKenzie Police Reports

Vandalizing Police Car, Assaulting First Responders — Danny Ray Wagner, 35, Hamilton Street, McKenzie, faces charges of Vandalism, Assaulting First Responders, and Resisting Arrest following a traffic stop around 3:15 p.m. n March 1.

Officer Timothy Dillon stopped the vehicle Wagner was driving because it had expired license tags.

Upon contact with Wagner, he was unable to provide proof of a valid driver's license nor insurance. Wagner began cursing and hitting the steering wheel. Sergeant Austin Jones and Officer Sean Beck arrived to assist at the scene. When Wagner was notified of an outstanding warrant for Failure to Appear, the subject became irate and refused to exit his vehicle. Once he exited, he was ordered to turn around and place his hands behind his back. He refused, pulled his hands away, and resisted the arrest. He struck Patrolman Beck in the head as he drew back to punch Sgt. Jones. He struck Jones once in the left rib cage and once in the left bicep.

Patrolman Beck forced Wagner to the ground in a face-down position. Wagner still refused to cooperate and Ptl. Beck used his Taser to subdue him and place him in custody. Wagner was placed in the rear of a patrol car, where he kicked out the window and continued yelling profanity at the officers. He was placed in leg shackles and removed from the vehicle because of the shards of glass. A Carroll County Sheriff's Department unit was called to transport Wagner to Carroll County Jail.

A search of Wagner's vehicle netted charges of Simple Possession (marijuana), Drug Paraphernalia, plus three assaults on First Responders, Domestic Assault (he is related to Patrolman Beck), Resisting Arrest, Vandalism, Driving Without a License, Violation of Financial Responsibility.

The vehicle was impounded.

Harassment — Officer Jason Artymovich took a report from a juvenile who claimed he was the victim of social media harassment. A person requested inappropriate photos of the juvenile be sent to the scammer. The juvenile sent a photo of his face and one of his hand. The scammer then altered the photo to make it inappropriate and claimed he was going to sent it to the victim's friends. The scammer requested money from the juvenile, who sent \$20, short of the \$100 asking price. The scammer continued to ask for more money so the juvenile reported the matter to the police.

Driving on a Suspended License — Michael Antonio Gilbert, 40, Magnolia Avenue, McKenzie, was charged with Driving on a Suspended License on February 26.

Patrolman Sean Beck stopped the vehicle because the officer knew of Gilbert's license status. A check of his license confirmed the suspended status. Gilbert was cited for the violation.

Driving on Revoked License — Kenneth R. Beckham, 37, Walnut Circle, McKenzie, was charged with Driving on a Revoked License Due to a DUI Conviction on February 26.

Patrolman Sean Beck stopped Beckham's vehicle because the officer was aware of the driver's license status. A computer check confirmed the status. The front-seat passenger owned the vehicle. When asked if she knew his license status, she confirmed it, which led to the impounding of the vehicle.

Warrant Service on Aggravated Child Abuse — Monica L. Davenport, 31, Barksdale Avenue, McKenzie was arrested on the active arrest warrant for Aggravated Child Abuse and Neglect.

Officer Dalton Raspberry and Set. Artymovich went to Davenport's residence to serve the warrant and make the arrest. She was placed under a \$50,000 bond.

Driving on Suspended License — Da'Lon Z. Boyd,

23, Highland Drive, McKenzie, was charged with Driving on a Suspended License-First Offense, Misuse of Registration and Violation of Financial Responsibility on February 27.

Officer Jason Artymovich stopped Boyd's vehicle concerning a report of reckless driving. A check of Boyd's license revealed the suspended status. He was cited into court.

Driving on a Suspended License — Terry L. Noah, 66, Bluebird Lane, Huntingdon, was charged with Driving on a Suspended License after a traffic stop on March 1.

Officer Sean Beck stopped Noah's vehicle after observing Noah driving. Beck had knowledge of his license status and initiated the stop. His license had previously been suspended in McKenzie City Court. Noah was cited into Carroll County General Sessions.

Driving on Suspended License — Jacinda D. Bates, 25, Carter Road, Paris, was charged with Driving on a Suspended License and Violation of Financial Responsibility after a traffic stop on March 3.

Officer Timothy Dillon stopped Bates' vehicle because of a malfunctioning passenger side brake light. A check of the driver's license revealed the license was suspended due to a failure to appear charge in Henry County. She was also charged with failure to have insurance. She was cited into Carroll County General Sessions Court.

Officers Initiate CPR on Unresponsive Man — A 75-year-old man was laying unresponsive on March 1. Officers Raspberry and Artymovich initiated CPR because the subject was not breathing and had no pulse. An ambulance was requested but none was in Carroll County. McKenzie Fire Department's First Responders responded and the team of police officers and firefighters continued CPR for 20 minutes until an ambulance could arrive from Henry County. The patient was transported to Baptist Hospital-Carroll County, where he later was pronounced as deceased.

Huntingdon Police Reports

Domestic Assault — Keith L. Puckett, 31, of Huntingdon was arrested on Feb. 15 on charges of Domestic (Simple) Assault, Aggravated Assault and Child Abuse and Neglect (Violent) in connection with a domestic assault that occurred on Feb. 3.

According to a report filed by Patrolman Justen Roberts, he responded to a call in regards to a possible domestic assault that had taken place near 535 Hillcourt Circle.

When he arrived the victim was sitting in her vehicle. She was bleeding from her nose and there was swelling to her right eye.

The victim said she drove there to speak with a friend who resides there. When she arrived she found Puckett inside the vehicle with her friend. After a brief altercation with Puckett, he got out of the vehicle and assaulted the victim by throwing her to the ground and then punching her in the face several times.

The victim's minor son exited the car in an attempt to help his mother.

Puckett charged at the child and pulled his jacket over his head and slammed him to the ground. Puckett fled the scene before officers arrived.

Schedule II Methamphetamine — Alissa L. King, 45, was charged with Possession of Schedule II Methamphetamine after a traffic stop and search. On Feb. 21 Patrolman Justen Roberts observed a white Nissan pickup truck traveling down Lexington St. He stopped the vehicle because he knew the driver, Brian Allen's driver's license was suspended.

The passenger, who was King, told Roberts that he was driving her to her daughter's house. Allen and King were asked if there were any illegal substances or firearms in the vehicle.

In searching King, Roberts found a small plastic bag with a white crystal like substance that was in her

right jacket pocket. Roberts tested the substance and it came back positive for meth and weighed 1.07 grams.

Drug and No License Charges — Floyd E. Hilliard, 58, of Buck Ditch Rd. was charged with Possession of Schedule II Methamphetamine and Driving on Revoked, Suspended or Canceled driver's license by Patrolman Justen Roberts on Feb. 18.

The officer observed a blue Pontiac traveling down Veterans Drive that had a broken tail light and brake light that was broken.

After stopping the vehicle he learned Hilliard, the driver had no driver's license and in searching the vehicle found a plastic bag with a crystal-like substance inside that turned out to be Meth. In addition, three separate bags with Meth were found inside his wallet.

A tow truck was called for the vehicle. Hilliard was then taken to the jail.

City of McKenzie

NOTICE

RE: Unsafe dilapidated structure located at 324 Cherry Street, McKenzie, TN 38201 (Map 12E, Group G, Parcel 5).

This office has made an inspection of the structure located at the above mentioned address and determined that the structure is dilapidated and conditions exist there that are dangerous and/or detrimental to the occupants, and the occupants of neighboring structures and/or other residents of the municipality. According to our records, you are the owner and/or a party of interest of this property.

In accordance with section 13-203 of THE CITY OF MCKENZIE SLUM CLEARANCE ORDINANCE, a hearing has been set for 2 p.m., March 25, 2024, at McKenzie City Hall located at 2470 Cedar Street, McKenzie, TN. The owner and interested parties will have the opportunity to answer this complaint. The rules of evidence prevailing in courts of law or equity shall not be controlling in hearings before the Administrative Hearing Officers.

If you have any questions concerning this issue, please feel free to contact the City of McKenzie Building Inspector at 731-352-2292.

Jim Seaton, City of McKenzie

THIS INSTRUMENT WAS PREPARED BY JIM PILLOW, Master Code Professional, Certified Building Official, Certified Fire Marshall

CITY OF MCKENZIE

SEEKING BIDS

The City of McKenzie is seeking bids to repair/replace roofing on flat roof of McKenzie Water Plant office building, 237 Bruce Street, McKenzie, TN 38201. Contact Water Superintendent Earnest Umstead at 731-415-4860.

The work involved with the project shall include, but may not be limited to, the furnishing of all labor, materials, tools, equipment, machinery, superintendence and services necessary to complete in place construction of the project. Certificate of Insurance required.

Sealed bids are due by 1 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, 2024, to the City of McKenzie Water Dept. — 2470 Cedar St., McKenzie, TN 38201.

No person seeking to do business with the City of McKenzie shall on the grounds of race, color or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

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Huntingdon Amends Fiscal Year Budget

BY JOEL WASHBURN
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HUNTINGDON (February 27) — The Town Council of Huntingdon approved an amended budget for the current operating fiscal year of 2023-24 during the February 27 meeting.

Mayor Nina Smothers announced revenues for the town were at a record level piggybacking off the news that the County of Carroll had collections exceeding \$9 million in local option sales tax in 2023. That's a new record for the county according to the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce.

On a unanimous vote, the Council amended its current budget from an estimate of revenues of \$5,544,70 to a new amount of \$5,699,650 and expenses amended from the previous amount of \$5,602,100 to a new amount of \$5,915,750. Projected expenses exceed revenues by \$388,100, of which \$87,900 were new vehicles that were budgeted in the prior year and paid during this fiscal year.

The Dixie Carter Performing Arts Center and Mudslingers has an estimated revenue of \$657,500 plus \$172,000 transferred from the General Fund for a total revenue of \$829,500 and expenses of \$829,500.

Huntingdon's Utility Fund's revenue was amended from an estimated \$6,568,550 to \$6,748,300. The budget includes a major project near the 1,000-acre lake for a new sewer lift station. Expenses were amended from \$6,051,650 to \$6,317,150.

Mayor Smothers said department supervisors assisted in creating the new budget estimates to close out the fiscal year, ending June 30.

In other business, the Council expressed condolences to the family of Robert T. Keeton, Jr., the city's

attorney of record. Mr. Keeton died during the week. He was originally appointed as the town's attorney in 1983. Robert Keeton, III, expressed his appreciation to the Council.

Huntingdon will soon apply for Tennessee Main Street participation. The Council approved for Mayor Smothers and Angela DeMaris to complete the application.

The Tennessee Main Street (TMS) Program serves as a statewide resource for communities seeking to revitalize and manage their traditional downtowns.

A policy for the use of Tasers was approved by the Council. Huntingdon Police Department received new Tasers and HPD asked the Council to create a policy for their use.

An application for a FEMA grant to purchase seventeen self-contained air pack set for the Fire Department was approved. If the grant is awarded, the city will pay five percent of the cost.

Core and Main Waterworks' bid in the amount of \$57,849 was approved to provide the materials for water system improvements on Veterans Drive-North.

A2H Engineering was approved as the design and consulting service to implement a Multimodal Access Grant for sidewalk improvement. The \$271,633 estimated cost of the service will be covered by the grant with a five percent match by the city. Mayor Smothers said it will be a multi-year project.

Jessica Culp, representing Huntingdon Liquor, spoke to the Council and requested the town limit the number of liquor stores to two, the present number of stores. The town has no applications for any additional stores.

BETHEL MEN'S BASKETBALL

Cats Go Down but Not Without a Fight

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — The No. 6 seeded Bethel Wildcats fell to the No. 3 seeded Georgetown Tigers 80-70 Saturday night in the quarterfinals of the Mid-South Conference Men's Basketball Tournament in Bowling Green. The Wildcats trailed by 16 at the half but battled back and gave the Tigers all they wanted and more in the second half.

The Tigers jumped out to a 13-2 lead in the first four minutes of the game. Georgetown extended their margin to 17 at 28-11 halfway through the half. The Wildcats cut the deficit to ten on a couple of occasions, but the Tigers went to break leading 43-27.

Georgetown extended their lead to 19 early in the second half but the Wildcats outscored the Tigers 16-3 in the first seven

minutes and trailed 48-43 with 13 minutes left. Bethel kept the pressure on the Tigers on a layup by Quer-rion Gadson trailed just 50-47 with 11 minutes left.

The Tigers kept the Cats at bay, however outscoring Bethel 30-23 to win by ten.

The Wildcats shot 47 percent from the floor and hit two three-pointers in the game. Bethel was 6-of-15 from the foul line. GC shot 52 percent and hit six three-pointers. The Tigers hit 20-of-30 free throw attempts. Bethel had a 32-30 rebound advantage.

Gadson led Bethel with 23 points. Jose Nazario had 12 points. Jabrion Spikes led GC with 23 points.

Bethel finished their season 14-15 while Georgetown moved to the semi-finals at 22-6.

City of McKenzie

NOTICE

RE: Unsafe dilapidated structure located at 189 Randle Street, McKenzie, TN 38201 (Map 162F, Group A, Parcel 12).

This office has made an inspection of the structure located at the above mentioned address and determined that the structure is dilapidated and conditions exist there that are dangerous and/or detrimental to the occupants, and the occupants of neighboring structures and/or other residents of the municipality. According to our records, you are the owner and/or a party of interest of this property.

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated March 21, 2019, executed by FRANK W. McCORD and ELIZABETH A. McCORD conveying certain real property therein described to HOLMES RICH AND SIGLER, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee recorded March 28, 2019, in Deed Book 677, Page 1105; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Tennessee Housing Development Agency who is now the owner of said debt; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee,

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on **April 9, 2024** at 3:00 PM at the Front Steps of the Carroll County Courthouse, Huntingdon, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Carroll County, Tennessee, to wit:

ALL THAT PROPERTY SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF CARROLL AND STATE OF TENNESSEE DESCRIBED AS:

BEGINNING AT A STAKE IN THE WEST MARGIN OF AN UNNAMED COUNTY BLACKTOP ROAD (SAID MARGIN BEING 17.5 FEET FROM THE CENTER), SAID STAKE BEING 807.5 FEET NORTHWEST OF THE CENTER OF THE STEWART BLACKTOP ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 73 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 46 SECONDS WEST 187 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE SOUTH 42 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 6 SECONDS EAST 190 FEET TO A STAKE; THENCE NORTH 41 DEGREES 30 MINUTES EAST 170 FEET TO A POINT IN THE WEST MARGIN OF SAID BLACKTOP ROAD; THENCE NORTH 44 DEGREES WEST 90 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO FRANK W. MCCORD AND WIFE, ELIZABETH A. MCCORD BY DEED OF LARRY WOOD AND BARBARA WOOD TOLLEY AND OF RECORD IN DEED BOOK 387, PAGE 524, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID: 100-038.02

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **110 GLOVER ST, ATWOOD, TN 38220**. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): FRANK W MCCORD, ELIZABETH A. MCCORD

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("THDA")

The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. 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. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100
Peachtree Corners, GA 30071
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Tel: (877) 813-0992
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Solicitation of Public Comment

According to the provisions of The Federal Clean Water Act, Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations Part 403, and Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 69, Chapter 3, and the Rules and Regulations of the State of Tennessee 0400-40-14-.18, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Resources has granted preliminary approval to an update in the City of McKenzie's Sewer Use Ordinance and ERP.

The City is making a formal notice to the public that the approved Sewer Use Ordinance and the ERP are available for public review and comment.

The updated documents are available for review and inspection by all interested parties at the McKenzie City Hall at 2470 Cedar Street during normal business hours from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., from March 11, 2024 until April 11. Written comments regarding the changes will be accepted during this time period.

Gabrielle Kline, Pretreatment Coordinator

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: **2024PE27**

ESTATE OF: BETTY LOU SIMMONS WILSON, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the **26TH** day of **FEBRUARY, 2024**, Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **BETTY LOU SIMMONS WILSON** deceased, who died **SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2023**, 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 26TH day of FEBRUARY, 2024.

THIS NOTICE WILL RUN TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.

FILE CLAIMS IN TRIPLICATE WITH:

KENNETH TODD - CLERK & MASTER

99 Court Square, Suite 105, Huntingdon, TN 38344

KATHY J. THWEATT, Executor/Administrator

STEVEN L. WEST, Attorney

KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **March 20, 2024 on or about 11 a.m. local time**, at the East door, Carroll County Courthouse, Huntingdon, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by **MIKE WINBUSH AND RACHELLE WINBUSH**, to Wesley D. Turner, Trustee, on January 18, 2004, at Record Book 516, Page 84-99 as Instrument No. 99864 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-R3**

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:

Situated in the 11th Civil District, Carroll County, State of Tennessee, more particularly described as follows:

Being within the City limits of the Town of Huntingdon and on the East side of East Paris Street, bounded and described as follows: bounded on the North by Mary Katherine Hogan (now Mary Katherine West) (and Ellen Vawter) bounded on the East by the lands of the Carrol County fair association bounded on the South by Clark Street, and bounded on the West by East Paris street and being all the remaining property owned by the said Ernestine Norman Moody located on the East side of East Paris Street in the Town of Huntingdon. Description taken from previous deed of record.

Less and except the parcel of land conveyed to Joe Barker, Sr by deed dated September 3, 1999 and of record in Deed Book 300, page 435 in the Register's Office for Carroll County, Tennessee.

Being part of the same property conveyed to Rachelle Coleman Collier by Deed dated April 15, 1998 and of record in Deed Book 292, page 71 in the Register's Office for Carroll County, Tennessee for further reference see quit claim deed recorded simultaneously herein. Deed Book 319, page 980 R.O.C.C.T.

This conveyance is made subject to any applicable easements, building set back lines and restrictions which may be shown of record.

Tax ID: 073E H 00500 000353

Current Owner(s) of Property: **MIKE WINBUSH AND RACHELLE WINBUSH**

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 12960 Paris St., Huntingdon, TN 38344, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

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

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE ESTATE OF ELIZABETH IRVING ARNOLD

Notice is hereby given that on the **26TH** day of **FEBRUARY, 2024**, Letters Testamentary (or of administration as the case may be) in respect to the estate of **ELIZABETH IRVING ARNOLD**, who died **JANUARY 11TH, 2024**, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Carroll County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required 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 the 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 the 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.

This 26TH day of FEBRUARY, 2024.

LOGAN KENT OGLE, Executor

BRENNAN E. PARRISH, Attorney for the Estate

KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

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Bethel Men’s Indoor Track Season Ends

Courtesy of Bethel SID

BROOKINGS, S.D. — The Bethel University Men’s Track team ended one of the best indoor track performances in Bethel history. The Distance-Medley relay who won the Mid-South Conference Championship, ended up 22nd in the nation. All-American Joseph Skoog continued his historic run after finishing runner-up in the 3000m and then bouncing back in the 5000m to finish third. Skoog was coming off a Mid-South Conference Championship. The ceiling is high for Bethel’s Track team as they now prepare to be ready for outdoor competition.

Head Coach Brandon Kilburn had the following comment, “First, I want to thank God for this opportunity, and I also want to thank Bethel University for allowing us this chance to compete. I want to take the time to let both of my teams know how proud I am of their seasons. We are looking forward to outdoor and I have a great group of individuals. Overall, we finished top 25 in the nation and came home with an All-American. I am happy with our performance. It is now time to get ready for outdoor competition.”

After this season, this makes 19 total conference championships for Kilburn with team championships in the Transouth Conference, Southern States Conference and the Mid-South Conference.

Bethel’s Volley Cats Hold a Special Night for Huntingdon Middle School

Courtesy Bethel SID

McKENZIE — As a part of the NAIA Champions of Character Initiative, the Bethel Lady Wildcat Volleyball program conducted a special event Wednesday

night in Crisp Arena. Twenty-eight players from the Huntingdon Middle School team were guests of the Volley Cats. Bethel players taught ball control, serving, setting, passing, and hitting.

Coach Starla Cupples commented on the event. “It was a great experience for all as our players got to share their knowledge and love for the game with the next generation. I’m impressed with how hard they worked and

their desire to learn. We also might have met some future Wildcats.” Bethel University has been named a Gold Champions of Character school for eight consecutive years.



Bethel Softball Has New Look With Renovated Locker Room

McKENZIE — The Bethel softball program has a new look this season. The Lady Wildcats have a newly renovated locker room.

First year Head Coach Katherine Hannagan explained, “When I arrived at Bethel, I saw an opportunity to raise the bar, make a lasting difference in the lives of my athletes, the softball program, and the community around McKenzie. I believe to be successful in what you do you have to

first establish a foundation of pride and ownership. Stacking small wins and accomplishments to achieve great feats. That all starts with making your bed. Our bed at Bethel softball is our facilities. The renovation of our locker room was a part of that mindset. It was a team effort, and it will be a team effort to maintain the new foundation we are building brick by brick at Bethel.” Hannagan added, “I would also like to highlight

that the renovation was an out-of-pocket expense. By giving back to our team, I believe that the ownership and pride we are taking over our program will trickle into the win column in every facet. A special thank you to the maintenance crew for repairing the ceiling and lights, my husband Adam, my assistant Ally, and her brother Collin for the hours they gave to our girls and the effort they put into our locker room. Go Wildcats.”

LIFELINE BLOOD SERVICES

‘St. Patrick’s Day’ Blood Drive at Jackson Location

JACKSON (February 29) — LIFELINE Blood Services will host their Annual “St. Patrick’s Day” Blood Drive at their Jackson Center on Thursday, March 14 from 9 a.m.- 6 p.m., at 183 Sterling Farms DR in Jackson, TN. All donors will receive a t-shirt and the first 50 donors will receive a food voucher for a free lunch special and drink from Mulligan's, located at 1364 Union University Drive.

“LIFELINE encourages you to be someone's lucky charm and donate blood!

Our donors make a local impact and every donation saves up to 3 lives,” shares Melinda Reid, Marketing Manager with LIFELINE Blood Services.

Additionally, every donor ages 18 and up, are entered into the ZT Elite Bad Boy Mower giveaway. This promotion is sponsored by Bob's House of Honda- Jackson,TN and is offered until March 31st.

LIFELINE provides blood services to 21 West Tennessee counties, including 17 hospitals and 21 emergency helicopter

service locations and 1 ground ambulance service. Annually, the Center collects approximately 26,000 blood products (red cell units, platelets, plasma, etc.) to meet the needs of patients. Of that total, 75% of those products are usually collected on the bloodmobiles across West Tennessee. LIFELINE also provides reference lab and cross-matching services to healthcare facilities. For more information, visit lifelinebloodserv.org.



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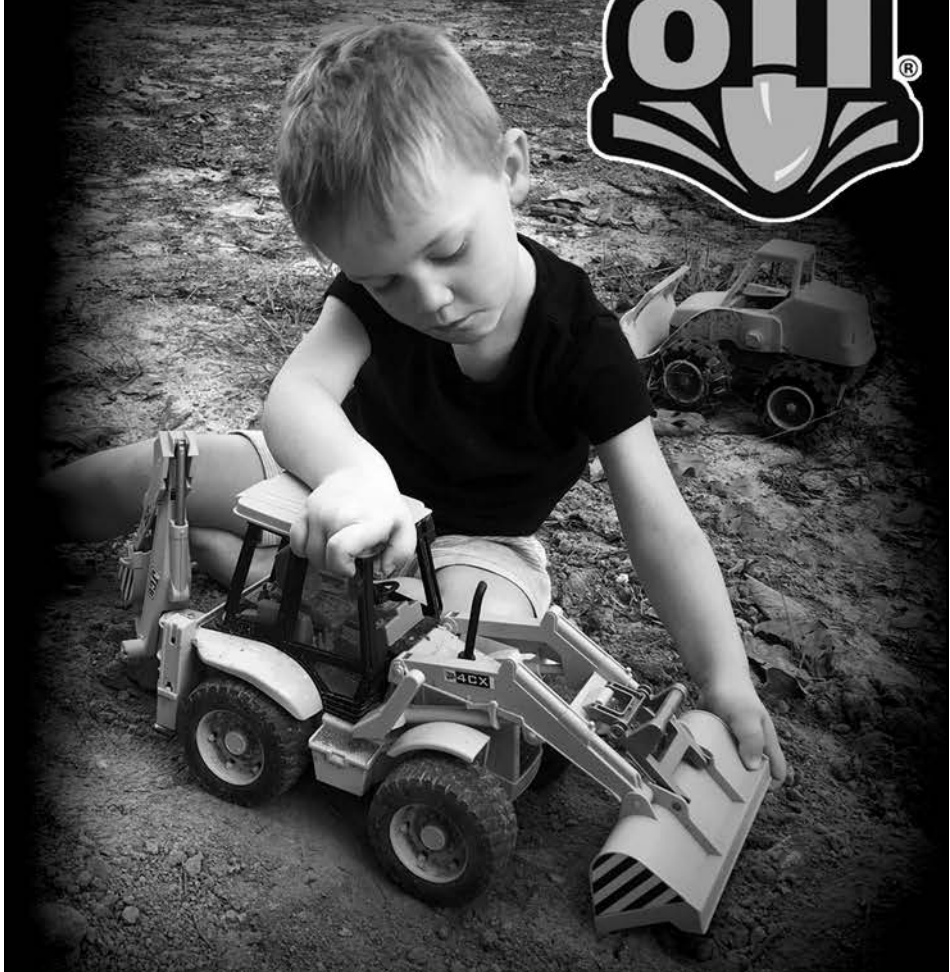
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Left, Tate Surber getting fouled on a jump shot. Center, Carter Kee scored a breakaway layup. Right, Hayden Garrett scored a breakaway layup. Photos by Gracie Aird/The Banner

McKenzie Basketball Falls Short at Houston County

BY GRACIE AIRD
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HOUSTON COUNTY (February 26, 27) — McKenzie basketball traveled to Houston County in the regional tournament last week looking to extend to their basketball season. The Lady Rebels faced off against the Wayne County Lady Wildcats while the Rebels battled the Frank Hughes Lions. Both McKenzie teams were unsuccessful in pulling off the wins as their season drew to a close.

Lady Rebels 26, Lady Wildcats 44

The match-up against Wayne County developed slowly, with only two free throws from Savannah Davis and a three from Charli Weatherford. The Lady Rebel defense held Wayne County to only five points, ending the first tied 5-5.

A little over a minute into the second quarter, Mikaela Reynolds got a knee injury that took her out the rest of the game. Despite losing a starter, McKenzie was still hanging in the game. Davis gave The Lady Rebels their first lead of the night after scoring a three, which put them up 8-7. Sophie Pate hit another three, stretching McKenzie's lead to 11-9 with a little over five minutes

left in the second quarter. Wayne County went on a 10-0 run the last 5 minutes of the game and went into the half up 19-11.

Going into the third, Wayne County put up to four defenders on Davis at one time. This made it difficult for McKenzie to create scoring opportunities. The Lady Rebels' lack of subs did not help matters either. Davis hit one three, accompanied by a free throw from Madeline Gottshall, ending the third quarter with a score of 27-15.

During the fourth quarter, Davis scored seven points while guarded by four people. Gottshall added a basket and two free throws late in the quarter, but Wayne County did not slow down. They stretched their lead to 44-26, ending the Lady Rebels season with a record of 18-7.

Leading scorer Savannah Davis had 15 points. Madeline Gottshall 5. Sophie Pate and Charli Weatherford had 3 points. Savannah Davis and Mikaela Reynolds were named All-Region.

Rebels 54, Lions 55

The Rebels wanted to put Frank Hughes away early. McKenzie scored 16 points in the first quarter and held Frank Hughes to only seven. The Rebels continued their lead into the second quarter with a basket from Carter

Kee. Hayden Garrett hit a basket late into the second quarter, that sent McKenzie into the half up 26-19.

The Rebels started the third quarter strong with a basket and a three-pointer from Tate Surber. Along with a basket From Stafford Roditis extended McKenzie's lead to 33-22. Halfway through the third quarter, Frank Hughes came alive and went on a 9-0 run. The Rebels ended the half up 37-35.

The Lions took the lead three minutes into the fourth quarter with a score of 41-39. McKenzie reclaimed their lead halfway through the fourth quarter. The Rebels tried to stall the remainder of the quarter. This allowed Frank Hughes to get back into the game. With 24 seconds left, Frank Hughes hit a three, tying the game 49-49.

The Lions scored the first four points in overtime. A basket by Surber would tie the game back up. Free throws were critical at this point in the game, and with a couple of missed opportunities, Frank Hughes took the win over McKenzie with a final score of 55-54. The Rebels ended their season with a record of 19-8.

Leading scorer Tate Surber had 27 points. Stafford Roditis had 11. Martez Teague had 6. Carter Kee and Hayden Garrett had 5.



Left, Huntingdon's Tyacen Willis pushes above the East Hickman defender for another basket. Right, Huntingdon's Kenton Smith maneuvers past the Eagles on his way to the basket. Photos by Kathy Bush/The Banner

Mustangs End Season With a Heart-breaker

CAMDEN (February 27) — On Tuesday, the Huntingdon Mustangs lost to East Hickman in the region semifinals after leading 57-54 with 11 seconds remaining in regulation time.

Despite two key foul shots by Mustang senior Kaleb Pearson, the Ea-

gles tied the score in the final seconds of the fourth quarter. East Hickman then outscored Huntingdon 15-5 in overtime to end the Mustangs' season. East Hickman advanced to the region title game as the Mustangs finished the season 11-20.

Kenton Smith led all scorers with 32 points and earned a spot on the All-Region 6-2AA Team. Caleb Ezell added 11, Tyacen Willis 8, Landon Bryant and Kaleb Pearson 4, Bryson Whiteside 3. Braedon Kelley led the East Hickman Eagles with 21.

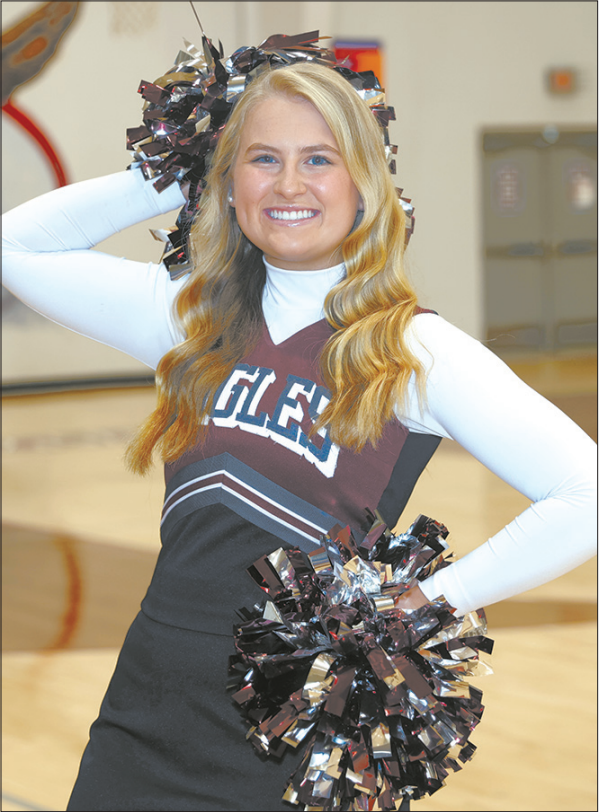
Hannah Fowler Selected For Governor's School

ATWOOD — Hannah Fowler, a junior at West Carroll High School, is one of 32 Tennessee students chosen for the Tennessee Governor's School of Agriculture Sciences.

It is a four-week college experience for rising high school juniors and seniors. Scholars are exposed to various aspects of agriculture and natural resources both in the classroom, and through opportunities for hands-on learning both on and off campus at the University of Tennessee Martin. Classes are May 27 to June 21, 2024.

Classes are taught by Department of Agriculture, Geosciences, and Natural Resources (AGN) faculty. Scholars take one college credit class (3 hours) and select a Group Study Project (GSP) including possible choices of Precision Agriculture, Veterinary Science, Natural Resources Management, or Agricultural Business.

Hannah resides on a



Hannah Fowler

farm in Atwood, where the family has row crops and livestock.

She is the daughter of Jeremy and Brittany Fowler of Atwood.

Dr. Riley Joins BMH-Carroll County

HUNTINGDON (February 27) — Dr. Elly Riley recently joined Baptist Memorial Hospital-Carroll County Family Health Care as a family medicine physician.

The clinic is located inside Baptist Carroll County at 641 R.B. Wilson Dr., Suite N., Huntingdon. It is open Monday, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Tuesday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Patients can schedule appointments with Dr. Riley on Thursdays and Fridays, 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

"We're excited to welcome Dr. Riley to Baptist Carroll County," said Susan Breeden, CEO and administrator of Baptist Carroll County. "Her extensive background in treating patients of all ages from newborns to the elderly will be a huge benefit to this community and enhancing



Dr. Elly Riley

local health care."

Riley is the chair of clinical sciences and the associate professor of family medicine for Baptist Health Sciences University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Memphis. The college of osteopathic medicine will welcome its

first class in August 2024.

Riley graduated with a Bachelor of Science in biology from The University of Tennessee at Martin in 2003. She earned a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Kansas City University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2009. She completed a residency at Doctors Hospital Family Practice in Columbus, Ohio, in 2012.

Baptist Memorial Hospital-Carroll County provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient medical care to West Tennessee in a variety of specialized areas, including cardiac care, pediatrics, general surgery, physical therapy and palliative care, among others.

For more information, visit baptistonline.org/carrollcounty.

Huntingdon Announced New Industry Tuesday

HUNTINGDON — Huntingdon Industrial Development Board, the Town of Huntingdon, the County of Carroll, and the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce hosted an economic development announcement on Tuesday, March 5. The event was at 1:15 p.m. at the Dixie Carter Performing Arts Center. The announcement was after The Banner went to press on Monday evening. More details can be found at www.mckenziebanner.com.

McKenzie Rotary Club Hears Program on Human Trafficking

MCKENZIE (February 27) — Members of the McKenzie Rotary Club heard a program on human trafficking from a special agent with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation who specializing in that area.

According to the TBI's website, ithastostop.com, it reads, "Right now, in Tennessee's big cities and small towns, it's quietly happening. Our girls and boys, our women and men, are sold for sex or forced to work. It is human trafficking."

The agent, who requested not to be photographed, said she and another agent are assigned to West Tennessee. The problem is greater with social media and the dark web.

In the state's program called, It Has to Stop, the following signs were identified as a person who might be trafficked.

SEX TRAFFICKING

Pay special attention to any person, especially a child, who is...

Unusually fearful, anxious, or submissive, or showing signs of physical abuse.

Monitored, controlled, or guarded by someone else at all times, or who is prohibited from interacting with others.

Unaware of what city they are in or unable to explain the purpose of their stay.

Not in control of their own money or documents.

A child in a suspicious circumstance, such as being alone at a hotel.

PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Has injuries or other signs of abuse and is reluctant to explain them.

Appears malnourished. Branded or marked with a tattoo, such as a man's name, symbol of money, or a barcode.

Dressed in a provocative manner or in the same clothes, regardless of weather or circumstance.

POSSESSIONS

Has very few personal possessions.

Has an unexplained, sudden increase in money, clothing, or possessions like jewelry without explanation.

Doesn't carry identification.

Has a number of hotel

keys or key cards.

BEHAVIOR

Claims to be an adult, though their appearance suggests adolescence.

Seems to move frequently from place to place.

Talks about an older boyfriend or sex with an older man.

Has inconsistencies in their story.

Claims to be visiting, and can't state what city they're in or for how long.

Isn't able to speak for themselves.

Has sexually explicit profiles on social networking sites.

Is not enrolled in school or is consistently absent.

Seems to be withdrawn, depressed, or "checked out."

LACK OF CONTROL

Accompanied by someone who seems to control their every move.

Seems scripted in the way they speak.

Doesn't have control over their own money.

Can't come and go from place to place on their own.

Not in control of their identification or travel documents.

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