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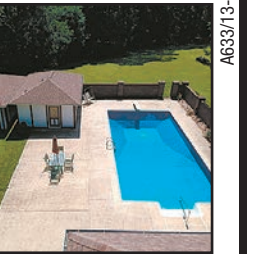
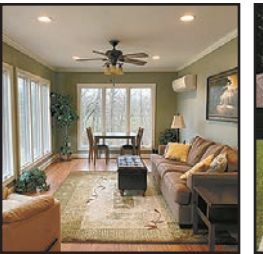
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"Easter is meant to be a symbol of hope, renewal, and new life."
— Janine di Giovanni



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Above Left, Approximately 2,000 of the eggs were dropped from a helicopter as the eager hunters of eggs awaited their turn. Above Right, Allie Jones found the golden egg in the 0-3 age group. Below Left, Ike and LoriLei Dillahunt of Huntingdon. Below Right, Twins — Amina and Amelia Brown of McKenzie. Photos by Joel Washburn/The Banner

Third Annual Egg Drop was Great Success

McKENZIE (March 23) — McKenzie City Park was filled with excitement as children from throughout West Tennessee gathered for the third annual McKenzie Cham-

ber of Commerce's Easter Egg Drop. The weather was cold and the winds were moderate, however, the children arrived in large numbers to participate. Some 50,000 eggs

were spread among open grounds and near the walking trail at the park, located on Como Street.

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CARROLL COUNTY

Commission Begins Budget Talks

Property Assessor Rita Jones (left) presents her proposed budget as County Mayor Joseph Butler (right) listens.

BY JASON R. MARTIN
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HUNTINGDON (March 21) — On Thursday, the Carroll County Budget Committee began the annual budget presentations from department directors. This year, the presentations were split into two days versus the all-day affair in past years.

The Budget Committee recommended a 4% raise to all Carroll County employees for the Fiscal Year Budget 2024-25. While most department directors agreed to the raise, some requested additional pay raises for

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HUNTINGDON

School Approves April 1 as Makeup Day

HUNTINGDON (March 20) — Huntingdon Special School District students will attend school on Monday, April 1 to make up for the missed day when the school system closed for the March 7 Class 2A girls state basketball tournament. Huntingdon Fillies were honored to make the state tournament. However, the Tennessee

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Three County Utility Districts Receive Grants

NASHVILLE — Tennessee Gov. Bill Lee and Department of Economic and Community Development Commissioner Stuart C. McWhorter announced today the 50 recipients receiving funding through the Infrastructure Planning Grant (IPG) program. Among the grantees were three local systems — McLemoresville at \$65,170, South Carroll at \$190,000, and Hollow Rock at \$95,000.

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Kerry Killebrew

Retired Weakley County Mayor Dies

Kerry Scott Killebrew, 72, of Dresden died March 20, 2024 at Jackson Madison County General Hospital. Funeral services were Saturday, March 23, 2024 in the Dresden Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 1 p.m., burial followed in Sunset Cemetery.

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Mayor Jake Bynum of Weakley County Resigns

MARTIN — The University of Tennessee at Martin will welcome Weakley County Mayor Jake Bynum as its chief of staff effective May 1, 2024. Dr. Yancy Freeman, UT Martin’s chancellor, notified university students, faculty, and staff following Bynum’s resignation announcement during the March 18 meeting of the Weakley County Commission.

The chief of staff is a new UT Martin position to manage major university projects and initiatives under the chancellor’s direction and will serve as executive director of the WestStar Leadership Program, the university’s long-time regional leadership development program. The person will also have administrative responsibilities for the university’s Ned Ray McWherter Institute, which serves as a leadership and personal-development program for UT Martin students.

The position provides a link between the chancellor and several university groups, acts on the chancellor’s behalf with those groups, and serves as a liaison to the University of Tennessee Office of Government Relations and Advocacy and the UTM Office of the General Counsel.

Bynum of Dresden served three consecutive terms as Weakley County mayor. He is a UT Martin graduate and holds a master’s degree in leadership and public service from Lipscomb University in Nashville. He graduated from Harvard Kennedy School’s Executive Education Program in 2022 with a Certificate in Authentic Leadership. Bynum also graduated from the



Jake Bynum

WestStar Leadership Program, Leadership Weakley County, the Delta Regional Authority Leadership Institute, Complete Tennessee Leadership Institute and Leadership Tennessee.

“I’m pleased that Mayor Bynum has accepted this important position, which immediately becomes a key post in the university cabinet,” Freeman said. “He’s a proven leader who brings energy, enthusiasm and tremendous organizational skills to UT Martin. Mayor Bynum will make an immediate impact on the university and those we serve.”

“I have had the great honor of serving the citizens of Weakley County since 2014,” Bynum said. “During my tenure, it has been my privilege to work alongside commissioners,

elected and appointed officials, staff, and volunteers committed to the success of Weakley County.”

Bynum formerly worked in banking before being elected to the mayor’s seat in 2014. He was re-elected two more times in 2018 and 2022. As mayor, Bynum has served as president of the Tennessee County Mayors Association, chairman of the Northwest Tennessee Development District and Human Resource Agency, trustee of Union University, a member of the Tennessee Board of Pharmacy, and the governor’s Early Literacy Foundation.

Bynum and his wife, Alyssa, a third-grade teacher at Dresden Elementary School, have two children, Ella and Nash.

Rotarians Hear About Inclusion Park

MCKENZIE (March 19) — Lori Dillahunt, chairperson of the Carroll County Inclusion Park, spoke to the Rotary Club of McKenzie on Tuesday, March 19. The non-profit organization is constructing a recreational area for people with limited mobilities and/or sensory issues.

The group raised funds through special events, from municipalities, and a major donation from the County of Carroll and the State of Tennessee.

She said it all started with the idea of at least having a swing designed for children with limited mobilities and soon, the ad hoc group of volunteers envisioned greater things. The board of volunteers started with a bake sale in 2021. As word spread, more and more people in the community would share their experiences of taking their children to other cities with inclusion parks so they could be included as other children play.

Support for the project was widespread with people eager to provide for those who are not always included in activities. The idea soon expanded beyond a single inclusive swing. The project raised more than \$1 million to construct and maintain the special playground. The County of Carroll provided \$400,000



Lori Dillahunt, representing Carroll County Inclusion Park and McKenzie Rotarian Joel Washburn.

and the Tennessee Art Commission, and the inclusive playground grant from the Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Development Disabilities provided the final necessary funds to complete the fundraising. The Town of Huntingdon provided the real estate for the project.

Today, the new inclusive restrooms are constructed and included adjustable height sinks and changing

table, suitable for children or adults. In the coming weeks, the concrete footings will be poured to accommodate the construction of the playground equipment. It’s all located just off Mustang Drive in Huntingdon and adjacent to Kelley Park.

Carroll County families and friends will benefit from this unique playground for children of all ages and abilities.

A grand opening is scheduled for August 10

Grants

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The \$10.7 million in funding is part of the Rural Economic Opportunity Act and will assist communities and utility districts across Tennessee with long-term planning for their water and sewer systems.

“Ensuring all Tennesseans have access to clean water starts with investing in the right infrastructure,” said Gov. Lee. “I thank our General Assembly for funding this program and commend the 50 grantees for stepping up to help our communities strengthen local infrastructure and plan for the future.”

The IPG program is open to utility systems that serve

distressed counties and rural communities on the financially distressed utility system referral list. Funds can be used in the following program categories: water system mapping and modeling, water system analysis, sewer system mapping and modeling, sewer system analysis, asset management related activities and regionalization studies.

Construction Continues in Downtown McKenzie

MCKENZIE — Construction of sidewalks and new decorative lighting continues in downtown McKenzie.

The sidewalks along Broadway are being replaced with new concrete that is wider and is more handicap accessible. Three islands are also being constructed off the sidewalks.

Construction of new decorative lighting is also being installed around Veterans Park. Contractors for both projects are working together as the lighting along the sidewalk is also replaced.

The photo shows contractors replacing the sidewalks along Broadway.



McKenzie High School Baseball Schedule

Monday, March 25
Baseball at home against Camden at 5 p.m.
Tuesday, March 26
Baseball at Camden at

5 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday
Baseball in the Diamond Classic at Huntingdon with the following

schedule: Wednesday against Adamsville at Noon; Thursday against Huntingdon at 6 p.m.; and Friday against Crockett County at 2:15 p.m.

Mayor

...From Front Page

Kerry was born May 25, 1951 in Martin, Tennessee to the late, Eugene and Maybelle Killebrew. Kerry Killebrew proudly served the United States Army in Germany in the Vietnam War. After being discharged, he was accepted to the University of Tennessee at Martin, where he graduated with a Bachelor’s Degree in Business Administration in 1976.

After graduation, he used his business degree as loan officer at the Weakley County Bank and a farm loan officer at Production

Credit Association.

Kerry had a passion to serve his county much like his country. He decided to run for Weakley County Executive and was fortunate to be elected to two terms spanning from 1986 to 1994.

After his service to the county, Kerry started his promotional advertising career in 1998 with Newton Manufacturing. His customers were like family and always treated in that manner.

Kerry was an advocate for Lifeline Blood Service. He was one pint short of donating 22 gallons before becoming ill. Kerry’s passion for service began at a young age and never stopped. He continued

his service to the Weakley County Backpack Program.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Martha (Reavis) Killebrew, his sons, Scott (Jinny) Killebrew and Adam (Jennifer) Killebrew, his grandchildren, Callen (Devin) Waters, Caroline Daly Killebrew, Barrett Reed Killebrew, Anna Liv Killebrew, his great-granddaughter, Andi Dell Waters, his brother, Richard (Connie) Killebrew and one sister, Patty Killebrew Gilmour.

Memorials can be made to either the Dresden Cumberland Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 131, Dresden, TN 38225 or Weakley County Backpack Program P.O. Box 804 Dresden, TN 38225.

School

...From Front Page

Department of Education does not recognize that as an excused absence.

Huntingdon School Board voted Wednesday, March 20, to make up that absence on April 1, a previously scheduled Staff Development Day for teachers and administrators. It comes at the end of a week-long Spring Break.

The Board unanimously approved for Dr. Lee Carter, board chair, to seek one of two available leadership offices on the Tennessee School Boards Association’s board. The available statewide offices are vice president or treasurer. Carter is currently a director with TSBA, an advisory service for public schools across the state.

Four HHS students attended SCOPE - Student Congress on Policies in Education in Nashville, a TSBA-sponsored day-long discussion and debate on school policies.

SCOPE brings together 9th-12th grade students from across the state to discuss current topics in edu-

cation. Participants explore education issues through mock school board meetings, group discussions, and debates with their peers. These events are designed to give students an understanding of how school boards operate.

This year’s participants were Katherine Meggs, Wyatt Forbess, Will Lewis, and Kayla Price. Meggs and Forbess spoke about SCOPE and the topics of Required Internships for Graduation, Artificial Intelligence Use for School Work, Four-Day School Weeks, and Cell Phone Use in School.

Tracy Connell, guidance counselor, accompanied the students to SCOPE, held at Belmont University. She said the students participated in the dynamics of the event and then continued their discussion en route back to Huntingdon. In future years, the students requested an overnight stay ahead of the conference. Connell said this year and last, the students’ travel was impaired by wrecks. This year, the students missed a planned breakfast because of the traffic delay.

The students thanked the Board for allowing them to attend.

In other business, Dr. Jona-

than Kee, director of schools, said the English/Language Arts curriculum will change at the high school, thanks to approval by the School Board and a vote by the teachers of the classes recommending the new curriculum by Pearson. It’s a four-year commitment for the materials.

The Board approved Dr. Kee as the school’s voting member on the Tennessee Risk Management Trust Board, an insurance consortium.

The Board approved teachers Courtney Cole and Sherry McGee to conduct their annual Super Summer Science Camp May 28-31 at Huntingdon Primary School.

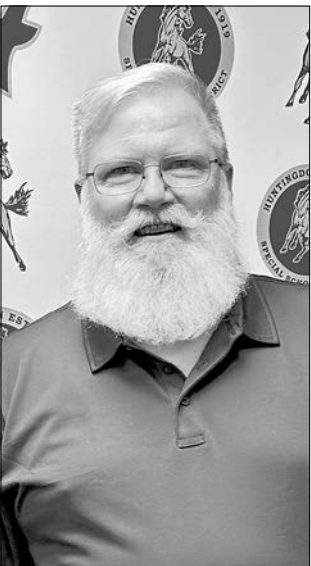
They also acknowledged the retirement of Jenny Wilson, HHS English teacher.

Hannah Ball, HMS Educational Assistant, and Renee Allen, HPS Educational Assistant tenured their resignations. Hannah Roach was acknowledged as a new hire for HMS Educational Assistant.

Dr. Kee announced the FFA Plant Sale is April 24-27 at the HHS Greenhouse behind the high school. Weekday hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon.



Left, Katherine Meggs and Wyatt Forbess speak to the Huntingdon School Board about their experience at SCOPE - Student Congress on Policies in Education. Right, Dr. Lee Carter is seeking a leadership position in the Tennessee School Boards Association (TSBA).





1. The Easter Bunny with three balloon character Peeps included Bethel students and staff. 2. Ivy, Mattie, Bo and Tiffany Lee enjoyed the hunt. 3. Savannah Martin, 4, of McKenzie enjoys the egg drop on Saturday. Photos by Joel Washburn/The Banner 4. CJ Martin, 5, of McKenzie collects eggs during the Chamber's event on Saturday. Photo by Brittany Martin/The Banner 5. James Edgar Washburn of Dresden with his mom, Audrea, and great aunt, Jessica Martin (in costume). 6. Adalynn and Magnolia Ghyers wrap up in a blanket with their bounty of eggs. 7. Members of Bethel University's Football Team were up early to hide the 48,000 eggs. 8. Brentlee and Brooks Legends of Sharon show off their face painting by Bethel sorority members. Photos by Joel Washburn/The Banner

Egg

...From Front Page

A helicopter piloted by Andrew Bigham of AeroLuxe Aviation dropped

some 2,000 eggs for the event, creating excitement as plastic eggs were dropped on the hunting fields.

Hunting was divided into four age groups: 0-2; 3-4; 5-7; and 8-10 and separated at 20-minute intervals to

better accommodate traffic flow.

A golden egg was hidden on each of the four fields. Its contents were worth \$50.

Bethel University football and lady soccer teams along with individual

Bethel students and a sorority helped at the event. Face-painting, shaped balloons, photos with the Easter bunny and other balloon peeps were available for the children.

A small petting zoo was enjoyed with rabbits, tur-

ties, sheep, and chickens.

Concessions included Small Town Sno, Groovy Glazed Donuts, and BB's Biscuits.

The event was underwritten by Cachengo, Centennial Bank, Allegion, and Haven Steel - all of

McKenzie.

The Chamber appreciates its members and the many volunteers who help give back to the community.

For more information about the Chamber, phone 731-352-2004.

Budget

...From Front Page

their employees. Committee Chairman Darrell Ridgely stated the 4% raise did not have to be the amount to each employee as the department directors could make the raises merit-based. The 4% increase was to be applied to the salary budget.

Circuit Court Clerk Sarah Bradberry presented a proposed budget of \$480,045. She requested an 8% pay increase for her deputies versus the recommended 4%. Bradberry provided a pay rate study comparing neighboring counties and said her staff based on years of service were underpaid.

Carroll County Library Director Erin Crockett requested additional staff and more than the recommended 4% salary increase. In the proposed budget, Crockett wanted to move the part-time employee to full-time and hire a second aide to oversee computer technology. The proposed changes would increase the library's budget from \$162,502 in FY 2023-24 to \$229,663 in FY 204-25 (an increase of \$72,889 mainly based on salaries and benefits).

Carroll Academy Director Renee Sutton's proposed FY 2024-25 budget is \$1,770,672. The previous fiscal year budget was higher by \$495,245. The decrease comes through a \$203,322 decrease in motor vehicles along with decreases in costs of contracted services (\$25,000), insurance (\$38,832), accounting services (\$40,111) and supplies/materials (\$55,000).

General Sessions/Juvenile Judge Michael King presented his two budgets. For the General Session Court, the proposed budget is \$215,4185. This is an increase of \$27,958 for the FY 2024-25 coming mainly from the salary of the court's assistant. Under the Juvenile Court, \$221,465 was requested for the fiscal year. This is an increase of \$28,935 mainly from a realignment of the services and materials formally included in Carroll Academy's budget.

Carroll County Health Department Director Emily Rushing requested \$963,250 for FY 2024-25. This is an increase of \$36,025.

Carroll County Clerk Darlene Kirk requested \$355,478 for the fiscal year. This is an increase of \$11,615 from the previous year. The majority of the budget is based on salaries, staffing and benefits.



Above, Renee Sutton of Carroll Academy (left) and Judge Michael King (right) present Carroll Academy's proposed budget. Right, Carroll County Library Director Erin Crockett.

The County's Rural Fire Department requested \$353,837 which is a decrease of \$13,660 from the previous fiscal year budget. The largest portion of the budget comes from salaries and vehicle maintenance.

County Property Assessor Rita Jones' budget for the FY 2024-25 was \$275,195. The \$5,099 increase was through the 4% increase in wages. Jones also requested \$22,500 through the Board of Equalization and \$37,763 through the reappraisal program.

Paula Bolen, trustee for Carroll County, requested \$259,806 for the upcoming fiscal year. This is an increase of \$10,428 from FY 2023-24. The largest portion of the budget is based on wages, staffing and benefits. Peg Hamlett, administrator

for the Election Commission, presented her proposed FY 2024-25 budget at \$246,211. This is an increase of \$20,526 coming from the need for additional election workers, an increase in fees and the rental of an off-site storage facility. Hamlett also stated the need for improved internet/broadband as numerous issues occurred during the March primary.

Register of Deeds Natalie McCullough requested \$250,264 for the upcoming fiscal year. This is an \$11,252 increase mainly from the 4% salary increase.

Carroll County Emergency Management presented a \$138,445 budget. This is a \$10,197 decrease from FY 2023-24. The largest portion of the budget is based on salaries, insurance, electric-

ity and supplies.

The Civic Center Director Natalie McMasters requested \$143,168 for the upcoming budget. She stated the numbers could change as she has applied for a grant through the state. The majority of the budget is based on salaries, utilities and benefits.

The Carroll County Office on Aging proposed a budget of \$140,628 for FY 2024-25. This is an increase of \$17,140. The increase is through the possible hire of an additional home aid that would provide cleaning services or various other services needed by the elderly in the county. The majority of the budget focuses on salaries and the cost of social workers.

Carroll County Ag Extension Director Kenny Hern-

don requested \$69,601 for the FY 2024-25 Budget. The majority of the group's funding comes from the University of Tennessee. All requests are taken under advisement for additional review.

The Carroll County Budget Committee reconvenes Thursday, March 28 at 9 a.m. at the Carroll County Complex in Huntingdon. Scheduled to present are Carroll County Sheriff Andy Dickson, the County Highway Department, the Carroll County Clerk and Master Kenneth Todd, and Solid Waste Director Jeff Heyduck. Members of the Committee include Commissioners Darrell Ridgely - chairman, Lana Suite, Willie Huffman, Manuel Crossno, John Austin and Willie Huffman.

THE WIT AND WISDOM OF DAVID JOHNSON

Are You an Energy Waster?

My father grew up the son of a sharecropper working a farm with mules during the Great Depression. That experience greatly influenced how he raised me and my siblings. One thing we were taught was to always “turn out that light!” when leaving a room. It didn’t matter if we were just going to the bathroom and would be right back, we were still supposed to turn out the light.

This had nothing to do with conserving energy. It was all about saving money.

In today’s world everyone is inundated with messages about conserving natural resources and not wasting them. Our houses have water restrictors in our faucets and shower heads, energy conserving light bulbs in light fixtures, and we are very conscious of the gas mileage of any vehicle we might purchase.

However, this article is not about that kind of energy wasting. It’s about wasting your mental and emotional energy.

I believe each of us has a fixed amount of mental and emotional energy with which we start each day. If we waste any of it, we will not be able to function at our optimal level. Trying to deal with life on an empty mental/emotional tank will produce fatigue, depression, anxiety, irritability, and a sour disposition.

Here are the signs of an energy waster:

- Trying to change another person (There is only one person you can change, and that’s you.)
- A chronic worrier (Worry never produces any positive benefits.)
- Being a procrastinator (It requires energy to find ways to put things off.)
- Holding onto a grudge (The only person affected

by holding a grudge is you.)

- Doing things for others in order to receive their praise and thanks (It’s only when we do good and expect nothing in return that we are operating out of pure motives. Doing the right thing should be reward enough in itself.)

- Being continually angry and frustrated because a person won’t make changes to suit you (The world doesn’t have to operate according to your plan. It’s not all about you.)

- Carrying resentment (Resentment is a cancer that will destroy your life.)

- Constantly beating yourself with a regret stick (Regret is a millstone that will keep you chained to the past and make you unable to move forward with your life. Self-forgiveness is the answer.)

- Fuming about the little stuff in life (And remember, it’s all little stuff.)

If you fit any of the descriptions above and suffer from some of the maladies mentioned earlier, you need to start working on changing. But don’t try to change all your bad habits at once or you might get discouraged. (Rarely can we make wholesale changes in ourselves.) I suggest you pick one of the areas you need to change and focus on it for a period of one month. Then you can move on to another area.

It’s possible, and I emphasize the word “possible,” that if you make the necessary changes in your life, you might be able to cut your pharmacy bill and doctor’s visits in half. Plus, you’ll have a greater store of energy you can put to a productive use.

** Taken from The Wit and Wisdom of David Johnson, Volume 1: I Didn’t Know Donkey’s Could Laugh.*



Tennessee Waltz

Taking Down Some of the Most Crooked

Operation Tennessee Waltz was a sting operation set up by federal and state law enforcement agents, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. The operation led to the arrest of seven Tennessee state lawmakers and two men identified as “bagmen” in the indictment on the morning of May 26, 2005, on bribery charges.

The FBI and TBI followed these arrests with an additional arrest of two county commissioners, one from Hamilton County, and the other a member of the prominent Hooks family of Memphis. Investigators also arrested a former county administrator.

It began in May 2002, when the Memphis office of the FBI opened an investigation into reports of fraud and corruption in Shelby County’s Juvenile Court Clerk’s Office. One of the individuals questioned, a well-known lobbyist who was consulting for that office, admitted to wrongdoing and agreed to cooperate and wear a wire to record conversations with suspects.

It wasn’t long before the informant was approached by an employee in the office who claimed to be a close acquaintance of several state legislators. The employee advised the lobbyist that he was a “bagman” for these politicians, and in exchange for money, these lawmakers would vote on

legislation that would benefit the lobbyist’s clients.

As part of the operation, the FBI set up a fictitious company that recycled surplus electronic equipment in third-world countries. They let it be known that they wanted legislation that would benefit their company and wanted exclusive contracts with local governments.

Then undercover agents offered bribes to individuals. Then they told their colleagues, who in some instances took bribes as well.

Some of the corrupt politicians even introduced legislation that was drafted by the FBI (but no legislation was ever passed). In the end, the agency paid out more than \$150,000 in bribe money by the time the undercover portion of Tennessee Waltz ended in 2005.

State officials arrested as part of Operation Tennessee Waltz:

John Ford (D) State Senator from Memphis in the 29th District, took an \$800,000 bribe and was sentenced to 66 months in prison. He was acquitted on three counts of witness intimidation.

Roscoe Dixon (D) State Senator from Memphis in the 33rd District, was found guilty of taking a \$9,500 bribe and was sentenced to 63 months in jail.

J. Chris Newton (R) State Representative from Bradley County which is in the 22nd District, was found guilty of taking a \$1,500 bribe and conspiracy. He was sentenced to one year and one day in jail, two



John Ford (left) was represented by Edward Yarbrough (right) during a 2005 Senate Ethics Committee meeting in Nashville. Photo Courtesy Matthew Craig/The Commercial Appeal

years probation and community service. He was the only Republican charged in the operation. As of 2015, Newton was reported to be working as a businessman in the Cleveland area.

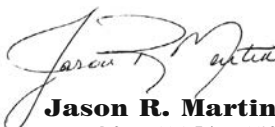
Kathryn I. Bowers (D) State Senator, replaced Roscoe Dixon in the 33rd District when he left office on charges of bribery. Bowers was also found guilty of taking a \$5,750 bribe and was sentenced to 16 months in jail. Prosecutors said that Bowers was one of the first corrupt officials identified and that she helped them make contact with other legislators.

Ward Crutchfield (D) State Senator from District 10, pled guilty to bribery and was sentenced to six months of home confinement, two years probation, and a fine.

Local officials arrested included:

William Cotton, Hamilton County Commissioner, extortion, sentenced to 3 years; Charles Love, Ham-

ilton County School Board member, the bagman, extortion, 12 months; Michael Hooks, Sr., Shelby County Commissioner, pled guilty to taking \$24K in bribes and was sentenced to 26 months in prison; Michael Hooks, Jr., Memphis School Board member, conspired to take \$3K for bogus consulting work. He resigned and was sentenced to 30 days in prison; Calvin Williams (R), Shelby County Administrator, convicted of extortion and bribery, sentenced to 33 months.



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Jason Martin is a life-long resident of McKenzie. He graduated from McKenzie High School in 2000; earned a Bachelor of Science in History from Bethel College in 2004; a Masters in Education from Bethel University in 2009 and a Masters in History and Humanities from Fort Hays State University in 2011.



Above Left, 10 Years Ago — MHS students attended the FFA Convention and received their state degrees. Pictured (L to R): Brice Webb, Callie Gierhart, Katelyn Bostwick, Alison Garrett and Travis Prather. Above Right, 25 Years Ago — A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held for the grand opening of Rural King. Below Left, 50 Years Ago — Mrs. Linda Bolton of the McKenzie Banner showed her support to the Girl Scouts when she purchased a box of cookies. Pictured (L to R): Teresa Mann, Jodie Hearne, Kim Branon and Linda Bolton. Below Right, 75 Years Ago — Clareda Byrd received Valedictorian at Gleason High School.



Looking Back from Our Archives

10 Years Ago — McKenzie United Neighbors hosted Second Harvest Mobile Pantry at First Baptist Church and served over 250 needy families.

*Sandi Roditis placed the first sergeant stripes on her husband, Spiros Roditis, in the ceremony at Trenton National Guard.

25 Years Ago — Mark

Anderson’s K-9 officer “Calie” was awarded a National Certification after passing all the tests with flying colors.

*McKenzie students sat outside and watched as associates of Campbell’s Well Drilling bore a well behind their school.

50 Years Ago — Amy Seavers completed the

Practical Nursing Graduation exercises after 12 1/2 months and became an LPN.

* Trezevents Blue Devils won the Champ Title.

75 Years Ago — Governor Gordon Browning signed a proclamation that designated May 1-7 Future Farmers and Homemakers of America week.

*Walter Wiggington completed his requirements for National Fraternity Membership after starring in a Bethel play.



Ham and Egg Bake

6 cups frozen, not thawed hash brown potatoes
2 cups diced, full cooked ham

2 cups (8 oz.) shredded Swiss Cheese
1 (7 oz.) jar roasted red bell peppers, drained and chopped
1 (4.5 oz.) jar sliced mushrooms, drained
6 large eggs
1/3 cup milk
1 cup small curd, creamed cottage cheese
1/4 teaspoon pepper
Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease rectangular 9x13 dish with shortening.

Sprinkle 3 cups of potatoes evenly in baking dish. Layer with ham, Swiss cheese, bell peppers, and mushrooms. Sprinkle remaining potatoes over mushrooms. Beat eggs, milk cottage cheese and pepper with fork or wire whisk until blended. Pour egg mixture over potatoes. Bake uncovered 45-50 minutes until light golden brown and set in the center.

Asian Pork Tenderloin

1/3 cup lite soy sauce
1/4 cup sesame oil
1/3 cup packed brown sugar
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
2 tablespoons lemon juice
4 garlic cloves, crushed
1 tablespoon dry mustard
Pepper to taste
Pork tenderloin (approx-

mately 2 pounds)
Whisk together ingredients and marinate pork for 8 hours. Remove pork and discard marinade. Bake pork in foil lined roasting pan for about 20 minutes or until meat thermometer reads 160 degrees. Let pork stand 5 minutes, then serve.

Quick Quiche

3 eggs
1 1/2 cups milk

1 stick oleo, melted
1/2 cup Bisquick
1/2-3/4 cup grated sharp cheese
1/2-3/4 cup chopped ham or fried bacon
Mix eggs, milk, oleo and Bisquick in blender only a short time. Pour into greased Pyrex pie pan. Add cheese and ham. Cook at 350 degrees for 40 minutes and let stand 10 minutes before cutting.

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Obituaries

BETTY LOU WARPOOL 1932 — 2024

MURFREESBORO, formerly of McKenzie — Graveside services for Betty Lou Warpool were Friday, March 22, 2024, at Shiloh Cemetery, McKenzie.

Mrs. Warpool, 91, died Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at her residence in Murfreesboro. She was born in Huntingdon on August 7, 1932, to Ben and Irene Chambers Joyner. She was an interior decorator by trade.

She is survived by a close friend, Connie Abbott, and several nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husbands, Ben Edwards and Sam Warpool, sons, Bobby Edwards and Billy Edwards and sister, Pat Travis.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

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PAMELA COLLINS BOHANEK 1947 — 2024

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for Pamela Collins Bohanek were Saturday, March 23, 2024, at 1 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Interment was at Shiloh Cemetery.

Ms. Bohanek, 77, died Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at Jackson Madison Co. General Hospital. She was born on January 20, 1947, in McKenzie to the late James and Ruth Hudson Collins. She is a McKenzie High

School Class of 1965 graduate and a member of the Lady Rebels 1963 State finalist team. After graduation, she moved to Chicago and raised her family, only later to return closer to home, buying a lake house in Springville. In 2018, she decided it was time to move home. Animals in tow and ready to once again become a dedicated McKenzie Rebels fan. When she could not attend the games, she would listen to them on the radio, watch NHFS, or stay up to date by posting on Facebook, "What is the score?"

She is survived by her two sons, Frank (Carrie) Bohanek of McKenzie and James Bohanek of Hillsboro, Oregon, a brother, James (Sandra) Collins of McKenzie and three grandchildren, Ethan Bohanek, Baylie Bohanek and Jakob Bohanek.

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MAC 'BINGO' WHEET 1945 — 2024

MCKENZIE — Funeral services for Mac "Bingo" Wheet was Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 11 a.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Interment was at Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Huntingdon.

Mr. Wheet, 79, died Monday, March 18, 2024, at Jackson Madison Co. General Hospital. He was born in Only, Tenn., on February 11, 1945, to Lee and Effie Howell Wheet. He was in the US Army and a factory supervisor for River Oaks Furniture.

He survived by his children, Melinda (Gary) Wallace and Angie (Ron) Fuzzell, all of McKenzie, two stepdaughters, Pamela Castleman and Misty Azbill, two sisters, Lou-

ise Crider and Lois (Joe) Hampton, all of McKenzie, four grandchildren, Shane (Anna) Wheet, Leslie Wheet (Shannon Hardwick), Bailie Christman and Morgan Christman, and step-grandchildren, Haley Hall, Dustin Bell, Ashley Parsons and Allie Adams and four step-great-grandchildren Blakely Hall, Carson Bell, Landon and Lainey Parsons.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Sharon Wheet, sisters, Jessie Cude and Lucille Blaylock and brothers, James, Wheet, Wayne Wheet, Buddy Wheet and Joe Wheet.

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ANNETHIA COLLINS 1943 — 2024

Mrs. Annethia Collins, 80, of Huntingdon, died Wednesday at her home.

Funeral services were 12 p.m., Tuesday March 26, 2024, in the Chapel of Dilday-Carter Funeral Home. Interment followed in Humbles Cemetery.

The family received friends at Dilday-Carter Funeral Home on Tuesday from 10 a.m. until service time at 12 p.m.

BETTY FORREST 1948 — 2024

Mrs. Betty Forrest, 76, of Huntingdon, died Friday, March 15, 2024, at her home.

Funeral services were Monday, March 18, at 1 p.m. in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home. Bro. L.C. Hollingsworth officiated. Burial followed in Liberty All Cemetery.

The family received friends in the Cherrywood Room of Chase Funeral

Home on Sunday from 5-8 p.m. and on Monday from 10 a.m. until time of service.

Pallbearers who served were Hunter Chaney, Richie Chaney, Brian McCaslin, Mark Pearson, Tim Page, and Arthur Bryant.

Mrs. Forrest was born January 22, 1948, in Huntingdon, to the late Woodrow Wilson and Vernie Mae (Tubbs) Edwards. She was a homemaker. She was also preceded in death by a son, Ronald Medlock, a grandson, Shawn Patterson Bradley, a sister, Joyce Copeland, and a brother, Jody Edwards.

She is survived by three daughters, Lynda Medlock, of McKenzie, Tiffany Chaney, and Marsha Michelle Forrest, both of Huntingdon, two sons, Marvin Forrest of Huntingdon, and Jackie Forrest of Hollow Rock. She also leaves eleven grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren.

MILDRED BUTLER BYARS 1938 — 2024

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Mildred Butler Byars, 85, of Huntingdon, died Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at Lakeside Assisted Living Community.

Funeral services were Friday, March 22, 2024, in the Chapel of Dilday-Carter Funeral Home. Interment was in New Hope Cemetery. Brother Drake Whitworth officiated.

Mrs. Byars was born November 16, 1938, to the late Lester Webb and Minnie Williams Webb. She was preceded in death by her first husband, James Edward Butler Jr., second husband, Hershel Byars.

She is survived by three daughters, Gail (Steve) Edwards of Huntingdon, Sheila (Mitchell) Whitworth of Huntingdon, and Kristie (Kimberly) Butler of Medina; one son, Ricky (Ann)

Butler of Huntingdon; two sisters, Brenda (Steve) Dickson of Bruceton, and Janet Prince of Murfreesboro; 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Dilday Carter Funeral Home, Huntingdon.

HEATHER LYNN WARD 1988 — 2024

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Heather Lynn Ward, 36, of Huntingdon, died Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at her home.

Funeral services are Thursday, March 28, 2024, in the chapel of Chase Funeral Home at 1 p.m. with Mike Foster officiating. Burial will follow in Chapel Hill Cemetery.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 5-8 p.m. in the Cherrywood Room and Thursday, March 28, 2024, from 10 a.m. until time of service in the chapel at Chase Funeral Home.

JANICE DIXON 1944— 2 024

MCKENZIE — Services for Janice Dixon, 79, of McKenzie, were Thursday, March 21, at 2 p.m. at Williams Funeral Home in Greenfield. Burial was in New Prospect Cemetery.

Janice is survived by two sons, Jimmy Duncan and wife LaDonna of McKenzie and Joey Duncan of Green-

field. She also leaves behind brothers Johnny Dunning and wife Janice, Pete Dunning and wife Peggy, and Gordon Dunning and wife Peggy, along with two grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Floyd Dunning and Nanny Cooper.

Williams Funeral Home of Gleason, Tenn.

ERIC SCOTT GORDON 1963 — 2024

GLEASON — Services for Eric Scott Gordon, 60, of Gleason, were Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Williams Funeral Home of Gleason. Burial was in Hopewell Cemetery in Gleason.

Mr. Gordon is survived by his wife, Paula Gordon of Gleason. He is also survived by two children, Shaina and Erica Gordon, both of whom are from Gleason. Mr. Gordon leaves behind five siblings, Joy (Scott) Rimmer of Milan, Amy Gordon of Haverhill, Mass., Diane Clarke of Hawaii, Michael (Maria) Gordon of Saugus, Mass., and Terry Alexander of McKenzie. He also leaves three grandchildren. Mr. Gordon was preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence Gordon and Judith Alexander, and brother, Bruce Gordon.

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Annual Cancer Bake Auction is Underway

CARROLL COUNTY — The annual Carroll County Relay For Life Cancer Bake Auction is underway this week.

The radio call-in auction began Monday, March 25, and continues through Good Friday, March 29.

Air time on WHDM radio is 1 p.m. until all items are sold each day.

Each year, area bakers provide delicious delicacies to auction. The items are

auctioned over the radio.

To bid, listen to the radio 98.9 FM and phone 731-358-3663, 731-358-2511, or 731-358-3931 and give the phone operator the item number and bid price. The winners of the items can pick up those items at the McKenzie Church of Christ Fellowship Hall.

Donated items are accepted at the McKenzie Church of Christ beginning at 7:30 a.m. daily.

Commodity Distribution

The Northwest Tenn. Economic Development Council will conduct USDA Commodity Distribution for Carroll County residents at 13355 Paris Street, Huntingdon on April 17 and 18 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. or until food runs

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EASTER SERVICE AT GRACE BAPTIST

Grace Baptist Church, 747 W. Magnolia Avenue, McKenzie, is hosting a Son-Rise Service on Sunday, March 31 at 7 a.m. with Brother Fred Morris. Breakfast sandwiches to follow. The 10 a.m. service with Pastor Jon King.

McKENZIE SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER POTLUCK LUNCHEON

McKenzie Senior Citizen Center, Main Street, McKenzie, is hosting its monthly potluck luncheon on Thursday, March 28, noon. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the company and fellowship.

A cakewalk and cake auction with music by Steve Bomar is Saturday, March 30 at 6 p.m. Come win a treat for your Easter Brunch table or bid on something special from our amazing bakers!

Cost to participate in the cakewalk is \$5 for the whole evening. No limit on how many times you can win!

GREENFIELD FBC PASSION PLAY

Greenfield First Baptist Church Choir and Cast will present a Passion Play on Friday, March 29 at 7 p.m. A nursery will be provided and a finger food fellowship will follow the performance. The church is located at 3127 N. Meridian Street in Greenfield. Everyone is invited to attend!

McKENZIE CITY COUNCIL MEETS MONTHLY

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

FIRST CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN EASTER EVENTS

McKenzie First Cumberland Presbyterian Church is hosting two Easter events this week. On Thursday, March 28, 6:30 p.m., The Living Lord's Supper and

Friday, March 29, 6:30 p.m. is the Tenebrae Service (Service of Darkness). That's in addition to the Sunday worship service.

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WEST CARROLL BAND BENEFIT

West Carroll Band is hosting a songwriter showcase, dinner, concert and silent auction. The event is Saturday, April 13 at the Carroll County Civic Center. The songwriters include Brice Long, Marla Cannon, and Dylan Altman.

Dinner tickets \$45, General Admission (balcony) \$20. Doors open at 5 p.m., Silent Auction is 5 to 7:30 p.m., West Carroll Band and Beta Performers are 5:30-6:30 p.m. and the Songwriter Showcase is 6:30 p.m. For more information, phone Jenny Mims at 731-415-3760 or buy tickets at radio731.com/band.

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.

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.

JOHNSON TEMPLE CME CHURCH HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

Johnson Temple CME Church, 915 Walnut Avenue, McKenzie, is hosting a Holy Thursday Service on March 28, 6 p.m., and a Good Friday Service, March 29, noon. A meal will be served after service.

SPAGHETTI FUNDRAISER FOR UNITED NEIGHBORS

McKenzie Senior Center is hosting an all-you-can-eat spaghetti fundraiser for United Neighbors on Saturday, April 13 at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person and the dinner menu includes

spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, tea, coffee, or water, side salad and dessert. Tickets are available from any member of McKenzie Senior Center or at the center from 12:30-4:30 p.m. McKenzie Senior Center is located at 172 Main Street South in McKenzie. All net proceeds will be donated to United Neighbors.

RELAY FOR LIFE BAKE AUCTION

The annual Carroll County Relay for Life Bake Auction is March 25-29. It is broadcast each year on WHDM radio. More details will be available later. For more information, call Sherrye Washburn, 731-415-3282.

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.

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Left, Angelica Poveda, the Coordinator of Student Well Being at Colegio Americano, underscores the value of the exchange of cultures when volunteers like Jacob Ervin of McKenzie visit the school. The Cali, Colombia school is a sister school with Bethel University in McKenzie and an in-country partner with Global Citizen Adventure Corps, the provider of travel service learning for schools, churches, organizations, and businesses. Right, After time in the classroom interacting with students of all ages as native English speakers, volunteers from Bethel University and Global Citizen Adventure Corps toured areas of Cali, Colombia. They are seen here in Parque del Gato (Park of the Cat). Back Row (L to R): Jacob Ervin, Brandi George, a teacher from Colegio Americano, Charli Rice, Jessica Burns, two more teachers and Carson Stover. Front Row (L to R): Trevor Scott, Koryn Fenty, Sydney Moyer, Christa Rice, Garrett Burns and Mercedes Wright.



Bethel Students Travel to Colombia

BY MERCEDES WRIGHT AND KAREN CAMPBELL

CALL, COLOMBIA — For almost ten years, a group of Bethel University students regularly travels abroad to Cali, Colombia, and volunteers at the local school named Colegio Americano. The teams are continuing a relationship that began in 1928 when Reverend L. Swartz arrived as the first Cumberland Presbyterian Church Missionary to work in western Colombia, and, after three years, with the support of the Presbyterian Ladies of the United States, created the school as a means of a social service to the community. The school was initially called the Colombian School and was led by two American teachers, Mary Ethel Roa Brintle and Bernice Barnett. The two women were alumni of Bethel College now known as Bethel University. Under their leadership, the school became the first mixed educational institution with no distinctions between race, creeds, or nationalities and the primary means of educating evangelical Christians.

For seven days in March, nine volunteers joined co-leaders Garrett and Jessica Burns on a spring trip that took them away from their U.S.-based classrooms and inside the Colegio Americano's English classes. Their contribution focused on interacting with students and English teachers, some of whom rarely speak with native English speakers.

Angelica Poveda, the Coordinator of Student Well Being at Colegio Americano, underscores the value of the exchange of cultures.

"As global citizens, the exchange of expressions, meaning, and vocabulary as well as food and music is the most important," she said. "It is a joy to be able to have volunteers here who love the culture wholeheartedly and are willing to try new things but also sharing their culture and leaving a lasting imprint on the students, teachers and staff."

To coordinate the learning experiences of both teachers and volunteers, Poveda partners with Stacie Freeman, Bethel University Global Studies Director and Co-Founder of Global Citizen Adventure Corps. The two connected in 2014 when Poveda traveled to Bethel University and spoke to Freeman regarding her role as director of the Global Studies Program. Their meeting resulted in the first volunteer program in Cali that took place in 2015. In 2022, Global Citizen Adventure Corps was formed as a nonprofit with Bethel as its educational partner, offering transferable credit for the required curriculum and making scholarships possible to ensure students had access to financial aid to help cover the cost of the trip.

Poveda shared that thanks to the continuing partnership between BU Global Studies, GCAC and Colegio Americano, the week volunteers are on campus has been

designated as English Week. During this week, she explained, students and teachers hear more English on campus than at any other time of the year. The teachers plan activities so students and volunteers can interact in the classroom. However, the volunteers also engage informally around lunch breaks and during presentations in school assemblies.

While English is offered as a class, Colegio Americano is not classified as a bilingual school, and, therefore, all teachers are not required to know English. The English teachers benefit each year as they join the volunteers after school to explain the culture and history in Cali by way of tours and even salsa dancing lessons. These shared experiences are some of the first times many have spoken with native English speakers, and the relationships formed have long-lasting impacts personally and professionally.

In the future, Poveda would like to organize a group of students from ninth, tenth, and eleventh grades to travel to Bethel University and experience life as a college student in Tennessee. She would also like to see Colegio Americano teachers travel to the United States and learn in a predominantly English-speaking environment.

Asked about the partnership, Poveda said, "It opens doors for everyone to be citizens of the world. Having a global perspective means volunteers can really

value what they have and carry an understanding of other parts of the world. It is a way to show God's love. Love is what unites us as global citizens - the love for people and the love for others even with differences between each other."

She also noted the benefits for the English students in Cali including more opportunities for jobs and scholarships after their education at Colegio Americano and connecting to not only the U.S. team but other people from different countries as English is often the language that allows for that possibility.

The team Co-Leader Garrett Burns is the Chaplain and Director of Community Engagement at Bethel and returned for his fifth volunteer experience in Colombia with this team. A former student of Freeman's in whose class he experienced "firsthand how to LOVE and LEARN about people," he marks the continuation of the sister schools' historical relationship as significant.

"The work that began in 1928 with Bethel students is continuing today through Bethel students," he said. "God calls students, teachers, and professionals back to Colombia every year where we experience Colombian hospitality, the exotic excitement of Cali culture, and the spiritual blessing of Christ - love for neighbor and care for his children."

Days after returning to Tennessee, plans were al-

ready underway for 2025.

"My heart is full for many reasons as our Colombia team shares about their experiences this year," said Freeman. "I'm excited that the formation of GCAC meant we were able to help three students with scholarships towards their costs, that we now have even more evidence that GCAC is ready to walk alongside any church, club, school or organization and plan a program that will fit their interests and needs, and that one of my former students is the first of our expanding GCAC team to lead a group successfully. We are delighted for what was accomplished and for what the future holds."

The team included Garrett Burns, Jessica Burns, and Jacob Ervin of McKenzie; Koryn Fenty of Paris; Brandi George of Dresden; Sydney Moyer of Hokes Bluff, AL; Charli Rice and Christa Rice of Covington; Trevor Scott of Humboldt; Carson Stover of Union City, and Mercedes Wright of Camden.

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The City of McKenzie will be accepting applications for laborer position for the Water Department. Candidate must be 18 years of age, possess a valid driver's license, high school diploma or its equivalent and pass the pre-employment drug screen. Applications will be accepted at city hall until 4:00 p.m. on April 9th. This is a full-time position and includes excellent benefits such as health insurance and the State TCRS retirement plan.

• You must be able to perform manual labor, stooping, bending, twisting and lifting heavy weight at times.

• The job consists of learning to maintain and repair water lines, fire hydrants, and related equipment. Install water pipe and make repairs to water lines throughout the City's entire distribution system.

• Participates on emergency call out list which is in effect 24 hours a day for emergency water line/water main breaks.

• Runs service orders. Locate water service and water mains, meter reading, check backs and water taps.

• Makes necessary repairs to property after completing excavations. Perform landscaping duties, and other duties as necessary to restore property to original condition

• An ability to tolerate work in all weather and season conditions is also required.

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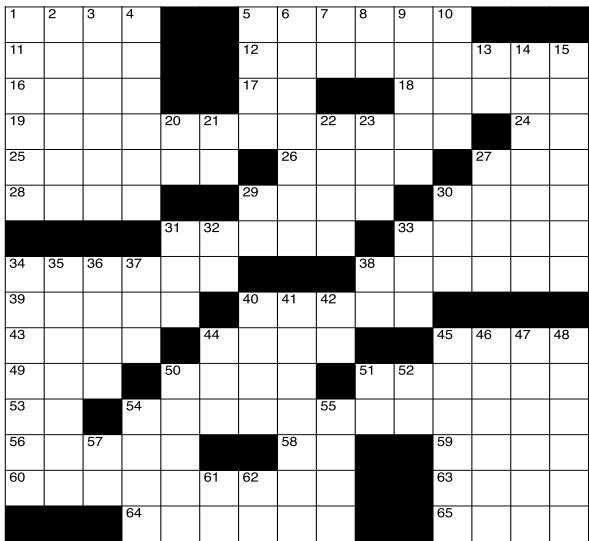
Weekly Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Database management system
- 5. Medical procedures
- 11. ___ Clapton, musician
- 12. Defender
- 16. Exert oneself
- 17. Indicates position
- 18. Quay
- 19. Atrocities
- 24. A way to address an adult man
- 25. Ends
- 26. Unable
- 27. Taxi
- 28. Gratuities
- 29. A famous train station
- 30. Japanese persimmon
- 31. Sours
- 33. Beneficiary
- 34. Baseball official
- 38. Confused situation
- 39. Unworldly
- 40. Yemen capital
- 43. Type of soil
- 44. Beloved beverage ___-Cola
- 45. Lying down
- 49. ___ Angeles
- 50. Fail to amuse
- 51. Collapsible shelter
- 53. Commercial
- 54. Taste property
- 56. Lordship's jurisdictions
- 58. It cools your home
- 59. Dismounted
- 60. Charge in a court of law
- 63. One less than one
- 64. Spoke
- 65. Famed garden

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Show a picture of
- 2. Small sultanate



- 3. Unfortunate incident
- 4. A way to ski
- 5. Abba ___, Israeli politician
- 6. Observed
- 7. "Westworld" actor Harris
- 8. Belonging to me
- 9. Shoelace tube
- 10. Takes to civil court
- 13. Early multimedia
- 14. Produces anew
- 15. Horse races
- 20. Of I
- 21. Equally
- 22. Changes color
- 23. A place to stay
- 27. Town in Galilee
- 29. Mathematical figure
- 30. Klingon character
- 31. They ___
- 32. Atomic #58
- 33. Showed up extinct
- 34. Loosen grip
- 35. Unpleasant smell

- 36. Innermost membranes enveloping the brain
- 37. Esteemed college "league"
- 38. Partner to Pa
- 40. Small American rail
- 41. A salt or ester of acetic acid
- 42. Sodium
- 44. Military figure (abbr.)
- 45. Lighted
- 46. Paid to get out of jail
- 47. All of something
- 48. Ohio city
- 50. More abject
- 51. A radio band
- 52. Scientific development (abbr.)
- 54. Monetary unit
- 55. Scored perfectly
- 57. A punch to end a fight
- 61. The Golden State (abbr.)
- 62. The Beehive State (abbr.)

Week 13

See solution in next week's edition.

Easter Word Search

Angel	E	A	S	T	E	R	S	U	N	D	A	Y	B	J	H	O	L	Y
Betrayal	A	P	A	L	M	L	E	A	V	E	S	C	L	I	L	A	M	B
Bible	L	H	G	O	D	C	A	R	S	I	N	R	L	I	B	E	S	J
Blood	A	F	A	D	F	H	L	N	O	C	R	O	S	S	L	L	J	U
Christ	S	L	C	H	U	R	C	H	G	J	S	W	S	J	K	Y	E	D
Church	T	O	G	S	A	I	D	S	H	E	D	N	A	R	R	S	S	A
Cross	S	W	R	A	L	S	E	T	E	D	L	T	C	E	L	R	U	S
Crown	S	W	R	A	L	S	E	T	E	D	L	T	C	E	L	R	U	S
Death	U	E	A	V	I	T	A	O	A	S	R	H	R	N	S	I	S	B
Disciples	P	R	I	I	F	L	T	N	V	E	T	O	I	E	P	S	B	E
Easter	P	R	I	I	F	L	T	N	V	E	T	O	I	E	P	S	B	E
Empty	P	S	L	O	E	R	H	E	E	R	E	R	F	W	R	E	L	T
Flowers	E	F	O	R	G	I	V	E	N	F	G	N	I	A	A	N	O	R
Forgiven	R	G	O	O	D	F	R	I	D	A	Y	S	C	L	Y	C	O	A
God	R	G	O	O	D	F	R	I	D	A	Y	S	C	L	Y	C	O	A
Good Friday	E	M	P	T	Y	T	O	M	B	B	O	D	E	V	E	A	D	Y
Grail	L	R	E	S	U	R	R	E	C	T	I	O	N	F	R	S	S	A
Heaven	G	T	W	E	L	V	E	D	I	S	C	I	P	L	E	S	C	L
Holy	G	T	W	E	L	V	E	D	I	S	C	I	P	L	E	S	C	L
Jesus	Life					Renewal				Savior				Supper				
Judas	Lily					Resurrection				Sin				Thorns				
Lamb	Palm Leaves					Risen				Stone				Tomb				
Last	Prayer					Sacrifice				Sunday				Twelve				

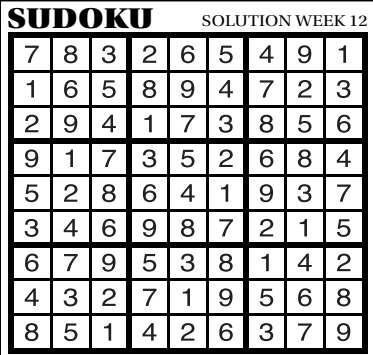
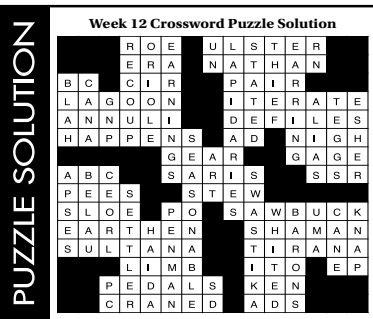
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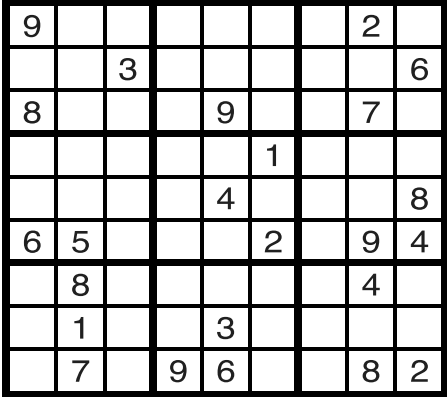
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SUDOKU

WEEK 13



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See solution in next week's edition.

LETTER MIX-UP

How many words can you make by rearranging the letters in the words HAPPY SPRING? Use each letter only once.

HAPPY SPRING

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____
- 9. _____
- 10. _____
- 11. _____
- 12. _____
- 13. _____
- 14. _____
- 15. _____
- 16. _____
- 17. _____
- 18. _____
- 19. _____
- 20. _____

Riddle Me This

I always run, but never walk. I have a bed, but I don't sleep. I have a mouth, but I don't eat.

Answer: A river

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to agriculture.

CPOSR

Answer: Crops

Guess Who?

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Huntingdon Police Reports

Leaving the Scene of an Accident — On March 6, Paul G. Kellog, 55, of Paris was charged with Leaving the Scene of an Accident with Damage to a vehicle and Violation of Financial Responsibility.

At approximately 6 p.m. on March 6, Officer Justen Roberts responded to a vehicle accident at the intersection of Northwood Drive and Veterans Drive.

He made contact with David Wansley, the driver of a semi-truck. He said he made a left turn onto Northwood Drive when he felt something strike the side of his truck. He noticed that the stop sign had collided with his vehicle due to Kellog striking the stop sign with his vehicle, dislodging it from the ground and into the side of his truck. Kellog had left his insurance card

with Wansley, but upon checking the card it was discovered that it had expired on Feb. 12.

Public Intoxication — On March 6, Officer Ethan Parham arrested two males and charged them with public intoxication.

He received a report at 4 p.m. that the two were falling in and out of traffic on East Main Street.

Both had slurred speech, were unsteady on their feet and had the strong odor of alcohol about them.

One of the defendants was Garrett D. Sharp, 49, of Huntingdon. The other one was Jesus Najera, 53, of Huntingdon.

Public Intoxication — Sherri Dawn Richie Pillow, 52, of Huntingdon was charged with Public Intoxication on March 14 following an incident at Huntingdon Motel where she was

arguing with a male.

Officer Angie Barker received a call at 5:36 p.m. to respond to the motel. When she arrived she observed Pillow talking with three Carroll County deputies. According to the report, Pillow had a strong odor alcohol about her and was very unsteady on her feet.

She was transported to the Carroll County Jail and cited into General Sessions Court.

Theft of Property from Walmart — Pater Allen Gaskin, 47, Bruceton, was charged with Theft of Merchandise over \$1,000 on March 12 by Officer Brad Allen.

The officer was dispatched to Walmart concerning a shoplifter.

Upon Allen's arrival, the store security officer said that Gaskin had taken several items from the store without paying for the items on two separate days. The first day was March 2 and again on March 7. Gaskin was cited into General Sessions Court.

Shoplifting, Theft of Property — Officer Ethan Parham charged Candy S. Loy, 46, of Kirksville, Missouri with Theft of Property from Walmart on March 11.

According to the Walmart Loss Prevention, Loy had taken multiple items from the store without paying for the items. She took several items on two separate occasions.

On March 1 she is accused of taking a battery jump starter/air compressor (value \$50).

On March 3 she took four food items that had a value of \$8.35.

Marriage Licenses

Taylor Denise Ward, 27, of Trezevant to Wesley Tyler Lee, 27, of Trezevant.

Christopher Scott Bates, 33, of McKenzie to Kati Alisha Petering-Liner, 28, of McKenzie.

STATE OF TENNESSEE CARROLL COUNTY PROBATE DIVISION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

AS REQUIRED BY TCA §830-2-306

CASE NO: 2024PA41

ESTATE OF: DELMAR LYNN DUNNING, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on MARCH 14 OF 2024 Letters of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **DELMAR LYNN DUNNING**, who died interstate, were issued to the undersigned by the 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.

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GEORGE ROBERT WHITFIELD, III, Attorney
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The Carroll County Emergency Communications District is currently accepting bids for mowing, lawn care, and upkeep of the landscape at 101 Dillahunt Ln., Huntingdon, TN 38344. The bid should include separate quotes for spring and fall cleanup, each occurrence of mowing, and landscape maintenance of the property. Bid questions may be addressed at 101 Dillahunt Ln. or by emailing kristymeggs@carroll911.com.

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101 Dillahunt Ln.
Huntingdon, TN 38344

in a sealed envelope clearly marked "mowing bid." All bids must be received at the office by 4 p.m. on April 12, 2024.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated 13-7-105, the Carroll County Legislative Body does hereby give notice of a public hearing on the 8th day of April, at 6:45 p.m. at the Carroll County Office Complex. The purpose of the hearing is to receive public input regarding a proposed resolution which would amend the text of to the Carroll County Lake Zoning Resolution to establish the requirement of site plan approval for structures proposed on properties with lake frontage.

Copies of the proposed text amendment and revised zoning map are available in the Office of the County Mayor during normal business hours. All interested persons are invited to attend. Both the public hearing and the County Mayor's Office are located at the following:

625 High St.
Huntingdon, TN 38344

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CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

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Administrative Office of the Court Security Grant
Keyless Entry System for Six Interior and Four Exterior Doors

The project consists of the furnishing of all materials, equipment and labor for the project.

The public opening of bids for this project will be held at the following date and time- it is not mandatory to be present:
Date: April 2, 2024
Time: 9 a.m.

Location: 625 High Street; Commission Conference Room; Huntingdon, TN 38344

The Issuing office for the project is 625 High Street, Suite 101; Huntingdon, TN 38344.

Prospective bidders may call Sarah Bradberry, Carroll County Circuit Court Clerk, at 731-986-1932 for more information or visit 99 Court Square; Huntingdon, TN 38344; Suite 103.

The envelope containing the vendors bid must be sealed and contain the name, bid, phone number and address of the bidder. All bidders must be licensed contractors as required by the Licensing Requirements Title 62, Ch. 6 (TCA 62-6-106)

The belief in equal opportunity, with policies of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, age disability, military service is of utmost importance. This organization does not discriminate in its hiring and employment practices, or in admission to, access to, or operation of its programs, services, and activities with regard to all aspects of this contract. By submitting a bid, the bidder certifies and warrants they will also comply.

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Administrative Office of the Court Security Grant
Bulletproof Glass Partition and Door Construction in Chancery Office

The project consists of the furnishing of all materials, equipment and labor for the project.

The public opening of bids for this project will be held at the following date and time- it is not mandatory to be present:
Date: April 2, 2024
Time: 9 a.m.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: 2024PA40

ESTATE OF: **CLIFFORD RAY McALEXANDER**, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the 14TH day of **MARCH, 2024**, Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **CLIFFORD RAY McALEXANDER** deceased, who died **FEBRUARY 5TH, 2024**, 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 14TH day of **MARCH, 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

RHONDA L. SWEATT, Executor/Administrator
STEVEN L. WEST, Attorney
KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: 2024PA36

ESTATE OF: **LUCIAN MILBURN KEE, JR.**, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the 12TH day of **MARCH, 2024** Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **LUCIAN MILBURN KEE, JR.** deceased, who died **DECEMBER 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:

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KENNETH TODD - CLERK & MASTER
99 Court Square, Suite 105, Huntingdon, TN 38344

THOMAS CHADWICK TAYLOR, Executor/Administrator
LAURA A. KEETON, Attorney
KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

A561/R23496/12-2

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the debts and obligations described in and secured by a certain Deed of Trust executed by DEALONA KAY ADAMS, unmarried to W. Kent Jones, as Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Traditional Home Mortgage Inc., its successors and assigns, recorded March 11, 2022 in Carroll County Register's Office at Book 716 page 495 as last assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, and the undersigned having been appointed Successor Trustee by instrument recorded in said Register's Office, this is notice that the undersigned will on **April 16, 2024 at 12 p.m.** local time, at the Carroll County Courthouse 99 Court Street, Huntingdon, Tennessee proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash the following property located in Carroll County, Tennessee, which will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, assessments or easements, liens, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants and any security deeds, mortgages or deeds of trust superior to the Deed of Trust first set out above, any prior liens, and encumbrances of record.

Described property is BEGINNING with a P.K. nail in the center of Northwood Drive this being Thurman Bailey's southeast corner and the southwest corner of the herein described property; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes 24.44 feet to an iron pin the north margin of Northwood Drive; thence along a drainage ditch North 36 degrees 00 minutes West 93.00 feet to a stake; thence North 56 degrees 00 minutes West 134.00 feet to a stake in drainage ditch; thence North 33 degrees 00 minutes West 91.00 feet to a stake in drainage ditch along a fence line; thence East 0 degrees 00 minutes 224.93 feet along a fence on the south bank of a ditch and the north right-of-way of a proposed twenty foot easement to a stake in fence; thence South 26 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East 214.15 feet to a stake in the north margin of Northwood Drive; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes 25.00 feet to a P.K. nail in the center of Northwood Drive; thence South 72 degrees 00 minutes West 110.00 feet to a P.K. nail in center of Northwood Drive and point of beginning. Containing 0.94 acres. Subject to road and right-of-way easements. As surveyed by M. H. Turner, Tennessee Licensed Surveyor, License Number 384, on the 21' day of April, 1984. Commonly known as: 589 Northwood Drive, Huntingdon, TN 38344. The above description is the same as in the previous deed of record. For source of title, see Warranty Deed Book 403, Page 312, Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee. Map 72-H, Group A, Parcel 10.00, Assessor of Property's Office for Carroll County, Tennessee.

Property Address: 589 Northwood Dr., Huntingdon, TN 38344
TAX ID: 072H A 010.00 000
Current Owner(s) of Property: DEALONA KAY ADAMS, unmarried

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 589 Northwood Drive, 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 in the referenced Deed of Trust herein shall control.

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

Other Interested Parties: None

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead 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 right is reserved to cancel the sale or adjourn the sale to another day, time and place certain without further publication, upon announcement of the time and place for the sale set forth above. If you purchase the property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of certified bank check made payable to Solomon Baggett, LLC Escrow Account. No personal checks will be accepted. You must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered. This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded by the Substitute Trustee at any time.

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

Robert J. Solomon, Substitute Trustee
Solomon | Baggett, LLC
3763 Rogers Bridge Road, Duluth, Georgia 30097
(678) 243-2515

Our File No. CMS.03514

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McKenzie Police Reports

Driving on a Revoked License — Keanthony Darrell Weatherford, 34, McClure Street, McKenzie, was charged with Driving on a Revoke License-Second Offense, Violation of Financial Responsibility after a traffic stop on March 20.

Officer Sean Beck stopped Weatherford vehicle and determined Weatherford had a revoked license. Dispatch indicated Weatherford had an outstanding warrant for Contempt of Court in Henderson County. Weatherford was charged as stated above and arrested on the outstanding charge of Contempt of Court. He was booked into Carroll County Jail and his vehicle towed to the impound lot.

Criminal Trespass — Maurice Lawrence, 31, Coleman Road, Memphis, was charged with Criminal Trespass, Simple Possession and Contraband in a Penal Facility on March 21.

Officer Sean Beck and Sergeant Austin Jones were dispatched to a convenience store, where Lawrence was found sitting on the air conditioner unit outside. He was reportedly under the influence and previously had been banned from the store.

Officer Beck transported Lawrence to Carroll County Jail. Once at the jail, a .22 caliber round and a small baggie of marijuana were found on Lawrence.

Public Intoxication — Eric S. Permenter, 34, Courtland Street, Jackson, was charged with Public Intoxication on March 21.

Officer Timothy Dillon was dispatched to a retail store where Permenter asked the clerks for a ride. The clerks requested MPD to respond to the store. Permenter was administered a field sobriety test and arrested. He was transported to Carroll County Jail.

Arson — Christopher Blake Poole, 25, Bethel Court, McKenzie, was charged with Arson after twice setting fire to a mattress and sofa located next to the apartment's dumpster.

Officer Matthew Cunningham responded to the fire, called in to dispatch by Poole. The officer extinguished the fire with an extinguisher. A resident of the complex arrived at the MPD Station and showed a video of Poole setting the fire.

About 1.5 hours later, a second fire was at the scene and McKenzie Fire Department was dispatched.

Warrants were issued for Poole's arrest.

Carroll County Sheriff's Reports

Drugs and Suspended Driver's License, Car Seized — Kevin Paul Decker, 40, Trezevant, was charged with Possession of Schedule 11 (Meth) and Possession of Schedule VI (Marijuana) and Driving on Suspended Driver's License during a traffic stop on March 16 at 2:44 a.m.

Carroll County Deputy Chance Townes initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle that Decker was driving for failure to maintain a lane.

His license had been revoked for a prior DUI charge in 2014.

In searching Decker's person, Townsend discovered in Decker's watch pocket a small baggy with a green leafy substance that was marijuana. In Decker's shirt pocket a small baggy of a white crystal substance was found that was meth. His bond was set at \$8,000.

The deputy discovered that the Chevy Traverse belonged to his sister, Enola Hurley and she knew that he had no driver's license. The vehicle was seized with a March 20 date set concerning the seizure of the automobile.

Destruction of Property — On March 17 while Cpl. Scott Maness was attempting to fingerprint Michael Benjamin Phillips, for a charge of fugitive from justice. Phillips, who is homeless, grabbed the fingerprint scanner and threw it to the floor. It could not be used thereafter and an extra scanner was used. The cost was \$499.

Maness also filed a report that Phillips had popped the sprinkler in his cell. The cost was \$70.

On March 18, Deputy Christopher Adams filed a supplement report concerning replacing the Livescan hardware with new hardware that would be \$13,000.

Missing Pistol — Marshall Tracy came to the Sheriff's Department on March 19 to file a report on a missing 22 caliber Ruger LCP pistol.

He said he left his gun inside his personal vehicle on an unknown exact date.

He believed that it was around March 5-10 when he placed the gun inside his vehicle. He went to the gun range the following day and that is when he noticed that the pistol was missing from the box.

Miss McKenzie Pageant is April 6

The Miss McKenzie Pageants are Saturday, April 6, 1 p.m. at the Bouldin Auditorium on the campus of Bethel University.

General admission is \$10.

There are six categories of competition beginning with Mini Miss McKenzie and ending with Miss McKenzie. Each competition is estimated at one hour.

Mini Miss McKenzie, ages 4-5 at 1 p.m.; Little Mr. McKenzie, ages 4-9; Little Miss McKenzie, ages 6-9; Junior Miss McKenzie, ages 10-12; Teen Miss McKenzie, ages 13-15; and Miss McKenzie, ages 16-18.

For more information, email mhs.band.boosters731@gmail.com.

The Dixie Hosts Bethel Renaissance Theatre's Anastasia: The Musical

Take a step back in time and enter the world of Anastasia: The Musical April 5-13 at The Dixie Carter PAC. In this invigorating production, audience members will be transported from the twilight of the Russian Empire to the euphoria of Paris in the 1920s. Anya, an orphan searching for answers from her past, sides with 2 con men, Dimitri and Vlad, on an epic adventure. Little does Anya know that Vlad and Dimitri wish to pass her off as Anastasia, the long-lost Grand Duchess.

Watch as over 28 cast members recreate the Broadway classic and animated film in a creative and magical way.

ANASTASIA: The Musical

With exciting choreography, a dynamic musical score, and familiar songs such as "Once Upon a December" and "Journey of the Past" the audience will be immersed in Anastasia's journey of adventure, love, and hope. Experience Bethel University's Renaissance Theatre program as they, once again, bring a high-quality Broadway production to the Dixie PAC's stage.

Choose from the following shows:

Friday, April 5 at 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 6 at 7 p.m.
Friday, April 12 at 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 13 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 and \$20 plus fees and can be purchased by visiting DixiePAC.net or via the Dixie PAC's Box Office, in person or by phone: 731-986-2100, Monday-Friday, 10-4 p.m.

This show is supported by sponsors: Tennessee Valley Realty Group (Presenting); Friends of the Dixie (Show), and WRJB (Media).

This project is being supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number SLFRP5534, awarded to the State of Tennessee by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

ANASTASIA is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals.

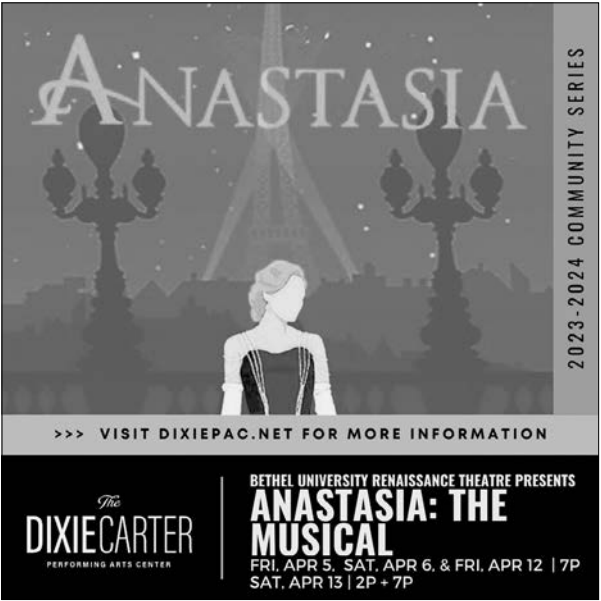
ANASTASIA: THE MUSICAL (100%).

Book by Terrence McNally (50%).

Music by Stephen Flaherty (50%).

Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens (50%).

Inspired by the Twentieth Century Fox Motion Picture by special arrangement with Buena Vista Theatrical (25%). From the play by Marcelle Maurette as adapted by Guy Bolton (25%).



Rebel Soccer Picks Up Win Against Riverside



McKENZIE (March 19) — McKenzie played against Riverside in their season opener and won 4-0. 2 goals from Skyelor Fornera. 1 goal from Guillermo Hickman and Aidan Mason. Pictured Luis Tellez makes a diving save. Photo by Gracie Aird/The Banner

McKenzie Baseball Off to a Slow Start

BY GRACIE AIRD
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McKENZIE (March 18) — Henry County scored the first two runs of the game. The Rebels got back in the game after Tate Surber got his first home run of the season which tied the game 2-2. In the last few innings Henry County pulled away because of fielding errors by McKenzie with a final score of 5-2. This brought the Rebels to 0-5 in their season.



Tate Surber hitting his first home run of the season.

Gasoline Prices Rise Over Week

TENNESSEE (March 25) — Average gasoline prices in Tennessee have risen 10.4 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.17/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 3,821 stations in Tennessee. Prices in Tennessee are 25.1 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 3.9 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has risen 2.0 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.02 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Tennessee was priced at \$2.61/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$3.99/g, a difference of \$1.38/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.61/g while the highest was \$3.99/g, a difference of \$1.38/g.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 6.4 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.51/g today. The national average is up 27.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 8.7 cents per gallon higher than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

Historical gasoline prices in Tennessee and the national average going back ten years:

March 25, 2023: \$3.13/g (U.S. Average: \$3.42/g).

March 25, 2022: \$4.02/g (U.S. Average: \$4.24/g).

March 25, 2021: \$2.64/g (U.S. Average: \$2.86/g).

March 25, 2020: \$1.79/g (U.S. Average: \$2.03/g).

March 25, 2019: \$2.43/g (U.S. Average: \$2.65/g).

March 25, 2018: \$2.41/g (U.S. Average: \$2.60/g).

March 25, 2017: \$2.03/g (U.S. Average: \$2.28/g).

March 25, 2016: \$1.89/g (U.S. Average: \$2.03/g).

March 25, 2015: \$2.14/g (U.S. Average: \$2.42/g).

March 25, 2014: \$3.29/g (U.S. Average: \$3.53/g).

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:

Chattanooga — \$3.15/g, up 20.1 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.95/g.

Nashville — \$3.26/g, up 16.8 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.09/g.

Huntsville — \$3.16/g, down 0.9 cents per gallon from last week's \$3.17/g.

"We've now seen the national average price of gasoline rising for four straight weeks, which isn't uncommon for this time of year. What is uncommon is the number of attacks on Russian oil refiners; attacks which could have ripple effects worldwide if they continue," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "Russia could see more capacity impacted by the attacks, forcing it to buy such products on the global market, pushing prices up everywhere. With oil prices now under more pressure and attacks potentially increasing on Russian refiners, we could be in for a few more weeks of rising prices. Significant as well is the fact that Americans are now seeing inflation again at the pump with prices higher than they were a year ago."

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>.

CARROLL COUNTY GOVERNMENT (TENNESSEE) ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Please notice that the Carroll County Mayors Office shall accept sealed written bids for Remodel of Restrooms at the Carroll County Office Complex.

Proposals, bids, or responses must be submitted to the Office of the Carroll County Mayor, Joseph G. Butler, at 625 High St. Suite 101, Carroll County Office Complex, Huntingdon, Tennessee, 38344, no later than 9 a.m. CST, April 2, 2024, at which time the bids will be opened and considered.

Copies of bid documents may be obtained at the Carroll County Mayors Office at the above address, or by email at jbutler@carroll.tn.org.

All interested parties, without regard of race, color or national origin, shall be afforded the opportunity to bid and shall receive equal consideration. Title VI states "No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program activity receiving Federal financial assistance." Carroll County strives to protect individuals' civil rights through active compliance with the requirements of Title VI.

The Owner (Carroll County) further reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any and all informalities and to negotiate contract terms with the successful bidder, and the right to disregard all non-conforming, non-responsive, or conditional bids.

Joseph G. Butler, Mayor
Publication Date: 3/18/2024

Easter Art Gallery



Oaklynn Crocker, 4, Huntingdon



Top, Preston Caldwell, director of schools, reads to the elementary-aged children during 'Let's Glow Read.' Above, Members of the West Carroll football teams participated in the event. Below, Colton Sellers and Amelia Godwin paint their personalized bookmarks.



West Carroll Elementary Hosts 'Let's Glow Read'

TREZEVANT (March 21) — Teachers and administrators at West Carroll Elementary School in Trezevant hosted 'Let's Glow Read' at the school on Thursday.

Students were invited to participate in reading and games as part of a reading and word challenge.

Obstacle courses were set up in the gymnasium as students attempted to maneuver the course under the black light environment.

Students also participated in word scramble, finding the parts of a sentence - nouns, verbs, etc., and they also enjoyed high school students reading to the younger students. Preston Caldwell, director of schools, started the event by reading to the students.

At the end, Tosh Farms of Henry provided a costumed pig and a real baby pig for students to see.

Students were treated to hot dogs and snacks.



Weston Clifton sorts through the letters to form words.

Ava Mae Warman Wins DECA, Essay Contests

McKENZIE — Ava Mae Warman, a senior at McKenzie High School was the recent winner of two state awards.

Warman was honored as the Tennessee State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society's for winning the state essay contest.

The essay was on the use of artificial intelligence, its possible abuse on social media and its possible negative impact on artists and creators.

She and her parents are invited to TNSO convention on May 31.

Also, Warman advances to the National DECA Convention for her winning project at the state convention.



McKENZIE HIGH SCHOOL



Left, Jaleah Moore hit her second home run of the season. Right, Carli Beeler got a hit between the gaps.

Softball, Baseball Take Wins at Home

BY GRACIE AIRD
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McKenzie (March 21) — McKenzie brought home their first win against Gleason. Lane Anderson pitched and only let two people on base with zero runs earned. There were four runs in the first inning. The Rebels got one in the fourth inning. McKenzie ended the game in the fifth inning with five more runs. Tate Surber hit a double that sent Jake Cassidy and Hayden Garrett ending the game 10-0.

Lady Rebel Jaleah Moore got her second home run of the season that sent Carli Beeler home, and put McKenzie up by two early in the game. The Lady Rebels had two more runs and went into the seventh inning up 4-0. West Carroll got back into the game with four runs caused by



Lane Anderson throwing a third strike.

McKenzie fielding errors. Tied 4-4 with two outs in the bottom of the seventh

Ady Freeman had her first home run of the season and ended the game 5-4.

BETHEL MEN'S BASKETBALL



(L to R): Derek Hubble of Bethel, Michael Beck, Christopher Beck, Shannon Beck, and Bethel Coach Jeff Britt. Photo by Carol Nanney

Wildcats Sign Christopher Beck

McKENZIE — Bethel University Men's Basketball Coach Jeff Britt announced the signing of McKenzie's Christopher Beck recently. Beck will serve as a student-assistant for the Wildcats.

Christopher is the son of Michael and Shannon Beck and will major in Educa-

tion. His brother Kevin was a member of the Bethel staff before graduating recently.

Beck attends McKenzie High School where he was a member of the Rebel basketball team until injuries cut his playing career short. He then served as a student assistant and manager for the Rebels.

Away from the playing court, Beck has been a member of FCA and the Beta Club.

Coach Britt stated, "We are excited to have Christopher join our coaches and help them the next several years. He has a strong desire to coach and that will be a big plus for us."