



Top, The Hudson Family: The long tradition of Bethel students continues since 2006. (L to R): Ellen Hudson Clark — BS in Biology '12; Michael Hudson — BS in Biology '18; Trent Hudson (dad)- BS in Psychology '13; Alyssa Hudson — BS in Biology '24; Sherrye Hudson — MSCJ '13; Kelsey Hudson (daughter-in-law) — BS in Psychology '20; Matthew Hudson — BS in Biology '19; Trent's sister — Jill Hudson Scott — BS in Biology '96 and MAT '03, and her son, Hansford, a current Bethel student. Not pictured: Jacob Hudson — BS in Computer Information Systems '11. Several years, there were at least three Hudsons enrolled at the same time. Above Left, Kensley Crossno receives her degree from interim president Dr. Bob Watkins. Crossno will teach at Huntingdon next school year. Above Center, Lillie Freeman was honored with the presentation of her diploma by her mom, Professor Stacie Freeman. Above Right, Chloe Amick, Miss Bethel-Volunteer, raises her diploma in celebration of her graduation. She will represent Bethel in the Miss Tennessee Volunteer in July. Below Left, A sea of mortarboards in the foreground as Dr. Perry Moulds gives the Commencement Address. Below Right, Presidents of Bethel University — President-Elect Perry Moulds, Interim President Bob Watkins, and Immediate Past President Walter Butler.



Bethel University Confers 347 Degrees During Spring Commencement Ceremony

MCKENZIE (May 4) — Bethel University conferred 347 degrees in associate's, bachelor's and master's levels.

Bethel's president-elect was the featured speaker. Dr. Perry Moulds will assume the presidency as the 41st president of the University on July 1.

Moulds' speech was en-

titled "Dream, Act, Serve."

Referring to an Apple Computer commercial in the 1980s, Moulds said a dream without action is a wish; without service, there's rarely fulfillment; service creates a virtuous circle.

Many of the graduates were high school seniors in the year 2020, when

the pandemic interrupted much of their final year of high school and their first year of college.

Dr. Robert Watkins, interim president, presented each graduate a diploma as the candidate crossed the elevated platform to be recognized for their most recent accomplishment.

McKenzie Police are Investigating Shooting

MCKENZIE (May 1) — McKenzie Police Department is investigating a shooting in the area of Bertha Street.

Dispatch received notice at 4:52 a.m. of shots fired in the area. Upon arrival, officers found a male who had been

shot in the torso. The victim was transported by air ambulance to a medical facility. The Banner reached out to MPD on Monday, however, there is no new information.

At this time, there are no known suspects, and

the matter remains under investigation.

MPD is seeking any information. Please phone 731-352-2264 to report any information you have related to this matter.



Inclusion: Coming Together to Play

HUNTINGDON (May 4) — The pieces are being assembled for all children to play inclusively. Carroll County Inclusion Park is coming together as workers busily assemble all the special playground equipment in preparation for children's play

The drone photograph reveals the progress of the assembly. The ADA-compliant restrooms with adjustable height changing stations are constructed.

The playground will include equipment for all children, regardless of physical limitations, to enjoy. A

sensory area will also be included for those students on the spectrum. Soon the rubber-like ground cover will install in and around the equipment.

For more information, visit carrollcountyinclusionpark.org.

County Commission to Approve Private Acts

No Plan to Fill Commission Vacancy

The Carroll County Commission meets Monday, May 13 with four resolutions on the agenda. Two resolutions pertain to amendments to the County's Charter creating a central financial management system and moving from two to one highway supervisors. Not on the agenda is a resolution to appointment through nomination an individual to fill

the vacant commission seat for District 4. According to Mayor Joseph Butler, "the Resolutions Committee has decided not to include filling the District 4 vacancy as part of this month's agenda. The consensus is that we let constituents of District 4 fill this vacancy in the August General Election."

Other items on the agenda are the reappointment John

Austin to the Carroll County Board of Zoning Appeals and Carroll County Regional Planning Commission, the appointment David Huss to the Carroll County Audit Committee and the approval of amendments the General Fund Budget for FY 2023-24.

The Commission meeting is at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Carroll County Government Complex in Huntingdon.

County Receives Multiple Grants from State

NASHVILLE (April 30) — On Tuesday, Tennessee Governor Bill Lee and Department of Economic and Community Development (TNECD) Commissioner Stuart C. McWhorter announced the state will award \$162.7 million in broadband and digital opportunity grants.

"Broadband is essential to all Tennesseans, and that's why we are making strategic investments in our state's broadband infrastructure and digital opportunity programs to create a pathway to education, job training and greater opportunity statewide," said Gov. Lee. "I thank the Financial Stimulus Accountability Group for their continued support and management of these broadband dollars."

With the announcement, TNECD has invested more than \$715 million to expand the state's broadband infrastructure, connecting more than 689,000 Tennesseans across 275,000 residential and business locations.

To promote broadband opportunities and high-paying digital jobs, TNECD launched four new programs during this funding opportunity: Digital Skills, Employment and Workforce Development (DSEW), Connected Community Facilities (CCF), Broadband Ready

Communities (BRC) and Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT) Broadband Workforce grants.

Under the CCF heading, Carroll County Civic Center will be awarded \$1,800,000. This is \$2 million with a 10% match. the purpose of the grant "aims to construct and improve digital access through the creation of buildings or rehabilitation of existing facilities. The goal of this program is to enable digital workforce development, virtual health monitoring, virtual education, and broadband access -- all within one building for the community."

The (BRC) from the State at \$99,900 was awarded to Carroll, Weakley and Henry counties. In Carroll County, this will be used for remote and conferencing technology at the Office Complex, Library, Civic Center, and the Carroll County Jail's Office of Re-Entry. This grant will also fund access to the Tech Goes Home initiative, in partnership with the Northwest Tennessee Development District, to serve Carroll County senior residents.

This grant is part of the Tennessee Broadband Accessibility Act of 2017, which set out to foster county engagement in securing broadband in-

frastructure and access to their communities. Carroll County looks to receive \$100,000.

Under Digital Skills, Education, and Workforce, COMP-U-DOPT, INC. was awarded \$725,694 to serve parts of Gibson, Obion, Lake, Henry, Dyer, Weakley, Carroll, and Crockett counties. The DSEW grants, totaling \$27.9 million, will be distributed among 47 organizations that will offer a variety of training and education programs to advance digital skills and workforce development, creating a pipeline for well-paying digital jobs.

Through the TCAT Broadband Workforce, Tennessee College of Applied Technology Henry/Carroll has been awarded \$1,000,000 for the program.

The TCAT Broadband Workforce grants, totaling \$4.9 million, will be distributed among five TCATs that will offer a Telecommunications Electronics Technician diploma. The objective of the program will be to produce a well-trained and diverse telecommunications workforce capable of deploying and managing broadband infrastructure.

The projects must be completed by December 31, 2026.

OPINION

There's Room for Everyone on Broadway

Editor's Viewpoint

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Scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to go to the petition at change.org.

So we find ourselves at a crossroads. Put on this path by short-sighted decision making and the breakdown of transparency.

I keep asking the question, "Why?" Why would a public official decide to change a street in the heart of McKenzie, affecting residents and businesses, but not follow the advice of MTAS to inform the public ahead of time as Tennessee Code Annotated suggests?

If the change was in the interest of safety, wouldn't it be safer to let people know ahead of time instead of SURPRISING them while they are trying to operate a motor vehicle in downtown traffic?

A brief background...

On Tuesday, April 23, 2024, Broadway Street was changed to a one-way street at the request of McKenzie Mayor Ryan Griffin without prior notice.

The change was made during the implementation of the Waldren Street STP Lighting project, a project that was proposed, funded and specifications completed during the previous mayor, Jill Holland's, tenure. According to the project plans, Broadway was supposed to remain a two-way street.

The change affects travel on Banner Row, Broadway Street, Lee Street, Main Street, and the traffic light intersection of Cedar and Main Streets. Lee Street and Banner Row have been one-way for a long time. Broadway has always been two-way as it is an exceptionally wide street that used to feature center of the roadway parking.

The lone sign indicating the change of travel faces Banner Row and prompts motorists to turn left on Broadway, then left on Lee Street, go behind Williams Furniture and The Banner then turn left or right onto Main Street.

If the motorist was hoping to get back to, let's say, Stonewall Street, you turn left on Main Street, wait at the traffic light intersection and then turn left onto Cedar Street.

Before the change of Broadway, the route was shorter: Banner Row, right on Broadway, and left on Cedar Street.

The details of the proj-

ect and the architect plans were created after a period of back and forth between various agencies such as TDOT, A2H and others. During the planning process, if these professionals thought Broadway Street was too narrow, it would have been addressed at that time.

So why did the street direction need to be changed? Is it ok for a city official to change a street without letting the citizens know?

How does this affect the money received for the Waldren Street STP Lighting project? Will the city now be liable to pay more because the plan was not followed?

What about the population that has only ever known Broadway as two-way? What happens if someone has an accident and sues the city?

What about the effect on businesses downtown? Will new businesses want to locate downtown if travel is an issue? Does it create a hardship on businesses that rely on semi-truck deliveries to sustain their business?

Mayor Ryan Griffin says he's going to run it past the council at the upcoming May meeting on May 9, 2024, after the change has already been made.

Tennessee Code Annotated and MTAS say a city has to run public notices in the newspaper and have an ordinance with two readings BEFORE changing a street.

The process takes months, not days.

Usually these changes are done at the request of area residents, but there is no known official request for the change. A2H said on Wednesday, May 1, that the change was solely at the mayor's request.

It is a habit and an understandable mistake given the lack of prior notice.

So now it is up to you, citizens of McKenzie.

The Banner has done our due diligence and researched, interviewed, asked questions and laid out our findings for your consideration.

If you feel that an error has been made, please contact your city council members and mayor prior to Thursday's meeting.

Contact us and we will do our best to amplify your voice or share your concerns anonymously if you wish. If you feel compelled to act, consider lending your voice to the petition to have Broadway Street remain a two-way street.

My request is this...

There is plenty of room for two-way travel on Broadway Street.

I implore the city to simply remove the sign that indicates one-way.

Let's not spend more money fixing the lines that were painted in the opposite direction.

Take the sign down, let people continue traveling two ways on Broadway and let's put this matter behind us.

Thank you for your time and thank you for reading and supporting this small business. It is an honor to serve you.

Contact the McKenzie Banner at 731-352-3323 or banner@mckenziebanner.com.

Contact the City of McKenzie at phone: 731-352-2292 or Fax: 731-352-2259 or mail: 2470 Cedar Street, PO Box 160, McKenzie, TN 38201.

Your mayor and council are as follows: Mayor Ryan Griffin, Vice Mayor Jessie Townes, Tom Alexander, Carol Armpriest, Josefina Batton, Charles Pruneau, and Bobby Young.

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Director

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of the citizens and members of the Town Council even though he has worked to solve the ongoing water issues, such as discolored water in some areas of town, misread water meters, and low pressure. Crossett said he has requested funding for years for such items as digital self-reading water meters and new water service lines, but the Council has not funded those.

The city has funded some new underground piping and the self-reading water meters, which should be installed in the coming months. However, Crossett said the discolored water problem is perplexing and no solution has presented itself. The department changed many of additives - such as lime, fluoride, and sanitizers - at the behest of changes in government regulations or a change in vendors. That might have caused the iron-laden water in some areas of town. But after decades of no problems with iron, they suddenly appear.

Even after he announced his resignation, some of the Council members continued to pepper Crossett with

complaints, some of their own making. They noted the meter reading crews were manually reading water meters and incorrectly reporting the customers' usage. Sometimes, the meters were simply not read in a given month. They also noted the city's water is laden with iron deposits making it discolored and impossible for hair stylists and laundromats to operate.

The main problems of discolored water are on High Street to the railroad and Paris Street to Hawkins Lane.

Crossett said he has made some personnel changes and dedicated specific personnel to read meters. Most of that monthly assignment will end when the new digital meters are installed, he noted. There will be some malfunctions of the meters, he noted.

Crossett is the supervisor over water, streets and regulatory codes. Most cities divide those disciplines among multiple supervisors. Councilwoman Kelly Eubanks said the responsibilities need to be divided into different departments.

Crossett also said he asked the state Department of Transportation to delay resurface Main Street East until the city could install new water pipes. However, the scheduled paving pro-

ceeded as planned, causing enough vibration from the paving equipment to break pipes under the road. The newly resurface highway had to be excavated over broken water lines to make the necessary repairs to the pipe.

Councilwoman Lori Nolen said the public is unaware of the interworking of the department. She told Crossett she believed he can solve the issues.

Councilman John Sanders and Andrew Maddox resurfaced the information that water customer Marty Towater was recently charged for a new sewer grinder pump. His original pump was provided at no cost 26 years earlier.

The Mayor and City Clerk Kim Carter both said the Council approved an ordinance to raise the fees on new water taps and other equipment because the price of new hardware and equipment had increased while fees had not kept pace. Maddox suggested the fees be revisited.

In the previous meeting of the Public Works Committee, Sanders said it was agreed the city would do a better job to communicate with the citizenry. However, the water department began to flush its fire hydrants with very little notice, causing some water problems.



2024 High School Senior Athletes Honored — Lilly Kee and C.J. Pelonero of Huntingdon; Chloe Crum and Jacob Derryberry of Clarksburg; Addison Hampton and Mykenzie Burton of Hollow Rock-Bruceton Central; Stafford Roditis and Savannah Davis of McKenzie; and Nyonna Parker of West Carroll. Not pictured, Nat Wycliffe of West Carroll. Photo by Joel Washburn/The Banner

Fame

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and are generally one female and one male from each school.

Bush said the honorees remember their players, coaches, and those who supported their playing careers. They don't always remember the score, but they do remember the important things about sports.

High school honorees included: Clarksburg — Chloe Rae Crum and Jacob Derryberry; Hollow Rock-Bruceton Central — Addison Hampton and MyKenzie Burton; Huntingdon — Lilly Kee and C. J. Pelonero; McKenzie — Savannah Davis and Stafford Roditis; and West Carroll — Nyonna Parker and Nat Wycliffe.

The permanent inductees include:

Ellen Argo — Ellen is a 1986 graduate of McKenzie High School and played three different sports and excelled in three different sports during her time at McKenzie and for Bethel University. Ellen was a four-year starter for the McKenzie Lady Rebel basketball and softball teams.

Ellen was named All-District 11-A in basketball in 1986 and was one of the leading scorers on the team her senior season. Ellen then earned a scholarship to Bethel, where she became the first Lady Wildcat to score over 1,000 points during her career and finished her career with 1,157 points. She remains in the top 15 for career points, rebounds, and three-point goal percentage. She also was on the Bethel coaching staff for three seasons and served as head coach in 1996-97.

During her freshman year of college, she tried her hand at tennis and became the number one singles and doubles player by her senior season.

In 2020, she was inducted into the Bethel University Athletic Hall of Fame.

Mark Dillahunt — Mark was a 1974 graduate of Huntingdon High School and lettered in three sports. In basketball, he played four years and started at point guard his junior and senior year. Mark was named the most improved basketball player his junior year.

Mark also played baseball for four years and batted .367 his senior year. Mark was also a standout pitcher for the Mustangs and pitched one no-hitter his senior year.

Mark was a standout football player for the Mustangs. He played QB for the Mustangs. His senior year, Mark was named to the All-Volunteer Conference team, All-West Tennessee team, and Honorable Mention All-State. Mark was also named Co-Captain his senior year and was named the QB Club Player of the year. He was also named Best Tackler his senior season.

Debbie Cathy — Debbie is a 1979 graduate of Hollow Rock - Bruceton Central High School. She played two sports for Central, basketball and softball. Her senior year, she played shortstop for Central's first softball team. That team went on to finish the season undefeated and won the county tournament. For basketball, she was a four-year starter. She led the team in free throw percentage her sophomore, junior and senior years. Her junior year she averaged 18 points per game and was named the team MVP for the season.



Lex Suite is the incoming chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee. Russell Bush is the current chairman.

Her senior year she averaged 32.1 points per game, which put her over 1,000 points for her career. Her senior year, she was named team MVP, All-District, and WFWL SuperSport awards. During this time, she ranked as high as 8th in leading scorers for the state of Tennessee. She was named that year to the Jackson Sun All-West TN 2nd team. After graduating, she received a basketball scholarship to Jackson State.

Pamela (Hall) Joyner — Pamela Hall Joyner is a 1974 graduate of Trezevant High School. She was an outstanding basketball player for the Lady Blue Devils and was a member of the 1974 state championship team. She played for the legendary coach Richard Welch and was an outstanding defensive player. Pamela played at the time when Girls High School basketball in the state of Tennessee was three on three and along with her two teammates were known for shutting opposing offenses completely down.

Her tenacity on defense earned her a starting position for her junior and senior years. Along with being a great defensive player and played buzzer to buzzer, she was also an outstanding rebounder for the Blue Devils. She was a leader in the locker room and will be the first to tell you that she put team accomplishments above her own.

Pamela later would become a teacher and would spend 37 years molding and shaping young lives. She still serves her community as an alder person for the town of Trezevant. She is married to Ronnie Joyner.

Jenny (Webb) Miller — Jenny (Webb) Miller graduated from Clarksburg High School in 1990. Jenny played basketball and softball her four years in school.

In 1990, Jenny attended Bethel College where she played basketball for the Lady Wildcats under coach Buddy Wiggleton.

After graduating Bethel, Jenny returned to Clarksburg and coached girls' softball and basketball for the middle school and high school. Jenny played a key role in starting the middle school softball program at Clarksburg.

In 2021, Jenny took the reins of the school and became principal and athletic director at Clarksburg.

Jerry Atkins — The late Dr. Jerry Atkins is the first inductee into the Carroll County Sports Hall Fame in the new category of Contributor. Jerry was a graduate of Lambuth University in 1959 and went on to study medicine at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine. He began his medical service in Carroll County at Wilson Hospital in 1964.

Jerry would soon become what was basically the team physician for all athletes in Carroll County. He gave medical exams and treated Carroll County athletes for 35 years, and often it was no charge to the athlete or school. He also served Car-

roll County as physician for 50 years and died in 2019. He was represented at the banquet by his son, Kyle.

Sevelte Gilbert — Sevelte Gilbert is a 1993 graduate of McKenzie High School. Sevelte was a standout basketball player for the Lady Rebels and became the first player to be named to the Associated Press Class 1A First team All-State in 1993. She was also named to the All-West Tennessee team that season. During her career, she was three-time All-District and two-time All-Region. She finished her career with 1,735 points and 1,007 rebounds, and went on to a successful collegiate career at UT Martin.

Sevelte was also a big part of the McKenzie Lady Rebels softball team that made state tournament appearances in 1991 and 1993. She helped McKenzie's softball program to record the school's first two state tournament wins in 1993.

Sevelte currently serves as the school counselor at Whitney Elementary School in Memphis and has three children, Sasha, Mya, and Serena.

Chuck R. Wallace — Chuck was an outstanding football player from 1966-68. He was named "Best Tackler" in 1967, "Best Blocker" in 1968. Chuck was also named best "Lineman" in the Hendersonville Lake Bowl in 1967. In 1967 and 1968 he was named as an "All-Volunteer Conference tackle." Chuck was named to the All-West Tennessee team in 1967 and 1968, Honorable mention All-State in 1967, and was named to the All-State team for the state of Tennessee in 1968.

In 1968, Chuck was named as Co-Captain of the team and selected to the TSSAA Allstar football game. In 1968, Chuck was named as the first ever QB Club MVP in 1968. Chuck received a four-year scholarship to Memphis State University after his senior year. Chuck was considered by legendary Coach Paul Ward as one of the best players he ever coached.

Linda Wicker — Linda is a 1970 graduate of Hollow Rock- Bruceton Central High School. She played basketball for four years in high school but her love for the game began in the fourth grade. Her principal Mr. D.S. Clark was the first to encourage her to take up the game and her first coach A A Tolbert was the first coach to begin working on her game.

In the eighth grade, coach Jimmy Grooms helped her refine her game and moving to high school she became a prolific scorer and led her teams in scoring throughout her career. She became known for her "high arch" shots prior to the three-point line.

In high school she credits coaches Buddy McMackins, Larry Robinson, and Ronnie Prichard and Tommy Crews for her success. She was chosen Most Athletic her senior season and the Girls Athletic honor at graduation.

Council

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his nomination of Drew Beeler to fill the vacancy. In recent history, upon the acceptance of a councilperson's resignation, the public has been notified of the vacancy, and letters/resumes stating interest in the position were provided to council members at the next monthly meeting.

The directional change of Broadway from a two-way street to a one-way is included on the agenda. In

what appears to be an ex post facto (after the fact) move, Mayor Griffin will ask for the Council's approval to change the flow of traffic. On Tuesday, April 23, 2024, Broadway was converted to a one-way street without public notice or input. Mayor Griffin confirmed he made the decision.

Included in the agenda is the first reading of Ordinance 568, the City of McKenzie's Fiscal Year Budget for 2024-2025; Resolution 24-000 authorizing a City Election on the November 5, 2024 ballot; the approval to appoint Tim

Beeler to the McKenzie Regional Planning Commission; the approval to appoint Dennis Coleman to the Housing Authority for a four-year term.

Citizens are strongly encouraged to attend the meeting but if they wish to speak, they have to provide 24-hour notice to the City to address the council. If you are unable to attend but would like to contact members of the McKenzie City Council contact phone numbers are available at www.mtas.tennessee.edu/city/mckenzie.

Star

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personnel across the state of Tennessee who provide exemplary lifesaving care to adult and pediatric patients. The Star of Life Award recognizes exceptional front-line care, with a focus on the agencies and providers who are the initial care responders (from dispatch to hospital doors).

The incident report was as follows: It was almost 1 a.m. on December the 10, 2023 when a vehicle ran off the roadway and was involved in a single vehicle, multiple victim collision. The Carroll County Sheriffs Department, the Carroll County Rescue Squad, and Priority EMS was dispatched to the scene. Once on scene

they discovered six female passengers in and around the vehicle, some of which required extensive extrication. Three officers and six EMS personnel had to triage and determine the appropriate destination and treatment of these young women. The EMS crews decided to rendezvous with Vanderbilt Life Flight at the local hospital to initiate the transport of several patients to Nashville.

Vanderbilt Life Flight 8 of Humboldt responded and met with two of the EMS Crews in the hospital parking lot. Initially intended to transport two patients the crew had to emergently intervene on one patient who was hypothermic and combative following a prolonged extrication. The patient had extensive head and facial trauma including a head bleed. The various teams worked together to

secure the patient and get her intubated.

She was transported to Vanderbilt University Medical Center where she underwent multiple surgeries and treatment for head bleed for facial fractures where she was discharged nine days later.

Carroll County 911 Dispatch- Jamie Summers, Amanda Morgan

Carroll County Sheriff's Department- Michael Smith, Chance Townes, Sean Bongiovanni

Carroll County Rescue Squad- Tim Bennett, James Brotherton, Brian McCaslin, Curt Taylor, Tim Walton

Priority EMS- Brinnen Murray, Fred Vanderpool, Jonathan Arnold, Kelvin Mc Peake, Nikola McPeake, Thurmon Garrison

Vanderbilt Life Flight 8- Mark Dittrich, Lyle Holmes, Chad Hollingsworth.

10, with an outage from 8 a.m. to approximately noon. Please note that this was originally scheduled for May 2 but was canceled by TDOT.

Areas impacted include: 911 addresses on Church St. (S.R. 220) less than 13600; Johnson St.; Norris Robinson Loop; Old Dairy Rd.; Smith Ln.; Sandy Branch Ln. Howse Church Rd.; McDonald Rd.; Crossett Ln.; Utley Ln.

Outage

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on Church St (S.R. 220) just south of the new four-lane. An outage will be required to perform and complete some of the necessary work involved with the electric line relocation.

The outage is anticipated to last approximately 4 hours from 8 a.m. to noon.

Carroll County Electric was able redirect electrical feeds which will maintain power to customers on Jax Rd, Barker Rd, and Glover St who would have been impacted by the outage otherwise. Approximately 100 of Carroll County Electric customers will experience an outage.

If weather conditions do not permit work to be completed on May 9, the work will be performed on May

THE WIT AND WISDOM OF DAVID JOHNSON

Are You the Worst Mother in the World?

The young, single mother of three had been coming to see me for counseling for several months when one morning she presented with red eyes, a trembling chin, and her normal makeup was missing.

I dispensed with my regular light conversation and decided to go right to the matter. "What's going on?"

That light pinprick of a question punctured her emotion-filled balloon, and she burst into crying.

"I'm the worst mother in the world!" she exclaimed.

Reaching for the box of tissue beside her, she grabbed several and held them to her face while her heart poured out its tears.

I remained quiet and attentive till the tsunami passed and her breathing returned to normal, then I asked, "What makes you say you're the worst mother in the world?"

She explained, "This morning was awful. I knew I had this early-morning appointment and didn't want to be late, but the kids were whiney and draggy and didn't want to get out of bed. One of them spilled their breakfast juice onto the floor. I couldn't find the littlest one's shoes, and the oldest one was crying because they couldn't find their homework. Finally, I just screamed at all of them."

A second, smaller wave of crying ensued.

When I knew she could hear me, I said, "Explain what it is that makes you the worst mother in the world."

She quickly retorted, "Nobody should scream at their children."

"That may be so, but you said you were 'the worst mother in the world,' and I don't know about you, but I've heard lots of stories about parents doing bad things to their kids, and the things that I'm thinking about sound a lot worse than what you

did. So, you need to help me understand why you believe you're the worst mother in the world, because I'm having a hard time believing it's true."

By this time her emotions had calmed, and she was looking more closely at me and could see that I was playfully teasing her.

"Well, that's how I feel," she explained.

Leaning forward, I point my finger at her. "And that is the absolute truth."

That young mother was guilty of the thing that many of us are guilty of, a cruel twist that our mind plays on us. We take a feeling, turn it into a thought, and then make it part of our belief system. Self-statements like: I'm the stupidest person, the ugliest person, the worst supervisor, and other statements like: nobody likes me, everybody hates me, all began with a feeling not with a thought.

HERE'S AN IMPORTANT TRUTH—feelings (as important as they are) oftentimes have no basis in reality.

So, the next time you're saying those awful, extreme things to yourself up for the rest of the day, acknowledge the mistake but don't let the mistake define who you are. Remind yourself of the good things you have done (which I bet will easily outnumber your mistakes) and give yourself permission to be a human.

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



Joan Crawford with her adopted fraternal twins Cathy and Cindy who were provided by Georgia Tann.



Georgia Tann

Part III: The Dark Legacy of a Child Trafficker

Tann died of uterine cancer three days before the state filed charges against the society.

Judge Kelley was believed to be receiving bribes for ruling in Tann's favor; however, a 1951 report to Browning by the Tennessee Department of Public Welfare said that while she had "failed on many occasions to aid destitute families and permitted family ties to be destroyed" she had not personally profited from the rulings. She resigned shortly after the start of the investigation and died in 1955.

Over several decades, 19 of the children who died at the TCHS, due to the abuse and neglect, were buried in a small lot at the Elmwood Cemetery with no headstones. Tann bought the lot sometime before 1923 and recorded the children there by their first names..

In 2015, the cemetery raised \$13,000 to erect a monument to their memory. It reads, in part: "In memory of the 19 children who finally rest here unmarked if not unknown, and of all the hundreds who died under

the cold, hard hand of the Tennessee Children's Home Society. Their final resting place unknown. Their final peace a blessing. The hard lesson of their fate changed adoption procedure and law nationwide."

One of the most disturbing aspects of Georgia Tann's operation was the involvement of prominent figures in society, including celebrities who sought to adopt children through her agency. Among Tann's A-List includes Lana Turner, Mary Pickford, Dick Powell, June Allyson, and most notably Joan Crawford.

Joan Crawford, the iconic Hollywood actress, was among those who adopted children through TCHS. In 1947, Crawford adopted two fraternal twin daughters and named them Cathy and Cynthia "Cindy". They were born prematurely on January 13, 1947, requiring hospital supervision for several weeks. Cathy and Cynthia are the only children adopted by Crawford from the Tennessee Children's Home Society.

Their birth mother was ill and died less than a week after the twins were born due to kidney failure; their

biological father abandoned their mother during birth. Their biological mother made the adoption arrangements before Cathy and Cindy were born. Crawford was unaware of the horrors behind the agency's operations. In the 1990s, the twins reconnected with their biological family in Tennessee.

While there are rumors and speculation, concrete evidence linking specific celebrities like Ric Flair to Georgia Tann's adoption racket is scarce. However, given Tann's extensive network and the allure of her services to affluent individuals, it is not implausible that other celebrities may have been involved, either knowingly or unknowingly, in her illicit adoption practices.

Despite her public persona as a devoted social worker, Georgia Tann's personal life was marked by secrecy and speculation. While she never publicly acknowledged her sexual orientation, numerous accounts suggest that Tann was a homosexual and maintained intimate relationships with women throughout her life. In the conservative social climate of the early 20th century, Tann's sexuality would have been a closely guarded secret, further complicating our understanding of her motivations and psyche.

While the cohabitation of two "financially independent" women, referred to at the time as Boston marriages had once been socially acceptable, such arrangements had begun to be viewed as suspiciously homosexual. Tann and Atwood Hollinsworth hid the true nature of their relationship.

On August 2, 1943, in Dyer County, Tennessee, Tann adopted Ann Atwood Hollinsworth. This was a legal provision that same-sex couples used to ensure that their partners would inherit their property. Tann died of uterine cancer on September 15, 1950, aged 59. Tann was buried in her family's plot in Hickory Cemetery. Atwood Hollinsworth was the executor of her estate.

The legacy of Georgia Tann is one marred by tragedy and injustice, leaving

an indelible mark on the lives of countless individuals and families. The children victimized by her actions endured untold suffering, robbed of their childhoods and identities in service of Tann's insatiable greed.

In the aftermath of Tann's downfall, efforts were made to rectify the damage she inflicted, with some adoptees and birth parents seeking to reunite and reclaim their lost connections. However, for many, the scars of Tann's exploitation continue to linger, serving as a grim reminder of the enduring consequences of unchecked corruption and exploitation.

Georgia Tann's reign of terror represents one of the darkest chapters in Tennessee's history, exposing the depths of human depravity and the vulnerability of the most marginalized members of society. Though her crimes have long since been exposed, the trauma inflicted upon her victims endures, underscoring the importance of vigilance in safeguarding the rights and welfare of children.

As I reflected and published the stories of the nefarious nature of Georgia Tann, I was surprised by two readers who reached out to me with stories tying individuals close to this area to Tann. While the names are kept confidential, one stated her sister was adopted through Tann's TCHS ring shortly after her mother's death. It is hard to fathom the depravity of Tann and the unimaginable lies she told mothers and unexpected clientele.

Only by acknowledging the sins of the past can we hope to build a more just and compassionate future for generations to come.



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Above Left, 10 Years Ago — Savannah Pratt was accompanied by her Grandmother, Judy Finley; mother, Jennifer Pratt; father, Brian Pratt; her siblings Autumn, Austin, and Janna; MHS coach Rebecca Jones and JSCC coach Michael Winders as she signed with Jackson State. Above Right, 75 Years Ago — McKenzie Park Theater had a showing of The Strawberry Roan, Every Girl Should Be Married, Up in Central Park, and Forever Amber. Below, 50 Years Ago — Joel Washburn, Kathy Edwards, Keith Lindsey, Wendell Moore, Gaye Hickman, and Jerry Scott were selected for the Girls and Boys State Delegates. These participants were selected on qualifications of leadership, character, scholarship, cooperativeness, and physical fitness.



* West Carroll students celebrated Earth day by planting trees for their "Outdoor Classroom". West Carroll got their community involved with "Little Red Wagon" Earth day. This allowed parents and other people in the community to get involved by preparing flower beds and digging wholes for trees among various other Earth Day activities.

50 Years Ago — The McKenzie Memorial Library added a convenient new way to return checked out books outside of Library hours. The Library Assistant Patsy Wolford demonstrated how easy it is to deposit books that needed returned.

*During the March of Dimes walk-a-thon sponsored by Jaycees some new walking techniques were used by a few of the walkers.

75 Years Ago — Tri-County Motors promoted their new Ford Six Tudor Sedan. This car had "picture windows" that were 88% bigger than previous cars. Ford was also selected "Fashion Car of the Year."

*Gulflick Service Station had a change in ownership. They sold to Clarence Barnhart and Marshall Smith. Maybelle and Frank Manning put assured their previous customers that their sign still stood for quality products, honest products, and efficient service.





Looking Back from Our Archives

10 Years Ago — Andrew Cole performed as Elvis in his fourth grade play "Rockin' America."

*McKenzie beat Bruceton in District 13-A Championship. The Final score of the game was 12-4.

25 Years Ago — Derrick Hubble was chosen as "Youth of the Month". Liberty Hill Baptist presented him with a bible for his church attendance, participation, courtesy, politeness, and willingness to help.

*HOSA students attended a leadership conference. The Tennessee Health Occupations Students of America chapter held their annual state leadership conference in Memphis. The Students who attended were James Cary, Edwina Parker, Jennifer Wallace and Renee Malugen.

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Obituaries

GORDON ASHBY
1952 – 2024

HUNTINGDON — Mr. Gordon Ashby, 72, of Huntingdon, died Sunday, April 28, 2024.

Funeral services were 1 p.m., Sunday, May 5, 2024, in the Chapel of Dilday-Carter Funeral Home. Interment was at Veterans Cemetery at Parker's Crossroads.

The family received friends at Dilday-Carter Funeral Home on Saturday, 5-8 p.m. and on Sunday, 12-1 p.m.

Mr. Ashby was born January 3, 1952, to the late Charles Stewart Ashby and Ester Carnell Brock Ashby. He served 21 years in the United States Air Force and retired in 1992. He loved riding his motorcycle, helping his fellow veterans, and spending time with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

He is survived by three children Erica (Steven) Boone of Clarksville, Tenn., Charlene "Charley" Swierk of Huntingdon, and Michelle A. Gallipoli McConnell of San Diego, Calif.; grandchildren Eric King, Emily Kennedy, Lily Ashby, Jasmine Swierk, Donato Gallipoli and Peyton Gallipoli; great-granddaughters Ivy Jade and Harlee Joe King.

ROBERT SCOTT
1959 – 2024

GLEASON — Robert Scott, 65, of Gleason, died on April 25, 2024. He was born on February 20, 1959.

Robert was known for his kind and generous nature. He was always willing to help others and had a loving demeanor that was reflected in his constant smile and easy-going personality.

He is survived by his children: Stephanie Shank (Eric), J.R. Scott, and Lori Scott; siblings: Patricia Hoffman, Leetha Abazid (Sudki), Gary Scott (Dina Wolff), and Tina Lawson (Wayne); and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his mother, Shirley and father, Elmer.

Robert's services were May 6, 2024, at Williams Funeral Home in Gleason. Graveside service was at Hopewell Cemetery in Gleason.

Williams Funeral Home in Gleason, Tenn., handled the arrangements.

JEWELL NEWMAN
1931 – 2024

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Jewell Newman, 93, of Huntingdon, died Monday, April 29, 2024, at Cades Center Assisted Living.

Funeral services were Wednesday, May 1, 2024, in

the Chapel of Dilday-Carter Funeral Home. Interment was in Carter's Chapel Cemetery. Brother Phil Williams officiated.

Mrs. Newman was born March 2, 1931, to the late Seth Thomas and Millie Hayes Martin. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ben Clayton Newman.

She is survived by one daughter, Tammy (Rob) Blankenship of Huntingdon; three sons Tony (Kay) Newman of Jackson, Tenn., Keith (Janice) Newman of McMoresville, and Jeremy (Bonnie) Newman of Huntingdon; one sister, Ruby (Mel) Alexander of Milan, Tenn.; eleven grandchildren Tracy (Mike) Foster, Austin (Kristine) Newman, Ashley Newman, Sommer Newman Hovis, Ben (Haley) Newman, Amanda (Chris) Sneed, Holly (Joey) Waugh, Colton Blankenship, Randy Carey, Terry Carey and Jenny (Scott) Diffie; twenty-one great-grandchildren.

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

MARSHALL ROSAMOND
1968 – 2024

PARIS — Graveside services for Marshall Wayne Rosamond were Saturday, May 4, 2024, at 11 a.m. at Chapel Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Rosamond, 56, died Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at Jackson Madison Co. General Hospital. He was born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on April 27, 1968, James Marshall and Fay Mitts Rosamond.

He is survived by his mother, Fay; his son Hunter Wayne Rosamond of Paris; three sisters, Sandy Satterlee of Hensley, Ark., Carolyn Cates of Jackson, and Melba Solovic of Paragould, Ark.; and two brothers, Johnny Rosamond of Monticello, Ark., and Darvin Rosamond of Paris.

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

JAMES DWIGHT FINCH
1956 – 2024

MILLINGTON, Formerly McKenzie — James Dwight Finch, 67, of Millington, Tenn., died April 25, 2024, at Gallaway Health and Rehab.

He is preceded in death by his parents, James E. Finch and Judy Finch. He is survived by his wife, Marsha K. Finch, a daughter, Amanda K. Finch of Escondido, Calif., a grandson, two sisters, Teresa Piccirilli (Gene) of Somerville, Tenn., and Kathy Finch of McKenzie, and a brother, Chris Finch of Martin.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Memphis Union Mission or Mobilcare Ministries.

Munford Funeral Home, 7450 Raleigh Millington Rd, Millington, TN 38053.

GEORGIE MEGGS
1933 – 2024

HUNTINGDON — Mr. Georgie "Ray" Meggs, 90, of Huntingdon, died Friday, May 3, 2024, at Baptist Hospital in Huntingdon.

Funeral services were Monday, May 6, 2024, in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Jimmy Furr and Bro. Steve Davis officiating. Burial was in Davis Chapel Cemetery.

Mr. Meggs was born July 2, 1933, in Wildersville to the late Lonnie and Ola Patterson Meggs. He was a farmer and was in the Army National Guard. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Johnny Meggs and Wayne Meggs, and a grandson, Jeramie Redmond.

He is survived by his wife of 72 years, Annie Evelyn "Polly" Meggs, a daughter, Teresa Robbins (Kenneth) of Camden, a son David Taylor (Teresa) of Medina, two sisters, Debbie Bunn (Darrell) of McKenzie, Sara Glisson, of Huntingdon, a sister-in-law, Deborah Meggs, of Huntingdon, and two brothers, Randy Meggs (Jenean) and Bobby Meggs (Ruby) both of Huntingdon. He also leaves six grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

CHARLES RAY WILKES, SR.
1944 – 2024

Graveside services for Charles Ray Wilkes, Sr. is Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 11 a.m. at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, May 7, 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment is at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Mr. Wilkes, 79, died at his residence on May 6, 2024. He is a retired Shoemaker and avid fisherman. He was born on July 20, 1944, in Huntingdon, to L.Y. and Jessie Gaskins Wilkes.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Sandra Napier Wilkes, two sons Charlie R. (Jennifer) Wilkes and Justin (Courtney) Wilkes, a sister Barbara Allen, a brother Billy (Deborah) Wilkes and three grandchildren Madison (Brandon) Ezell, Hunter Wilkes and Waylon Wilkes all of McKenzie.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

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Baptist Carroll County Earns 'A' Grade for Patient Safety

HUNTINGDON (May 1) — Baptist Memorial Hospital-Carroll County received an 'A' Hospital Safety Grade from the Leapfrog Group, a national nonprofit upholding the standard of patient safety in hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers.

"I am proud to share Baptist Carroll County has earned an 'A' for hospital safety from the Leapfrog Group," said Susan Breedon, CEO and administrator of Baptist Carroll County. "This grade demonstrates the excellence of our care and team."

The Leapfrog Group, an independent national watchdog organization, assigns an A, B, C, D or F grade to general hospitals across the country based on more than 30 national performance measures reflecting errors, accidents, injuries and infections, as well as systems hospitals have in place to prevent harm. This national distinction celebrates a hospital's achievements in prioritizing patient safety by protecting patients from preventable harm and errors. The new grades reflect performance primarily during the height of the pandemic.

"Everyone who works at Baptist Carroll County should be proud of this 'A' Hospital Safety Grade," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of the Leapfrog Group. "It takes complete dedication at every level, and commitment to putting patients first. I thank Baptist Union County, its leadership, clinicians, staff and volunteers for caring so deeply for its patients and their safety."

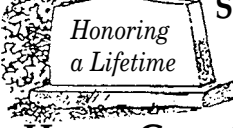
The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade is the only hospital ratings program based exclusively on hospital prevention of medical errors and harm to

patients. The grading system is peer-reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public. Grades are updated twice annually, in the fall and spring.

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, the Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps for patient safety. The flagship Leapfrog Hospital Survey and Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center Survey collect and transparently report hospital and ASC performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information they need to make informed decisions. The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents and infections. For more information and to

access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit HospitalSafetyGrade.org.

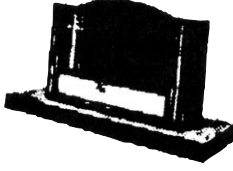
Baptist Memorial Hospital-Carroll County provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient medical care to West Tennessee in a variety of specialized areas, including cardiac care, pediatrics, general surgery, physical therapy and palliative care, among others. The 70-bed facility is located in Huntingdon, Tennessee, and offers advanced medical technology, such as 3D mammography and the Baptist TeleHealth Center, which uses TeleGuardian. Baptist Carroll County is the recipient of many awards and accolades, including the Tennessee Quality Award, Premier Inc's QUEST Award for High-Value Healthcare, the Quest Hero Award, Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval in 2015 and an "A" Hospital Safety Grade from the Leapfrog Group in 2024. For more information, visit baptistonline.org/carrollcounty.



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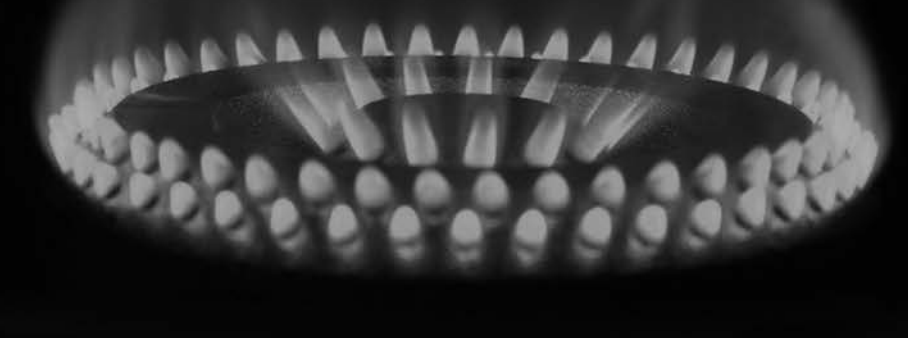
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Angel Biscuits

5 cup self rising flour
4 tablespoon sugar
2 cup buttermilk
1 pkg dry yeast dissolved in 1/4 c water
1 teaspoon soda
1 cup shortening
Combine flour, sugar and soda. Cut in shortening. Add yeast mixture and buttermilk. Mix with spoon or hands until soft dough is formed. May be made into biscuits immediately or

may be kept in refrigerator as long as 2 weeks. Pinch off as needed and bake at 375 degrees for 15 minutes.

Cinnamon Biscuits

2 cans biscuits
1/2 cup melted oleo
3/4 cup sugar

1 teaspoon cinnamon
Mix sugar and cinnamon together. Butter pan and a layer of biscuits in bottom. Pour on some butter and some sugar mixture. Make another layer of all. Bake at 350 degrees for about 40 minutes.



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Carroll County General Sessions Report

HUNTINGDON (May 1) — The following cases were heard in the Carroll County General Sessions Court on May 1.

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

Destin Fuller, Highway 79, Atwood, was bound over on charges of Tampering With Evidence, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Schedule VI Drugs- Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess, and Possession of a Firearm with Intent to Go Armed.

Joshua Rutherford, Murfreesboro Pike, Nashville, bound over on charge of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Speeding, Violation of Financial Responsibility, Schedule VI Drugs - Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess, Simple Possession or Casual Exchange.

The following defendants were found guilty.

Corey Ballentine, Kemp Road, Martin, guilty, Probation Violation, 11/29 jail, defendant can receive day-for-day credit for inpatient rehab.

John Johnson, Oaklawn Drive, McKenzie, guilty, Drivers License to be Carried and Exhibited, 30 days suspended sentence, 28 days probation, must get driver's license.

Kaylee Jordan, Maytown Road, Huntingdon, pre-trial diversion, Livestock Running at Large , \$700 restitution, six months probation.

Ashley Brooke Martin, Pratt Cemetery Road, Milan, guilty, Drivers License Must Be Carried and Exhibited, 30 days probation; dismissed, Vehicle Entering Through Highway or Stop Intersection.

Garland D. Moore, II,

Marriage Licenses

Rachel Susan Williams, 30, Buena Vista, to Eelee Mikhail James, 34, of Buena Vista.

Kyle Mathew Bodwell, 26, of Huntingdon, to Hannah Paige Thompson Saulters, 25, of Huntingdon.

Sheriff's Reports

Theft of Property — Mr. Lloyd Bateman reported his trailer was stolen. The trailer is a 16-ft double axle trailer with white wheels. The trailer is black and had two or three broken or missing boards in the floor. He valued the trailer at \$1,400.

Aggravated Assault — Logan Gantt, 22, of McKenzie, was arrested for Aggravated Assault. On April 27, the victim called the police and said that her husband, Gantt, had choked her and a friend had stepped in and was fighting Logan so she left and went to a church on Old Stage Road. When officers arrived, the victim had red marks on her throat and said the back of her head was hurting. When officers went to the home on Lisa Lane, they arrested Gantt for domestic assault and possible aggravated assault by strangulation. A witness at the scene confirmed he saw Gantt choke the victim.

Theft of Livestock — Benjamin Lee of Huntingdon had reported that his three-day old calf had been stolen out of his pasture. A dark colored SUV parked at his cattle field and stole the calf. He posted the calf on Facebook and offered a reward for the return. The next day on April 29, Lee stated that he got a phone call around 1 a.m. from a blocked caller that his calf was returned to the pasture. Mr. Lee asked for the name of the caller since he had put a reward for the return of the calf and the young man on the phone said he didn't want the reward or any trouble.

Stanford Hill Lane, Cedar Grove, Driving While Canceled-Second or Subsequent Offense, \$250 fine, 11/29 Sentence, suspended to two days, 11/27 supervised probation, \$250 fine.

Shawn Nieves, Forrest Circle, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation, 30 days sentence, probation extended for three months; dismissed, Criminal Impersonation.

Jamie Patrick O'Mahoney, Lexington Street, Bruceton, guilty, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange, \$750 fine, 11/29 jail with furlough for alcohol and drug treatment inpatient; dismissed, Driving While Suspended; dis-

missed, Criminal Trespass. Jeffery E. Rice, Main Street, Hollow Rock, guilty, Criminal Impersonation, six months probation; dismissed, Failure to Appear.

Charles Tillman, Barker Road, Huntingdon, guilty, Driving While Revoked, \$100 fine, six months probation, must make good faith effort to obtain restricted license.

The following cases were dismissed.

Dominique Bailey, Highway 22, Clarksburg, dismissed, Driving While License Suspended; dismissed, Light Law Violation.

Wendy L. Calderon, Highway 124, McKenzie,

dismissed, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange; dismissed, Contraband in Penal Facility, dismissed, Probation Violation.

Joshua Haynes, Barksdale Avenue, McKenzie, dismissed, Driving While Suspended, dismissed, Violation of Financial Responsibility.

Robert Dean Robinson, Cole Street. McKenzie, dismissed, Driving While Suspended; dismissed, Financial Responsibility.

Katie Elizabeth Walker, Highland Drive, McKenzie, dismissed, Driving While Suspended, dismissed, Seat Belt Violation; dismissed, Violation of Financial Responsibility.

McKenzie Water Dept. Water Quality Report for 2023

Is my drinking water safe?

Yes, our water meets all of EPA's health standards. We have conducted numerous tests for over 80 contaminants that may be in drinking water. As you'll see in the chart, we only detected seven of these contaminants. We found all of these contaminants at safe levels.

What is the source of my water?

Your water, which is ground water, comes from the Memphis Sand Aquifer. Our goal is to protect our water from contaminants and we are working with the State to determine the vulnerability of our water source to *potential* contamination. The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) has prepared a Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Report for the untreated water sources serving water to this water system. The SWAP Report assesses the susceptibility of untreated water sources to *potential* contamination. To ensure safe drinking water, all public water systems treat and routinely test their water. Water sources have been rated as reasonably susceptible, moderately susceptible or slightly susceptible based on geologic factors and human activities in the vicinity of the water source. The McKenzie Water Dept. sources rated as reasonably susceptible to potential contamination.

An explanation of Tennessee's Source Water Assessment Program, the Source Water Assessment summaries, susceptibility scorings and the overall TDEC report to EPA can be viewed online at <https://www.tn.gov/environment/program-areas/wr-water-resources/water-quality/source-water-assessment.html> or you may contact the Water Dept. to obtain copies of specific assessments.

A wellhead protection plan is available for your review by contacting Earnest Umstead at the McKenzie Water Dept. between 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

Why are there contaminants in my water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Este informe contiene información muy importante. Tradúscalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

For more information about your drinking water, please call Earnest Umstead at 731-352-3114.

How can I get involved?

Our City Council meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the City Hall. Please feel free to participate in these meetings.

Is our water system meeting other rules that govern our operations?

The State and EPA require us to test and report on our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. We have met all of these requirements. Results of unregulated contaminant analysis are available upon request. We want you to know that we pay attention to all the rules.

Other information

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock opera-

tions, and wildlife.

- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Do I Need To Take Special Precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about not only their drinking water, but food preparation, personal hygiene, and precautions in handling infants and pets from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Lead in Drinking Water

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. McKenzie Water Dept. is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Water System Security

Following the events of September 2001, we realize that our customers are concerned about the security of their drinking water. We urge the public to report any suspicious activities at any utility facilities, including treatment plants, tanks, fire hydrants, etc. to the police dispatcher at 731-325-2264.

Think before you flush!

Flushing unused or expired medicines can be harmful to your drinking water. Properly disposing of unused or expired medication helps protect you and the environment. Keep medications out of Tennessee's waterways by disposing in one of our permanent pharmaceutical take back bins. There are nearly 100 take back bins located across the state, to find a convenient location please visit: <http://tdeonline.tn.gov/rxtakeback/>.

Water Quality Data

What does this chart mean?

- **MCLG** - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **MCL** - Maximum Contaminant Level, or the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.
- **MRDL** - Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for the control of microbial contaminants.
- **MRDLG** - Maximum residual disinfectant level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- **AL** - Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- **Below Detection Level (BDL)** - Laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present at a level that can be detected.
- **Non-Defects (ND)** - Laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.
- **Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)** - Explained as a relation to time and money as one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- **Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter** - Explained as a relation to time and money as one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- **RTCR** - Revised Total Coliform Rule. This rule went into effect on April 1, 2016 and replaces the MCL for total coliform with a Treatment Technique Trigger for a system assessment.

Contaminant	Violation Yes/No	Level Found	Range of Detections	Date of Sample	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Coliform Bacteria (RTCR)	N	0		2023		0	TT Trigger	Naturally present in the environment
Copper¹	N	90th%= 0.0488		2022	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Combined radium	N	1.693		2022	PCI/1	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	N	0.743 AVG	0.31-1.1	2023	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead¹	N	90th% = 1.0		2022	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate	N	1.19	1.19*	2023	ppm	N/A	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits; used in water treatment
TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	5.6	5.6*	2023	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Halooacetic Acids (HAA5)	N	5.0	5.0*	2023	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Chlorine	N	1.46 Avg.	1.0-1.9	2023	ppm	MRDLG=4	MRDL=4	Water additive used to control microbes

¹During the most recent round of Lead and Copper testing, only 0 out of 20 households sampled contained concentrations exceeding the action level.

*We are only required to collect one sample from a single location.

NOTICE

The Trezevant Water System 2023 water quality report will be published in the McKenzie Banner on May 14, 2024.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: 2024PA83

ESTATE OF: KEVIN LEE HOLLOWELL, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the 19TH day of APRIL, 2024 Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of KEVIN LEE HOLLOWELL deceased, who died OCTOBER 16TH, 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 19TH day of APRIL, 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

DYLAN ROMAN, Executor/Administrator

ANGELA SNIDER, Attorney

KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on **May 22, 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 JAMES JEFFREY EDWARDS AND BARBARA ANN EDWARDS, to Michael M. White, Trustee, on November 20, 1998, at Record Book 438, Page 183 as Instrument No. 641474 in the real property records of Carroll County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for Provident Bank Home Equity Loan Trust 1998-4, Home Equity loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 1998-4

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:

Beginning at an iron pin on the west margin of Griggs Chapel Road (25 feet at right angles from centerline) at the southeast corner of Jesse Edwards as recorded in Deed Book 237, Page 105, in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee; thence with the west margin of Griggs Chapel Road South 27 degrees 47 minutes East a distance of 302.71 feet to a pipe at the northeast corner of Linda Trull; thence with Trull's north line following a fence the following calls: South 76 degrees 19 minutes West a distance of 107.62 feet to a post; thence South 80 degrees 39 minutes West a distance of 128.09 feet to a post; thence North 78 degrees 15 minutes 30 seconds West a distance of 97.54 feet to a post on the east line of Charles Curtis; thence with Curtis' east line North 5 degrees 18 minutes 38 seconds West a distance of 234.51 feet to a car jack at the most eastern southwest corner of Edwards; thence with Edwards' south line North 73 degrees 37 minutes 45 seconds East a distance of 215.81 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1.70 acres, as surveyed by David Hall Land Surveying Company, R.L.S. No. 943, on November 13, 1998.

Being the same property conveyed to James Jeffrey Edwards and wife, Barbara Ann Edwards by deed recorded in Deed Book 245, Page 297, in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 105-029.00

Current Owner(s) of Property: JAMES JEFFREY EDWARDS AND BARBARA ANN EDWARDS

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 3355 Griggs Chapel Road, Cedar Grove, TN 38321, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

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

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

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: None

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

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

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

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

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

MWZM File No. 19-000247-671-2

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

Cool Springs Commons, Suite 273

7100 Commerce Way, Brentwood, TN 37027

TN INVESTORS PAGE: [HTTP://MWZMLAW.COM/TN_INVESTORS.PHP](http://mwzmlaw.com/TN_INVESTORS.PHP)

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McKenzie Police Reports

Domestic Assault — John Michael Millsap, 49, Linden Street, McKenzie is charged with Domestic Assault on May 3. Officer Jason Artymovich filed a report after Millsap was reportedly involved in a physical altercation with a family member. During the altercation, Millsap reportedly took the victim's phone and fled the scene. He was additionally charged with Interference with an Emergency Call.

Domestic Assault — Jeffery Sawyer, 52, Florida Avenue, McKenzie, was charged with Domestic Assault on May 1. Officer Jason Artymovich filed a report after an informant reported a domestic assault in progress on Florida Avenue. Sawyer reportedly threatened physical harm to two individuals and the pets. One of the individuals had been held against her will on a previous occasion more than a decade earlier. Sawyer was located near the Farmer's Market, taken into

custody and transported to Carroll County Jail.

Driving on Revoked, Leaving the Scene — Monetavious D. Finch, 32, Paris, was charged with Driving on a Revoked License and Leaving the Scene of an Accident on April 29. Officer Matthew Cunningham's report indicated Finch's vehicle was located disabled at the corner of Walnut and Stonewall after the vehicle struck a curb. A passenger in the car stated Finch abandoned the vehicle and was walking. Officers located Finch in town and learned his license was revoked due to a DUI. He was transported to Carroll County Jail.

Active Warrant — Brandi A. Baker, 35, Trenton, was arrested on an active warrant for Failure to Appear issued by Trenton Police Department. Officer Darren Davis stopped a vehicle for an inoperable headlight. The passenger in the car was Baker, who was arrested and transported to Carroll County Jail.

Outstanding Warrant — Russell Eugene Townes, 57, Walnut Circle, McKenzie, was arrested on an outstanding warrant. MPD Sergeant Cody Coleman witnessed Townes walking on Jackson Street. Coleman had knowledge of the outstanding warrant and transported Townes to Carroll County Jail.

Huntingdon Police Reports

Animal Cruelty — Amanda Seymore, 44, of Huntingdon, was charged with Animal Cruelty because she left her male pit-bull under the care of her brother while she was incarcerated. The dog bit Seymore's brother while he was trying to feed and water it. Her brother then sought out help from the city of Huntingdon's animal control officer. The dog was very hostile towards animal control and city officers when they attempted to retrieve the dog. Walton reported it was unclear whether the dog had been without food and water for days. Other residents said they haven't seen anyone check on the dog in over

ten days.

DUI, Driving on Revoked — Joseph Womack, 32, of West Helena, Arkansas, was pulled over by officer Parham for swerving on the road. Upon making contact, Parham was able to smell alcohol on Womack and he had slowed speech and glazed eyes. Womack refused to take any sobriety tests. After a computer check with dispatch it was confirmed that Womack's license had been suspended in Arkansas for DUI charges in March 2021.

Shoplifting — Michael Unger, 45, of Hohenwald, committed the crime of Theft of Property/conduct involving

merchandise by concealing 26 packs of baseball cards worth \$168.73 in his clothing pockets and leaving Walmart without paying for them. This incident was recorded by Walmart's security cameras and witnessed by loss prevention officer, Joe Lowe. Michael was found with unopened baseball card packages in his driver's pant pocket and a large plastic grocery bag filled with unopened baseball card packages in the vehicle after Parham pulled his vehicle over on Highway 22N. He was cited for theft of property and conduct involving merchandise.

City of McKenzie

NOTICE

RE: Unsafe dilapidated house located at 641 Forrest Street, McKenzie, TN 38201 (Map 111, Group D, Parcel 8). There are two (2) dilapidated structures on this parcel this is the western structure.

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., May 20, 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

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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 October 14, 2016, executed by WILLIAM CARTER conveying certain real property therein described to ALAN PRITCHARD, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee recorded October 17, 2016, in Deed Book 655, Page 976; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION 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 **May 28, 2024** at 12 p.m. At the Carroll County Courthouse, 99 Court Street, Huntingdon, TN 38344, 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:

BEING LOT NO. 1, ON THE PLAN OF HANSEN MEADOWS SUBDIVISION, OF RECORD IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 75, SLIDE 180 A, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY A SURVEY BY SAMUEL K CARROLL, R.L.S., AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF HANSEN DRIVE AND CHERRYWOOD ROAD; RUNS THENCE NORTH 85 DEGREES 30 MINUTES WEST WITH THE SOUTH MARGIN OF HANSEN DRIVE 158 FEET TO A STAKE; BEING LOT NO. 21 NORTHEAST CORNER AND THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY: RUNS THENCE SOUTH 05 DEGREES 00 MINUTES WEST 132.3 FEET WITH LOT NO. 21 EAST BOUNDARY TO AN OLD IRON PIN, BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF CATHY HART AND THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; RUNS THENCE SOUTH 83 DEGREES 11 MINUTES EAST WITH HART'S NORTH BOUNDARY 167.5 FEET TO AN IRON POST IN THE WEST MARGIN OF CHERRYWOOD ROAD; RUNS THENCE WITH THE WEST MARGIN OF CHERRYWOOD ROAD, NORTH 01 DEGREE 07 MINUTES EAST 139.3 FEET TO

THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THE ABOVE DESCRIPTION IS THE SAME AS IN THE PREVIOUS DEED OF RECORD. FOR SOURCE OF TITLE, SEE WARRANTY DEED BOOK 376, PAGE 443, REGISTER'S OFFICE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID: 22-016-L-016-L-A-011.00-000

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be **8877 HWY 436, MCKENZIE, TN 38201**. 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): WILLIAM CARTER

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: MCKENZIE REGIONAL HOSPITAL

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
rls@law.com/property-listing
Tel: (877) 813-0992 Fax: (470) 508-9401

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City of McKenzie

NOTICE

RE: Unsafe dilapidated house located at 191 Elm Street, McKenzie, TN 38201 (Map 12K, Group B, Parcel 31.01).

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., May 20, 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

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

IN THE MATTER OF:

GUNNER OAKLEY WAINSCOTT, NO. 24-JV-8942
DOB: 12/27/2015 Notice of Entry Required

A CHILD UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court from the allegations of the Petition to Adjudicate Dependency and Neglect, to Transfer Temporary Legal Custody, and for Ex Parte Order, the Motion for Service by Publication and the Affidavit of Diligent Search that the whereabouts of Brian Wainscott are unknown and cannot be ascertained by diligent search; therefore, the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon Brian Wainscott.

It is, therefore, ORDERED that Brian Wainscott be served by publication of the following notice for four consecutive weeks in the McKenzie Banner, a newspaper published in Carroll County, Tennessee.

It is further ORDERED that if Brian Wainscott does not enter an appearance or otherwise Answer the Petition, further personal service or service by further publication shall be dispensed with and service of any future notices, motions, orders or other legal documents in this matter may be made upon Brian Wainscott by filing same with the Juvenile Court Clerk of Carroll County, Tennessee.

NOTICE

The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a petition against Brian Wainscott seeking to adjudicate dependency and neglect. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon Brian Wainscott because their whereabouts are unknown. Brian Wainscott is hereby ORDERED TO APPEAR IN THE CARROLL COUNTY JUVENILE COURT IN HUNTINGDON, TENNESSEE ON **MAY 30, 2024, AT 9 a.m.**, to defend the allegations or a default judgment shall be taken against you. You may view and obtain a copy of the Petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents at the Carroll County Juvenile Court Clerk's Office in Huntingdon, Tennessee.

Entered this 26 day of April, 2024.

Michael King, JUDGE

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Farmer-Belew (20630), Attorney for DCS
8600 Hwy 22, Dresden, TN 38225 731-364-6947

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NEED STAMPS? WE GOT 'EM! Call 731.352.3323

City of McKenzie

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: 2024PE85

ESTATE OF: RANDALL HAMES, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the **24TH** day of **APRIL, 2024** Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **RANDALL HAMES** deceased, who died **MARCH 8TH, 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 24TH day of APRIL, 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

DAVID RANDALL HAMES, Executor/Administrator
STEVEN L. WEST, Attorney
KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

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West Carroll School Retirees Honored

ATWOOD (May 2) — West Carroll School District Board of Education bid farewell to two retirees on Thursday, May 2. Preston Caldwell, director of schools, presented each with a plaque and thanked them for a job well done. Sherry Cockrill retired with 39 years. She was a teacher and later guidance counselor at West Carroll Elementary School in Trezevant. She said she worked her entire teaching career in one building. She said teachers are known for influencing children but added they also have an influence on their teachers. She noted she taught three generations of children. She thanked the board for allowing her to teach the children of West Carroll. Dr. Jessica Williams, principal at West Carroll Elementary, thanked Mrs. Cockrill for her support, dedication, and a lasting legacy at the school.

Kay Story retired after 18 years as a school system custodian. During her tenure, she worked in all three school sites. Mrs. Story said she is thankful for working with such good people and has enjoyed her work. West Carroll Primary School Principal Jackie Wester said Mrs. Story is more than a custodian. She graciously serves wherever needed. She has watched classrooms, graded papers, and worked throughout the building.



Above, Sherry Cockrill was honored for 39 years of teaching at West Carroll. Preston Caldwell, director of schools, is pictured with her. Below, Kay Story was honored for 18 years of service to West Carroll. Preston Caldwell, director of schools, is pictured with her.



Top, Mackenzie Morgan drop kicks Raven Black. Above, Sycho Simon interacting with Jaxon Mims, a West Carroll senior. Right, Brother Bruce with a headlock on Big John Dalton. Photos by Gary Owens



Memphis Wrestling Entertains At West Carroll High School

ATWOOD — Memphis Wrestling delighted fans at West Carroll High School with an outstanding show in the school's gymnasium. The event was fundraiser for

the War Eagle football team. Fans enjoyed both ring-side seating and stadium seating for the event. Wrestling included by male and female.

Winners of each match were: Big John Dalton; Tim and Lance Grind; Tim Bosby; The Gunshow; Mackenzie Morgan; and K-Toomer.

West Carroll Approves HVAC, Signage

ATWOOD (May 2) — West Carroll Special School District Board of Education approved replacing seven heating and cooling units and purchasing a new marquee sign in front of the central office building adjacent to the new U.S. 79 bypass and the existing SR 77 intersection.

Newbill Heating and Air was awarded the bid to install seven heating and air units for \$44,300, compared to Radius Industrial's unsuccessful bid of \$44,974. There are four units at the elementary school and three at the

primary school. A new digital information sign was approved to be installed at the Central Office. GSC Signs of McKenzie bid on three sizes from \$39,190 to \$54,237. City Signs of Jackson bid on four signs from \$56,338 to \$92,170. The bid authorized Preston Caldwell, director of schools, to work with GSC, the previous supplier for the three school sites' signs. Federal COVID relief funds, known as ESSER funds, were used to pay for the HVAC units and the signs. All ESSER funds must be

depleted by June 30. The board honored Mrs. Kay Story and Mrs. Sherry Cockrill upon their retirement. Story worked 18 years as a custodian, and Cockrill 39 years as a teacher and guidance counselor. Tenure was granted to Brittany Socbey and Mrs. Kristin Mansfield. The board approved the resignations of Michael Nelson and Amanda Noles. The FBLA was approved to travel to the National Leadership Convention in Orlando.

Four Gleason Seniors Sign With Bethel, Dyersburg State



Above, Gleason senior Zowie Tipton, (pictured left) the daughter of Vander Tipton and Sabrina Tipton, signed to be part of Bethel University's Renaissance Theatre program. She will be in the performing arts program. Senior Bulldog Kyzer Crochet (pictured center) is the son of Tina and Ryan Arnold and Scott and Blandie Crochet. He plans to play football at Bethel University. Senior Cheerleader Brooklyn McDowell (pictured right) is the daughter of Lindsay and Nicky Jackson and Jonathan and Alivia McDowell. She chose to cheer for Bethel University. Below, Senior Lady Bulldog, #31, Autumn Mingle is the daughter of Nicole Ferguson and Chris Mingle. She exceeded 1,000 points in her high school career. She was accompanied by her mother, Nicole and grandfather, Larry Robertson. She has signed to play basketball for Dyersburg State.



MHS Band Ensemble Performed at the Celebration of the ARTS. Submitted photo

Celebration of the Arts

Carroll Arts sponsored an important event on April 27 with the assistance of the Dixie Carter Performing Arts and Academic Enrichment Center. All high schools in the county were invited to send visual arts and performers for the event. Proms

and other previously scheduled events prevented some from attending, but the talent shown in the celebration was outstanding. At 6:30 p.m., beautiful artwork was displayed in the Gallery. Then, at 7 p.m., talented ensembles and so-

loists (both instrumentalists and singers) performed for the parents and friends assembled. The Dixie provided a lovely reception for all involved. This is an annual event, so watch for it next spring.



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McKENZIE HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL



Left, Fletcher Holt hits in Hayden Garrett and Jake Cassidy. Right, Hayden Garrett Sliding into home.

Rebels Claims District Title

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McKENZIE (May 3) — On Friday, the McKenzie Rebel High School Baseball Team defeated McEwen for the District Championship, 8-0.

Tate Surber was on the mound for the Rebels. McKenzie fielded the ball well in game and held McEwen to zero runs. The first run of the game was by Hayden Garrett off an

RBI by Jake Cassidy in the third inning.

The didn't score again until the fifth inning when Fletcher Holt hit Cassidy in. Holt got a run off of an interference call on McEwen's pitcher. Holt got another hit that scored Garrett and Craigan Travis. Surber brought both Ace Brown and Holt in which ended the game 8-0 putting McKenzie as 1A District 11 Champions.

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Left, Fillies who were honored include (L to R) Front Row: Annabelle Singleton, Lilly Kee and Kelby Crossno. Back Row: Sara Beth Smith, Josey Stokes, Delaney Byars and Quinn Kelley. Right, Mustangs who were honored include (L to R) Front Row: Bryson Whiteside, Braylin Dearmon, Caleb Ezell and Graham Bartholomew. Back Row: Landon Bryant, Kaleb Pearson, Tycen Willis and Rayshaun Bailey. Below Left, Lillie Kee, a senior, was honored as the Fillies MVP. She had 1,809 points during her high school career. Below Right, The Cheerleaders were honored for their hard work and dedication during the basketball season. They are (L to R) Front Row: Kayla Price, Ava Williams, Kennady Tharpe, Lincoln Dodd, Adalyn Allen and Makayla Douglas. Back Row: Kylie Tippitt, Sunny Carter, Aubrey McArthur, Emily Tippitt, Grace Smothers, Korra Doyle, Claudia Cooper and Madison Barton.



Fillies, Mustang Celebrate Successful Basketball Season

HUNTINGDON (April 27) — Huntingdon Fillies and Mustangs, along with the cheerleaders celebrated the 2023-24 basketball season during a banquet at First Baptist Church on Saturday, April 27.

The Fillies advanced to the state championship series slowing to Gibson County in Class 2A competition.

The team was 28-6 overall and the fourth team in school history to reach 28 wins in a season. They claimed the district, region, sectional titles.

The five starters all earned All-District honors. All District included Annabelle Singleton, Quinn Kelley, Delaney Byars and Josey Stokes. Singleton was district defensive MVP. Lillie Kee was district and region MVP. Kee scored 1,809 points in her high school career.

Coach David Wilkins presented awards to Delaney Byars — Most Versatile, Josey Stokes — Most Improved, Kelby Crossno — Most Hustle and Heart, Quinn Kelley — Most Three-Pointers; Sara Beth

Smith — Impact Award, Lillie Kee — Best Team-mate, Annabelle Singleton — Most Assists and Career Assists, Most Steals and Most Career Steals.

The Mustangs were honored by Coach Porsche McClerking. The five seniors were honored as co-MVPs: Tycen Willis, Rayshaun Bailey, Landon Bryant, Graham Bartholomew and Kaleb Pearson.

The Rookie Award went to Kenton Smith, Sixth Man Award was Bryson Whiteside; Newcomer Award was

Braylin Dearmon; Play-maker Award was Caleb Ezell; Hustle Award was Landon Bryant; Coaches Award was Graham Bartholomew, Most Improved was Rayshaun Bailey; Captain's Award and Defensive Player was Tycen Willis.

Each of the cheerleaders were honored with certificates and praise for their service during the long season for both teams. Vicki Crossno thanked the cheerleaders for their dedicated service to the school and the teams.



(L to R) MES — Kelly Simmons, MMS — Gretchen Boucher (accepted by Assistant Principal Josh Kee) and MHS — Carol Nanney.

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- 3 Patient, funny, creative, super smart, loves each child, and pours their heart into being a teacher.
- 4 They are full of life and love children; all three are Christian ladies and work hard for students.
- 5 They all have made a tremendous contribution to who and what I have become today as an individual.
- 6 Dedicated, goes the extra mile, takes on multiple responsibilities, and encourages students to be the best they can be.
- 7 Caring and enthusiastic about their job. They make every child feel loved and excited about learning.
- 8 So much more than just a teacher.
- 9 Loving, caring, equal, and fair.
- 10 Their passion for helping students inside the school as well as being wonderful members of the community outside of school.
- 11 Great commentators who truly care about the students and parents. They go above and beyond to help someone. They are patient and kind in all situations.
- 12 They pour unconditional love into their students.



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