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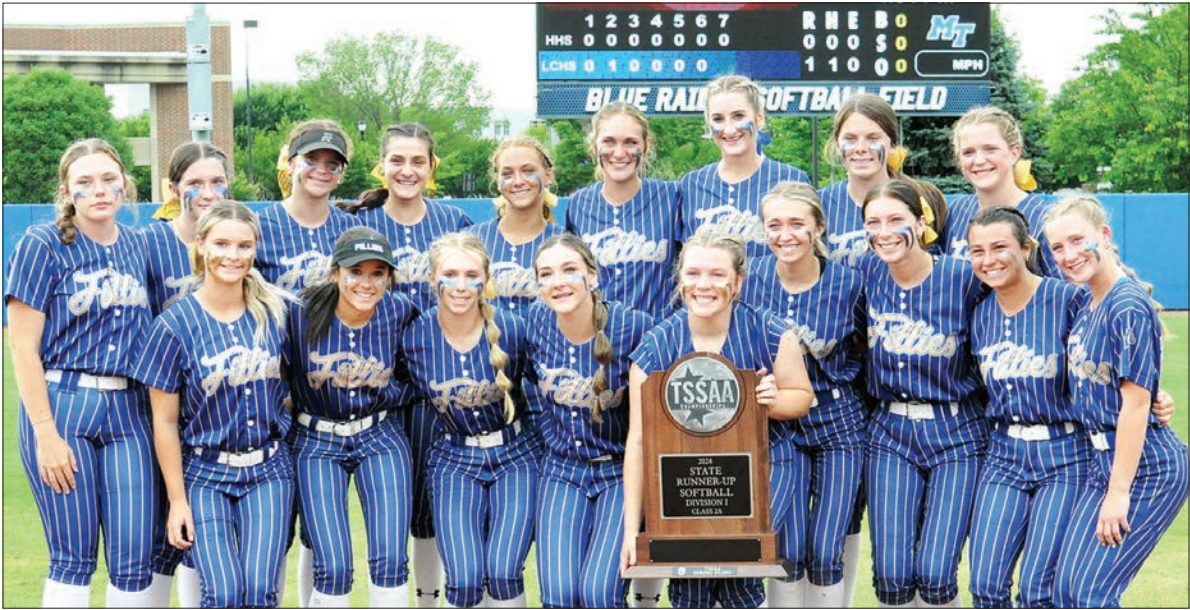
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Above, The Huntingdon Fillies claimed the TSSAA Class 2A State Softball Runner-Up title after falling 1-0 to Liberty Creek. Below, The Huntingdon Mustangs claimed the TSSAA Class 2A State Baseball Runner-Up title after falling 4-3 to Loretto. Photos by Jason R. Martin/The Banner



Huntingdon Mustangs, Fillies Claim State Runner-Up Title

BY JASON R. MARTIN
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MURFREESBORO (May 24) — After four days of intense action that included weather delays and a round-robin of venues, the Huntingdon Mustangs and Fillies claimed

state runner-up titles in baseball and softball for Class 2A. In a double-elimination format, both teams made it to Friday's round unscathed. The Mustangs drew Loretto High School in the championship round losing 4-3. While the Fillies took on Liberty Creek High School losing 1-0.

Coming into the championship game, the Mustangs defeated Smith County 10-0, Riverside 8-1 and Riverside a second time 14-3. The Fillies defeated Westmoreland 2-0, Meigs County 2-0 and Riverside 6-1.

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Carroll County Inclusion Park Vandalized

HUNTINGDON (May 24) — As completion nears, the Carroll County Inclusion Park suffered a setback due to being vandalized last week. The incident has pushed the opening date back.

In a statement released by the Carroll County Inclusion Park's Board, "We regret to inform the community that due to recent vandalism to the playground, our hope for an earlier opening date has been pushed back. Shortly after the construction crew installed the final layer of the PIP surfacing, an adult pried back the metal construction fencing and continued to walk around the park. It left sunken footprints that created holes and, therefore, compromised the stability of the surfacing. We are pushing

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Left, The temporary metal fence used to keep the public off the fresh surface at the Carroll County Inclusion Park was pried back allowing entry. Right, Crews had begun pouring the PIP surface on May 16.





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Huntingdon Mustangs 3, Loretto Mustangs 4

Despite out-hitting Loretto five to four, Huntingdon fell 4-3 on Friday.

Broox Bennett, Gray Eubanks, Braylon Rich, Silas Sharp, and Brady Warbritton each collected one hit for the Mustangs.

Sawyer Raines was the starting pitcher for Huntingdon, allowing two hits and one run over one and one-third innings, striking out one and walking three. Eubanks came in and pitched three and two-thirds innings. He allowed two hits and three runs (two earned) while striking out two and walking four. Graham Bartholomew closed the game.

Loretto was the first to get on the board in the first in-

ning when Mason Tidwell hit a solo home run to left field. Rich hit a sacrifice fly, which brought Warbritton around from second, tying the game at one in the top of the third.

A tag up by Jackson Traglia gave Loretto the lead, 2-1, in the bottom of the fourth.

In the fifth inning, Carter Daniel hit a two-run RBI double to right field scoring Clint Seymore and Tidwell giving Loretto a 4-1 lead.

Down but not out, the Mustangs brought it to within one run in the sixth inning. Rich doubled off a line drive to right field. Then, Bennett singled to left field. Bartholomew advanced the runners after grounding out. Sharp hit the two RBI single to left as Huntingdon trailed 4-3.

Huntingdon couldn't produce the necessary run to tie in the seventh as Loretto claimed the 2A Baseball State Championship. This was Huntingdon's eighth appearance in the state tourna-

ment and second runner-up.

Huntingdon Fillies 0, Liberty Creek Wolves 1

The Huntingdon Fillies and Liberty Creek Wolves game was a battle from the circle. For the Fillies, Natalie Kreuziger had faced 22 batters, striking out six. She threw 77 pitches for 46 strikes giving up one hit and two walks. Liberty Creek's Kaylor West pitched a perfect game allowing zero hits and zero runs over seven innings, striking out five. This was the first perfect game in eight years and the fifth perfect game in state tournament history.

Liberty Creek took an early lead in the second inning when Maisen Lewis doubled, scoring one run. This was the Fillies' tenth appearance in the state tournament and best finish as the runner-up.

More details on the Spring Fling will be available in a June 4 congratulatory section.



Bethel's Gaines Pool to Close

MCKENZIE — Bethel University's Gaines Pool is slated to close because of the maintenance cost of the indoor swimming pool.

In a Facebook post, Bethel announced, "It is with great sadness that we share this news. Bethel has decided to close the Gaines Pool. The cost to maintain is just too much at this time. It will be drained as of June 1.

"Thank you to all who

have hosted your parties here, brought your children to swim, or have enjoyed swimming some laps.

"We are actively researching ways to help fund the pool and cover the expenses — if you are aware of a grant available (or have any other suggestions) please contact us. We are hoping this is a short term closure, and that one day the pool will once again be available for our community!"

The pool is inside the Baker Field house.

Roy N. Baker Field House, constructed in 1969, is located at 15 Baker Drive, the Field House is named to honor Dr. Baker of Whiteville, Tenn. He was president of Bethel University from 1945-1968. The field house contains the multipurpose gymnasium, Gaines Indoor Pool, offices for physical education faculty, and classrooms.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of that certain LEASE, dated September 1, 2023, between Grantor Global Real Estate, LLC and Trustee K. Brian Hay, recorded September 6, 2023 in the Register of Deeds office for Carroll County, Tennessee at Trust Deed Book 734, Pages 762 – 777.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that Charles M. Cain, II, as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon said Successor Trustee will, on Friday, June 7, 2024 at or about Noon, at the Carroll County Courthouse located at 99 Court Square, Huntingdon, Tennessee 38344, offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder for certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or lending institution pre-approved by the Successor Trustee. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are express waived in the Deed of Trust, said property being real estate situated in Carroll County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

Tract 1, Parcel 1:

Being a parcel of land in the City of McKenzie, Twenty-Second Civil District, Carroll County, Tennessee, located in the Southwesterly quadrant of the CSX Railroad and North Highland Drive (U.S. Highway 79) and being more particularly described according to a survey made by Barge, Waggoner, Sumner and Cannon, Inc. Wendell H. Talky, Sr., Registered Land Surveyor No. 785, dated July 21, 1995, File No. 14767, as follows:

Beginning at a point in the Southerly right-of-way line of North Highland Drive (U.S. Highway 79) said point being North 50 degrees 03 minutes 13 seconds East, 163.00 feet from the Easterly right-of-way line of Oak Street (closed by City Ordinance 288, dated March 28, 1987, right-of-way not abandoned);

Thence with said Southerly right-of-way line of Highland Drive (U.S. Highway 79), North 50 degrees 03 minutes 13 seconds East, 437.34 feet to a point in the Westerly right-of-way line of the CSX Transportation Railroad;

Thence, with said Westerly right-of-way line of the CSX Railroad the following calls:

South 45 degrees 58 minutes 13 seconds East, 582.70 feet to a point; South 41 degrees 54 minutes 36 seconds East, 200.72 feet to a point; South 52 degrees 57 minutes 05 seconds East, 241.40 feet to a point; along a curve to the right 694.76 feet to a point, said curve having a central angle of 07 degrees 03 minutes 08 seconds a radius of 5,644.61 feet, a tangent of 347.82 feet and a chord of South 43 degrees 14 minutes 32 seconds East, 694.33 feet; North 50 degrees 17 minutes 02 seconds East, 4.00 feet to a point; along a curve to the right 360.64 feet to a point at the intersection of the Westerly right-of-way line of said CSX Railroad and the Northerly right-of-way line of Kencindot Drive, said curve having a central angle of 03 degrees 39 minutes 29 seconds, a radius of 5,648.61 feet, a tangent of 180.38 feet and a chord of South 37 degrees 53 minutes 13 seconds East, 360.58 feet;

Thence, with said right-of-way line of Kencindot Drive, North 87 degrees 47 minutes 46 seconds West, 984.50 feet to a point;

Thence, continuing with said right-of-way line of Kencindot Drive South 88 degrees 26 minutes 30 seconds West, 156.94 feet to a point in the Easterly right-of-way line of Oak Street;

Thence with said Easterly right-of-way of Oak Street, North 14 degrees 25 minutes 45 seconds West, 232.64 feet to a point;

Thence, continuing with said right-of-way North 39 degrees 59 minutes 47 seconds West, 11.30 feet to a point;

Thence, leaving said Northerly right-of-way with a severance line the following calls:

North 50 degrees 03 minutes 13 seconds East, 189.94 feet to a point, North 09 degrees 59 minutes 47 seconds West, 212.12 feet to a point, North 52 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds West, 602.64 feet to a point; North 39 degrees 59 minutes 47 seconds West, 318.00 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 982,241 square feet or 22.55 acres, more or less.

Tract 1, Parcel 2:

Being a parcel of land in the City of McKenzie, Twenty-Second Civil District, Carroll County, Tennessee, located in the Northwesterly quadrant at the intersection of Kencindot Drive and Oak Street and being more particularly described according to a survey made by Barge, Waggoner, Sumner and Cannon, Inc., Wendell H. Talley, Sr., Registered Land Surveyor No. 785, dated July 21, 1995, File No. 14767, as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the

Northerly right-of-way line of Kencindot Drive and the Westerly right-of-way line of Oak Street;

Thence, with said Northerly right-of-way line of Kencindot Drive, South 88 degrees 26 minutes 30 seconds West, 305.00 feet to a point;

Thence, leaving said right-of-way line with a lease line North 50 degrees 03 minutes 13 seconds East, 329.48 feet to a point in the Westerly right-of-way line of Oak Street (closed by City Ordinance 288, dated March 1987, right-of-way not abandoned);

Thence, with said Westerly right-of-way line of Oak Street, South 14 degrees 25 minutes 45 seconds East, 209.87 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 31,201 square feet or 0.72 acre, more or less.

Tract 2:

Beginning at an iron pin on the South margin of Hwy #79 (this margin being 70 feet from center) and the Northeast corner of Wen-Su Mfg. Co.; thence South 40 degrees 00 minutes East 1,089.4 feet along Wen-Su East line to a railroad spike in asphalt; thence North 50 degrees 00 minutes East 240 feet to a point; Thence North 10 degrees 00 minutes -West 212 feet to a point; thence North 52 degrees 45 minutes West 602.64 feet to a point; thence North 40 degrees 00 minutes West 318 feet to a point on the South margin of Hwy. #79; thence South 50 degrees 00 minutes West 213 feet along margin to the point of beginning, containing 6.56 acres, according to survey dated 1/20/90 of Samuel K. Carrell, R.L.S., Tenn. No. 606-349, 1070 Main St. N., McKenzie, Tennessee 38201.

Being the same property conveyed from Kenneth Todd, Clerk & Master, of the Chancery Court of Carroll County, Tennessee to the The County of Carroll, Tennessee by Clerk & Master's 2016 Tax Sale Deed of record in Warranty Deed Book 393, page 141, Register's Office for Carroll County, Tennessee, Dated May 8, 2020 and recorded on May 29, 2020.

Being the same property conveyed to FB Acquisition Property XXII, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company by Special Warranty Deed In Lieu of Foreclosure from G & F Partnership, LLC, an administratively dissolved Tennessee limited liability company of record in Book 375, page 106, Register's Office for Carroll County, Tennessee, dated June 22, 2016 and recorded on June 30, 2016, as corrected by Scrivener's Affidavit to correct Grantor's name (should have been "G & F Partners, LLC"), recorded on June 26, 2020 in Book 393 at page 575 in the same said office.

BEING the same property conveyed by Special Warranty Deed from FB Acquisition Property XXII, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company to Mark A. Hafner Family Trust UAD December 14, 2011, and its successors and assigns, as recorded on the 26th day of June, 2020 at 11:03 AM in Deed Book 393, Page 581 in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee.

BEING the same property conveyed to Reef Point, LLC (an Arizona limited liability company), Trustee of Chernobyl Strategies Business Trust (a Missouri business trust) by Quitclaim Deed dated September 1, 2023 from Mark A. Hafner Family Trust UAD December 14, 2011, filed of record in Warranty Deed Book 411 at page 630 in the Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee.

BEING the same property conveyed to Global Real Estate, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company, by Special Warranty Deed dated September 1, 2023 from Reef Point, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company, as Trustee of Chernobyl Strategies Business Trust, a Missouri business trust, of record in Warranty Deed Book 411 at page 634 in the Carroll County, Tennessee Register of Deeds office.

Known as 15440 Highland Dr., McKenzie, TN 38201 Tax parcel #016D-C-001.01

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; 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 may disclose. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property: **Reef Point, LLC, as Trustee of Chernobyl Strategies Business Trust, Global Real Estate, LLC as a separate Deed of Trust for \$1,500,000 against the property.**

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time and place certain without further notice or publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above.

DATED: May 17, 2024

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West Carroll Considers Safety Upgrades at its Three Schools

ATWOOD — Building improvements and safety upgrades were the topic of discussion during the May meeting of the West Carroll School Board of Education.

In August 2023, the Board voted to contract with Lashlee-Rich of Humboldt to serve as construction managers for safety enhancements at the three school sites. Greer Lashlee said he would submit a 'maximum guaranteed price'

and construction options.

The preliminary inspection by Lashlee-Rich indicates more than an estimated \$1.5 million in repairs, replacements and upgrades. All schools are working to improve the safety of their children with improved door entrances, new windows or safety-film coated windows, improved vestibules, and rekeyed doors.

Lashlee-Rich offers a flexible option for the school to make some or

all repairs at one, two, or all three school sites.

West Carroll Primary at McLemoresville indicates a preliminary estimate of \$556,791 for exterior doors, security film on exterior windows, new interior doors, and a secure vestibule.

West Carroll Elementary School at Trezevant indicates a preliminary estimate of \$499,499. That includes exterior and interior doors, secure vestibule, and security film on windows.

West Carroll Junior/High School at Atwood indicates a preliminary estimate of \$590,120 for security film on windows, new front door entrance, new windows, rekeyed doors at the ballfields, and install a new fieldhouse door.

West Carroll Board will evaluate the costs for the 2024-25 fiscal year beginning in July. The Board will choose the repairs to fund.

Earlier this school year, the Board approved a single metal detector made by CEIA at a price of \$23,155. The system has two uprights positioned on each side of the entryway to screen incoming visitors. Mr. Caldwell said the CEIA system is portable and can be relocated to school doors or entrances at sporting events. The board reviewed options for a single handheld wand for \$5,000 and the Evolve system, which was priced at \$110,000.

Also, earlier this year, Martin Paving Company of Medina was awarded the bid to perform paving at the high school, and driveway sealing at the elementary and primary schools. The bid was \$373,530 for two-inch of paving overlay at the high school, enlarging the bus loop, and making repairs. At the elementary, the dumpster pad will be excavated and replaced with new concrete and the pavement sealed. At the primary, the pavement will be resealed and striped and the sidewalk repaired. That work is to be completed during summer break.

TOWN OF TREZEVANT

NOTICE

The Town of Trezevant will hold a public hearing on June 4, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss raising water rates. Everyone is encouraged to attend. It will be at the Trezevant Community Center.

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Vandalized

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forward with our current plans for the project and are working to find a solution for this setback.

“We are grateful for our security cameras and we were able to turn over clear footage to investigators. Our non-profit volunteers are for the public. We have volunteered our time for 3 years. I promise you there isn’t anyone working more diligently to get it open for all to enjoy. We are asking the public to respect our signs until it is approved to be open, and we can all play together safely.”

PIP (Poured in Place Rubber) is a surface used for ADA accessibility. The surface at the park cost approximately \$400,000. On May 16, crews from Long Island, New York began pouring the compounded material. It takes several days for the layers to dry and cure. One of the warnings provided by PIP installation companies was to prevent anyone from stepping onto the surface before the area was sufficiently cured.

In a statement from Lori Dillahunt, chairperson for the inclusion facility, “Every footprint is now a spot that can become a larger



While not necessarily visible in the photo, footprints were left behind permanently damaging the PIP surface.

hole as soon as little feet start scuffing across it. At other parks we researched, if the PIP was not put in correctly or walked on too soon it will not set and can be picked loose. We chose this surfacing for accessibility and minimal maintenance. Not sure if we can

promise that now. I’m just heartbroken. We were so close to getting this park open in June. Now I just don’t know what time frame we can find to fix before opening day.”

A celebration event for the park is still scheduled for August 10.

McKenzie Station Splash Pad, Harmony Park Now Open

MCKENZIE — McKenzie Station Splash Pad and the adjacent Harmony Park reopened Saturday, May 25 in downtown McKenzie. It is open daily 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. for children.

In the year 2022, the city earned an award from the Tennessee Municipal League Award for Small City Progress for its innovation in adding livability features to the city. Former McKenzie Mayor Jill Holland, Vice-Mayor Jessie Townes, and Councilman Bobby Young accepted the award on behalf of the city.

The city took a neglected greenspace that was the location of the first railroad depot and passenger train track in McKenzie and turned it into a splash pad reflecting the spot’s railroad history. The McKenzie Station Splash Pad has been a popular addition, especially during the sum-



mer months. Nearby, the city also established Harmony Park, which gives children a chance to explore musical skills on large outdoor percussion instruments. A covered pavilion was added in 2022 for family gatherings or for parents to wait as their children play at the splash pad.

The city was also honored in 2022 for converting an

old Studibaker automobile dealership to a Farmer’s Market and restoring the Park Theatre to operations, along with restoring the former railroad depot.

The McKenzie Station Splash Pad and the Farmers Market opens May 25 and June 1 respectively. Nights on Broadway opens June 7, 7 p.m. in downtown.



TCAT-McKenzie to Break Ground on New Administrative Offices, Classrooms

MCKENZIE — Construction will begin later this year on a new administrative and classroom complex at the Tennessee College of Applied Technology at McKenzie. Construction is slated to begin in the fall of 2024 and take more than one year to complete. Bell and Associates is the general contractor.

Willie Huffman, president of TCAT-McKenzie and TCAT-Henry/Carroll in Paris said the new 18,000 square-foot facility will provide modern facilities for the 59-year-old campus. The new complex will be situated front and right of the existing administrative building. Once complete, the existing administrative building will be razed.

Huffman said the instructional wing to the rear of the campus will remain. That is where welding, automotive technology, heat and air condition, industrial maintenance, and information system technology classes are held.

A walkway will connect the current classrooms to the new administrative/classroom building.

TCAT-McKenzie, soon to also bear the name of TCAT-Henry/Carroll along with its sister campus in Paris.

TCAT-McKenzie has classes in welding at a Dresden campus, residential building maintenance and welding at the Carroll County Technical School, for high school students, is in Huntingdon as part of a dual enrollment.

Advanced manufacturing technology is offered as dual enrollment at Clarksburg High School, and classes at the Benton County Vocational School provides dual enrollment in automotive technology.

Full enrollment at the McKenzie campus is estimated at 135 students in the various classes.

A totally new campus is planned in Henry County

along State Route 218 bypass. Huffman said TCAT had a 50-year lease on the building owned by the County of Henry. A new 98,000 square-foot building is planned for Henry County.

In the history of the Paris campus, construction began in October of 1970, and the building was occupied March 1, 1972. During the construction period, the school operated a limited program from the McKenzie School and a temporary office in Paris.

The Paris school, adjacent to Henry County High School, continued as a branch of the Area Vocational-Technical School, McKenzie, until July 1, 1973, when it became independent by action of the State Board for Vocational Education.

Paris campus offers many of the classes as McKenzie, with the addition of nursing, residential building maintenance, cosmetology. With the new campus, a new telecommunications class will be added through a \$1,000,000 state grant.

Huffman is the president of both the McKenzie and Paris campuses. Dr. Jan Latimer is the vice-president of both. Huffman is retiring June 30 after 36 years of service. He began his career as a counselor and financial aid director at the State Area Vocational School. That name changed to the Tennessee Technology Center and now TCAT. With three name changes, Huffman progressed through the ranks, served at both McKenzie and Paris campuses, and was named president on April 1, 2021. He said he is proud young adults and high school students are learning the value of vocational training. The local school has experienced a significant influx of dual enrollment high school students eager to learn a good-paying trade.

On July 1, John Penn Ridgeway, the current mayor of Henry County, assumes the office of president of TCAT Henry/Carroll. Ridgeway was formerly a staff member at TCAT from 2007 through 2020. He holds a Master of Arts in Education from Bethel University and a Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration from the University of Tennessee at Martin. John Penn served at the McKenzie campus of TCAT under the presidency of now retired Dr. Brad White.

History of the McKenzie Campus

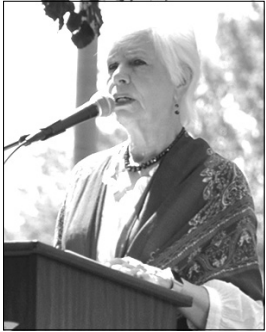
The Tennessee Technology Center at McKenzie, formerly named the McKenzie State Area Vocational School, is one of 27 Technology Centers in the State of Tennessee and is located on Highway 79 and 22, within the city limits of McKenzie.

The construction of the McKenzie School began in the spring of 1964 and was completed in 1965. It began operation under the local direction of Guy R. Kirk, who was appointed to the position of Superintendent of the School by then Assistant Commissioner of Vocational Education in Tennessee, Charlie Dunn. The School enrolled its first students in July of 1965 in Automotive Mechanics, Drafting and Office Occupations. The first students to graduate from the Center did so in 1966.

In 1999 the Center underwent a two million dollar renovation project. This project included building new shop classrooms, installing a new heat and air system, and an electrical system in the industrial building, renovating the administrative building and connecting the two shop buildings to the administrative by adding two new classrooms.



Top Left, Carroll County Mayor Joseph Butler addresses those in attendance at McKenzie’s Memorial Day event. Top Right, Flags blow in the breeze at McKenzie’s Veterans Park. Above Left, Retired Sgt. Major Steve Davis (left) and Retired Master Sgt. Dana Deem (right) placed a memorial wreath at the War Memorial in McKenzie. Photos by Brittany Martin/The Banner Above Right, Huntingdon Boy Scouts presented the colors. Below Left, Members of the Boy Scouts placed a wreath at Huntingdon’s War Memorial. Below Center, Huntingdon Mayor Nina Smothers welcomed those in attendance. Below Right, Dr. Walter Butler shared his message about how families are forever changed due to war. Photos by Jason R. Martin/The Banner



Memorial

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those in attendance and acknowledged those in the audience who served in the armed forces.

Dr. Walter Butler delivered the message of how combat and deaths in service to one’s country forever alter families. He spoke about his family’s service and took time to focus on his uncle Major Walter Sidney Butler, Jr. Major Butler was part of the 23rd Fighter Group which was known as the Fighting Tiger.

He lost his life while fighting in the Pacific Theater.

After joining the Army Air Corps in 1941. Butler flew numerous missions in the Pacific. In 1944, he was discharged and returned home. In just a matter of days, he decided to reenlist and was placed with the 76th Fighter Squadron with the rank of captain.

On April 3, 1945, he was piloting his P-51D Mustang #44-11284 left a base at Laohwangping, China. He was leading a dive bombing and strafing mission to Yangtong. His plane was hit by anti-aircraft fire on their last pass. His last communication

was “I am hit.” He was promoted to major a few days prior and probably did not know about the promotion at the time of his death.

Dr. Butler stated his grandparents were grief-stricken at the loss of their son. His grandfather died of a stroke a few years later, and his grandmother rarely left her seat at the window waiting and watching for her son to return home.

At the end of the program, a memorial wreath was placed by Huntingdon Boy Scouts followed by the playing of Taps and the raising of the United States Flag.

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On April 23, Broadway Street was changed to a one-way at the request of Mayor Ryan Griffin without prior public notice, an ordinance or public input. If you feel that an error has been made, please sign the petition to keep Broadway as a two-way street. Thank you for your consideration.



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THE WIT AND WISDOM OF DAVID JOHNSON

The Hitching Rail

A lot of you reading this have no idea what it's like to live in a town of 5,000 people. You probably have lots of preconceived ideas about what life in such a small town must be like. Some of your notions may be accurate. But there are some things about life in a small town that can only be known by living there.

Several years ago, I was at our small, local hospital (before the era of small hospitals being shuttered left and right) when I noticed something that reminded me why I love my town. In the grassy area to one side of the hospital was an old-fashioned hitching rail.

On the outskirts of our town live several families who are followers of the Amish faith. They're the ones who wear mostly black, their women wear dresses, men have beards, they have no electricity or plumbing, and they travel by horse and buggies with iron wheels.

When they come town to see a doctor or go to a store, they tie their horses to something to keep them from wandering off, and that's what a hitching rail is for.

Amish are friendly and hardworking people, but they're definitely a minority, even in our area. I have no idea what percentage of patients or customers they represent, though I'm confident it's quite small.

That doesn't matter because we try to accommodate each other in my town. We don't all share the same views on things, but that's ok. We'll do what we can to make things run as smoothly as we can by helping each other.

After one of our unusually heavy snows one winter, an Amish man hitched his horses to a piece of machinery and "plowed" the snow off the road for all his non-Amish, automobile-driving neighbors.

Believe it or not we even had our version of "Earnest T. Bass" living among us for several years. Remember that character from the Andy Mayberry show? Odd and eccentric would

be compliments if given to Earnest T Bass. Barney once remarked to Andy about Earnest T, "He's a nut!"

Our version, whose name I will change to Tommy, was just a little off center. He came from a family tree that had no branches, if you know what I mean. His dipper didn't hold any water.

Tommy talked with a severe nasal whine and had a slight speech impediment that sometimes left you guessing what he said. He told me once about an accident he had while riding on a horse.

"Someone pu' a huckle-burh under by faddle and dat horse fwohed me off!"

He always needed a shave. His hair was plastered to his head with what could have been Pennzoil 10W30. His clothes never seemed to fit his oddly proportioned body.

Tommy loved Elvis. He once had a bit too much to drink and decided to sit on the hood of his car and sing "You Ain't Nothin' But a Hound Dog." That wouldn't have been too bad if he'd done it in his own yard and if he hadn't taken his shirt off. But he chose to do this when parked outside the grocery store on a busy Saturday afternoon. The police came and quietly and discreetly eased him to a less frequented area.

I'm sure that attention made Tommy happy because the only thing he loved more than Elvis was the idea of becoming a policeman. There was a time he bought an old van and used several cans of spray paint to paint on the side what was supposed to be the head of a German Shepherd. It turned out looking more like a portrait of Sammy Davis, Jr. On the other side of the van he painted "K-9 Unit."

He was regularly seen patrolling the roads, sunglasses in place and hat pulled down low. He got in trouble more than once for using a blue light to try and enforce whatever

rule suited his fancy at the moment.

Another phase Tommy went through was when he became fascinated with wanting to have a tow truck. He bought a dilapidated pickup truck and built a crude wooden frame in the bed, complete with chains and hooks. It was something only Fred Sanford would have been proud of.

Tommy actually tried to use his tow truck a couple of times which resulted in the complete destruction of his wooden creation. But in typical Tommy fashion, he wasn't deterred. He picked up the pieces and threw them in the back of the truck. Before long he was driving the rebuilt wrecker and scanning the highways for stranded drivers.

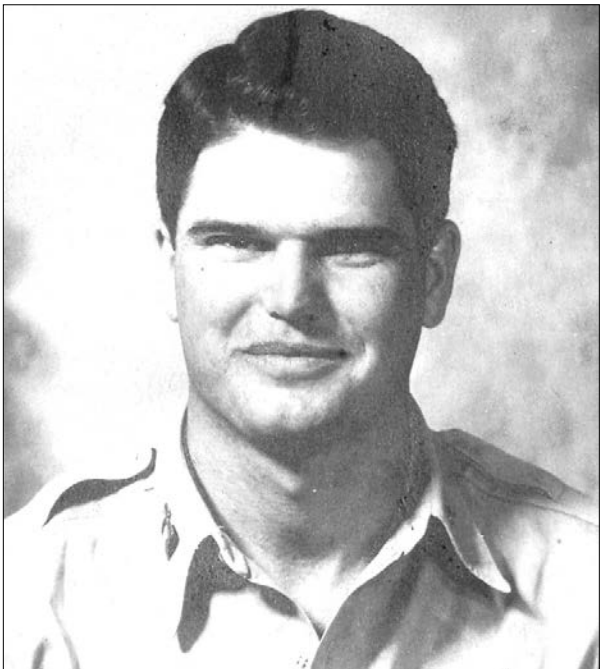
Then there was the time Tommy wanted to run for mayor. I was pumping gas when I saw him approaching. Dressed in baggy double-knit plaid pants, a white shirt that his ample girth wouldn't let him tuck in, and a necktie that must have been eight inches wide, he could have been a clown escaped from a circus. He was red-faced and sweating.

It took a few breathless tries on his part but I finally understood him to say that he was trying to get enough signatures to qualify for running for mayor. I looked at his list and, sure enough, he already had twenty-two signatures.

I often commented that if Tommy lived in a big city somewhere, he'd have been shot years ago. But fortunately, he lived in my town where we all recognized he meant no harm to anyone, so he was mostly overlooked.

Yeah, I know that there are lots of inconveniences about living in a small town. But for my part, those are outweighed by the advantages of a sense of community and people looking out for each other.

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



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Walter Sidney Butler, Jr.

A Remembrance for Memorial Day

After listening to Dr. Walter Butler speak this morning at Huntingdon's Memorial Day event, I really wanted to know more about his uncle, Major Walter Sidney Butler, Jr. Within a few minutes of searching on-line for information, I found a treasure trove, and I am sharing it now in memory of Major Butler.

Walter Butler was the son of Walter Sidney Butler, Sr. and Mabel Glen Giles of Huntingdon, Tennessee.

After graduating from Huntingdon High School in 1938, he completed two years of college at Memphis State before enlisting in the Army Air Corps, April 26 1941 in Jackson, Mississippi.

Major Walter S. Butler, Jr. is mentioned in a newspaper article, having flown in the same 23rd Fighter Group and 76th Fighter Squadron that came under command of the famous WWII Flying Tigers All Volunteer Group (AVG) Ace Pilot Brigadier General David Lee "Tex" Hill after the AVG merged with the 14th Air Force under the command of General Claire "Lee" Chennault.

He is also commemo-

rated on page 394 of The Aluminum Trail by Chick Marrs Quinn. The book lists and honors all of those that went missing and were lost "over The Hump" in the China-Burma-India Theatre during WWII.

Major Butler was leading a dive bombing and strafing mission in P-51D #44-11284 3 April 1945 on a course of 130 degrees. The visibility was four miles in haze. He and his wing aircraft had left a base at Laohwangping with a target at Yangtong. His plane was hit by anti-aircraft fire on their last pass approximately one-half mile east of Erh Tong (Erh-Tong Airfield at Kweilin) headed west.

His wingman, 2nd Lt Harry Hill, Jr., ASN 0-705582, stated the following: "Butler was leading the flight. I was flying Butler's wing. Butler called the flight and said that this was our last pass. I saw Butler heading west as I was making my pass in a SW direction. I pulled up from my pass and started rendezvous, calling Butler and asking his position. The last thing I heard, Butler called 'I am hit.' The remainder of the flight tried to call Butler but no radio contact was made. We rendezvoused, searched

for his plane or parachute and sighted neither; it is believed he possibly went into the cloud layer and headed north."

From the "Carroll County Democrat" and "Tennessee Republican" in April of 1945

Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Butler, Wednesday received a telegram from the war department that their son, Major Walter S. Butler, has been missing in India in the Burma area since April 3, 1945.

Major Butler may not have even been aware of his late promotion from Captain to Major. His last letter to his parents did not indicate he had been informed of his promotion.

Major Butler was one of those American boys who volunteered at the beginning of the war to fight the Japs in China. He was under the command of General Clair Chennault as one of the immortal Flying Tigers. These flyers had obsolete planes at the beginning. They lacked most of the things needed to successfully combat the Japs, but their skill and daring made up for any lack of mechanical aids.

With the arrival of more men and newer planes to China, the original Flying Tigers were sent back to the states--that is those who remained. Major Butler, then a Captain came home, wearing an old uniform because he had given all his good clothes to his buddies when he left China as clothing was difficult to get.

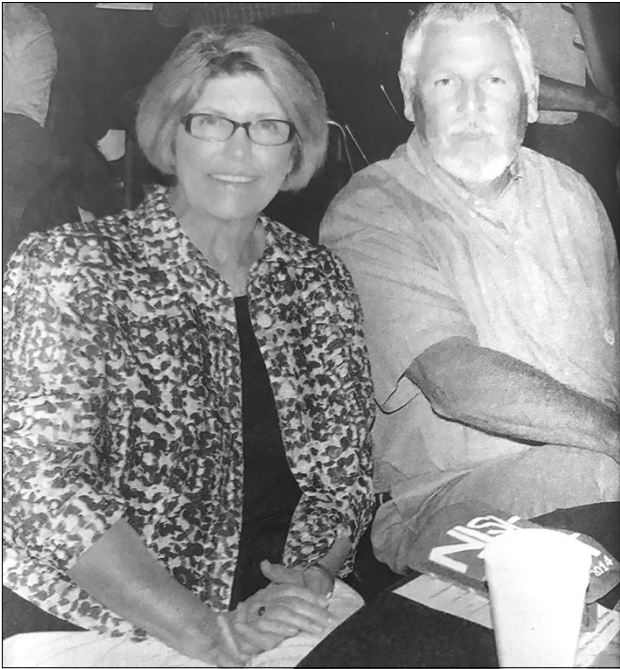
After remaining in the states for a time, Major Butler volunteered for active overseas duty again. He did not have to do this because he had served his allotted time, but this was his choosing.

He chose active service again where his experience, bravery and flying skill was needed by his country. Often decorated for bravery, he again chose to "seek out the enemies of his country."

There might be a slim chance that Major Butler made a forced landing or parachuted to safety. We all hope such is the case.

Major Butler was declared dead 3 October 1945.

He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Purple Heart.



Left, 10 Years Ago — The Carroll North branch of Relay for Life held its annual survival dinner. This was held at McKenzie Church of Christ and Sponsored by Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Survivor Peggy Chappell enjoyed the music with her husband Richard. Center, 25 Years Ago — McKenzie, Huntingdon Head Start Celebrated the end of the school year. There was a small graduation ceremony with songs from the children. Teachers Rita Hayes and Stacy Tippett, holding Lindsey Balius, Catherine Jimenez and Molly Tippet all had a great time at the festivities. Right, 50 Years Ago — At Bethel Awards day Terry Howell was presented an award for his academic achievements and excellence in the studies of English by Mrs. Naomi Blanks. Howell scored a 2.90 out of 3.0.



Looking Back from Our Archives

10 Years Ago — McKenzie Youth Summer Tee-Ball started. To get an out Kadarius Tharpe threw a ball to Fletcher Holt at first.

*During the McKenzie Elementary School reading program students came to the MES Library for reading assistance. Mrs. Carol Nan-

ney reads with one of these students, Mahki Watkins.

25 Years Ago — Earl Dinwiddie from Huntingdon High School was selected to play in the Shriner's East/West Tennessee All Star Classic football game at MTSU.

*Baptist Memorial Hospital upgraded their Computed Tomography area.

They installed an advanced helical system, the first in Carroll County.

50 Years Ago — Joel Washburn was presented the typing award by Mrs. Dorris Woodard. He received this award because of his speed and accuracy when typing.

*Mrs. Jean Morgan was chosen for the LPN of the

year award. She was chosen for her integrity, adaptability, and proficiency as a nurse. She was presented this award by W. B. Hollowell.

75 Years Ago — The newspaper put a scene from the movie "Pitfall" which showed the beginning of a dangerous affair for Dick Powell. Who was a married

insurance investigator who fell for Lizabeth Scott.

*Rev. Thomas H. Campbell got the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

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Obituaries

GARY RICHARD TOWNES 1954 – 2024

McKENZIE — Funeral services for Gary Richard Townes is Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at 10 a.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Interment is at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, and Brother Kenny Carr is the officiant. Pallbearers to serve are Dylan Nolin, Chance Townes, Olen Reed, Zachary Annis, Will Jones, Jon Grandowicz, Keith Prince and Curtis Saylor. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 5-8 p.m. and Wednesday at 9 a.m. until service time at the funeral home.

Mr. Townes, 69, is a retired construction and maintenance man and also a cowboy. He was born in McKenzie on May 27, 1954, to Jamie and Agnes Moore Townes. He married Sherry Gearin on March 25, 1972.

He is survived by his wife Sherry Townes, two daughters Amy Reed and her husband Timothy, Tina Annis and her husband Mike, a son Jeffrey Townes and his wife Jennifer, three sisters Shirley Carter, Bettye Black, and Gail Higdon and her husband Donald, two brothers Terry Townes and his wife Brenda and Billy Townes, eight grandchildren Darby Jones and her husband Will, Olen Reed, Dylan Nolin and his wife Ali, Tiffany Nolin and her husband John, Olivia Nolin, Zachary Annis, Chance Townes and his wife Heather and Kendall Prince and her husband Keith. And three great-grandchildren Eva Townes, Declan Townes and Sernia Grandowicz

He is preceded in death by his parents, a sister Linda Townes, and brothers Larry Townes and Ronnie Townes.

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GAYRON SUE RUSSELL LYLES 1952 – 2024

McKENZIE — Funeral services for Gayron Sue Russell Lyles is Thursday, May 30, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. Interment is at Mt Olivet Cemetery, Brother J.D. Russell is the officiant. The family will receive friends on Thursday, 11 a.m. until service time at the funeral home.

Ms. Lyles, 72, died Saturday, May 25, 2024, at her residence. She was born on January 25, 1952, in McKenzie to Virgil Dempsey Russell and Vernie Genola Bridges Russell. She is a member of McKenzie Church of Christ and worked at National Gypsum for 40 years in the customer service department.

She is survived by a brother Virgil (Pam) Russell of Las Vegas, two sister in laws Joyce Russell and Brenda Russell and two grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, a sister Judy Ann Cagle and two brothers James Kelly Russell and Bobby Gene Russell.

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GILBERT HILL PERRITT 1939 – 2024

GLEASON — Gilbert Hill Perritt, 85, of Gleason, died at his home on May 19, 2024. His wishes were to be cremated. A celebration of life will be announced at a later date and time.

He was born May 4, 1939, and died May 19, 2024.

Mr. Perritt is survived by his three daughters, Twyla

(Cavi) Torre, Trina (Stephen) Vickers, and Trista (Chris) Snider all of Gleason. He is also survived by six grandchildren. Mr. Perritt was preceded in death by his parents, Doyle and Ivy Perritt. Williams Funeral Home of Gleason has charge of arrangements.

TRAVIS EARL COPELAND 1982 – 2024

HUNTINGDON — Mr. Travis Earl Copeland, 41, of Huntingdon, died Monday, May 20, 2024, at his home.

Travis Copeland was born on May 24, 1982, in Orlando, Fla., to Denise Larson-Fischer and Colen Copeland.

Travis is survived by daughters, Madison Copeland and Katelin Burns, his mother, Denise Larson-Fischer, and sisters, Kristy Knowlton, Elaine Fischer and Loralen Morgan, wife, Rachel Copeland.

He is preceded in death by his brother, Chad Copeland, Stepdad Rick Fischer and dad, Buck (Colen) Copeland.

Location is Chase Funeral Home, 21190 East Main Street, Huntingdon.

MARTHA JEAN ATKINS 1933 – 2024

Mrs. Martha Jean Atkins, 90, of Jackson, died Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at her home.

No services are planned at this time.

Martha Jean Atkins was born in Minter City, Miss., on July 17, 1933. She was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, Melvin Atkins, a son, Charles Atkins, her parents, Bill and Bessie Murphree, and three brothers.

She is survived by a son, Timothy Atkins, of Huntingdon, two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Chase Funeral Home, Huntingdon.

UT Martin Board Recommends Three-Percent Tuition Increase

MARTIN — A three-percent in-state undergraduate tuition increase for UT Martin students was recommended for the 2024-25 academic year by the university's advisory board Friday, May 17, during the board's summer meeting in the Boling University Center. The recommendation now goes to the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees for consideration at the board's annual meeting June 24-25 in Knoxville. The UTM Advisory Board also recommended a \$174 million UT Martin operating budget for UT board consideration in June.

Petra McPhearson, UT Martin senior vice chancellor for finance and administration, presented the proposed budget and explained that the increase means undergraduate students will pay an additional \$256 per year starting this fall for a total tuition payment of \$8,802 for the academic year.

Undergraduate students will also pay more for student fees, including an \$8 per semester student media fee for a total of \$30 per year. Previously named the student publication fee, the fee increase will help to support WUTM 90.3 "The Hawk" and UTM TV operations. A new academic support fee supported by the Student Government Association will total \$40 per semester and will fund increased supplemental instruction, tutoring and other student academic support.

Tuition and fees for full-time in-state undergraduate students enrolled for 12 or more hours per semester will rise 3.45% for a total cost of \$10,560 per academic year. Tuition and fees for full-time graduate students will rise 2.6% to bring the total cost to \$11,396 per academic year for an in-state student enrolled for nine or more credit

hours.

Students who take dual enrollment courses through the university's successful Dual Enrollment

Program will be assessed at a reduced rate of \$554.40 per three-credit hour course, which will be fully covered by the Tennessee Dual Enrollment Grant and UT Martin Dual Advantage Scholarship.

"This (dual enrollment rate) essentially is being proposed to simplify how this information is represented to high school students and their parents. ... So, the net effect to the student is zero dollars," McPhearson said. Dual enrollment courses allow high school students to earn college-level coursework credit as they complete high school graduation requirements.

In other board actions: Jake Bynum, the university's new chief of staff, was elected advisory board secretary; Dr. Dan McDonough, professor of history, was appointed advisory board faculty representative; and Chayil Watkins of Somerville was appointed student representative.

UT Martin Chancellor Yancy Freeman announced Jeanna Curtis-Swofford as the new vice chancellor for advancement following a nationwide search. Curtis-Swofford previously served as the university's interim vice chancellor for advancement.

He also previewed the process to create a new UT Martin Strategic Plan that will

be presented during the UT Board of Trustees meeting in February 2025 in Martin.

Freeman highlighted two examples of experiential learning that offered UTM students real-world learning opportunities: the TVA Investment Challenge in which students manage a real investment portfolio and a focus-group project conducted by a political science class for Ford BlueOval City.

"It is incredibly important that we continue to give them those experiences," Freeman told the board members. "When I talk to alumni, what they say to me is, 'I was prepared at UTM,' ... I think it is because of these experiences and chances to work very closely with the faculty that our students feel very good and prepared."

Members of the UT Martin Advisory Board are Hal Bynum, Dresden; Taylor Cantrell, student representative, Newbern; Dan Strasser, alumni representative, Chapel Hill; Art Sparks, board chair, Union City; Dr. Clinton Smith, faculty representative, Martin; Johnny Woolfolk, Jackson; and Dr. Tonya Reynoldson, Camden. The full meeting is archived for viewing at www.utm.edu/abmeeting, and associated meeting materials are available at www.utm.edu/advisoryboard.

The UTM Advisory Board's next meeting will be Sept. 20 in the Boling University Center.

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NASHVILLE (April 2024) — Unemployment rates decreased in all 95 counties of Tennessee during April, according to the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

Tennessee's unemployment rate of 3.1 percent in April 2024 matches the April 2023 rate. Of the 3,404,394 in the state's labor force, there were 3,297,851 employed, leaving 106,543 unemployed.

Carroll County's rate of 3.1 percent in April matches the state's percentage of unemployment. The April rate is less than the March 2024 rate of 3.3. Of the 11,757 in the labor force, there were 11,388 employed and 369 unemployed.

Henry County's rate of 3.0 is down from 3.4 one month earlier and 3.1 percent one year earlier. From a labor force of 13,629, there were 13,216 employed and 413 unemployed.

Weakley County's rate of 2.9 percent is less than the March rate of 3.1 and higher than the 2.8 rate one year earlier. From a labor force of 15,065, there were 14,625 employed and 440 unemployed.

The rate of unemployment is less than 5.0 per-

cent in all 95 counties.

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McKENZIE SCHOOL BOARD TO HOLD BUDGET WORKSHOP

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cuss the 2024-2025 proposed district budget, along with discussion of other items related to the effective operation of McKenzie Special Schools.

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The McKenzie Memorial Library, Broadway Street, is open, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays throughout the summer for the Summer Reading Program. Additionally, the library has programs on most Saturdays beginning at 11:30 a.m.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH HOMECOMING

Bethel Baptist Church McKenzie is hosting Homecoming Day service on June 2. Morning worship services, lunch and then the Gospelaire from Huntingdon will sing at 1:30 p.m. You are invited to attend this event and worship with us.

CARROLL HUMANE SOCIETY EVENTS

Dog Vouchers

We are currently selling spay/neuter vouchers for dogs. The cost is \$50 and surgeries will be done at the Huntingdon Animal Clinic. Must be 6 months or older at time of the appointment. No residency or income requirements. Vouchers must be purchased in person at the shelter during business hours Tuesday-Saturday 8 a.m.-12 p.m. We are running low on spay vouchers so hurry if you want one. We have several more neuter vouchers. Cash or card only.

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CARROLL REPUBLICAN PARTY MEETS

Carroll County Republican Party meets monthly each fourth Tuesday, 7 p.m. in the Public Safety Building in Huntingdon.

McKENZIE TOPS TO MEET

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

CARROLL COMMISSION MEETS MONTHLY

Carroll County Commission meets the second Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the Conference Room of the Carroll County Office Complex, High Street, Huntingdon. There are no meetings in February and July.

CARROLL DEMOCRATIC PARTY MEETS

The Carroll County Democratic Party meets the third Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. at 12740 Lexington Street, Huntingdon.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Huntingdon Location — Adult Education Building, 14155 Paris Street. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Classes are offered for one-on-one instruction on Mondays, 1-4 p.m. and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to NOON. For more information, phone 731-364-5481.

Gleason Honored as a Tennessee Downtown Revitalization Community

Gleason was selected to be one of twelve towns in the state to benefit from the Tennessee Downtowns Program, which will benefit downtown Gleason in a variety of ways over the next two years. Angie Lassiter of Gleason Downtown Revitalization, and Mayor Charles Anderson attended the kick-off meeting in Nashville on May 21 for this prestigious program.

Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development Commissioner Stuart C. McWhorter today announced the 12 Tennessee communities selected to participate in the ninth round of the Tennessee Downtowns program.

The communities selected are Adamsville, Baxter, Byrdstown, Camden, Decatur, Gleason, Jellico, Loudon, McEwen, Munford, Spring City and Wartrace.

"The investments we make in rural Tennessee benefit all Tennesseans, and the Tennessee Downtowns program allows us to equip some of our most rural communities with the tools needed to better develop and revitalize their downtown districts," said TNECD Commissioner Stuart C. McWhorter. "I congratulate the 12 communities participating in the latest round of the program and look forward to seeing how their downtowns flourish and attract new growth in the years to come."

TNECD provides the Tennessee Downtowns program to communities that want to pursue the Main Street America approach to downtown revitalization. Since its inception in 2010, 78 communities have participated in the Tennes-



Angie Lassiter of Gleason Downtown Revitalization, and Gleason Mayor Charles Anderson.

see Downtowns program, and the newly designated communities bring that total to 90.

The Tennessee Downtowns program helps local communities revitalize traditional commercial districts, enhance community livability, spur job creation and maintain the historic character of downtown districts. The two-year program coaches selected communities and their steering committees through the steps of launching effective renewal efforts. Tennessee Downtowns includes community training through the National Main Street Center's Four-Point Approach* and a \$15,000 grant for a downtown improvement project.

"We are proud to welcome 12 new communities into the Tennessee Downtowns program and look forward to working with them on their goals for downtown revitalization," Main Street Program Director Kim Parks

said. The twelve newly selected communities all have downtown commercial districts established at least 50 years ago and demonstrated their readiness to organize efforts for downtown revitalization according to Main Street America principles. The highly competitive selection process was based on historic commercial resources, economic and physical need, demonstrated local effort, overall presentation and probability of success.

Tennessee Downtown communities that complete the program are eligible for additional Downtown Improvement Grants as well as Main Street designation after completion of the Downtown program. There are currently 47 nationally accredited Main Street communities in Tennessee, 11 of which successfully completed the Tennessee Downtowns program prior to their national accreditation.

Nights on Broadway Returns to McKenzie

MCKENZIE — Musical entertainment returns to downtown McKenzie during the summer with six nightly performances. All performances are free of charge. Spectators are urged to bring a lawn chair. The series begins June 7, 7 p.m. with the Jackson Symphony. June 20 is the local band, Flashback. July 28 is Johnny Mac. August 1 is Fajita

Brothers. September 5 is local band Longshot. September 19 is the James Greer Band to close the series of entertainment. In case of rain, the entertainment will be inside the Park Theatre. Information provided by the City of McKenzie via their Facebook page. For more information, contact city hall at 731-352-2332.

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UT Martin Names Local Students On Spring Chancellor's Honor Roll

MARTIN — The outstanding academic achievements of undergraduate students at the University of Tennessee at Martin have been honored with publication of the Spring 2024 Chancellor's Honor Rolls for the College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences, College of Business and Global Affairs, College of Education, Health, and Behavioral Sciences, College of Engineering and Natural Sciences and the College of Humanities and Fine Arts. To be eligible for the Chancellor's Honor Roll recognition at UT Martin, a student must take at least 12 hours of credit (pass-fail courses are not included) and achieve a 3.2 (B) grade point average based on a 4.0 scale. Students can make the Chancellor's Honor Roll with honors (3.2 through 3.49), high honors (3.5 through 3.79) or highest honors (3.8 through 4.0). **Atwood** — Angus O. McCoy, Honors; Analee M. McPherson, Honors; Erin L. Norman, High Honors; Alexis M. O'Neal, Highest Honors; Jed D. Robinson, High Honors. **Bruceston** — Taylor L. Anthony, High Honors; Anna C. Batte, Highest Honors; Brayden N. Frye, Honors; Chloe S. Hoskins-Ward, Highest Honors; Ally L. Morgan, High Honors. **Buena Vista** — Lucy J. Heuring, High Honors. **Cedar Grove** — Riley E. Gore, Honors; Kyoko L. Guy, Highest Honors; Noah B. Hickman, Highest Honors; Nikolas L. Scott, High Honors; Breanna L. Weatherford, Highest Honors. **Hollow Rock** — Maycee L. Cary,

High Honors; Jackson C. Crocker, High Honors; Nevaeh S. Davis, Highest Honors; Wesley C. Duclos, Honors; Bailee E. Jernigan, High Honors. **Huntingdon** — A Aubrey J. Abbott, Highest Honors; Brayden I. Bales, Highest Honors; Noah A. Belew, Honors; Juan F. Bernal, Highest Honors; Brayden A. Campbell, Highest Honors; Carter B. Cary, Highest Honors; Kevon L. Finch, Honors; Kaci L. Fuller, High Honors; Lia J. Fuller, High Honors; Seth G. Hatchett, Highest Honors; Jason A. Hicks, Highest Honors; Brooklyn A. Hudson, Honors; Sarah M. Hurmiz, Highest Honors; Brett D. Huss, High Honors; Reed E. Jones, High Honors; Hannah K. King, High Honors; Jace C. Lowe, Honors; John R. McClain, Highest Honors; Karle R. Meggs, Highest Honors; Bethany P. Miller, Honors; Krista D. Noble, High Honors; Addison K. Postlethwait, Honors; Alli G. Reeves, Highest Honors; Emily S. Reeves, High Honors; Nathan B. Ricketts, High Honors; Samantha K. Roney, Honors; Emma G. Ross, Highest Honors; Alexis C. Stevens, Highest Honors; Samuel A. Sturgis, Highest Honors; Jacob W. Sullivan, Highest Honors; Kaleigh M. Towater, Highest Honors; Sydney M. Vinson, Honors; Logan M. Walsh, High Honors; Lexie G. Williams, Highest Honors; Alexis J. Wilson, Honors; William A. Woods, Highest Honors; Ashlyn H. Yarbrough, Highest Honors. **Lavinia** — Dalton R. Herriott, Honors; Laura E. Millsaps, Highest Honors. **McKenzie** — Brandon C. Boaz, High Honors; Kimberly A. Bradshaw, Highest Honors; Ashleigh N. Britt, Honors; Bob-

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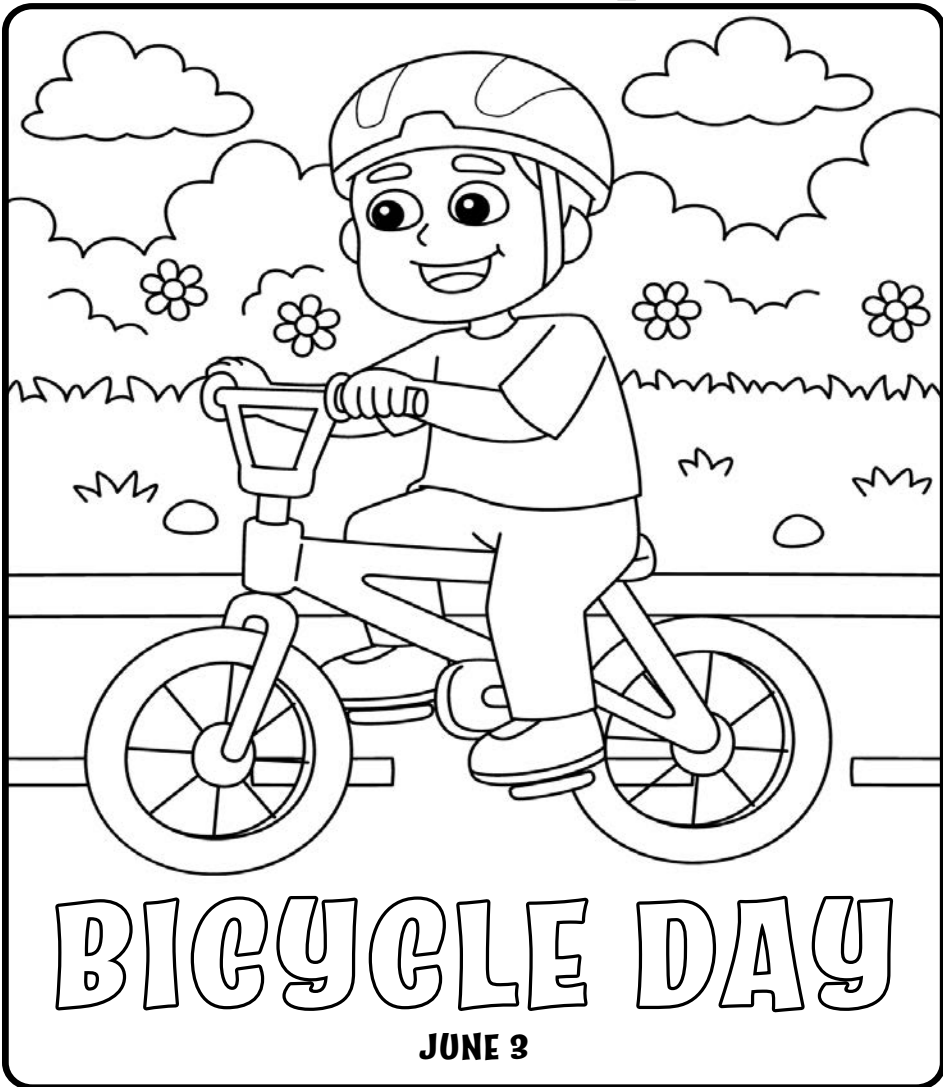
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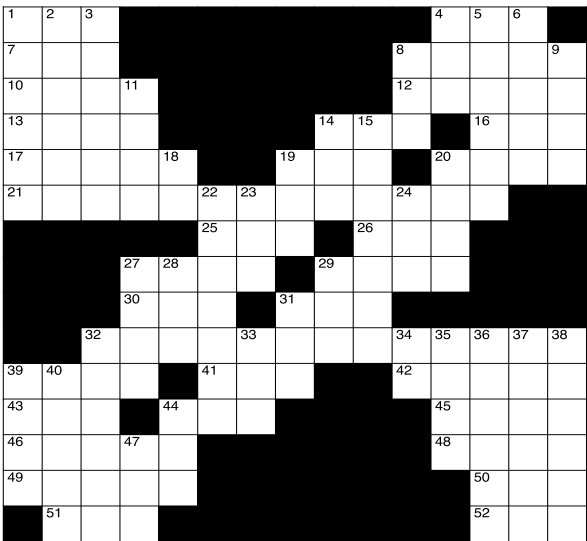
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Weekly Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Fashion accessory
- 4. Engine additive
- 7. Small, faint constellation
- 8. Gives a job
- 10. Self-righteous person
- 12. Caucasian language
- 13. Surinam toad
- 14. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 16. Former French coin
- 17. Levels the score
- 19. What stage performers do
- 20. Egyptian Sun god
- 21. Localities
- 25. Spherical body
- 26. Licensed for Wall Street
- 27. Perfect
- 29. It's on many people's heads
- 30. Boxing's GOAT
- 31. Photo
- 32. Popular HBO show
- 39. Popular music awards show
- 41. Pouch
- 42. Lake in Botswana
- 43. Unruly group
- 44. One-fourth
- 45. Very eager
- 46. Edward __, author and writer
- 48. Flying insect
- 49. Dragged forcibly
- 50. Thus far
- 51. Not just "play"
- 52. Commercials



CLUES DOWN

- 1. Occur
- 2. Show up
- 3. Capital of Taiwan
- 4. Brother or sister
- 5. Secret get-togethers
- 6. Type of tea
- 8. Where the action is
- 9. Cast out
- 11. Crime group
- 14. Type of vessel (abbr.)
- 15. Accept and handle
- 18. Sacrifice hit
- 19. One who buys and sells securities simultaneously
- 20. Month
- 22. Most thin
- 23. Naturally occurring material
- 24. Luke's mentor __-Wan
- 27. Postmodernist Austrian "House"
- 28. Aquatic salamander
- 29. Baseball stat
- 31. Beginning military rank
- 32. Talk rapidly and unintelligibly
- 33. Paddle
- 34. Caregiver (abbr.)
- 35. Old Irish alphabet
- 36. Japanese city
- 37. In a way, acted
- 38. Things to see
- 39. Nursemaid
- 40. Type of tooth
- 44. To be demonstrated
- 47. Defunct European group

Week 22

See solution in next week's edition.

All in Bloom Word Search

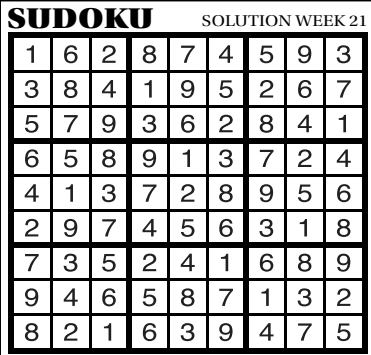
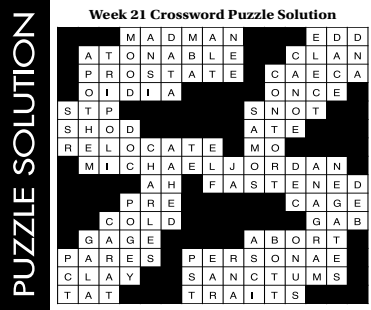
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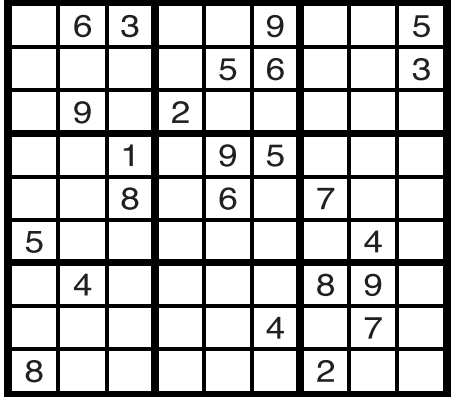
THIS DAY IN...



- 1431: JOAN OF ARC IS DECLARED A HERETIC.
- 1536: KING HENRY VIII MARRIES HIS THIRD WIFE, JANE SEYMOUR, WHO HAD SERVED AS A LADY-IN-WAITING TO THE KING'S FIRST TWO WIVES.
- 1922: THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL IS DEDICATED IN WASHINGTON, DC.



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See solution in next week's edition.

LETTER MIX-UP

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

SPRINGTIME

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____
- 9. _____
- 10. _____
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- 17. _____
- 18. _____
- 19. _____
- 20. _____

Riddle Me This

What do you bury when it's alive and dig up when it's dead?

Answer: A plant

WORD SCRAMBLE

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Answer: Insects

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Carroll County General Sessions Report

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

The following cases resulted in a guilty plea or finding.

Trevor Lake Akin, Mebanewood Drive, Huntingdon, guilty, Probation Violation.

Amy M. Bivens, Buckley Road, Hollow Rock, guilty, Probation Violation, 11/29 jail which may be completed in a long-term treatment facility.

Kelcey Bullington, Highway 104, Lavinia, pre-trial diversion, Assault-Threat of Bodily Harm, 10 days jail, no violent contact with victim, alcohol and drug assessment.

Sheila Caldwell, Hillview Apartments, McKenzie, guilty, Sexual Offender Registration Violation, \$100 fine, 11/29 probation.

Kendell Campbell,, Bethel Church Road, Huntingdon, guilty, Simple Possession, \$750 fine, 30 days jail, probation.

Charles M. Coffman, Independence Road, Lexington, guilty, Probation Violation, 20 days jail, probation extended.

Zachary English, Hamilton Street, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation, 11/29 jail to run concurrent with another sentence.

Temple Hiliard, Joy Street, Paris, guilty, Drivers License

to be Carried, probation; dismissed, Speeding.

Bradley Hollowell, Murray Lane, Huntingdon, guilty, Meth-Possess or Casual Exchange, \$750 fine, 11/29 jail-suspended to 30 days, probation; dismissed, Display of Registration Plates violation.

Tristan Hood, Linden Street, McKenzie, guilty, Escape (felony), 30 days jail, probation; dismissed, Aggravated Assault (victim did not participate in trial).

Dwayne Jones, McDonald Avenue, McKenzie, guilty, Theft, \$25 restitution to the victim, no contact with the victim, supervised probation; guilty, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia; dismissed, Meth-Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess.

Jannie Diana Leone, Kay Avenue, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation, probation extended six months.

Julius Dean Owens, Kemp Street, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation; guilty, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange; \$1,500 fine, supervised probation, can receive day-for-day credit for inpatient rehab, must serve 180 in incarceration; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Stacy Renee Parker, 21st Avenue, Humboldt, guilty, Theft of Merchandise, two days jail, \$20.62 restitution, no contact with retailer, probation; guilty, Failure to

Appear.

Joseph Ridley, Jr., Seminary Street, Hollow Rock, guilty, Violation of Sexual Registration, 12 days jail, supervised probation, stay out of Bruceton parks.

Samuel Robertson, Ad-dell Street, Hollow Rock, guilty, Probation Violation, 11/29 jail, defendant can receive day-for-day credit for inpatient rehab; guilty, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia; dismissed, Simple Possession.

Mikayle James Warford, Fowler Circle, Hollow Rock, guilty, Violation of Financial Responsibility, no sentence listed.

The following cases were dismissed.

Tracy Allen, Everett Street, McKenzie, dismissed, Theft.

Billy Borum, Magnolia Avenue, McKenzie, dismissed, Theft.

Amber Boyd, Sunset Avenue, Camden, dismissed, Probation Violation.

Jerry Gilbert, Tumbling Creek Road, McKenzie, dismissed, Driving While Revoked.

Jeffery Lynn Jones, McDonald Avenue, McKenzie, dismissed, Meth-Delivery, Manufacture, Possess; dismissed, Theft; dismissed, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia.

Gavin Rosson, homeless, Cedar Grove, dismissed, Probation Violation; dismissed, Criminal Trespass.

Sheriff’s Reports

Domestic Assault — Noah Ray Chandler, 25, of Lavinia, was charged with Domestic Assault on May 17. Deputy Jeremy Smith received a call of a fight happening in the middle of the road between a husband and a wife. Upon ar-

rival, the victim stated that she told her husband she wanted a divorce. The couple began to argue, and the victim attempted to leave the residence when the defendant grabbed her. The victim pushed Chandler's arms away and Chandler

shoved the victim out into the road as a vehicle was approaching. The vehicle who approached was an off-duty Humboldt police officer who reported the incident.

Theft of Property — Jerry Barber, Sr. reported that his license plate had been stolen from his White 2001 Ford Ranger some time between May 18 and 20.

Marriage Licenses

Elizabeth Anne Miller Fortner, 55, of Huntingdon, to Sammy Wilson Bettie, 58, of Huntingdon.

Kenneth Autrey Johnson, 34, of Yuma, to Kelli Renee Bolen, 33, of Westport.

Jennifer Elaine Shannon, 40, of Huntingdon, to

Jeremy Aldon Russell, 46, of Huntingdon.

Lori Dawn Fuller Kee, 38, of Huntingdon, to Christopher Keith Roberts, 37, of Huntingdon.

Jason Jess Griffin, 45, of Buena Vista, to Brenda Joyce Decker Pardue, 34, of Buena Vista.

Property Transfers

Paul McAfee to Teraluma Land, LLC. No district listed.

Danny L. and Patricia L. O’Daniel to Skylar Hurley in District 21.

Donald A. and Carol F. Becker to Jasmina Alagic in District 2.

Cale A. and Cassidy B. Belew to Selena Dawn Lockhart in District 11.

Linda Billingsley and Milton Mundy to Rex S. and Lori A. Brown in District 4.

Ronald Washburn to Erin James and Teralyn Sharon Schroeder in District 17.

Jerry Lynn Coleman to Austin Bryan and Chynna Work. No district listed.

Jerrold Alan Stokes to Charles Lee Johnson in District 4.

Amanda Nicole and James Timothy Parks to Kelly and Beth Moore in District 11.

Michael Jenkins to Jon-

athan Murray Haltom in District 6.

Yvonne A. Hurt to Kevin L. and Robin H. Hayes in District 11.

Rachel Baldwin to Elizabeth A. Hoffman in District 4.

John F. and Elsie N. Schwartz to Kenneth and Tonya Hollingsworth in District 23.

Carol June Hall to William Howard Legens in District 22.

McKenzie Police Reports

Burglary, Theft — On May 20, 2024, an individual came to McKenzie City Hall regarding several thefts from his residence on Magnolia Avenue. The victim stated that his shed behind his residence had been burglarized several times over the last few months but he was unsure of how many times.

Tools listed as stolen were two Kobalt stepladders, a jack, corded sawzall, pressure washer, hammer drill, ratchet set, chargers and batteries, jumper set, jump box, socket set, chainsaw, splitting maul, pipe wrench, table saw, weedeater, work boxes, power tool set with batteries and chargers, wood clamps, corded hammer drill, compressor hoes, and extension hoses. The estimated value of the missing property was \$4,800.

The individual was advised to set up security cameras around his residence to prevent future thefts. The MPD will add extra patrol in the area.

Disorderly Conduct — Officers responded to a call to Walgreens that a customer, Kristin Strong, 33, Paris, Tenn., was screaming at the store personnel. Strong stated someone broke into her house in Paris and changed the deed of her property and put a new TN driver's license in her wallet that she did not order online.

Strong added that she was trying to get information at Walgreens in Paris and McKenzie. Walgreens wanted Strong banned from the property so Strong was advised she was banned from McKenzie Walgreens and was served with a banned notice that she signed.

Driving on Suspended/Revoked License, Lights-Motor Vehicles, Financial Responsibility — Kevin Jones, 36, McKenzie, was stopped for having a nonworking tail light. Upon approaching the vehicle, Officer Dustin McClure was advised by Jones that he did not have a valid license or insurance on the vehicle. Dispatch did verify the information.

Jones was cited with Driving on a suspended license, light law, and financial responsibility. He was advised of the citations and was made aware of the 10-day booking process. Jones agreed to turn himself in at Carroll County Jail for the proper booking procedure.

The passenger advised she was buying the car and had not purchased insurance yet and had already been stopped before for not having insurance. The passenger's

license was valid and was allowed to drive the vehicle away from the stop.

Vandalism — On May 23, 2024, officers responded to the residence on Brawner Avenue in McKenzie. Upon arriving at the residence, officers made contact with the victim who was standing in the living room by the front door. She stated she arrived home to find the front door open.

Officers cleared the residence of any possible intruders. Damage was observed and the victim was advised to get an estimate on the property damage.

Possession — Wendy Huddleston, 48, McKenzie, was arrested at a residence on Walnut Avenue in McKenzie. Huddleston had an active warrant out of Carroll County Circuit Court with the original charges being two counts of possession of methamphetamine.

Huddleston was transported to Carroll County Jail for booking.

Disorderly Conduct, Public Intoxication, Assault/Aggravated Assault against a First Responder — Derek Williams, 34, Bolivar, Tenn., was charged with disorderly conduct, public intoxication, simple assault, and aggravated assault and booked into Carroll County Jail.

Officer Dustin McClure responded to a call to Maria's Mexican Restaurant of an unruly patron, Derek Williams. Officer McClure learned that Williams had assaulted two staff members and was then asked to step outside the establishment. Williams was placed under arrest for disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Williams advised that he was a threat to himself and needed to go to the psych ward. Williams became increasingly irritated and tried to exit the patrol car. He continued to kick and try to force his way out of the vehicle.

Upon being warned of being tased, Williams advised he wanted to be tased. Officer McClure holstered the taser and continued to attempt to control Williams. While attempting to push Williams completely into the patrol vehicle, Officer McClure was kicked in the left shoulder and received a glancing blow to the head.

Patrolman Dillon arrived on the scene and advised that staff members of Maria's stated Williams entered the restaurant with alcohol from a different establishment. He was told he could not bring the alcohol. Williams sat down at a table where he be-

came irate and started yelling at other patrons and staff. A staff member attempted to move Williams' cans of alcohol but Williams grabbed his arm and attempted to take the alcohol back.

Patrolman Dillon stated he observed a green package that was for a two-pack of Hidden Hills 500mg THC gummies. He stated the package was open and one gummy was sitting on the table. Along with the gummies, an empty can of peach margarita was sitting on the table as well.

Public Intoxication, Disorderly Conduct — Rodger Dale Lawson, 34, McKenzie, Tenn., was placed under arrest for public intoxication and disorderly conduct following an incident on North Highland. Sergeant Cody Coleman was advised of an intoxicated male walking in front of City Wine and Liquor.

Sgt. Coleman observed the man, Lawson, walking unsteadily on his feet and making erratic movements. While talking with Lawson, his words were slurred and his talking was irrational. Lawson stated he was not under the influence of alcohol or narcotics. While standing in front of McDonald's, Lawson kept yelling at people entering the establishment's driveway.

He then walked away from officers and snuck up behind a female while she was ordering through the drive-thru.

Lawson was placed under arrest and transported to Carroll County Jail.

Vandalism — An individual informed Sgt. Cody Coleman that his utility pole located on a trailer at Brooks Storage on Kencidot Street had been stripped of its copper. Security footage provided showed a white male with long hair and tattoos on his face and arms. The individual was not able to be identified at the time.

The incident is currently under investigation.

Violation of Probation — On May 24, 2024, Officers responded to Spruce Street to serve a warrant on Casey Chesser. Chesser had an active warrant out of Weakley County Circuit Court for a violation of probation.

A tan Nissan Altima, matching the description of Chesser's vehicle, was attempting to back out of the residence. Officers stopped the vehicle in the driveway. A large knife was visible in Chesser's lap. He was given verbal commands to show his hands and complied with officers. Chesser was taken into custody without incident and transported to Weakley County Jail in Dresden.

Carroll County, Tennessee Proposed Budget For the Fiscal Year Ending 2025			
	Actual 2022-23	Estimated 2023-24	Budgeted 2024-25
General Fund			
Estimated Revenues and Other Sources			
Local Taxes	\$7,472,973	\$7,795,012	\$8,320,962
State of Tennessee	2,817,559	4,444,369	5,043,136
Federal Government	438,615	410,682	784,077
Other Sources	4,211,061	2,769,694	3,095,800
Total Estimated Revenues and Other Sources	\$14,940,208	\$15,419,757	\$17,243,975
Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses			
Salaries	6,475,297	7,816,962	8,449,303
Other Cost	6,542,164	8,450,685	8,320,547
Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	13,017,461	16,267,647	16,769,850
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance- July 1	7,466,982	9,807,146	9,221,014
Estimated Ending Fund Balance- June 30	9,807,146	9,221,014	9,485,413
Employee Positions	199	193	193
Solid Waste Fund			
Estimated Revenues and Other Sources			
Local Taxes	\$112,434	\$50,000	\$100,000
State of Tennessee	17,066	24,424	98,800
Other Sources	2,052,728	2,040,250	2,289,271
Total Estimated Revenues and Other Sources	2,182,228	2,114,674	2,488,071
Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses			
Salaries	276,545	277,855	352,729
Other Cost	1,773,321	1,935,776	2,132,270
Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	2,049,866	2,213,631	2,484,999
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance- July 1	702,914	835,276	736,319
Estimated Ending Fund Balance- June 30	835,276	736,319	739,391
Employee Positions	10	10	10
Highway/ Public Works Fund			
Estimated Revenues and Other Sources			
Local Taxes	\$795,324	\$1,040,646	\$1,176,432
State of Tennessee	3,024,279	5,967,549	2,993,844
Other Sources	9,367	45,770	5,000
Total Estimated Revenues and Other Sources	3,828,970	7,053,965	4,175,276
Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses			
Salaries	1,123,858	1,294,522	1,420,908
Other Cost	3,225,097	6,850,476	3,378,663
Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	4,348,955	8,144,998	4,799,571
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance- July 1	1,536,711	1,312,415	769,127
Estimated Ending Fund Balance- June 30	1,312,415	769,127	354,558
Employee Positions	34	34	34
General Purpose School Fund			
Estimated Revenues and Other Sources			
Local Taxes	\$89,533	\$100,000	\$100,000
State of Tennessee	2,300,137	2,193,600	1,642,450
Federal Government	121,179	133,557	-
Other Sources	229,488	243,550	818,353
Total Estimated Revenues and Other Sources	2,740,337	2,670,707	2,560,803
Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses			
Salaries	1,232,461	1,747,632	1,920,143
Other Cost	1,407,921	922,596	2,081,256
Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	2,640,382	2,670,228	4,001,399
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance- July 1	7,360,332	7,460,287	7,460,766
Estimated Ending Fund Balance- June 30	7,460,287	7,460,766	6,030,170
Employee Positions	21	62	62
School Transportation Fund			
Estimated Revenues and Other Sources			
Local Taxes	\$397,222	\$453,945	\$477,317
State of Tennessee	224,576	416,019	416,019
Total Estimated Revenues and Other Sources	621,798	869,964	893,336
Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses			
Salaries	870,282	220,850	244,514
Other Cost	703,778	595,911	760,184
Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	1,574,060	816,761	1,004,698
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance- July 1	1,516,038	563,776	616,979
Estimated Ending Fund Balance- June 30	563,776	616,979	505,617
Employee Positions	51	6	6
Debt Service Fund			
Estimated Revenues and Other Sources			
Local Taxes	\$532,224	\$427,931	\$306,711
Total Estimated Revenues and Other Sources	532,224	427,931	306,711
Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses			
Salaries	-	-	-
Other Cost	442,118	441,650	446,563
Total Estimated Expenditures and Other Uses	442,118	441,650	446,563
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance – July 1	685,350	816,104	802,385
Estimated Ending Fund Balance – June 30	816,104	802,385	662,533
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Top Left, Jake Cassidy of McKenzie takes a cut against Gordonsville in the opening round. Top Right, Lilly McGee #4 lays down the bunt against Jo Byrns. Above Left, McKenzie's Craegan Travis walks back towards first base in between pitches. Above Right, Carlee Hicks #19 swings looking for a base hit. Below Left, Rebel Hayden Garrett #3 and Xander Johnsey #8 warm up in between innings. Below Right, Addison Hampton #11 warms up from the circle in the first round. Photos by Jason R. Martin/The Banner



Rebels Baseball, Lady Tigers Softball Make it to Class 1A Final Four

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MURFREESBORO (May 23) — On Thursday, the McKenzie Rebels and the Hol-low Rock-Bruceton Central Lady Tigers bowed out of the TSSAA Spring Fling after advancing to the Final Four.

The McKenzie Rebels suffered an opening round 2-1 loss to Gordonsville and were forced to work their way through the tournament from the losers' bracket.

On Wednesday, May 22, the Rebels had to play a doubleheader. In the first game, they defeated Halls 3-1 and

followed it up with a late-night rematch against Gordonsville winning 7-4.

The following day, much like the day before, it was do or die for the Rebels. To advance to the 1A championship game on Friday, McKenzie would have to defeat University School Johnson City twice. The Buccaneers proved too much for the Rebels, ending the series in one game, 5-1. Johnson City would go on to play Eagleville losing 10-0 in the sixth inning of the championship game.

The Central Lady Tigers lost 3-2 to Jo Byrns in the

opening game. The following day, Wednesday, May 22, the Lady Tigers eliminated South Fulton 3-2 and Oliver Springs 7-4.

On Thursday, May 23, Central needed two wins to move on to the championship round. Both games were against Jo Byrns. In the first game, the Lady Tigers won 2-1. The second game went in favor of Jo Byrns 1-0 ending Central's season. Gordonsville would defeat Jo Byrns 11-1 for the title.

More details on the Spring Fling will be available in a June 4 congratulatory section.



Pictured are Dr. Justin Barden, director of schools; LaShonda Williams, a Rotary member and chairman of the school board; Coach Keith Hodge; and Kelly Spivey, principal at McKenzie High School.

Coach Keith Hodge Speaks to Rotary

MCKENZIE (May 21) — Keith Hodge, new head football coach at McKenzie High School, was the guest speaker at McKenzie Rotary Club on Tuesday, May 21.

Hodge was introduced by Devan Raymer, a guest, who played football for Hodge at Dresden High School.

Hodge replaces Coach Wade Comer, who have a highly successful career at McKenzie, is transitioning to

be head coach at Milan High School.

Hodge's Dresden Lions spoiled McKenzie perfect regular season wins with McKenzie defeating Dresden in the semi-final to advance to the state championship.

Hodge grew up in Hol-low Rock-Bruceton and has coached at Dresden and Murray. He said he is meeting with the McKenzie players and getting to know them. He

said the new indoor practice facility is a bonus, especially during extremely weather days, however, the players must acclimate to the heat for early-season competition.

Most of the McKenzie coaching staff remained to assist Hodge. Ben Carter, Hodge's assistant coach at Dresden, will join Hodge at McKenzie. Carter is a Huntingdon native.

Summer Reading at McKenzie Memorial Library

MCKENZIE — McKenzie Memorial Library, Broadway Street, in McKenzie is hosting its Summer Reading Program.

Ceil Pomphrey, librarian, said the library is open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Use of the library is free. Obtaining a library card to check out book is also free, said Ms. Pomphrey. Persons under the age of 14 must obtain parental permission to get a library card.

The next summer event is Thursday, May 30, with Fear Factor, an all-day event at the Library.

June starts with Once Upon a Slime, an event with slime. That is Saturday, June 1, 11:30 a.m.

Monday, June 3 is Story Hour at 3:30 p.m. for the children.

Thursday, June 6 is Escape the Labyrinth — all-day event geared for students in middle school.

Saturday, June 8 is Threads of Friendship at 11:30 a.m. for the making of bracelets.

Monday, June 10 is Story Hour at 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 11 is Black-out Poetry, an all-day event geared toward adults.

Friday, June 14 is Solar Power at 2 p.m. It is using shaving cream and food clothing to create art.

Saturday, June 15 is Story-book Stroll, 10 a.m. at Discovery Park of America at Union City. Come by to get tickets prior to Saturday since the library is closed on June 15.

Monday, June 17 is Story Hour, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 20 is Animal Hospital with children urged to bring stuffed

animals so the library can provide prescriptions to the animals.

Saturday, June 22 is Seize the Stars, 11:30 a.m. The library will make constellation viewers from empty toilet paper cores.

Monday, June 24, 3:30 a.m. is Story Hour for the children.

Tuesday, June 25, 11:30 a.m. is Rockin' and Roving, cardboard Mars rovers geared toward the teenagers.

Friday, June 28 is Vulcan's Volcanology at 1 p.m. It making miniature volcanoes.

For more information, phone 731-352-5741.

The Library can also assist patrons in getting online access to the Tennessee Electronic Library and to Libby, an online library at libbylife.com.



Blaine Todd (third from the left) represented Huntingdon in the 3200-meter race.

Huntingdon Places at State Track and Field

The TSSAA Spring Fling was more than baseball and softball. Two Huntingdon students competed at the state level in track and field during the week. Tycen Willis competed in the discus throw placing second with a personal best 144-0. Blaine Todd placed fourth in the state in the 3200 meter run with a time of 10:18:13. Both individuals represented their schools proudly at the Class 2A competition.

Pictured Right, Tycen Willis (center) represented Huntingdon in the discus throw.



McKenzie Farmers Market Opens June 1

The Farmers Market at 2451 Cedar Street is opening on June 1 and

continues each Saturday until October 19. Saturday hours are 8 a.m. to

noon. Tuesday hours are 3 to 6 p.m.

The market is open to local sellers of food and other locally-made items.

Phone McKenzie City Hall for more details at 731-352-2332.



Dr. Mark Bell



Dr. Lisa Tyler



Dr. Tiffany McCutcheon

Three Bethel Alumni Receive Research Awards

MCKENZIE — Bethel University announces three of its distinguished alumni, Dr. Mark Bell (MBA '12), Dr. Lisa Tyler (MBA '11), and Dr. Tiffany McCutcheon (MBA '09), were awarded the prestigious Martin S. Bressler Distinguished Researcher Award by the Institute for Global Business Research. IGBR is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of learning and scholarly research in all areas of business. Its goal is to provide outlets through conferences and journals for researchers to share their body of knowledge with a global audience.

This honor recognizes their exceptional contributions to business research and education, specifically for their groundbreaking study titled "Healthy Leadership: Qualitative Research Towards Theory and Scale Development."

The Martin S. Bressler Distinguished Researcher Award is bestowed upon individuals who have made significant advancements in the field of business research, demonstrating both academic excellence and a profound impact on the industry. The award celebrates those who excel in the creation of new knowledge and its application to real-world business challenges.

Dr. Bell, Dr. Tyler, and

Dr. McCutcheon's collaborative research presentation of the concept of Healthy Leadership is presented and described as the antithesis of Toxic Leadership. Healthy Leadership consists of the following six dimensions: respectful oversight, volitional leadership, altruism, stable consistency, follower advocate, and sincere integrity in contrast to the five dimensions of Toxic Leadership: authoritarian leadership, narcissism, unpredictability, abusive supervision, and self-promotion. This research details a qualitative study conducted for the purpose of facilitating the eventual development of a validated survey instrument to measure Healthy Leadership.

About the Awardees:

Dr. Mark Bell is Assistant Professor of Management at Wayland Baptist University and serves as a faculty member in WBU's Doctor of Management program. Mark holds an M.B.A. and a Ph.D. in Organizational Leadership. Mark's research interests include effective followership and ineffective leadership. Mark served as the lead researcher on this project.

Dr. Lisa Tyler is an Assistant Professor of Business at Bethel University and serves as a faculty member in BU's College

of Professional Studies. She is also the Director of Institutional Effectiveness for Bethel University. Lisa holds an M.B.A. and a D.B.A. in Marketing. Her research interests include consumer behavior and retention of nontraditional students in online degree programs. In her spare time, she actively participates in domestic violence awareness and advocacy initiatives in Northwest Tennessee.

Dr. Tiffany McCutcheon, also from Paris, Tenn., is a Technology Foundation instructor at Tennessee College of Applied Technology Henry/Carroll and serves as an adjunct faculty member in Bethel University's College of Professional Studies program. Tiffany holds an M.B.A. and a D.B.A. in Social Impact Management. Tiffany's research interests include effective leadership strategies and employee engagement.

Bethel University is immensely proud of these alumni and their remarkable achievements. Their work exemplifies the high standards of excellence that Bethel University instills in its students and underscores the university's commitment to contributing to the advancement of business knowledge and practice.