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— William James



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McKenzie Business Owner Opens Up About Assault, Building Condemnation

Jack Martin, 93, owner of Jack Martin Jewelry in downtown McKenzie, talks about his rebuilding efforts. Photo by Brittany Martin/The Banner

BY BRITTANY MARTIN
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McKENZIE (July 8) — A McKenzie business owner is fighting for his right to continue operating his business downtown after the City of McKenzie condemned his building while he was recovering at home from an aggravated assault and robbery that happened in November 2023.

Jack Martin, 93, owner of Jack Martin Jewelry, located on Cedar Street in McKenzie has been working nights

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MEMBER OF THE UT VOLS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM WELCOMED HOME

People lined the streets of downtown Huntingdon to honor UT Vols Hunter Ensley.

Huntingdon Celebrates Hunter Ensley Day

HUNTINGDON (July 6) — The town of blue and gold was a town of orange and white as Huntingdon and many surrounding towns celebrated Hunter Ensley and the national college baseball champions, UT Vols.

It was a day designated as Hunter Ensley Day, as the national baseball star was celebrated for his tremendous baseball effort that helped earn the UT Vols the championship in Omaha.

A short parade from Huntingdon City Hall to the courthouse was in his honor. While the majority of Huntingdon folks were in the audience, it was also filled with folks from McKenzie and Milan as they celebrated in the hometown hero's championship.

UT Head Coach Tony Vitello and Ensley were both honored at Mallard's Restaurant on Friday evening before the big day on Saturday for Ensley.

Ensley was modest in his remarks, thanked the people who helped celebrate the championship, and autographed

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Hunter Ensley addressed the audience from the courthouse steps as the audience cheered for the college baseball superstar.

Two Motorcyclists Die in Collision

McKENZIE (July 6) — A husband and wife died after their Harley Davidson motorcycle collided with a pickup truck on State Route 124 on July 6 around 7 p.m.

Derrick Potter, 33, and Elisa Potter, 31 of State Route 124, McKenzie in Weakley County, were traveling north on Brawners Road, McKenzie when they collided with Jeffery Harrison, 54, no address listed, traveling on State Route 124. Harrison and his passenger, Aimee Hoskins, 34, were injured during the collision.

Tennessee Highway Patrol provides this information, but does not provide the cities of residence and the report does not provide who was at fault.

The Potters were the owners of Liberty Hardscapes and Excavation, LLC, of McKenzie. Mr. Potter was wearing a helmet and Elisha Potter was not.

Weakley County Sheriff's Department, Tennessee Highway Patrol, and McKenzie Fire/Rescue plus EMS responded to the scene.

TLM, A2H: Broadway is Wide Enough For Two-Way

McKENZIE (July 9) — This week the McKenzie City Council will hold a public hearing at 5 p.m. on Thursday regarding the directional change of Broadway Street to a one-way street and in its regular meeting of mayor and council will hear the second of two readings to convert the street to one-way; there are some new developments in this issue.

Interested parties are invited to attend and address the council during the public hearing at 5 p.m. prior to the regular meeting or during the regular meeting by prior request.

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TCAT-HENRY/CARROLL

Ridgeway is New TCAT President

John Penn Ridgeway is the new Tennessee College of Applied Technology president Henry/Carroll. A committee of the governing body, the Tennessee Board of Regents, selected him. Ridgeway began his service on July 1, following the retirement of TCAT President Willie Huffman.

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Early Voting Begins Friday

Early voting in Tennessee begins July 12 and ends July 27 for the August 1 elections in Tennessee. While the political landscape has been quiet for the August election, it's the November presidential election generating the most discussion.

In Henry and Weakley counties, voters will select a new county mayor and each of those counties as both mayors resigned to accept different employment. John Penn Ridgeway, mayor of Henry County, was selected to serve as president of the Tennessee College of Applied Technology Henry/Carroll with campuses in both McKenzie and Paris and welding classes in

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Ensley

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many caps, baseballs, and t-shirts as time permitted.

The day was complete with comments by Dr. Jonathan Kee, director of schools, Huntingdon Football Coach Eric Swenson, Huntingdon Mayor Nina Smothers and Huntingdon Baseball Coach Alan Eubanks.

The Volunteers clinched their first College World Series National Championship beating the Texas A&M Aggies in game three. Ensley played a pivotal role in the Volunteers' success. His performance throughout the tournament showcased his ability to deliver in clutch moments—ultimately helping to secure the championship. His bat and especially his base running ability were crucial in the game three victory.

Comments by Dr. Jonathan Kee, Director of Schools

This is a special day. A lot of you are proud of Hunter. Today is Hunter's day, and he deserves it. He's earned his success, I'm so proud to see how this young man carries himself and how he uses his platform to inspire these boys and girls in front of us today.

He inspires them to dream. We know he's tough. We just thought the collision in center field was the play of the world series, and Hunter had more in store for us. We got to see his creativity, his determination, and once again his toughness. Was there any doubt Hunter was going to make it home? Well, ladies and gentlemen today, Hunter has made it home for each one of you.

Mayor Nina Smothers' Comments

The entire town of Huntingdon recently became glued to the TV during the college world series, as well as some citizens shared in person.

He was center stage. We were able to hear Huntingdon mentioned several times on the national airways.

What a thrill to see the young man we knew from little league, middle school football and basketball become a part of the Volunteer National Championship team. We want you to know, Hunter, that we are so very proud of you



Hayes Haywood, Neyland Hollowell, Hunter Ensley, Tripp Hollowell and Brooks Haywood enjoyed having their UT apparel autographed by Hunter Ensley.

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and your hard work, and we want to thank you for all the excitement that we got to share as a town in the legendary wall catch and the slide to home plate.

Congratulations to you and to your teammates in the 2024 College World Series. It's my pleasure this morning to present to you the highest honor that we have as a town, and it's called the Pinnacle of Excellence Award. This is presented to Hunter Ensley, member of the University of Tennessee 2024 NCAA Division I Baseball National Championship Team.

Hunter Ensley's Response to Mayor Smothers

I don't really have a list of things to say, but this is pretty much just coming from the heart. Obviously, what an incredible crowd today.

And it's pretty incredible to be up here and celebrate it with you guys in this town. I want to thank Coach Eubanks, April Taylor, my parents, and Lori Nolen. They set this whole thing up, I'm extremely grateful for them. And I just want to thank you all, speaking for myself and the team. Yeah, we're four and a half hours away, but we truly feel this town from Knoxville, and it's incredible. I just want to thank you all today.

Huntingdon Football Coach Eric Swenson's Remarks

Hunter's a great athlete, there's no doubt about that. But the thing that made Hunter different was that he wasn't just a great athlete, he had a great work ethic.

You never had to worry

about effort. He never came to a practice and didn't give effort. That's what made him different. He would play hurt but he wouldn't let you know it. He was old school tough. And like I said, his work ethic is what made him so much different than anybody else. I'd have coaches that I knew across the state, and they would text me wanting to know what it was like to coach Hunter. And I responded that Hunter was the ultimate competitor. He competed in everything, every minute of the day. In the weight room, he was competing. If we were in the locker room, he was competing.

He was competing. I mean, non-stop, focus, one-hundred percent attention. He was going to win.

HHS Baseball Coach Alan Eubanks' Remarks

Guys, it's obvious the impact that Hunter makes on communities. Just look around today.

It's obvious the impact that he makes, that he's made in Knoxville. UT Coach Tony Vitello came down the night before and told me how much Hunter means to him and the people in Knoxville. When we started planning this, I said we need to do a highlight video. Then I said I'm gonna reach out but probably won't be hear back. I heard back the next day and they said absolutely. Shout out to Scott Hampton for working on the video.

After the video, Eubanks joked that the Mustangs practiced that slide Hunter made in the championship game.

Jack

...From Front Page

with help from construction workers to repair his building after bricks fell from it earlier this year.

Martin says the extreme cold snap caused the mortar to crumble which resulted in bricks falling from the building.

The City of McKenzie gave him three options:

1. Martin could tear it down and leave it empty.
2. The city would tear it down (and take ownership of it).
3. He could tear it down and rebuild.

Martin chose to tear it down and rebuild. He has been working daily on his building with help from friends and a construction crew to rebuild the building stronger than it was before.

He says he's used stronger wood than was there previously, poured a new concrete foundation, reinforced the structure, and is adding metal siding that matches the building adjacent to it, which he also owns.

Martin also said that despite the effort and progress he's made on the structure, McKenzie Codes Officer Jim Seaton has continued to visit him and inform Martin the city will "lock the doors on his business" and/or "tear down his building."

Martin said witnesses have been present during some of Seaton's visits.

The public notice that was published in The McKenzie Banner on April 16, 2024 read, "City of McKenzie Ruling/Order. Hearing was held March 25, 2024: City of McKenzie vs. Owners of property located at Cedar Street, McKenzie, Tennessee 38201, Parcel 9, Group M, of Tax Map 12L believed to be addressed as 2368 Cedar Street. This cause came to be heard on March 25, 2024, by the below hearing officer. This cause was initiated by the City of McKenzie alleging a violation of City Ordinance section 13-201 involving slum clearance of the center section of the commercial building. Present at the hearing of March 25, 2024, was Codes Consultant Jim Pillow on behalf of the City of McKenzie. The following property maintenance committee members were also in attendance: Police Chief Ryan White, Fire Chief Brian Tucker,



Scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera to watch Jack Martin's video interview on YouTube.

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and City Recorder Jennifer Waldrup. Codes Officer Jim Seaton was not in attendance due to sickness. Jack and Shirley Martin the property owners were not in attendance. The hearing officer finds that all interested parties were properly notified before said hearing pursuant to proper notice as required. The hearing officer finds that the City of McKenzie has carried its burden of proof under the ordinance and that there is a basis for a finding of unfitness under section 13-209. The owners have sixty days (60) days from April 17, 2024, to pull the proper permits and repair or demolish the center section of the structure. Any possible appeal, in accordance with Section 13-211, of this order, must be within sixty (60) days after the posting and service of this order of the public officer. Jennifer Waldrup, Hearing Officer. THIS INSTRUMENT WAS PREPARED BY JIM PILLOW, Master Code Professional, Certified Building Official, Certified Fire Marshall"

According to Martin, McKenzie Mayor Ryan Griffin, City Recorder Jennifer Waldrup and Codes Officer Jim Seaton visited Martin after the condemnation meeting to compel him to sign a document stating that he received a letter notifying him of the condemnation hearing.

Martin signed the document but says he had no prior knowledge of the condemnation meeting, and was not able to attend because he was recovering at home from the November assault.

After Seaton paid Martin another visit on Tuesday afternoon, Martin drove to The McKenzie Banner

to share his story with the citizens of McKenzie.

Martin has a long history of owning businesses and working in other businesses. He once owned a car dealership downtown and also worked at the former Tri-County Motors in downtown with J.W. Atkins, Sr. Then, he worked at Gary Simmons' automotive dealership and was one of the top salesmen. He feels he has invested his time and service in McKenzie, but now he is faced with the fact that the city wants to condemn and tear down his building.

Martin does not want to lose his business or his building. He says that after his wife died 10 years ago, coming downtown to open his business and see his friends is what he looks forward to every day. It gives him something to do instead of sitting at home.

The 93-year-old man, who fought off a 32-year-old burglar last November was unwavering in his recount of the events that have transpired up until this point; but when talking about the prospect of not being able to spend time with his friends in the space he's owned for decades downtown tears started to form in the corner of his eyes.

Martin credits his survival of the attack to McKenzie Police Department's quick response and life-saving measures. He believes that the burglar intended to kill him.

The November attack has left Martin with mobility issues. He cannot stand for long periods and walking is painful. During the struggle, Martin's attacker threw him to the ground, and Martin is still being treated for the resulting injury to his back.

However, while showing The Banner the updates to his building, he walked on his own as he pointed out key pieces of the construction progress.

Martin says he just wants to operate his business downtown, see his friends and be left alone.

He hopes that sharing his story will help shed light on what is happening and halt the condemnation process while he tries to rebuild.

Martin is seeking legal assistance from any licensed Tennessee attorney willing to file an injunction and represent him.

A request for comment from The City of McKenzie was not returned.

Broadway

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On July 3, the City of McKenzie provided a letter from TLM Associates, Inc., an architect and engineering firm in Jackson, Tenn., dated July 1 that states, "At your request, I visited Broadway Street in downtown McKenzie to measure the travel lane width. The travel lane width of Broadway Street varies from 24 feet from Lee Street to Banner Row to 30 feet from Banner Row to Cedar Street. The width meets or exceeds the minimum width requirements of TDOT's Design Criteria to allow for two-way traffic. If you choose to make it two-way, the parking lines on the east side should be revised to allow northbound traffic access to parking."

TLM says Broadway is wide enough for two-way travel, reaffirming the work and statements from A2H, the engineering firm that handled the Broadway project.

A2H provided the following statement, "The road was designed for two-way travel. The one-way direction was added after construction was completed. The one-way direction does allow for smoother traffic flow, but two-way travel is acceptable."

The measurements mentioned in the TLM report aligned with the measurements that The Banner took of the street in June.

An A2H spokesperson

said on May 1 and June 28 that Broadway Street was changed to one-way solely at McKenzie Mayor Ryan Griffin's request.

A2H received a copy of the video and transcription from June's city council meeting where mayor and council alleged that the street was made 4 feet too narrow by the architect firm while making the upgrades to Broadway.

The statements made in the meeting have seemingly been discredited with this new information from TLM.

Thank you to the City of McKenzie for your transparency providing the letter from TLM.

The Banner has also spoken with all except two of the Broadway business owners, and some on Cedar Street, who state they want Broadway to be a two-way street. Some have said the one-way travel is hurting their businesses.

They have seen people try to come to their business and give up because the parking was striped the wrong way. The striping requires visitors to make an illegal u-turn in the street to park on the Veterans Park/Williams Furniture side of Broadway or go around and turn onto Broadway from Cedar Street (the proposed one-way). As one Broadway customer said, that was too much hassle just to park and they left.

There are already a number of empty buildings downtown.

One business owner said, the week the street

was changed to one-way there was an accident right in front of their business. One of their customers was involved.

The street was one-way for 17 days, but has been two-way for more than 138 years. An 1886 map of downtown shows an exceptionally wide Broadway Street.

Councilperson Drew Beeler stated in the June meeting that when he spoke with Police Chief Ryan White about Broadway, the chief said, "He was sure that there had been a couple of accidents, but it wasn't a huge issue. It wasn't a hot spot for accidents; but his opinion was that the safest option was to make it a one-way street."

The previous concerns raised were related to spending the \$4,600 to restripe Broadway to allow two-way parking, even though there was \$16,000 left over in the 2023-2024 budget in the street department.

Had A2H been allowed to carry out the Broadway plans without interference, the striping would not need to be fixed now.

Now that it has been confirmed by two architect firms that Broadway Street is wide enough for two-way travel, it is time to act in the best interests of the downtown small businesses and keep Broadway a two-way street.

More photos and information available on www.mckenziebanner.com.

TCAT

...From Front Page

Ridgeway said he is excited to return to TCAT and work with the great staff and students.

John Penn Ridgeway served as vice president at the McKenzie campus of TCAT under the presidency of now-retired Dr. Brad White. He worked with TCAT for 13.5 years, from 2007 through November 30, 2020.

On December 1, 2020, he began his tenure as mayor of Henry County, an elected position. He resigned that position on June 30 after three years and seven months.

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.

Previously, he worked with the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development and in Washington with Congressman John Tanner. He was a former member of the McKenzie Rotary Club, where he served as secretary and was once named the Rotarian of the Year. He is a graduate of WestStar Leadership Program.

He and his wife, Melissa reside in Paris and have two adult children, Walker, 24, a student at the University of Mem-

phis and works at UPS and Jackson, 19, an online student at Dyersburg State Community College. Jackson is a freelance videographer who videos professional sporting events and athletes.

Ridgeway rejoins TCAT at a time of great growth with a renewed emphasis in Tennessee on vocational training. Construction of a new academic and administrative complex at McKenzie will begin in October. The new facility is expected to be completed in 18-24 months.

A completely new campus is planned for Paris and should open in 2026-27.

As mayor, Ridgeway was successful in several areas. Many of the County's buildings are in need of repair or replacement. West Tennessee's oldest courthouse in Henry County was constructed in 1896 and is undergoing some upgrades. Grove Tower, home of the Henry County School System's administrative offices, is in need of repair. With the help of grants, the historic building will be rehabilitated. The Courthouse Annex also needs much repair. Some of the need for office space will soon be alleviated with the acquisition of three buildings.

The County will soon take possession of the Vocational Rehabilitation Center on U.S. Highway 79 South. Eventually, the current TCAT building,

adjacent to Henry County High School, will be under the control of the County of Henry. The County will soon have a new Health Department and the current building will be available for county offices.

In the coming years, the County will gain 100,000 square feet of office and storage space for use by the county general and schools. That includes space in the current Health Department, Vocational Rehabilitation and TCAT building.

Mayor Ridgeway worked with the U.S. government through Congressman David Kustoff, and the Tennessee Department of Transportation to assure Highway 641 will be widened from a two-lane to a five-lane highway to the Kentucky State Line over the next 10 years.

Additionally, with federal COVID relief funds, the County worked with two area providers, TEC and West Kentucky Telephone, to add 170 miles of fiber optic internet service in the underserved areas of the County. Some 1,000 homes have access to the new service.

The challenge for the county has been the county-owned hospital, which has a continuing deficit budget. After years of losing money, the County has negotiated a deal for West Tennessee Healthcare to lease the facility starting later this year.

Voting

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Dresden.

Jake Bynum, mayor of Weakley County, was selected to serve as the chief of staff at the University of Tennessee at Martin. He started with UT-Martin on May 1.

Both unexpired terms as mayor will be filled during the August 1 election.

In Carroll County's election, the ballot contains a few contested local school board races.

McKenzie Special School District Board of Education has four candidates seeking three at-large seats for a four-year term. Candidates are: Misty Aird, Chad Brown, Karen T. Fowler and Patrick Ross.

South Carroll (Clarksburg) School Board of Education has four candidates for three positions. They are Corey Bartholomew, Nick Cobb, Donna McDaniel-Cox, and Colton Lynn Moore.

West Carroll School Board has all incumbents running unopposed. They are William Robinson (Old Atwood); Jeremy Jackson (Old County); and Misty Mitchell (Old Trezevant District).

Huntingdon School Board has two incumbents running for two at-large seats. They are Dr. Lee Carter and Brittany Cobb Foster.

Hollow Rock-Bruceton School Board has no contested races. Brad Hurley is the lone candidate for 16th District-Bruceton; Tim Runions for 16th District Hollow Rock; Jim Holder for 17th District-Vale; and Nick Maness for 17th District Vale.

Carroll County Board of Education:

District 1 — Harold McLain, Jr.

District 2 — Larry R. Overman and Hal Eason.

District 3 — Kenna Bailey and James Randy Kelley.

County Commission District 4 — Unexpired Term.

Morris Rogers and Ronnie Webb.

*Party primaries for U. S. Congress, State Senate, and State House races.

Republican:

Marsha Blackburn and Tres Wittum for U.S. Senate.

David Kustoff for U.S. House District 8.

John Stevens and Charles Cooper for Tennessee Senate District 24.

Tandy Darby for State House District 76.

Brock Martin for State House District 79.

On the Democrat Ticket:

U.S. Senate — Marquita Bradshaw, Lola Denise Brown, Gloria Johnson, Civil Miller-Watkins.

U.S. House of Representatives District 8 — Sarah Freeman, Leonard Perkins, Lawrence A. Pivnick, Lynnette P. Williams, and Brenda Woods.

Democrat State Executive Committeeman -District 24 — Mark Flake.

Democrat State Executive Committeewoman-District 24 — Tammy Floyd-Wade, Virginia Ginger House, and Elizabeth LeMoine.

Two judicial retention votes are also on the ballot. Voters will be considering to retain or replace two judges:

Dwight Tarwater on the Tennessee Supreme Court and Matthew J. Wilson on the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Henry County

Two candidates are seeking the unexpired term of Henry County Mayor. They are Randy Geiger-a Republican and Tim Wirgau, independent.

County Commission District 1 (unexpired term) Dorothy Cook, David Flowers, Ted Kern, Gatlin Primrose.

County Commission District 5 (unexpired term) Jay Travis.

Assessor of Property — Scott Morrison (Republican) and Robert Abbott, Jr. (independent).

Supervisor of Roads — Richie Chilcutt (Republican).

Road Board Chairman — Matthew Craig.

Road Board District 2 — Kyle Norwood (Republican).

Road Board Commissioner District 5 —Clarence “Roy” Henry.

County School Board:

District 1 — Russell Orr.

District 3 — Jordan Bed-

dies (Republican).

District 5 — Jill Coker.

Constable District 1 (unexpired term) — Chad Farthing.

*Party primaries for U. S. Congress, State Senate, and State House races.

Republican:

Marsha Blackburn and Tres Wittum for U.S. Senate.

David Kustoff for U.S. House District 8.

John Stevens and Charles Cooper for Tennessee Senate District 24.

Tandy Darby for State House District 76.

Tennessee House District 74 — Jay Reedy.

On the Democrat Ticket:

U.S. Senate — Marquita Bradshaw, Lola Denise Brown, Gloria Johnson, Civil Miller-Watkins.

U.S. House of Representatives District 8 — Sarah Freeman, Leonard Perkins, Lawrence A. Pivnick, Lynnette P. Williams, and Brenda Woods.

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Weakley County

County Mayor (Unexpired Term) — John Robert Freeman (Republican), Dale Hutcherson (I), and Danny Powers (I).

Assessor of Property — Lisa Odle (R).

County School District 1 — Gath Meeks.

County School District 3 — Jeffrey L. Floyd.

County School District 5

— Wendell Cates (R) and Margaret Lewis.

County School District 7 — Doug Sims (R).

County School District 9 — Joshua Moore (R) and Shannon Taylor.

Constable District 1 (unexpired term) — Philip Russell (Republican) and Adam Ledezma.

Constable District 4 (unexpired term) — Derek Coble (Republican).

Constable District 5 — no candidate.

Constable District 9 — Austin Powell (R) and Keith Sumner.

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West Carroll Special School District Board to Meet

West Carroll Special School District Board of Education meets July 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the West Carroll Jr/Sr High School Cafeteria.

The agenda is as follows:

Approve Minutes from June 6 Board Meeting.

Approve Resignations: Kayla Benson, Melissa Glow, Lindsey Morton, and Melanie Scates.

Approve 24-25 Yearly Memberships: TSBA, TSSE, AIM's and Sam's Club.

5-Year Strategic Plan Update — Director Caldwell.

Discuss/Approve Yearly Field Trip List — Director Caldwell.

Discuss/Approve Student Disciplinary Hearing Authority (DHA) — Director Caldwell.

6-Member Board Chosen from the following alternates: Regina Alred, Jennifer Hames, Crystal Polinski, Kellie Rollins, Jaxon Stringer, Joe Tetleton, Brandi Tolley, Jackie Wester, and Jessica Williams.

Discuss/Approve Consolidated Application for IDEA/ESEA — Ms. Crystal Polinski Discuss/Approve Leasing SSO Vehicles to Carroll County Sheriff's Dept. — Director Caldwell.

Discuss/Approve Greenhouse Repair Bid (ESSER/Insurance) — Director Caldwell XI. Discuss/Approve (1st Reading) Policies — Director Caldwell.

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Public Comment (*Prior Approval Required).

Director of Schools Report.

Principal Reports.

Executive Sessions — Chairman Robinson and Mr. Chris Hayden.

Adjourn.

Approval for appearing before the West Carroll Board is outlined in West Carroll Policy 1.404. Visit wcssd.org - policy manual, or call West Carroll Central Office at 731-662-4200.

SAMPLE BALLOTS FOR AUGUST 1, 2024 ELECTIONS

STATE PRIMARY AND COUNTY GENERAL

The Carroll County Election Commission announces VOTING for the State Primary and County General Elections on August 1, 2024. Registered voters, in Carroll County, may cast a ballot on Election Day by personal appearance at their designated polling location or during Early Voting, in the Election Office.

TN state law requires voters to have Federal or State government issued photo ID to vote, unless an exception applies. College student IDs will not be accepted. The voters must have photo identification when they present themselves to vote.

EARLY VOTING FOR THE AUGUST 1, 2024 ELECTIONS will be Friday, July 12 through Saturday, July 27. Weekday voting will be 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday (July 13, 20, 27) voting, will be 9 a.m.-NOON.

SAMPLE BALLOT FOR CARROLL COUNTY STATE PRIMARY AND COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON August 1, 2024				Precinct <i>NEWSPAPER</i>
Please use a black or blue ink pen to mark your ballot. To vote for your choice in each contest, completely fill in the box next to your choice. Carroll County Election Commission Ronald R. Reiter, Chairman Michael Corrado, Secretary Judy Alexander, Member Michael K. Tate, Member Linda Wallace, Member Peggy J. Hamlett, Administrator of Elections	TENNESSEE SENATE District 24 No Candidate Qualified Vote for One (1)	CARROLL COUNTY BOARD of EDUCATION District 3 Vote for One (1)	SOUTH CARROLL SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE Vote for Three (3)	
	☐ Write-in	☐ Kenna Bailey Independent Candidate	☐ Corey P. Bartholomew Independent Candidate	
	TENNESSEE HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES District 76 No Candidate Qualified Vote for One (1)	☐ James Randy Kelley Independent Candidate	☐ Nick Cobb Independent Candidate	
	☐ Write-in	☐ Write-in	☐ Donna McDaniel-Cox Independent Candidate	
	TENNESSEE HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES District 79 No Candidate Qualified Vote for One (1)	☐ Brad Hurley Independent Candidate	☐ Colton Lynn Moore Independent Candidate	
	☐ Write-in	☐ Write-in	☐ Write-in	
	STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN District 24 Unexpired Term Vote for One (1)	☐ Tim Runions Independent Candidate	☐ Write-in	
	☐ Mark Flake	☐ Write-in	☐ Write-in	
	STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEWOMAN District 24 Unexpired Term Vote for One (1)	☐ Write-in	☐ Write-in	
	☐ Tammy Floyd-Wade	☐ Hollow Rock-Bruceton Special School Board Member 16 District-Hollow Rock Vote for One (1)	☐ West Carroll Special School Board Member-Old Atwood Vote for One (1)	
☐ Virginia Ginger House	☐ Write-in	☐ William R. Robinson Independent Candidate		
☐ Elizabeth LeMoine	☐ Hollow Rock-Bruceton Special School Board Member 17 District-Vale Vote for One (1)	☐ Write-in		
☐ Write-in	☐ Jim Holder Independent Candidate	☐ West Carroll Special School Board Member-Old County Vote for One (1)		
COUNTY GENERAL	☐ Write-in	☐ Jeremy Jackson Independent Candidate		
COUNTY COMMISSION District 4 Unexpired Term Vote for One (1)	☐ Write-in	☐ Write-in		
☐ Morris Rogers Independent Candidate	☐ Hollow Rock-Bruceton Special School Board Member 18 District-Westport/Spanish Grove Vote for One (1)	☐ West Carroll Special School Board Member-Old Trezevant Vote for One (1)		
☐ Ronnie Webb Independent Candidate	☐ Write-in	☐ Misty Mitchell Independent Candidate		
☐ Write-in	☐ Lee M. Carter Independent Candidate	☐ Write-in		
CARROLL COUNTY BOARD of EDUCATION District 1 Vote for One (1)	☐ Write-in	JUDICIAL RETENTION QUESTIONS		
☐ Harold H. McLain Jr Independent Candidate	☐ Write-in	Supreme Court - At Large Dwight Tarwater Vote for One (1)		
☐ Write-in	☐ Write-in	Shall Dwight Tarwater be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?		
CARROLL COUNTY BOARD of EDUCATION District 2 Unexpired Term Vote for One (1)	☐ Write-in	☐ Retain		
☐ Larry R. Overman Republican Party Nominee	☐ Write-in	☐ Replace		
☐ Hal Eason Independent Candidate	☐ Write-in	Court of Criminal Appeals - Western Division Matthew J. Wilson Vote for One (1)		
☐ Write-in	☐ Write-in	Shall Matthew J. Wilson be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?		

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Directors of Northwest Tennessee Economic Development Council will hold their Board of Directors meeting on Friday, July 19, 2024, beginning at 10 a.m. at the McKenzie Central Office, 938C Walnut Ave. West, McKenzie, TN 38201 (Conference Room). This meeting will also be conducted virtually via Zoom.

State of Tennessee Carroll County Probate Division	NOTICE TO CREDITORS As Required by TCA §30-2-306	Case Number 2024-PA-128
Estate of BILLY JOE KIRKENDOLL, Deceased		

Notice is hereby given that on JUNE 26 of 2024, letters of administration in respect of the estate of Billy Joe Kirkendoll, who died intestate, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk and Master of Carroll County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

- (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or
- (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or
- (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

All persons indebted to the above Estate must come forward and make proper settlement with the undersigned at once.

Date: 02-16-2024 *DELORIS KIRKENDOLL PEDIGO*
Date: 6/26/24 *G. ROBERT WHITFIELD III*
Date: 6/16/24 *KAREN T. FOWLER*

MUSIC LOVERS UNITE

The Banner Shares ‘Summer Mix Tape’ Playlist

BY BRITTANY MARTIN
brittany@mckenziebanner.com

Something I’ve been working on lately is different ways to interact with readers. I have a few ideas that I’ve been mulling over and this is one of them, sharing music with you.

Music has always been a big part of who I am, and I know several of you feel the same way.

Music has the power to reach people across all nationalities and language barriers because it communicates on a deeper level, it has the power to speak to your soul.

Some of these songs remind me of local bands that have performed in the area. Live music is an irreplaceable experience and we are fortunate to have so many local, talented groups.

My parents raised me



on their favorite music and so these songs bring back good memories on the lake of my dad singing the high notes to The Beach Boys or how Chicago’s trombone section made him reminisce about his high school days. Mom was a singer and dad was in the marching band.

Music has been such a big part of me because of my parents’ love of it.

So whatever your worries are, put them aside for now and let the music play.

I hope you enjoy this

lighthearted playlist.

The “Summer Mix Tape” playlist is available on Spotify.

You can scan the QR code with your smartphone camera, open the Spotify app and scan the Spotify code to open the playlist, or search for McKenzie Banner’s profile on Spotify. Thank you for listening.

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/5vYrcrGULziOymJTyz80DI>

McKenzie City Council Agenda

McKenzie Mayor and Council convenes Thursday, July 11, 6 p.m. in the Council Room of McKenzie City Hall, 2470 Cedar Street. A public hearing regarding the direction of Broadway Street will be at 5 p.m., before the regular meeting starts. The public is invited to attend.

The agenda is as follows: Call to Order.

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance: Drew Beeler.

Roll Call.

Mayor’s Welcome.

Approval of Minutes of the June 13 meeting.

Financials Matters:

Old Business:

Discussion/approval of Second Reading of Ordinance 569 to Convert Broadway Street to a One-Way Street. This includes a public hearing at 5 p.m. prior to this meeting. A previous report indicated the street is no longer wide

enough for two-way traffic. A new report, from an engineering firm, indicates the street is wide enough for two-way traffic.

New Business:

Purchase of two police vehicles: Funds are coming from Safestreet Account and Drug Fund.

Citizens Input:

Department Supervisors’ Reports.

Council Comments.

Adjournment.

Leadership Carroll County Applications Now Available

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce is now accepting applications for the 2024 Adult Leadership Carroll County class. Leadership Carroll County (LCC) consists of nine sessions and a community service project.

“Class members will find the sessions to be informative, educational, and fun,” said Natalie Porter, Chair of the LCC program. “The goal of the Leadership Carroll County program is to provide our participants with information about the life and work of Carroll County and to identify the issues, challenges, and opportunities that our county will face in the coming years.”

The sessions include in-

formation on health care, government operations, education, county demographics, economic development, agriculture, professional development, and much more.

Session dates:

Session 1 — August 22.

Session 2 — August 29.

Session 3 — September 12.

Session 4 — September 26.

Session 5 — October 10.

Session 6 — October 24.

Session 7 — November 7.

Session 8 — November 21.

Session 9 — Plus one date in 2025.

All sessions are from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The Chamber of Commerce has operated leadership programs since 1990. Approximately 1010 indi-

viduals have gone through both the Adult and Youth Leadership programs. The leadership sessions are an excellent opportunity to network with class members and presenters.

The deadline for the application is August 16, 2024. The tuition for participating in the program is \$325. Tuition includes all program costs and meals associated with the sessions. Tuition is payable upon confirmation of acceptance into the program.

We encourage anyone interested to contact the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce at 731-986-4664 or email cchamber@earthlink.net for an application.

THE WIT AND WISDOM OF DAVID JOHNSON

Where Are You?

Adam and Eve had it made.

They had everything they needed.

But that wasn’t good enough.

If Satan hadn’t been in the picture, it would have been easier to do the right thing, but, he was, and he made them imagine beyond their needs to their wants.

His tactics really haven’t changed. He’s still tempting us to pursue things beyond our needs.

What happens then is, our wants start controlling our lives.

Sometimes, our wants are wholesome; sometimes they’re illegal and immoral. Doesn’t matter which they are, they still control our time, thoughts, money, and behavior.

Adam and Eve didn’t care if they pursued a want and got it, that is, until they heard God walking through the Garden. Then, they did what everyone feels like doing when their mistakes catch up with them; they ran away and hid. (As if that was going to change anything)

In the lushness of the Garden, God called out the most far-reaching, deeply-challenging, important question of all time, “Where are you?”

It wasn’t because he couldn’t find them or didn’t know where they were that God asked the question. It was because he wanted his creation to pause and take stock of where they were as far as their relationship with him was concerned, to consider the choices they’d

made and what the consequences would be, and to come to him and talk with him about what had happened.

“Where are you?”

Do you ever hear that question echoing in your head? in your heart? in your soul?

I wish I could make the world stop for sixty seconds so everyone would be shocked into looking at where they are and asking themselves if where they are is where they want to be and if where they’re heading is where they want to go.

Of course, I can’t make that happen, but at least you’ve paused and read this.

Maybe it’s time for you to go to Him and talk about what happened.

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

Huntingdon School Board to Meet

The Huntingdon Board of Education will hold a meeting on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 5 p.m. The meeting will

be held at the Huntingdon Central Office located at 585 High St. Individuals wishing to address the board on an

agenda item shall notify the director of schools’ office by 1 p.m. on the day of the board meeting.

Out of this World Trip to Roswell

ROSWELL, New Mexico (July 7) — Did you hear about the UFO vehicle traveling from Indiana to Roswell, New Mexico for the annual UFO Festival? The driver was pulled over in three states, but ultimately made it in time to be spotted in the AlienFest Light Parade in Roswell on Saturday night, July 6. Law enforcement in Missouri, Oklahoma and New Mexico all got photos with the craft and occupants.



An Oklahoma trooper poses with the UFO vehicle.

The UFO-like car, crafted from metal panels with a clear, spherical roof, was driven by Steve Anderson, who was en route from Indiana to the UFO festival in Roswell, New Mexico.

Officer Darin Layman first stopped the unusual vehicle along Interstate 44 in Missouri. Initially citing a lane violation and expired Indiana license plates, Layman admitted he was also curious about the peculiar vehicle. The Crawford County Sheriff’s Office shared humorous images and remarks on Facebook, noting that the “friendly humanoids have come in peace” and jokingly warned the driver about “warp speed” enforcement and keeping his “phasers on stun-only.”

Anderson’s journey continued with similar interactions in Oklahoma, where he was pulled over twice and needed brake repairs. Officials there also let him off with a laugh and a warning.

The final stop occurred in New Mexico, where Anderson and his companion, Marilyn Dicks, took photos with the local police and chatted about the upcoming UFO festival.

Since 1996, Roswell, New Mexico, has hosted an annual UFO festival celebrating the famous 1947 incident where an Army Air Force balloon crash led to widespread speculation about an alien spacecraft.

The festival features an alien chase, a pet costume contest, and the AlienFest Light Parade.

Despite the unusual nature of his vehicle, Anderson’s interactions with police were positive and light-hearted. Officer Layman summed up the encounters, saying, “Given the good nature of the driver and the interesting nature of the vehicle, we wished him safe travels to his destination.”

Didn’t want you to miss out on this moment of pop culture!

Sources: Motivating-News.com and Oklahoma Highway Patrol



Top Left, 10 Years Ago — The City of McKenzie sponsored the grand opening of the Mulberry Park Pavilion and Grills. Left, 25 Years Ago — Lions Club President Herb New congratulated Dr. Howard Smith on receiving the Melvin Jones Award. The award indicated that a minimum of \$1,000 had been given to Lions International for humanitarian work worldwide. Above, 50 Years Ago — Mrs. Shirley Martin, McKenzie B & PW Club President, and Mrs. Judy Townsend, West I Director, discussed the program for the coming year.

Looking Back from Our Archives

10 Years Ago — Johnny Mercer became the new McKenzie Street Department Supervisor. Johnny has worked with the City of McKenzie since 2007.

***McKenzie Memorial Library held a Summer Reading Program where Kristin Klonowski performed a puppet show.**

25 Years Ago — Laura Rushing decided to cut off and donate 46 inches of her hair to people living with cancer or others who lost their hair due to medical conditions.

***Esther-Kathryn Gray completed her final recital requirement to obtain her Bachelor of Music in Voice degree from Indiana University.**

50 Years Ago — Sam Siegel hosted a Bar-B-Que dinner

in honor of Ed Jones’s re-election campaign. Three hundred people came from West and Middle Tennessee to hear Jones speak.

***There was a summer recreation program. Over one hundred people participated in the gym activities, which included ping pong, croquet, checkers, dominoes, horseshoes, shuffleboard, kickball, basketball, etc.**

75 Years Ago — Ward Chevrolet Co. advertised front-wheel alignment in the newspaper.

***Trevathan’s Welding & Machine Shop opened in McKenzie. They offered all types of welding and machine work.**

***Cloverleaf advertised in the newspaper that it had cold buttermilk or skim milk for about 5 cents a quart.**

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Obituaries

CYNTHIA RIDGLEY
1959 – 2024

PARIS — A graveside memorial service for Cynthia Marie Ridgley is July 11, 2024, at 10 a.m. at Carters Chapel Cemetery, Huntingdon.

Mrs. Ridgley, 65, died at Jackson Madison County General Hospital on June 28, 2024. She was born in Rockford, Illinois on June 16, 1959, to the late John Carroll Comer and Edna Mae Freeman Comer.

She is survived by her husband of 12 years, Michael Ridgely of Paris.

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

DONALD LYNN NOLEN
1951 – 2024

McKENZIE — Donald Lynn Nolen's graveside services were Monday, July 8, 2024, at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Mr. Nolen, 73, known affectionately as Butch by his family, was born in Newbern on May 8, 1951, to Thomas A Nolen, Sr. and Dimple Mai Mallard Nolen.

He is survived by his brother, Ronnie Nolen of McKenzie, a sister, Mary (Terry) Newson of Springville, and

many nieces, nephew and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister, Virginia Kee, brother-in-law, Billy Joe Kee, sister, Hilma Dinkins, and brother, Thomas Nolen, Jr.

Because of and in memory of Donald's generosity to so many people throughout his life, in lieu of flowers please make donations to McKenzie Church of Christ or McKenzie High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund at MHSAA, 114 W. Bell Avenue, McKenzie, TN 38201.

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DOROTHY SCOTT
1946 – 2024

HUNTINGDON — Mrs. Dorothy Gill Scott, 78, of Huntingdon, died Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at her home.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Mrs. Scott was born May 11, 1946, in Huntingdon to the late Murray and Ruth Hilliard Gill.

She was also preceded in death by a sister, Ann Waggoner, a brother, Thomas Gill, and a son, Bobby Scott.

She is survived by her husband of 22 years, Robert Scott, two daughters, Cathy Lewis (Mickey) and Angela Sanders, both of Huntingdon, one son, Mike Sanders,

of Bells, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Chase Funeral Home.

**GLADYS MANN
1927 – 2024**

HUNTINGDON — Ms. Gladys Mann, 97, of Huntingdon, died Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at Harmony Hills Assisted Living.

Funeral services were 2 p.m., Friday, July 5, 2024, at First Pentecostal Church with Bro. Bud Ricketts and Bro. Joe Baumgardner officiating. Burial followed in Palmer Shelter Cemetery.

Pallbearers who served were Dale Mann, Glenn Mann, Will Hopper, Jayden Hopper, Jordan Hopper and Junior Simmons.

Mrs. Mann was born May 3, 1927, in Huntingdon to the late Otha and Oma Lee (Weaver) Mann.

She was also preceded in death by two brothers, Leroy Mann and Carl Mann, and two sisters, Ruth Simmons and Guyneth Mann.

She is survived by a sister, Ann Hopper and a host of nieces and nephews. Chase Funeral Home

**MITCHELL MAYBERRY
1957 – 2024**

TREZEVANT — Funeral services for Mitchell Mayberry were Monday, July 8, 2024, at 3 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. In-

terment was at Republican Grove Cemetery, Trezevant.

Mr. Mayberry, 66, died at his residence on Thursday, July 4, 2024. He was born in Dyersburg on November 18, 1957, to the late Leon Mayberry and Nettie Mae White.

He is survived by his children, Monica Mayberry and Rusty (Brishette) Mayberry of McKenzie, his significant other, Barbara Bruce of Trezevant, his siblings, Kathy Mayberry White of McKenzie, Nancy (Hilliard) Hunt of Trezevant, Leon (Cindy) Mayberry of Trezevant, Tom (Kim) Mayberry of Trezevant, Alvin Mayberry of Atwood, Bobby (Billie Jean) Mayberry of Atwood and Barbara Jean Mayberry of Trezevant and three grandchildren.

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**ROY V. PAGE
1942 – 2024**

McKENZIE — Funeral services for Roy V. Page were Sunday, July 7, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. The family received friends on Sunday, 12 p.m. until service time. Interment followed at New Valley Cemetery, Gleason.

Mr. Page, 81, died at Jackson Madison Co General Hospital on Wednesday, July 3, 2024.

He was born November

16, 1942, in Orvell, Tenn., to R. B. Page and Nona Virginia Jones Bunn.

He is survived by two sons, Terry (Jennifer) Rice of McCormick, South Carolina and Tim (Lynda Medlock) Page of McKenzie, a brother, Darrell (Debbie) Bunn of McKenzie, five grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, wife, Connie Faye Page and brother, Edward Page.

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DEBBIE MEASLEY
1966 – 2024

JACKSON — Mrs. Debbie Dilday Measley, 58, of Jackson, died Wednesday, July 3, 2024.

The family received friends at Dilday-Carter Funeral Home on Monday, July 8, 2024, 3-6 p.m.

The Celebration of Life followed at 6 p.m.

Mrs. Measley was born May 29, 1966, to the late Robert Franklin Dilday, II and Bette Jean Warmack Dilday. She was preceded in death by her son, Wesley Lange.

She is survived by her husband, Mike Measley, of Jackson; son, Matt (Ashton) Lange, of Medina; stepdaughter, Lillian Measley, of Jackson; daughter-in-law, Sara Lange, of Jackson; sister,

Dianna (Tony) Crocker, of Huntingdon; brother, Bert Dilday, of Camden; and four grandchildren.

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

**EDDIE HALL
1950 – 2024**

HOLLOW ROCK — Eddie Hall, 73, of Hollow Rock, died Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at his residence.

Arrangements were handled by Ridgeway Funeral Home, Paris. The funeral service was Saturday, July 6, at Ridgeway Funeral Home with Joey Simmons officiating. Burial was in Mansfield Cemetery in Mansfield.

Eddie was born July 21, 1950, in Paris, to the late Paul Victor Hall and the late Nellie Alberta Bennett Hall.

He was married June 26, 1982, to Nancy L. Norwood Hall, who preceded him in death in 2019.

He is survived by his three children, Jason (Melissa) Carter of Mansfield, Kimberly Hall (Paul) Snider of Water Valley, Miss., and Joel (Casey) Hall of Hollow Rock; one brother-in-law, David Paschall of Mansfield; four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was also preceded in death by two sisters, Shirley Hall French and Diane Hall Paschall; and one brother, Gary Hall.



Left, Global Citizen Adventure Corps programs include service projects determined by collaboration with partners in-country. The recent June 26-July 2 adventure in Costa Rica included three days at the Wild Sun Rescue Center, a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, and release of local wildlife. Seen here (left to right) are GCAC Co-CEO Julie Hill, Tour Guide Pablo Ledezma, Co-Leader Jenna Patton, Amaya Caery, Ady Olds, Mckenzie Baylor, Abby Quinn, Kennedy Patton, Kaidyn Williams, Carlee Hicks, Paige Woolf, Mykenzie Burton, Drake Northup, Wild Sun Owner Jeremy Levine, daughter Boa, and brother Mark, Wild Sun employee Pablo Alonso Rojas. Right, Drake Northup learned skills during his service with Global Citizen Adventure Corps in Costa Rica that he thinks will serve him well as he begins his studies toward an engineering career and continues to travel and assist communities with needs they've identified. He's on the left here with Abby Quinn to the right and Ady Olds in the back. Kaidyn Williams is holding up the last corner of the makeshift carrier for fencing. Their teacher is an employee of Wild Sun Rescue Center.

Carroll County Students, Others Serve in Costa Rica

COSTA RICA — Students from Bruceton, Huntingdon, Camden and Memphis discovered that summer means rainy season in steamy tropical Costa Rica. But armed with serving hearts and good senses of humor, participants in the latest Global Citizen Adventure Corps program overcame the weather, interacted with children who needed their attention, erected fencing and secured habitats for animals needing protection, and even squeezed in a lesson in softball.

The action-packed days also included beach time, boat rides, night kayaking to bioluminescent waters, ziplining, and much laughter and friendship building, said Hollow Rock-Bruceton Central High School's Spanish teacher Jenna Patton who served as the Co-Leader of the program alongside GCAC CEO Julie Hill.

Patton said in the short time span, she witnessed transformation.

"The students matured so much from the beginning of the trip to the end. They came together, putting aside any differences and reliance on the comforts of home," she noted. "They didn't even mention television. They were so immersed in the beauty around them. They forged relationships with people in a new culture, making for a very tearful goodbye. In one week's time they all grew up."

Most of the group were recruited by Patton. Two 2024 graduates say that the experience of crossing cultures and exploring life outside of their hometowns made a definite impact.

Drake Northup, an 18-year-old heading to the University of Tennessee at Knoxville with the intent of studying biomedical or ro-

botics engineering, saw the construction projects at the Wild Sun Rescue Center as a means of confirming his desire to use engineering to help out other communities and explore new places.

As the only male in the group from Tennessee, he spent additional time with the two men accompanying the travelers - the bus driver and tour guide -- who helped him improve upon his two years of Spanish study -- the last with Patton.

"We talked about the news in Costa Rica, the culture and they taught me how to properly say certain words," the Bruceton native noted. "For instance, the Costa Rican slang term Pura Vida can be used as how are you doing, thank you your welcome, goodbye and hello."

The Pura Vida vibe went both ways as Kaidyn Williams became guide and coach, using the end of the day to do some instructing of her own.

The 18-year-old Huntingdon resident wore her t-shirt touting Hollow Rock-Bruceton as softball state champions. When the tour guide pointed it out, a Wild Sun staff member asked what softball was.

She then found a makeshift bat in a nearby stick, designated some bases and along with her peers cheered him on to his first grand slam.

When she entered Coast Guard boot camp in July, Williams was already committed to saving lives. After her Costa Rica week on the Nicoya Peninsula, which included fun in the sun, she says she is ready to continue pursuing her love of the water and to make a difference there.

"I spoke with Pablo, our tour guide, and he told me about how the Costa Rican

Coast Guard helps stop smuggling," she said. Conversations such as this one and the service-focused nature of the entire program "definitely had a positive impact" on confirming her career choice.

As for the tropical storms, both agreed that the rain enhanced their experience.

"The rain felt good. It was hot!" Williams said of the tropical heat. "It also helped make the digging easier."

"And it washed us off," Northup added.

Hill, who organized the GCAC program, working with in-country partners to achieve the West Tennessee-based nonprofit's goals of supporting sustainability and making a positive impact on the lives of both the people of Costa Rica and students from primarily rural and economically disadvantaged backgrounds, said the week reinforced her commitment to leading the nonprofit.

"I was inspired to see the students working so hard in some pretty tough condi-

tions. Yet they kept at it with smiles on their faces. Then later to see them chatting in Spanish in the group chat - outside the classroom, not for a grade but for the fun of it - that's what education is - transformative," she said.

Northup and Williams say they are walking away equally inspired.

"It was very eye-opening to understand how others live, and it's a way that I'd like to live," Northup acknowledged. "The fresh food, the kindness of everyone, the way they are welcoming and protecting nature - it's inspiring."

"In a word, it's a moving experience," Williams contributed. "You really get to experience how big the world is."

The two service projects were outcomes of collaboration with in-country guides. Wild Sun Rescue Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, and release of local wildlife. The GCAC volunteers spent three days helping secure safe habitats

for the sick, injured and orphaned animals there. They also installed stepping stones to help future volunteers get around safely.

The day the group landed in the capitol city, they traveled to Hogar Sol Association to engage with and deliver items collected for the vulnerable children there.

Participants in the program alongside Northup and Williams were Abby Quinn of Bruceton, Amaya Caery of Memphis, Carlee Hicks of Bruceton, Kennedy Patton of Camden, Mckenzie Baylor of Bruceton, Mykenzie Burton of Camden, and Paige Woolf of Bruceton.

Plans are underway for a

2025 program in Costa Rica led by Patton. To be notified when registration begins, visit the GCAC website and complete the notification popup form.

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Back to School Bash at Long Heights Baptist Church - McKenzie on August 4 from 5-7 p.m. featuring water slides and food trucks! Long Heights Baptist Church is located at 260 Old Paris Rd, McKenzie, TN 38201.

Urban Trading Company in McKenzie is having a Back to School Bash on July 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with several vendors. Urban Trading Company is located at 55 Broadway St., McKenzie, TN 38201.

Make plans to attend the Back to School Jumpstart happening on July 21 from 6-8 p.m. at Mulberry Park. There will be snow cones, food, games, school supplies and LOTS of fun! Mulberry Park is located at Mulberry St, McKenzie, TN 38201.

Back to School Bash at Veterans Park in Huntingdon on August 4 from 5-7 p.m. — Huntingdon students (K-12) and their families are welcome to join a fun-filled evening with free food and school supplies, lots of games and ice cream. Veterans Park is Located at 605 Northwood Dr., Huntingdon, TN 38344. This event is presented by Project 19:14 and local churches.

McKENZIE CITY MEETINGS

Historic Zoning Committee Meeting — Wednesday, July 10 at 4 p.m. No agenda provided.

Parks & Recreation Meeting — Wednesday, July 10 at 5:30 p.m. No agenda provided. Meeting is supposed to be a follow-up to the June meeting regarding the location of soccer fields either near McKenzie City Park or at Mulberry Park.

Workshop/Public Hearing (Broadway Street) — Thursday, July 11 at 5 p.m. The public is invited to at-

tend this meeting regarding the directional change of Broadway Street from two-way to one-way. Downtown business owners are strongly encouraged to attend. The public is allowed to address the council during a public hearing.

City Council Meeting — Thursday, July 11 at 6 p.m. This is the regular monthly meeting of McKenzie City Council. Business in this meeting includes the second reading of the Broadway one-way street ordinance and relevant discussion from the workshop. If the public wishes to address the council, they must request to be added to the agenda at least 24-hours prior to the meeting time by Wednesday at 5 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting — Wednesday, July 24 at 3:30 p.m. No agenda provided.

Workshop/Public Hearing for Board of Zoning Appeals — Wednesday, July 24 at 4 p.m.

Zoning Board Meeting — Wednesday, July 24 at 4:15 p.m.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH HOSTS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Bethel Baptist Church in McKenzie is hosting Vacation Bible School (VBS) “Breaker Rock Beach” scheduled for July 15-19, 5:30-8:30 p.m. VBS begins with snacks and drinks at 5:30 p.m., classes start at 6 p.m. and an adult class begins at 6:30 p.m. Bethel Baptist Church is located at 21755 Hwy 22. You are invited to attend.

MISS CCHS PAGEANT

The Miss Carroll County Humane Society Pageant will be held on Sunday, July 21 at the Carroll County Civic Center in Huntingdon. Doors open at 12 with the first category beginning at 1p.m.

\$5 entry per person to watch. Entry paperwork is available at CCHS or can be completed the day of pageant. Infant-2 years for boys and girls, 3-5 for Mini Mr. and Mini Miss, 6-9 Little Miss, 10-13 Junior Miss, 14-16 Teen Miss, 17-21 Miss CCHS and 22+ Adult Miss CCHS. \$35 entry fee beauty only and includes one admission plus contestant.

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MOVIE NIGHT WITH NOLAN AT THE COURT THEATRE

The Court Theatre in Huntingdon is hosting a special movie night on Tuesday, July 9 at 7 p.m. The movie will be Good Burger and proceeds will benefit the Nolan and Courtney Turner Memorial Scholarship. Donations will be accepted at the door instead of charging admission. Other items will be for sale as well. Nolan’s father, Jesse Turner, said they are working on special cups and popcorn bags to make the night very Nolan-centric.

COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION

The Northwest Tennessee Economic Development Council will distribute USDA Commodity giveaways for residents of Carroll County residents on July 17 and 18, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. or until food commodities are depleted. The address is 13355 Paris Street, Huntingdon.

This is a first-come, first-served basis. Residents must be registered to receive assistance. Attendees can register and prove eligibility while on site.

WEBB SCHOOL NATIONAL REGISTER CELEBRATION

The Webb Alumni Association is planning a celebration and ribbon cutting on July 20 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the school, located at 938 Walnut Street West, in McKenzie to commemorate the addition of Webb Public School to the National Register of Historic Places. You are cordially invited to attend.

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.

Cat Vouchers

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T.A.R.P. ADA CELEBRATION

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McKENZIE MEMORIAL LIBRARY’S HOURS

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.

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.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY FAMILY DANCE NIGHTS

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 47 is hosting family dance nights on Thursdays in July from 7-9:30 p.m. at

Carroll County Civic Center in Huntingdon, located at 201 Fairgrounds Road. On July 11 Wallace and Company will perform, July 18 will be the Trailblazers Band, and on July 25 Crooked Creek will perform. There will be no dance on July 4.

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.

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 REPUBLICAN PARTY MEETS

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

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Local Students Honored at Annual SkillsUSA Workforce Development Event

ATLANTA, Grassroots Newswire (July 3) — Two area career and technical student won one of the nation's highest awards at the 2024 SkillsUSA Championships, held in Atlanta, on June 26-27. More than 6,000 students competed at the national showcase of career and technical education. The SkillsUSA Championships is the largest skill competition in the world and covers 1.79 million square feet, equivalent to 31 football fields or 41 acres.

The following students from your area received a SkillsUSA Championships medal and Skill Point Certificate:

*Hunter Hamilton, from Dresden and a student at Tennessee College of Applied Tech-Henry/Carroll (Paris), was awarded the college bronze medal in Commercial Roofing.

*Lollie Brown, from McKenzie and a student at Tennessee College of Applied Tech-Henry/Carroll (Paris), was awarded the college gold medal in Pin Design.

Students were invited to the event to demonstrate their technical skills, workplace skills and personal skills in 115 hands-on competitions including robotics, automotive technology, drafting, criminal justice, aviation maintenance and public speaking. Industry leaders from 850 businesses, corporations, trade associations and unions planned and evaluated the contestants against their standards for entry-level workers. Industry support of the SkillsUSA Championships is valued at over \$36 million in donated time, equipment, cash and material. More than 1,200 industry judges and technical committee members participated this year.

A total of 1,250 gold, silver and bronze medals were presented to students on Friday, June 28 at the SkillsUSA Awards Session. Many winners also received industry prizes, tools of their trade or scholarships. The medalists also received a Skill Point Certificate representing workplace readiness in the student's occupational specialty. As an indicator of proficiency, Skill Point Certificates were awarded to all national contestants who medaled or who met a threshold contest score for

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their event.

“More than 6,000 students from every state in the nation participated in the 2024 SkillsUSA Championships,” said SkillsUSA Executive Director Chelle Travis. “This showcase of career and technical education demonstrates SkillsUSA at its finest. Our students, instructors and industry partners work together to ensure that every student excels. This program expands learning and career opportunities for our members.”

The SkillsUSA Championships event is held annually for students in middle school, high school or college/post-secondary programs as part of the SkillsUSA National Leadership & Skills Conference. The national, nonprofit partnership of students, instructors and industry is a verified talent pipeline for America's skilled workforce that is working to help solve the skills gap.

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WHAT'S COOKING

By Teresa Washburn

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Million Dollar Pie

1 (12 oz.) Cool whip

4 tablespoons lemon juice, fresh

1/2 cup pecans

1 can Eagle Brand milk

1 large can crushed pineapple, drained

2 cups miniature marshmallows

1 cup angel flake coconut

2 graham cracker crusts

Mix above ingredients, except coconut, and pour into the 2 graham cracker crusts. Sprinkle with coconut. Let

set at least 3 hours in refrigerator. Can be frozen.

Oriental Pie

1 stick butter, melted

1/2 cup raisins

1 cup sugar

1 tablespoon vinegar

1/2 cup pecans

3 eggs

1/2 cup coconut

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Mix together all ingredients, mix well, pour into an unbaked pie shell and cook at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

Zucchini Bread

3 eggs

1 cup oil

1 3/4 cup sugar

3 teaspoon vanilla

2 tablespoon grated orange rind

2 cups grated raw zucchini

3 cups flour

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon soda

1/4 teaspoon baking powder

2 teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 cup chopped nuts or raisins

Beat eggs until light and fluffy, add sugar and continue beating until well blended. Stir in oil, vanilla, zucchini and orange rind. Sift dry ingredients, stir into egg mixture along with the nuts/raisins. Turn into 2 greased loaf pans. Bake at 325 degrees for 50-60 minutes or until bread tests done. Remove from pan; cool on rack. Chill before slicing. Can also

be baked in mini loaf pans.

Parker House Rolls

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1 cup lukewarm water

5 tablespoon sugar

6 tablespoon shortening

6 cups flour

Scald milk; add sugar, salt and shortening. Cool to lukewarm. Dissolve yeast in lukewarm water and add cooled milk. Add flour to make easily handled dough. Knead well. Place in greased bowl, let rise until double in bulk. Roll out and cut. Place close together in greased pan. Cover and let rise until light. Bake in 375 degree oven until golden brown.

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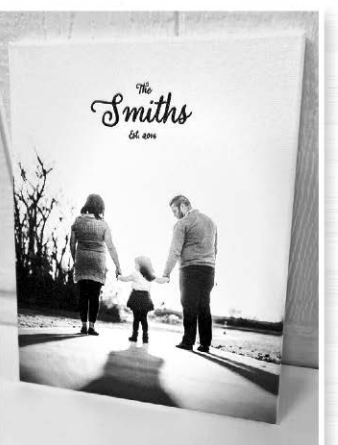
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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

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Huntingdon Police Reports

DUI, Driving on Revoked Driver License

— Kennon R. Johnson, 67, of Huntingdon, was arrested and charged with DUI first offense, Driving on a Revoked or Suspended License, and Violation of Implied Consent Law on 6/22/24. Officer Justen Roberts observed a black Tahoe turn left onto Paris Street from Clark Street. By turning left onto Paris Street, the vehicle was driving the wrong way down a one-way road, so Officer Roberts initiated a traffic stop. The defendant immediately exited his vehicle and attempted to approach the officers. Roberts informed Johnson to wait by his vehicle. A check with dispatch confirmed that Johnson didn't have a driver's license. When Officer Roberts approached the vehicle, he could smell the odor of alcohol coming from his person and located inside the vehicle was an unopened can of Michelob Ultra and cup containing tequila in the center console cup holder. Johnson failed the field sobriety test and refused to provide a blood sample. He was then taken to Carroll County Jail.

Domestic Assault, Child abuse and Neglect (non-violent) — Epiphany Taylor, 25, of Milan, was arrested on 06/27/24. Officer Arline was dispatched to a home on Paris St. in Huntingdon for a possible domestic assault. When he arrived on scene three females were standing in the driveway of the residence. The victim had a cut under her left eye

that appeared to be swelling and bleeding. Officers asked her what happened to eye, and she said her daughter, Epiphany, hit her multiple times and attacked her. Epiphany Taylor said a tall black woman with long hair had assaulted her mother and left the scene. Taylor had cuts on her knuckles and blood on her fingers/fingernails consistent with striking someone with a fist. The defendant was visiting her mother and her 2-year-old son who her mother has custody of. At some point, Epiphany Taylor engaged in a verbal altercation with her mother while she was holding her son. The altercation became physical, and Epiphany began shoving her mother and then striking her in the face while continuing to hold her two-year-old child, placing the baby in imminent danger. Epiphany eventually sat the child down and continued to attack her mother.

Driving on Revoked Drivers License, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange — Alfonza J. Duffy, 33, of Huntingdon, was arrested on 6/22/24. Officer Arline observed a silver Chevy Trailblazer traveling down Veterans Drive North with a headlight out. Officer Arline initiated a traffic stop and approached the driver who was Alfonza Duffy. The driver stated that he doesn't have a driver's license due to it being suspended for failure to pay fines. After a call with dispatch, it was confirmed that they are suspended, and he has had 9

previous arrests for driving on suspended license. The defendant informed the officers that there was marijuana in the vehicle. After a search was conducted, a grinder with marijuana residue was found, 2 bags, one containing marijuana and the other containing marijuana residue. Duffy was then transported to Carroll County Jail.

Shoplifting — Eugene Dorey, 78, of Huntingdon, has been cited with shoplifting from Walmart in Huntingdon and Milan locations. Eugene failed to scan three items and attempted to leave the store without paying for them. The total restitution of these items is \$19.10. This incident was captured by Walmart security footage.

Driving under the Influence — Brian Hicks, 21, of Bruceton, was arrested on 06/23/24. Officer Arline observed a gray Ford Bronco heading west down Buena Vista Road driving on the opposite side of the road. A traffic stop was initiated. The driver, Brian Hicks, had an alcohol odor coming from him and the vehicle. He also had slurred speech and watery eyes. Officer Arline asked Hicks to get out of the vehicle and take a sobriety test. Hicks failed the test and kept stating "just take me to jail." He was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI. While on the way to jail, Hicks said "Take off these handcuffs and I promise I'll show you." During the booking process, Brian still refused a blood sample and then signed a middle finger on the signature line.

McKenzie Police Reports

Aggravated Burglary

— Alvin Travis, 60, Magnolia Avenue, was charged with Aggravated Burglary and Vandalism on July 3. Officer Bryan Batchelder was dispatched to a Magnolia Avenue address, where Travis had kicked in the door and entered the house. He was said to be screaming and sweating. The owner and the renter were called to the scene, as well as an ambulance, to check the vitals of Travis. The tenants said several items inside the home were relocated. The owner indicated the damage was approximately \$500. Travis was transported to jail.

Theft, Vandalism — MPD responded to a Forrest Avenue address, where the principal resident reported theft of an automobile and vandalism to another. Along with theft of an air conditioner, television, air fryer, and speakers. She indicated her ex-husband could be suspect. Officer Timothy Dillon took statements from the principal resident and other house occupants. After his interviews, he had each of their names entered into the national crime computer and discovered one of the occupants, Daytrien L. Hunt, 27, of Milan had an outstanding warrant issued out of McCracken County, Kentucky. Hunt was arrested and transported to Carroll

County Jail for extradition.

Domestic Assault — Jacinda D. Bates, 25, Paris, was charged with Domestic Assault on July 6 after she reportedly slapped the father of her baby. Officer Steven Scott's report indicated the victim videoed Bates slapping the phone from his hand.

Simple Possession — Tyriana S. Lewis, 23, Bradford, Tenn., was charged with Simple Possession, Tampering with Evidence, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia after a traffic stop on July 4. Officer Steven Scott stopped Lewis' vehicle for a light law violation. The officer indicated he could smell an odor similar to marijuana. Lewis was advised the vehicle would be searched and Lewis then attempted to throw some pills into the woods. The report indicates fentanyl, a Xanax bar, and residue was found on folded money.

Driving on Suspended License — Logan Jackson McCollum, 35, McKenzie, was charged with Speeding and Driving on a Suspended License on July 3. Officer Dustin McClure stopped McCollum's vehicle for speeding. A license check revealed the suspended license. McCollum was cited into General Sessions Court.

Driving on Revoked License — Monetavious D. Finch, 32, Paris, was charged with Driving on a

McKenzie.

Cel Amaral, 47, of Memphis, to Kevin Fernando Arboleda Cano, 21, of Lavinia.

Melissa Jeanne Moreno, 48, of Bruceton, to Jesse Linville Young, 32, of Bruceton.

Carroll County Sheriff's Reports

DUI — Rakan Bahnam Nazi, 24, of Camden, was charged with driving under the influence on 6/30/24. Officer Jeremy Smith responded to a motor vehicle accident on Northwood Dr. in Huntingdon which resulted in property damage. The defendant,

Rakan Nazi, had an excessive amount of sweat and slurred speech as well as heavy odor of alcoholic coming from his person. The defendant consented to standard field sobriety test and performed poorly and refused to give a blood sample.

Carroll County General Sessions Court

HUNTINGDON (July 3) — The following cases were heard in Carroll County General Sessions Court on July 3.

Gary Lynn Wallace, Harris Road, McKenzie, was the lone defendant bound over to the Grand Jury of the Circuit Court. Wallace is charged with Tampering with Evidence, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Possession of Schedule II Drugs: Meth; Driving While Revoked-Second or Subsequent.

The following cases resulted in a guilty plea or finding.

Jennifer Cocran, Cedar Dr., Camden, Drivers License to be Carried, time served, probation.

Joseph G. Cozart, Bertha Street, McKenzie, Probation Violation, 11/29 jail, may receive day-for-day credit for successful completion of long-term in-patient drug treatment; dismissed, Meth-Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess; dismissed, Simple Possession; dismissed, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia.

Charle Daniel Dunning, Old Highway 22, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation, 20 days jail, probation extended five months.

Cheyenne Evans, Cherry Avenue, McKenzie, guilty, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, \$150 fine, probation,

credit for time served, alcohol and drug evaluation; dismissed, Contraband in Penal Facility; dismissed, Simple Possession, dismissed, Meth-Possession.

Michael Evans, Cole Fairway, Paris, guilty, DUI-First Offense, \$350 fine, 11/29 jail, not to drive for one year; dismissed, Vehicular Assault; dismissed, Simple Possession; dismissed, Schedule II Drugs-Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; dismissed, Seat Belt Violation; dismissed, Driver Failed to Exercise Due Care.

Michael Gukeisen, Terry Road, Huntingdon, guilty, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, 11/29 jail suspended to 30 days; probation; dismissed, Tampering with Evidence; dismissed, Meth-Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess with Intent.

Brian Hayden Hicks, Eubanks Road, Bruceton, guilty, DUI-First Offense, \$350 fine, supervised probation, not to drive for one year, DUI School, probation, 12 days time served, complete intensive outpatient rehab; dismissed, Implied Consent.

Samantha Jones, Blue Bird Lane, Huntingdon, guilty, Registration Certificate Must Be Carried, no sentence list-

ed; dismissed, Speeding; dismissed, Driving Without a License; dismissed, Violation of Financial Responsibility.

Jessica Renee Phillips, Henderson Road, Sardis, Tenn., guilty, Probation Violation, 20 days jail, extended probation.

Steven Cary Reid, Johnson Street, Trezevant, guilty, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, \$150 fine, probation; dismissed, Driving While License Suspended; dismissed, Light Law Violation; dismissed, Violation of Financial Responsibility.

Ja'Tavion L. Wigfall, Haven Road, Murfreesboro, guilty, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, 30 days jail, probation; guilty, Simple Possession, Possession of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, 11/29 jail; dismissed, Theft.

Derek A. Williams, Nuckolls Road, Bolivar, guilty, Theft of Merchandise, 20 days jail, \$20 restitution to Walmart, no contact with Walmart and another victim, may receive day-for-day jail reduction for successful completion of rehab; dismissed, Harassment.

The following defendant's cases was dismissed.

Dwayne Jones, McDonald Avenue, McKenzie, dismissed, Driving While Suspended.

Property Transfers

Thomas Hartigan to Robert J. Burton in District 5.

Kenneth Todd Clerk and Master to David and Dawn Marlin in District 13.

Marvin E. Alexander to Donald Perkins in District 2.

Curtis L. Miller to Ring Rentals, LLC. No district listed.

Teresa Gail Moody Morrow to Terri Warren in District 22.

Mark and Linda Bennett Dillahunty to Bobby and Sue Butler in District 11.

Ilima Special Kane to James Kevin and Vicki Crossno in District 12.

Real Property Solutions, LLC to Hamid and Fatima Sighelem Alami. No district listed.

Wayne Yoder to Derek and McKenzie Galey in District 4.

Connie L. Fullard to Kenneth Denton in District 16.

Clerk and Master to Lorie Kee in District 22.

Terraluma Land LLC to Kenneth Sifford in District 21.

Joshua and Caitlyn Edge to Steven Andrew and Cynthia Marie Lamonica Dore in District 4.

Clerk and Master to Bobby and Beverly Ricketts in District 12.

Connie Fullard to Trinity Builders, Inc. in District 16.

Apolinario Padilla to Maria Guadalupe Padilla in

District 4.

Stephen L and Gail Walker to Zachery Dodson in District 11.

Luke and Hattie Buckley to Michael W. Polk in District 11.

Michael Galus to Joseph Thomas Wortham in District 16.

Randy and Linda Bletz to Cristina Cabrel in District 11.

Nicholas Boyd to Ensley Dirt Work and Investment Properties, LLC in District 12.

Ricky Maness to KG Construction LLC in District 6.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF TENNESSEE, CARROLL COUNTY

WHEREAS, Lacey Dawn Prater executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for FirstBank, Lender and Wilburn J. Evans, Trustee(s), which was dated February 18, 2022, and recorded on February 22, 2022, in Book 715, at Page 662 in Carroll County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the debt(s) and obligation(s) thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the current holder of said Deed of Trust, Citizens Bank NA f/k/a RBS Citizens NA, (the "Holder"), appointed the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee, with all the rights, powers and privileges of the original Trustee named in said Deed of Trust; and

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on **August 27, 2024, at 10 a.m.** at the usual and customary location at the Carroll County Courthouse, Huntingdon, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Carroll County, Tennessee, to wit:

Located in the Town of Huntingdon and beginning on a stake in the West margin of Spring Street, the same being Ben Cockrill's Southeast corner, and runs South with the West margin of Spring Street 85 feet to a ditch; thence West with the ditch 130 feet to a post; thence in a Northern direction 73 feet to a stake and Cockrill's Southwest corner; thence East with Cockrill's South line 131 feet to the point of beginning.

Being that property known as 185 Spring Street, Huntingdon, TN 38344.

The above description is the same as in the previous deed of record.

For source of title, see Warranty Deed Book 402, page 971, Register's Office of Carroll County, Tennessee. Map 73-E, Group P, Parcel 8.00, Assessor of Property's Office for Carroll County, Tennessee.

Parcel ID Number: **11-073-E-073-E-P-008.00**
Address/Description: **185 SPRING ST, Huntingdon, TN 38344**
Current Owner(s): **Lacey Dawn Prater**
Other Interested Party(ies):

The sale of the property described above shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any and all liens against said property for unpaid property 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; a deed of trust; and any matter than an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and

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 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.

This office is attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
c/o Tennessee Foreclosure Department
4360 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Suite 310
Atlanta, GA 30341
PH: 404-789-2661 FX: 404-294-0919
File No.: 24-15547 FC01

ACCEPTING BIDS

The West Carroll Special School District CTE Department will be accepting bids until July 11, 2024, for the installation of quartz countertops for the Culinary Department. The counter tops will have a 12" backsplash in 3 separate kitchen areas. For more information on the exact measurements. Contact Kristen Lindsey at 731-662-7116. Email Jennifer.Lindsey@wcssd.org.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: 2024PE127

ESTATE OF: NELLIE ANN HALE, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the **26TH** day of **JUNE, 2024** Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of **NELLIE ANN HALE** deceased, who died **NOVEMBER 17TH, 2023**, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Clerk & Master of Carroll County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required by law to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received a copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1) (A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death. All persons indebted to the above Estate must come forward and make proper settlement with the undersigned at once.

This 26TH day of JUNE, 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

JASON HALE, Executor/Administrator
STEVEN L. WEST, Attorney
KENNETH TODD, Clerk & Master

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Above Left, The cooling station, shaped as a fire hydrant, was set up for the kids. Above Right, The winner of the best float in the parade was Oak Hill Union Church. Below Left, A game of “tug of war” using a fire hose. It was just a fun photo as it was too hot to pull. Below Right, Howard Powell with his cake walk prize. Photos by Gary Owens



Cottage Grove Hosts Annual July 4th Celebration

COTTAGE GROVE, Tenn. (July 4) — Tennessee’s smallest incorporated city always puts on a festival on July 4 in celebration of America’s independence from Great Britain.

As of 2022, Cottage Grove is the smallest incorporated city in Ten-

nessee, with an estimated population of 66 people. It’s located in Henry County, about 20 minutes outside of Paris, and covers about 0.2 square miles. Cottage Grove has a historic school, cemetery, church, park, post office, volunteer fire department,

and general store. The July 4th event includes a parade, kids games and fireworks. It is a go-to event for politicians and citizens from surrounding cities.

It was a blistering hot day, but visitors enjoyed the festivities.



The McKenzie Fire Department in the parade. Photo by Gary Owens



McKenzie Fire Department’s ladder truck suspends a giant American flag during the July 4th celebration at McKenzie Park.

McKenzie Celebrates July 4th

McKENZIE (July 4) — Thousands enjoyed the fireworks show at McKenzie City Park on July 4. The traditional show attracts spectators from throughout the region as they observe from inside the park, near-by Bethel University, State Route 22, from the adjacent residential subdivision.

Food vendors were set up on the outskirts of the parking lot and McKenzie Fire Department’s ladder truck suspended a giant American flag to the delight of the audience.

McKenzie park associates worked to have the park pristine for the onslaught of visitors. Bleacher were repositioned from the ball fields to a more appropriate viewing area near the pond for visitors. Children enjoyed the playground equipment as they waited for the fireworks show at 9 p.m.

Pictured Right, A family sits on the lawn at the park as they watch the fireworks.



Above Left, Marlowe Temple is ready to celebrate July 4. Above Right, Christopher Garner and Kinsely and Jack Martin. Below, Brandi Everett, Ellie Jo Everett, Kyleigh Jo Martin, Samuel Everett and Tim Everett.



McLemoresville Continues July 4th Tradition

McLEMORESVILLE (July 4) — The town of McLemoresville celebrated the fourth of July in traditional style with a parade, cake walk, music, famous burgers by McLemoresville Fire Department, music, and fireworks.

Mayor Phil Williams welcomed citizens and visitors to his hometown, that is steeped in tradition and is known as a town, where many citizens live to be one hundred years old. It is a town where the citizens take ownership and work collectively on projects.

When the late Dixie Carter and Hal Holbrook were living, they often visited on July 4th and Hal enjoyed visiting the ‘real’ people of McLemoresville. He enjoyed participating in the cake walk.

Children truly enjoy participating in the parade with their decorated bicycles, hoverboards, or electric miniature cars.

Natalie Porter was the grand marshal. Natalie is the county Register of Deeds and a local citizen of McLemoresville.



Lex Suite presented a cake to a young man during the cake walk.

See more photos online at www.mckenziebanner.com.