



Rebel Colt Norden makes a 36-yard diving catch, setting up a go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner

Football

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fourth quarter. Four more touchdowns meant four lead changes, and the Rebels took a final lead with just 22 seconds on the clock for a 38-35 victory.

The Mustangs won the coin toss and received the opening kickoff. Tyreke Hutch reeled it in deep and returned it to the Huntingdon 38. True to tradition, the Mustangs kept the ball on the ground for most of the possession, eating up most of the first frame. Quarterback Gray Eubanks kept ten times in the 17-play drive. His only two passes came on a key third-and-long when he hit Easton Byars for eight and then converted a fourth down pass to Brady Warbritton for ten yards, setting up first-and-goal. Two plays later, Eubanks dove two yards into the end zone for the score. Greyson Anderson kicked the extra point for a 7-0 Huntingdon lead with 1:40 left in the first.

The Rebels went three-and-out on their first possession, punting on the first play of the second quarter.

Eubanks kept the first snap for a 74-yard touchdown, and Anderson's PAT gave the Mustangs a 14-0 advantage 30 seconds into the second frame.

Huntingdon's Ethan Raffield kicked deep to Rebel Colt Norden, who returned it from inside the 5 out to the 23. Quarterback Tate Surber threw to Timmy Arline for a 77-yard touchdown on the first snap. Skyler Fornera kicked the point after, and McKenzie cut the deficit to 14-7 with 11:08 to play in the

second.

The Mustangs managed a first down, but a high snap followed by a low snap, both resulting in lost yards, doomed the drive. A low punt from the Huntingdon 26 was downed at the McKenzie 26.

Arline started the drive with back-to-back carries for a combined 19 yards. Surber threw to Cole Brown for 12 yards and another first down. Arline gained three, then Surber tossed to C. Brown just short of the first-down marker. Arline was stood up at the line of scrimmage to bring up fourth-and-inches, but Surber converted on a QB sneak. Arline was stopped for no gain again, but then caught a pass for 25. Surber kept for a three-yard touchdown, and Fornera kicked to tie the game at 14-14 with two minutes to play before the break.

Rebel Guillermo Hickman's kickoff went into the end zone for a touchback. Huntingdon ran six plays for 34 yards before time expired.

McKenzie received the second-half kick, but went three-and-out.

Starting at their 25, Eubanks and Warbritton ran well in a nine-play drive capped by Eubanks pushing the pile across the goal line for a one-yard score. Another Anderson PAT put the Mustangs back ahead, 21-14, with six minutes to play in the third.

The Rebels started at their 30 with a pass from Surber to Landon Brown for a solid gain. Extra yards from a Huntingdon penalty moved the ball into Mustang territory. Arline ran for 20, then Surber threw incomplete. He found L. Brown on the next pass for 12, then Arline



Above Left, Game winner! Rebel Martez Teague snags the game-winning touchdown pass. Above Right, Mustang quarterback Gray Eubanks avoids one last defender for a 74-yard touchdown to put Huntingdon up 14-0 early in the second quarter. Below Left, Mustang Easton Byars reels in a catch for a solid gain. Below Right, Rebel Timmy Arline takes a catch 77 yards for McKenzie's first touchdown of the night. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



gained nearly ten. On second-and-inches, Surber kept for the two-yard touchdown. Fornera's kick tied it at 21-21 with four minutes remaining in the third quarter.

The Mustangs went three-and-out, but a great punt by Eubanks put the Rebels deep at the 13. Surber completed passes to Norden, C. Brown and Norden again as the third ended. He continued throwing in the fourth, but the defense adjusted and the Rebels kept it on the ground for three plays and earned a first-and-goal at the 10. Three plays later, Fornera kicked a 27-yard field goal to give McKenzie a 24-21 lead, their first of the game, with just under nine minutes to play.

Eubanks started the ensuing drive with a 19-yard pass to Byars, then threw incomplete. Next, the QB kept for seven, then six, then a 43-

yard touchdown. Anderson kicked to put Huntingdon up 28-24 with seven minutes remaining.

On the next drive, Surber completed two passes to C. Brown and one to Norden, but his two runs were key as one converted a third-and-one and the other was a one-yard touchdown. Fornera stayed sure-footed, and McKenzie led again, 31-28, with 4:36 on the clock.

Eubanks picked up a long kickoff near the 5 and returned it to the 31. He kept three straight snaps for two, five and 62 yards for another go-ahead touchdown. Anderson remained perfect on PATs, and Huntingdon led 35-31 with three minutes to play.

Norden received the Mustang kickoff near the 10 and advanced it about 25 yards. After the tackle, officials



converged to determine if there had been a fumble and if so, which team had recovered the ball. The ball was awarded to the Rebels at the 36. Surber threw incomplete twice, but a penalty gave McKenzie a fresh set of downs near midfield. He connected with Norden for another first down at the Huntingdon 32, but two incomplete passes and a personal foul penalty set McKenzie back. On third-and-23, Surber found C. Brown for 30 yards. Now at the 15, Surber faced intense pressure from the Mustang blitz and threw incomplete three times. On fourth-and-ten, with just half a minute to play, Surber threw to Martez Teague in the end zone for the go-ahead touchdown. The Fornera kick made it 38-35.

Huntingdon would take

over at their own 25 with 13.5 seconds on the clock. Eubanks completed an 18-yard pass to Warbritton, and the Mustangs stopped the clock at 5.8 seconds with a timeout. Eubanks targeted Warbritton again near the sideline, but Fornera flew in to break up the play as time expired.

The two experienced senior quarterbacks put up impressive performances for their respective teams.

Rebel Tate Surber was 20 of 33 passing for 338 yards and two touchdowns. He rushed eight times for 31 yards with three touchdowns.

Mustang Gray Eubanks was 5 of 7 passing for 63 yards and rushed 31 times for 286 yards and five touchdowns.

McKenzie travels to Dresden Friday, while Huntingdon has a bye.

Huntingdon School Board Raises Food Service Sub Pay, Adds Educational Assistant Position

BY BRAD SAM
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HUNTINGDON (August 21) — The Huntingdon Special School District Board of Education met Wednesday, the first meeting since the beginning of the school year. Members approved a bump in pay for food service substitutes as well as an additional educational assistant position. The board also heard from high school Principal Porsche McClerking about an exciting new initiative at the school.

Director of Schools Dr. Jonathan Kee requested an additional Educational Assistant position, citing the Special Ed staff's need for more support in conducting, reviewing and updating individualized education programs (IEPs). The board approved the addition unanimously.

Dr. Kee commended the board's previous approval of a raise for substitute teachers and requested a similar increase for food service substitutes, suggesting a jump from \$10 to \$12 per hour. The board approved the motion unanimously.

Also approved was a

date for the 2025 graduation. Commencement is Saturday, May 17 at 6 p.m. at Paul Ward Stadium with a backup date the following day.

Principal McClerking and Assistant Principal Shanna Boyd spoke to the board about a new program being implemented at the high school, CLASS, or Creating Leaders and Successful Students.

The program offers activities, achievements and events throughout each semester through which students can earn points for their class. Examples are wearing class colors on appointed days, Honor Roll, perfect attendance, attendance at an athletic event, tutoring attendance, assessment scores, canned food drives, fewest discipline referrals by month, and presentations to the school board.

Near the end of each semester is a Class Clash featuring dozens of activities, both academic and not, for classes to rack up more points for their final tally. McClerking said, "There's something literally for everybody."

After the Clash, the class with the most points ac-

rued over the semester wins, and each student in that class, granted they participated in a Clash activity, will get the reward, which McClerking presented for board approval.

He proposed that the winning class be given two days off (for example, the Monday and Tuesday before Thanksgiving in the fall semester). He opined that "pizza parties don't work in high school" and that time was what would motivate older kids to get involved, participate and be enriched by these activities.

The school would encourage and help facilitate students using the days off for "extended learning" activities such as job shadowing, work-based learning, post-secondary visits or volunteer hours, but it wouldn't be a requirement.

Board members approved the principal's request unanimously.

Dr. Kee reported enrollment at the onset of the year was 1,284, with 406 in K-3, 469 in middle and 409 in high school.

The meeting adjourned after 45 minutes.



Mary Luter Jordan cuts the ribbon (courtesy of the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce) to commemorate the historic placement. Photo by Joel Washburn/The Banner

Webb School Alumni Annual Homecoming is This Weekend

McKENZIE — Webb School Alumni Association is hosting its 54th annual Homecoming over the Labor Day weekend.

Webb School was an all-African-American school prior to desegregation when the school closed and the students consolidated with other public schools in the area.

Just last month, the Webb School building was added to the National Register of Historic Places. A ribbon cutting was held to cele-

brate the great honor. The building features a museum to commemorate the school's history. It is also the home to Head Start and an after-school program known as Two Sisters and a Book.

On Friday, August 30, 6 p.m. the events start on the campus of Webb High School, 938 Walnut West-McKenzie at 6 p.m. with the event known as This is Not Texas, It's Tennessee.

On Saturday, August 31,

the event is Gospel Explosion-Gospel Lights, 7 p.m. on campus.

Also Saturday, the Alumni Association will select a national president and officers during the annual meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 1, is the Fashion Show "Back in Style Again: at 5 p.m.

Monday, Labor Day, September 2, is themed Throw Back Soul Train 70s and 80s with food trucks. The Soul Train part starts at noon.

McKenzie School Board Agenda

McKenzie Special School District Board of Education convenes Tuesday, September 3, 5:30 p.m. at the Board Office, Bell Avenue, McKenzie.

The tentative agenda includes:

1. Prayer and Pledge to the Flag.
2. Adoption of Agenda:
 - A. Consent Agenda.
 - B. Regular Agenda (New Business).
3. Hear correspondence addressed to the Board.
4. Public comment(s) on actionable agenda items (not to exceed 15 minutes)*.

*MSSD Board Policy 1.404.

5. Guest: Dr. Eric Lipford, Assistant Professor of Education, Bethel University.
- NEW BUSINESS (Actionable Items):
6. Installation of Newly Elected Board Members: Misty Aird, Chad Brown, Karen Fowler.
7. Election of Board Chairman.
8. Election of Vice Chairman and Treasurer.
9. Election of Tennessee Legislation Network member and alternate.
10. Consider approval of

surplus items: 75 student desks; Maintenance van.

11. Consider for approval McKenzie SSD budget amendment(s).
12. Consider for approval overnight trip for MMS Beta Club to Nashville, TN — Beta Convention — November 25-26, 2024.
13. Discussion of proposed projects — McKenzie Middle School gym bleachers; McKenzie.
- Elementary School exterior painting.
14. Director's Report.
15. Adjourn.

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BlueOval

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Ford. Carroll County sits in the 'sweet spot,' halfway between Ford in Stanton and a battery manufacturer in Kentucky.

According to Tennessee Outlook, an online publication, Construction on the new campus continues, and the Tennessee Electric Vehicle Center where the truck will be manufactured still plans to employ 3,000 workers, a Ford spokesperson confirmed. The campus' battery plant — a joint venture between Ford and SK — will make up the remaining jobs needed to fulfill Ford's promise that the campus would create 5,800 jobs. Tennessee lawmakers approved nearly \$1 billion for the \$5.6 billion project three years ago.

A spokesperson said Ford remains confident it will meet requirements set in that incentives deal.

"West Tennessee is a linchpin in our plan to cre-

ate a strong and growing Ford in America. BlueOval City will be one of the most advanced manufacturing complexes anywhere in the world, and we are counting on the workforce in West Tennessee to produce advanced batteries starting next year, and then our most innovative pickup ever starting in 2027," Ford President and CEO Jim Farley said in an emailed statement.

The postponement decision is part of a shift in the Michigan automaker's electric vehicle strategy, which will scrap plans for an all-electric three-row SUV and prioritize hybrid vehicles. The company will reduce its yearly capital expenditures for pure electric vehicles from 40% to about 30%, according to a Wednesday news release.

When Ford announced its plans for the BlueOval City campus in Stanton in 2021, the company set an initial production goal in 2025.

But a down-shift in electric vehicle demand and swelling market competition pushed Ford to reas-

sess, the company stated.

Ford will now focus its electric vehicle efforts "where it has competitive advantages" with plans to roll out production on a new all-electric commercial van in 2026 in Ohio, followed by a mid-sized pickup truck designed by Ford's California skunkworks team and the next-generation pickup to be assembled at BlueOval City's Tennessee Electric Vehicle Center in 2027.

Talk of a delay at BlueOval has been swirling since early June amid slowing demand for electric vehicles, including the company's F-150 Lightning electric pickup truck. In late 2023, Ford CFO John Lawler said the company's electric vehicle unit was on track to lose \$1.3 billion that year.

Pushing back the timeline allows Ford to implement lower-cost battery technology in the next-generation pickup to make it more price-competitive, the release states.

Source: by Cassandra Stephenson - August 22, 2024, Tennesseeoutlook.com.



Excellence in Agriculture winner Justin Hargrove (second from left) of Camden receives the keys to his new truck from Peppers Ford sales associate Kenny McBride. Also pictured are Dan Strasser (left), Director of Special Programs for the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation, and Anthony Peppers (right), manager. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner

Camden Farmer is National Winner Of Excellence in Agriculture

BY BRAD SAM
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McKENZIE (August 23) — Justin Hargrove of Camden visited Peppers Ford Friday and left in style thanks to the recognition of his hard work and contributions to farming by the American Farm Bureau Federation and Ford Motor Company.

The cattle farmer is this year's winner of the Young Farmers & Ranchers Excellence in Agriculture competition, announced in January at the American Farm Bureau's 105th Convention in Salt Lake City. Young farmers and ranchers from across the country competed for the awards by demonstrating knowledge, achievement and commitment to promoting agriculture.

For his win, the Ford Motor Company allotted Hargrove \$35,000 toward the purchase of a vehicle. With the assistance of Peppers

Ford sales associate Kenny McBride, Hargrove ordered a custom-built, 2024 F-250 Lariat in March.

The Excellence in Agriculture Award recognizes young farmers and ranchers who do not derive the majority of their income from an agricultural operation, but who actively contribute and grow through their involvement in agriculture, leadership ability and participation in Farm Bureau and other organizations.

Hargrove competed against 26 contestants from across the country to be named national winner.

Hargrove is an extension agent in Benton County and a third-generation farmer in Camden where he raises beef cattle alongside his father, Steve, on Hargrove Farms. He and his wife, Alli, have two sons, a two-year-old and a newborn.

"It's been an absolute whirlwind," Hargrove told The Banner. "I've been a part of Tennessee Young

Farmers and Ranchers since I was 18, and I've served at the state level in a few different capacities. I was very fortunate to be able to take part in the Excellence in Ag contest last year and won at the state level. First of all, I never thought I'd be able to win it at the state level, so I was absolutely blown away to win at the national level. I'm incredibly grateful to all of the Farm Bureau staff here in Tennessee. They helped me out so very much and encouraged me to grow and get outside my comfort zone. And then at the national level, I'm especially grateful to Ford for being our national corporate sponsorship of that program. Without companies like Ford and those corporate sponsors to help encourage young farmers to get out there and grow and better themselves, programs like this simply wouldn't be possible. So I just can't brag on them enough."

Fire

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Consultant for County Technical Assistance Service, was in attendance at the Carroll County Civic Center to speak to the Carroll County Rural Fire Department Committee along with county firefighters and county commissioners. The purpose of the meeting was to help clear up some of the gray areas in the hopes of improving the department.

At the opening of the meeting, Carroll County Mayor Joseph Butler announced that the current EMA Director Janice Newman had submitted a letter stating she was retiring in September. He added Newman's daughter, Amanda Sneed, current county fire chief, expressed interest in the position. Mayor Butler stated after the meeting that he had not committed or promised the job to Sneed.

It was learned after the meeting that a heated discussion occurred between Director Newman and members of the County Commission. Newman was angry that members of the Commission did not support her daughter and accused a select few of causing problems. The following day a meeting was held at the EMA office and again Newman became upset with a commissioner. This time she requested Chief Deputy Joel Pate to escort the commissioner from her office.

During Alley's presentation, it was brought to the audience's attention that Carroll County does not have a true county fire department. According to TCA 5-17-101,



Marc Alley, Emergency/Fire Management Consultant from CTAS spoke to members of the Carroll County Commission and firefighters from the Carroll County Rural Fire Department.

to operate as a county fire department, the Commission must pass a resolution to create the department. In 1977, Carroll County created an emergency management agency that made a quasi-version of a county fire department.

As the fire department evolved, it became something of a hybrid version as it appeared to be a county department on the surface but operated more as a non-profit organization. Alley stated that the department needed to make a decision and could no longer "ride the fence." He added that while Carroll County technically is not an actual fire department it still has increased liability. Alley went on to cite Burton v. Carroll County, 2001, showing how the county and the Yuma Fire Station were indistinguishable in the court's decision.

It was noted, that there are three groups the county has to take into consideration: the volunteer firefighters, the taxpayers and the county government. With the increased risk and liabilities along with changes

to OSHA standards, many rural fire departments are closing. Fire departments are not considered an essential service at the county level in the State of Tennessee. With that being said, Carroll County has three possible choices on the direction of the rural fire department: it could be disbanded, pass a resolution creating an actual department, or have the fire stations reorganize as individual non-profit 501(c)(3).

If the county decides to pass a resolution creating an actual fire department then the department needs to become more structured. One of the steps would require the county and stations to revisit ownership of real property along with any mutual aid agreements. There would need to be a clear hierarchy with an actual fire chief and assistant chief with a training officer. Each station would have a chief who would report to the county chief with reports.

Currently, the Commission is awaiting a recommendation from the County Rural Fire Department Committee.

TVA

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"We recognize that people don't pay rates, they pay bills, and that matters," said Jeff Lyash, TVA President and CEO. "We know this is a kitchen table issue for many families across our region. At TVA, we don't like price increases anymore than you do, and that's why we continually work to reduce expenses by hundreds of mil-

lions of dollars each year. We have done everything possible to absorb costs as we invest in the reliability of our existing plants, construct new generations to keep up with growth and maximize solar to produce more carbon-free energy."

Lyash added that the fund increase in 2023 helped support the "completion of the Paradise," a natural gas plant in Drakesboro, Kentucky, and move forward with the construction of additional generating resources at Cumberland,

Kingston, Johnsonville, and Shawnee.

The TVA's announcement on Thursday also included that its Board of Directors approved \$150 million in additional nuclear funding to support continued design work and the TVA's development of potential small modular reactors at the Clinch River site near Oak Ridge. That funding, in addition to the \$200 million approved in February 2022, means funding for the project has reached \$350 million.

Hot

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use air conditioning and fans. Your electric utility company might ask you to conserve electricity by increasing the temperature on your thermometer. If you feel weak or nauseous, it could be a sign of heat exhaustion. Heat strokes is a life-threatening condition and requires prompt medical attention.

Tuesday, August 27 — Sunny and hot, with a high near 98. Calm wind becoming west-southwest around 5 mph.

Tuesday Night — Mostly clear, with a low around 69. Calm wind.

Wednesday, August 28 — Sunny and hot, with a high near 100. Calm wind becoming south-southwest around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Wednesday Night — Partly cloudy, with a low around 72. Calm wind.

Thursday, August 29 — Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 100. Calm wind becoming south-southwest around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Thursday Night — Partly cloudy, with a low around 74. South wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Friday, August 30 — A 30

percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 94.

Friday Night — A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 71.

Saturday, August 31 — A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 91.

Saturday Night — A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68.

Sunday, September 1 — A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 91.

FSB Insurance offers Daren Owen Scholarship to Gleason Graduate



Jaeda Perry

Each year, FSB Insurance offers the Daren Owen Scholarship to a Gleason High School Graduate.

Jaeda Perry is the 2024 recipient of this year's scholarship. Jaeda is the daughter of Laura Perry and granddaughter of Rita Merrill. She was considered an excellent and respectful student, played basketball, was on the merit roll and a member of Tumbling Creek Baptist Church Youth helping with nursery and VBS.

She will be attending Bethel University this fall with a major in English and a minor in Education hoping to become a high school teacher!

Jaeda, we wish you a wonderful start to your freshman year at Bethel University!



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THE WIT AND WISDOM OF DAVID JOHNSON
Finding Our Way Back Home

Walking down the dusty road, Cleopas and his friend had little to say to each other. Their collective heartache and disappointment weighed down their normally busy tongues. For the past seven miles fewer than seven words had passed between them.

The mountain city of Jerusalem's beauty faded in the distance behind them. They're halfway to their home in Emmaus. (Why does it always seem like the closer we get to home, the farther away it gets?)

Five days ago, they had traveled to Jerusalem with hearts full of hope, anticipation, and excitement. Now they traveled with hearts full of disbelief, disillusionment, and discouragement.

Focusing on the rocks in their path, they paid no attention to the people they met and passed.

"How could we have been so wrong?" Cleopas finally asked. "Everything pointed to him being the Messiah. He was supposed to be our new King. I thought this was our time, the time for Israel to be a power to be reckoned with, like in the days of our forefather King David."

"I know, I know," his friend replied. "I kept expecting him to call us to arms so we could deliver him from those Roman dogs. Did you see how they treated him? It was humiliating!"

Wagging his head, Cleopas rejoins, "Watching him drag that despised cross through the streets like a slave was an embarrassment to the whole Jewish nation!"

"And then," his friend said, "when they nailed him to the cross..."

"We were foolish to believe any of it!" Cleopas added.

Out of the corner of his eye Cleopas noticed a man walking beside them. Expecting him to move forward past them, Cleopas offered an almost imperceptible nod of acknowledgment in the stranger's direction.

The stranger was Jesus, but they didn't recognize him.

"What are you two discussing so intently?" Jesus asked.

Cleopas responds, "Are you the only one in Jerusalem who hasn't heard what's happened during the last few days?"

"What has happened?" Jesus quizzed them.

Cleopas and his friend swapped looks of incredulity.

Cleopas decided to illuminate the stranger.

"We're talking about all the things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene. We were convinced he was a man of God, a prophet, dynamic in work and word, blessed by both God and all the people. But our high priests and leaders betrayed him, got him sentenced to death, and crucified him. It was our hope that he was the One, the One about to deliver Israel.

"It's now been three days since it happened and some of our women have completely confused us. Early this morning they were at the tomb and couldn't find his body. They came back with the story that they had seen a vision of angels who said he was alive. Some of our friends went off to the

tomb to check and found it empty just as the women said, but they didn't see Jesus."

Continuing their walk toward Emmaus, Jesus took a direct and challenging tone with them.

"So thick-headed! So slow-hearted! Why can't you simply believe all that the prophets said? Don't you see that these things had to happen, that the Messiah had to suffer and only then enter into his glory?"

Jesus then started at the beginning, quoting from the books of Moses and from the prophets, pointing out everything in the scriptures that referred to him.

Though they listened intently to his words, they were still blind.

As they begin coming to the edge of Emmaus, Jesus bade them adieu to continue his journey. But they urged him to stay and have supper with them.

"It's nearly evening. Little daylight is left. Why don't you stay with us this evening?"

Jesus agreed and entered their home.

At the evening meal Jesus took the bread, broke it, and gave it to them.

There was familiarity in the gesture and the manner in which Jesus did it, and the two men stared at him.

Suddenly their eyes were opened, their discouragement dissolved, their disbelief evaporated, disillusionment gave way to reality — He lives!

Back on the road they went, but this time they headed toward Jerusalem to share with everyone the good news! Jesus is who he said he was. He is the Messiah!

Have you ever been in Cleopas's shoes?

Have you ever been so disappointed in others, or yourself, or God that you lost your way from Him?

Have so many bad things happened in your life that you doubted if He was real?

Have heartbreak and sadness come between you and God?

It happens. We are a wandering people.

If today finds you on the road to Emmaus, leaving God behind, don't lose heart. You can find your way home again. Simply follow the example of Cleopas and his friend.

- Spend time walking with Jesus.

- Be open and honest with him about your hurt, disappointment, and doubt.

- Pour your heart out to him.

- Allow your heart to be open to hearing him again.

- Sit quietly with him.

- Give God's Spirit room to apply salve to your wounds.

And most importantly, don't give up too soon.

Cleopas and his friend came within a hair's breadth of missing out. If they hadn't asked Jesus to stay and eat with them, if they'd let him continue on his way, they would never have learned the most important truth they would ever learn.

As they say in Alcoholics Anonymous: Don't give up before the miracle!

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

Tennessee Celebrates Historic 'Every Child TN' Initiative

NASHVILLE (August 26) — The Department of Children's Services (DCS) and the Governor's Faith-Based and Community Initiative (GFBCI), alongside more than 1,700 foster families and children, state and community leaders, foster care providers and faith-based advocates, held a celebration at Belmont University's Fisher Center for Every Child TN, a statewide initiative to mobilize all Tennesseans to care for children, youth, and families before, during, and after foster care.

Every Child TN expands upon the work of former Governor Bill Haslam's Tennessee Fosters and Governor Bill Lee's Tennessee Fosters Hope by building upon past efforts and introducing innovative solutions.

These innovations include implementing a proven recruitment technology, providing new mechanisms for community and faith organizations to meet tangible needs, and creating a seamless integration for measuring, monitoring, and meeting the needs of foster children and families.

Every Child TN is the result of two years of DCS and GFBCI efforts, in collaboration with 39 foster care provider partners, more than 300 community nonprofits and houses of worship, and thousands of foster care champions. In March alone, more than 2,300 individuals registered to become "Every Child TN Champions" as volunteers and advocates. Also in March, over 300 state nonprofit, community, and faith leaders gathered at Motlow State Community College to co-design a unified and coordinated effort to bolster foster care in Tennessee, including sharing data, best practices, and resources.

"Government cannot solve our greatest challenges, and Tennesseans will always step up to serve the most vulnerable in our state," said Gov. Bill Lee. "Every Child TN invites all of us to care for children and families impacted by foster care. I commend the tireless work of foster families, service providers, faith and community partners, and DCS staff."

"We are thrilled to celebrate Every Child TN, a transformative initiative leading to a brighter future for Tennessee children and families impacted by foster care," said Commissioner Quin. "The Department of Children's Services is deeply committed to ensuring every child in our state has the care they deserve. Together, we are strengthening foster care in Tennessee by inviting every community to serve children and families in need."

"Every Child TN demonstrates what can happen when we invite everyone to the table, co-design a strategy with state government, community providers, and faith partners, and unite around a single shared vision for the most vulnerable Tennesseans: kids and youth in crisis," said Villio. "I am forever grateful to the innovative leadership of Commissioner Quin and the DCS staff. This is a massive undertaking, and none of this would be possible without their open and thoughtful collaboration at every turn."

In collaboration with

stakeholders, DCS and GFBCI introduce four priorities of Every Child TN: Preservation of families to prevent children from coming into state care by addressing the root causes of family instability. Recruitment of more families to cultivate a diverse pool of resilient foster families capable of meeting the varied needs of children in state care.

Retention of foster families to ensure long-term stability and permanency for children in foster care. Transition young people as they age out of foster care and provide support as they become independent adults.

During Monday's Every Child TN Celebration, Governor and First Lady Maria Lee presented Governor's Excellence Awards to a foster family, a DCS staff member, a faith-based community, and a non-profit foster care provider. DCS and GFBCI also announced that Dollywood, in recognition of the Every Child TN celebration, will offer a complimentary one-day visit to foster children living in Tennessee in 2025.

Color Blind

BY BILLY O. WILLIAMS
Excerpt from Down to Earth

The wind blew hard northwest by west; it had commenced to snow: A small Salvation Army Band played carols, sweet and low.

From a church spire up on North Main Street the bells began to chime; The pretty lights flickered off and on, 'twas almost Christmas time.

Near the corner 'neath the parapet of a hotel proud and grand, On a cold and weathered cobblestone sat a weary old black man.

He pulled his old coat over him to cover his thin loins, And at his feet a tin cup sat asking for small coins.

He pumped an old accordion, its bellows worn and frayed,

But it sounded like an organ as he pumped and sang and played.

Then it seemed as out of nowhere, a little white boy came And whispered in the old man's ear and called him by his name.

The old man pulled the kid up close, kissed him, and held him tight, And everyone who saw this scene was warned on that cold night.

The old man reached and got the cup and gave it to the boy; He said, "Dip in and take enough to buy yo'self a toy."

Someone said, "That was nice of you to do the thing you did; You gave your meager earning to a dirty faced, white kid."

He said, "Sir, when I was born, the Lord gave me a good mind, But he never gave me eyesight and all my life, Sir, I's been blind.

I ain't never knowed the difference

'twixt day or darkest night, So I can't tell if that little boy is red, or black, or white.

I stays down on the South side on a littered vacant lot, And that little boy that you just saw is the goodest friend I've got.

Folks tell me he's a white chile, but Lawd knows I don't know 'Cause I can't tell de difference 'twixt soot and whitest snow.

I just know that when I needs him he's always standing by; I sho' has seen a lots of things through that little feller's eye."

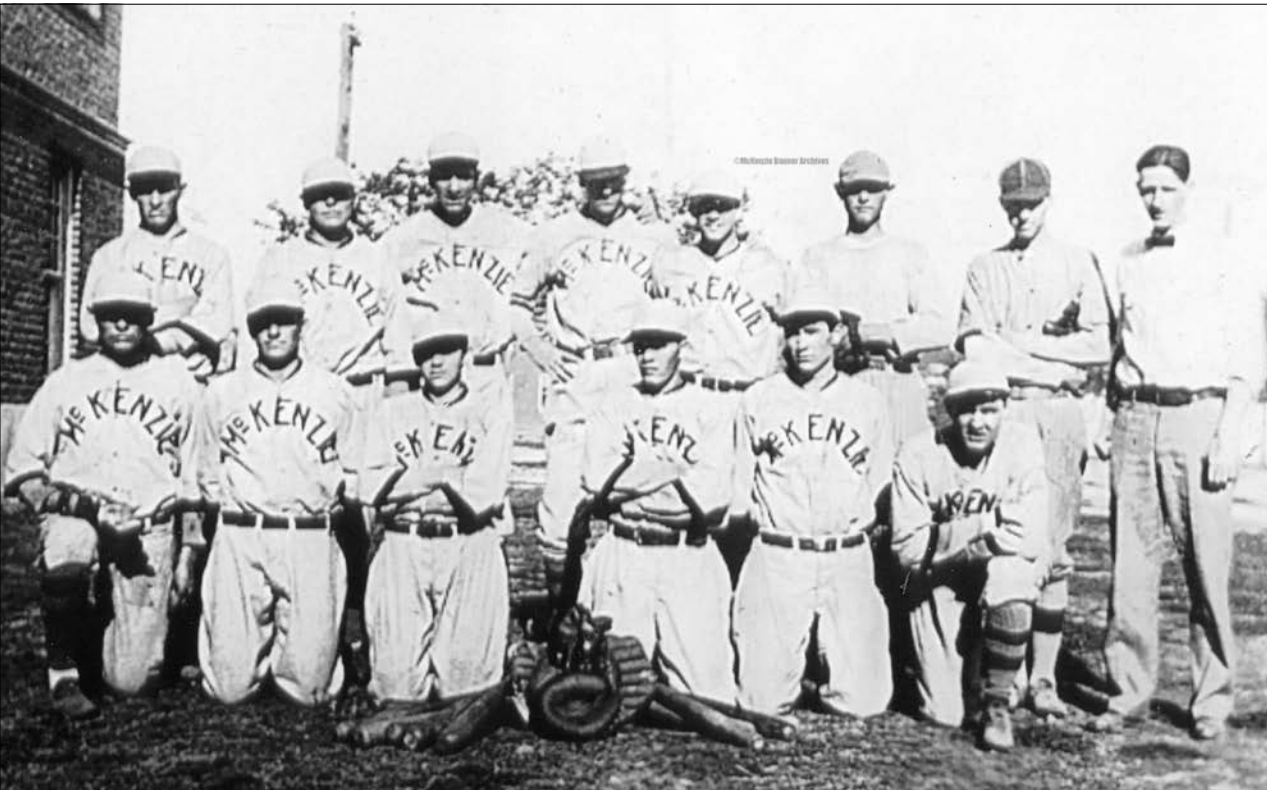
When he had finished talking, I wiped away a tear. I had seen a tattered old black man express true Christmas cheer.

Few times on the streets of a city are there acts so unselfish and kind, And I wonder if it might not be good for us all to be a little more color blind.

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1927 McKENZIE HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM: Coach — Robert Marshall. Captain — Raymond Brooks. Manager — George Wright. Team Members: Howard Akins, Paul Moore, Marcus Wiley, James Warbritton, Tom Winsett, Morris Beadles, Bailess Simmons, J. L. Montgomery, Durrell Smith, Elgie Blaylock and Chester Houston. Photo submitted by Nancy Holland. File photo originally published in "A Pictorial History of McKenzie, Tennessee," by The McKenzie Banner in October 2004.

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Obituaries

MINNER MAE HICKS

1942 – 2024

HUMBOLDT — Funeral services for Minner Mae Hicks is Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, 11 a.m. until service time. Interment will follow at Mack’s Grove Cemetery, Palmersville, Tenn.

Ms. Hicks, 82, died Friday, August 23, 2024, at Methodist University Hospital, Memphis. She worked in the restaurant business and owned Henry Station and Minner’s Café in Henry, and she is a member of Old Hickory Church of Christ, Jackson. She was born on May 6, 1942, in Palmersville to Minner Lovie Gilbert and Helen Mae McGehee Gilbert.

She is survived by three daughters Cheryl King, Sandra Hernandez and Sheila Willis all of McKenzie, three sons James (Marlene) Ozment of Henry, Richard “Ozzie” (Sonya) Ozment of McKenzie and David (Regina) Ozment of McKenzie, eight grandchildren Jennifer (Jeremy) Thomas, William E Ozment, Sarah (Matthew) Page, Kent (Crystal) Ozment, Jesse (Lori) Chesser, Amanda Ozment, Cody (Meagan) Brown and Stephen (Jamie) Brown and 17 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents and two brothers JT Biggers and James Jr Biggers.

If you need further as-

LORINE WILLIAMS

1935 – 2024

NASHVILLE — Mrs. Lorine Williams, 88, of Bruceton, passed away Tuesday, August 20, 2024, at Vanderbilt Medical Center.

Funeral services were Monday, August 26, 2024, at 1 p.m. in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Matt Floyd officiating. Burial followed in McAuley Cemetery.

The family received friends in the Cherrywood Room of Chase Funeral Home on Sunday from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. and on Monday from 10 a.m. until time of service.

Pallbearers were Jacob Williams, Jeremy Hartney, Charles Warren, Aden Hardin, Steven Williams and Dalyn Ballard.

Mrs. Williams was born on September 15, 1935, in Westport, to the late Claude Lee and Sally Hicks Ellis. She worked as a laborer for Turtle Wax, and she loved to quilt. She was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Williams, and twelve brothers and sisters.

She is survived by three daughters, Carolyn Hartney (Michael) of Orland Hills, Ill., Cynthia Petraski (Tony Welter) of Romeoville, Ill., Barbara Young (Donald Parker) of Camden, a son, Steven Williams (Julia) of Hobart, Ind. She also leaves eleven grand-

MARY ANDERSON

1948 – 2024

Mrs. Mary Anderson, 73, of Bell Buckle, died Wednesday, August 21, 2024, at Williamson County Medical Center.

A memorial visitation will be held in the Cherrywood Room of Chase Funeral Home on Sunday, September 1, 2024, from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be directed towards funeral expenses at Chase Funeral Home, 21190 East Main Street, Huntingdon, Tennessee 38344.

Mrs. Anderson was born June 27, 1948, in Selmer, Tenn., to the late Oscar Leroy and Annie Bell Brigman. She was a homemaker. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cecil Edward Anderson, a son, Edward Lee Anderson, two sisters, Dorothy Ann Brigman, Patricia Nevis, and one brother, Bobby Ray Brigman, two grandchildren.

She is survived by three sons, Danny Ray Anderson, of Bell Buckle, Tenn., Billy Ray Anderson, of Whiteville, Tenn., Cecil Edwards Anderson, Jr, of Manchester, Tenn., a step daughter, Janice Ann Hollowell, of Huntingdon, Tennessee, two sisters, Melinda Hays, Pauline Hill, both of Selmer, Tenn., and a brother, John David Brigman, of Bethel Springs, Tenn. She also leaves eleven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.



FROTHY ORANGE DRINK

1 -6oz. can Frozen Orange juice concentrate
1 cup water
1 cup milk
1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
8-10 ice cubes

Combine all ingredients in a blender, beat until thick and slushy.

FRUIT JUICE PUNCH

1 large can pineapple juice
2 pkgs pink lemonade
Kool-aid
2 (6oz.) frozen orange juice

1 quart water, could use more

1 1/2 cup sugar
1 cup fresh strawberry

CHICKEN DELIGHT POPPY SEED CHICKEN

1 chicken, deboned (can use canned chicken)
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 (8oz.) sour cream
Salt & pepper, to taste
1/2 stick butter

Mix the sour cream and soup together with chicken. Add salt and pepper to mixture. Pour into greased casserole dish. Crush crack-

ers and place on top of casserole. Pour melted butter over crackers. Cook approximately 15 minutes in 350 degree oven, until browned and bubbly.

CHICKEN IN RED WINE

1 large frying chicken, cut in pieces
1 stick butter
1 cup Rose’ wine
Salt, pepper and garlic salt, to taste

Melt butter in baking pan, add wine and mix. Place chicken pieces in sauce. Sprinkle chicken with salt, pepper and garlic salt. Bake 15 minutes at 550 degrees, turn oven down to 325 degrees and continue baking 45 minutes, basting often.

Serve with scalloped potatoes, tossed green salad and garlic bread.

CHICKEN OR TURKEY POT PIE

2 chicken breast, cooked and diced
1 can cream of chicken soup, undiluted
1 can cream of celery soup, undiluted
1 can Veg-all drained
2 deep dish pie crusts

Mix all together and place between pie crusts, bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

Gasoline Prices Decrease During Week

TENNESSEE (AUGUST 26) — Average gasoline prices in Tennessee decreased 10.5 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.89/g today, according to GasBuddy’s survey of 3,821 stations in Tennessee. Prices in Tennessee are 15.3 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 49.9 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has declined 3.2 cents in the last week and stands at \$3.67 per gallon, a multi-year low.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Tennessee was priced at \$0.30/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$4.19/g, a difference of \$3.89/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$0.30/g while the highest was \$4.19/g, a difference of \$3.89/g.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 6.2 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.30/g today. The national average is down 20.7 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 49.2 cents per gallon lower than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

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

August 26, 2023: \$3.39/g (U.S. Average: \$3.80/g)
August 26, 2022: \$3.44/g (U.S. Average: \$3.84/g)

August 26, 2021: \$2.82/g (U.S. Average: \$3.14/g)
August 26, 2020: \$1.95/g (U.S. Average: \$2.23/g)
August 26, 2019: \$2.26/g (U.S. Average: \$2.58/g)
August 26, 2018: \$2.56/g (U.S. Average: \$2.83/g)
August 26, 2017: \$2.14/g (U.S. Average: \$2.36/g)
August 26, 2016: \$2.03/g (U.S. Average: \$2.21/g)
August 26, 2015: \$2.22/g (U.S. Average: \$2.56/g)
August 26, 2014: \$3.21/g (U.S. Average: \$3.43/g)

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:

Chattanooga- \$2.75/g, down 14.8 cents per gallon from last week’s \$2.90/g.
Nashville- \$2.98/g, down 12.7 cents per gallon from last week’s \$3.11/g.
Huntsville- \$3.00/g, down 8.3 cents per gallon from last week’s \$3.09/g.

“It seems fitting that, in the run-up to Labor Day, the national average has fallen for four straight weeks to its lowest point since February, giving Americans one last chance to hit the road with gas prices being less of a factor,” said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. “GasBuddy is now tracking eight states where average gas prices are already below the \$3 per gallon mark, along with nearly 20% of gas stations in the country selling gasoline at \$2.99 or lower. These numbers will continue to look better every week as we move into fall. GasBuddy’s Labor Day travel forecast, to be released tomorrow, will provide more good news about the millions of dollars Americans who are road-tripping will save compared to last year.”

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data. GasBuddy’s survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy’s averages, graphs, maps and historical pricing data covering the U.S. and Canada is available 24/7 at <http://prices.GasBuddy.com>.

SOURCE GasBuddy.

TN National Guard Celebrates 250th Birthday

NASHVILLE — Soldiers, Airmen, and friends of the Tennessee Military Department gathered at Nashville’s Joint Force Headquarters on August 16 to celebrate and honor the Tennessee National Guard’s 250th birthday.

Maj. Gen. Warner Ross, Tennessee’s Adjutant General, and Command Sgt. Maj. Dale Crockett, Tennessee’s Senior Enlisted Leader, hosted the ceremony where hundreds of service members reflected on the organization’s heritage, accomplishments, and service over the last two and a half centuries. Ross presided over a ceremonial cake cutting, service members listened to guest speakers, and everyone honored the sacrifice and accomplishments of all those that came before them.

The Tennessee National Guard’s origins trace back to before Tennessee became a state. In 1774, the Virginia frontier was under attack by Shawnee Indians, so Lord Dunmore, the Royal Governor of Virginia, ordered four regiments of militia and volunteers to organize and repel the attacks. Capt. Evan Shelby, a militia leader from the self-governing Watauga settlement, that was in Tennessee’s present-day Sullivan and Carter counties, formed the settlement’s first volunteer militia company, named the Fincastle Company, to assist the Virginia governor. Shelby and 49 other militiamen assembled on August 17, marching from their homes to join the amassing Virginia regiments. This marked the first time “Tennesseans” deployed for war as a militia.

During the ceremony, Ross spoke about the importance of this special day, thanked everyone in attendance, and honored all guardsmen who served. He also played a video that chronicled the organization’s history and many of its historic milestones. After the video, Ross introduced the guest speaker, Will Summers, who spoke about the importance of service and honoring traditions.

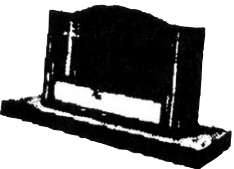
Summers, a retired communications sergeant with the 5th Special Forces Group and a member of

ODA 595 Special Forces Team, discussed his career and what it means to devote yourself to a life of selfless service. Summers was with the first team to arrive in Afghanistan in response to the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, earning his team the moniker “The Horse Soldiers.” His team’s experiences were brought to life in the Hollywood film, 12 Strong.

After Summers spoke, Ross performed a ceremonial cake cutting and asked Pfc. Christian Amacher with Tullahoma’s 1175th Transportation Company, and Col. Mark Phillips, Tennessee’s state chaplain, to join him to assist with making the first cut. It is customary that the oldest and youngest service members in attendance be given the honor of cutting the cake with a ceremonial saber. Phillips, the senior member in attendance, represented the Guard’s past, while Amacher, the most junior service member, represented the Guard’s future.

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Annual Tater Town Celebration is This Week

GLEASON — The annual Gleason Gazette's Tater Town Special is this week with daily events.

Tuesday, August 27, Tater Town Cruise-In Car Show in memory of Spencer Collins, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in front of Gleason School. A power wheel fun race is at 6:30 p.m. Food trucks will be on site.

Wednesday, Young Bingo and Devotional begins at 7 p.m. at the Gazelle Grounds for Ages 4-17. Must be present at 7 p.m. to participate. The devotional speaker is Seth Bowers. Food trucks will be on site.

Thursday, Bingo and Cake Auction begins at 7 p.m. on the Gazelle

Grounds for ages 18 and up. Cake Auction is during intermission. Food trucks will be on site.

Friday is the Community BBQ and Sweet Potato Cook-Off for all ages to participate. Sweet potato entries must be in Cook Booth by 5 p.m. for judges. BBQ Cook Off gate opens at 5 p.m. at the Gazelle Grounds. The price is \$10 per plate. Live music to be provided by Magnolia.

Saturday begins with the JC Carey Memorial 5K Run. Registration is 6:30 p.m. in front of the school with race beginning at 7 a.m. Registration is \$10 for students, \$20 for adults. The event is sponsored by The Refinery and Home-

town Clinic.

Jr. Parade begins at 9 a.m. Lineup is at Gleason Lumber.

The Grand Parade immediately follows the Jr. Parade at 10 a.m..

The downtown events include a Vendor Fair until 2 p.m. Food trucks will be available. Live music is provided by NAtheband at the Gazelle Grounds.

Sunday closes the events with a Community Worship Service, 11 a.m. at Gleason Methodist Church.

Gleason School Alumni Association convenes for the annual reunion at 2 p.m. at the Methodist Church Family Life Center.

Social Security Numbers Breached

WASHINGTON — After a report of a massive data breach and the release of a billion various data breaches involving Social Security numbers in the media, the Social Security administration reminds you about the importance of protecting your personal information. Someone illegally using your Social Security number (SSN) and possibly assuming your identity can cause many problems.

What to do if you suspect your Social Security number has been stolen

Identity thieves can use your SSN and other personal information to apply for loans and credit cards and open cellphone and utility accounts in your name. If you believe your

information has been stolen and you may be a victim of identity theft, you can:

Visit IdentityTheft.gov to make a report and get a recovery plan. IdentityTheft.gov is a one-stop resource managed by the Federal Trade Commission, the nation's consumer protection agency. Or you can call 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

File a police report and keep a copy for your records in case problems arise in the future.

File an online report with the Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) at ic3.gov. Its mission is to receive, develop, and refer cybercrime complaints to law enforcement and regulatory agencies.

Notify 1 of the 3 major credit bureaus and consider adding a credit freeze, fraud alert, or both to your credit report. The company you call is required to contact the others.

Equifax at 1-800-525-6285; Experian at 1-888-397-3742; TransUnion at 1-800-680-7289.

Regularly check your credit report for anything unusual. Free credit reports are available online at AnnualCreditReport.com.

Contact the IRS to prevent someone else from using your Social Security number to file a tax return to receive your refund. Visit Identity Theft Central or call 1-800-908-4490.

Walmart Recalls Tainted Apple Juice

Walmart is recalling more than 9,500 cases of apple juice for elevated levels of inorganic arsenic, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The FDA said the affected product could cause some health effects, but it's unlikely to cause serious illness. Short-term exposure to inorganic arsenic can cause some symptoms, such as nausea, vomiting, bruising and numbness or burning

sensations in the hands and feet, according to the FDA. Arsenic is present in places where food can be grown, so the FDA monitors arsenic levels in case they are above the normal standard.

The recall is for the Great Value brand 8-ounce, six-pack apple juice, which is packaged in PET plastic bottles with UPC 0-78742-29655-5.

The affected packages of apple juice were sold

in several states, including Alabama, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Maryland, Maine, Michigan, Mississippi, North Carolina, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Vermont, West Virginia and Washington, D.C.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

McKENZIE HIGH SCHOOL TITLE 1/ PARENT INVOLVEMENT MEETING

McKenzie High School's annual Title 1/Parent Involvement Meeting is Thursday, September 12 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the MHS Library. All parents and guardians of MHS students are invited to attend. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Carol Nanney, Parent Involvement Coordinator for MHS at nanneyc@mckenziehighschools.org or 731-352-2133.

TOWN OF TREZEVANT SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

A special called meeting of the Town of Trezevant board is Tuesday, September 3 at 6:30 p.m. at the Trezevant Community Center for the first reading of 2024-25 budget amendments.

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.

WEBB LABOR DAY WEEKEND HOMECOMING

The Webb Alumni Association's annual Labor Day Weekend Homecoming is Friday, August 30 through Monday, September 2. Friday from 6-8 p.m. is "This is not Texas, it's Tennessee," a taste of foods this state is known for. Saturday is the Gospel Explosion with the Gospel Lights from 7-9 p.m. Sunday is the fashion show "Back in Style Again" from 5-7 p.m. Monday is "Throw Back Soul Train - 70s and 80s" with food trucks from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and the Soul Train party starting at 12 noon.

MHS CLASS OF 2004 REUNION

The McKenzie High School Class of 2004 20-year

reunion is Saturday, September 28 at Urban Trading Company, 5:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. RSVP by August 30 to Rebekah Cooper Crass or through the Class of 2004 Facebook page.

McKENZIE HIGH ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT IS OCTOBER 4

The McKenzie High School Alumni Association (MHSA) Golf Tournament is Friday, October 4 at Carroll Lake Golf Course. The tournament is a four-person scramble with a limit of 18 teams. All golfers will need to arrive by 7:45 a.m., and the shotgun start is 8 a.m.

Entry fees are \$200 per team of four, and event sponsorships for businesses are available for \$100 each. Sponsorships include recognition on a banner to be displayed at both the golf tournament and the MHSA decades reunion tailgate party later that evening.

Proceeds from the event support the goals of the MHSA, which include providing scholarships and other assistance for students of McKenzie schools.

The deadline for team registration and sponsorships is Monday, September 16.

For more information, pick up a form at Carroll Bank & Trust in McKenzie, or call MHSA President Brian Winston at 731-352-2282.

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.

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.

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 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

We always have spay/neuter vouchers for cats at a cost of \$50 and to be used at Paris Vet Clinic. If you need to pay with cash, come by the shelter to purchase. Otherwise, we have a NEW NUMBER to purchase using a credit/debit card. Please leave a message and the volunteer will return your call very soon, 731-514-0878.

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Tennessee Treasury Returns \$20,232 In Unclaimed Property to Nonprofits

NASHVILLE — In celebration of National Nonprofit Day, the Tennessee Department of Treasury, Unclaimed Property Division is working to successfully return more than \$20,000 in missing money to various nonprofit organizations throughout the state.

This initiative highlights the Department's commitment to supporting nonprofits that play a crucial role in Tennessee communities.

Unclaimed property is money that has been turned over to the State by businesses and organizations unable to locate the rightful owners,

such as refunds, uncashed paychecks, credit balances for overpayments, gift certificates, and abandoned bank accounts. The Unclaimed Property program is a consumer protection program of the Department of Treasury that works to reunite this money with its owners. Businesses and organizations can also have unclaimed property.

In honor of National Nonprofit Day, the following nonprofit organizations have received funds from the Unclaimed Property Division: Mercy Ministries of America: \$546.07; Operation Stand Down: \$788.62; St. Jude Children's Research Hospital: \$17,212.01; Tennessee Kidney Foundation: \$1,686.08.

"On Nonprofit Day, it is especially meaningful to see these funds returned to the organizations that make such a significant impact on our communities," said Tennessee Treasurer David H. Lillard, Jr. "We are proud to support their important work through the Unclaimed Property Division's efforts."

Anyone can see if they are owed any missing money by searching their name at ClaimItTN.gov. The Tennessee Treasury maintains an online database containing all unclaimed property in Tennessee dating to the beginning of the program.

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McKenzie Police Reports

DUI — Hunter Wayne Uselton, 23, Hamilton Street, McKenzie was charged with DUI-First Offense, Vandalism, and Leaving the Scene of An Accident on August 24.

Officer Darren Davis was dispatched to Save-A-Lot parking lot, where a driver hit a utility pole and left the scene. Officer Davis found the damaged GMC pickup on Forrest Avenue near Allen Street. Mr. Uselton was walking along the street to retrieve the tire that came off the truck.

Uselton admitted drinking a six-pack of beer plus two steel reserves.

He was transported to Baptist Hospital for blood samples and later to Carroll County Jail.

DUI — Betsy L. Davis, 50, Highway 22, McKenzie, was charged with DUI #2 and Violation of Implied Consent on August 20.

Officer Steven Scott stopped Davis' vehicle for a violation of display of plate. The officer determined the driver might be under the influence and administered field sobriety tests. She was arrested on the charge.

DUI — Michael W. Rayburn, 54, Childs Street, McKenzie, was charged with DUI and Speeding on August 23.

Officer Dustin McClure stopped Rayburn for driving without headlights at 9:49 p.m. He was traveling 55 in a 45 mile-per-hour zone.

During the stop, Officer McClure observed empty alcoholic beverage containers in the vehicle. A field sobriety test was administered, and Rayburn was arrested.

Driving on a Suspended License — Kimberly Sue Hamilton, 60, Walnut Street, Greenfield was charged with Driving on a Suspended License and Following Too Closely on August 19.

Officer Darren Davis discovered Hamilton's license was suspended on May 24 in Weakley County. She was cited to Carroll County Jail for proper booking.

Gambling — Three subjects are charged with Gambling and Resisting Arrest charges after an incident on August 19.

Officer Darren Davis, assisted by Officer Cunningham, Officer McClure, and Officer Henderson were involved in the arrest of Robert Devante Taylor, 30, Walnut Avenue, McKenzie. Two others, Keon J. Williams, 32, Fields Street, McKenzie, and Demarcus Robinson, 34, Walnut Circle, McKenzie, fled the scene when officers

knocked on the door. Officers McClure and Cunningham unsuccessfully pursued the two on foot. Taylor was apprehended during a foot chase. Taylor had \$5,280 balled up in his hands. The money was seized as evidence.

Robinson will be charged with gambling and Williams is to be charged with gambling and resist, stop or halt.

Two small children were in the home at the time. The incident was referred to the Department of Child Services.

Carolina Squat Law — Lamarion Mikell Turner, 19, Alsup Dr., Springfield, was charged with violation of the new state Carolina Squat Law on his truck, Violation of the Muffler Law, and Window Tint Law on August 20.

Officer Dustin McClure stopped the F150 truck because it was loud and excessive. Tennessee's new law prohibits vehicles from having excessive front-end height as compared to their rear end height. Turner was cited into court.

Theft — A McKenzie woman reported the theft of her clothes from Wyatt Coin Laundry on August 24 around 2:14 a.m. The victim had photos of the suspect.

30, of Buena Vista, had an argument in the car that became verbally abusive. Delaney, who was driving, stopped the vehicle and exited telling him he shouldn't talk to his wife that way. She refused to re-enter the vehicle and began walking away. Timothy Davis drove the vehicle back to her and another argument ensued outside the vehicle. Delaney alleges Timothy threatened that if she didn't get back into the vehicle he was going to choke her. She still refused and was chased around the car until he caught her and put his hands around her neck while pushing her back into the car. Delaney fought back by kicking as Timothy hit her with the car door but was able to exit again. During the time, Timothy had Delaney's phone and refused to give it back to her even after she said she may need it to call for help. So Delaney got back in the car and went home and called her parents. Her parents took her to the First Bank and called the police. Timothy Davis was arrested for Domestic Assault and charged with interference with emergency calls.

Donald's in McKenzie. Upon arrival, deputies saw Brandon Little inside McDonald's about to leave. Deputies put Little under arrest for having a backpack that contained .5 grams of a white crystal substance that tested positive for meth. Little was transported to Carroll County Jail.

Drug/Narcotic Violation — According to a report made by Deputy Chance Townes on August 18, Townes initiated a traffic stop on a gold Buick for failure to stop at a stop sign. He spoke to the driver and advised her of the reason for the traffic stop and asked where they were going and the driver stated they were headed to a house in Waverly to pick up some of her property. The deputy noticed Cole was nervous. He asked Dunlap to step out of the vehicle so that he could issue a warning ticket for the violation. He asked if he could search the vehicle and found a small baggy on the floorboard of the passenger side and Cole said it was hers and was placed under arrest. Cole also had two baggies on her totaling 2.8 grams of meth.

Drug/Narcotic Violation — According to a report made by Deputy Chance Townes on August 20, Townes initiated a traffic stop on a silver Nissan Maxima for failure to maintain lane. The driver, Crystal Hudson, 43, of Atwood, stated she was in a hurry because her grandson was being airlifted to Vanderbilt for trouble breathing. Deputy Townes witnessed the driver's nervousness. He asked for consent to search her vehicle and she denied consent. He then deployed his canine, which led him to search the vehicle. He located a bag full of clothes in the back sat on the driver side of the vehicle a small cloth bag that felt like a meth pipe. He located two glass pipes and meth .3 grams. She was arrested and taken to jail.

Domestic Assault — According to a report by Deputy Daniel Thomas on August 21, units were dispatched out for a domestic, the victim would be waiting at the First Bank in Hollow Rock. When they arrived at the bank, they met with Delaney Davis and her mother. Delaney alleged that she and her husband, Timothy Davis,

Carroll County General Sessions Court

HUNTINGDON (August 21) — The following cases were heard in Carroll County General Sessions Court on August 21.

Tai Do, Pittman Road, Greenfield, was bound over to the Grand Jury of the Carroll County Circuit Court on charge of DUI First Offense and Implied Consent.

The following cases resulted in a guilty plea or finding.

Michelle Renee Baker, Marlboro Road, Hollow Rock, guilty, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, \$150 fine, time served, probation; dismissed, Schedule II Drugs-Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess; dismissed, Meth-Possession or Casual Exchange.

Derontra Byrd, Cherry Avenue, McKenzie, guilty, Driving Without License, probation; dismissed, Light Law Violation.

Austin Cantrell, Winston Avenue, McKenzie, guilty, Vandalism, 90 days jail, \$120 restitution to Carroll County Sheriff's Department; dismissed, Contraband in Penal Facility.

Beverly Ann Cole, Chapel Hill Road, Huntingdon, guilty, Probation Violation, time served.

Jacob Gaia, Highway 190, Trezevant, guilty, Driving Without License, probation, attend safety school; dismissed, Speeding.

Candis Highsmith, Moody Street, Huntingdon, guilty, Cruelty to Animals, \$50 fine, time served, probation not to own animals, forfeit animals.

Charles Hill, Russell Road, Jackson, guilty, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange, \$750 fine, 11/29 jail - suspended sentence, probation, no contact with Hill Court Apartments; guilty, Criminal Trespass.

Luke Wayne Holladay, Highway 79, Atwood, guilty, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange, \$250 fine, time served, probation, inpatient treatment for at least 180 days; dismissed, Meth-Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess.

Robert Jagers, Highway 18, Bolivar, guilty, Reckless Driving, \$350 fine, six months jail - suspended, probation; dismissed, Implied Consent; dismissed, Open Container; dismissed, Financial Responsibility.

Lacy Jaramillo, Lakeshore Drive, Lakewood, Tenn., guilty, DUI-First Offense, \$350 fine, 11/29 jail suspended to 48 hours, probation, not to drive for one year, must complete DUI School.

Destiny Nicole Johnson, guilty, Cruelty to Animals, \$50 fine, probation, must not own animals, forfeit animals.

Harold King, Royal Street, Dyer, guilty, Community Supervision Violation, probation, 14 days jail; dismissed, Community Supervision Violation; dismissed, Residential and Work Restrictions.

Hunter Lovell, Reeds Levee Road, McKenzie, guilty, Public Intoxication, probation.

Desarae Mitchell, Synnor Road, McKenzie, guilty,

Simple Possession/Casual Exchange, \$250 fine, time served, supervised probation; dismissed, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Shawn Nieves, Forrest Circle, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation.

Janet Kay Rosser, Springer Road, Huntingdon, guilty, Domestic Assault, time served, no contact with victim, probation; dismissed, Aggravated Assault.

Melissa Lynn Shannon, Connie Allen Road, McKenzie, guilty, Simple Possession, \$250 fine, probation, must testify against a co-defendant, time served; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; dismissed, Aggravated Child Abuse/Neglect/Endangerment.

Shea Thomas,, Old 22, Huntingdon, guilty, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia Possession, guilty, Probation Violation, \$500 fine, probation; dismissed, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange; dismissed, Public Intoxication; must seek long-term inpatient treatment.

The following cases were dismissed.

Amy Bivens, Buckley Road, Hollow Rock, dismissed, Assault-Bodily Injury. Terrence Roy, Park Cove, McKenzie, dismissed, Probation Violation.

Courtland Sivadon, Clifty Village Lane, Paris, dismissed, Driving While Revoked; dismissed, Seat Belt Violation.

Sheriff's Reports

Drug/Narcotic Violation — According to a report made by Deputy Chance Townes on August 17, he attempted to stop a 2017 Dodge Ram that was speeding. The vehicle was traveling at 65 to 70 mph on old 22 lane and came to a stop on Bethel Church Road. The driver, Edgar Leroy Longworth II, 42, of Huntingdon, stated that he was going fast to test the new chip that he got for his truck. Officer Townes asked Edgar if anything illegal was in the truck and he stated he did have some meth in the truck. In the back seat of the truck there was a digital scale with narcotic residue on it and a syringe that was recently used and a new one. There was also a handgun. Edgar was arrested and taken to Carroll County Jail.

Driving under the Influence — According to a report made by Deputy Thomas on August 18, units were dispatched concerning a female whose ex-boyfriend, Cannon Bauer, 25, of Jackson, was sending her repeated unwanted messages and sending pictures of him driving at high speeds and claiming that he was driving drunk. He kept telling her that he was going to her home and she repeatedly told him she didn't want him there and to go home. She was at work during this time and her current boyfriend left the home for his safety. Bauer sent her a picture of his gun and said "He gone see," and the female victim took that as a threat. When units arrived to the home Bauer was already there asleep in his car. He did poorly on field sobriety tests and had a empty can of twisted tea in the center console, and an open bottle of white rum Bacardi and Tito vodka. He was placed under arrest for DUI, possession of a firearm while intoxicated, harassment, and violation of implied consent.

Drug/Narcotic Violation — According to a report made by Deputy Sunny Crews-Sherwood on August 18, K9 deputy Sunny Crews-Sherwood, with other deputies Sgt Walker, Deputy Birmingham and Deputy J. Smith were looking for Brandon D. Little, 32, of Camden, for a warrant. At one of the addresses officers, a female stated she had dropped him off at Mc-

King Bailey in District 2.

Cynthia Gail Smith to Thorlyn D. Sharpe in District 6.

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Leslie Paige Allen, 20, of Bruceton, to Peyton Lane Boyd, 26, of Westport.

Steven Andrew White, 44, to Janean Carolyn Hyatt Morris, 43, of Bruceton.

Cydney Eva Wise, 23, of Jackson, to Gilbert Anthony Hernandez, 23, of Jackson.

CARROLL COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: 2024PA150

ESTATE OF: MARIANN M. DRAPER, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the **14TH** day of **AUGUST, 2024** Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of MARIANN M. DRAPER deceased, who died **JANUARY 22ND, 2024**, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Clerk & Master of Carroll County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required by law to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

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

This **14TH** day of **AUGUST, 2024**.
THIS NOTICE WILL RUN TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

PROBATE CASE NO: 2024PA149

ESTATE OF: DONALD LYNN NOLEN, LATE OF CARROLL COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Notice is hereby given that on the **14TH** day of **AUGUST, 2024** Letters Testamentary, of Administration, in respect to the Estate of DONALD LYNN NOLEN deceased, who died **JULY 1ST, 2024**, were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court Clerk & Master of Carroll County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the Estate are required by law to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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

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Coach Malang Jarju Earns 101st Win

COLUMBIA, Ky. — The No. 22 Bethel Wildcats won their third straight with a 4-0 win over

Southeastern Saturday afternoon in the Ray Wells Classic in Columbia, Kentucky. The Wildcats beat Spring Arbor 2-1 Thursday in the event.

The victory was the 101st career win for Coach Malang Jarju.

Lindsey Wilson College was the host school for the event.

After a scoreless first period, Bethel's Alvin Oguta scored to give the Cats a 1-nil lead at the 53:58 mark. Juan Pab-



lo Garcia had the assist on the score. Less than five minutes later Bethel's Goffin Oyirworth scored to give the Cats a 2-0 margin. The Wildcats iced the match away at the 77:28 mark on a Gregory

Cousins goal. Pablo Ramierz was credited with the assist.

Three minutes later, Stanley Isaac added to the offensive onslaught with a goal.

The Wildcats had a 15-7 margin in shots and a 10-2 advantage in shots on goal.

Bethel's Diego Camargo recorded two saves in the match.

The Wildcats moved to 3-0 while SE dropped to 0-1-1.

Bethel returns to action playing Thomas University at home Thursday at 6 p.m.

Bethel Men's Cross Country 2024 Preview

MCKENZIE — The Bethel University Men's Cross-Country team will bring back tons of experience and a team that had a very successful 2023 campaign.

Joseph Skoog returns after a record-setting year in which he was the national runner-up. Skoog broke seven school records in his first year with the Wildcats. He will look to lead the Cats in his final season.

Seniors Carson Warman,

Brantly Jent and Benard Koech will bring a load of leadership to the squad. Newcomers: transfer Ryan Coley, freshman Hudon Wallace, Loukas Charalampous, and Dennis Kipkemboi could have an immediate impact for the Wildcats.

Coach Brandon Kilburn commented, "We have a great group of guys coming back and I am excited about the newcomers as well. Obviously, Joseph gets a lot of

attention and deserving-ly so, but we have a really good chance to do some special things this season as a team. We bring back a large amount of talent and experience.

"I believe it will be very difficult to be a counting score among our top five runners and I think that will make practice as intense as it has ever been. I am really excited to see how this season will play out."

Bethel Women's Cross Country 2024 Preview

MCKENZIE — The Bethel University Women's Cross Country team will have some big shoes to fill after graduating the most decorated runner in school history in Andrea De La Rosa.

Returning sophomore Monserrat Serrano will look to improve from a fantastic freshman season and lead the Lady Cats on the course.

Seniors Allie Chappell, Madison Northern and graduate senior Mackenzie Bennett will bring

back tons of experience and leadership and will be leaned on to help the team reach their potential.

The Lady Wildcats also return Junior Hailley Wallace and welcome incoming freshman Sharon Cherop and Shelci Caballero.

The Cats will look to improve off a 3rd place finish at the Mid-South Conference Championships from last season.

Coach Brandon Kilburn said, "I am very excited to

get things started with this group. We had some big losses, but we bring back some really good runners who can have a very successful season. We finished the year last really well. Last season we changed from a 5k to 6k which is roughly .6 miles further and it was an adjustment. I look forward to how we will be after having a year of the change in distance. This is a great group, and I expect us to have a very successful season."

Lady Cats Fall to John Brown University

SILOAM SPRINGS, Ark. — The Bethel Lady Wildcats hit the road for the second time this season traveling to John Brown University Saturday.

The No. 15 Cats gave up three first period goals and fell to the No. 7 Golden Eagles 3-1. JBU moved to 1-1 on

the year while Bethel dropped to 1-2 on the season.

The Golden Eagles scored three unanswered goals to take a 3-nil margin.

Bethel's Zainab Manneh on an assist by Carla Cebollada made it 3-1 at the break.

The Cats had a 14-10 advantage in shots. Each squad finished with six shots on goal.

The Lady Cats return to action Saturday taking on Thomas University in Mobile, Alabama at 7 p.m. Bethel plays Mobile Monday September 2.

Bethel University Women's Volleyball 2024 Preview

MCKENZIE — The 2023 Bethel University Volleyball squad finished 11-16 overall and 4-8 in the Mid-South Conference.

Bethel reached the MSC Championship Tournament as the No. 5 seed falling to Lindsey Wilson in the first round. The Cats return key players who were named all-conference selections last season.

Bethel's Dominika Skoneczna and Setareh Valibeygi were named to the MSC All-Conference 1st team. Gabriela Domingez was named to the all-conference second team. With 945 attacks, Skoneczna was also named MSC Player of the Week and Attacker of the Week during the season.

Key returners Skoneczna, Valibeygi, Gabriela Dominguez, Sami Parker and Alexa McLaren will be counted on to contribute to a successful 2024 season. Skoneczna led

Bethel in kills last year with 316. Parker led the team in digs (352) this past season.

Several newcomers in the freshman class will provide fresh faces and talent to the program.

Bethel is scheduled to play a 26-game schedule this season.

The Volley Cats open the season on the road at UT Southern August 23rd. Bethel will play their home opener against Fisk on August 27th. Bethel closes out the month on the road playing four matches in Owensboro, Kentucky in the Brescia Classic.

The Cats will play nine matches in September with four of those being Mid-South Conference matchups. The first of which is against the long-time rival Freed-Hardeman right down the road in Henderson, Tennessee. The programs have met 45 times in the mod-

ern-day era with FHU holding a 23-22 advantage in the series. Bethel has won seven of the last ten meetings between the two.

October will see the Volley Cats play eight matches with six of those being league games. Five of those affairs will be home games in Crisp Arena.

The Cats will conclude their season schedule with two home conference games being played in Crisp Arena before heading into what hopefully will be a good seed in the Mid-South Conference Tournament beginning November 7 in Bowling Green.

Coach Starla Cupples enters her 20th year as head coach of Bethel volleyball. She ranks 28th in wins (317) among active volleyball coaches in the NAIA. She has a career record of 317-279.



Bethel Athletic Hall of Fame Nominations Being Accepted

MCKENZIE — The Bethel Athletic Department and the University take great pride in the Athletic Hall of Fame. Each fall during Homecoming week, the University honors individuals who have excelled as athletes, team members, coaches and staff or contributors.

This year the Hall of Fame ceremony will be held November 1. It will mark the 35th class to be honored. Six teams and 112 individuals have been

enshrined since 1980.

Bethel University's Athletic Hall of Fame is accepting nominations for the 2024 class. In order to qualify for the Hall of Fame, the following guidelines have been set:

- Athletes, coaches and administrators at Bethel or alumni who have distinguished themselves in the field of athletics
- Outstanding performance at Bethel or later in high school, college or professional athletics

• Minimum of 10 years since graduation or last year of athletic participation at Bethel

• Distinguished service for individuals who have rendered special service to Bethel athletics.

Nominations will be accepted until October 1, 2024, with the enshrinement set for Bethel's Homecoming weekend.

TOWN OF TREZEVANT

NOTICE OF MEETING

There will be a special called meeting September 3 at 6:30 p.m. for the first reading of the Town of Trezevant 2024-2025 budget amendments ordinance at the Trezevant Community Center.

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McKenzie Police Department

NOTICE

Notice of sell of abandoned vehicles from the McKenzie Police Department impound. The following vehicles will be sold at public auction beginning 8-21-24 if they are not claimed by the owners and any applicable fees paid and documentation provided.

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These vehicles will be on www.govdeals.com. This website is open to the public, however, you must register on the website prior to bidding on any items.

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2024-2025 Sandhill Crane, New Bobwhite Quota Hunt Application Period Opens Soon

NASHVILLE (August 23) — The application period for both the 2024-25 Sandhill Crane quota hunt and the 2024-25 Bobwhite Quail quota hunt will be held Sept. 4-25.

Additional information can be found on the quota hunt instruction sheets available online at Quota Hunts (tn.gov). Quota hunt applications can be made online at www.quotahunt.gooutdoorstennessee.com or in person at any TWRA license agent or TWRA regional office. No mailed applications will be accepted.

Sandhill Crane Quota Hunt:

Applicants may create or join a party (five maximum), apply alone, or submit a point only application. A party must be established by a party leader who will create the party. A party number will be assigned to the leader after the application has been submitted to the system and is printed on the receipt. The leader notifies the person(s) wishing to join the party of the party number. The members will choose "join a party" on their leader's party number on their application.

The party number is what links applications together.

Point only applications must be submitted individually (no parties). Applicants will be awarded one additional priority point, after the drawing is finalized, that will be added to their existing priority point total for the specific quota hunt they have submitted an application for. Individuals cannot submit a point only application and an application to enter the hunt. Applicants must be 13 years old by the application deadline to enter the drawing.

TWRA's priority drawing system gives one priority point to applicants each year they apply and are not successful for any hunt. Applicants who were successful on their last application, start over with a priority of zero. If applicants in a party have varying priority points, the points will be averaged. If a party application is unsuccessful, each individual party member's total will increase by one point.

Bobwhite Quail Quota Hunt:

For the first time, a Bobwhite Quail quota hunt will be held on four dates

at Bridgestone Firestone WMA on Dec. 19, and in 2025 on Jan. 9, 16, and 23. There will be one permit per hunt and applicants may create or join a party or apply as an individual. The maximum party size is three. There are no priority points associated with this hunt.

If drawn, applicants may choose to alter their party or bring additional hunters (not to exceed a party of three) up until check-in at the WMA, on the day of the hunt. Non-hunting individuals may not go on the hunt.

Applicants must be at least six years old by the date of the hunt. There can be no more than two youths (16 years old or younger) in a party. Youth hunters must be accompanied by an adult who may hunt as a member of the party, not to exceed a party of three.

Application Instructions for Each of the Hunts

Customers can apply by using any one of the following methods:

- www.quotahunt.gooutdoorstennessee.com
- Via the TWRA mobile app
- At one of the TWRA re-

gional offices

- At any TWRA license agent

There is no application fee for current Annual Sportsman License holders, Lifetime Sportsman License holders, or seniors possessing an Annual Senior Citizen Sportsman License. For all other applicants, there is a non-refundable \$12 application fee, and a vendor fee. When applying at a license agent, hunters must remain at the location while the application is processed to verify the information is correct on the receipt.

All applicants should have a valid and accurate email address on their GoOutdoorsTennessee.com account. A receipt, which serves as proof of application, will be sent to the email address on the account.

Applicants may review their applicant (including party members) by logging in at QuotaHunt.GoOutdoorsTennessee.com. Applications may be edited until the deadline. Successful applicants will be notified by email.

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West Carroll Offers Students Free Admission to Sporting Events

ATWOOD (August 23) — West Carroll High School in Atwood, Tenn. announces an exciting new initiative for the 2024-2025 sports season: free admission for all West Carroll students to all regular, non-tournament home games. This decision, spearheaded by Principal Dr. Adam Douglas, aims to bolster school spirit and foster a more inclusive and engaged student community.

Dr. Douglas believes this change will encourage more students to participate in school events, creating a vibrant and supportive atmosphere. “We want every student to feel like they are a part of the West Carroll family,” Dr. Douglas stated. “By offering free admission, we hope to see more students cheering on their peers, building camaraderie, and strengthening school spirit.”

This initiative is expected to have a positive ripple effect throughout the school. With more students attending games, the energy and enthusiasm in the stands will undoubtedly boost the morale of our student-athletes. Additionally, it provides students with a safe and positive environment to socialize, build friendships, and develop a sense of belonging.

West Carroll High School invites you to attend a sporting event to see our stands filled with enthusiastic, supportive students. This initiative marks a significant step toward fostering a united and spirited school environment, and the school looks forward to a season of memorable moments and shared victories.

HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY



The MHS girls cross country team earned second overall at the meet. (L to R): Morgan Little, Avery Cantrell, Jaycee Stafford, Autumn Haywood (15th place), Abigail Wallace (first place, course record), Bella Sass (ninth place), Madeline Gottshall and Gracie Aird.

McKenzie's Wallace Sets Milan Course Record

MILAN (August 20) — The McKenzie High School cross country teams competed Tuesday in the Milan Invitational.

The girls team finished second of six teams with three medalists, including Abigail Wallace in first with a course record 19:48. Bella Sass finished ninth, and Autumn Haywood was 15th.

The boys finished ninth of eleven teams.

Girls:

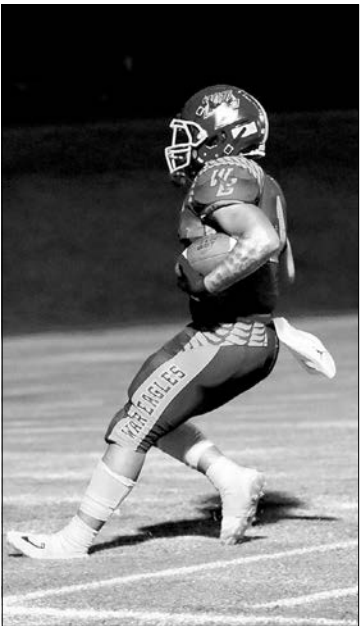
- 1 Obion County Central — Total Time: 1:57:31.86 Average: 23:30.38
- 2 McKenzie High School — Total Time: 2:01:48.63 Average: 24:21.73
- 3 Westview High School — Total Time: 2:04:20.10 Average: 24:52.02
- 4 Lexington High School — Total Time: 2:11:13.61 Average: 26:14.73
- 5 Huntingdon High School — Total Time: 2:22:28.43 Average: 28:29.69
- 6 West TN Home Education — Total Time: 2:48:12.03 Average: 33:38.41

Boys:

- 1 Huntingdon High School — Total Time: 1:35:11.51 Average: 19:02.31
- 2 Lexington High School — Total Time: 1:35:04.49 Average: 19:00.90
- 3 South Gibson High School — Total Time: 1:40:35.41 Average: 20:07.09
- 4 Obion County Central — Total Time: 1:44:25.01 Average: 20:53.01
- 5 Westview High School — Total Time: 1:46:32.13 Average: 21:18.43
- 6 Henry County High School — Total Time: 1:50:52.52 Average: 22:10.51
- 7 Milan High School — Total Time: 1:51:56.35 Average: 22:23.27
- 8 Trinity Christian Academy — Total Time: 1:58:48.93 Average: 23:45.79
- 9 McKenzie High School — Total Time: 1:57:07.55 Average: 23:25.51
- 10 Dyer County High School — Total Time: 2:05:10.49 Average: 25:02.10
- 11 McNairy High School — Total Time: 2:06:09.15 Average: 25:13.83



Left, West Carroll's Zac Fowler (4) runs down the sideline against Gibson County. Right, West Carroll's Jayden Milton (1) scores a touchdown against Gibson County. Photos courtesy Gail Bailey



War Eagles Open Season with Home Victory

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Not much seems to have changed with West Carroll football from last season. Yes, there is a new head coach in Adam Dowland, and yes, Ben Pruitt has stepped into the starting quarterback role.

But the War Eagles still like to pound the football in the run game and tackle hard defensively.

On Friday, West Carroll opened the season with a 30-14 victory over Gibson County.



West Carroll's Quamarion Patterson (0) makes a tackle against Gibson County. Photo courtesy Gail Bailey

“We have to finish a little stronger,” West Carroll coach Adam Dowland said. “Coming out of the gate, we did what we wanted to from a physical standpoint. With 21 guys, conditioning is paramount. We just have to get a little bit better at it.”

West Carroll (1-0) will host Harding Academy on Friday night in Week 2 action.

West Carroll's offense didn't get going until the second quarter when Jayden Milton scored a one-yard touchdown on the third play of the quarter to put the War Eagles up 6-0.

The momentum really shifted to West Carroll when it recovered the on-side kick on the ensuing kickoff, and Ben Pruitt hit Zac Fowler for a 50-yard touchdown. Fowler also scored the two-point conversion to give the War Eagles the 14-0 lead.

After forcing an incomplete pass on 4th-and-8, West Carroll took eight plays to score on a third straight possession. Milton scored his second touchdown of the game on a 13-yard run for the 22-0 lead at halftime.

“We will throw it a little more going forward,” Dowland said. “There were a few things we liked tonight, so that is why we stayed on the ground. They gave us a couple of looks out on the edge. The offensive line did a good job as they prepared well all week. And we eliminated those errors we had last week, which was good.”

In the third quarter, the West Carroll defense scored as Jace Hammett intercepted the ball and returned it for a touchdown.

At that point, the mercy rule was in effect, and the clock ran through the rest of the game.

Gibson County scored twice in the fourth quarter – on a 44-yard touchdown pass and a 24-yard touchdown pass – but the damage by West Carroll was already done. The War Eagles did score once in the fourth quarter also as Milton ran it in from 14 yards out.

“We were focused through the first three quarters,” Dowland said. “We have to stay focused through the full four quarters.”

Milton finished with 232 yards and three touchdowns in the win for West Carroll.

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Dynamix Physical Therapy of McKenzie Staff (L to R) — Front Row: Kendra Smith, PT; Maria Murdaugh, PCA; and Haley Courcelle, PCA. Back Row: Hart McKenzie, PT; Amanda Keymon, CCC; Mack Yancey, PCA; Will Record, PT, clinic director; and Jessica Keeling, PTA.

Dynamix Physical Therapy Provides Quality Healthcare

Dynamix Physical Therapy of McKenzie opened in 2017. Will Record is the clinical director of the McKenzie facility, located on 103 Main Street, South, in the old Fred's store. Record is a native of Dyer and now resides in Jackson with his wife, Mallory and daughter, Mary Lee.

Business hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday. The team of therapists, PTAs and technicians are passionate about serving the community of McKenzie with the elite physical therapy services, including manual, hands-on therapy, advanced dry needling and sports medicine. Dry-needling is similar to acupuncture, said Mr. Record.

Dynamix offers free consultations and works with area doctors and surgeons

to provide follow-up care.

Mr. Record said the local staff works to provide post-surgical needs for patients to regain mobility and relieve pain. Back and neck pain, sports medicine, and women's health are some of the most-provided practices.

The center has two physical therapists, Mr. Record and Kendra Gilmore, and an assistant, Jessica Williams.

The McKenzie location is one of 17, including one in Huntingdon. The main service area is McKenzie, Gleason, Dresden, Atwood, Trezevant, and Henry.

Dynamix in McKenzie provides sports medicine services for all sporting events at McKenzie and Gleason Schools.

Mr. Record said the mission at Dynamix is to be one

of the bright spots of the patient's day.

The team is also actively involved within the community of McKenzie and participate in the following local events and organizations: Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, McKenzie Chamber of Commerce, McKenzie Rotary Club, volunteers with local schools (including providing some volunteer services to McKenzie Schools, Gleason High School and West Carroll), guest presenters at the local senior center for "Lunch and Learn", and participates in the McKenzie Christmas parade and Fall Festival. For more information, phone 731-393-8000 or visit the website at <https://www.dynamix.life/mckenzie>.

Ribbon-Cutting Held at Blame It On My Roots



MCKENZIE (August 21) — The McKenzie Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon-cutting Wednesday at Blame It On My Roots Hair Studio at 16195 Highland Drive. Owner and cosmetologist Kaytlyn McMullin (pictured center, cutting ribbon) offers a full slate of hair services, including extensions, by appointment or walk-in during her regular hours, Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Nail tech Gracie Tyler (pictured left of McMullin) offers services Friday and Saturday 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. and Thursday by appointment only. For McMullin, call 731-415-9938; for Tyler, call 615-927-1554. Blame It On My Roots opened April 11. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner



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Oliver Wins Gleason Yard of the Month



The Gleason "Yard of the Month" for August goes to Kitty Wray Oliver at 101 Vincent Street. The home was built in 1960 by Kitty's parents, Bob and Katherine Wray, when Bob was Gleason postmaster. Kitty keeps the property perfectly maintained and adorned with ample shade trees, beautiful flowers and shrubs year round. We appreciate Kitty's contributions of keeping Gleason a great place to live and raise a family. A generous gift card from a Gleason business was presented to her. Sponsored by the City of Gleason and Mayor Charles Anderson.



Top, Fifteen-Year Volunteer Usher Honorees. Above, Ten-Year Volunteer Usher Honorees. Below Left, Angela DeMaris and Huntingdon Mayor Nina Smothers presents to the Mayor's Award to Rick Jahnke. Below Right, Angela DeMaris presents the Volunteer of the Year Award to Maria Hunt. Bottom Left, Angela DeMaris and Brooke Hodges present the Brooke Hodges Award to Jeannie Jahnke. Bottom Right, Angela DeMaris presents the Carter-Holbrook Award to DennAnn Roome.



The Dixie Honors Volunteers in Annual Usher's Award Luncheon

HUNTINGDON (August 21) — Volunteer ushers were feted to a luncheon and an awards ceremony during the annual Usher's Award Luncheon held in the ballroom of The Dixie in downtown Huntingdon.

Individual awards for the past season and recognition for long-term service in 10- and 15-year ushers were acknowledged.

Angela DeMaris, executive director, thanked the volunteers for their commitment to providing an excellent experience for patrons of the performance, static arts, and school events held at The Dixie. The ushers are the first face patrons see when they arrive.

DeMaris said, "Ushers are so much more than greeters or ticket takers... they act as ambassadors for the venue and serve a very important role at every event! We truly could not do it without you." Two badges of former ushers were retired.

The late Gaylon Rich and the late Joel Williams had their badges retired.

Three years ago, The Dixie established recognition for 10- and 15-year honorees.

10 Years but Fewer Than 15 Years of Volunteer Service included Denise Coleman (14 years), Bailey

Cooper (12), Wanda Cressett (12), Ann Noles (13), June Perritt (11), Melissa Powell (14), Amy Rangnow (14), Judy Roberts (13), Brenda Smith (11), and Karen Spotnagle (12).

Ushers with 15-plus years include: Paula Atkins (17), Nancy Blaylock (18), Barbara Clifton (18), Brooke Hodges (18), Geneva Johnson (19), David Rhodes (17) and Linda Wallace (19), Terry Warren (16), Natelle Waugh (15) and Bill Gwaltney (15).

The following awards are for excellence during the 2023-2024 performance season.

The Carter-Holbrook Award

DeeAnn Roome was presented the award for Excellence In Organizational Leadership Of The Arts

She has ushered three seasons and worked over 184 hours. She has a servant heart and, when she appreciates an artist, she becomes an avid fan.

The Mayor's Award For Good Humor And Patience In The Public Service Of The Arts. Rich Jahnke was honored as the recipient of the award. He has ushered for six seasons and worked over 360 volunteer hours. He is the kind of volunteer that has the ability to show grace and kindness under pressure. The kids at the

school shows look up to him and patrons at our main events see him and know they will be taken care of. If ever someone epitome Good Humor and Patience it would be Rick.

The Brooke S. Hodges Award For Excellence In Providing A Positive Patron Experience was presented to Jeannie Jahnke. She has ushered six seasons and worked over 360 hours. She is one of those people that you have an instant connection with, and if you are lucky enough to be her friend then you are very lucky. She is talented in many aspects and she has proven to be a positive force at any event she works.

Volunteer of the Year Award For Excellence In Volunteer Leadership Of The Arts was awarded to Maria Hunt, who has ushered only one season and worked 54 hours but they demonstrated this year the very example of being a volunteer.

She signed up for the less desirable jobs but somehow if you were to ask anyone about her they would mention her larger than life personality. She brightens up the faces of everyone she meets and I only hope that this will brighten her day just a little bit, said DeMaris.