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After months of delay due to fire concerns . . .

Duksan to receive certificate of occupancy

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Duksan Electera, an electrolyte chemical manufacturer, was set to open last spring at its sprawling location off Highway 231 North but in recent months has suffered a minor setback in getting its certificate of occupancy from the City. It appears now that the industry is about to get the go-a-head to officially open for business.

One City official confirmed with the T-G this week that it was his understanding that all requirements have been met and Duksan can start full operations.

Duksan Electera is planning to produce battery electrolytes-one of the four components that make up a battery. Local fire officials raised concerns several months ago with the state about potential fire hazards, with the City putting up $50,000 dollars to get the fire marshal to do the last inspection.

That state report, the T-G is told, shows no discrepancies and Duksan is free to open. This industry has been touted now for several years, and by Gov. Bill Lee, for being the first North American Duksan factory.

The company has won several Samsung safety awards. City officials met with Duksan officials last summer and the company presented a safety document of assurance and gave a tour of the facility. The group then all met briefly once again back in one of the con-

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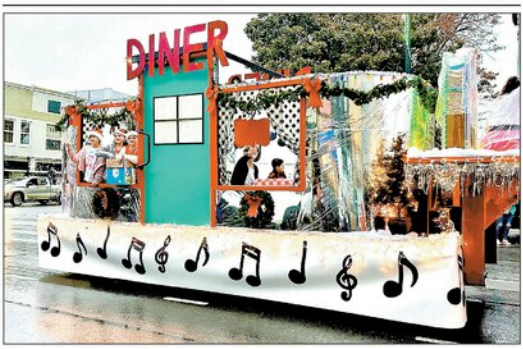

LET'S GET THE CHRISTMAS SEASON STARTED!

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The 51st Shelbyville Christmas Parade, sponsored by the local Jaycees, will once again kick off the Christmas season here at 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7. Traditional parade routes apply.



COLD BUT FESTIVE!

Photo by Rachel Kasprzyk

Thousands reportedly turned out on Tuesday night for the first Christmas extravaganza on the public square. A tree lighting ceremony culminated the night's activities. Sophia Kasprzyk and friend, Laya Chapman, enjoyed the spectacular fireworks show.

Citizens speak on pitfalls of more City development

Planning commission sends Council more applications

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City Municipal Planning Commission met right before Thanksgiving, with several local residents sharing their concerns over housing development and potential impact on the Duck River.

When Council meets in study session Thursday at 6 p.m., they'll see some of the same items coming back from the planning commission from previous sessions. (See adjacent story.)

County Extension Agent John Teague, the first to comment, said he was concerned about all items on this month's agenda.

But Teague was extremely concerned about the drought being faced by local farmers.

This all plays right into local development decisions, he advised.

Teague referred to the USDA's drought monitor, which measures drought intensity-a tool that's been used a lot this year. He told PC members that lack of rainfall has been serious in Bedford County, with insufficient run-off a couple of years in a row.

"I've got people hauling water to animals, dry wells . . . no water in streams. And what does it take to make a river?"

This led Teague into his next area of concern in regard to local planning. He referred to Gov. Bill Lee's executive order of Nov. 22, regarding the Duck River Watershed preservation. (See "The Issue" on Page 3 regarding the governor's actions toward Duck River conservation.)

Teague further encouraged the PC to incorporate the governor's initiative into its planning.

The long-time extension agent said land is not a limiting factor nor is manpower or even City services, because of availability to raise taxes.

Teague further advised, "What does go against you-the most limited factor-the Duck River Watershed."

Teague requested that PC members keep in mind that Bedford County pulls surface water out of the Duck as do about seven or eight other municipalities down river. In fact, the Duck River provides water for neighboring towns such as Columbia.

"My question at this point is, given the circumstances . . . what kind of conditions will we have if we throw in about 5,000 more houses and a dozen more industries-what everyone wants?"

Teague added, "You have 877 houses proposed on tonight's agenda. There were four others, small . . . didn't indicate any lot numbers or that kind of thing. So here we are, approaching almost another 5,000 . . .. Where will we be if you all don't do a good job of incorporating it into your plan?"

Teague said the endangered

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Extension Agent John Teague (left) explains to City planners about issues of concern regarding local development. PC member Bo Gill (center) and PC Chair Warren Landers (far right) listen before voting on projects.

City Council study agenda worth a read to locals

City Council has its monthly study session on Thursday, Dec. 5, at 6 p.m.

Council will consider several items on its study agenda Thursday night-a majority of items coming from the planning commission.

See page 5A for the agenda for discussion. Council meets in regular session Thursday, Dec. 12 and will then vote on these items.

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ISSF Junior World Championships

Shelbyville native Gracie Hensley wins Silver Medal

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mussels or snails found in the Duck won't go away. Free flowing for most of its length, the Duck River is home to over 50 protected species of freshwater mussels and 151 fish species, making it the most biologically diverse river in North America.

"But what can go away," Teague said, "is sufficient water flow, to handle what development planners approve."

His allotted 3 minutes were up.

Charles Saunders, a long-time Shelbyville resident, said next that his taxes have increased every year, despite an increase in the population. One would think more people would increase the tax base, but Saunders said that hasn't happened.

He referred to a friend in Murfreesboro whose house has more marketable value than his in Bedford County. Yet, he advised that friend still pays a lot less in property taxes.

"We're doing something wrong here . . . not got the right infrastructure for all these houses. We've already approved in the last 4 or 5 years over 2,000 new units-a lot of those still aren't built."

He said the last time he attended a planning commission meeting, there was the promise of adequate water for future development. He further advised the need for adequate electricity, sewer, etc., which all cost more money.

"Who's going to pay these taxes?" Saunders asked. "We're not doing what we're supposed to be doing. The planning commission is supposed to plan ahead for things like this."

He said "forced growth" equals Shelbyville to becoming a bedroom community. That is, people only sleep here but spend all their money in towns where they work.

"We need more industry before we get more people here. I think that is one thing that is lacking."

Saunders further stated that new houses are being built everywhere. He told the planners that a thousand or more shouldn't be built, because it is impossible, once there's overgrowth, to ever "catch up" with infrastructure needs.

In the next 3 minutes, Patrick Walker commented on proposed development, specifically on Deer Run, Bridlewood and Cottonwood. He said the proposed development, i.e., rezoning, does not conform to surrounding usages, that is, duplexes and triplexes vs single family residential structures.

Walker advised such proposed development will also destroy the ecosystem and harmonic balance of those neighborhoods. He said the rezoning will cause irrevocable harm to this balance that the neighborhoods have so diligently worked to maintain.

Walker pointed out this development is of great concern based on the fact that a portion of the construction is in a potential flood retention area. As well, the traffic flow in that area is an issue, he advised PC members.

Walker encouraged more forethought to go into housing development. "Some of my neighbors have questions about putting 30 duplexes at the end of our cul-de-sac, where all of our kids are down the street playing."

DUKSAN

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struction trailers.

In the presentation document, there's a flowchart of Duksan's overall corporate structure as well as a schematic of their enclosed production system. At the end of the meeting, it was agreed upon to submit in writing to Duksan officials any questions City staff had.

A branch of South Korean-based Duksan Group, Duksan was initially poised to create 101 new jobs in Bedford County over the next five years as the company builds the plant at 210 Frank Martin Road. However, at recent City Council meetings, it has been stated that now the factory will likely hire less than 100, with most of its employees being already established with the Korean-based facility.

As an electrolyte manufacturer for the electric vehicle battery industry, Duksan Electera's expansion to Tennessee will position the company to be geographically closer to its core customer base.

It's been batted back and forth for a while about exactly what Duksan manufactures and or transports. Duksan has assured there is nothing flammable in large quantities, and the only two in large quantities will auto ignite at over 800 degrees Fahrenheit.

In its presentation last summer to the City, Duksan claimed its used flammable materials are "extremely low usage" and "cannot realistically catch fire." And, that its hazards are "extremely limited."

Low usage materials include acetone, which is used at a maximum daily for "wipe-down of analysis apparatus." Other chemicals used include acetonitrile, ethanol and methanol.

Flammable raw materials include Diethyl Carbonate with an auto ignition temp of 833 °F-kept in a nitrogen environment and Dimethyl Carbonate-closed in containers (856 °F.)

Acetone is relatively harmless, compared to other industrial solvents. It can cause mild respiratory tract and eye irritation. It is classified as a flammable liquid and eye irritant. But is reportedly not directly harmful in small amounts.

The National Library of Medicine says it can take up to 14 years for workers to show signs of any side effects of acetone. And those tests showed high usages of the chemical.

Below is a layout design given to City officials of the facility which is located just off the highway near Frank Martin Road and next door to Vanderbilt Bedford County Hospital.



MORE TRAFFIC STUDIES NEEDED?

T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

City traffic was bumper to bumper at the Madison Street/North Main intersection during lunchtime last Sunday. Christmas shoppers or just locals?



ANOTHER FIRE

Submitted Photo

Fire officials plead with residents to be extra careful with space heaters. This fire was on Mill Road this week. No injuries but total loss fire.



WILEY BESTOWED HONOR

School System Photo

Bedford County Schools' Lindsay Wiley was recently honored with the 2024-2025 Recognizing Inspiring School Employees (RISE) award. A program with the U.S. Department of Education, this honor goes to classified school employees who provide "exemplary service to students." This award is voted upon by principals and supervisors. Wiley serves as the social and emotional learning and mental health coordinator for the school system.



Birth Announcement

Free birth announcement forms can be submitted to us through t-g.com.

Riley Pearl Enfinger

Ryan Keith and Amanda Pearl Enfinger of Shelbyville announce the birth of a daughter, **Riley Pearl Enfinger**. Little Riley Pearl entered this world at 12:44 p.m. on Nov. 18, 2024, at Vanderbilt Harton Hospital in Tullahoma.

She weighed 8 lbs., 10 oz. and was 20 ½ inches long.

Riley is sister to Kayleigh Hope Enfinger, age 3, and McKenzie Grace Enfinger, age 19 months.





THE ISSUE

Local housing development: Is the cart before the horse?

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My granny, who was born and died here, used to tell us, "Hold your horses!"

In southern slang that means: all things considered, don't get in such a big hurry.

Being horse country, we understood that principle.

The same principle, I think, can apply to local planning and development.

Are we in a big hurry to be bigger and better? Are we letting others push us into too much development within a short amount of time?

By law, we must honor those housing development applications approved, as long as they dot every I and cross every T. Right?

Major lawsuits can ensue, if we don't do everything correctly in the process.

And believe me, there are thousands wanting to put roots down one way or another in this county/city.

But when as a municipality do you pull back the reins, based on infrastructure stress? Perhaps it is now?

Several comments were made by local citizens during the recent City Planning Commission meeting. And they all had very valid points.

I've known most of these folks for a while. They are all a wealth of local information. You can trust what they have to say.

We should surely listen.

I don't see PC members, as they're graciously called, jumping to dump development due to a lot of kids wanting to play down the end of a street. Let's be reasonable.

But I do see how flood control and traffic issues, as mentioned by some last week, should be at the top of the developmental itinerary. The current planning commission seems to be taking care of those issues with developers. But do we have too much of it on our plates?

Should there be a moratorium on applications, due to infrastructure issues? Is there a need for greater scrutinization?

The recent speakers at the PC meeting were well defined in their comments. Great job! We need more!

There's more to consider, according to extension agent John Teague, than meets the eye. But it is as simple as the water flow from the Duck River. Or potential lack thereof.

The state has graciously allowed for Shelbyville Power to receive its requested 10 million gallons of daily water. But how long will this last? It must be considered, given the governor has now put his stamp on dedicated Watershed preservation.

Before Thanksgiving, Tennessee Gov. Bill Lee signed Executive Order 108, to establish the Duck River Watershed Planning Partnership and further the state's commitment to balancing economic growth, water resource management, and environmental and habitat conservation to ensure the long-term sustainability of Tennessee's watersheds. The video may be viewed and downloaded at tn.gov.

The Order specifically recognizes the Duck River Watershed as North America's most biologically diverse freshwater river and its critical contribution to Tennessee's outdoor recreation economy and communities as the sole water source for approximately 250,000 Tennesseans.

And we know that number is rapidly growing.

"The Duck River is not only a scenic treasure, but it is also North America's most biologically diverse freshwater river and the sole water source for thousands of Tennesseans," said Gov. Lee. "As we continue our work to balance Tennessee's economic growth with a plan to protect our environment, preserving waters like the Duck River and enhancing water resource management statewide will be a cornerstone of our long-term conservation strategy."

Executive Order 108 outlines the Governor's intent to bring budget initiatives for the General Assembly's consideration that will facilitate a comprehensive plan for statewide water conservation and the conservation of the Duck River, while simultaneously establishing The Duck River Watershed Planning Partnership to support the Duck River Development Agency's mission of facilitating collaboration among stakeholders and developing strategies for the sustainable management of the Duck River.

The Duck River Watershed Planning Partnership will be responsible for the following:

· Developing comprehensive watershed management recommendations that balance the needs of water users and economic growth against the need to protect the environmental integrity of the Duck River.

· Advising and providing recommendations to the Governor, the Duck River Development Agency, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA), and legislative leadership on policies and actions to promote the sustainable use and conservation of water resources in the Duck River Watershed.

I recently stumbled on a little more "easy reading" from the state regarding community development.

In the Report of the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations--Building Tennessee's Tomorrow: Anticipating the State's Infrastructure Needs July 2020 through June 2025-- the following was identified as local government concerns across the state.

· Identifying opportunities for water system regionalization, drought resilience, habitat conservation, and water loss reduction.

· Engaging with local communities, utilities, industries, and conservation organizations to ensure broad participation in watershed planning efforts.

In an effort to continually manage and preserve other watersheds and prioritize regionalization throughout Tennessee, the Order also requires TDEC, in partnership with TWRA, to identify additional priority watersheds, continue conducting statewide water supply planning, support municipalities in optimizing their wastewater treatment operations, and provide technical and financial assistance to urban stormwater communities for implementing nature-based stormwater control measures.

Here are other areas of concern:

• Transportation and Utilities ◘ Transportation ◘ Other Utilities ◘ Broadband • Education ◘ Post-secondary Education ◘ School Renovations ◘ New Public Schools and Additions ◘ Other Education ◘ School System-wide • Health, Safety, and Welfare ◘ Water and Wastewater 3 School technology infrastructure.

So, I ask you to consider, are we prepared? Just look around at the traffic on 41A Highway and consider if we first need more local recruitment of businesses and industries to promote the needed revenue to support a larger infrastructure. Citizens have said over and over they don't want to pay higher taxes.

Do we have the cart before the horse?

Does a study need to be done regarding the types of homes we need to be building here-that is-those to support a much-needed tax revenue base? Yes, it's been done. But we have grown at a faster rate than I think most before anticipated.

The mere mention of equalization of housing always causes me to get nasty emails but let's be honest. There has to be a balance, based on our current population.

Next week, we delve into how Bedford County's 41 A North by-pass plan was dumped at the state level. This is not the best news.

In the end, you can lead a horse to water but you can't make it drink.

TDOT Updates Strategic Highway Safety Plan

Includes the First Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment

Nashville, Tenn. – Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and its safety partners have signed a new Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) for Tennessee committing to reducing serious injuries and deaths on roadways. The goal of the SHSP is to take a proactive approach towards zero deaths. Updated every four years, the 2025-2029 plan includes the first Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Safety Assessment.



VRUs include pedestrians, cyclists, and non-motorized transportation users, who's increased vulnerability calls for focused safety measures. While much more needs to be done, TDOT is starting to see real progress in its efforts to address roadway safety specifically when it comes to protecting VRUs. In 2024, we have 37 fewer pedestrian and cyclist fatalities than this time last year.

Year to Date (YTD):
2023: 187
2024: 150
DOS&HS Crash Data

TDOT continues to address vulnerable roadway safety with needed infrastructure investments including sidewalks, crosswalk visibility enhancements, bikeways, and other roadway designs, reinforcing TDOT's commitment to creating a safer transportation system for all road users in Tennessee.

Through strategies identified within the SHSP, over the past five years, TDOT has implemented over 300 safety projects totaling $239 million. Around 15% of those improvements have been focused on strategies addressing the safety of vulnerable road users.

The SHSP brings together several agencies including the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security (DOS&HS) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to work toward the common goal of reducing the number of people killed or injured in crashes in Tennessee each year.

"By signing this plan, we recognize that effective transportation safety relies on a vast network of partners, each playing a critical role," said Deputy Governor and TDOT Commissioner Butch Eley.

"Every component of our transportation system interacts, and we must work together, coordinate our efforts, and commit to a unified vision for safer travels for everyone."



TOP PUBLIC SPEAKERS

Submitted Photo

Criminal Justice-II students at Community High School recently competed in a public speaking competition at the school and performed outstanding, according to school officials. Left to right, Criminal Justice Instructor Chris Hobbs, 1st Place, Diana Daniela Flores Salinas, 2nd Place Marely Luciano Torres and Robert Ralston, principal.

SECRETARY OF STATE'S DIVISION OF ELECTIONS ANNOUNCES RECORD TURNOUT, CERTIFICATION OF NOV. 5 RESULTS

A record-breaking 3.08 million Tennesseans voted in the Nov. 5 Presidential Election, Tennessee Secretary of State Tre Hargett and the Division of Elections announced today. More than 2.13 million votes were cast in person during the early voting period, which also sets a new high. The previous records for overall and early voting turnout were set in 2020.

"For months, we have prepared for what was expected to be a robust voter turnout for the Nov. 5 Presidential Election," said Secretary Hargett. "We are encouraged by the record number of voters who cast a ballot and let their voices be heard, and we hope to see turnout continue to trend upward in future election cycles."

Secretary Hargett met today with Gov. Bill Lee and Attorney General Jonathan Skrmetti to certify the results of the Nov. 5 Presidential Election. Donald J. Trump and JD Vance will receive Tennessee's eleven electoral votes for President and Vice President, having received 1,966,865 votes across the state. Kamala D. Harris and Tim Walz received 1,056,265 votes.

"We sincerely appreciate our local election administrators, their staff, and poll workers for their dedication and preparation for this historic election," said Coordinator of Elections Mark Goins. "Achieving this new record would not have been possible without Tennesseans stepping up to staff this election."

Official results from the Nov. 5 Presidential Election are now available on the Secretary of State's website at https://sos.tn.gov/elections/results. The Secretary of State's office is your trusted source for all election-related information. Visit GoVoteTN.gov for more details.

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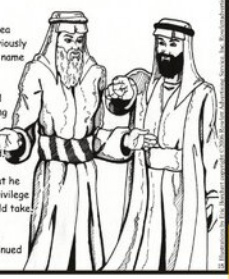
TRUTH IN SCRIPTURE

Abram and Lot
Genesis 13

The famine that sent Abram from Canaan to Egypt was over so Abram returned to Negev with his wife and his nephew, Lot, and everything he had. Abram was wealthy with livestock, silver and gold.

They continued to Bethel and on to the area between Bethel and Ai, where he had previously built an altar. There Abram called on the name of the Lord.



Lot also had flocks and herds and the land would not support both families. Quarreling arose between Abram's herdsmen and Lot's herdsmen. There were also the Canaanites and Perizzites living in the land.

Being a peacemaker, Abram suggested that he and Lot part company. He gave Lot the privilege of choosing which part of the land he would take.

Lot chose the land near Sodom because it appeared to be more fertile. Abram continued to live in the less fertile land of Canaan.

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1624 Hwy. 41A N., 931-684-0691

FAIR HAVEN BAPTIST
2726 Hwy. 231 N., 931-680-9803

FAITH BAPTIST
608 Neely Ave., 931-684-3764

FIRST BAPTIST
304 E. Depot St., 931-684-1634

FIRST BAPTIST
101 Webb Rd. E., Bell Buckle
931-389-9680

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST
289 Hilltop Rd., 931-695-5119

GALILEE BAPTIST
917 Sevier St., 931-652-8543

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH
1019 Madison St., Shelbyville
931-492-5037

HURRICANE CREEK BAPTIST
689 Elbethel Rd., 931-684-4754

LONGVIEW BAPTIST
101 Cooper Rd., Unionville
931-294-2281

MIDLAND HEIGHTS BAPTIST
2706 Midland Rd., 931-680-0507

MOUNT ZION BAPTIST
101 Dove St., 931-684-1563

MT. ZION BAPTIST
506 Hill St., 931-684-5807

NEW BEGINNINGS BAPTIST
2027 Madison St., 931-703-9972

NEW BETHEL BAPTIST
1832 Hwy. 64 W., 615-684-5636

NORMANDY FIRST BAPTIST
100 Center St., Normandy,
931-857-3800

NORTH FORK BAPTIST
1641 Unionville Deason Rd.,
931-294-5610

ROVER BAPTIST
202 Baptist Church Rd., Eagleville
931-294-5840

SEVIER STREET FIRST BAPTIST
921 Sevier St., 931-684-7460

SHELBYVILLE FIRST BAPTIST
304 E. Depot St., 931-773-0145

SHELBYVILLE MILLS BAPTIST
900 Union St., 931-684-3625

SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST
900 S. Cannon Blvd., 931-684-6138

THOMPSON GROVE BAPTIST
2966 Sims Rd., 931-685-0025

TRINITY BAPTIST
1331 Horse Mountain Rd., 931-492-5480

TWIN OAKS BAPTIST
1710 Mount Herman Rd., Petersburg
931-993-8286

VICTORY INDEPENDENT BAPTIST
2200 N. Main St., 931-684-8114

CATHOLIC

ST. WILLIAM OF MONTEVERGINE CATHOLIC
500 S. Brittain St., 931-735-6004

ST. WILLIAMS CATHOLIC
719 N. Main St., 931-694-6154

CHRISTIAN

BETH SHAR SHALOM CHRISTIAN
207 April Lane, 931-680-9777

FIRST CHRISTIAN
309 Madison St., 931-684-7467

CHURCH OF CHRIST

BIRD STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
408 Bird St., 931-684-3876

CHURCH OF CHRIST
115 High St., Bell Buckle
931-813-3079

EASTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
1803 Madison St., 931-684-8521

FAIRFIELD CHURCH OF CHRIST
3521 Fairfield Pike, Wartrace
931-394-4090

FAIRLANE CHURCH OF CHRIST
101 Dow Dr., 931-684-1583

FLAT CREEK CHURCH OF CHRIST
1404 New Center Church Rd.
931-684-1360

GREEN MEADOWS CHURCH OF CHRIST
355 Squire Hall Rd., 615-233-5420

RAUS CHURCH OF CHRIST
Smith Chapel Rd. Hwy. 13, 931-857-3362

SOUTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
108 Narrows Rd., 931-684-1805

WARTRACE CHURCH OF CHRIST
107 Bridgeview Ave., Wartrace
931-389-9496

CHURCH OF GOD

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
278 Anthony Lane, 931-684-4646

NEW HALEY CHURCH OF GOD
2220 Patricia Dr., 931-685-1159

SHELBYVILLE CHURCH OF GOD
1014 W. Lane St., 931-492-4747

WHITTAKER CHURCH OF GOD
1200 Bethlehem Church Rd.,
423-618-9920

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

BRIGHT TEMPLE COGIC
516 Elm St., 931-684-7356

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LDS
2508 Hwy. 231 N., 931-450-6848

EPISCOPAL

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
203 Lane St., 931-684-5506

EVANGELICAL

EAST PARK EVANGELICAL
103 E. Pkwy., 256-378-8565

METHODIST

CANNON UNITED METHODIST
1001 S. Cannon Blvd., 931-684-4767

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
122 Public Square N., 931-684-2535

MULLINS CHAPEL AME
601 Ledbetter Rd., 931-685-4547

PLEASANT GROVE UNITED METHODIST
1597 Hwy. 130 W., 931-294-5477

SCOTT UNITED METHODIST
940 Morton St., 931-684-2297

ST. JOHNS AME
1512 Raby Ave., 931-684-9931

WHITESIDE UNITED METHODIST
2400 Midland Rd., 615-828-8292

WOODFORK CHAPEL AME
1011 Lipscomb St., 931-684-4817

NAZARENE

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
834 Union St., 931-684-3664

HILL TOP NAZARENE
1007 Smith Chapel Rd., 931-65-5234

HIMESVILLE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
1614 Hwy. 82 S., 931-694-6920

PENTECOSTAL

EMMANUEL PENTECOSTAL
1005 Belmont Ave., 931-685-6999

IGLESIA APOSTELIC PENTECOSTAL
2216 Hwy. 61 W., 931-680-1539

SHELBYVILLE UNITED PENTECOSTAL
1701 Green Lane, 931-685-9731

WHOSOEVER WILL PENTECOSTAL
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
600 N. Brittain St., 931-684-6541

GREEN HILL CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN
1900 Unionville Deason Rd., Bell Buckle
931-294-2040

NORMANDY PRESBYTERIAN
108 Center St., Normandy
931-857-9395

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

FIRST SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
101 Church St., 931-685-9588

OTHER

ABUNDANT LIFE
600 Landers St., 931-703-0016

AGAPE WORSHIP CENTER
340 Maplewood Dr., 931-684-1243

BEREAN WAY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
209 Thompson St., 931-703-7076

BLANKENSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH
3602 Midland Rd., 931-437-2599

CHURCH AT ZION HILL
510 Thompson Rd., 931-581-4777

FELLOWSHIP FOR CHRIST
142 Richdale Lane, 931-684-0949

GATEWAY
1250 Madison St., 931-684-2794

HOUSE OF PRAYER
86 Union St., 931-703-5162

HOUSE OF PRAYER MINISTRY OF FAITH
907 W. Lane St., 931-639-1368

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE OF PRAYER
865 Union St., 931-703-5162

KING CHAPEL CHURCH AT UNION RIDGE
510 Union Ridge Rd., Wartrace
931-389-6248

LIGHTHOUSE
111 Church St., 931-684-4900

LIVING STONES COMMUNITY
304 Old Nashville Dirt Rd., 931-684-6883

LIVING WATER
3383 Hwy. 41A N. Unionville
931-993-2477

MIRACLE TABERNACLE
507 Coble Circle, 931-224-5184

MOUNT VIEW
1331 Horse Mountain Rd., 931-685-0337

MULLIN CHAPEL
601 Ledbetter Rd., 931-685-4547

NUEVA VIDA
1304 Madison St., 931-580-0365

NEW LIFE
111 Church St., 931-735-6720

PEOPLE'S CHURCH
1690 Madison St., 931-680-4880

THE SHELBYVILLE CHURCH
1014 W. Lane St., 931-492-4747

SHILOH OUTREACH CHURCH
2547 Hwy. 64 W., 931-684-0972

VICTORY CELEBRATION REVIVAL
1000 Colloredo Blvd., 931-680-0302

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COUNCIL

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PUBLIC COMMENTS
Staff Reports:
City Manager
Discussion Items:
1.Garver Work Order (Midfield Utilities)
2. MTSU Utility Request
3. Park Fee Schedule Update
4. Sponsorship Connected Community 5K
5. Proposed Charter Changes
OLD BUSINESS
ORDINANCES - Second / Final Reading and Public Hearing:

A. An Ordinance of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee to Approve the Rezoning of the Southwest Portion of a Split Zoned Property Approximately 0.43 (+/-) Acre Owned by John K. Harrison, located at the Intersection of Decatur Street and Midland Road, Shown of Exhibit "A" and "B-Survey" Below from Residential-2 (Medium Density Residential District), to Residential-4 (High Density Residential District), and Repealing Any Ordinance or Portion of Ordinance in Conflict Therewith. This item received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission.

B. An Ordinance of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee to Approve the Rezoning of All Portions of Approximately 10.36 (+/-) Acres Owned by Richard M. And Kristin B. Wilhelm, Located West of 231 North and South of Harts Chapel Road, Further Referenced in Bedford County Tax Records as Tax Map 059 Parcel 101.00, and Attached as Exhibit "A" From Residential-1 (Low Density Residential) to Commercial-2 (General Business) and Repealing any Ordinance or Portion of Ordinance in Conflict Therewith.

RESOLUTIONS - Second / Final Reading and Public Hearing

A. A Resolution by the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee to De-Annex Approximately 6.04 (+/-) Acres of Certain Territory Upon Written Consent of the Owner and to unincorporate the Same Within the Boundaries of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee. The Property is Located on Warner Bridge Road (Referenced in Bedford County Records as Tax Map 088, Parcel 005.00) and owned by Tara Peek Webb.

B. A Resolution by the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee to De-Annex Approximately 7.43 (+/-) Acres of Certain Territory Upon Written Consent of the Owners and to unincorporate the Same Within the Boundaries of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee. The Property is Located on Warner Bridge Road (Referenced in Bedford County Records as Tax Map 088, Parcel 004.02) and owned by William F. and Meredith Hazel Butler.

PURCHASING/BID ITEMS:
BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Receive & Certify the November 5th Municipal Election Report as Certified by Bedford County Election Commission

CEREMONY (will occur at the December 12th Business Meeting)

Recognition of Outgoing Councilmembers - Gary Haile and Stephanie Isaacs

C. Administration of Oath of Office Ward 1 – Councilmember Henry Feldhaus

D. Administration of Oath of Office Ward 3 - Councilmember Betsy Noel

E. Administration of Oath of Office Ward 5 - Councilmember Josh Blevins

COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

Election of Vice-Mayor, Pursuant to City Charter Article III, Section 2. Subsection c (City Council Nomination)

Appointment of Power Board Council Representative, Pursuant to City Charter Article XVII, Section 17.3. Subsection a (City Council Appointment)

Mayor Appointments of Councilmembers to Other Various Boards
NEW BUSINESS
ORDINANCES:

A. An Ordinance of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee approving a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Remington Farms (formerly known as Swing Estate). Map 079, Parcel 047.00 totaling 118 acres. The PUD proposes 315 townhomes, 400 single family dwellings and 10.61 acres of commercial zoned district. James Swing and Dawn Bobo owners

B. An Ordinance of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee approving the Rezoning of 6.8 acres of land located West and South of Archery Lane from R-2, Medium Density Residential to R-3A, Medium High Density Residential. DCC Strategic Realty Partners, LLC owners

C. An Ordinance of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee approving the Rezoning of 3.08 acres of land located North of Bedford Manor and East of Barksdale Lane and more identified as Bedford County Tax Map 078N, Parcel 016.00 from R-3, Medium Density Residential to R-3A Medium High Density Residential. Lisa and Emily Curl owners.

D. An Ordinance of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee approving the Rezoning of 1.7 acres of land located north of Dover Street and more identified as Bedford County Tax Map 079, Parcel 041.00 from R-1, Low Density Residential to R-2, Medium Density Residential. DCC Strategic Realty
RESOLUTIONS

A. A Resolution of the City of Shelbyville, Tennessee Authorizing a Grant Application with FEMA/Homeland Security for the Assistance to Firefighters Operations and Safety Grant (AFG).

BUSINESS ITEMS:
PURCHASING/BID ITEMS:

1. 2024 Ford Maverick AWD Crew Cab Pick-up (Codes Department) - TN Statewide Contract

2. Riverview District - Phase 1 Paving (Bid Opening)

APPOINTMENTS

Planning Commission - 3 seats - 3-year term (Mayor Appointments) Board of Zoning Appeals - 2 seats - 2-year term (Mayor Appointments)

OTHER BUSINESS:
ANNOUNCEMENTS

The City of Shelbyville will host its annual Employee Appreciation Luncheon on December 9th, beginning at 11:00 AM at the Blue-Ribbon Circle.

City Hall will be Closed on Tuesday, December 24th, and Wednesday, December 25th, in observation of the Christmas holidays.

Public Works will be closed Tuesday, December 24th for Christmas Eve. Tuesday's trash will be picked up on Monday, December 23rd with Monday's regular route.

Public Works will be closed on Wednesday, December 25th for Christmas Day and Wednesday's trash will be picked up on Thursday, December 26th with Thursday's regular route.

CITIZENS COMMENTS
ADJOURN

As for the Remington Farms Development, which has been on Council agenda for some time, the planning commission has been deferred to next month.

Consideration of recommendation to the City Council for approval of a Planned Unit Development (PUD), Remington Farms (formerly known as Swing Estate). Map 079 Parcel 047.00 on parcel totaling 118 acres. The PUD proposes 315 townhomes, 400 single family detached dwellings, and 10.61 acres of commercial zoned district. Harold Segroves, representing James Swing and Dawn Bobo, owners. This item has received deferrals from the 12/28/2023 PC meeting to address requirements in TIS.

During the planning commission meeting before Thanksgiving, Thomas Batchelor, planning director, refreshed the PC members' memories that there will be 12 total phases of the Remington Farms development. He said there's been at least four meetings with TDOT to address the traffic study.

Steve Knox, part owner of Remington, said the traffic study is in the process of being updated for the third time. He said state wants the City to sit down with developers and go over the traffic.

When asked about design standards being addressed as of the last meeting. He said all other requirements have been addressed.

As the planning commission began moving ahead with the vote to defer the project to the January meeting, City Councilman Turnbow, who is on the PC, said this process must stop.

"We discussed this last month and said we were going to take this off the agenda . . . withdraw," said Turnbow.

Batchelor said the developer has not withdrawn the application. Batchelor said he should have probably communicated this project better.

The motion to defer until the January meeting passed with of the 8 present, Turnbow and David McGee, voting no (6-2.)

Mayor Randy Carroll asked if Bedford County School System has signed off on this project as to how the children in that development will be educated. He said all planned subdivisions on the agenda, including Lexington Cove, have met with approval and discussions have been held about how to transport the children and to which respective schools. He said the Claxton Estates project on Brown Lane, now on the planning commission radar, was an exception.

"I just wanted to make sure the education system can keep up, because we're behind now," advised the mayor.



LOCAL COUPLE MAKES ANNUAL DONATION TO SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Bedford County Government photo

For a number of years, a Shelbyville couple – who choose not to be publicly recognized – has made annual donations during the Christmas season to Shelbyville and Bedford County law enforcement, fire protection and animal welfare agencies. This year's checks were distributed on Tuesday, Dec. 3, at the historic Bedford County Courthouse. From left are Brian Cantrell of Bedford County Fire Department; Director Josie Lowery of Bedford County Animal Control; Jane De Atley of Shelbyville-Bedford County Humane Association; Diane Forbes of Middle Tennessee Spay & Neuter Clinic; Bedford County Sheriff Austin Swing; Eric Smith of Shelbyville Fire Department; and Shelbyville Police Chief Jan Phillips.

TENNESSEE HOUSE REPUBLICANS RE-ELECT PAT MARSH AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE



State Rep. Pat Marsh, R-Shelbyville, has been unanimously reelected by his peers to serve as Speaker Pro Tempore for the 114th Tennessee General Assembly.

As Speaker Pro Tempore, Marsh conducts all duties and responsibilities in the absence of Tennessee Speaker of the House Cameron Sexton, R-Crossville.

Led by Sexton, Republicans maintained their 75-member supermajority in the Tennessee House of Representatives during the Nov. 5 election.

"I am truly honored to be able to continue to serve my district as well as my colleagues in the House as Speaker Pro Tempore," Marsh said. "Tennessee has prospered under the Republican leadership through our efforts to protect individual liberties, reduce taxes and remain fiscally responsible. I look forward to working with our 75-member supermajority to ensure the Volunteer State remains prosperous for generations to come."

The 2025 legislative session marks the small business owner's 16th year in the General Assembly. During his tenure, Marsh has been a strong advocate for his district, which includes Bedford, Moore and part of Lincoln County. He has also chaired several key House committees.

"I am pleased to congratulate Representative Pat Marsh on his election as Speaker Pro Tempore," said House Speaker Cameron Sexton, R-Crossville. "Representative Marsh's leadership, and steady hand make him an excellent choice for this important role. He has been a strong voice for Tennessee families, and I am confident that his leadership will help ensure the smooth and efficient operation of the 114th General Assembly."

The 114th General Assembly is scheduled to convene on Jan. 14, 2025.



TIP PAYS OFF

SPD Photo

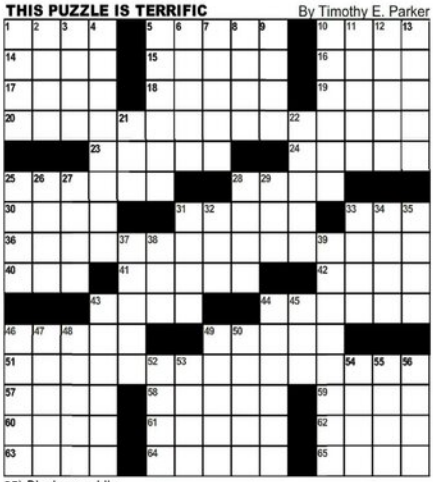
On Tuesday, officers with Shelbyville Police Department's Directed Patrol Unit acted on a tip from the TBI, regarding the location of a wanted fugitive. Austin Derryberry was wanted for several outstanding warrants, including failure to appear on the original charge of domestic violence in Adams County, Colorado. Derryberry was taken into custody without incident.

JAIL INTAKE DEC. 1-3

Tammy Jean Avery, domestic assault
Dayvontae Cedreon, driving on suspended, speeding
Christopher Conway, light law, no driver's license exhibited on demand
Miguel Diego Estrada, no driver's license exhibited on demand, speeding
Donnelley Joe Lynn, homeless, driving on revoked, DUI, failure to maintain lane, light law, speeding
Imer Morales, DUI, light law, no driver's license exhibited on demand
Sergio Basurto Ramirez, DUI, open container, traffic control device (stop sign), violation of implied consent
Dennis S. Silvestro, criminal trespassing, harassment, stalking
Singh Ramnpreet, Woodbury, to serve time General Sessions Court
William Tyler Whitworth, to serve time General Sessions Court
Casey Dean Campbell, especially aggravated kidnapping
Tracy Gail Carpenter, shoplifting
Jarred Scott Carter, Estill Springs, hold extradition to another state
Ezequel Estrada, domestic assault
Michael Victor Fox, Murfreesboro, violation probation
Diego Gomez Garcia, driving on suspended, violation of registration law
Natanel Hernandez Perez, public intoxication
Daniel Jorge Mirelez, violation of probation
Jose Ubaldo Pacheco-Lazo, no driver's license on demand, violation of registration law
Ezequiel Ramirez-Vazquez, light law, no driver's license on demand
Arce Ulises Reyes, Murfreesboro, light law, no driver's license exhibited on demand
Peyton Madison Templeton White, move over law
Bobby Joe Vandergriff Jr., violation order of protection
Lucas T. Williams, New York, driving on suspended license, possession of stolen property

Crossword

THIS PUZZLE IS TERRIFIC By Timothy E. Parker



CLUES ACROSS

1) Thing you can't make when bald
5) Cut dramatically, as prices
10) Make untidy, as hair
14) Dr. Frankenstein's assistant
15) "New Guinea" starter
16) ___ spumante
17) Church part
18) Old knockout gas
19) Chinese currency
20) Seal hunter
23) Like some jackets
24) Some Boston pros, briefly
25) Era
28) Carpentry leveler
30) Man famed by elevators
31) Evidence
33) Vast amount
36) 115-pound brawlers
40) Secure one's shoes
41) Double-reed instruments
42) Gambler's "lady"
43) Final notice
44) Long, narrow strips
46) Kirby of "City Slickers"
49) Assumed name
51) Really great tidings
57) What this is
58) Smallest detectable sensation
59) Face-to-face exam
60) Particular breath mint
61) Grammar topic
62) "Us" or "them," in competitions
63) West enders?
64) One who goes for the gold?
65) Irate (with "off")

CLUES DOWN

1) Engine knock
2) Biology lab gel
3) Amble all over
4) Expanded essay
5) Discharged
6) Carpenter's machine
7) Food for a ladybug
8) Bird feeder fill
9) Aesop's also-ran
10) Utter confusion
11) Typical
12) Begin
13) Kitchen features
21) Tango quorum
22) Genre for 37-Down
25) Display a public notice
26) Vanity case for milady
27) Ready to pick
28) Some farm females
29) Weed uprooter
31) Novel staple
32) Place for a literary catcher
33) Not open or ajar
34) Carve in stone
35) Is inquisitive
37) Mechanical man or woman
38) J. Edgar Hoover's org.
39) Gorbachev's policy
43) Beginnings
44) Evildoer
45) Move one's tail
46) Italian bowling game
47) It can create long lines
48) 180 on the road
49) Male Madison Ave. employee
50) Feudal lord
52) Homecoming returnee
53) Not finalized, legally
54) Great Lakes city
55) Utilize hip boots
56) Winter vehicle

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GAMES & PUZZLES WORD SEARCH

A	L	T	R	J	E	X	P	E	R	A	O	Y	U	I	Z	W	P	X	H
D	O	T	G	Y	A	L	T	C	R	E	S	A	E	T	N	I	A	R	B
E	V	T	T	S	S	P	D	W	C	R	O	S	S	W	O	R	D	A	U
J	S	K	S	Y	C	Z	S	R	L	O	G	I	C	I	I	C	U	G	B
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D	Y	Y	D	B	I	N	G	O	W	H	U	H	N	H	O	I	J	S	Z
S	M	A	R	G	A	N	A	N	A	B	G	E	G	P	G	G	C	W	A
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

BANANAGRAMS
BINGO
BRAIN TEASER
CHECKERS
CHESS
COMPUTERS
CROSSWORD
CRYPTOGRAM
DEXTERITY
HIDDEN PICTURE
JIGSAW
LOGIC
MATHEMATICAL
MAZE
PLAYING CARDS
PUZZLE
SUDOKU
SUMS
TETRIS
UNO
VIDEO GAMES
WORD SEARCH
WORDLE

SUDOKU

Here is how it works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

		5		9		4	1	
	7			4	1	5		3
		4	3		2	8	6	7
			2	6		3	7	8
					7	6		
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9	6				8	7		
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Level: Beginner

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	7		2			6		1
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		2				3		
9	4			3				
								6
8		6		5				

Level: Intermediate

		1		8		3	7	6
				3	9	5		
							1	
		4	6			1	3	
6								
	1	2				7		
	9	8			1			
	4		7	9				
		5		4	8			

Level: Advanced

Horoscopes

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Your pioneering spirit is in full swing this week, Aries. Embrace new challenges and don't hesitate to get out front and take the lead. You just might inspire others with your confidence.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Make finances a priority this week, Taurus. A bit of budgeting could ease some of the financial stress that has been affecting you lately. Indulge in a small luxury as a reward for hard work.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Conversations could be interesting this week, Gemini. You're curious about what others do when they are home behind closed doors. Don't pry too much.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, nurture your relationships this week, particularly if work has garnered most of your attention of late. Pay attention to your own needs, too, and enjoy some relaxation.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Employ your natural charisma to forge new connections and network at upcoming events, Leo. You are good at sharing ideas and expressing yourself with confidence.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Tackle one job at a time and focus on what is important to get done this week, Virgo. It can be easy to get side-tracked by side projects. Or that might be your way to procrastinate.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, surround yourself with positive influences this week. You want others supporting you at every turn while you take on an important project that comes up.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Use your intense focus and attention to detail to delve into projects that require those specific skills, Scorpio. In fact, someone may ask you to work on a project for these traits alone.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Embrace the unknown this week. Let yourself get led off in different directions from those you normally travel, Sagittarius. Who knows what you may find along the way?

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Revisit your goals and make a plan for the future, Capricorn. Remember to take the people closest to you into consideration. Do not trample them in the process of getting ahead.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, collaborate with like-minded individuals who are ready to think outside the box. It is amazing what you can accomplish when you multiply your power.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
You might need to warm up before the creative energy starts to flow, Pisces. Don't worry, once you have the right inspiration, things will begin moving at a rapid pace.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER 8
Nicki Minaj, Rapper (42)
DECEMBER 9
Donny Osmond, Singer (67)
DECEMBER 10
Kenneth Branagh, Director (64)
DECEMBER 11
Hailee Steinfeld, Actress (28)
DECEMBER 12
Ed Oliver, Athlete (27)
DECEMBER 13
Taylor Swift, Singer (35)
DECEMBER 14
Vanessa Hudgens, Actress (36)

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated April 22, 2003, executed by Justin C. Jones and Brenna K. Jones, husband and wife, to Joe M. Lambert, Jr., as Trustee, for EPCO Credit Union, and appearing of record on April 28, 2003, in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, at Book TD 507, Page 732, and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to US Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VMTG Asset Trust, the party entitled to enforce said security interest; and having appointed Clear Recon LLC, the undersigned, as Substitute Trustee by instrument filed or being filed for record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, with all of the rights, powers, and privileges of the original Trustee named in said Deed of Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust, and that the undersigned, Clear Recon LLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on December 12, 2024, at 11:00 AM, local time, at the Bedford County Courthouse, located in Shelbyville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, paid at the conclusion of the sale, the following described property situated in Bedford County, to wit:

The land referred to herein below is situated in the County of Bedford, State of Tennessee, and is described as follows:

Certain tracts or parcels of real estate situated in the Seventh (7th) Civil District of Bedford County, Tennessee more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a stake in the south margin line of Butler Street; said stake marking the northwest corner of the Moore property; thence south 2 degrees 15 minutes west a distance of 150.0 feet to an iron pipe; thence north 85 degrees 30 minutes west a distance of 75.0 feet to a stake; said stake being the southeast corner of Dickens property; thence North 4 degrees 15 minutes east a distance of 150.0 feet to a nail and cap driven in an existing driveway and being the south margin line of Butler Street; thence south 84 degrees 30 minutes east a distance of 75.0 feet along the south margin line of said street to a stake; the point of beginning, and being the eastern half of Lot #43, Scotland Hgts. Subdivision, as shown by plat of record in Deed Book 20, Page 367, Register's Office, Bedford County, Tennessee.

Parcel ID: 029D-L-031.00-000

Commonly known as 123 Butler Ave Shelbyville, TN 37160

The street address and parcel number(s) of the above described property are believed to be correct; however, such references are not a part of the legal description of the property sold herein, and, in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control.

This sale is subject to tenant(s)/occupant(s) rights in possession.

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property: Justin C. Jones and Brenna K. Jones, Heritage South Community Credit Union.

If the United States or the State of Tennessee have any liens or claimed lien(s) on the Property, and are named herein as interested parties, timely notice has been given to the applicable governmental entity, and the sale will be subject to any applicable rights of redemption held by the entity as required by 26 U.S.C. § 7425 and/or Tennessee Code § 67-1-1433.

All right, equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good; however, the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The transfer shall be AS IS, WHERE IS, AND WITH ALL FAULTS, and without warranties of any kind, express or implied, as to the condition of the Property and the improvements located thereon, including merchantability or fitness for particular purpose. Trustee shall make no covenant of seisin or warranty of title, express or implied, and will sell and convey the subject real property by Substitute Trustee's Deed only.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded by the Substitute Trustee at any time.

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

Clear Recon LLC, Substitute Trustee
651 East 4th Street Suite 200, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37403
Phone: (877) 319-8840, File No: 1263-4035A
Newspaper: Shelbyville Times-Gazette
Publication Dates: 11/21/2024, 11/28/2024, 12/5/2024(112131)

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on January 9, 2025 at 11:00AM local time, at the south door, Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Michael Wade Hargrove and Lorie E. Huskins, to Megan K. Trott, Trustee, as trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for First Community Mortgage, Inc. on August 7, 2017 at Book TD886, Page 877, Instrument No. 17005005, conducted by LLG Trustee TN LLC, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Bedford County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.

Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: Truist Bank, its successors and assigns.

The real estate located in Bedford County, Tennessee, and described in the said Deed of Trust will be sold to the highest call bidder. The terms of the said Deed of Trust may be modified by other instruments appearing in the public record. Additional identifying information regarding the collateral property is below and is believed to be accurate, but no representation or warrant is intended.

Street Address: 204 Red Bud Lane, Unionville, Tennessee 37180

Parcel Number: 028L C 016.00

Current Owner(s) of Property: Wade Hargrove

This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: any judgment creditor or lien holder with an interest subordinate to the said Deed of Trust or any party claiming by, though, or under any of the foregoing. Such parties known to the Substitute Trustee may include: Ascend Federal Credit Union; Mariner Finance.

Terms of Sale will be public auction, for cash, free and clear of rights of homestead, redemption and dower to the extent disclaimed or inapplicable, and the rights of Michael Wade Hargrove and Lorie E. Huskins, and those claiming through him/her/it/them.

Any right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are waived in accord with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to LOGS Legal Group LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy. The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title.

This office may be a debt collector. This may be an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose.

LLG Trustee TN LLC, Substitute Trustee
10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400
Charlotte, NC 28216
Phone (704) 333-8107, Fax (704) 333-8156
File No. 24-125166 (112131c)

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on January 10, 2025 on or about 11:00AM local time, at the South door of the Bedford County Courthouse, Shelbyville, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by MARK E. MASHE AND PENNY E. MASHE, to John B. Philip, Esq., Trustee, on December 20, 2006, at Record Book TD650, Page 347-362 as Instrument No. 07000809 in the real property records of Bedford County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Mill City Mortgage Loan Trust 2018-3

The following real estate located in Bedford County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

A certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being in the Twenty-third (23rd) Civil District of Bedford County, Tennessee, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

PROCEEDING from a metal pin on the North margin of Tennessee Highway 130 East 50.02 feet East, measured along the margin from the Southeast corner of the Thomas A. Franklin property (Deed Book 140 Page 559) ;

THENCE leaving the margin of the road North 0 degrees 36 minutes, East 203.94 feet to a metal pin;

THENCE North 3 degrees 23 minutes, West 430.95 feet to a metal pin;

THENCE North 33 degrees 34 minutes, West 30.25 feet to a metal pin;

THENCE North 35 degrees 06 minutes, West 187.95 feet to a metal pin, Southwest corner and true point of beginning of the herein described tract;

THENCE North 37 degrees 23 minutes, West 205.34 feet to a metal pin;

THENCE North 3 degrees 23 minutes, West 389.90 feet to a metal pin at the base of a 60 inch oak at fence corner in the South line of the Bert Cathey property, the Northwest corner of the herein described tract;

THENCE with Cathey South 87 degrees 54 minutes, East 373.91 feet to a 12 inch sassafras at fence corner;

THENCE South 16 degrees 54 minutes, East 500.56 feet to a point, the Northeast corner of the herein described tract;

THENCE South 80 degrees 52 minutes, West 376.32 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5.00 acres, according to survey description of Rex Northcutt, Registered Land Surveyor, Tennessee License No. 77, 117 Hickory Drive, Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160, dated March 10, 1992.

The above herein described tract is conveyed with a 50 foot easement for ingress and egress (30 feet at center) and for utilities (10 feet on the sides) said easement being described as follows: Beginning at a metal pin on the north margin of Tennessee Highway 130 East 50.02 feet east, measured along the margin from the southeast corner of the Thomas A. Franklin property (Deed Book 140, page 559); thence leaving the margin of the road north 0 degrees 36 minutes east 203.94 feet to a metal pin; then north 3 degrees 23 minutes west430.95 feet to a metal pin; thence north 33 degrees 34 minutes west 30.25 feet to a metal pin; thence north 35 degrees 06 minutes west 187.95 feet to a metal pin; thence north 37 degrees 23 minutes west 205.34 feet to a metal pin; thence north 3 degrees 23 minutes west 389.90 feet to a metal pin at the base of a 60 inch oak at fence corner in the south line of the Bert Cathey property at the northwest corner of the herein described tract, said easement being approximately 50 feet in width along the west side of the above-described line.

PARCEL NO. 112-029.01

Tax ID: 112-029.01-000

Current Owner(s) of Property: MARK E. MASHE AND PENNY E. MASHE

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 2827 Highway 130 E, Shelbyville, TN 37160, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

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

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

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: ESTATE OF PENNY E. MASHE AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF PENNY E. MASHE

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

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

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

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

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

MWZM File No. 24-000253-505-1
Mackie Wolf Zientz & Mann, P.C., Substitute Trustee(s)
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Franklin, TN 37067
TN INVESTORS PAGE: HTTP://MWZMLAW.COM/TN_INVESTORS.PHP (125 3tc)

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated June 30, 2017, executed by WILLIAM R HOFFMAN, JR. and TRICIA L VAN NATTA conveying certain real property therein described to J. TRENT LEHMAN, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee recorded July 6, 2017, in Deed Book TD884, Page 152; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC who is now the owner of said debt; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on January 10, 2025 at 11:00 AM at the main entrance to the Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN 37160, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Bedford County, Tennessee, to wit:

LAND IN BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE, BEING LOT NO. 3 ON THE PLAN OF COVERED BRIDGE ESTATES, AS SHOWN ON PLAT OF RECORD IN CABINET A, ENVELOPE 158, AS REVISED IN CABINET A, ENVELOPE 269, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO WHICH PLAN REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED HEREIN BY DEED OF RECORD IN BOOK D338, PAGE 733, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

Parcel ID: 020N-A-003.00

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 790 HAPPY VALLEY RD, BELL BUCKLE, TN 37020. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): WILLIAM R HOFFMAN, JR., TRICIA L VAN NATTA

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:

The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

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

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Obituaries/News

Jana Lynn Sanders

Jana Lynn Sanders, age 64, of Shelbyville, passed from this life on November 25, 2024, at Vanderbilt-Bedford Hospital after an extended illness.

Per her request, she chose cremation and no public services will be held.

Doak-Howell Funeral Home is serving the family.

Dorthey Jean Rundle



Dorthey Jean Rundle, age 63, of Shelbyville, passed from this life on November 23, 2024, at her home surrounded by loved ones after an extended illness.

Born May 3, 1961, in Nashville, Mrs. Dorthey was the daughter of the late Samuel Collins, Sr. and Mary Wakefield Collins. She is survived by her loving companion of 21 years, Jess Thomas Nippers; daughter, Amanda Swarner; son, Jerry Swarner; granddaughter, Skylar Venters; sisters, Jackie Collins, and Brenda Reedes; brother, Samuel Collins, Jr., along with several nieces and nephews.

Per Dorothy's request, she is to be cremated and no public services will be held.

Doak-Howell Funeral Home is serving the family.

Larry Joe Birch



Larry Joe Birch passed away peacefully at the age of 82 on Saturday, November 23, 2024, surrounded by his loving family. Born in Chicago, IL, on January 7, 1942, Larry lived a colorful and creative life, leaving behind a legacy of laughter, art, and cherished memories.

While he didn't follow a traditional career path, Larry was an extraordinary artist, known for his talent in abstract art and his incredible singing voice. Much of his work was published anonymously, but his family treasures the many pieces of his artwork that reflect his boundless creativity and unique perspective. Larry had a remarkable knack for spotting hidden treasures in unlikely places, seeing beauty and value where others did not.

With his contagious laugh and keen sense of humor, Larry brought light to everyone who knew him. He will be deeply missed by his sister Gloria Thornburg, brother Donnie Wehunt, nephew Glen Kataura, daughter Sharyl McKenzie and her husband James Bowling, grandchildren Sarah Buitrago, Randall McKenzie, and Jordan Blevins, great-grandchildren Chloe Buitrago and Dash Driver, and step-grandchildren Aubrey and Barrett Bowling. He also leaves behind his two beloved cats, affectionately nicknamed "the Boobies," who brought him great joy and companionship.

Larry is survived by his other children, Larry Birch, Trisha Downey, and Kyle Hannusch. Though their relationships were distant and complex, Larry often expressed regret and love for them, hoping they would always know they held a special place in his heart.

The family will honor Larry's life privately, cherishing the memories of a man who lived life on his own terms, creating beauty, laughter, and love along the way.

The family encourages donations to a local art or music program of your choice, continuing Larry's legacy of creativity and passion.

Cynthia "Cindy" Diane Haynes Butler



Cynthia "Cindy" Diane Haynes Butler, age 67, of Shelbyville, passed from this life on Saturday, November 30, 2024, at Vanderbilt University Medical Center after an extended illness.

A native of Bedford County, Cynthia was born on November 10, 1957, to Johnny Haynes and Carolyn Noblitt Haynes. She is survived by her husband, Chris Butler; son, David Lynn Moore; and daughter, Kristen (Kenny) Seibold along with several grandchildren, one sister, three brothers and many nieces and nephews.

Cindy was a loving and caring individual that always helped in any way she could and cherished the time she spent with her family.

Funeral services were held 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 4, 2024, in the chapel of Doak Howell Funeral Home with Dennis Kimery officiating. Burial followed at Hillcrest memorial Gardens.

Visitation was held Wednesday, prior to funeral services, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home.

The family requests donations may be made to the Funeral Home to help assist the family with final expenses.

Doak Howell Funeral Home is serving the family.

John Junior Harris III



Mr. John Harris, III, age 53, passed away Monday, November 25, 2024.

Funeral services were 1:00 PM Saturday, November 30th, at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel.

Visitation was noon until service time. Burial followed at Willow Mount Cemetery.

He was born, December 1, 1970, in Christiana, to the late John Harris, Jr. and Rosie Lee Hinton. He worked as a taxicab driver, a farm hand, and worked at Tyson for a number of years.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting with the arrangements.

Harrison Trice Jr.



Harrison Trice Jr. was born December 21, 1954, in Shelbyville, to the late Harrison Trice Sr. and Mary Louise Rippy Trice. He transitioned from his earthly home to his heavenly home on Monday, November 25, 2024.

Harrison received his early education in Bedford County (Bedford County Training School and Flat Creek Elementary School) and graduated from Shelbyville Central High School in 1972. While he did not attend college, Harrison read several college books used by his siblings. Over the years, he worked in several roles, including on the farm, at Sullivan's Department Store, Josten's, Eaton Corporation, and American Can (American National, Cebal.) In retirement, he continued to work on small engines and expanded his knowledge on a wide array of subjects. As a result, he was relied upon by the family and community to work on everything. Harrison accepted Christ and was baptized at an early age. In his later years, he became a strong example of faith and a powerful witness to the goodness of GOD. He served at Bellview Missionary Baptist Church as a Sunday School teacher, member of the Male Chorus, member of the Adult Choir, and Chairperson of the Laymen's Ministry. Harrison's passing has already been felt by the "Bellview Strong" congregation and by the area church community.

In addition to his parents, who both passed in 2003, Harrison was preceded in death by his grandparents, uncles, aunts, and a host of cousins and friends. He was also preceded in death by a nephew, Thomas McGee Jr. (2009) and a brother, William L. Trice (2018).

Harrison leaves a host of family members to cherish his memory, namely, daughter – Crystal S. Collier (Tampa, Florida); son – Airius M. Trice (Shelbyville); granddaughter – Zoey A. C. Malone (Tampa, Florida); sisters – Dorothy L. McGee, Mattie E. Trice and Elsie M. Trice; nieces – Linda K. (George) Johnson and Lindsey S. Trice; nephews – Corey (Yolanda) McGee and William (Will) L. (Jessica) Trice; great-nieces – Sonya (Jeremiah) Tutt, Danielle (Bladimir) Hernandez, and Zoey S. Trice; great-nephews – Jamie (Brooke) Scott, Michael (Shay) Scott, Titan Trice, Zander Trice, Shiloh Trice, and Bladimir Jesus Hernandez; great-great nieces – Kelsey Cannon, Jada Scott, and Nevaeh Yasmin Hernandez; great-great nephews – Micah McGee, Mason McGee, Isaiah DeOsio, and Zach DeOsio; and sister-in-law – Sharon Trice.

Funeral services were noon Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at Believers Faith Fellowship, 2011 South Cannon Blvd. Shelbyville. The family received visitors 11 AM until service time Tuesday at the church. Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with the arrangements.

David Allen Wilson



David Allen Wilson, age 69, of Shelbyville, died November 29, 2024, at his home, after an extended illness. He was born December 15, 1954 in Richmond, Indiana.

David was retired owner/operator of Wilson Electrical.

He is survived by two sons, Brian Allen (Haley) Wilson and Michael Chad (Tammy) Wilson both of Shelbyville; grandchildren, Tyler (Brienne) Wilson, Breanna (Steven) Haskins, Brandon Wilson, Dawson Wilson and Addison Wilson; two great grandchildren, Jovie and Bodhi Wilson; three brothers, Darrell (Brenda) Wilson, Gaylan Wilson and Jarrell (Gin-

David was preceded in death by his parents, Ronald B. Wilson and Retha Allen Wilson Johnson; six brothers, William, Larry, Dale, Carl, Danny and Gary Wilson.

Per his wishes he will be cremated. No services are scheduled. Hillcrest Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Jean Baker Crosslin



Jean Baker Crosslin, 94, of Shelbyville, died November 25, 2024. Funeral Services were held 2:00 P.M. Sunday, December 1st, at Hillcrest Funeral Home Ed Boggess officiating. Burial followed at Hollywood Cemetery. Visitation began at noon.

She was born December 3, 1929, in Tullahoma. Jean was a retired bookkeeper, homemaker and a member of Fairlane Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William Robert Baker and Nancy Jewel Harris Baker; her husband of 66 years, Hillery Franklin Crosslin; her children, Diana Barbee, Ron Crosslin, Roger Franklin Crosslin, Deborah Crosslin and a sister, Hazel Parker. Jean is survived by grandchildren, Eric (Rosaminda) Crosslin, Katie Rameriz; great grandchildren, Veronica Rameriz, Alex Rameriz; great-great grandchild, Mason Rameriz; sisters, Doris Donovan, Wanda Kelly and brother, William Baker Jr.

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Martha Estelle Harrell



Martha Estelle Harrell, age 80, of Bell Buckle, passed away on November 26, 2024, at Alive Hospice in Murfreesboro, TN with her family by her side.

Martha was born on August 26, 1944, in Bell Buckle, to the late John and Mae Foster. She was preceded in death by brothers, Johnny A. Foster and Thomas A. Foster.

She is survived by sister, Jean Foster West, niece/caregiver, Stephanie (Roberto) Jara and several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Martha worked for American Can for 40 plus years. She enjoyed, bird watching, reading, making potholders and spending time with her great nieces.

Funeral services were held at 12:00 p.m. Saturday, November 30, 2024, in the chapel of Doak-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Jimmy Gray officiating. Burial followed at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Visitation was held prior to the funeral service on Saturday, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home.

Doak-Howell Funeral Home is serving the family.

Shirley Ruth Crumley



Shirley R. Jackson Womble Crumley, 89, of Normandy, died Friday, November 29th, 2024 at NHC surrounded by her loving family.

A native of Shelbyville, she was born to the late Johnny Jackson and the late Ethel Mae Arnold. During her life she worked as an LPN at Bedford County Hospital, before going to work at the Woodway Corporation in the office and as a plant nurse. Following her time at Woodway Corporation, Shirley continued her career as an LPN at Bedford County Nursing Home. She retired from the Bedford County Trustee's office in 1996.

Shirley loved being a prayer warrior for many people in her church. She was a member of Grace Baptist Church in Tullahoma for over 25 years and had many special friends in her Sunday School class. She was fondly known by many people as Mimi, which she treasured.

In addition to her biological parents, Shirley was preceded in death by her stepfather, William M. Arnold; and a great-grandson, Greyson Tucker Shasteen. She is survived by her daughter, Pam Shasteen, and her husband, Richard, of Normandy; one grandson, Jackson Shasteen and his wife Taylor of Tullahoma; her great-grandson, Jettson Richard Shasteen of Tullahoma; and one half-sister, Sallie Jackson Darnell of Shelbyville.

Visitation was held Tuesday, December 3rd, 2024, at Kilgore Funeral Home from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. with the funeral immediately following at 1:00 p.m., with Bros. Tim McGehee and Garry Irvin officiating. Burial followed at Hillcrest Cemetery in Shelbyville with Kyle Smith, Ben Woody, Warren Landers, Jerry Siler, Richard Medley, and Jackson Shasteen serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Greg Waller, Darnell Ortner, Chris Jones, Dayton Arnold, and Dana Eggleston.

Billy David Williams



Billy David Williams, age 69, passed away Saturday, November 23, 2024, in Tullahoma.

A Celebration of Life was held at 2 p.m., Monday, December 2, 2024, at Edgemont Baptist Church. Pastor Jimmy West officiated. Visitation was held 12 noon until service time Monday at the church.

He was born, June 9, 1955, in Harward, California, to the late Billy Dorris Williams and Carol Anne Storkman. He was an accountant for many years.

He is survived by his two sisters, Sarah Welch and Alecia Welbern; and two aunts, Mary Frances Williams and Nancy Phillips.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with arrangements.



NOT MUCH, BUT STILL COOL

Bedford County had its first snow fall of the winter on Monday evening. Well, it wasn't much but it was still exciting in northern Bedford County. It has surely been cold this week to boot.

Bedford County property transfers

The following property sales were recently recorded in the Bedford County Register of Deeds office.

File date: November 26

Seller, Jesse Ruth Ray, Jesse Ruth Doak; Buyer, Robert Dustin Ray; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: Goose Creek Rd; Seller, Jesse Ruth Ray, Jesse Ruth Doak; Buyer, Robert Dustin Ray; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 422 Frank Martin Rd; Seller, Jody Stritch; Buyer, Robert M Woodruff; Price, $324,900 (Deed).

Location: 113 Hampshire Rd; Seller, Jessica Christine Marie Valentine; Buyer, Robert Ellis Wade Jr; Price, $10 (QD).

Location: 906 Madison St; Seller, Bemco LLC; Buyer, NR Enterprises LLC; Price, $405,000 (Deed).

Location: 1303 Birch St; Seller, Kyleene Henfield, Kyleene Freeman, Lamont V Henfield; Buyer, Silvano Rios Gonzalez; Price, $250,000 (Deed).

Seller, Jordan Garnes, Jennifer Garnes; Buyer, Bradley Wayne Vincent; Price, $44,478 (Deed).

Seller, Bradley Wayne Vincent; Buyer, Kelly Shea Vincent; Price, $0 (Deed).

Seller, Jeremy W Sanders, Bridget Sanders; Buyer, Kenneth Brian Smith; Price, $296,000 (Deed).

Location: Unionville Deason Rd; Seller, Clifton A Beasley, Alicia K Beasley, David R Sakich, Cheryl R Sakich; Buyer, Koe Construction LLC; Price, $173,600 (Deed).

File date: November 27

Location: 504 Neely Avenue; Seller, Keith A Locke; Buyer, Logan Kaiser, Allison McCarty, Winston Dorris; Price, $367,500 (Deed).

Location: Possum Trott Rd; Seller, Carl Terry Craig; Buyer, William Duke Armstrong; Price, $6,696.94 (Deed).

Location: 330 Sims Springs Rd; Seller, Steven L Daugherty, Iryna Baziuk; Buyer, Keith Locke, Matthew Clark, Sarah Clark; Price, $430,000 (Deed).

Location: 250 Farmer Rd; Seller, Christi L Chunn, Micheal B Chunn, Chunn Revocable Trust; Buyer, Gina Marie Stewart; Price, $980,000 (Deed).

Location: Unionville Deason Rd; Seller, Clifton A Beasley, Alicia K Beasley, David R Sakich, Cheryl R Sakich; Buyer, William Bryson, Tammy Bryson; Price, $180,600 (Deed).

Location: 108 Division St; Seller, DCC Strategic Realty Partners LLC; Buyer, Clinton Wade Adams; Price, $254,000 (Deed).

Location: 400 Republic St; Seller, Ole South Properties Inc; Buyer, Michael Henry, Casie Cripps; Price, $351,000 (Deed).

Location: 1008 Winners Circle South; Seller, SDH Nashville LLC; Buyer, Edwige Mbaitoudjim, Abdulkadir Mohamad; Price, $374,990 (Deed).

Location: 200 Drum St; Seller, David Wayne Allgood; Buyer, David Wayne Allgood, Loria Jeane Allgood; Price, $0 (QD).

File date: December 2

Location: Mount Herman Rd; Seller, Zane Hayes, Lewis Ray Smith Estate; Buyer, Cletus D Fentress, Janet Fentress; Price, $460,757 (Deed).

Location: 107 Cascade Lane; Seller, Mary E Philpott, Charles Marvin Philpott; Buyer, Charles Marvin Philpott, Mary E Philpott, Charles Marvin and Mary Elaine Philpott Trust; Price, $1 (QD).

Location: Hwy 82 S; Seller, Charles Marvin Philpott, Mary Elaine Philpott; Buyer, Charles Marvin Philpott, Mary Elaine Philpott, Charles and Mary Philpott Living Trust; Price, $1 (QD).

Location: 205 Flat Creek Rd; Seller, Charles Marvin Philpott, Mary Elaine Philpott; Buyer, Charles Marvin Philpott, Mary Elaine Philpott, Charles and Mary Philpott Living Trust; Price, $1 (QD).

Location: Wallis Rd; Seller, Charles Marvin Philpott, Mary Elaine Philpott; Buyer, Charles Marvin Philpott, Mary E Philpott, Charles Marvin and Mary Elaine Philpott Living Trust; Price, $1 (QD).

Location: 292 Cartwright Rd; Seller, Jayson D Wisdom, Jessica E Wisdom; Buyer, Ryan Matthew Turner; Price, $302,000 (Deed).

Location: 103 Skyview Terrace; Seller, Sandra Whitney, Todd Whitney; Buyer, Todd C Whitney, Sandra l Whitney, Todd C and Sandra L Whitney Family Trust; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 115 Peggy lane; Seller, Amerisave Mortgage Corporation, Anissa M Hammons, Joshua K Hammons; Buyer, MEB REO Trust VIII; Price, $415,000 (TRD).



YOU'RE A MEAN ONE . . . *SPD PHOTO*

Shelbyville Police Department is rather "Grinchy" right now, so you better be good! Stop by and check out the decorations!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CHRISTMAS PARADE

The Shelbyville Christmas Parade is Saturday, Dec. 7, at 4 p.m. Traditional route. The event is sponsored by the Jaycees.

VFW BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

COME HAVE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS. Bring your camera and take a picture of your children with Santa! Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5019, and it's Auxiliary, will host its 2nd Saturday of the month FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST Saturday, Dec. 14, from 7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the VFW Post, 1320 Depot St. Great company, INCLUDING SANTA, and great home-cooked food. Carry-outs are available. For more information, call Alex at 615/513-7959.

FUMC WORSHIP SUNDAY

Shelbyville First United Methodist Church will have a spiritually enriching worship service this Sunday. Pastor Abe Zimmerman will continue his Advent series, "Unwrapping Christmas: Part II". Dive into the Christmas story with a fresh perspective, exploring Luke 1:39-45, where Elizabeth and Mary meet at a pivotal moment in their lives, guided by the Holy Spirit. Sunday School for all ages begins at 9 a.m., followed by worship service at 10 a.m. Nursery and Children's Church are available during worship. For those unable to attend, FUMC-S offers a livestream on Facebook and a broadcast on WLIJ 1580 AM.

Churches are invited to submit their Christmas service announcements.

FLAT CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER

Dear neighbors, Saturday December 7, at 6:00 p.m.Flat Creek Community Center will have its potluck meal (please bring a covered dish.) This will be followed by a Christmas sing-along and a special visit from Santa and "MissClaus." Bring your camera and take as many pictures as you like.

BEDFORD COUNTY GOVERNMENT DEC. SCHEDULE

- Dec. 10: Bedford County Board of Commissioners regular monthly meeting, 7 p.m., historic Bedford County Courthouse
- Dec. 13: Live nativity on historic Bedford County Courthouse lawn, presented by First United Methodist Church
- Dec. 17: Financial Management Committee, 4:15 p.m., followed by the Rules and Legislative Committee, Law Enforcement Committee, and Courthouse and County Property Committee, historic Bedford County Courthouse. (The Financial Management Committee meeting is a week early and at a different location due to the holiday.)
- Dec. 23-26: Highway Department offices closed for Christmas
- Dec. 24-26: County government offices closed for Christmas
- Dec. 24-26: County convenience centers closed for Christmas
- Dec. 30-Jan. 1: Highway Department offices closed for New Year's
- Dec. 31-Jan. 1: County government offices closed for New Year's
- Dec. 31-Jan. 1: County convenience centers closed for New Year's

WINTER 2024-25 SNOW ROUTES

Bedford County Highway Department reports that it has hundreds of miles of rural roads to maintain; during a winter storm, there's not enough manpower or equipment to try to clear every single road, and so the department must focus on collector roads -- the roads which help funnel traffic onto state highways.

Tennessee Department of Transportation is responsible for state highways, and city or town governments maintain their own city streets.)

In the case of a snow event, the following roads will be the focus of salting (and, eventually, plowing) operations. New snow plows ordered by the department earlier this year are scheduled to be delivered in January 2025, but until then salting will be the primary means of addressing snow and ice, according to the department.

1. Hawthorne Rd
2. New Center Church Rd.
3. Snell Rd.
4. Knight Campground/ Dixon Rd.
5. New Herman Rd.
6. Hilltop/Elijah Parker Rd.
7. Pickle Rd.
8. Whitaker Rd.
9. Warner's Bridge/ Sims Spring Rd.
10. Simms Rd.
11. Halls Mill Rd.
12. Unionville Deason Rd.
13. Longview Rd.
14. Nashville Dirt Rd.
15. Midland Rd.
16. Ebb Joyce Rd.
17. Fairfield Pike Rd.
18. Horse Mountain Rd.
19. Knob Creek Rd.
20. Normandy Rd.
21. Unionville Chapel Hill Rd.

In extremely cold temperatures, salting will not melt ice. And if extremely cold temperatures are in the immediate forecast, it's sometimes dangerous to melt snow -- which provides more traction than a sheet of ice -- knowing that it might refreeze overnight.

Please use extreme caution when driving in snowy and icy weather. Be aware of weather conditions as well as the latest announcements from the Highway Department and emergency agencies.

PUZZLE SOLUTION

THIS PUZZLE IS TERRIFIC — By Timothy E. Parker

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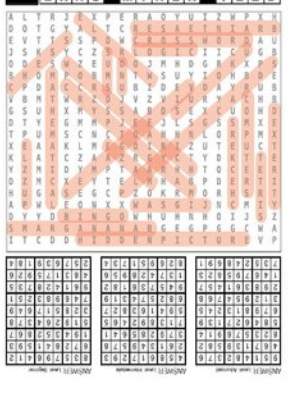



Eaglettes' Offense Struggles In Loss At Tullahoma

BY NOAH MADDOX
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TULLAHOMA, TN – The Shelbyville Central Golden Eaglettes struggled to get anything going on the offensive end in their 44-29 loss at Tullahoma on Tuesday night.

Coming off of an extremely tough overtime loss on Monday night to Summit, Shelbyville struggled to find consistent scoring. Lanaya Young was the only Eaglette to reach double-figures on the night, finishing with 10 points, including seven in the second half. Janiya Leslie chipped in with eight first-half points to keep Shelbyville afloat, but couldn't get anything to drop in the second half. Jaz Western was held to just five points on the night as well.

For the Lady Wildcats, they were able to have three players reach double-digit points on the night. McLayne Bobo led the way with a game-high 17 points, including 15 in the first half. Aubrey North picked up the slack with 11 second-half points after being held scoreless in the first half, and Isabella Lidstrom scored one bucket in each quarter to finish with 10 points of her own.

Playing their second game in as many days, the Eaglettes came out of the gates sluggish, scoring only five points in the first quarter. Bobo came out hot and ready to make a statement for Tullahoma, scoring 11 of her team's 15 first quarter points, including hitting a pair of three-pointers to give the Lady 'Cats a 15-5 lead after the opening period.

Shelbyville finally began to find their rhythm in the second quarter, outscoring Tullahoma 14-9 in the period to cut the lead to 24-19 going into the halftime locker room. Five different Eaglettes scored at least one basket in the quarter while they held Bobo to just four points on the other end.

In the third quarter, Tullahoma re-implemented their stranglehold on the game, holding Shelbyville to just six points in the period while the hosts connected on a trio of three-pointers to go into the final frame with a 35-25 lead. Aubrey North scored eight of her 11 second-half points in the third quarter.

Shelbyville continued their offensive woes in the fourth quarter as well, only scoring four points and connecting on just one field goal as Tullahoma scored nine points of their own. North connected on another three, and three other Lady 'Cats scored one field goal each to keep the Eaglettes at bay and take the home win, 44-29.

Tullahoma improves to 5-0 on the season.

Shelbyville Central falls to 2-4 overall with their next game scheduled for Friday night against Siegel at home, LIVE on WLIJ 98.7 starting at 5:45 p.m.

Wildcats Hand Golden Eagles A Second Consecutive Loss Behind Dominant Third Quarter

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TULLAHOMA, TN – The Shelbyville Central Golden Eagles kept things close for a half, but a 22-point third quarter from the hometown Tullahoma Wildcats ended up being the difference in a 60-41 loss on Tuesday night.

Xavier Farrell scored 14 of his game-high 24 points in the third quarter, single-handedly outscoring the Golden Eagles by himself. He connected on a pair of three-pointers as well as a trio of two-point field goals. Jayden Thompson and Khani Johnson chipped in with 16 points and 14 points apiece for Tullahoma as well. Thompson scored eight of his 16 points in the first quarter.

For Shelbyville, Tae'Shawn Shelton was the only player to score in double-figures after Monday night's two-point loss to Summit. Shelton finished with 12 points, but struggled at the free throw line, finishing 2/7 from the charity stripe on the night. Jordan Taylor scored nine points on the night while Jevon Lee chipped in with eight points of his own.

Tullahoma came out of the gates aggressively, outscoring Shelbyville Central, 17-12, in the opening period behind Thompson's eight points.

In the second quarter, the Wildcats only scored nine points, but their defense held Shelbyville to eight points of their own to take a tenuous 26-20 lead into the halftime locker room.

Unfortunately for the Golden Eagles, Tullahoma came out of halftime on a mission, especially Farrell, who completely took over in the third quarter. Farrell scored 14 points in a variety of ways, sparking his team to a 22-point quarter that Shelbyville simply could not match. Shelton and Lee each scored four points in the period, but the Golden Eagles only managed to score 12 points as a team, heading into the final frame trailing by 16 points, 48-32.

The fourth quarter ended up being a formality as Tullahoma outscored Shelbyville, 12-11, to take home the win, 60-41.

Tullahoma improves to 3-1 on the year.

Shelbyville Central falls to 4-2 overall with their next game scheduled for Friday night at home against the Siegel Stars, LIVE on WLIJ 98.7 starting at 5:45 p.m.

Raiderettes Pull Away Late Against Lady Champs



The Cascade Lady Champions huddle during a timeout in their game against Moore County on Tuesday night, receiving instructions from ast. coach, Kevin Woodson. *Photo courtesy of David Smith.*

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BELL BUCKLE, TN – The Cascade Lady Champions hung tough for three quarters at home against the Moore County Raiderettes, but the visitors pulled away in the fourth quarter to win, 63-40, on Tuesday.

Ellie Graham and Ally Sharpe combined for 42 points – 24 for Graham and 18 for Sharpe – for the Class 1A State Tournament favorites, and their interior defense was just as effective against the Lady Champs' offensive attack.

Kaegan Young, Sophie Ray, and Kaydence Miller combined to shoot 4/17 from inside the arc against the length and physical defense of the Raiderettes, who returned every starter from last year's Class 1A State Runners-Up squad that fell to Pickett County, 56-45, in the title game.

Young led the Lady Champs with 11 points. Sophie Ray scored eight points of her own, and Lizzie Keele chipped in with seven points as well. In the end, however, Cascade had no answer for the inside-out game of Graham, who shot 10/12 from the field and 4/6 from the free throw line, and Sharpe, who connected on a trio of three-pointers.

Moore County ended the opening period with a 15-8 lead after starting the game up 8-0 as their physical defense, a staple of Chad Spencer coached teams, set the tone from the opening jump.

The Raiderettes extended their lead thanks to a strong second quarter, outscoring Cascade 14-9 in the period to take a 29-17 lead going into the halftime locker room.

The Lady Champs seemed to settle down in the third quarter, actually outscoring Moore County, 17-15, to stay within reach heading into the final frame down by just 10 points, 44-34.

However, Cascade was unable to maintain the same level of offensive output as the Raiderettes took over in the fourth quarter, holding the Lady Champs to just six points as they slowly pulled away to win the first matchup of the season between the two teams, 63-40.

Moore County improves to 3-0.

Cascade falls to 2-2 and is scheduled to travel to Fayetteville on Friday night, LIVE on The Zinger 100.9 and AM 1400 starting at 5:45 p.m.



Lizzie Keele (12) and Lexi Comstock (white) fight for a loose ball on Tuesday. *Photo courtesy of David Smith.*

Champs Hold Off Pesky Raiders at The Stable

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BELL BUCKLE, TN – The Cascade Champions had to dig a little deeper than they might have expected coming into Tuesday night's rivalry matchup with Moore County, but in the end the hometown Champs pulled away in the fourth quarter to pick up their fourth win of the season, 61-49.

The Raiders, who came in winless through their first three games of the year, were led by senior Peyton Martin's game-high 16 points. Senior guard, Jay Sparkman, provided a spark from deep, connecting on four three-pointers on the night en route to 12 points. Gavin Wise chipped in with nine points as well, but in the end it wasn't enough to overcome the balanced attack from the Champs.

Cascade saw three players score in double-figures as well as two others score at least eight points. Jason Cullum led the way with a team-high 15 points while Noah Watson and Tyler Barrett contributed with 11 points and 10 points, respectively. Junior guard Tyler Rodgers finished with nine points, and freshman forward Cooper McElroy connected on a pair of three-pointers en route to eight points off the bench. Kaleb Kelso, who came in leading the team averaging 16 points per game, finished with just three points, all coming in the fourth quarter.



Tyler Rodgers (25) goes up for two of his nine points in Cascade's win against Moore County on Tuesday night. *Photo courtesy of David Smith.*

It was a slow and sloppy start for both sides in the opening period, but things were tied up at 11 after the first eight minutes of play. Cascade started to wake up in the second quarter, outscoring Moore County, 13-8, to take a 24-19 lead into the halftime locker room.

In the third quarter, Cascade outscored the Raiders by a single point, 15-14, to take a flimsy 39-33 lead going into the final frame. The Champs' pushed their lead out to as much as 11 points in the period, but Sparkman connected on a pair of three-pointers to keep Moore County within striking distance.

However, in the final frame, Cascade hunkered down and pulled away, exploding for 22 points in the fourth quarter to put the finishing touches on the Raiders, 61-49.

Moore County falls to 0-4 on the season.

Cascade improves to 4-3 overall and will play at Fayetteville City on Friday night, LIVE on The Zinger 100.9 and AM 1400 starting at 5:45 p.m.

"I want to be the best I can be every time I go out there" – Shelbyville Native Gracie Hensley Wins Silver Medal for U-21 Skeet Shooting in Peru

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Gracie Hensley (pictured in red) stands on the podium after winning the Silver Medal at the ISSF Junior World Championships in Lima, Peru following her 48-shot Final round. She also helped Team USA take home Bronze. *Photo courtesy of USA Shooting.*

Gracie Hensley doesn't necessarily come across as someone who you would expect to shoot shotguns competitively. In fact, the Shelbyville native is pretty open about it. But that hasn't stopped her from making a name for herself on not just the American stage, but the international stage as well after she took home silver at the ISSF Junior World Championships in Lima, Peru, on September 30th.

"You look at me and I like to do my hair and I like to dress nice when I'm not shooting and you would never guess that I'm a competitive shotgun shooter," the 5'4, 100 lb Hensley said. "I definitely get looks of surprise. I mean on the back of my truck I've written 'Peace and Love' and I've got a peace sign and a heart. Then I say 'I shoot competitive shotguns' and they're like 'what?'"

Hensley, who was born and raised in Shelbyville, started shooting when she was in 7th grade at The Webb School in Bell Buckle after going to an after-school club fair with a friend.

"We had to choose two clubs I think, per semester, and I came home after the club fair and I told my parents I'm going to do hunter safety and be part of the Skeet shooting club," Hensley recalled. I don't think they thought I would stick with it like I have."

"After two or three years of doing American Skeet, two older guys I shot with said we need a third person for our team at this international competition, and I was like 'Okay' because I didn't know the difference. I've been doing it ever since."

Hensley is about to enter her fifth year of competitive skeet shooting, but that "difference" between the two types – American Skeet and International/Olympic Skeet – is actually a pretty significant one. In American Skeet, the targets are slowed down to about 45 mph – a 10 mph decrease – and the targets come out as soon as the shooter calls for them. Another key distinction is that in International Skeet, the shooter must start with their gun at the hip instead of having it already mounted, and the shooter cannot mount his or her gun until the target actually comes out.

Despite those differences, Hensley has fared extremely well in her competitions. Obviously, she won silver in her most recent event, but even going back to her very first shoot, she has found success, and she has been hooked ever since.

"I'm not athletically built at all. I am 5'4, I am like 100 lbs, I cannot run fast, I'm just not an athletic person, but you don't need to be that athletic to shoot a shotgun. There's no running and there's no jumping," Hensley explained with a laugh. "I actually won the first American competition I ever went to, and I'm very competitive and I love to win, so that might also have something to do with why I've stuck with it."

Her first competition of 2024 was in March, out west in Tuscon, AZ, for Olympic Selection matches, prior to the Paris Olympics.

"Mathematically I was put out for the 2024 Olympics because I had to have gone overseas and we work off of a points system, but in Tuscon we were also deciding our Junior team," Hensley said. "I got gold in U-21 Women, so I made the Junior team back in March, and I was 7th overall if you were to include the Senior [adult] women too."

An impressive performance to start the year, but Hensley was nowhere near finished. Over the summer, Hensley found herself on an overseas flight to Italy for the Junior World Cup. Unfortunately, her first-ever overseas competition didn't come without some major hurdles to work through.

"I think I got like 15th, and I shut down in that shoot," Hensley admitted. "I struggled a lot, and I didn't lean on my team. I secluded myself, but I definitely learned a lot from that experience."

Even though her trip to Italy in July didn't go as planned, she still had the Junior Olympic Selection shoot coming up in September. That competition was immediately followed on the calendar with a week-long trip to South America in Lima, Peru.

"I ended up getting bronze as a Junior [Olympian] in Michigan, and the Michigan shoot was part one of our selection matches, so it was only American shooters at that shoot," she said.

After winning Bronze up north, she immediately boarded an overnight flight headed for Peru for the Junior World Championships, but this time, she was prepared for her week-long stay outside of the country.

"Overall, I'm a pretty quiet person. I'm not all that outgoing, but I realized that I didn't have that many friends, especially not overseas because I may be shooting with people that can't even speak my language," Hensley explained. "So I decided that I'm going to talk to the people that live in my country, and I need to be friends with them. I actually hung out with my teammates and talked to them. I allowed myself to be alone when I needed to be, but I was part of my team in Peru. I was the only one who was new to the team this year, so even though I wasn't the youngest kid on the team, I was still considered the baby. I worked on talking to them and I feel like that really helped me come out of my shell so I could do what I know I can do out on the field."

"I think it was imperative for me to stumble a bit in Italy for me to succeed in Peru."

Succeed she certainly did, shooting a 115 in the qualifying rounds to finish atop the leaderboard heading into the Finals and landing her in Bib One. Her score also contributed to her winning the Bronze Medal in the team event as well (Team medals are determined by shooters' qualification scores added together).

A quick note on the format: On the first day a shooter will shoot three qualifying rounds. On the second day they shoot two more qualifying rounds, and then there is a 60-shot final. Only the top six qualifiers go into the Finals. In this round, your qualifying score is thrown out after the shooters are placed in order of their qualifying score. Hensley had the highest qualifying score, so she was placed in Bib One. After every 10 shots, the person with the lowest score is eliminated until a winner is determined after the 60 total shots. In the event of any ties, the higher Bib Number stays.

In the Finals, Hensley was neck-and-neck with Great Britain's Madeleine Russell until Russell closed hitting 18 of her final 20 attempts to win the Gold Medal by just three shots, 51-48.

"I always go for gold," Hensley emphasized. "I don't go into a finals saying 'welp, guess I'll get silver,' my goal is always gold, but I also know statistically speaking, some people have been shooting overseas for years and have never gotten a medal. So, I was probably slightly surprised that I had done so well considering this is only my second time overseas, but I also want to be the best I can every time I go out there."

The difference between Italy and Peru was stark, not just in her comfort level and on the scoreboard, but in terms of how she interacted with her teammates on a daily basis before, during, and after the competition.

"It takes me all day to shoot three rounds. I have like two hours in between rounds during a competition, and every country is assigned a table. What I do is I always have decks of cards with me, but in Peru one of my friends took a piece of cardboard and wrote 'International Casino' on it, so we'd play cards to relax in between all of our rounds," Hensley said.

"We played Vendetta quite a bit with skittles."

There was even a difference in how her and her teammates were able to utilize their off-days. In Italy, they were given two days to be a tourist; however, in Peru, there was never any tourist option available to them.

"The first day I got to Peru, we landed at 5 a.m. because I had an overnight flight [from Detroit], and for some reason we sat at the range for a couple hours that day with our suitcases before eventually going to our hotel. We just kind of hung out that day; I maybe read a little bit and I like to crochet and knit so I was probably doing that as well. Then we had a couple days of 'open practice' where you can shoot whatever you want, but most people just shoot rounds those days. Then we had our official training day which is where we shoot three rounds, nothing more nothing less, and then you leave. Then it was time for the competition."

After winning the Silver Medal by 10 shots, Hensley finally returned home after two long weeks of strenuous competition. However, she returned with a different understanding of how to train herself.

"I've put a lot of time in training in how to shoot targets, so I'd say that's one of my strengths, but something I think a lot of athletes sometimes forget to train is their mind. People can tell you it's the same target or it's the same stage, but there's something different about getting on a plane for 6-10 hours, stepping off in a different country, and then saying 'now go do your job as best you can,'" she said.

Now? Hensley's goals are pretty simple: qualify for the Junior team for 2025, train and compete, and then get ready to start attempting to qualify for the Senior team for the upcoming 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

"I will spend a lot of time at my home range shooting," Hensley explained. "I like to shoot sporting clays a lot as practice because that helps you learn how to point a gun. I'd like to make the Junior team again. We have our Part 2 selection match in January which will be in West Palm. That would give me more travel opportunities because if I made that team then I would go to Germany in the summer. I may not have shot my best in Michigan, but I still did well enough to put myself in a good spot to make the team."

For Hensley, it isn't lost on her what it means to compete at such a high level, and her sense of humor allows her to relax and not feel the weight of her entire hometown on her shoulders.

"It's definitely pretty cool [representing Shelbyville]," Hensley concluded."You have something to say when people are like 'introduce yourself!' and I'm like, 'hi, I've been overseas, I'm on Team USA!'"



RICHARDSON MEDIA COOKS:

Joyous Holiday Treats!

Festive Popcorn Trees

(Family Features)

Yield: 10 trees

10 cups air-popped popcorn
1 bag (10 ounces) miniature marshmallows
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
nonstick cooking spray
green and blue decorating sugar
1 tube white frosting with decorating tip
assorted small colorful candies, such as sprinkles
miniature silver dragees
sugar cookies, for serving (optional)
shredded coconut, for serving (optional)

Place popcorn in large bowl. In medium saucepan over medium-low heat, stir marshmallows and butter until marshmallows are melted and mixture is smooth. Remove from heat. Stir in vanilla extract.

Pour mixture over popcorn in bowl. Toss well to coat popcorn evenly.

Line baking sheet with foil. Spray hands with nonstick cooking spray then scoop about 1 cup popcorn mixture. Shape mixture into cone, keeping base flat. This forms one tree. Sprinkle tree with green and blue decorating sugars; place tree on baking sheet. Repeat to make additional trees.

Pipe frosting on trees to make garland then decorate with colorful candies and miniature silver dragees.

Serving suggestion: Place each tree on sugar cookie, if desired, and decorate serving tray with shredded coconut to resemble snow.

Tips: Start the recipe with unflavored white popcorn for best color and flavor. Make colored sugar by adding food coloring to sugar then stirring in bowl or shaking vigorously in sealed container. Add more food coloring for more intense tones.

Santa's Whiskers

"Santa's Whiskers" likely get their name from the coconut on these cookies, which resemble Santa's beard. Maraschino cherries add some jolly red to the cookies as well, making them perfect for Christmas. Try this recipe from "Butter, Flour, Sugar, Joy" (Sourcebooks) by Danielle Kartes.

20 to 24 cookies

1 1/2 cups confectioner's sugar
1 cup butter, softened
1 (12-ounce) jar pitted maraschino cherries, strained and stemmed
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
11/2 cups all-purpose flour
2 cups sweetened shredded coconut

In a stand mixer, with a hand mixer, or by hand, cream the sugar and butter until light and fluffy. Add the cherries, vanilla, almond extract, and salt. Mix thoroughly. Fold into the flour and mix until it forms a crumbly but moist dough.

Lay a 16-inch sheet of parchment paper onto the counter. Sprinkle 1 cup of the coconut on th center in a loose rectangle, making sure it does not reach the edge of the parchment. Place the cookie dough on top, flattening a bit with your fingers, and sprinkle the remaining coconut over the top of the dough.

Form the dough into a 12- to 14-inch log, about 3 inches thick. Evenly press the coconut around the log and roll to make the log an even cylinder.

Roll the parchment up with the dough inside and twist the ends. Chill for at least 2 hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Slice cookies in 1/4- to 1/2-inch rounds, place on the prepared baking sheet, about 2 inches apart, and bake 12 to 15 minutes. Allow to cool before serving. Store in an airtight container.

Christmas Biscuits

Makes approximately 24 cookies

For the dough:
11/2 cups all-purpose flour, sifted, plus extra for dusting
11/3 cups confectioner's sugar, plus extra for dusting
3/4 cup almond meal
1 cup unsalted butter, cold and cubed
1 large egg yolk
1 tablespoon cold water
1/2 teaspoon fine salt

For the icing and decoration:
4 cups confectioner's sugar
3 tablespoons meringue powder
7 tablespoons warm water, combined with 1 teaspoon vanilla extract, assorted food color (e. g., red, pink and turquoise), assorted colored sugar crystals (e. g., red, pink and white)

1. For the dough: Preheat oven to 350 F. Grease and line two large baking sheets with parchment paper.

2. Combine flour, confectioner's sugar and almond meal in a large mixing bowl. Stir well to mix.

3. Add butter, egg yolk, water, and salt, and mix well with an electric mixer with spiral attachments until mixture starts to come together as a dough.

4. Turn out onto a floured surface and knead briefly until even. Wrap in plastic wrap and chill for 30 minutes.

5. After chilling, roll out dough on a lightly floured surface to approximately 0.25" thickness.

6. Use assorted star-shaped cookie cutters to cut out approximately 23 variably sized star shapes. Arrange between prepared sheets, spaced apart.

7. From remaining dough, cut out one teardrop and two semi-circles of dough, using appropriate cutters or working freehand with a paring knife. Arrange on one of the baking sheets.

8. Bake cookies for 12 to 15 minutes, until golden and dry to the touch. Remove to cooling racks to cool.

9. For the icing and decoration: Thoroughly stir together confectioner's sugar and meringue powder in a large mixing bowl.

10. Gradually beat in warm water and vanilla extract mixture using an electric mixer until icing is smooth and of a flooding consistency; you may not need all of the water.

11. Divide icing between three bowls. Color two bowls pink and red, respectively, by beating in enough pink and red coloring to achieve uniform colors. Leave the third bowl uncolored.

12. Spoon pink and red icing into separate piping bags fitted with small, round-tip nozzles.

13. To ice the cookies, pipe around their perimeters with the icings to create borders. Fill in middle of cookies with more icing; you can use a damp, warm offset palette knife to spread out icing to an even finish.

14. Carefully transfer iced cookies to cooling racks, decorating with the sugar crystals in festive patterns.

15. Using same technique as in steps 13 and 14, ice teardrop cookie with red and white icing for Santa's hat and beard, respectively. Ice the two semi-circle cookies with white icing.

16. Before icings have set, carefully attach semi-circle cookies to teardrop cookie to fashion Santa's mustache. Color any remaining white icing with turquoise coloring and then dab onto teardrop cookie for Santa's eyes. Pipe some pink icing below eyes for his nose.

17. Let cookies set and harden before serving.

Tip: Consistency should be similar to that of toothpaste. If your icing is too thick, thin it out with some warm water, mixing it into the icing in drops.

Preparation time: 1 hour, 20 minutes
Cooling time: 30 minutes

SANTA'S ON HIS WAY!

Join the staff at Koffee Beanz. 300 N. Brittain St., on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 9 to 11 a.m., as Santa stops by for pictures with kiddos.

COUNTY & CITY READY FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Bedford County Government Photo



Bedford County and Shelbyville held the annual tree-lighting ceremony Tuesday evening at the historic courthouse. Many braved the cold temps for this community event.

SEASON A LITTLE BRIGHTER FOR MILITARY COMMUNITY

JD Photo



The season just got a little brighter for the nation's military community with the launch of Jack Daniel's annual "Barrel Tree" sale, which will help junior-enlisted service members and their families travel home for the holidays. Barrels from each of the 10 Jack Daniel's "Barrel Trees" currently on display across the country are now available for $200 each at operationridehome.com. Proceeds benefit the "Operation Ride Home" program in partnership with the Armed Services YMCA (ASYMCA), which has helped nearly 13,000 individuals travel home and raised close to $3 million since 2011. Service members from the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, and Coast Guard have received travel assistance to all 50 states.



Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols

Shofner Chapel, Inc.

Please join us in the annual celebration of a Service of Lessons and Carols at Shofner Chapel and for the Holiday Marketplace before and after the service. What a wonderful opportunity to start the Advent season in this historic building. Please bring your favorite "sweets and savories" and join us following the service for a time of fellowship. Drinks will be provided. If you can contribute Christmasy items to sell at the Market, please do so. All proceeds are needed for maintenance of the chapel and grounds.

Sunday, December 8, 2024 • 2 p.m. CST
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