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Maxwell gets 4 years in drug death

By TERENCE CORRIGAN
Special to the T-G

Shannon Lee Maxwell was sentenced on Thursday to serve 4 years in prison for providing a fatal dose of drugs to Coleman Chambless, who died from a drug overdose on March 18, 2021, in Shelbyville. Chambless was 27 years old when he died.

Maxwell was originally charged with 2nd Degree Murder, killing of another by the distribution of fentanyl. (Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid, 80 to 100 times more powerful than morphine.) 2nd Degree Murder is a Class A felony with a sentencing range of 15 to 25 years in prison. In a deal with prosecutors, Maxwell agreed to plead guilty to Reckless Homicide, a Class D felony, which carries a sentence range of two to four years.

Maxwell's plea was what is called a "best interest plea." In a "best interest plea," the defendant does not admit to committing the crime but in recognition of the possible outcome if he was found guilty in a jury trial agrees to accept a deal with prosecutors. The effect of a best interest plea is the same as a guilty plea, lacking only the admission of guilt. Judge Forest Alexander Durard, Jr.described Maxwell's sentence as "a considerable break" from what he may have faced if he was found guilty at trial.

The night Coleman Chambless died

On March 17, 2021, Maxwell went to Nashville and purchased what he believed to be heroin, according to Assistant DA Mike Randles. That night he shared the drug with others, including Chambless. The next day, Maxwell again was out distributing the drug to various people, again including Chambless.

At the home of Kenny and Nicole Hurt, in the 600 block of Deery Street, in Shelbyville, while several people were snorting the drug through a plastic straw, Chambless became unconscious and vomited. Maxwell later told investigators that the Hurts did not want police coming to their house and refused to allow anyone to call for help for Chambless. Maxwell loaded Chambless in a pickup truck and drove to the nearby Walgreen drug store parking lot where he pulled Coleman's body out of the pickup and called for an ambulance.

A passerby commenced CPR on Chambless and police continued it when they arrived. When paramedics arrived they administered two doses of NARCAN (a drug that can save a person who's overdosed on opiates) but Chambless never regained consciousness.

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Precinct locations for Election Day

Primary election is Tuesday, May 3

101: Wartrace Baptist Church, 105 Vine St N., Wartrace
102: Bell Buckle Barton Gym at Webb School, 319 Webb Rd East, Bell Buckle
203: Fair Haven Baptist Church, 2726 Hwy. 231 N., Shelbyville
303: Community Elem. School Gym, 3480 Hwy. 41A N, Unionville
403: Bedford WBTS Comm. Club, 2020 Hwy. 64 W, Shelbyville
502: Flat Creek Comm. Center, 115 New Herman Rd, Shelbyville
505: Normandy First Baptist Church, 100 Center St, Normandy
601: East Side School 421 Elliott St., Shelbyville
701: Deery Eakin School 1100 Glen Oaks Rd., Shelbyville
801: Thomas School 515 Tate Ave., Shelbyville
902: South Side School 903 S Cannon Blvd.,Shelbyville

Daniel Robbins, Chairman, Bedford County Election Board
Connie Crafton, Secretary
Wayne Tucker, Member
Karen Thrasher, Member
Bob York, Member
Summer Leverette, Administrator

CDC TURNS 50



T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

Guests at Community Development Center of Shelbyville's 50th anniversary celebration on Thursday included Shelbyville Mayor Wallace Cartwright (seen in background) who gave the invocation. A special tree-planting-ceremony was also held in memory of Denise Graham; her granddaughter, Henslee, participated. See additional story and pictures inside today's edition and in next weekend's Life and Leisure.

Normandy boys ranch has new leadership

By ZOË HAGGARD
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Normandy's Riverbend Ranch, formerly Arrowhead Ranch, sits on around 170 acres on Cortner Mill in Normandy. It's got cows, chickens, ponds and rolling hills, but it's more than a ranch, according to the new owners.

Many in the community know Arrowhead Ranch as a residential care facility for troubled boys. Executive Director Darren Delin said his goal is to also establish a place where families can create "core memories" as well as create a community for local nonprofits. "The nonprofit is going to be a completely new organization," Delin said, adding that it will take some time.

According to former Arrowhead Ranch director Jeff Sweeney, the nonprofit took a financial hit during COVID-19, when fundraising and in-person events were closed. So, when new ranch owner Patrick Curtis moved to Shelbyville from Orange County, Calif., he knew he wanted to save the ranch. He encouraged his friend and small group leader, Pastor Delin, to take on the task as director.

'Nothing about the ranch is forced.'

— Riverbend Ranch Director Darren Delin

"I think Darren and Deena will do a great job taking the ranch to the next level," said Sweeney.

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T-G Photo by Zoe Haggard

The former Arrowhead Ranch in Normandy is under a new name, Riverbend Ranch, and new leadership. This is just one stunning view of the property. See more photos inside today.



DEATH NOTICES

Mary Elizabeth Steel

April 27, 2022

Mary Elizabeth Steel, age 95, of Shelbyville, passed away Wednesday, April 27, 2022.

Funeral services will be 12 noon Monday, May 2 at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel with Rev. John Batts officiating. Burial will follow at Willow Mount Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 11 a.m.

OBITUARIES

John Thomas Taylor

April 28, 2022



John Thomas Taylor, age 74, of Shelbyville, passed away early Thursday, April 28, 2022, at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

Funeral service will be held 4 p.m. Sunday, May 1, 2022, in the chapel of Doak-Howell Funeral home with Ritchie Taylor officiating. Visitation with the family will begin at noon.

Born on October 29, 1947, in the Deason community of Bedford County, he was the son of the late Robert F. and Nannie Mable Prince Taylor. Along with his parents he was preceded in death by brothers, Russell, Frankie and Chuck Taylor; and sister, Betty Jane Taylor.

John Thomas graduated Bell Buckle High School class of 1965 and received his master barber license from Nashville Barber School. He was a barber for 30+ years before retiring, and was co-owner of Moon & Taylor Barber Shop. He then began a second career for 16 years with Beaman Automotive as a dealer/ trader.

John Thomas enjoyed fellowship with family and friends more than anything. Cooking for others was his favorite way to gather with those that he loved. Playing and watching sports, especially golf and baseball provided a median for competition and fellowship throughout his adult life. Baseball, however, was a love that started in his youth that later in life he shared with younger generations by his love of coaching, specializing in pitching.

He is survived by: loving wife of 5 years, Kimberley Ann Ladner Taylor of Shelbyville; daughter, Carrie Brooke (Josh) Simmons of Shelbyville; grandson and best bud, Nate Simmons; sister, Juanita Taylor of Alabama; brother, Don (Joanne) Taylor of Nolensville; nieces, Ann Marie, Trisha, and Kristie; nephews, Ritchie, Marsh, Chris, Joey, and Ted; also in-laws, J. Larry and Peggy Ladner; sister-in-law, Pam (Larry) Phipps; and brothers-in-law, Jay (Jennifer) and Stewart (Angie) Ladner.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers contributions be made in John Thomas' name to The Webb School's baseball program by mail: P.O. Box 488, Bell Buckle, TN 37020.

Maxwell

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The subsequent autopsy determined that Chambless had ingested large amounts of methamphetamine and fentanyl either of which could have been fatal. The state's theory, Randles said, is the drug Maxwell purchased, which he thought was heroin, was methamphetamine laced with fentanyl.

Right after Thanksgiving 2020, four months before he died, Chambless was jailed on a warrant for failure to appear in court. He was sentenced to be incarcerated until May but he was released early for good behavior and for his successful participation in a work program.

Coleman was released from jail on March 12. Six days later he died of a drug overdose.

Seventeen years before Coleman's death, March 4, 2004, his father had died of a drug overdose. His addiction had been to prescription opioid painkillers, prescribed by doctors after being bit by a rattlesnake and, subsequently, a surgery from an injury he suffered at work.

Leadership

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From Golden Coast to the South

Delin says the financial instability of the ranch did not stop him from taking the opportunity to follow God's call to ministry in a new direction. He was a pastor at Saddleback Church in Anaheim, Calif., for 15 years, so he's had experience working with youth. He's also served as a young adult and "next generation" pastor.

He admits he had no reason to leave his full-time ministry position. But after visiting the ranch with Curtis for the first time in April 2021, Delin said he began to see the potential.

"Once I got here, saw what's going on, I fell in love with the idea that this is ministry, just in a different context and place," Delin said. After weeks of prayer, deciding between leaving one ministry for another, Delin and his family made the move in early July.

Coming from a condo in California, the wide-open spaces of the ranch have brought a peaceful change to the otherwise overwhelming task, he advised.

He finds he has more time to spend with his young family, which includes wife, Deena, and children, Jed, 5, Remy, 3, and Montana, 3 months. It's some of the first time he's been able to attend church, The Experience in Shelbyville, with his family instead of standing behind the pulpit.

"Right now, my ministry is my family . . . . They've always been the ones supporting me."

Delin said they are even looking into bringing pastoral families out to the ranch to help with "burn-out."

New name, new vision

Former director Sweeney recalled, "Something we would always say would be progress, not perfection."

Delin said the boys at the ranch typically had a stigma attached to them. "Now, the ranch is really geared toward boys who need a safe, consistent, loving home. I'm not saying they have it all figured out . . . but if they need placement, it's usually something in their family."

Nothing about the ranch is forced, Delin said. Instead, everything is on a volunteer basis and usually the families reach out to the ranch, asking for help and support.

"That's one of the things we're realizing: a lot of these kids that come to us . . . haven't gotten the experience to just be a kid before," Delin said.

Updated mission and vision

Riverbend Ranch is still a boys home. Delin said while he gets four or five calls every week for placement, he wants to start pouring into families.

Whether it's something as simple as conversation at the dinner table or weekend trips that create those "core memories," Delin said the goal at Riverbend will be to serve as an example for young boys in how "a family should operate."

"The mission is how do we give parents that opportunity to create core memories with their families because that's what builds a solid foundation of a family," Delin said.

A lot of the kids have been told they won't succeed, according to Delin. The farm animals, a maintenance skills shop, and a garden all help give the boys an opportunity to develop skills while staying at the ranch for around one year.

This model is crucial for pouring into the future "25-year-old" boy. Delin said he wants them to look back on their experience at the ranch and remember what a model family looks like so that way they can make better decisions for their future family.

The ranch is housing four boys now. As funding gets secured, Delin said they hope to house more.

Devlin said they have five workers at the ranch, including himself. Two work the land while two serve as house parents. "We have capacity for a lot, but realistically, I want us to grow in a healthy way," Delin said.

See inside story on "nonprofit connections" and more photos.

PAVING IN ACTION



T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

Paving was in full swing this week on the Shelbyville Square and was expected to be completed by May 1. Business owners say they're quite pleased at this point with the results.

First case of human bird flu infection confirmed

By DAVID PITT
Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — A Colorado prison inmate has tested positive for bird flu in the first recent confirmed case of a human infected with the disease that has resulted in the deaths of millions of chickens and turkeys, but federal officials say they still see little threat to the general public.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Thursday evening that the man who tested positive had been in a prerelease program and was helping to remove chickens from an infected farm. The man, who was under age 40, reported fatigue for a few days but has since recovered, state health and CDC officials said in a statement.

The man was isolated and is being treated with an antiviral drug. Other people involved in the bird removal operation in Colorado have tested negative, but they are being retested out of an abundance of caution.

"The inmate was part of a prison work crew composed of inmates nearing release which had been working at the farm before a case of bird flu was confirmed there on April 19," said Lisa Wiley, a spokeswoman for the Colorado Department of Corrections. When bird flu was detected at the farm in Montrose County, the inmates were asked to help in the process of killing and removing the birds.

Agriculture officials have reported an outbreak on one Montrose County farm with 58,000 broiler breeder chickens.

Despite the infection, the CDC considers the threat to the general public to be low because spread of the virus to people requires close contact with an infected bird.

Signals that could raise the public health risk might include multiple reports of virus infections in people from exposure to birds, or identification of spread from one infected person to a close contact. The CDC also is monitoring the bird flu virus for genetic changes, which could indicate the virus is adapting to spread more readily from birds to people or other mammals.

The current strain of bird flu, the H5N1, has been spreading among backyard and commercial chicken and turkey flocks in the U.S. since late February. Viruses have been found in U.S. commercial and backyard birds in 29 states and in wild birds in 34 states. More than 35 million chickens and turkeys have been killed and removed to avoid spread, the U.S. Department of Agriculture reported.

The CDC said it has tracked the health of more than 2,500 people who have been exposed to H5N1 virus-infected birds but that this was the only confirmed case to date.

The CDC said it was possible the man only had the virus present in his nose but that his body was not infected. Colorado public health officials say repeat testing on the man was negative for influenza. A nasal swab positive test result meets the agency's criteria for considering it an infection.

"The appropriate public health response at this time is to assume this is an infection and take actions to contain and treat," the CDC statement said.

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Deputy chases down suspect

By DAVID MELSON
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A man reported to be suspiciously looking at houses on Church Cross Road was arrested after running from a deputy morning Wednesday when being arrested.

Berry Chase Bennett, 36, of nearby Coop Road was reportedly "staring at houses," a caller to the Bedford County Sheriff's Office reported.

Bennett falsely identified himself and said he was on a morning run when he thought he saw a squirrel, a deputy said. The deputy had dispatch check the false name for warrants and let Bennett go when none were found.

The deputy later checked a photo of the man Bennett had claimed to be at the sheriff's office and noticed it was someone else. He checked and recognized Berry Bennett's photo, returned to Church Cross Road and arrested him on a pervious vandalism warrant.

Bennett allegedly ran through several cattle fields before being caught and charged with evading arrest and criminal impersonation. He was held on $10,000 bond.

Gun confiscated

A handgun missing a serial number was confiscated from a DUI suspect Wednesday night.

Josue Rigoberto Gutierrez. 34, Barksdale Lane, allegedly swerved into the path of oncoming traffic near his home on Barksdale Lane as Officers Cody Smartt and Dylan Bliss observed. They found the gun in a shoulder bag.

Gutierrez was charged with DUI, altercation of firearm serial number, possession of firearm under influence, no driver's license, and failure to drive with due care. He was held on $10,000 bond.

Drug charge

Drugs were found in a vehicle occupied by a woman who was passed out at the gas pumps at the Circle K store at the intersection of Madison Street and Wartrace Pike Wednesday morning, police said.

Sydney Raven Smartt, 22, of Warners Bridge Road allegedly possessed methadone, a digital scale with marijuana residue, used syringes and needles, smelled of alcohol and was driving a vehicle that smelled of marijuana, Officer Ramon Castillo's report said.

Smartt was charged with DUI, possession of a schedule II drug, possession of drug paraphernalia and driving on revoked license. She was held on $9,000 bond.

Thefts

Approximately $400 worth of furniture and $100 of smaller household items were stolen from a storage shed on U.S. 231 North, a deputy was told Thursday. A suspect was named.

Also reported to area authorities:

•Gasoline has been siphoned from several vehicles on Bryant Road this week.

•Change and compact discs were taken from a vehicle at a Sunlite Road home overnight Tuesday.

•A trail camera was stolen from the cemetery at the intersection of Coop Road and Church Cross Road between noon-6:30 p.m. Monday.

A suspect was named, according to the Bedford County Sheriff's Office report.

•A flower was taken from in front of Shelbyville Carpet Co., Madison Street. The owner didn't know when the $5 flower went missing.

•Two pairs of pants and two t-shirts were stolen April 19 from an apartment on West Lane Street. A suspect was named after the owner noticed her wearing one of the pairs of pants.

Jail intake

The following were charged since Monday by the Bedford County Sheriff's Office, Shelbyville Police Department, Tennessee Highway Patrol or 17th Judiciary District Drug Task Force. They are only charged; guilt or innocence will be determined by the courts.

•Stephanie Verica Ballentine, 49, Murfreesboro; probation revocation; released, no bond

•Berry Chase Bennett, 36, Coop Road; evading arrest, criminal impersonation, vandalism; held, $10,000 bond

•Destiny Cheyenne Bilbrey, 18, Unionville-Chapel Hill Road; disorderly conduct; summons issued

•David Thomas Boyd, 53, King Arthur Court; public intoxication (two counts), introducing contraband into penal facility; held, $9,500 bond

•Haley Cheyenne Burks, 21, Normandy Road; violation of probation, show cause; held, $15,000 bond

•Joel D. Cagle, 43, Tate Avenue; driving on revoked license (fourth offense), speeding (51/30), no insurance; released, $4,500 bond

•Jesus Forseca Carrillo, 34, Huntsville, Alabama; speeding, no driver's license; released, $1,000 bond

•Kathy Cash, 57, Shofner Bridge Road; indecent exposure; summons issued

•Julia Irma Cinto Velasquez, 39, Scotland Heights; no driver's license;

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Maddox tosses hat into ring as May 3 county candidate



Eric Maddox and family

Eric Maddox said recently that he's a conservative, common sense-minded person that people can count on. This is why he's decided to run for the Bedford County Commission District 1 seat.

"Although not a politician, I have a heart to serve my community," he recently told the Times-Gazette.

Throughout his professional career, Maddox has successfully managed large budgets within business, and this success, he believes, will help him serve the community and County well, if elected during the May 3 primary.

"I believe that a business approach should be taken to managing government activities, and that smart and transparent spending is key to maintaining integrity and taxpayer trust."

Maddox said that he has been fortunate to work with and lead many successful teams—both large and small; he believes that a team of people can accomplish much more than one individual person.

"I believe that a commissioner should simply be a voice of the community (team of people) who work for the good and betterment of the specific area in which they live."

In addition to the conservative, common sense approach that he takes to making decisions, Maddox also values how "listening" is the key component to "serving."

"I feel that having the desire to truly listen and understand the need first will often lead to the solution." I want our community to be heard and to have a voice regarding decisions that may impact where we work and call home. I am willing to be that voice."

Maddox adds, "I also feel that there are absolutes within our community that we must take care of . . . well maintained roads and infrastructure, efficiently equipped schools and public safety agencies, along with clean drinking water are just a few of those. We have to take care of our County and the great people that live here."

The candidate said local governments have to put the people first when spending taxpayer dollars. "I want to help ensure that happens here," he said.

Eric and his bride of 27 years live on a small farm in Bell Buckle with their 3 sons; they homeschool all 3 boys. Maddox said his sons are also active in sports and play / compete within Bedford County public school system teams and on recreation league baseball. He's been a league coach in Bedford County for many years.

The family attends Victory Baptist Church in Shelbyville.

Other interests of his include playing Bluegrass gospel music with his sons; he's also an avid hunter and fisherman. Maddox said he enjoys the simple life—one filled with walks with his family across their farm.

Maddox may be contacted at ericmaddox85@gmail.com or on Facebook @ Eric Maddox for Bedford County Commissioner District 1.

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Bedford County Republicans are ready for a mayor who will run this county with ***conservative principles. Brent Smith is a True Conservative*** with the record to back it up. Brent Smith will ***never raise your property taxes,*** and he ***fought tax increases*** as a county commissioner. He worked to make Bedford a ***sanctuary county for gun ownership*** - something the current mayor opposed. Brent will use his real world business experience and conservative principles in every decision he makes.

Smith and ***his wife, Amanda,*** live on a farm in Wartrace. He is an ***avid hunter and fisherman, and also enjoys raising livestock.***



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Hint for new parents

Hints from Heloise

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Dear Heloise: I bought a birthday card for each of my children every year and wrote them a quick note stating their likes, friends, hobbies and a few anecdotes. It took 5 minutes once a year. I put the cards in a shoe box in my closet. When each child turned 18, I presented them with a history of their childhood. It meant so very much to them. -- Nancy, via email

BANANAS

Dear Heloise: I am picky about my bananas. If I buy a bunch that are just right, in two days the rest of the bunch is too ripe. If I put them in a refrigerator to slow down the ripening process, by the second day they have started turning black. I found this does not happen if I separate them and put them in a foam cooler or ice chest with a frozen gel bag. This keeps them about 50 degrees or cooler, and they don't turn black.

I have also had luck putting them outside in cool weather as long as it is above 32 degrees. If you have the opposite problem, and they are too green, put them in a bag with an apple, and they will ripen much faster. -- Alex, Camarillo, California

HOW TO OPEN PLASTIC BAGS

Dear Heloise: Here's a quick and sanitary way to open those pesky plastic bags in grocery store produce aisles that cling shut: Breathe on the fingertips of one hand and roll the bag edges between those fingers. You need to do this quickly since the little moisture it puts on your fingers soon evaporates. This is much cleaner than the old way of licking your dirty (yucky) fingertips. -- Bill R., Merrimack, New Hampshire

CLEANING STAINLESS-STEEL FLATWARE

Dear Heloise: A simple way to shine stainless-steel flatware is to wad a small (8 inches by 8 inches) sheet of aluminum foil and put it in the dishwasher flatware basket and wash as usual. The aluminum foil will be darkened from the tarnish on flatware. When finished, toss the aluminum wad in the recycle bin.

Hopes this helps those who hate polishing but want shiny flatware without the hassle. -- Jessie, Long Beach, California

STORING APPLIANCES

Dear Heloise: I love reading your column daily in the Fort Wayne Journal Gazette. To keep my kitchen counters somewhat clutter-free, I store handheld and stand mixers, blender, electric can opener, toaster and crockpots on the lazy Susan turntable in the base cabinets. It makes for easy access and lots of counter space. -- Nancy R., via email

PET PAL

Dear Readers: Tena Elkins sent in a photo of her cute Labrador, Wily, cozied up on her couch! He looks so relaxed and comfortable.

To see Wily and our other Pet Pals, go to www.Heloise.com and click on "Pet of the Week." -- Heloise

Send a money-saving or timesaving hint to Heloise, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001, or you can fax it to 1-210-HELOISE or email it to Heloise@Heloise.com. I can't answer your letter personally but will use the best hints received in my column.

Public Notice

The City of Shelbyville will host an Open House for viewing the Final Draft of the Comprehensive Plan, Future Land Use Map and Proposed Medium-High Density Residential Zoning District on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, from 4:00 PM until 6:00 PM at the Shelbyville Recreation Center, 220 Tulip Tree Road.
The Open House is an opportunity for everyone to become involved in the finalization of the Plan. The Open House will begin promptly at 4:00 PM with presentation of the Plan followed by opportunity for attendees to make comments.

The Plan may be reviewed prior to the Open House at **www.shelbyvilletn.org.**

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Send Community Calendar items to tgnews@t-g.com, notify us on Facebook, call 931-684-1200 or stop by our office, 323 E. Depot St.

THURSDAY

Food distribution

South Central Human Resources Agency will hold a commodity food distribution Thursday, April 28, from 10 a.m.-noon at Bedford County Agriculture Center, 2119 Midland Road.

SCHRA meeting

South Central Human Resource Agency Governing Board's, Property, Budget, and 1303 committees will hold a special meeting Thursday, April 28, at noon at the SCHRA Central Office, 1437 Winchester Highway, Fayetteville. The committees will discuss agency capital and any other necessary business.

APRIL 30

Paws for a Cause

The annual Paws for a Cause 5K run and one-mile walk will start at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 30, at Calsonic Arena's pavilion next to the blue water tower. Registration will begin at 7:30 p.m. Preregister at www.reg2run.com.

Cemetery cleanup

A cleanup day is scheduled Saturday, April 30, beginning at 9 a.m. at Burns Chapel and Cemetery, Burns Road. Participants are asked to bring water and cleaning supplies.

Ladies Day

Fairlane Church of Christ is hosting Ladies Day on Saturday, April 30. May Patterson, author of "Seeking A Familiar Face: The Transformational Journey of Connecting with God" will speak. The Praise Team from North Boulevard Church of Christ in Murfreesboro will lead music and worship. To register, call the church office, 931-684-1609, or Shelley Jones, 931-808-9884.

MAY 1

Play auditions

Auditions for the play "Biloxi Blues" will be 2 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at The Fly Arts Center. Hopefuls must cold read from script, bring a headshot if available and prepare a brief monologue.

Laity Club

Bedford County Laity Club will meet 6 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church. A meal will be furnished.

Decoration services

Decoration services will be conducted at Pressgrove Cemetery at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 1. Bobby Lynch will be the speaker. Donations may be mailed to Buddy Wortham, 293 Smith Road, Bell Buckle, TN 37020 or given to Eddie Wayne Sanders, Charles Jones or Ron Adcock.

MAY 2

Good Sam bag day

Good Samaritan will hold a bag day Monday, May 2, from noon-2 p.m. at 201 E. Highland Ave.

BB budget study

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen will have a budget study meeting in Town Hall at 6 p.m. Monday, May 2.

VFW meeting

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5019, and its Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting Monday, May 2 at the VFW Post on East Depot Street. Dinner is at 6 p.m. with a business meeting for members immediately following. For more information, contact Post Commander Mike Ruess, 931-249-1566.

MAY 3

Bell Buckle planning

Bell Buckle Planning Commission will meet 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, in Town Hall.

MAY 6

SCHS Class of '53

Shelbyville Central High School's Class of 1953 will hold a reunion luncheon 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 6, at El Mexico. Call Martha Cartwright, 931-684-0451, for more information.

MAY 7

5K run

The Run the River 5K is scheduled at 8 a.m. Saturday, May 7, at Riverbend Ranch (formerly Arrowhead Ranch), 239 Cortner Mill Road. The run is hosted by the Cascade High School wrestling team and Shelbyville-Bedford County Chamber of Commerce. Sign up at https://www.reg2run.com/index.php/event_details/306.

Rosebank work day

A work day at Rosebank Cemetery in Flat Creek is scheduled Saturday, May 7, at 9 a.m. Participants are asked to bring Weedeaters, brooms and yard tools.

Car show

Celebration City Region Car Club is hosting its annual car & truck show and swap meet Saturday, May 7, at the Celebration Grounds. Awards will be presented in 47 categories.

Mother & Son Picnic

Shelbyville Recreation Center is hosting a Mother & Son (ages 4-14) Picnic at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 7, at the Lewis Pavilion in H.V. Griffin Park. Moms vs. sons carnival games will be followed by lunch. Cost is $10 per person. Sign up at shelbyvilletnparks.org.

Fish fry

First Choice Pregnancy Center's annual fundraising fish fry is scheduled Saturday, May 7, at Walnut Ridge Farm, 1198 Whiteside Hill Road, Food will be served from 3-6 p.m. Purchase tickets at eventbrite.com or by calling the center, 931-680-0066.

Decoration Days

•Decoration Day at Mt. Lebanon Cemetery will be Saturday, May 7, at 2 p.m. Donnie Porter will be guest speaker. Donations may be made the day of decoration or mailed to Freida Barnett, 2079 Warners Bridge Road, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

•Old Mount Hermon Cemetery will hold its annual decoration day on Saturday, May 7, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the cemetery on Possum Trot Road. Donations may be sent to Friends of Old Mount Hermon Cemetery, P.O. Box 831, Shelbyville, TN 37162.

•Decoration services will be held at Mount Hermon Cemetery on Saturday, May 7, at 2 p.m. Donations may be given at the cemetery or mailed to Mt. Hermon Cemetery Association, c/o Linda Jacobs, 1199 Bugscuffle Road, Wartrace, TN 37183.

•Decoration Day at Wheel Cemetery will be Saturday, May 7. A short service will be held at 2 p.m. Donations for upkeep will be accepted at the cemetery or may be mailed to Wheel Cemetery, 129 Haskins Chapel Road, Lewisburg, TN 37091.

Flat Creek gathering

Flat Creek Community Center, 115 New Herman Road, will host its monthly potluck meal and entertainment Saturday, May 7. Shane Adkins, the National Guitar Champion, will perform. Food will be served at 6 p.m. with music at 7. There is no cover charge, but donations are taken for the performer.

MAY 8

Decoration service

Old Orchard Cemetery, Petersburg, will hold its annual decoration and memorial service 2 p.m. Sunday, May 8, conducted by Troy Green of Petersburg Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Board members will be onsite Friday, May 6 through Sunday, May 8 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. to accept upkeep donations and answer questions. Donations may be sent to P.O. Box 94, Petersburg, TN 37144,



MAY 10

Bell Buckle meetings

•Bell Buckle Parks & Recreation Committee will meet 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, in Town Hall.

•Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen will meet 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, in Town Hall.

MAY 14

Strawberry Festival

The Wartrace Strawberry Festival is scheduled Saturday, May 14. Fresh local strawberries, arts and crafts booths and food trucks will be featured.

Don Gallagher Day

A special weekend honoring Gallagher Guitar Co.'s Don Gallagher is scheduled Friday, May 13 and Saturday, May 14 in Wartrace. An Open Jam with Jim Hurst will be held at the shop in downtown Wartrace from 5-6:30 p.m. Special events will be held all day Saturday at the shop followed by a free concert featuring Jim Hurst and friends, Steve Kaufman, the Gordons, and others from 7-9 p.m.

MAY 15

Decoration Days

•Houston Whitworth Cemetery Decoration Day will be 2 p.m. Sunday, May 15, with Jeff Curtis speaking

•Mount Olivet Cemetery Decoration Day is scheduled at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 15.

•Rosebank Cemetery Decoration Day will be 2 p.m. Sunday, May 15, at Flat Creek Community Center.

•Unionville Cemetery's Decoration Day will be 2 p.m. Sunday, May 15. Donations may be sent to Peggy Orrell, 416 Riverbend Country Club Road, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

MAY 17

Bell Buckle history

Bell Buckle Historical Commission will meet 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, in Town Hall.

MAY 19

BB beautification

Bell Buckle Beautification Committee will meet 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 19, in Town Hall.

MAY 21

Run/walk

The Spring Colors Run will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 21, on a path around Shelbyville. Register at http://shelbyvilletn.chambermaster.com/details/spring-colors-run-6614. Following the run is a Community Day from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

MAY 27

Bell Buckle concert

Bell Buckle begins its first Concerts in the Park series with Lisa Law & The Suspects from 7-9 p.m. Friday, May 27, at Bell Buckle Park Amphitheater. Admission is free and food trucks will be there.

ONGOING

May Marathon Month

Join UT/TSU Extension in walking a marathon (26 miles) or a half marathon (13 miles) over the month of May, a few miles at a time. Simply go to bedford.tennessee.edu for more information and to register on-line for free. Receive weekly e-mail newsletters and a tracking form. Record your miles and report at the end of the month. Those who complete a marathon or half marathon and report will receive a medal. Call the Extension office at 931-684-5971 for questions.

Soup kitchen

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen serves meals from 4-6 p.m. Tuesdays at 336 S. Cannon Blvd. (corner of South Cannon and Pickle Street). Doors open at 3:45. Donations may be made to Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen, 122 Public Square N., Shelbyville, TN 37160 and are tax deductible under its 501c3 non-profit designation.

Boxed non-perishables are available. Takeouts are no longer distributed.

Head Start signups

All Head Start and Early Head Start Centers are taking applications for fall 2022 enrollment. For more information or to complete an application, contact any Head Start Center. Phone numbers are Wartrace 931-389-6406, Harris Head Start 931-773-0033, North Side Head Start Center 931-773-0141 and Bedford Early Head Start 931-685-0876.

For Head Start, the child must turn 3 before Aug. 15, 2022. For Early Head Start pregnant women make weekly educational visits and for the center children 6 weeks up to 3 years old are eligible.

Seniors meals

The Shelbyville/Bedford County Senior Citizens Center is serving breakfast on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. You must be 60 or over to participate. Contact Gary at 684-0019 to sign up (two-day notice required) and for menu details. There is no charge for the breakfast, but a donation to help the program continue and expand is greatly appreciated.

County meetings

Bedford County Courthouse is closed for government meetings until at least March due to remodeling. Meetings of the full County Commission are held at Shelbyville Central High School auditorium on Eagle Boulevard and committee meetings at Bedford County Office Complex on Dover Street.

Assistance

The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)/Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) is a statewide program that provides free and objective counseling and assistance to people with questions or problems regarding Medicare and other related health insurance. They do not sell insurance. New volunteers are needed in Bedford County. Training is provided both online and in person. Call 1-877-801-0044 or 931-379-2927, or email Mike David at mdavid@sctdd.org.

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CDC celebrates 50th anniversary

Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham signed a proclamation Thursday, honoring the Community Development Center (CDC) on its 50th anniversary.

CDC Founder Sarah Hunt and the agency's current executive director, Anita Teague, spoke. Shelbyville Mayor Wallace Cartwright delivered an invocation.

Sarah Hunt said during a presentation that she was working as a special education teacher in 1971 when she was approached by the mother of a 3-year-old, who wanted to make sure that her daughter received early intervention services that would enable her to have a chance at success once she was old enough to attend school.

There was no such program in Shelbyville at that time. Those who know Sarah Hunt's accomplishments to the present understand the rest is history.

In 1972, the Child Development Center, as it was known then, opened at Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Shelbyville, serving 25 children. Hunt was most praising on Thursday of the people instrumental in the early days who allow the CDC a place to begin its mission.

Over the years, CDC took on other programs, such as the Independent Support Coordination (ISC program) for mentally challenged and disabled adults. The program just kept expanding, eventually moving into other southern middle Tennessee counties.

The name was eventually changed to Community Development Center. Today, it serves over 500 children a year in the original CDC program, and a total of 1,500 a year in all its programs, including the Children's Center for Autism, Independent Support Coordination, Family Support, Employment Services, and loaning durable medical equipment to senior citizens.



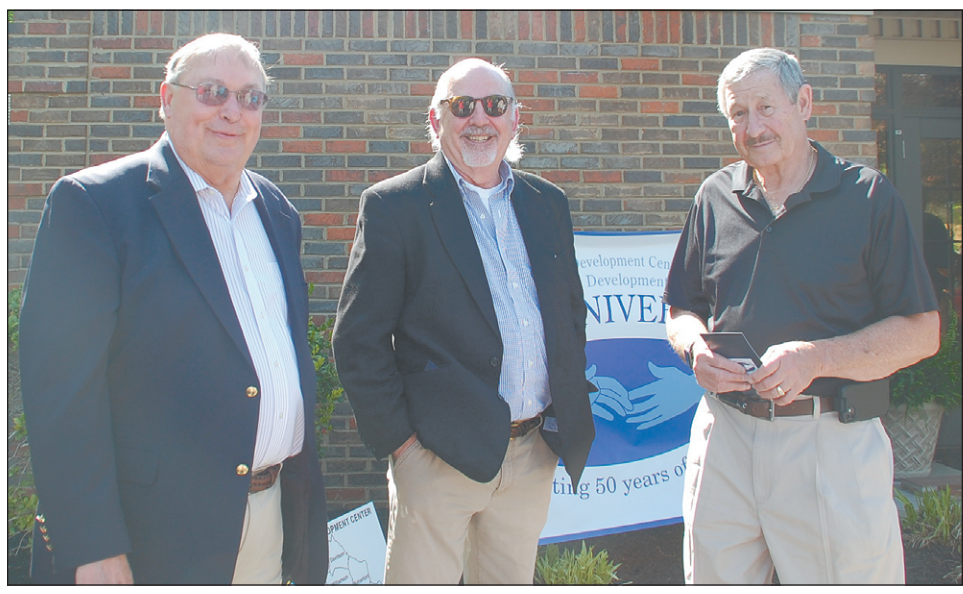
Bedford County Government photo

Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham signed a proclamation on Thursday, which honored Community Development Center's 50 years of success. CDC Executive Director Anita Teague, Shelbyville Mayor Wallace Cartwright, and CDC Founder Sarah Hunt observe during Thursday's ceremony at Eaglette Way.

Hunt said during Thursday's ceremony that such events would be the first of many in 2022.

The center's headquarters are on Eaglette Way, across from Shelbyville Central High School. Information about CDC, which often uses the motto, "Big hands, helping little hands" is available at https://cdctn.org/.

See more photos and story in next week's Life and Leisure section of the Times-Gazette.



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Attending the CDC's 50th birthday bash were, from left, Andy Womack, Bedford County Commissioner Greg Vick and Shelbyville City Councilman William Christie.



Shelbyville Mayor Wallace Cartwright enjoyed a moment on Thursday with Daryl Graham, son of the late Denise Graham, a long-time CDC volunteer who was memorialized with a tree-planting ceremony.





Many former clients and their families attending the CDC event Thursday, including Christy Jensen and daughter, Annie Grace.



Cookies by Ruth Lawson commemorated Thursday's 50th anniversary celebration at the Community Development Center. Several staff members and volunteers were on hand to greet guests.

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15. Mustangs 2005-2009
16. Mustangs 2010-2013
17. Mustangs 2014-2021
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33. All Other Modified's 1971-1988
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WARTRACE – Mr. Frank McGill sold his fast pacer last week to a Mr. Aldrich for $250 and Maj. Alley sold the same party a harness horse for $190.

NORMANDY – Our saw mill has changed hands again. The present owners are Messers Whipple and Morse.

FOR SALE – Tomato and Cabbage Plants. Leave orders with George N. Eakin & Co.

BELL BUCKLE – Mr. James Daniel has removed his family from Tullahoma to Bell Buckle.

REAL ESTATE – S. J. McGrew to Thomas and M. E. Washington, 100 acres in 3rd District.

SHELBYVILLE – If our butchers tell the truth and we do not doubt it, good beef cattle are exceedingly scarce in the vicinity of Shelbyville.

APRIL 1952

RAUS – Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Petticord and daughter, Mary Ann Brown, and Miss Margaret Sherrill all of Normandy, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Brinkley Friday evening.

SHELBYVILLE – City Council voted 4-2 that parking meters be installed in the center parking areas on the north and east sides of the square. The action followed a unanimous vote that the meters on the south curb of the Court House be removed.

ROVER – Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Carlton and daughter Jean, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carlton and son, Steve.

RICHMOND – R. C. Dysart spent last weekend with his nephew, Karl Kelly Dysart and family of Pulaski.

MT. HERMON – Dee Warren and sons Bud and Benny, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Warren Monday evening.

SHELBYVILLE – Mary Adamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Loyd Adamson, is one of the seven-member cheering squad elected at Vanderbilt University last week to serve throughout the 1952-53 academic session.

NOTICE – Complete Home Barber Set, $9.95 at Henning Jewelers, on the South Side of the Public Square.

APRIL 1977

SHELBYVILLE – A Federal grant review officer yesterday toured the century-old Bedford County Jail and later told that the facility "is undoubtedly second to none the worst jail I have ever seen." And, "I think this place definitely ought to be preserved. It is one of a kind."

GIRLS STATE – Bedford County delegates to Girls State: Clare Anible and Missy Eakin, delegates, and Michelle Peacock, Kelly Powell, Gwen Murphree and Sara Threet, alternates.

BOYS STATE – Delegates to Boys State: Whit Taylor, Timmy Frizzell, Leland Parks and James Randall White, delegates, and Eric Newell, Earl Brent Pewitt, David



Emanuel Suggs and James Randall Boyce, alternates.

BUTLER'S CREEK – Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rowland attended the National Walking Horse Trainers Show at Louisville, Ky. They had entries but didn't bring home any blue ribbons.

ROVER-UNIONVILLE – Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Freeman of Shelbyville and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Sorrells were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Holman Sorrells.

REAL ESTATE – Catherine Jackson to Town of Bell Buckle.

BUTLER'S CREEK – The Claude Youngs had three pieces of mail stolen from their box. Two were checks going out for utility and taxes.

LONGVIEW – Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Woodard and daughter of Ohio were recent house guests of Mrs. Ora Kincaid.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

04/19/2022—04/25/2022

Tracy M. Hill to Jackie T. Holland, Jeri Holland—$180,000, 3.02 acres, Liberty Pike

Gary Boyce Construction LLC to Makani F. Sarellano, Crystal N. Sarellano—$475,000, 1.15 acres, Knight Campground Rd.

Veronica Jones, Zach Harwell to MM REI Holdings LLC—$190,000, 0 acres, Quail Hollow Lane

Austyn Robert Graff to Phillip Abshire, Maria Abshire—$209,900, 0 acres, Autumn Lane

Katie Cobb, Katie L. Riddle to Katie Cobb, Benjamin Cobb—$10, 0 acres, Amanda Dr.

Volunteer Properties, Gerald Baker, Betty Baker, Jeffrey Howard, Mindee Howard, Jody Lambert, Joe M. Lambert Jr., Sara Jo Lambert to Charles Rodney Bowling, Chanel Donegan—$137,000, 0.46 acres, Henderson Rd.

Tina Lentz Watkins to Michael H. Owen—$150,000, 8.6 acres, Halls Mill Rd.

Jodi Phillips, Cline Properties to Duck Tribe Properties LLC—$803,500, 0 acres, Madison St.

Jacob Edmonson to FAT Investments LLC—$467,000, 0.527 acres, Madison St.

Radcliff Property Group LLC, James Radcliff to Bedford County Tennessee—0 money, 0.39 acres, Unionville Deason Rd.

Robert C. McBee, Rita K. McBee to Zach Archer—$70,000, 0 acres, Sulphur Springs Rd.

Amanda Clarice Bennett, Amanda Jones to Hank W. Bennett—0 money, 0 acres, Bethlehem Church Rd.

Michael Dempsey Meeks to Michael Dempsey Meeks, Karen Frances Meeks, Karen Frances Clifford Meeks—0 money, Hwy 41A North

John Aubrey Giles, Reita Lynn Vaughn, Mary Jo Lukas, Joseph C. Giles Estate to Andrew Douglas Carter, Caitline E. Carter—$288,600, 0 acres, no address

Wilson & Associates PLLC, Wayne Kinzer to JW Properties—$155,500, 0 acres, Fairway Green Dr.

Robert A. Boyce to Christopher Ballard, Leslie E. Ballard—$187,500, 17.12 acres, Hwy 41A

Chelsea Capley to Christopher C. Capley—0 money, 0 acres, no address

Ricardo Edgar Lira Soa to Celebonio Hernandez Tavera—$98,000, 0 acres, Cedar Grove St.

Noel R. Botsch, Lynda Botsch to Noel R. Botsch Revocable Inter Vivos Trust—0 money, 21.88 acres, Naron Rd.

Reggie Clinton Smith Jr., Judy Smith to Matthew Clinton Smith—0 money, 2.35 acres, Morris Lane

Kay P. Harrell to Robert Wayne Powell—$169,000, 0 acres, no address listed

Brenda Hester, Linda Williams, Linda Davis, Peggy Caudill, Elbert Cook, Juanita Cook to Sebasriano Filincieri, Monika Filincieri—$324,900, 0 acres, Drake Dr.

Byron Paschal, Stacie Paschal to Taylor Paschal—0 money, 1.75 acres, no address

Bennett Gleaves Troxler, Robert Ward Troxler Jr., Alice Joy Gleaves Troxler, William Lee Troxler, Bert Clark Troxler to Troxler Family Partnership—0 money, 0 acres, Hwy 64

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Leopoldo Angles Otero and Margarita Corona Lopez Corona Lopez

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BUSINESS LISTINGS—NEW BUSINESS 04/21/2022—04/28/2022

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Images—2681 Unionville Deason Rd., Bell Buckle, Donald H. Jackson

Surefire Trucking LLC—4950 Hwy 64 E., Wartrace, Jonathan Goolsby

Key Construction LLC—141 Silverstone Dr., Murfreesboro, Lowell Scott

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released on recognizance

•Domingo Lopez Coj, 34, Madison Street; no driver's license, financial responsibility, stop sign violation; released on recognizance

•Sandra Leann Cornelison, 40, Woodbury; bondsman surrender; held, $4,000 bond

•Troy Mitchell Currey, 56, Flintville; DUI (second offense), failure to appeare, violation of probation; held, $3,000 bond

•Bruce Dewayne Curry, 56, Shelbyville Mills Road; violation of probation; released on recognizance

•Charles Bruce Douglas, 52, Murfreesboro; failure to appear; held, $3,000 bond

•Devonta Tyron Edson, 18, Brooklyn CIrcle; disorderly conduct, assault; summons issued

•Madison Marie Epley, 19, Murfreesboro; light law, no driver's license/exhibited on demand; summons issued

•Raymond Harold Goad, 53, Jennings Lane; violation of probation, show cause;. released on recognizance

•Josue Rigoberto Gutierrez. 34, Barksdale Lane; DUI, altercation of firearm serial number, possession of firearm under influence, no driver's license, due care; held, $10,000 bond

•Edgar E. Guzman Moreno, 21, Hilltop Drive; speeding, financial responsibility, hands-free law, no driver's license; released, no bond

•Christopher Walter Harris, 48, Midland Road; domestic assault; held, $2,500 bond

•Valentino Pacheco Hernandez, 40, Rockwood Drive; financial responsibility, light law, no driver's license; released, no bond

•Alexandria Paige Humphrey, 27, Santa Fe; driving on suspended license, light law; released, no bond

•Juan Maria Jiminez, 72, West End Circle; due care, no driver's license; summons issued

•Jesse Ray Martin, 41, Midland Road; probation revocation, show cause; released, $2,500 bond

•Marysol Medrano, 23, Fayetteville; driving on suspended license, financial responsibility, speeding; summons issued

•Marvin Mejia, 20, Nashville; no driver's license, speeding; summons issued

•Juan Carlos Mondragon, 41, La Vergne; shoplifting (seven counts); released, no bond

•Ramon Pedro Munoz, 32, Antioch; violation of probation; held, $3,000 bond

•Sadie Fowler Parsons, 43, Nashville; domestic assault; released, $2,500 bond

•Vidaham J. Puac Bernardo, 34, Hoover Street; driving on suspended license, speeding; released, no bond

•Ricky Wayne Ramsey, 30, Tullahoma; failure to appear, bench warrant; held, $10,000 bond

•Trenton Carlos Ransom, 41, Scotland Heights; failure to appear, driving on revoked license (third offense); summons issued

•Denoltra Tashawn Ray, 41, Tollgate Road; failure to appear; summons issued

•Tad Joseph Reynolds, 30, Helton Road; DUI; released, $3,000 bond

•Cedar Osvaldo Rodriguez, 21, Warners Bridge Road; domestic assault; held, $3,000 bond

•Sydney Raven Smartt, 22, Warners Bridge Road; DUI, possession of schedule II drug, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving on revoked license; held, $9,000 bond

•Jennifer Lynn Smith, 45, Sharpie Way; failure to appear, bench warrant, bondsman surrender; held, $105,000 bond

•Jesse Ross Smith, 41, Tullahoma; failure to appear; held, $2,500 bond

•Julie Ann Smotherman, 41, Lewisburg; violation of order of protection; released, $1,500 bond

•Cynthia Ann Thompson, 51, Coop Road; driving on revoked license, due care; summons issued

•Carlos Vargas Moralez, 45, South Brittain Street; driving on expired license; released on recognizance

•Damion Walden, 18, Cottonwood Drive; disorderly conduct; released on recognizance

•Ashley Marie Waldron, 34, Knoxville; failure to appear, bench warrant; summons issued

•Kayle Camille West, 29, Stonefield Circle; possession of schedule VI drug with intent to sell; summons issued

•Danavian C'ontis White, 23, Columbia; assault; released, no bond

•Jordan Tyrese Woodard, 19, South Cannon Boulevard; no driver's license, due care, financial responsibility; released, $1,000 bond



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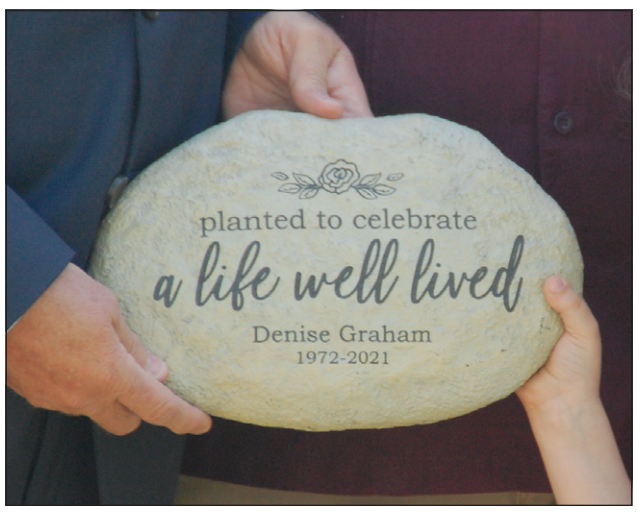
Denise Graham's family was in attendance for the tree-planting-ceremony held in her memory Thursday at the Child Development Center in Shelbyville.



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These hands have held those of Denise "Punkin" Graham, so they know how much she loved the CDC. The hands belong to Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham and granddaughter, Henslee.



It was a tough, but good day, for Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham as he participated in the memorial tree planting for his late wife, Denise, at the CDC. One of the greatest reminders, he advises, of the special life he shared with "Punkin' is their grandchildren.

Denise Graham: a "life well-lived" Memorialized at CDC ceremony

By DAWN HANKINS
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During the Child Development Center's 50th anniversary celebration on Thursday, Denise "Punkin" Graham was remembered for being a significant part of the center's success as a volunteer and CDC mom.

CDC founder, Sarah Hunt, was on hand to make remarks and participate in the tree-planting ceremony outside the CDC building on Eaglette Way. Shelbyville City Mayor Wallace Cartwright and Bedford County Mayor, and husband of Denise, Chad Graham, also participated.

A crowd of former and current staff members, government officials, friends, family and acquaintances joined to pay their respects to the Graham family and honor them with the special ceremony.

Emceeing the event was Anita M. Teague, CDC executive director.

"Punkin" as she was affectionately known, passed away suddenly on Dec. 29. In attendance Thursday were Denise's son, Daryl Graham; daughter, Nikita (Shawn) Hampton; grandchildren: Henslee Grey and Arlan Tucker Hampton.

Memorial donations for Denise were requested to be made to the Child Development Center, 111 Eaglette Way, Shelbyville, TN 37160.-



Participating in the tree planting ceremony were, from left, Shelbyville Mayor Wallace Cartwright, CDC Executive Director Anita Teague, Sarah Hunt, who founded the agency many years ago, Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham and granddaughter, Henslee.



CDC founder Sarah Hunt prepares the soil for the tree planted in memory of volunteer Denise Graham.

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Doug Dezotell
Musings and Memories

God will hear your prayers

Ever since I was a young child I learned the importance of prayer.

I heard my mother pray, my grandmother pray, and I heard numerous pastors pray from the pulpit at the church where I was raised.

Mom taught us Dezotell kids a simple prayer that we prayed every night when we crawled into bed. It went like this: "Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep. If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord my soul to take."

There were some nights in my young mind where I was afraid to doze off to sleep for fear that I would die in my sleep, and that God would take my soul.

That was a scary concept for me as a young one.

As I got older and learned more about the Christian life in Sunday school I began to understand that going to be with the Lord was not a bad thing.

I remember being told when Dad died that he had gone to be with the Lord. I tried to figure that out. How does that happen?

Learning to pray, learning about death, learning about Heaven, are weighty subjects for children, but necessary for Christian training.

We spend the rest of our lives learning about our Christian faith, about what prayer really is, about what the Bible says about all those things.

The older I get the more I realize I have a whole lot to learn. I know that I will be seeking knowledge and wisdom until the Lord calls me Home.

Solomon's introduction to the Book of Proverbs goes like this: Proverbs 1… *The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel: 2 To know wisdom and instruction, To perceive the words of understanding, 3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, Justice, judgment, and equity; 4 To give prudence to the simple, To the young man knowledge and discretion— 5 A wise man will hear and increase learning, And a man of understanding will attain wise counsel, 6 To understand a proverb and an enigma, The words of the wise and their riddles. 7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, But fools despise wisdom and instruction.*

I certainly don't want to be classified as a fool, so I have had a goal of learning and gaining wisdom throughout my life,

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Local spring beauty

HERE COME THE IRIS



T-G Photos by Dawn Hankins

These white irises stand at attention around this decorative mailbox on South Brittain Street.

FIELDS OF WILD FLOWERS



Three wild daises are always better than one.

PURPLE POWER



The purple iris of spring can't help but show off its brilliant beauty in the evening sun.

YELLOW FIELDS



Good or bad, with some sunshine and a little rain, out pops the yellow beauty of spring.

NATURAL DECOR



A wooden fence always makes a nice backdrop for spring flowers.



Mark McGee
My Take

Covid

I laughed last week when I read where Covid testing centers are shutting down because no one is using them. And it appears, despite conflicting reports from some areas, that the pandemic has slowed down to where it is almost a second thought news story.

I read all of this last week while I was in isolation at home recovering from Covid. If you follow my column, you know I was scheduled for colon cancer surgery April 19. On April 17 I was given a Covid pre-op test. For the eighth time since the pandemic began the results were negative.

Tuesday morning as they were prepping me for surgery my temperature spiked over 100. I was given another Covid test, and the ninth time wasn't the charm. I tested positive. At the time I had no symptoms. Three hours later I felt like I had a turbo charged version of the flu.

Tuesday and Wednesday were miserable. I started feeling better Thursday. My isolation ended Sunday and I ventured out wearing a mask. I avoided church because I didn't want to expose anyone if I was still contagious.

I am not sure which variant or sub-variant I had, but I was told it was an airborne infection. By the time you read this column I should be able to go out in public without a mask.

In the case of Covid I had prepared myself to not get sick. The vaccine and two boosters, however, did not protect me from being infected. And if you read the fine print on the vaccine it doesn't claim to protect you completely from infection, But the vaccine and the boosters are designed to keep symptoms at a minimum level.

Considering all the co-morbidity issues I have it appears the shots were effective in keeping me from being hospitalized.

I also was prescribed a drug package which also appeared to help.

Throughout it all I never lost my taste or smell. However, my mouth felt like an army had marched through it wearing muddy boots.

There is a third booster available. I know one person who has received it and the aftereffects were harsh. Still, I will take it sometime soon.

As I have written before in this column whether or not someone decides to be vaccinated for Covid is a personal choice. The decision is up to you.

One of my friends wondered out loud the other day if we would ever be rid of Covid. I told him I doubted it would ever completely go away. I know I can get it again, but I have met the enemy and I refuse to let it control my life any more than it already has.

• *Mark McGee is executive director of United Way of Bedford County and a former editor of the Times-Gazette.*



Mamas, don't let your babies grow up to be brainless



Danny Tyree
Tyrades

Millions of young women dream of being honored on Mother's Day.

Millions of others know in their hearts that they don't want to have children, or at least not on someone else's timetable.

Many in both groups run the risk of someday facing an unplanned, unwanted pregnancy.

Society assures us these women always had only three choices: get an abortion, endure 18 years of servitude or go through an emotionally wrenching adoption.

There is another option for these women (and their "lovers"): be proactive and consider displaying a little common sense upfront.

Rape, incest and those doggone substandard condoms are the usual scapegoats when an unintentional pregnancy develops; but those statistics are vastly overrated.

Let's be honest: we see hundreds of thousands of "surprise" pregnancies year after year after year because (a) people are "dating" under the influence of alcohol, drugs or intense peer pressure, (b) women shack up with lowlife bums who molest their daughters and (c) couples take stupid, stupid shortcuts.

There. I said it.

Singers, movies, television, Madison Avenue, social media, teen magazines, college "sex weeks" and politicians are constantly telling impressionable, procreation-capable individuals that impetuous choices have no real consequences. ("Hey, let's cross 'Boys will be boys' with 'Girls just wanna have fun.' What could possibly go wrong?")

We recognize "buzzed driving" as drunk driving; but bedhopping while bombed? "Go ahead, You Only Live Once. But be responsible. (Wink wink)"

Some feminist leaders treat self-control and delayed gratification like The Solution That Must Not Be Named. They want women to be empowered, but how much power do you wield when José Cuervo is calling the shots?

There is great power in providing the egg or sperm that could become a human being. But with great power comes great responsibility.

If Hollywood, hormones and fair-weather friends are all urging you to do the same thing, there's a 99 percent probability that it's a bad idea.

I can't think of a single civilization that wound up on "the right side of history" by promoting unbridled hedonism. Can you? The Sexual Revolution has produced immeasurably more bitter regrets, bad karma and carnage than the French Revolution.

No one has ever died of spontaneous combustion simply because they decided not to be alone with a member of the opposite sex while stoned, depressed or on the rebound.

This column is not an attempt to shame anyone for misjudgments they have already made. It is not a critique of the pros and cons of recent abortion laws. It is not a declaration that we can/should become a nation of celibate monks and teetotalers.

It IS a fervent prayer that at least one person will have the guts to block impaired judgment and sex from being allowed in the same ZIP Code.

Whether you are an influencer only under your own roof or your reach extends to the media, public office or service organizations, please think about what I've written.

Every child deserves to be loved and wanted, but we'll never achieve that if parents and civic leaders continue living vicariously through intoxicated daredevils in heat.

We can't keep treating the symptoms of risky behavior without addressing the causes.

We all want our children to grow up and get good jobs, but we need to put less emphasis on the vocation and more on the growing up part.

•Danny Tyree welcomes email responses at tyreetyrades@aol.com and visits to his Facebook fan page "Tyree's Tyrades."

That's Italian!

Italian zucchini recipe



If you've ever wondered what to do with zucchini, here's a way to have that veggie and enjoy it too! This savory dish puts zucchini to work by soaking up a smokey, rich sauce on every twisting forkful.

You'll find this Romesco sauce recipe brings the heat and the creamy flavor all in one tasty dish.

Watch for all the spring offerings coming at area farmers markets.

Zucchini Noodles With Yogurt Romesco Sauce

(U.S. Dairy Council)
4 Servings

1/2 C. jarred roasted red peppers, drained
1/4 C. toasted almonds
1 clove garlic
1 tsp. smoked paprika
2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, divided
1 cup plain Greek yogurt (fat level of choice)
8 medium zucchini, spiralized
4 ounces ricotta salata cheese, crumbled
1/4 cup fresh basil leaves, minced
Salt and pepper to taste

Combine roasted red peppers, toasted almonds, garlic, smoked paprika and 1 tablespoon of olive oil in a blender or food processor and pulse to form a thick paste. Add Greek yogurt and blend until the mixture has a smooth, saucy consistency.

Heat remaining tablespoon of oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add zucchini noodles and cook, stirring occasionally, until cooked through, about 5-7 minutes.

Lower heat to a simmer and add sauce, tossing until the sauce is evenly distributed and heated through. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Garnish with ricotta salata cheese crumbles and fresh basil before serving.



Bedford County Government photo

Rotary members accept a proclamation from Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham, honoring the club's 100th anniversary.

Rotary Club honored on centennial

Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham has issued a proclamation honoring Rotary Club of Shelbyville on its centennial.

The club, founded May 1, 1922, is a part of Rotary International, a world-wide service organization founded in Chicago in 1905. The motto of Rotary is "Service Above Self." In 1939, Shelbyville Rotary Club co-founded the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration along with the Shelbyville Lions Club, at the suggestion of Henry Davis, who was inspired by a festival he'd attended in a nearby community.

Shelbyville Rotary Club was the home club of the late James L. Bomar Jr., a former Tennessee lieutenant governor who served as president of Rotary International for the 1979/80 club year. As Rotary International president, Bomar played a key role in launching Rotary's worldwide anti-polio initiative, which continues to this day. Rotary is the largest private-sector contributor to the World Health Organization's campaign for global polio eradication.

Shelbyville Rotary Club supports local initiatives such as the Adult Education Center and the Dictionary Project, and holds an annual Career Day at Motlow State Community College at which Bedford County high school students can hear presentations from a variety of area professionals about career choices.

Graham presented the proclamation to Club President Dawn Hobbs and club members during their meeting on April 27.

THEATRICAL EXERCISE



Photos by Sherri Frame

Brenden Taylor leads kids in an exercise meant to help them work closer with the other actors on stage. Two kids stood back to back with eyes closed, trying to envision how the person behind them moved their arms.

KIDS' DRAMA CAMP



Brenden Taylor, standing, presented a mini, one day, drama camp for the cast and crew of the upcoming children's play, "Jungle Book" at the Fly Cultural Arts Center. The play will be held June 16-18 at the Fly. Tickets will be available 2 weeks prior to opening night at www.flyartscenter.com.

Our Wedding Policy ...

The Times-Gazette now runs all wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements on Saturday.

Pictures and announcements must be received 10 days prior to the issue in which you'd like your announcement to appear.

Wedding announcements must be received no later than six weeks after the date of the wedding.

Forms can be picked up at our offices, at 323 E. Depot St. in Shelbyville, or may be filled out and submitted from our web site at www.t-g.com.

Wedding and engagement announcements may also be submitted to our office in person, or by e-mailing tgnews@t-g.com.

Forms must be neatly printed or typed, and the spelling of all names should be double checked before submitting them to us. A phone number must be included.

GO OUTDOORS Tennessee



Many in the area enjoy their weekends over at the Elk River—a little known tailwater below Tims Ford Dam and about 195 miles long. Avid trout fishermen find it relatively small and easy to wade.

A day of fly fishing on the Elk

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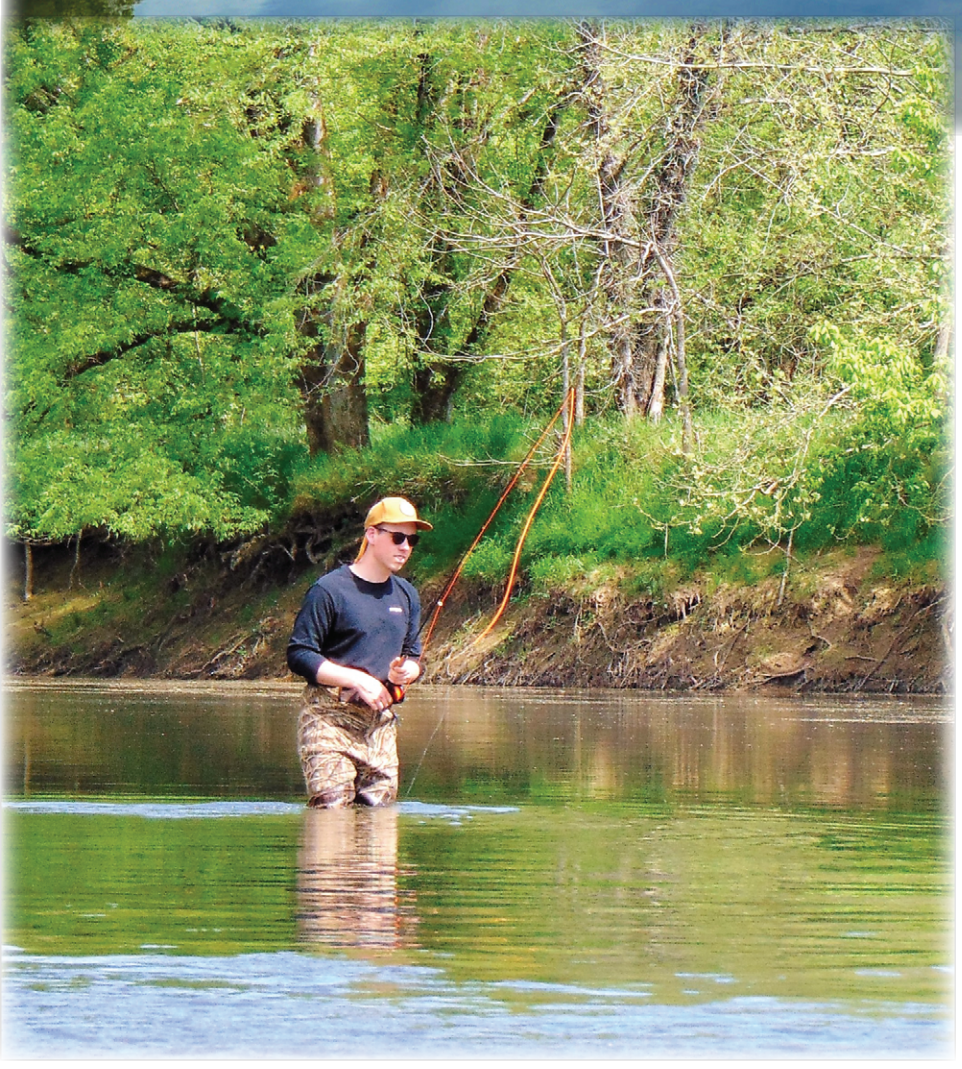


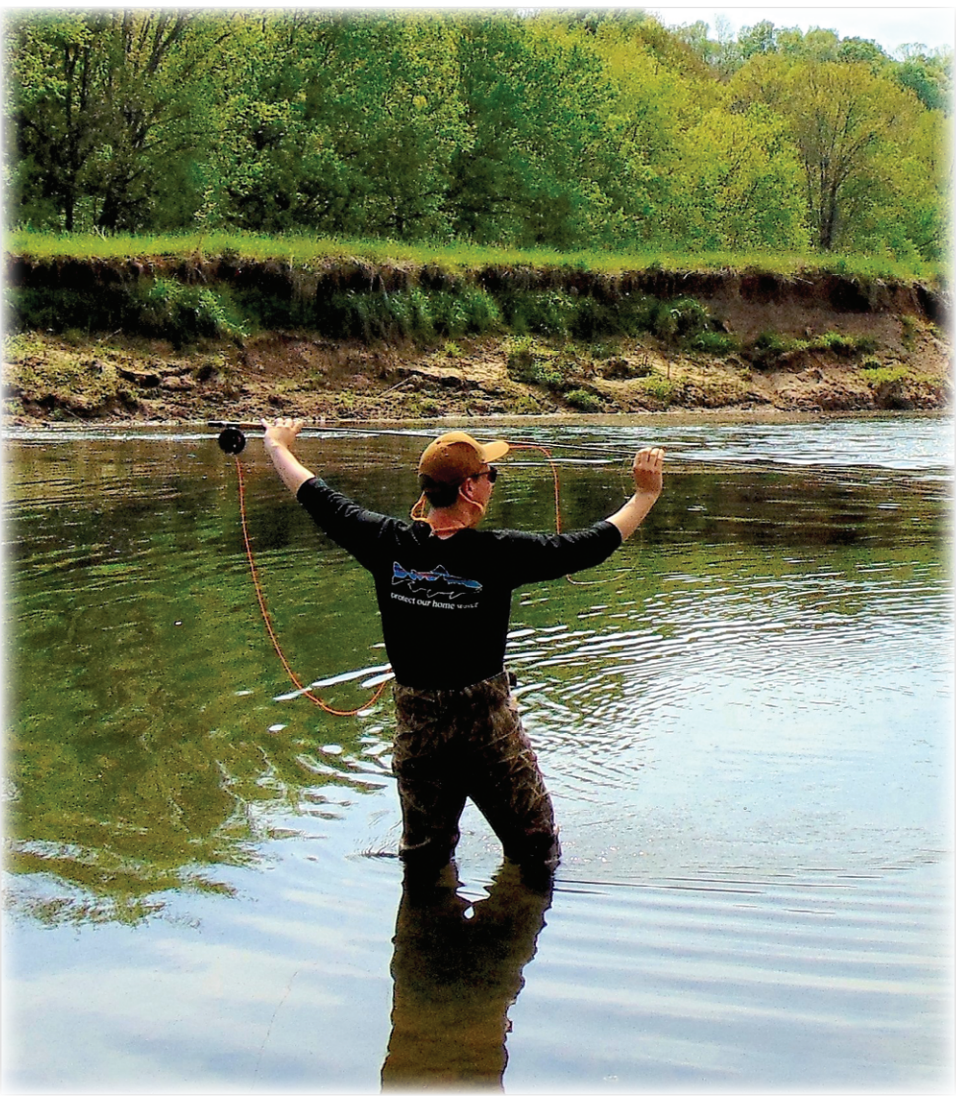
Fly fishing poles are elongated to around 9 feet in length so fishermen can have a longer reach while standing in a river's current.

TRAVELING IN STYLE



With the weather getting hotter and the days getting longer, last Saturday was a great day to get out on the Elk River for a little fly fishing and kayaking.

ALL IN THE WRIST



They say the key to fly fishing is it's all in the wrist. But mostly it's luck and timing, avid fishermen advise.

SWEET CATCH



The water ways in southern middle Tennessee are some of the most diverse. Many a fishermen hopes to be able to boast about their catch.

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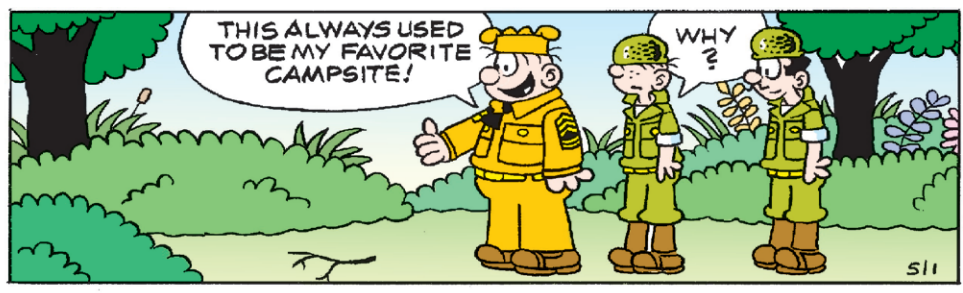
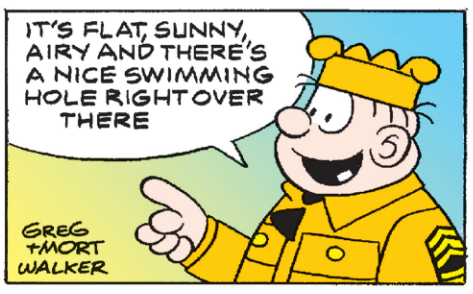
Mort Walker's beetle bailey



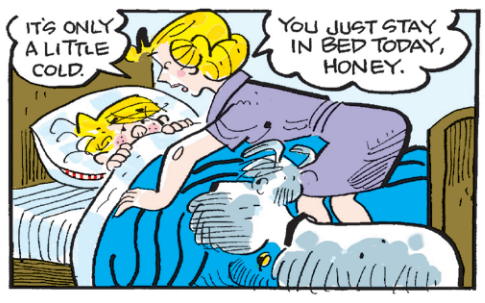


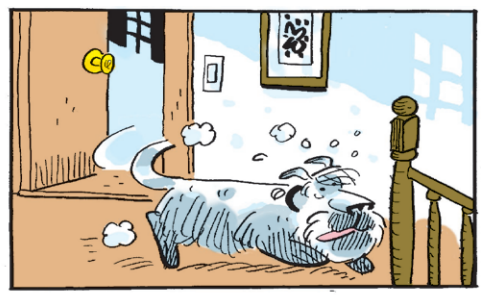


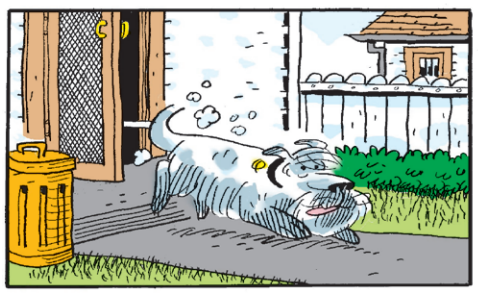


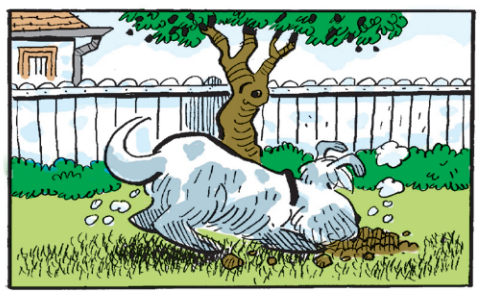


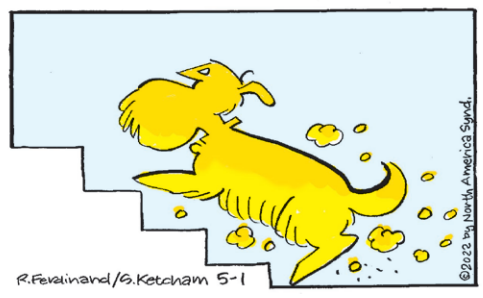
Hank Ketcham's Dennis the Menace — Buried Treasure

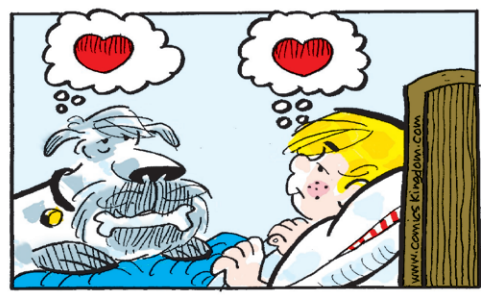












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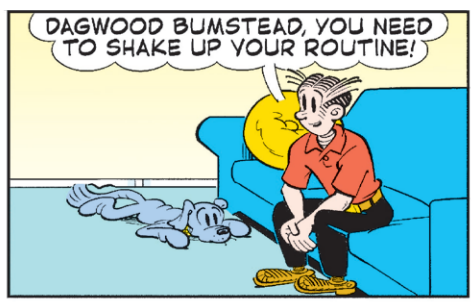

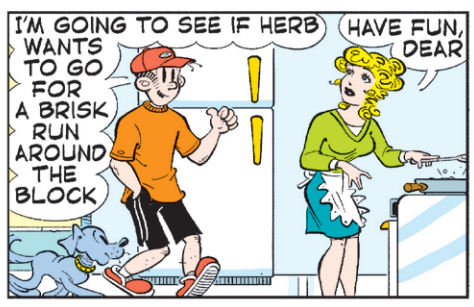

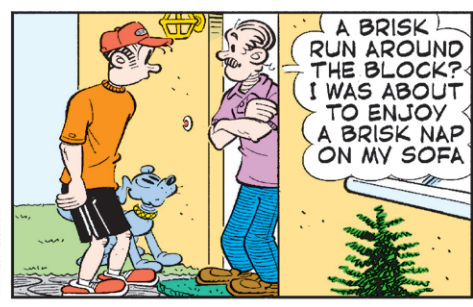

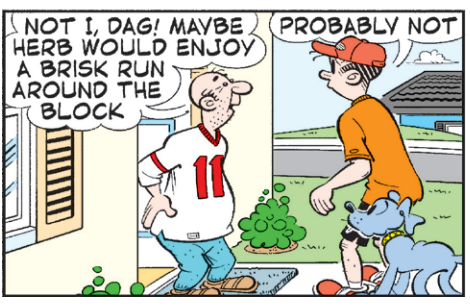

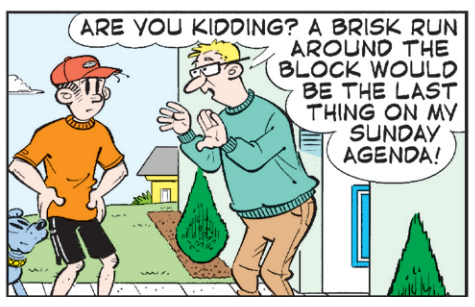

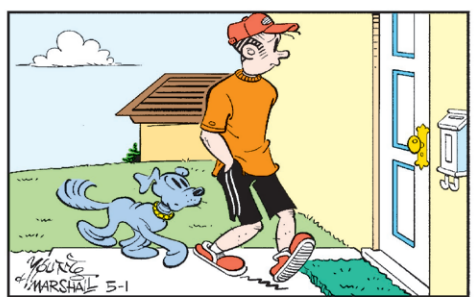

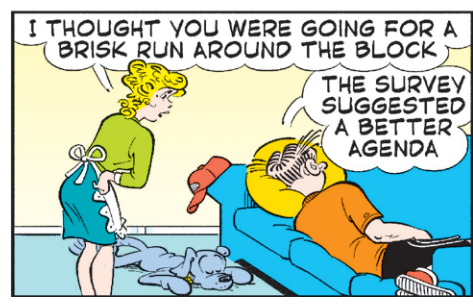

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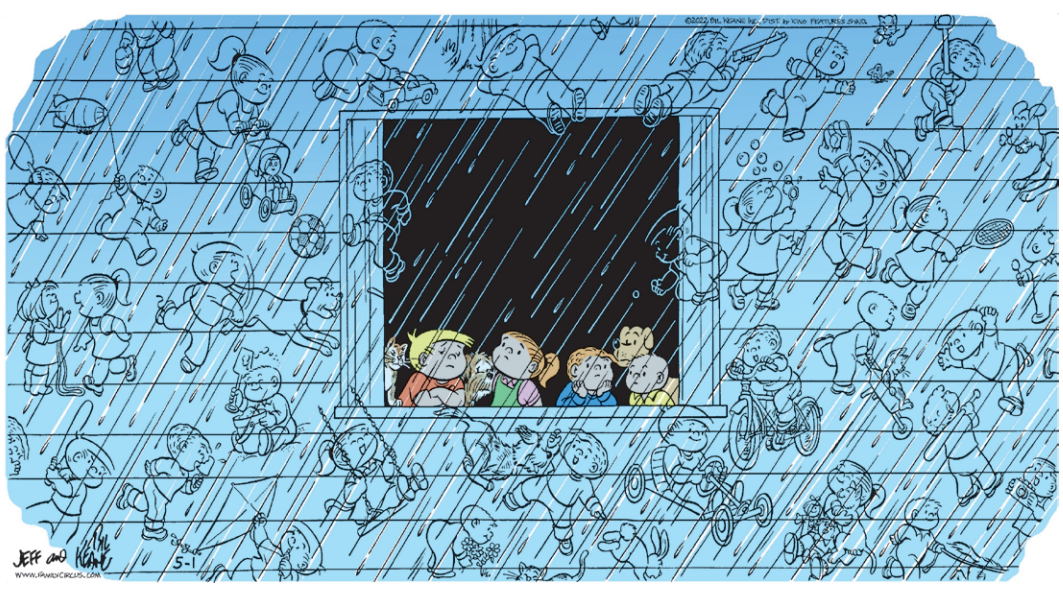

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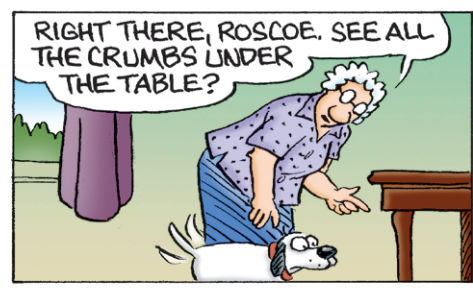

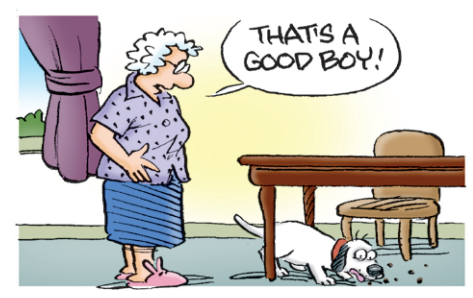

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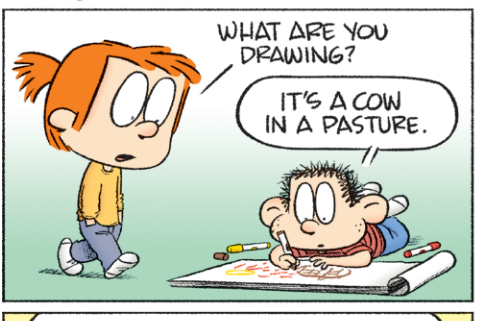

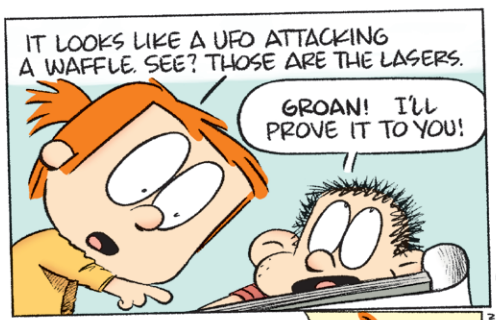

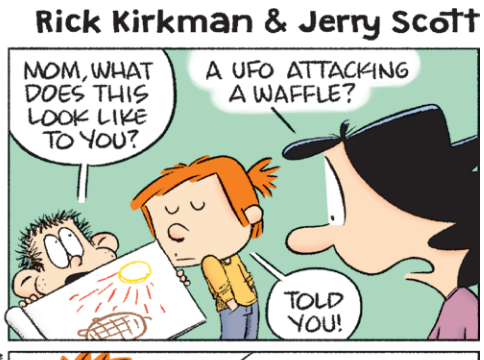



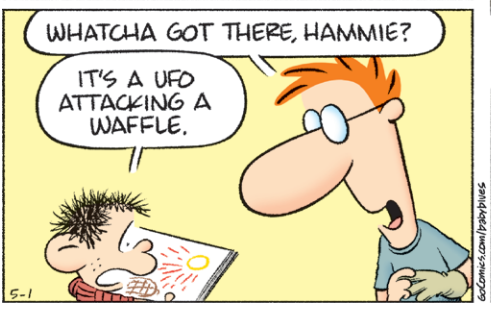



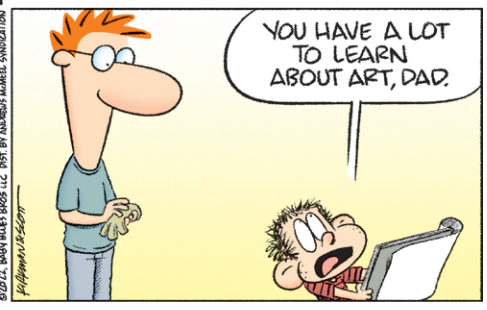

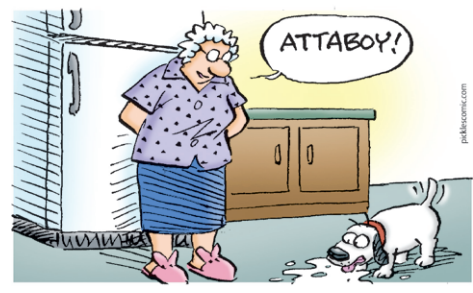

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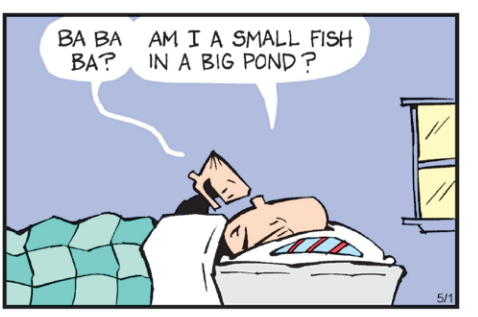

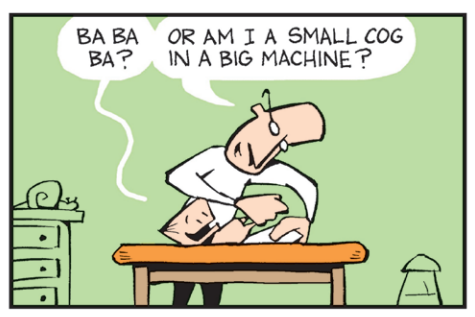





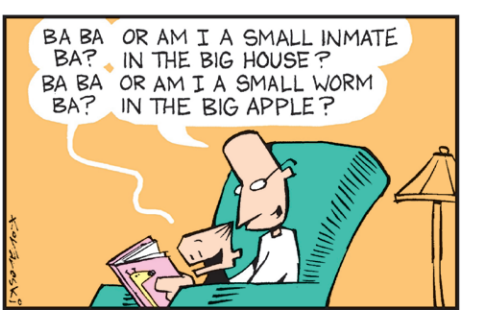

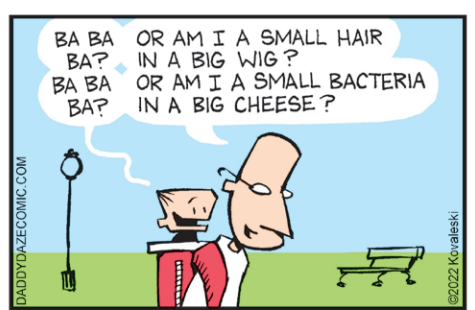





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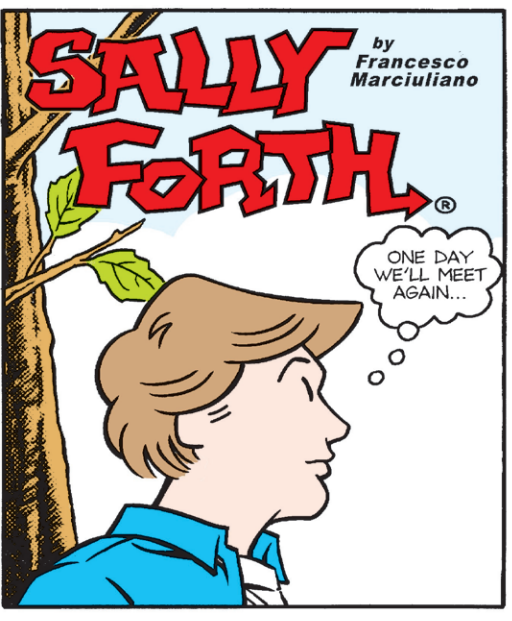

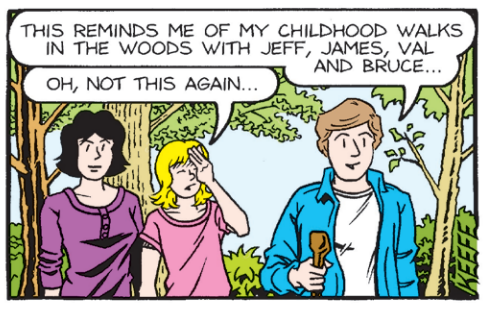



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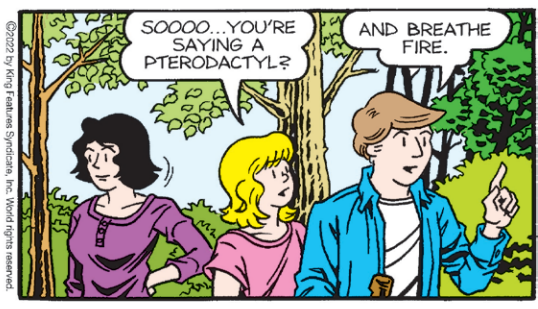

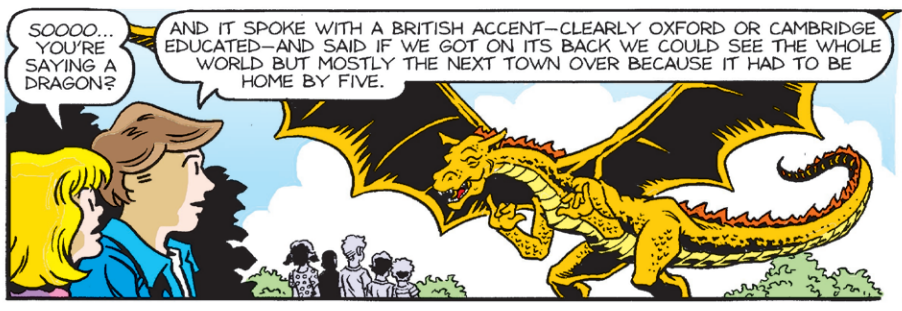

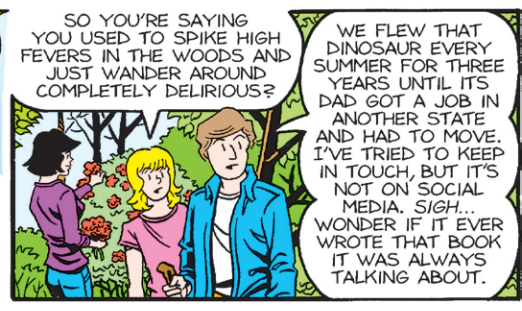

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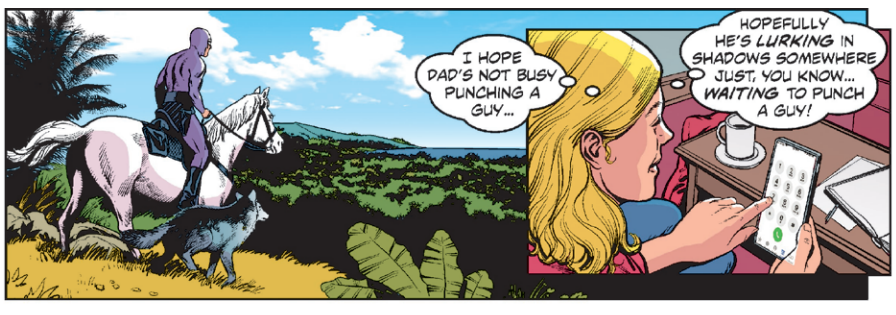

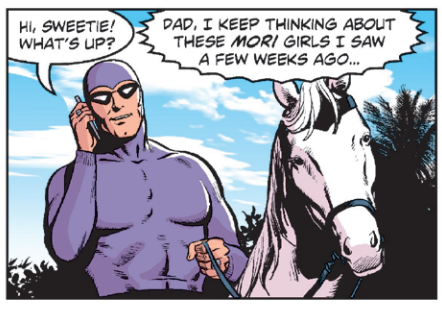

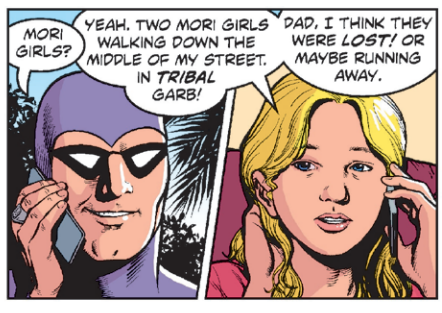

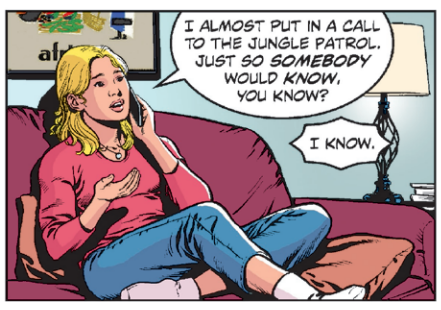

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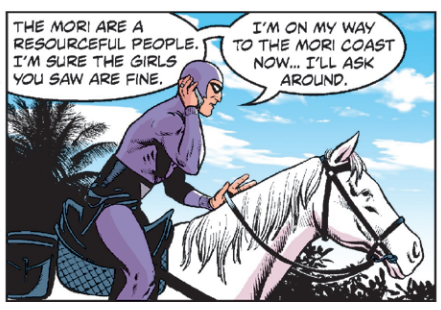

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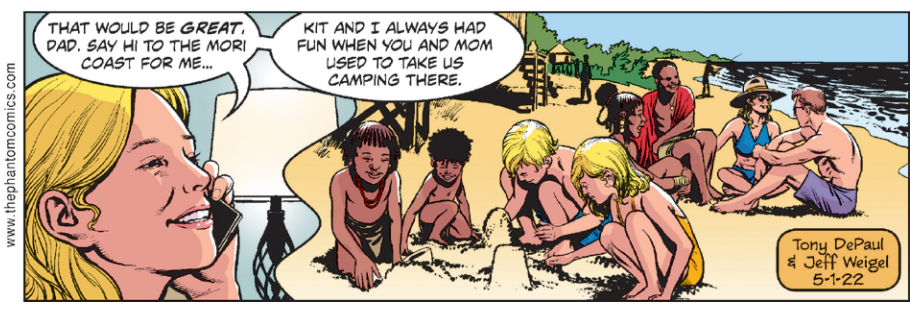

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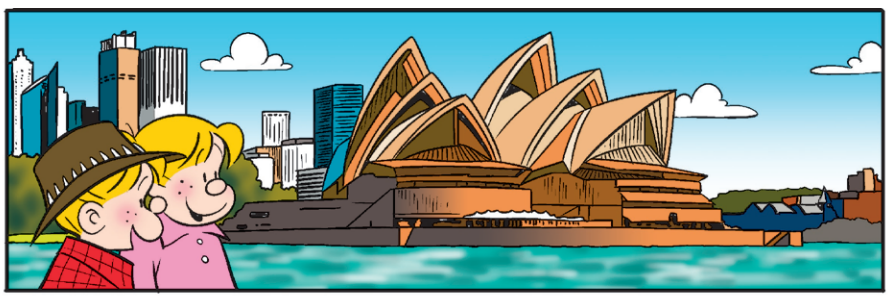



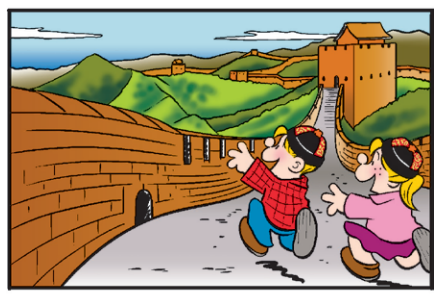



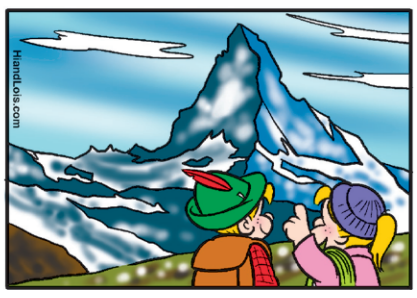

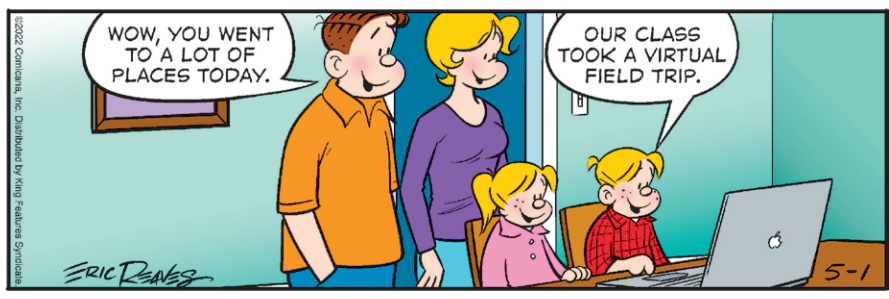

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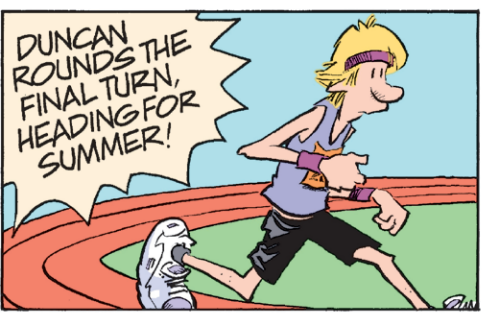



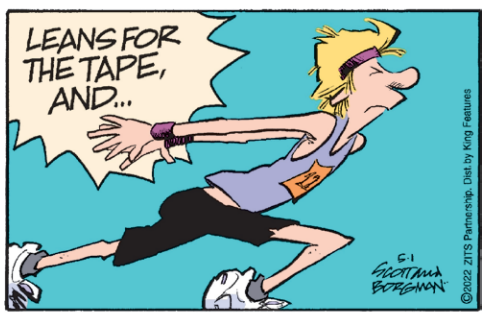

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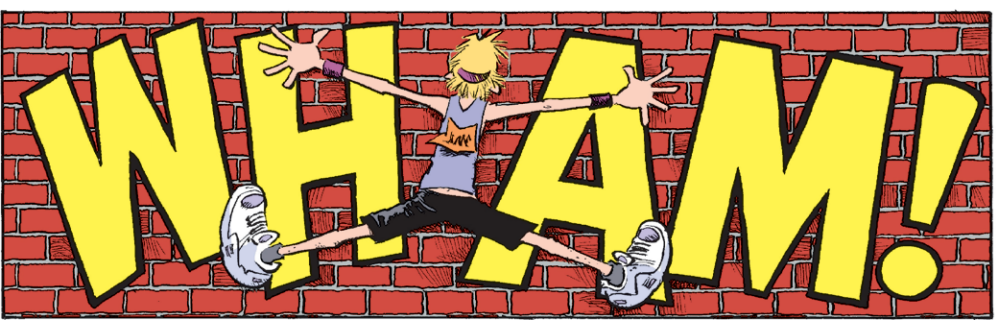

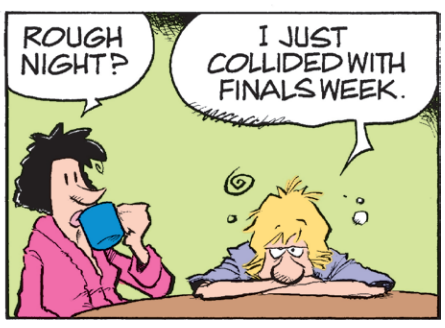

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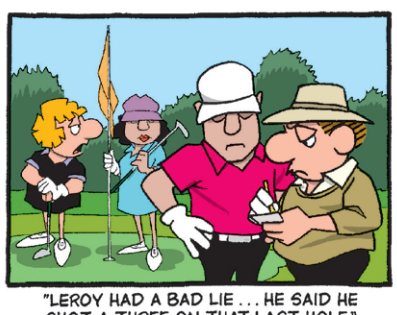
"REMEMBER WHEN YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO EXPLORE YOUR ARTISTIC SIDE?"



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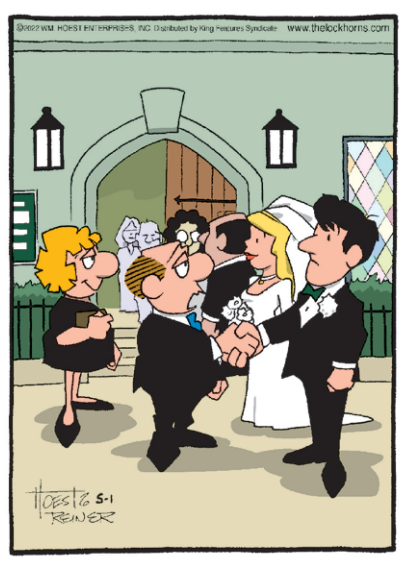

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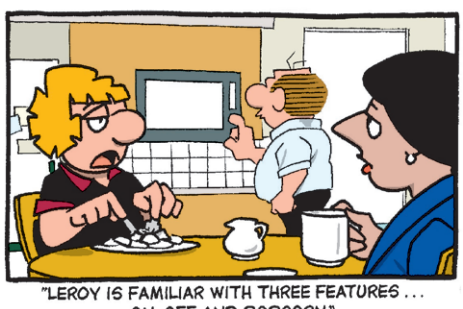

"LEROY IS FAMILIAR WITH THREE FEATURES . . . ON, OFF AND POPCORN."



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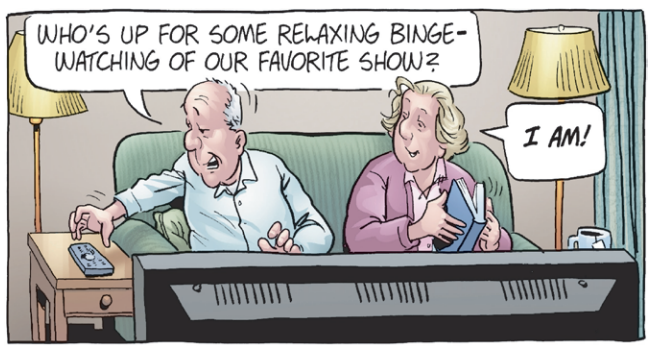

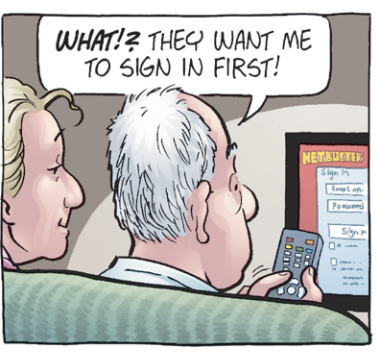



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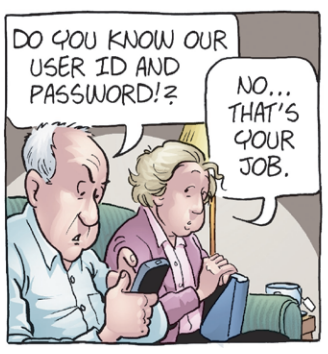
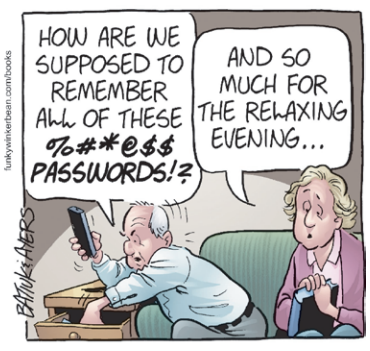


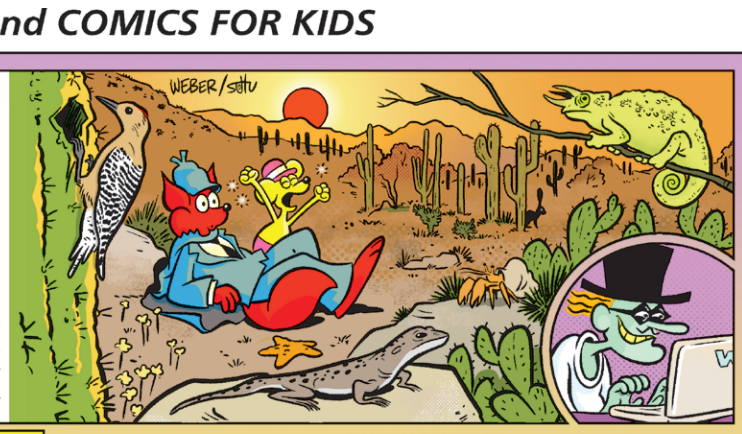


SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

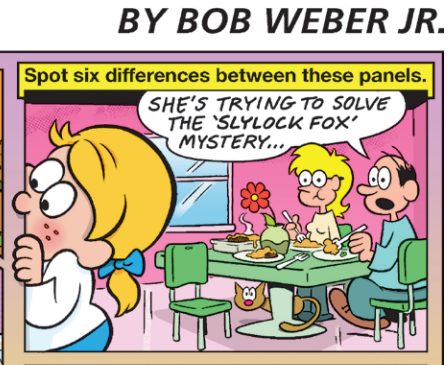
BY BOB WEBER JR.

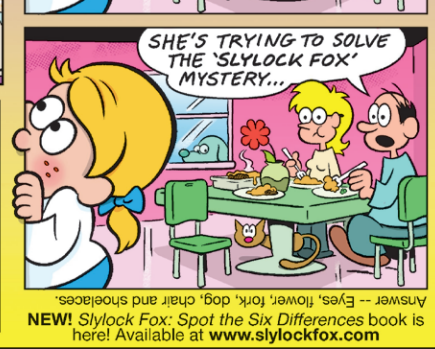
Count Weirdly exposed Slylock Fox and Max Mouse to a snoozing formula. While the duo slept, he placed VR contact lenses on their eyes. They awoke in a Sonoran Desert environment. Which three visual clues immediately convinced Slylock they may not be in the desert, but are experiencing a Weirdly-made computer simulation?

Solution -- Hermit crabs require frequent access to water. Starfish inhabit the world's oceans, and the three-horned Jackson's chameleon lives in African forests. None of these creatures live in the desert.



Spot six differences between these panels.





Answer -- Eyes, flower, fork, dog, chair and shoelaces.

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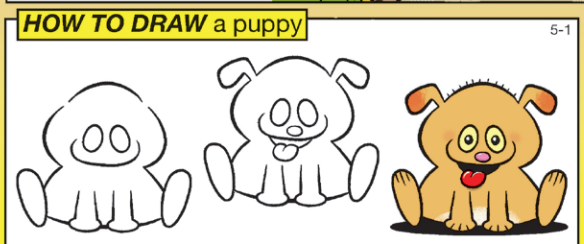

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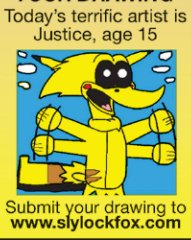

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Lemons float. Which of these fruits sink?

a) Peach
b) Lime
c) Banana
d) Pineapple
e) Avocado
f) Kiwi

Answer -- b) e) f)

NEW! *Slylock Fox: Spot the Six Differences* book is here! Available at **www.slylockfox.com**

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When all else fails, or doesn't please your sense of minimalist style, outside entryways can be the focal color point of a house plan. Let the great outdoors be your color chart.



If color just doesn't appeal to your minimalist ideas, then provide large, open windows such as these to let in the colors of natural elements.



ABOVE: Yellow is a pretty popular color this year and there are so many paint shades from which to choose.
BELOW: It's amazing what a pop of color in an area rug can do for a living space.



Minimalist designs benefit from color

BY DAWN HANKINS
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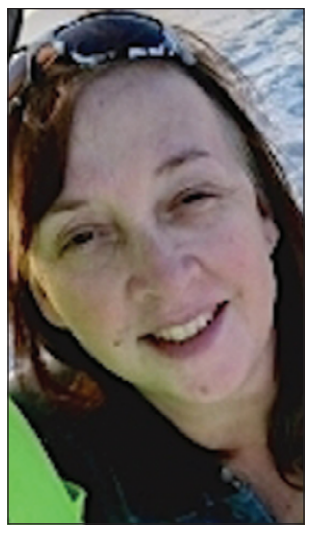

DAWN HANKINS

Even the most extreme minimalist needs a little pop of color in the home, from time to time. Otherwise, you feel like you've stepped onto another galaxy when entering someone's living room.

What is an extreme minimalism? Extreme minimalism is about choosing to live with the absolute essentials and nothing more.

OK, I can go for that—less stuff. We use to call it "all we can afford."

Then there are the examples of extreme minimalism which include willingly living without furniture and owning less than 15 items. Who does that?

Hmm. But whose stuff goes?

But seriously, if the last couple of years at home have taught us anything, it's that life is easier with a pop of color. Throw in a colorful pillow. Set out a vase of fresh flowers!

Here's what designers note. When we can "make sense" of someone's home, then we're more apt to enjoy any time spent there. That is, we feel more "at home."

I've always loved studying art and design. There's got to be some kind of color theme at my hacienda. Yes, I've gotten a bit clashy over the years. But all schemes are easily repaired. Gray paint over white, etc.

Shop local when making those spring home changes. Our paper is full of inserts with ideas and sales for making your home special. Just want to toss that in today.

Paving on the square is full speed ahead. Parking is located behind most merchant buildings. So no excuses!

Below are a few suggestions for adding just the slightest hint of color to those gracious southern homes—even the ones featuring the edgiest of 2022 minimalist expression.



Two pillows and a monochromatic scheme keep in design schemes a little "happy."



There's no better pillow design than one that expresses the love shown within your home.

Popular paint colors for 2022

Home design trends come and go. The fleeting nature of such trends can make it hard for homeowners to commit to a particular style, especially if they want their home decor to stay as current as possible. Paint provides one way to stay current and refresh a home's interior without investing in new furniture and home accessories. Paint trends change, but these colors are already making the rounds in 2022.

• Very Peri: Very Peri is the Pantone® 2022 Color of the Year. A brand new shade of blue, Very Peri was designed to rekindle some of the qualities that the color blue represents while simultaneously complementing a modern perspective. The home design pros at HGTV recommend pairing Very Peri with neutrals like taupes and creams or deeper shades like navy or brown.

• Evergreen Fog: The paint experts at Sherwin-Williams note that this shade of green is symbolic of nature and a color associated with revitalization and growth. Those characteristics make it great for homeowners who are looking to create a new beginning with their home interiors, particularly in relaxing spaces like living rooms and bedrooms.

• Breezeway: Breezeway from Behr® is another popular color that provides a soft look. Breezeway is the Behr® Color of the Year for 2022 and is described as a



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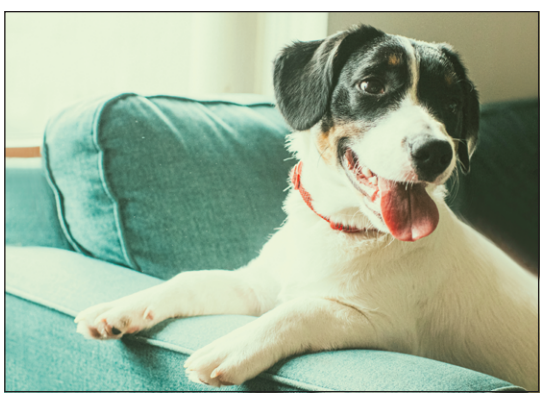

Man's best friend—set against a colorful sea foam green sofa and perhaps a contrasting black and white pillow—says so much about the comfort of one's home.



Minimalists may not want to add much to their home, but every living space necessitates a bouquet of fresh or artificial flowers.

Doug

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and the more I learn the more I realize I sure have a lot to learn.

Jesus' closest disciples wanted to learn and gain knowledge and wisdom and they asked Him plenty of questions. One of those questions was regarding prayer.

In the Gospel of Luke chapter 11 we read about that: One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, will you teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples?" 2 Jesus said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be Your Name, Your kingdom come. 3 Give us each day our daily bread. 4 Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.' 5 Then Jesus said to them, "Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; 6 a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.' 7 And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need. 9 So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

Ever since I was a young child I have had a desire to learn to pray, to develop a personal dialogue with God, to talk to Him and have Him talk back to me. The older I get the easier it gets, and yet I still have so much to learn.

Many times people talk about the proper posture to use when praying. Some people insist that you have to pray on your knees, and others have their personal prayer posture ideas.

Years ago, Sam Walter Foss wrote a poem expressing the unimportance of the posture of prayer. He called it, 'The Prayer of Cyrus Brown:'

"The proper way for a man to pray," Said Deacon Lemuel Keyes "And the only proper attitude Is down upon his knees."

"No, I should say the way to pray," Said Reverend Doctor Wise, "Is standing straight with outstretched arms And rapt and upturned eyes."

"Oh, no, no, no," said Elder Slow, "Such posture is too proud. A man should pray with eyes fast-closed And head contritely bowed."

"It seems to me his hands should be Austerely clasped in front With both thumbs pointing toward the ground." Said Reverend Doctor Blunt.

"Last year I fell in Hidgekin's well Headfirst," said Cyrus Brown, "With both my heels a-stickin' up And my head a-pointin' down. And I made a prayer right then and there, The best prayer I ever said,

The prayingest prayer I ever prayed, A-standin' on my head."

Cyrus Brown learned the true importance of prayer when he needed it most.

No matter where you are, no matter your situation, God is ready and willing to hear from you, and He is always willing to teach us how.

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Local seamstresses enjoy 'Sew Day'

By DAWN HANKINS
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The laughter of local seamstresses/good friends, intermingled with the sounds of buzzing sewing machines—all the elements of what turned out to be a fine "Sew Day" on Saturday at the Shelbyville home of Rhonda Styer.

Rhonda's spacious basement—filled with tons of fabric and novelties— was Sew Day central. "We had a great time," the longtime seamstress advised.

Each of those in attendance, which included one teen, made a quilted basket. Rhonda notes that the group also make Churn Dash blocks for a Quilt of Valor, which will be presented to a local veteran.

The basic Churn Dash quilt block can be divided into 9 equal square units, with the four corners as half square triangles (each unit in between split into contrast-colored rectangles.) The block in the center is a solid square. This pattern is seen most commonly with two contrasting fabrics.

Rhonda has been a Quilt of Valor representative for several years. She and husband, Tom, have invested in the proper sewing equipment necessary to make the quilts.

More projects and such good times with her seamstress friends are ahead, Rhonda advised.



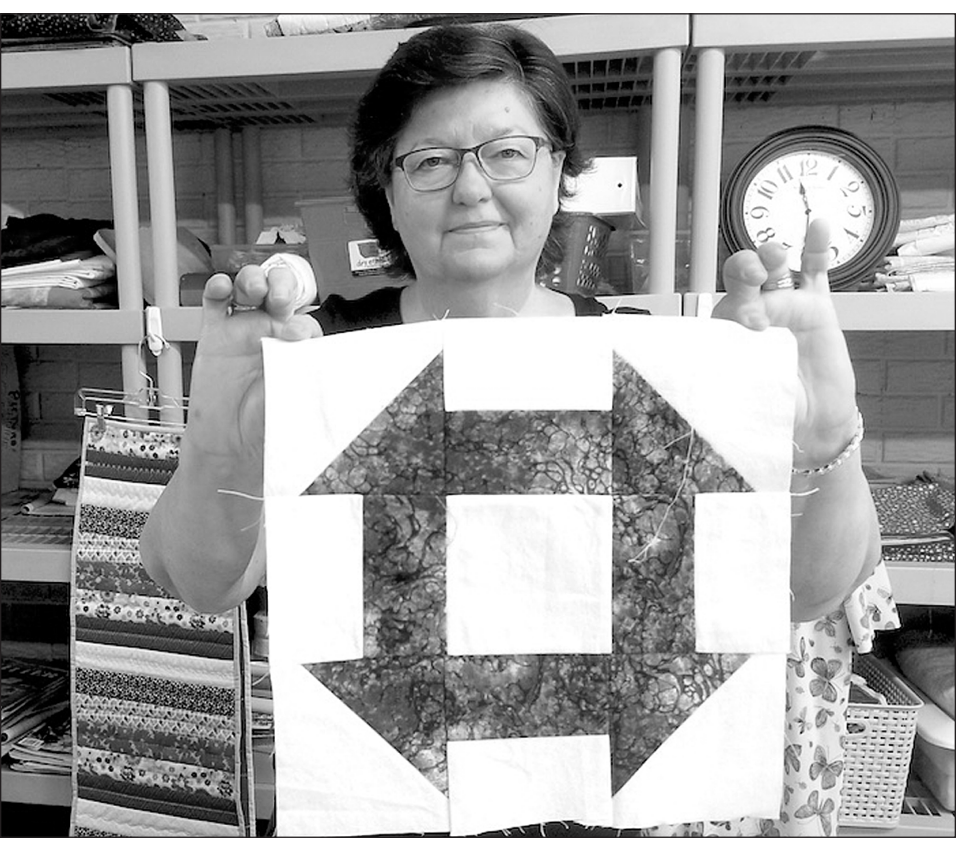
Getting together at the home of Rhonda Styer recently were sewing friends, from left, Judy Leverette, Lela Bowling, Sophie Smith, Rhonda, Marie Smith, Linda Vincent and Lori Vincent.



Marie Smith, Lori Vincent and Linda Vincent share a fun moment during a recent sewing day event in Shelbyville.



Marie Smith said she's proud that young people like Sophie Smith are involved in the quilting arts.



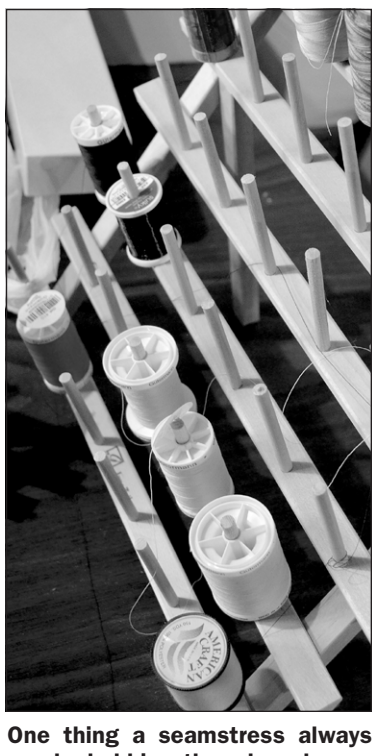
Rhonda Styer invests a lot of time into Quilts of Valor for local veterans. Churn Dash quilt blocks made unique quilts.



Marie Smith demonstrates a bash Churn Dash quilt block.



The Styer home on Narrows Road was designed to feature the scenic view of Shelbyville and the surrounding area.



One thing a seamstress always needs--bobbin, thread and needles. The old art of quilting continues to provide comfort and a pop of color into today's homes.

GARDEN GATE



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Spring is always brighter and lovelier, it seems, around a garden gate.

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Former Eaglette makes impact with Trevecca

By WILL CARTER
Sports Writer

Change can sometimes be a good thing, especially as a newcomer to a college softball team.

After having her senior season at Shelbyville Central High School cut short by the Covid-19 pandemic, Kaylee Adams set her sights on playing softball at the next level for the Trevecca Nazarene University Trojans.

The Trojans were a team filled with veterans on the diamond during Adams' freshman campaign, so she had to take a step back and battle for playing time.

She played in 16 games in the 2020-21 season and had 14 at-bats with two RBIs.

Unfortunately, due to having shoulder surgery on her torn labrum, Adams had to miss the fall season to rehabilitate from the operation.

"Last year there were seven seniors, so there weren't a lot of starting positions to fill," Adams said. "This fall I was still recovering from my labrum surgery, so I didn't get to play. I worked really hard this spring to get a spot on the field."

Adams played as an infielder most of her life other than a few times when she played in the outfield for her travel softball team.

This season for the Trojans she was moved to the outfield where she has helped her team tremendously, especially at the plate.

In 33 games, Adams has posted a perfect fielding percentage with 29 putouts and one assist.



This season, Adams has moved to the outfield and the adjustment has gone well.

Hitting wise she's posted a batting average of .305 with two home runs, nine RBIs, and eight stolen bases.

Her batting average is good enough for fourth best out of the 10 players that have played 30 or more games this season.

"I moved to the outfield this year, and I feel like I've done really well," Adams said. "The outfield is more laid back, but still very important. I feel like I've helped us in our wins so far this season."

The Trojans are 24-15 this season and 8-8 in the Great Midwest Athletic

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Shelbyville Central soccer seniors celebrated Senior Night with their families. From left, Jamie Groves (assistant) , Coach Chris Fritz, Oscar Ramirez, Edgar Solis, Daniel Juarez, Brian Contreras, Gami Vasquez and Gabriel Hernandez.

Stewarts Creek spoils Eagles' Senior Night

T-G STAFF REPORT

Shelbyville Central played hard but fell 2-0 to Stewarts Creek on Senior Night on Wednesday.

Stewarts Creek scored the only goals in the final few minutes.

The Eagles (8-6-0) had a few chances but could not find the back of the net.

"Both goals were the results of set pieces and quality shots from their players. This is a huge improvement from our play against this team last year, but we have a long way to go if are going to achieve more in the future," Shelbyville Central coach Chris Fritz said.

"This could potentially be a team that we see along the way in the playoffs. Nonetheless, We are happy to celebrate this great senior class, but they are obviously not happy with the result. These seniors have really driven our program forward this year. I know the hunger and character of these guys and I know that they will rebound from this setback."



Viqueens' Wessner throws back-to-back no-hitters

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COALMONT — A night after tossing a no-hitter against Hickman County in Community's 13-0 blowout victory, the Community Viqueens were back in action on Thursday night at Grundy County.

New opponent, same result.

Viqueen pitcher Taylar Wessner was in total control as she tossed a no-hitter as the Viqueens claimed their second-straight double-digit victory, with an 11-0 win over the Lady Yellow Jackets.

Wessner went the distance in the five-inning game before the 10-run mercy rule limit was reached.

Taylar Wessner (15) was in total control as she spun a pair of mid-week no hitters against Hickman County and Grundy County.

T-G Photo by Chris Siers

Community plated three runs in the top of the first, added a fourth in the second frame, the closed out Grundy County with two in the third, two in the fourth and three more in the fifth to reach the 10-run rule limit.

Six different Viqueens recorded multi-hit games and as a team, Community belted out five extra base hits.

Haley Mitchell was an RBI machine, knocking in five runs in a 2-for-3 night, which included a double.

Abbi Murrill, Abi Brown, Haley Farrar, Chloe West and Wessner also all recorded multi-hit nights.

Wessner helped her own cause with a 2-for-4 night, which included a triple.

She also knocked in a run and scored twice.

From the pitcher's circle, she struck out seven and didn't allow a walk.

Thursday's no-hitter comes on the heels of Wednesday's no-no which saw a similar stats line across the board for the Viqueens.

Wessner went the distance and struck out seven, while the Viqueens hammered Hickman County pitchers for 11 hits.

Murrill went 2-for-3, while Wessner went 3-for-4.

Community wrapped up a busy week of games on Friday at Culleoka, however results were unavailable at press time.

The Viqueens return to their home field on Monday for Senior Night against Fayetteville City before wrapping up the regular season on Tuesday at Columbia Central.

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2B: Mitchell, Farrar, Murrill, West
3B: Wessner
WP: Wessner
LP: Doss





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ABOVE: Conner Melson dives for the bag at third and avoids the tag by Marshall County.

LEFT: Hunter Lemmons rounds second and heads for third in the first inning.

Tigers rally past Champs with big 4th

By CHRIS SIERS
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An early 3-1 lead didn't hold for Cascade as Marshall County rallied with a big fourth inning to down the Champs, 8-5, on Thursday night.

Starting Cascade pitcher Walker Craig danced around a little trouble in the first inning.

Marshall County advanced a pair of runners in scoring position, but Craig was able to pitch his way out of the jam and strand the runners on base.

In turn, he helped his own cause in the bottom of the inning after Hunter Lemmons found his way on base and scampered around the bags to third.

Craig connected on the first base hit of the night for Cascade, giving the Champs the 1-0 lead by the end of the first.

The Tigers answered with a solo home run in the top of the second to even the score at one apiece.

The Champs responded with three runs in the bottom of the inning, which held until the fourth inning when Marshall County were able to plate five.

Cascade never was able to recover after the fourth.

Conner Melson led the Champs at the plate with a 3-for-4 night, while Craig went 2-for-3.

Craig went five innings and gave up eight runs on eight hits, while striking out six before Jake Bates took over and pitched the final two innings.

Bates allowed one hit and two walks, but kept the basepaths clear for the most part by striking out six.

Cascade closes the regular season on Monday, hosting Giles County at 6 p.m., before traveling to Huntland in the regular season finale on Tuesday.

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Cascade: Conner Melson 3-for-4, Walker Craig 2-for-3, Kobe Inmon 1-for-4, Chance Brown 1-for-3.
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LP: Craig



T-G Photo by Gary Johnson

Kyler Trice safely dives back to first base against Coffee County on Thursday night.

Coffee County pullls away, holds on vs. Eagles

T-G STAFF REPORT

MANCHESTER — It was a closely-fought game for three innings, but eventually Coffee County was able to plate a single run in the fourth and held on for a 4-1 win over Shelbyville Central on Thursday night.

After cracking the scoreboard in the fourth, Coffee County played add on with a pair of runs in the fifth inning before Shelbyville Central got on the board with a run in the bottom of the sixth.

Nick Johnson recorded the only RBI for the Eagles on Thursday night.

Carston Williams led the Eagles at the plate with a 2-for-3 night, while Caleb Molder and Kyler Trice each singled.

Marquis Wilson went 4 1/3 innings for Shelbyville and allowed two runs on two hits, neither of which were earned, while striking out a pair.

Arye Kavanaugh pitched 2 2/3 innings and allowed two runs on four hits, while also striking out two.

The Eagles hosted Central Magnet on Friday night, however results were unavailable at press time.

On Saturday, the Eagles wrap up their home slate with Senior Day against Tullahoma at 2 p.m.

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Shelbyville: Carston Williams 2-for-3, Caleb Molder 1-for-3, Kyler Trice 1-for-2.
WP: Robertson
LP: Wilson

Eagles trade for A.J. Brown after drafting Davis

By ROB MAADDI
AP Pro Football Writer

A.J. Brown got the new contract he wanted from a new team when the Philadelphia Eagles swooped in with another first-round trade.

The Eagles acquired Brown from Tennessee after swapping picks with Houston to move up and select Georgia defensive tackle Jordan Davis at No. 13 in the first round of the NFL draft Thursday night.

Philadelphia gave the Titans the 18th overall selection and a third-rounder (No. 101) for Brown, a 2020 Pro Bowl pick who has 185 receptions for 2,995 yards and 24 touchdowns in three seasons.

"A.J. was somebody we spent a lot of time on, had a lot of love for A.J. in that (2019) draft. Really excited to get him," Eagles general manager Howie Roseman said.

Brown gives quarterback Jalen Hurts another playmaker at receiver, joining 2021 first-round pick DeVonta Smith. The Eagles also have Quez Watkins and Jalen Reagor, a 2020 first-round pick who hasn't lived up to his potential. Brown and Hurts are close friends.

"We're really excited to have him on this team," Eagles coach Nick Sirianni said. "He's a strong man, he's quick for a big guy and he catches everything. There is no projection. You've seen him do it in the NFL for three years now."

NFL Network reported the Eagles immediately agreed to give Brown a $100 million, four-year contract with $57 million guaranteed. Brown had been very active on social media wanting a new contract, and he was recently caught on video talking with Deebo Samuel, making it clear the Titans weren't going above $20 million a year. Brown was the 51st pick overall out of Mississippi in 2019, and he had been the best receiver drafted by the franchise since moving to Tennessee in 1997. Brown played a full season only as a rookie.

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Pickett goes to Steelers

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Kenny Pickett stayed in school at Pittsburgh an extra year just so he could move next door.

Now all the Pittsburgh Steelers' newest quarterback has to do is replace a future Hall of Famer, beat out two veterans for the starting job and do it all while trying to maintain the perpetually high standard of a franchise that hasn't endured a losing season since he was in kindergarten.

"There's no panic in him," Pittsburgh general manager Kevin Colbert said after the Steelers grabbed Pickett with the 20th overall pick in the first round of the NFL draft on Thursday night.

Pickett will need to rely on that composure while he grapples with the enviable yet mammoth task of taking over for Ben Roethlisberger, who retired in January following 18 seasons that included two Super Bowl wins, an appearance in another and a reputation as one of the best clutch performers in league history.

Coach Mike Tomlin said Pickett will "certainly" be given the opportunity to start right away. Pickett joins a quarterback room that includes former No. 2 overall pick Mitch Trubisky — signed to a two-year deal in March — and Mason Rudolph.

"I'm pretty familiar with competing," Pickett said. "I've been doing it my whole life."

Pickett made a splash as a freshman at Pitt in 2017 when he engineered an upset against then-unbeaten and second-ranked Miami in the regular-season finale. The legend of "Kenny Perfect" was born, though his production was only so-so over 2018-20 while playing for middling Pitt teams that essentially spun their wheels in the ACC.

He entertained the idea of entering the 2021 draft before ultimately deciding to return to the Panthers for a fifth season. It's a decision that changed the arc of his life and — now potentially — the arc of the storied franchise that the Panthers share a training facility with.

SPORTS CALENDAR

Cascade basketball camp

Cascade High School will be hosting a youth basketball camp open for boys and girls currently in grades K-8. The camp will include games, instruction, drills and focus on fundamentals.

The camp will be held from May 23-26, with K-4 being held from 8:30-11:30 a.m., and grades 5-8 from 1-4 p.m. Cost is $100 per camper and $50 for any additional siblings.



SEASON CHAMPS

The Cascade Champions wrapped up the regular season District 6-A championship on Wednesday, beating Forrest 10-1. Cascade finishes the regular season with a 6-0-1 record.

Submitted photo

Adams

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of Division II softball, but it isn't where they thought they would find themselves at this point of the season.

Even with the bumps in the road, Adams is focused on helping her team make a run late in the season.

"We're not doing as well as we were predicted to do, so we're trying to win these last few conference games and make it to the conference tournament."

Looking ahead to the rest of her career at Trevecca, Adams wants to help the Trojans compete at a high level that's good enough for the NCAA Division II Softball Championship, a place the Trojans haven't been to since 2013.

"I want to get back to the region championships, even the world series," Adams said. "We have a young team with a lot of good recruits coming in. We have a lot of talent, so we have the potential."

With college and college athletics comes new experiences outside of what anyone is accustomed to.

For Adams, the travel and overall happenings of college in Nashville has been a good change of pace.

"Going to places I have never been has been great. A lot of our conference games are in states I had never been to, so It's been a lot of fun."

As this season enters its final moments and the Trojans battle in the postseason, Adams will be a key contributor now and in her next few years at Trevecca.

Patriots trade down, take Chattanooga's Strange in 1st round

By KYLE HIGHTOWER
AP Sports Writer

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — The Patriots made a move down the board, then another to replenish their offensive line, selecting guard Cole Strange with the 29th pick in the NFL draft on Thursday night.

New England entered the night with needs to fill at linebacker and in its secondary, but chose to first fortify the protection up front around second-year quarterback Mac Jones.

Patience paid off for New England last year when it opted not to trade up during a quarterback-rich draft and still ended up getting its top target in Jones.

This year the Patriots were part of a flurry of first-round trades, dealing the 21st overall pick to Kansas City in exchange for the 29th pick, a third-round pick (94th overall) and fourth-round pick (121st overall).

It marked the 18th straight draft that New England has made at least one draft-day trade.

"I'm glad Cole was there when we picked," coach Bill Belichick said. "He wouldn't have lasted much longer."

Strange said the Patriots were getting a player whose style is "aggressive and relentless."

"Aggressive and trying to play nasty," he said. "How the game of football is supposed to be played."

Belichick said they entertained various scenarios with their original No. 21 spot that included discussions with multiple teams.

The ultimate decision to make the deal with the Chiefs landed the Patriots the 6-foot-5, 307-pound Strange, a five-year starter at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga who was selected as a third-team FCS AP All-American for the Moccasins as a senior this season.

He met with the Patriots at both his Pro Day and at the Senior Bowl, where he reportedly stood out during the week of practice.

Strange believes that week was key in him proving he could play at the NFL level.

"I think the Senior Bowl helped me quite a bit," he said. "The week of exposure playing against guys from FCS schools, SEC schools, Big Ten schools showed scouts I was competitive enough."

He played guard and center in college and could be a candidate to fill some of New England's voids on the line after it traded right guard Shaq Mason and lost utility offensive lineman Ted Karras in free agency.

"He's long, he's athletic. He's physically tough. He's an aggressive player," Belichick said of the team's evaluation of Cole. "I think he has a good combination of skills, run and pass.. ... All of which will hopefully get better."

In addition to bolstering the O-line, injecting youth and speed into a defense that has been skewing older at linebacker will likely be a focus for New England in Days 2 and 3 of the draft. That became more evident following the decisions to release Kyle Van Noy and to not re-sign veterans Dont'a Hightower and Jamie Collins

The Patriots also are in need of depth in the secondary after letting cornerback J.C. Jackson leave during free agency.

New England has at least one pick in every round to help replenish its roster, including two picks each in the third and fourth rounds, and three picks in the sixth round. The Patriots begin Friday with one pick each in the second and third rounds.



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Titans trade Brown to Eagles, move up to 18, draft Burks

By TERESA M. WALKER
AP Pro Football Writer

NASHVILLE — The Tennessee Titans began the NFL draft trying to make the best of a tough situation.

The Titans wound up trading receiver A.J. Brown Thursday night, a move they insist they didn't want to make but when they felt his asking price for an extension was too high, they traded Brown away.

Even with a year remaining on Brown's rookie contract, the Titans sent him to the Philadelphia Eagles for the No. 18 pick overall Thursday night in the draft — which they used to select Arkansas' Treylon Burks as his replacement.

General manager Jon Robinson called it a tough decision. The Titans had been negotiating with Brown's agents over the past few weeks, but the average salary per year for wide receivers has skyrocketed this offseason.

"The bar had kind of been raised on on that position, and we were trying to work through that and find some some common ground," Robinson said. "But in the end, just felt like it was at a spot we weren't going to be able to get to."

The Titans made the move a week after Robinson said he wouldn't trade the three-year receiver prior to the draft. Robinson said the trade came together over the past 18 to 20 hours. The Titans also received a third-round selection, No. 101 overall.

Coach Mike Vrabel had said a couple times this offseason that Brown would be on the roster as long as he was the coach — but couldn't make that happen.

"Unfortunately, we understand that if we're going to be here awhile we're not going to be able to keep every single player that we draft and develop," Vrabel said.

With Brown under contract for the upcoming season, the Titans could have used a franchise tag to keep him around for 2023.

"All options were on the table," Robinson said. "In the end, when the scenario presented itself to get value pick-wise now, that was the decision that we felt was best."

Tennessee traded out of the first round, dealing the No. 26 selection and the 101st pick to the New York Jets. The Titans received Nos. 35, 69 and 163 getting them back into the second round after including their 2022 second-round pick in last June's trade for seven-time Pro Bowl wide receiver Julio Jones.

Jones was released in March.

Thursday night's moves gives the Titans a total of four selections in the first 90 picks of this draft. They came in with only two within the first 90. Tennessee now has 10 total draft selections, three more than it had coming into this draft.

Brown wrote on social media that he loved Tennessee and "THIS WAS NOT MY FAULT" in a tweet quickly deleted. He then simply wrote on Twitter, "I love y'all Tennessee."

The 51st pick overall out of Mississippi in 2019, Brown had been the best receiver drafted by the franchise since the organization moved to Tennessee in 1997. He was named to the Pro Bowl in 2020 but has played a full 16-game season only as a rookie. He had 185 career catches for 2,995 yards and 24 touchdowns.

Injuries limited Brown to 13 games last season when he led the Titans with 63 catches for 869 yards and five touchdowns. He also ranked 10th in the NFL with eight dropped passes, according to Pro Football Focus.

Brown had been very active on social media about wanting a new deal from the Titans. He was caught on video talking with 49ers wide receiver Deebo Samuel recently making clear the Titans weren't going above $20 million a year.

Several Titans quickly reacted to the trade news. All Pro safety Kevin Byard tweeted out three angry face emojis, then wrote "Congrats my brotha! I'm still sick tho" with several emojis to Brown.

This move leaves the Titans without both of their top two receivers from last season. They traded for Robert Woods from the Rams, but he is recovering from a left ACL torn last November.

Burks patterned certain parts of his game after Brown and had hoped to play with him. Burks learned Brown had been traded when he glanced at Instagram after taking a call from the Titans telling him they had selected him.

Before learning of Brown's situation, Burks had pointed out, "I'm going to do what I do what I do best and just go out there and play football."

The 6-foot-2, 225-pound receiver caught 146 passes for 2,399 yards and 18 touchdowns at Arkansas. He had 66 receptions for 1,104 yards and 11 TDs as a junior in 2021 and was named All-Southeastern Conference as only the fourth Arkansas receiver with 1,000-yard season.

NFL draft class faced major challenges in COVID-19 battles

By MICHAEL MAROT
AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS — This year's NFL draft prospects reluctantly recall their personal COVID-19 experiences.

Some consider them inspirational reminders of obstacles already overcome. Others sound more reminiscent of old war stories. And while the stories change, each comes with unforgettably vivid detail and heartfelt emotion about a challenging two-year battle to pursue their dreams.

Pandemic protocols prevented Alabama receiver John Metchie III from seeing his Canadian family for two years. South Dakota State running back Pierre Strong played 24 games in 10 months. Minnesota tackle Daniel Faalele tipped the scales at 405 pounds after opting out of the 2020 season. Kentucky guard Darian Kinnard worked out by flipping logs while his mother tended to hospitalized patients and UConn defensive tackle Travis Jones dealt with the cancellation of an entire season.

None of it was easy.

"I'm glad my family was staying safe and all," Metchie said in March. "Not seeing my mom for two years was tough. I knew, eventually, I'd see her again. Of course, technology nowadays helps. It's not the same as seeing them in person or being around them in person, but it definitely helps."

This draft class arrived on campus with the exuberant expectation of a traditional college experience and instead wound up using video calls to socialize, isolation to continue playing and pure grit to cope with constantly evolving rules, regulations and restrictions.

These players lost the 2020 spring football schedule and planned individual workouts with whatever they could find nearby. Even when they did return to campus, uncertainty remained.

Some Big Ten Conference schools actually started practicing in pads before university presidents pulled everyone off the field and announced no games would be played. When the SEC and other leagues did not follow the Big Ten's lead, Ohio State quarterback Justin Fields and his Buckeyes teammates petitioned conference officials to reinstate the season.

The effort worked — sort of.

"It's crazy," Ohio State tackle Nick Petit-Frere said. "The season got canceled, came back, games got canceled. We played one of the most crazy seasons you could ever imagine in the history of college football and somehow, the Ohio State Buckeyes were in the (national) championship game. ... This has been a once-in-a-lifetime two or three years."

But in some cases, the physical and mental toll came with a cost.

Strong faced a monumental obstacle when the Football Championship Division decided to play a spring and fall season in 2021. He helped the Jackrabbits make playoff runs both times, logging 371 carries and 2,393 yards from mid-February to mid-December. Still, he ran a 4.37-second 40-yard dash, tying Isaih Pacheco of Rutgers for the best time among running backs at the NFL's annual scouting combine.

While Kinnard took the usual measures of extra hand washing and social distancing to help keep his mother healthy, the 6-foot-5, 322-pound offensive lineman like many people was unhappy being "cooped up" as he ran hills to stay in shape.

At Louisiana, it was worse for tackle Max Mitchell, who spent two weeks in isolation after a COVID-19 test showed he had antibodies. He returned in October and finished the season, but the impact lingers.

"It was frustrating to say the least," Mitchell said. "I never tested positive and they came and pulled me off the field in the middle of practice. If you've been sick, I understand you have to take care of yourself. But when you feel fine, there's a guilty feeling when you're not out there."

It's not just what happens on the field, either.

When NFL officials announced during the combine that all COVID-19 restrictions would be lifted this fall, the feeling from the overwhelming majority of the 300-plus invitees was gratitude.

"First, no one wants that stick up your nose," Auburn linebacker Zakoby McClain said. "I got my vaccine so I didn't have to go through it as much. It will be very stress-free because no one wants that stick up their nose."

For a player such as Metchie, who was born in his mother's native Taiwan, lived in Ghana until moving to Canada at age 6 and attended high schools in New Jersey and Maryland as the son of a Nigerian father before choosing Alabama, the easing of travel restrictions would be a welcome respite — especially as he works his way back from a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee.

But for everyone hoping to be drafted, the life-changing twists and turns they've faced on the path to this year's draft will help keep football in perspective.

"To think at the end of it all, I'm talking in front of you guys, with an NFL microphone, an NFL nameplate, at a combine with a chance to do what almost every little kid, or every athlete dreamed of, to go run a 40 at Indy," Petit-Frere said. "When I think about that and I think about where I am now, I can't really imagine how it happened."

Final budget is a plus for Tennessee



Pat Marsh
State Rep. 62nd district

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

— Colossians 3:17

We adjourned the 112th General Assembly sine die at 3:44 p.m. on Thursday. We had a long final calendar with a lot of debate, but we worked hard to get it all completed. One of the biggest bills we passed was the Governor's new school funding plan called TISA. This formula gives our rural schools more funding and the feedback I've been receiving is very positive.

All of the state representatives have to be re-elected every two years. Several are retiring and others will face tough primaries/general elections, so the 113th General Assembly will look a lot different when we come back in January. Any bills that didn't get passed before we adjourned will have to start completely from scratch next year. I am running for another two-year term and I am blessed not to have an opponent. I will be back in the 62nd district for most of the remainder of the year attending events and meetings to help move us forward.

Sen. Shane Reeves and I asked for and received two proclamations this week for two special events that are happening this year. One is for the 100th year anniversary for the Shelbyville Rotary Club and the second is for the 50th year anniversary of the Community Development Center (formerly the Child Development Center). Both of these organizations have done great work in Bedford County for a long time.

Last week, we fulfilled our constitutional duty with the passage of a $52.8 billion balanced budget for 2022-23 fiscal year. This structurally sound budget includes historic tax cuts totaling about $300 million. It includes an $80 million month-long sales tax holiday on food in August, as well as the traditional sales tax holiday on clothing and school supplies before the start of school. The budget removes the state's tax portion of license plate registration fees for one year, a $121 million tax break for every Tennessean who drives a passenger vehicle or motorcycle. Some other highlights include:

• $3 million recurring tax cut on machinery and equipment to support Tennessee farmers

• Extension of the sales tax exemption on gun safes through June 30, 2023 - $320K

• Exemption of sales tax of gold, silver, platinum and palladium coins/ bullion - $360K

• Professional Privilege Tax - eliminates taxes on doctors - $9.7 million

• Broadband Tax Credit: Provided for three years at $204 million in tax relief, $68 million each year for three years to bring as many Tennesseans online as quickly as possible

• Supports small business by reducing tax compliance/remittance costs

K-12/ HIGHER EDUCATION

• $500 million for Career and Technical Education grants to provide 281 high schools with $1 million and 408 middle schools with $500K to expand innovative programming. Several other schools received $200K grants

• HOPE Scholarship awards will increase to $2,200 per student, per semester through the student's sophomore year and to $2,850 per semester beginning their junior year

• Computer science and coding available to every Tennessee high school student

• Expands the TN Promise Scholarship to students who graduate early or obtain a GED

• $6 million to establish the Institute of American Civics at the University of Tennessee

SAFER COMMUNITIES

• Implements Truth in Sentencing ensuring violent offenders serve 100% of sentences

• $355.6 million for a multi-agency law enforcement training academy

• $28.4 million to fully fund the correctional officer salary changes

• $66 million for the TN Law Enforcement Hiring, Training, and Recruitment program

• $179 million to complete construction of Tennessee Advanced Communications Network coverage, ensuring full mobile connectivity across all Tennessee for emergency communications and law enforcement

• $100 million to create the Violent Crime Intervention Grant Fund

• Funding additional district attorneys to bring the total to 32

• 100 Tennessee State Troopers, 20 TBI agents, and 25 TBI forensic science personnel

• $5 million for volunteer fire department grants/ $2 million for rescue squads

• $1 million for senior centers

INFRASTRUCTURE

• $519 million in new road funding ($77 million for ECD projects included)

• $100 million to complete IMPROVE Act projects

HEALTH CARE

• $25.5 million in dental benefits for adult TennCare enrollees

• $9.7 million to support salary increases for DCS case managers

• $5 million for the health care safety net

• $5 million for the Children's Advocacy Centers of Tennessee

• $1 million for three years to fund the Col. Thomas G Bowden Act - a pilot program for Alzheimer's respite care

TOURISM & RECREATION:

• $1 million for county and regional fairs

• Making sure that gas taxes paid at marinas fund infrastructure at marinas

I am very proud of this budget and believe it will make positive investments in our state for many years to come. We also put about $250 million more in our rainy day fund. (Savings account)

I want to thank the Shelbyville Times-Gazette and the Elk Valley Times for allowing my weekly news letters to be published while we are in Legislative Session. It makes me pay closer attention to what we do up here and I hope it gives the readers a small glimpse of some of the things that happen while we are in Session.

Even though we are no longer in Session, my assistant, Laura Bond, and I are here to serve you year round. You can call the office at 615-741-6824 or email rep.pat.marsh@capitol.tn.gov. It's an honor to be your state representative and I truly want to thank you for trusting me to serve. I am excited to be coming back next year to represent Bedford, Lincoln, and now Moore Counties.

Ethics bill doesn't censor free speech



Randy McNally

There are many blatant untruths circulating regarding the ethics reform bill Speaker Sexton and I have introduced.

The bill in question does not censor or otherwise curtail conservative activism or free speech in any way. Anything conservative groups can do now, they can still do under this bill. The legislation does not restrict their activity at all. The only additional requirement is disclosure.

Openness and transparency in the political process are prerequisites for freedom. For too long liberals, big corporations and corrupt political actors have been allowed to exploit loopholes in our system and operate in darkness.

The original Senate version, as well as the current House version, does not affect donors at all, just expenditures. It is simply a lie to say otherwise.

This bill is aimed at bad actors like the fictitious Matthew Phoenix and the various shell companies and shadowy PACs used by certain legislators to line their own pockets.

It is amazing that various seemingly 'legitimate' groups are resorting to such disingenuous tactics to oppose it. Is it because they are spending so much that Tennesseans would be appalled if they knew? Or is it that they spend so little that they fear they would be exposed as political grifters working to enrich only themselves?

If you are working to influence the outcome of an election, the voters deserve to know who you are and what you are doing. What could possibly be wrong with that? The fact this is even in question demonstrates the need for the legislation.

•Randy McNally is Lieutenant Governor of Tennessee.

People can't drive, 35



Dawn Hankins
Pencil Shavings

I generally try to keep my yapper shut when it comes to speed limits and speeders. It's time to let 'er rip.

Let's say, lessons best learned about speed generally come with maturity. But don't get me wrong, it's not the teens who only speed. I even see people speeding through school zones (over 15 or 20 mph.)

The speed limit in many areas of town, like Depot Street, remain at 30 mph. It's posted, still, nobody cares.

Driving at slower speeds is apparently the bane of many motorists' existence. I've even seen people speed past an officer who has someone else pulled over. Really?

It's generally tolerated driving a mile or so over the posted speed limit. What's not acceptable is taking advantage of that and adding 10 to 20 mph—just because you took too long of a lunch hour or overslept.

Perhaps that's where we're going wrong; we don't think of others when we're driving at high rates of speed. We have become a self-serving country, so why wouldn't speed figure into this as well?

Upon writing this column, I just re-watched the old Sammy Hagar video on YouTube, "I Can't Drive 55." Yep, looks pretty familiar to driving around here, especially when Sammy begins weaving in and out of traffic.

Speaking of Hagar, he wrote the "55" song in response to receiving a speeding ticket in New York State, for driving 62 mph on a road with a 55 mph speed limit. At that time, this was the highest permissible speed limit in the United States under the National Maximum Speed Law enacted in 1974.

I had a lady once tell me, "It's very difficult to drive that 30 mph [on Depot Street.]" She giggled after saying that. OK. That may indicate she's been caught at it. Don't know.

Disobeying the speed limit is of course dangerous and against the law. But, as well, speeding makes for more hazardous driving situations when people are trying to enter or leave business areas like on Madison Street or Highway 231 North.

Let's just skip talks for now on 231 North. The driving chaos out there warrants enough conversation for another day. The trucks . . . observe.

We all make those throttling up mistakes from time to time. But with all the construction, paving, road repairs, it is seriously necessary for everyone to drive between 30 and 35 in those posted areas like Depot.

I will admit, we have a wide variation of speed limits around here, due to lights, intersections, what have you. Still, it's the law.

Our office is at the light/intersection of Deery and Depot. We hear and see a lot of traffic wrongs at our vantage point.

Drivers on Highway 41A are more than doubling their odds of being caught by state troopers. You'd think the fatalities we've had the last 2 weeks might make people think—nope. They're still out there everyday with thoughts like, "I can't drive 55, but 80 will do."

There must be some club I've missed when it comes to speeding I don't understand. One guy told me recently,"You have to drive like everyone else on North Main/231 North or get run over."

Really? My granny use to tell us too, "If someone jumps into a fire . . . .?"

Everyone seems to feel it's cool or their right to drive like the Earnhardts. It's sad that we have such a flagrant disobedience for the law, and others, these days.

Just remember what Sammy said, however, "One foot on the brake and one on the gas, hey. Well, there's too much traffic, I can't pass, no. So I tried my best illegal move. A big black and white come and crushed my groove again."

Best sage advice is not to lose your groove by burning up the pavement. I should have been a songwriter. Hmm.

Perhaps I can write a follow up song to Hagar's that says, "I'm too broke to drive way past 55." After the last couple years, I'd say that's kind of true for a lot of people.

Seen the amount of speeding tickets lately? That ought to be reason enough to slow it down, though thinking of others would be nice too.

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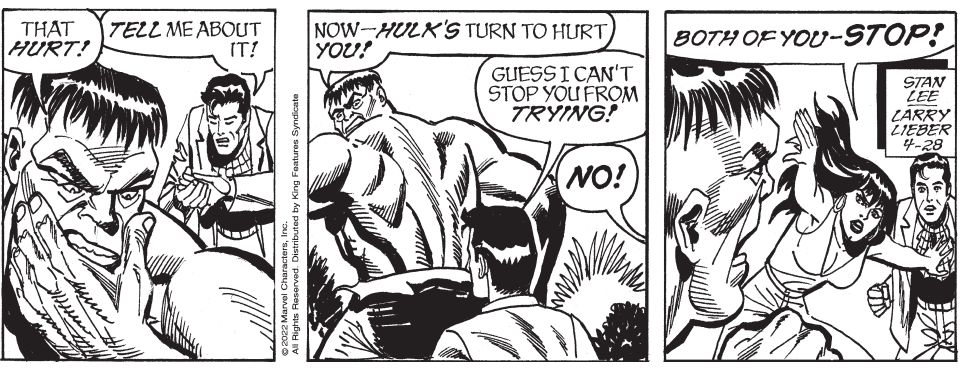

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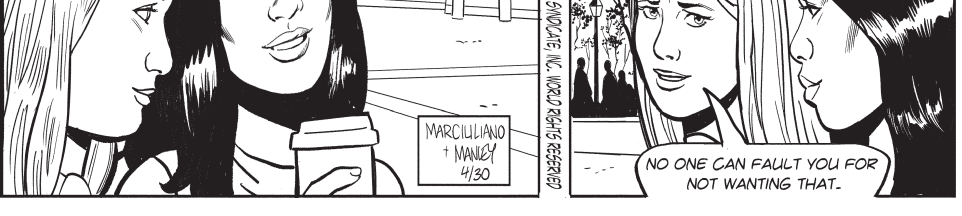

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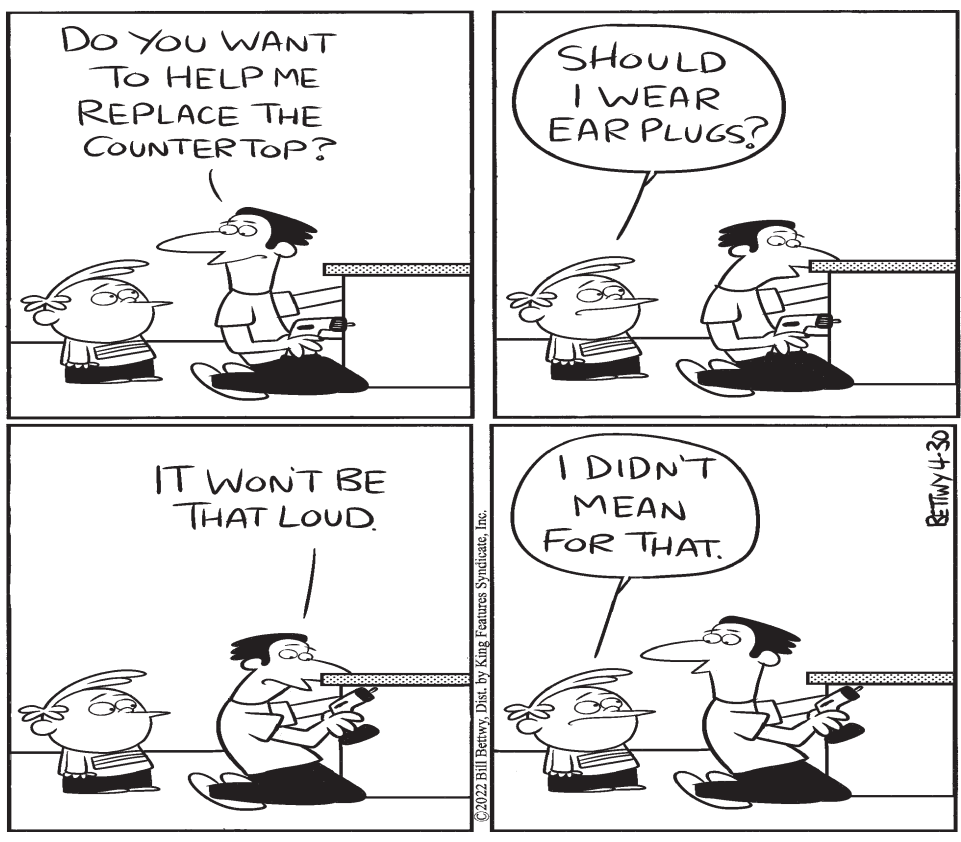

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Each number corresponds to a letter.
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A. **20 17 22 12 14 22 8**

Clue: Provides temporary protection

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Clue: Pets

C. **15 11 23 18 11 8 14**

Clue: Feeling at ease

D. **5 10 11 19 14**

Clue: Take in as one's own

Answers: A. shelter B. animals C. comfort D. adopt

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Public Notice

Bedford County Board of Commissioners
Commissioner Board Meeting
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Bedford County Central High School Auditorium
Public Hearing (to be held prior to the meeting).
1. Rezoning Request:† Lot 6, Vanatta Crossings Sec. II, Corner of Unionville-Deason Rd. and Midland Rd., Map 030M; Parcel 006.00, from A-1 to R-1. Owner(s) Tracey Vanatta and Vida Haynes. This parcel was identified as Lot #6 of Vannatta Crossings Subdivision (2001) - Vanatta Crossings Subdivision was rezoned from A-1 to R-1 in 2001.
At the time it was rezoned, Lot 6 was intentionally left as A-1, for potential future commercial development opportunities. The owner(s) have decided to abandon their ideas for a future commercial development and are wanting to rezone the lot to match the surrounding lots and, if successfully rezoned, subdivide the parcel into three separate residential building lots.
Call to Order: Chairman, Mayor Chad D. Graham
Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance
Open Meeting: Sheriff Austin Swing
Roll Call: County Clerk Donna Thomas
Minutes Approval:
2. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes from April12, 2022 – Placed on agenda without a recommendation by Rules & Legislative Committee.
Elections & Confirmations:
3. Elect Notaries for June 2022 - Placed on agenda by Rules & Legislative Committee.
Presentations: None.
Resolutions:
4. Resolution No. 22-22.† A Resolution in Support of Upgrading the Emergency Communications Radio System Utilizing the American Rescue Plan Funding. Placed on the agenda by the Financial Management Committee.
Additional Items by Standing Committees:
Rules and Legislative Committee:
5. Rezoning of Lot 6, Vanatta Crossings Sec. II, Corner of Unionville-Deason Rd. and Midland Rd., Map 030M; Parcel 006.00, from A-1 to R-1. Owner(s) Tracey Vanatta and Vida Haynes.
Law Enforcement Committee: None.
Courthouse and Property Committee: None.
Financial Management Committee:
6. Approve letter to Kent Archer, TDECD Program Manager, requesting to amend the 2020 Community Development Block Grant contract scope of services from construction of a water storage tank to a water line extension project for the Union Ridge Community.
7. Quarterly Financials
8. Surplus - Board of Education†
9. Surplus - County
Other Business:
Announcements
Adjourn
Chad D. Graham, Bedford County Mayor
(Apr. 30, 2022)

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE
CATHEY LYNN ZARATE SOLIS
PLAINTIFF
VS.
SILVESTRE ZARATE SOLIS
DEFENDANT.
TO: SILVESTRE ZARATE SOLIS
CASE: 2022-CV-33904
Order of Publication
It appearing from the bill in this cause, which is sworn to that the residence and current address of the above listed defendant, is unknown and cannot be served with process. It is ordered that publication be made for four consecutive weeks in SHELBYVILLE TIMES GAZETTE, a newspaper published in BEDFORD COUNTY, TN
Requiring the said defendant, **SILVESTRE ZARATE SOLIS**, to appear before the clerk of said Court on or before thirty days after the last publication hereof and make defense to the bill filed in the above cause, which seeks a DIVORCE or otherwise said bill be taken for confessed and cause proceeded with exparte.
This the 20 day of April, 2022.
Curt Cobb Clerk of said Court.
By: C. Kelly Wilson, Attorney at law.
Solicitors for Plaintiff:
CATHEY LYNN ZARATE SOLIS
(Apr. 30, May 3, 10, 17, 2022)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OKLAHOMA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF:
AUSTIN RAY LAYNE THOMAS,
JACOB WILLIAM THOMAS,
minor children
Case No. FA-2021-475
Judge Richard Kirby
RICK WARREN
COURT CLERK
AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING
APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION THAT CONSENT OF FATHER IS NOT NECESSARY AND IN THE ALTERNATIVE FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF NATURAL FATHER
1. Notice is hereby given to Jerry Lynn Thomas, the natural father of Austin Ray Layne Thomas born on July 25th, 2005 and Jacob William Thomas born on March 11th, 2008 that an Application for Determination that Consent of Father is not Necessary and in the Alternative for Termination of Parental Rights of Natural Father, Jerry Lynn Thomas, as it pertains to Austin Ray Layne Thomas born on July 25th, 2005 and Jacob William Thomas born on March 11th, 2008 has been filed in District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma.
2. THE HEARING ON SAID APPLICATION WILL BE HELD ON THE 16 DAY OF MAY, 2022 AT 3:00 P.M. BEFORE JUDGE RICHARD KIRBY, AT THE OKLAHOMA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 321 PARK AVENUE, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73102.
3. Jerry Lyn Thomas, is the natural father of Austin Ray Layne Thomas, a Caucasian male born on July 25th, 2005 at Harton Regional Hospital in Tullahoma, TN; and Jacob William Thomas, is a Caucasian male born on March 11th, 2008, at Bedford County General in Shelbyville, TN.
4. That the consent of the natural Father, Jerry Lynn Thomas, is not necessary to this adoption because he has failed to maintain a significant relationship with the minor child through visitation or communication for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months out of the last fourteen (14) months immediately preceding the filing of the petition for adoption on December 13th, 2021 pursuant to 10 O.S. 7505-4.2 (H).
5. Further grounds for the Application are that Pursuant to 10 O.S. 7505-4.1 (A), the grounds for terminating a Natural father pursuant to this section shall be identical to the grounds for permitting an adoption without the consent of a parent, pursuant to Section 7505-4.2 of title 10. Thus, in the alternative, the Petitioner requests that the Court terminate the parental rights of Jerry Lynn Thomas.
YOU ARE THEREFORE NOTIFIED THAT THE COURT WILL HEAR EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF AND IN OPPOSITION TO THE GRANTING OF THE PETITION AT THE TIME AND PLACE ABOVE SHOWN WHERE YOU WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE PRESENT AND OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION WITHOUT CONSENT OF NATURAL FATHER AS TO SAID CHILD; YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT SAID HEARING SHALL CONSTITUTE A DENIAL OF YOUR INTEREST IN THE CHILD, WHICH DENIAL MAY RESULT, WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDING, IN THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS OR ADOPTION WITHOUT YOUR CONSENT TO SAID CHILD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA.
APPROVED:
CHRISTOPHER A. WOOD & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
1133 N. Portland Ave
Oklahoma City, OK 73107
(405) 525-5005 (Office)
(405) 521-8567 (Fax)
By: CHRISTOPHER A. WOOD, OBA #12936
Attorney for Petitioners
(Apr. 23, 30, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Ardell Raymond Georgeson
Deceased
Notice is hereby given that on April 19 of 2022 Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Ardell Raymond Georgeson** who died 03/17/2022 were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

Date: 04/19/2022

Cynthia Diane Meeks
Executrix

Curt M. Cobb
Clerk & Master

Brenda S. Bramlett
Attorney
(April 30, May 7, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Betty Dean Arnold
Deceased
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Date: 04/19/2022

Roger Dale Richards
Executor

Curt M. Cobb
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Jack G. Heffington
Attorney
(April 30, May 7, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Gus Richards, Jr.
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Date: 04/18/2022

Chaz Michael Floyd
Administrator

Curt M. Cobb
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W. Andrew Bobo
Attorney
(April 30, May 7, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Kenneth Ray Niell, II
Deceased
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Date: 04/19/2022

Kenneth Ray Niell,
Administrator

Curt M. Cobb
Clerk & Master

John T. Bobo
Attorney
(April 30, May 7, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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Henry Holt Hix
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Date: 04/22/2022

Sheila H. Higgins,
Executrix

Curt M. Cobb
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Anthony W. Harris
Attorney
(April 30, May 7, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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Marjorie Mitchell-Harper
Deceased
Notice is hereby given that on April 20 of 2022 Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Marjorie Mitchell-Harper** who died 03/29/2022 were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

Date: 04/20/2022

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(April 30, May 7, 2022)

Position Advertisement
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City Manager, Shelbyville TN (Population 23,557). Salary range $90,000 - $145,000, depending on experience and qualifications. The City of Shelbyville is seeking a city management professional to be their next City Manager. The City Manager is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the City Council. The City has a $27.2M annual budget with 168 full-time employees. Candidates should possess a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in public administration, business administration, or a field closely related to municipal management and a minimum of eight (8) years of progressively increasing city management experience, or any combination of education and municipal experience that demonstrates proficiency in managing a complex municipal corporation. Residency

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within the City limits will be a requirement.
A position profile is available at www.shelbyvilletn.org (City of Shelbyville). Send a cover letter and resume immediately by electronic mail to the University of Tennessee's Municipal Technical Advisory Service, attention Chuck Downham, at chuck.downham@tennessee.edu. Initial review of applications will occur on May 31, 2022. Please direct questions to Chuck Downham, MTAS Municipal Management Consultant, at the same email address.
(Apr. 23, 26, 30, May 3, 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Shelbyville Animal Control is seeking applicants for the position of full time Animal Control Officer. Minimal qualifications must include the following: 18 years of age or older, with High School Diploma or GED Equivalent and valid TN Driver's License. The employee is under the immediate supervision of the Supervisor of Animal Control and the Deputy Chief of Police. The employee will assist with the enforcement of the animal-rabies control ordinances of the City. The employee will be required to perform any other tasks as may be required to accomplish the essential functions of the position.
This is a full-time position with an hourly rate of $15.77 plus benefits.
Applications and a copy of the job description may be picked up from City Hall during normal business hours or download from the City website: www.shelbyvilletn.org. Applications must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 North Spring Street or emailed to stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org and will be accepted until position is filled.
The City of Shelbyville is an equal opportunity employer and a drug free workplace. Successful applicants will be required to pass a background check, physical, and drug screen.
Stacey Claxton
Human Resources Generalist
(Apr. 30, May 3, 7, 10, 2022)

Public Notice
The 231 N. Business Park Oversight Committee will meet in a Special Called Meeting on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at 12:00 PM, at the Bedford County Courthouse Annex, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Public Square to discuss the following items:
I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
III. Approval of the Agenda
Business:
IV. Business Park Report
V. Resolution – TDOT SIA Program
VI. Adjourn
(Apr. 30, 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Bedford County Board of Commissioners
On March 22, 2022, the Bedford County Regional Planning Commission unanimously recommended the rezoning of Lot 6, Vanatta Crossings Sec. II, Corner of Unionville-Deason Rd. and Midland Rd., Map 030M; Parcel 006.00, from A-1 to R-1. Owner(s) Tracey Vanatta and Vida Haynes. This parcel was identified as Lot #6 of Vannatta Crossings Subdivision (2001) - Vanatta Crossings Subdivision was rezoned from A-1 to R-1 in 2001. At the time it was rezoned, Lot 6 was intentionally left as A-1, for potential future commercial development opportunities. The owner(s) have decided to abandon their ideas for a future commercial development and are wanting to rezone the lot to match the surrounding lots and, if successfully rezoned, subdivide the parcel into three separate residential building lots.
A public hearing will occur immediately before the Bedford County Commission meeting which will begin at 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2022. The public hearings and commission meeting will be held at the Shelbyville Central High School auditorium on 401 Eagle Boulevard in Shelbyville, TN.
Accommodations
Persons with a disability who wish to request accommodation to participate in the Public Meeting should notify Anna Frazier at least one (1) business day prior to the Meeting at (931) 684-7944 or email your request to anna.frazier@bedfordcountytn.gov to discuss accommodations.
Every reasonable effort will be made to meet your need.
(Apr. 30, 2022)

Public Notice
The Shelbyville City Council will meet in regular study session on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Shelbyville Recreation Center Meeting Room B, 220 Tulip Tree Road. Any person wishing to view the Agenda may do so by contacting Lisa Smith, City Recorder at the Shelbyville City Hall.
(Apr. 30, 2022)

Public Notice
The Shelbyville Municipal Airport Authority will meet in Regular Session on Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 12:00 PM at Shelbyville Municipal Airport, 2828 Hwy 231 N. Shelbyville, TN. Any person wishing to view the Agenda may do so by contacting Paul Perry, Airport Director at the Shelbyville Municipal Airport.
Lisa Smith, City Recorder
(Apr. 30, 2022)

Request for Proposals
Bid No. 22-40 90 Passenger School Bus
Bid No. 22-41 Special Needs School Bus
Bid packages are available on the Bedford County website, bedfordcountytn.gov, or at the Bedford County Department of Finance, 200 Dover Street, Suite 102. Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Monday, May 16, 2022.
(Apr. 23, 26, 30, 2022)

Request for Proposals
Bid No. 22-42 Cascade Middle School HVAC Replacement – Phase 2
Bid No. 22-43 Cascade Middle School, Central High School, Career Technical Annex Vocational Building Window and Door Replacement
Bid No. 22-44 Floor Tile Projects for Bedford County Schools
Bid No. 22-45 Liberty Elementary School Boiler Replacement
Bid No. 22-46 Thomas Magnet School Window and Door Replacement
Bid packages are available on the Bedford County website, bedfordcountytn.gov, or by contacting April Miller, Kline Swinney Architects, 615-255-1854. Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Monday, May 23, 2022.
(Apr. 30, May 3, 7, 2022)

Request for Proposals
Community High School Addition
Bid No. 22-33
Bid Documents are available electronically to contractors and materials suppliers. Request for documents should be addressed to Jason Spence at Davis Stokes Collaborative, P.C via email jasonw.spence@dsccol.com or via phone 615-726-0010. Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, May 26, 2022 in the office of the Bedford County Department of Finance, 200 Dover Street, Suite 102, Shelbyville, TN 37160 and will be opened publicly at that time. A Pre-Bid meeting will be held Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 10:00 am at Community High School, 100 Community Crossing, Unionville, TN 37180 inside the library located just off the main entrance foyer to the school.
(Apr. 26, 30, May 3, 2022)

The Shelbyville City Council and the Shelbyville Municipal Planning Commission will meet in a joint workshop on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at 2:00 PM at the Shelbyville Recreation Center, Meeting Room B, 220 Tulip Tree Road. Call City Hall with questions 931-684-9001. Agenda: 1. Presentation of the Final Draft of the Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map, and the proposed Medium-High Density Residential Zoning District.
(Apr. 30, 2022)

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Ukraine: Attack on Kyiv was Putin's 'middle finger' to UN

By DAVID KEYTON and INNA VARENYTSIA
Associated Press

KYIV, Ukraine — Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy accused Russia of trying to humiliate the United Nations by raining missiles on Kyiv during a visit to the city by the U.N. chief, a deadly attack that shattered weeks of relative calm in the capital.

Ukraine's forces, meanwhile, fought to hold off Russian attempts to advance in the south and east, Zelenskyy reported. And U.N.-backed efforts to arrange safe passage for residents trapped in the ruins of Mariupol continued. Numerous previous attempts to evacuate civilians have fallen through.

Russia pounded targets all over Ukraine on Thursday, hitting a residential high-rise and another building in Kyiv just as life seemed to be getting a little closer to normal. U.S.-funded broadcaster Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty said one of its journalists was killed.

Separately, a former U.S. Marine was killed while fighting alongside Ukrainian forces, relatives said in what would be the war's first known death of an American in combat. The U.S. has not confirmed the report. At least two other foreigners fighting on the Ukrainian side, one from Britain and the other from Denmark, have also been killed.

In an apparent reference to the attack in Kyiv, Russia's military said it had destroyed "production buildings" at the Artem defense factory.

The bombardment came barely an hour after Zelenskyy held a news conference with U.N. Secretary-General António Guterres, who toured some of the destruction in and around Kyiv and condemned attacks on civilians.

"This says a lot about Russia's true attitude toward global institutions, about attempts of the Russian leadership to humiliate the U.N. and everything the organization represents," Zelenskyy said late Thursday in his nightly video address to the nation. "Therefore, it requires a correspondingly powerful response."

Kyiv Mayor Vitali Klitschko said the attack was Russian President Vladimir Putin's way of giving "his middle finger" to Guterres.

The strikes were the boldest Russian attack on the capital since Moscow's forces retreated weeks ago following their failure to take the city. Russia is now pushing into the Donbas, the country's eastern industrial region, which the Kremlin says is its main objective.

Volodymyr Fesenko, a Ukrainian political analyst and head of the Kyiv-based Penta Center think tank, said the Kyiv attack carried a message: "Russia is sending a clear signal about its intention to continue the war despite the international pressure."

Getting a full picture of the unfolding battle in the east has been difficult because airstrikes and artillery barrages have made it extremely dangerous for reporters to move around. Both Ukraine and the Moscow-backed rebels fighting in the east also have introduced tight restrictions on reporting from the combat zone.

But so far, Russia's troops and the separatist forces appear to have made only minor gains, and Britain's Defense Ministry said those have been achieved at significant cost to the Kremlin's forces.

One aim of Guterres' visit was to secure the evacuation of people from the gutted southern port of Mariupol, including a shattered steelworks where an estimated 2,000 Ukrainian defenders and 1,000 civilians were holed up in the last major stronghold of resistance in the city.

The Soviet-era steel plant has a vast underground network of bunkers able to withstand airstrikes. But the situation has grown more dire after the Russians dropped "bunker busters" and other bombs.

"Locals who manage to leave Mariupol say it is hell, but when they leave this fortress, they say it is worse," said Mariupol Mayor Vadym Boichenko. "They are begging to get saved," he said, adding: "There, it's not a matter of days, it's a matter of hours."

About 100,000 people are believed trapped in the city with little water, food, heat or electricity. Ukraine has blamed the failure of previous evacuation attempts on continued Russian shelling.

This time, "we hope there's a slight touch of humanity in the enemy," Boichenko said.

Two towns in central Ukraine's Dnipropetrovsk region were hit by Russian rockets on Friday, the regional governor said. There was no immediate word on casualties or damage.

Sirens, artillery fire and explosions could be heard from Kramatorsk to Sloviansk, two cities about 18 kilometers (11 miles) apart in the Donbas. Columns of smoke rose from the Sloviansk area and neighboring cities. At least one person was reported wounded in the shelling.

The governor of Russia's Kursk region said that a border post came under mortar fire from Ukraine and that Russian border forces returned fire. He said there were no casualties on the Russian side.

Former U.S. Marine Willy Joseph Cancel, 22, was killed Monday while working for a military contracting company that sent him to Ukraine, his mother, Rebecca Cabrera, told CNN.

"He wanted to go over because he believed in what Ukraine was fighting for," she said, "and he wanted to be a part of it to contain it there so it didn't come here, and that maybe our American soldiers wouldn't have to be involved in it."

The Marine Corps said Cancel served four years but was given a bad-conduct discharge and sentenced to five months' confinement for violating orders. No details on the offense were given.

In the wake of Thursday's missile attack in Kyiv, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty said the body of Vira Hyrych, a journalist who lived in one of the buildings, was found in the rubble. Ten people were wounded, at least one who lost a leg, according to emergency officials.

Radio Free Europe President Jamie Fly said the organization was "shocked and angered by the senseless nature of her death at home in a country and city she loved."

Kyiv had been relatively unscathed in recent weeks, and cafes and other businesses have started to reopen, while a growing numbers of people have been out and about, enjoying the spring weather.

Meanwhile, Ukrainian forces are cracking down on people accused of helping Russian troops. In the Kharkiv region alone, nearly 400 people have been detained under anti-collaboration laws enacted after Russia's Feb. 24 invasion.

In Russia, the international sanctions imposed on the Kremlin over the invasion are squeezing the country. The Russian Central Bank said Russia's economy is expected to contract by up to 10% this year, and the outlook is "extremely uncertain."

The terrible human cost of the war, which has driven more than 11 million Ukrainians from their homes, continues to climb.

In Lyman, a town in the Donbas, shells rained on Tatiana Matsegora's home this week. Matsegora's 14-year-old grandson, Igor, was pronounced dead after rescue workers drove him to the hospital. Her daughter was in serious condition, and her son-in-law was also killed.

"'Grandma, will I live?'" she said Igor asked her when they were in the basement, waiting for help. "I said that he would live. But look what happened: I betrayed him."

Federal judges are asked to pave way for Purdue Pharma deal

By GEOFF MULVIHILL
Associated Press

Lawyers for OxyContin maker Purdue Pharma and many of those who had claims against the company over the toll of opioids joined together Friday to urge a federal judicial panel to advance a plan that would settle lawsuits across the country.

The legal question facing the judges from the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York: Does a bankruptcy judge have the authority to grant members of the Sackler family who own the company protection from civil lawsuits over the toll of opioids?

Sackler family members have insisted on the legal shield in exchange for providing the money behind the proposed settlement. And as their offer was boosted over more than two years of negotiations and mediation, most of the parties came to support the deal — including all the states.

But the U.S. Bankruptcy Trustee's Office, an arm of the Justice Department, has continued pushing back, asserting it's improper to provide a legal shield for members of the wealthy family who have not themselves filed for bankruptcy protection.

"A non-debtor says: 'I can get the benefit of a discharge but I don't need to comply with any of the rules of the bankruptcy code and I don't need to contribute all of my assets,'" Michael Shih, a lawyer for the office, told a three-judge panel of the 2nd Circuit in a hearing Friday in New York City. "That's the fundamental inconsistency here."

Lawyers for Purdue and others who support the settlement said that the protections for Sackler family members would be limited to cases involving opioids and are needed to get a fair outcome, rather than seeing the fight continue through many trials all over the country.

"The releases at issue are not only important to the plan, they are absolutely essential," said Mitchell Hurley, a lawyer for the official committee of unsecured creditors in Purdue's bankruptcy case told the judges.

Purdue lawyer Marshall Huebner pointed out that unlike other parties, the Bankruptcy Trustee's office and federal government are not in line to receive any money from the settlement. He told the judges that allowing lawsuits against the Sacklers to move forward might not result in more money to fight the opioid crisis — in part because most of the family's wealth is in trusts, much of it overseas.

"We are bringing in billions and billions of dollars to save lives," Huebner told the court.

All three judges asked pointed questions on the positions of both Huebner and Shih.

The 2nd Circuit judges did not indicate when they would rule, but it often takes weeks or months after a hearing.

No matter how the 2nd Circuit rules on the case, an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court is possible. If Purdue and its allies win, they still must go back to the bankruptcy judge to get the latest version of the deal approved.

Under the planned deal, Sackler family members would contribute $5.5 billion to $6 billion over time, plus give up ownership of the company. Purdue would then become a new entity known as Knoa Pharma that would dedicate its profits to fighting the nation's opioid epidemic.

Most of the Sacklers' money also would go to fighting the epidemic, but at least $750 million would be distributed to some individual victims and their families.

Other product-liability cases have been settled through bankruptcy court by using the sort of protections this deal would give the Sacklers. But opponents of the settlement are challenging the strategy based on the fact that a handful of parties still object to the deal.

Almost all the governments and other entities that originally sued Purdue have agreed to the settlement. Besides the bankruptcy trustee, the only official objectors left are Canadian local governments and First Nations, and two mothers of sons who died of opioid overdoses.

This week, more than 1,000 families who have lost loved ones to overdoses sent a letter asking the U.S. Justice Department to drop its opposition. They said individual victims would not receive payments if the settlement is derailed.





New Riverbend Ranch has nonprofit connections

By ZOË HAGGARD
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Funding is still one of the challenges for Riverbend Ranch in Normandy (formerly Arrowhead Ranch.) "We are massively looking for supporters of the ranch," said Darren Delin, new executive director.

However, he has the goal to connect with at least 25 nonprofits this year. "I want to open the ranch up. We're lucky it's in a beautiful location, and we have the space to do it," said Delin. "It's mutually beneficial."

This will help the ranch be a boys' home with "something more." For example, Casting for Recovery (a fly-fishing class for breast cancer patients) was hosted recently, while others like First Baptist Tullahoma, Project Healing Waters, and Grace Christian are coming for camping and fishing trips.

'Once I got here, saw what's going on, I fell in love with the idea that this is ministry, just in a different context and place,"
Darren Delin, new executive director of Riverbend Ranch in Normandy

"We all have the same goal. We all are wanting health; we're all wanting to care for and help other people," said Delin.

In addition to creating a space for nonprofits, Riverbend Ranch is also a ministry. Where Delin was still a pastor 24-7, it's new to him to be engaged with the Riverbend boys in all aspects of their life.

"In this way you see the ups-and-downs," Delin said. "You see the whole person." Delin jokes he is less of a pastoral "cheerleader" and more of a life mentor.

Delin said most of the boys who have come to the ranch identify as a Christian but don't know what that relation looks like. "There's that door. Your family's Christian, but what does that mean for you?" Delin said he approaches those faith conversations throughout the day and at the dinner table, instead of just one set time.

He adds, "We have these little conversations and touch points all over the place. Christ is the center of what we do always. It's not just a church moment; it's our lifestyle."

And personally, "My relationship with Christ has changed and my ministry has changed in a great way."

For more information, visit www.riverbendranchtn.com or visit their Facebook and Instagram pages @riverbendranchtn.

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