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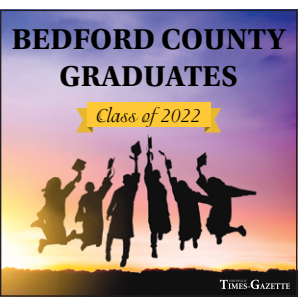

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Commission discusses high staff turnover

Fire departments struggle

By ZOË HAGGARD
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During Tuesday night's Bedford County Board of Commissioners meeting, concerns were raised over staffing issues and high employee turnover across County offices.

"We do continue to experience high employee turnover," said Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham. "I've asked the HR department to put together some numbers for you so you can see that data."

According to Graham, the financial management department will also be putting together costs, requests, and what the reset of salaries and pay grades and job descriptions will be like. They have been working on this for about 3 years, and it will be discussed at the June budget hearings, he said.

Commissioner Greg Vick asked Bedford County Fire Chief Mark Thomas about the turnover rate with emergency responders.

Thomas, also a commissioner, said he has six people working on shift in the fire department. Two of those are committed to medical emergencies, leaving four for the three trucks.

"A lot of my employees don't live in Bedford County. So, I don't have access to those people when they're off since a lot of them live 45 minutes away," Thomas said.

And with the job market like it is, Thomas added that the volunteer staff is very low. "Pretty much the only ones we can count on are the paid staff. But when we have a big fire, there's only about four of us for the entire county," he explained.

Though they have some 140 volunteers for the County, most of them work jobs that do not enable them to leave and go on-call, so it's a small staff, especially during the day.

"What we're doing to compensate for that is we're calling in multiple stations in order to get standing level," Thomas said.

For example, if there's a fire in Unionville, Thomas will get Wartrace, Deason, and Shelbyville to respond in order to get the minimal staffing on the scene. "And we have looked at

T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

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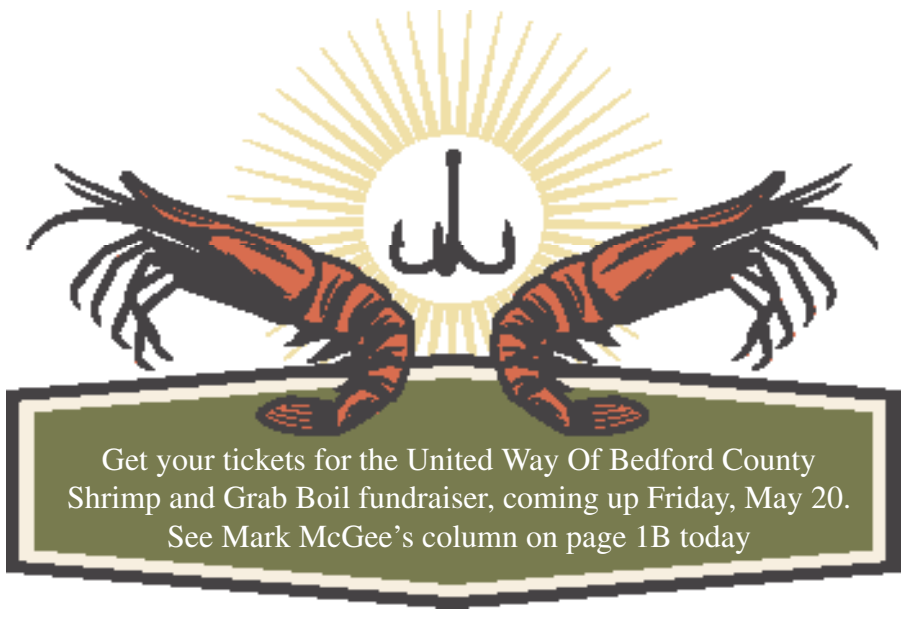

Contested races bring more voters

By ZOË HAGGARD
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Out of the nearly 28,000 registered voters in Bedford County, 5,002—a total of 18 percent—showed up for the May 3 primary election this year.

Of those 5,002 voters, 2,747 voted during early voting, 60 through absentee ballots, and 2,195 on the day of the election.

Though that may sound low, Administrator of Elections Summer Leverette said this is an uptick from the 2018 election cycle.

"It was a little over 2,700 that voted four years ago," she said.

Why was it more this year?

According to Leverette, the County mayoral and sheriff races drew more people out to vote. "When you have contested elections in those kind of higher races like that, it brings out the turnout," she said.

Leverette has been with the election office for 22 years, and of those 22 years, she has not seen a major increase in voter turnout for County elections.

But for presidential elections, there has been an increase. For example, the November 2020 election had over 20,000 show up and vote.

The voter demographic of these kinds of elections is older. But "the November presidential election is different. Everyone comes out for that one."

Leverette explained that the local

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City mayor: Property tax rate premature

By DAWN HANKINS
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Shelbyville City Council was divided Thursday on its decision to immediately lower the property tax rate next fiscal year down to $1.36 on each $100 assessed value of property. Mayor Wallace Cartwright rendered the deciding no vote, due to the 3-3 tie, and defeated the ordinance.

The Mayor said in response to his no vote, " . . . because we don't have our budget set yet, so we don't know what we need to do."

Council members voting against the lowered tax rate were Henry Feldhaus, Ricky Overcast and Stephanie Isaacs. Council members Gary Haile and Marilyn Ewing voted yes, along with William Christie, who made the motion earlier this month to place the ordinance on the May 12 agenda.

Council's current tax rate, approved last July, is $1.59, which was actually lower than the previous year's $1.77.

The motion Thursday to approve the ordinance on first reading was made by Christie and seconded by Ewing. (See more in Tuesday's T-G.)

In other action, City Council approved on second and final reading the rezoning of 54.34 acres, owned by Black Diamond Construction, located west of Green Lane near Northside Drive from industrial-1 (light industrial), residential 2 (low density residential) and residential 4 (high density residential) to residential-3 or R-3 (medium density residential district.) A public hearing was held prior to approval of this ordinance.

Council also approved for Shelbyville Police Department to replace a 2022 Dodge Charger vehicle at a

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David Parker promoted to Central Office

T-G STAFF REPORT

David Parker, current principal of Cascade Middle School, will be moving to the school system's Central Office to assume the duties of student services next school year.

"I look forward to building closer relationships with the Central Office team as well as the administrators in our district with whom I will be working," said Parker. "I will miss working with my CMS faculty, but I am confident they will continue the tradition that was set long ago at Cascade."

Parker will complete the school year at Cascade Middle School and will begin his new position on July 1.

Director Of Schools Tammy Garrett said this week that she is pleased to announce, on behalf of the school system, the appointment of David Parker to supervisor of student services for the 2022-2023 school year.

Parker will be responsible for district-wide supervision of athletics, overseeing the McKinney-Vento program to ensure homeless children have equal opportunity to succeed in school, assisting with future school construction projects and overall support for parents and students with school concerns.

"We are excited to have Mr. Parker join the BCS leadership team at our Central Office," said Garrett. "His heart for student success and support and his extensive education experience will serve him and our district well in this position."

Parker has served as principal of Cascade Middle School for the past 10 years. Prior to that assignment, he served as assistant principal for 4 years at Cascade when it was a grade 6-12 school and 1 year as assistant principal at Thomas Intermediate School.

His classroom experience includes teaching social studies at both Shelbyville Central High

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David Parker

OBITUARIES

Linda Marie Hughes

May 8, 2022



Linda Marie Hughes, age 82, of Hillsboro passed away in the comfort of her home and surrounded by loved ones, on Sunday, May 8, 2022.

Funeral services were held at Coffee County Funeral Chapel, Manchester, on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 2 p.m., with Bro. Eddie Miller officiating. Interment followed at Rose Hill Memorial Gardens in Tullahoma.

Born in Bedford County, Tennessee, to the late Albert and Mary Lou Nelson, Linda devoted her life to being a loving daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother. She was a chicken farmer for Tyson Foods for over a decade and a member of Prairie Plains Baptist Church of Hillsboro. A simple and playful lady, Linda enjoyed socializing, fishing, gardening and working puzzles. Linda will be missed dearly by her loving family and friends.

She is also preceded in death by her loving husband of 42 years, Clifton Hughes; two sisters, Lucille Nelson and Elaine Brannon; one granddaughter, Lori Lovvorn; and one great granddaughter, Ashlyn Floyd.

Survivors include one son, Wayne (Marilyn) Pruitt; two daughters, Donna (Dillard "Mayor") Davidson and Lesa (Steve) Lovvorn; twelve grandchildren, Michael (April) Floyd, Stacey Lamb, Steve (Jessica Meeks) Lovvorn, Jr., Angela (Mickey) Bogle, Tisha Lovvorn, Wayne (Amber) Lovvorn, Misty (Terry) Bryan, Clifton Pruitt, Shannon Adkins, Tami Henderson, Christopher Pritchett and Michael Pritchett; 31 great-grandchildren; 14 great-great-grandchildren; and loyal and faithful companion, beloved dog, Fancy.

You may sign the online guestbook at www.coffeecountyfuneralchapel.com.

Michael Bomar Whitney

April 30, 2022



Michael Bomar Whitney, 69, of Shelbyville, died Saturday, April 30, 2022.

He was born August 13, 1952, to Leland and Iris Whitney. Mike was a graduate of Shelbyville Central High and the University of Tennessee. He earned an MFA from Washington University in St. Louis, followed by a career of several decades in graphic art and design. Mike's greatest joy was his daughter Leanne, whom he raised with his former wife, Susie Acton Whitney. His greatest passion was rock drumming. His drumming career began while in high school with a local band, and he went on to play with numerous bands while living in St. Louis.

He is preceded in death by his father Leland and his former wife Susie. He is survived by his daughter Leanne Whitney of St. Louis, mother Iris Whitney of Chattanooga, and 4 siblings: Mark (Susan) Whitney of Waco, Texas, Ann (Frank) Watkins of Chattanooga, Jack Whitney of St. Louis, and Joel (Karen) Whitney of Knoxville. Mike had 22 nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. His kindness, humor, and creativity will be deeply missed by so many.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 21 at 11 a.m. at the Raus Community Center, 125 Smith Chapel Road.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be sent to the Becky Spencer Memorial Scholarship Fund, 2229 Fairfield Pike, Shelbyville, or your favorite charity.

Sara Reagor Ogle

November 19, 2021

Sara Reagor Ogle, 95, of Naples, Florida, passed away November 19, 2021 after a brief illness.

A graveside service will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 14, 2022 at Rosebank Cemetery in Flat Creek.

She was born in Flat Creek, Tennessee on August 10, 1926 to the late Irene Womack and George Thomas Reagor. Mrs. Ogle, with her family, owned and operated Lakeview Restaurant on Woods Reservoir in the 1960s and 1970s.

Mrs. Ogle was preceded in death by her husband, Jerman W. Ogle, Jr. and daughter-in-law Sylvia Hopkins Ogle.

Survivors are two sons, Jerry F. Ogle and Larry W. Ogle, both of Naples, Florida.

An online guestbook is available at AustinFuneralService.com.

Austin Funeral Service of Brentwood is handling arrangements,

Helen Ophelia Nelson

May 10, 2022



Helen Ophelia Nelson, 71, of Shelbyville died Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

Funeral services were Friday, May 13 at Hillcrest Funeral Home, Revs. Ray Armstrong and Kenny Collins officiating.

She was preceded in death by her parents, David Kelly Dunnavant and Ozell Tatum Dunnavant; her husband, Steve Nelson; her son, Curtis Fralix; and four brothers, Clyde, Bill, Maylon and John Dunnavant.

Helen is survived by two daughters, Melissa (Gary) Patterson, Christine Guerrero; brother, James (Frances) Dunnavant,all of Shelbyville; four grandchildren, Matthew Patterson, Paula Patterson, Kristopher Henson, Steven Hargrove; six great-grandchildren, Braylon Persons, Jordyn Griffith, Braxton Griffith, Savannah Patterson, Makayla Hargrove and Addison Sanders.

Mario Alberto Galvan Villalobos

May 10, 2022



Mario Alberto Galvan Villalobos, age 57, of Bell Buckle, passed from this life late Tuesday night, May 10, 2022, at home surrounded by his family after an extended illness.

Mario was born April 18, 1965 in Santa Catarina, Mexico to Ana Maria Villalobos and the late Jose Galvan Martinez. Along with his father he was preceded in death by his sister, Leticia Galvan.

Growing up in Santa Catarina, Mario married his wife Dellanira and she gave birth to their first daughter before moving to the U.S. in 2000. Until present date He and his family moved all over the Southeast helping establish prior to funeral service starting churches (10 total), with stops in Georgia, South Carolina, Texas, Alabama, and Tennessee, along the way his wife gave birth to a second daughter. He also taught youth ministries. He loved his family, working hard, and was a man of faith.

Along with his mother Mario is survived by: loving wife of 36 years, Dellanira Galvan; daughters, Carolina Galvan and Ashley Galvan, all of Bell Buckle; sisters, Ana Maria Galvan and Angelica Maria Galvan; brothers, Ricardo Galvan, Adrian Galvan and Jose Galvan; also many nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be held 3 p.m. Saturday, May 14, 2022, at Victory Baptist Church with Pastors Loyd Warren, Jaime Hernandez and Romel Sorto officiating. Visitation will start at 1 p.m. Saturday at the church.

At a later date Mario will be laid to rest in his home town of Santa Catarina, Mexico.

Memorial donations may be made to Bible & Literature Missionary Foundation, 2101 U.S. 231 South, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

Voters

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election office's process is the same no matter what the turnout is. "We're always prepared for the 27,000 voters," she said.

Leverette said she does expect to see more people come out for the general elections later this year.

"What happens is people don't understand what a primary election is, so they tend not to vote in the primaries, thinking 'I'll just vote in the general election.' So, the primaries tend to be lower turnout in general."

Now, the oldest election is the state-federal primary and the county general. So that will have the state offices there as well as the federal. So that turnout will be better," Leverette explained.

There's only a limited number of things the election can do to encourage more voters to come out. Other surrounding counties, according to Leverette, have about the same or similar turnout, especially in the county races.

But "the candidates themselves could get out and promote voting . . . . That really helps voter turnout and that's what happened here in this election," Leverette said.

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cost of $37,502.35. This is a replacement for a recently wrecked and totaled vehicle for which the insurance paid $28,197.93, leaving a balance of $9,304.52.

Turnover

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but thankfully, over the last 80-plus years, it's only been necessary to renovate.

different incentives—do we pay them . . . offer insurance. There are several things being tossed around to help us recruit and hold on to the volunteers," Thomas said.

The fire chief said it is an especially inopportune time for such a shortage as more and more people are moving Bedford, keeping emergency personnel busy. Thomas said they just added a Rover station—one which should be opening in a month or two—to expand the area. Thomas said they hope to open Wheel, Liberty and Raus stations once more volunteers are secured.

Graham said emergency medical service is having difficulty filling staff positions, despite the county's financial support and efforts toward getting personnel. "So, we're looking closely . . . to see what exactly is going on," Graham said. "And this is not just a Bedford issue . . . . Public safety has really taken a beating in the public eye and people just aren't wired like they used to be to be in public safety."

*Subhead*Upgrading emergency systems

Commission also passed on Tuesday the resolution to support upgrading the County's emergency communications radio system.

According to Jay Malpass, senior consultant at the Department of Safety and Homeland Security, this system is a "two-way radio system that stretches all across the state to support first responders' ability to communicate."

The state-wide radio system TACN (Tennessee Advanced Communications Network) that all the state agencies and many local agencies use totals to about 40,000 users today. Of that, 27,000 of those are local government-users, he advised.

Its "interoperability to communicate" with other surrounding counties, with the state, and with outside the state, allows for improved communications and productivity inside the County, Malpass said.

For example, if one tower shuts down, then the County will still have means to communicate with other sources of emergency personnel.

The new system will also include continual upgrades, according to Malpass.

Parker

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School and Cascade High School for a total of 10 years where he also served as a baseball and football coach.

Parker earned his undergraduate degree in secondary education from Middle Tennessee State University and received a master's in administration and supervision from Tennessee State University in Nashville.



A look, inside, at our Nation

By DAWN HANKINS
T-G News Editor

Editor's note: In today's issue you will find a photo of this week's gas prices. In Shelbyville, we leveled in most places at around $4.15 per gallon. With this increase, how will our Nation be affected in the way of food prices, yet again? Priced bread and milk, lately?

War wages on within the world. Must we all suffer in the process?

What's with this shortage of baby formula, we're hearing about? I've seen a lot of old recipes floating around on how to make the formula. This is really scary, but how dependent have we become on retail for our needs? Will this have to change? That's literally food-for-thought.

As well, we see a story today about how a meat-processing plant, one division located right here in Shelbyville, was called out by a House subcommittee in a report about the Coronavirus. How far can we push our workers during a pandemic? The AP special story weighs in on the subject.

See a guest column today from Dave Sliger--a local historian who discusses the politics surrounding the recent "leak" within the newest Roe vs. Wade case. Repeating past historical mistakes? Dave explains his take.

Fact or fiction? You decide within what you read about your Nation, today.

Bedford County: still thriving

Though our nation is still in quite the turmoil, we carry on our lives in Bedford County on a more positive note. That's what we do, with faith.

Be sure to check out all the smiling faces in our 2022 Graduation tab today. We thank everyone who made this section possible.

Our Life and Leisure section today features a lot of beauty. We also have top sports coverage in today's issue.

Thank you for reading and supporting your community newspaper. Contact us at tgnews@t-g.com with story ideas, thoughts and comments.

Eclipse to turn moon red this weekend

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A total lunar eclipse will grace the night skies this weekend, providing longer than usual thrills for stargazers across North and South America.

The celestial action unfolds Sunday night into early Monday morning, with the moon bathed in the reflected red and orange hues of Earth's sunsets and sunrises for about 1 1/2 hours, one of the longest totalities of the decade. It will be the first so-called blood moon in a year.

Observers in the eastern half of North America and all of Central and South America will have prime seats for the whole show, weather permitting. Partial stages of the eclipse will be visible across Africa, Europe and the Middle East. Left out: Alaska, Asia and Australia.

"This is really an eclipse for the Americas," said NASA's Noah Petro, a planetary geologist who specializes in the moon. "It's going to be a treat."

All you need, he noted, are "patience and eyeballs."

A total eclipse occurs when Earth passes directly between the moon and the sun, and casts a shadow on our constant, cosmic companion. The moon will be 225,000 miles (362,000 kilometers) away at the peak of the eclipse — around midnight on the U.S. East Coast.

"This is this gradual, slow, wonderful event that as long as it's clear where you are, you get to see it," Petro said.

If not, NASA will provide a livestream of the eclipse from various locations; so will the Slooh network of observatories.

There'll be another lengthy total lunar eclipse in November, with Africa and Europe lucking out again, but not the Americas. Then the next one isn't until 2025.

Launched last fall, NASA's asteroid-seeking Lucy spacecraft will photograph this weekend's event from 64 million miles (103 million kilometers) away, as ground controllers continue their effort to fix a loose solar panel.

NASA astronaut Jessica Watkins, a geologist, plans to set her alarm clock early aboard the International Space Station.

"Hopefully, we can be up in time and be at the right place at the right time to catch a good glimpse," she told The Associated Press earlier this week.

Nashville-to-Shelbyville cocaine trail described

By DAVID MELSON
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An admitted drug dealer described how he operates to Shelbyville police after his arrest Friday of last week for cocaine possession.

Two detectives checking a Bethany Lane residence for a wanted man found a running, unattended vehicle registered to James Omar Hicks, 41, of Madison, Tennessee. A strong smell of marijuana wafted from an open window, the report said.

Hicks allegedly came outside, then began running when Detective Cody Swift found crack cocaine inside the car. Hicks gave up his attempt to flee after crossing a creek as additional officers arrived, Officer Brock Horner's report said.

Police confiscated 4.3 grams of crack cocaine and more than $1,800 from Hicks' clothing and car. Hicks is on parole until 2025 for a previous drug conviction, police said.

Hicks told Detective Nathan Everhart he has been purchasing cocaine in Nashville and reselling it in Shelbyville, staying with friends or in motels until selling out. He then returns to Nashville for more drugs, the report said.

Charges of evading arrest and possession of a schedule II drug were filed. Hicks was held without bond due to a child support warrant served on his arrival at Bedford County Jail.

Blame the GPS

Marijuana was found on a driver who blamed his GPS for a sudden U-turn in front of Deputy Shaq Thompson on U.S. 231 North at Highway 437 Bypass on Wednesday.

A strong pot odor came from the vehicle of Jonathan Aguilar Sandoval, 25, of South Cannon Boulevard, Thompson's report said.

A search revealed 28 grams of loose marijuana in the trunk. Sandoval was charged with possession of a schedule VI drug and a rules of the road violation. He was held on $5,000 bond.

Thefts

•A cell phone was stolen from a vehicle outside Pit Stop Market, Highway 64 West, while the owner was inside the store, police were told.

•Medication was stolen from a vehicle between 5:20-5:40 a.m. Monday at Corner Market, Eagle Boulevard, as the owner ate breakfast inside.

Shoplifting

Shoplfting charges were filed against Sandra Kaye Arnold, 37, for allegedly not scanning $170 worth of items Monday at Walmart. She was served with a court summons.

Jail intake

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

•Liliana Contrers Abarca, 37, Union Street; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, speeding; summons issued

•Javion Jamal Adams, 31, Hight Street; driving on suspended license, speeding; released, $500 bond

•Sandra Kaye Arnold, 37, Highway 64 West; shoplifting (theft of merchandise); summons issued

•Timothy Lamont Bailey, 51, Bird Street; domestic assault, violation of probation (two counts); held, $6,000 bond

•Kaylyn Sue Benson, 29, East Lane Street; failure to appear; released, $2,000 bond

•Matthew Wayne Burks, 37, East Depot Street; fraudulent use of credit card (two counts); released, $5,000 bond

•Louis A. Calderon, 74, Old Nashville Dirt Road; vandalism; released, $2,500 bond

•Matthew Kevin Campbell, 20, Tullahoma; driving on revoked license (third offense); released, $2,000 bond

•Alice Rachel Cobb, 41, Scottsboro, Alabama; failure to appear (to serve time), show cause, theft of property under $1,000, violation of probation, burglary; held, $32,000 bond

•Timothy Lee Cooper, 56, Alton Avenue; domestic assault; released, $1,500 bond

•David Lee Espy Jr., 31, Murfreesboro; failure to appear, bench warrant; held, $5,000 bond

•Landon A. Ford, 20, Whittaker Road; tampering with construction signs and barricades; summons issued

•Amber Paige Fox, 31, North Jefferson Street; theft of property (three counts), criminal trespassing; released, $2,000 bond

•Jorge Esau Francisco, 21, Quarry Street; failure to appear; held, $5,000 bond

•Joseph Freebury, 29, Oak Circle, Unionville; due care, DUI, no seat belt, financial responsibility; released, $3,000 bond

•Dannyel Galvan Espraza, 22, John Shaw Road; due care, driving on

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Photo by Natasha Tice Newton Marketing

Victory Baptist Academy senior, David Smotherman, was recently drawn as the 2022 Newton Scholarship winner. Officials from the local store made the official presentation during a banquet last Wednesday in Bell Buckle.

David Smotherman is Newton Scholarship winner

T-G Staff Report

The lights within Bell Buckle Banquet Hall shined bright last Wednesday evening as David Smotherman heard his named called as the 2022 Newton Scholarship recipient. The Victory Baptist Academy senior went home knowing there would be an extra $10,000 to put toward his college education.

Anthony Green, general manager of Newton Ford South, said, "The Newton Ford/Chevy scholarship is one of the most rewarding things we do all year for the community. It is such an honor to be able to assist a Bedford County student in starting their journey in their continued education. My hope is that as our dealerships continue to grow so too do our opportunities to help out this amazing community."

Newton hosted last Wednesday evening's event in Bell Buckle so that several students and their families could celebrate their achievements together. The excitement built as Newton officials drew for the $10,000 winner during the program.

Justin George, general manager of Newton Chevrolet Buick GMC, added, "As the General Manager at Newton Chevy Buick GMC, it's a great privilege to be able to give back to a local student in Bedford County. All of us at Newton Motor Group feel blessed to be able to assist in the education of a young adult. We look forward to helping the community for many more years to come."



T-G Photo by Diandra Womble

Family and friends congratulated David Smotherman last Wednesday night as he became the recipient of this year's $10,000 Newton Scholarship, which he will use toward his college education in the fall.

Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham spoke during the banquet, which was attended by a large crowd. He said, "Success is intentional."

He followed up with how someone must have A.D.D. to succeed in life. He referred to A.D.D. as being an acronym for "ambition, desire and drive."

The Newton Scholarship

Beginning in 2019, Newton Chevrolet Buick GMC and Newton Ford decided to make an investment in their immediate community. Sister stores, Newton Nissan in Gallatin and Newton Nissan South on Highway 231 North in Shelbyville, each do a yearly student car give-a-way. Wanting to follow in their footsteps, the Shelbyville store started brainstorming their own ideas for a similar giveaway, and knew they wanted it to be in the same vein of giving back to the next generation.

For this reason, the Newton Scholarship was established. This $10,000 award goes to one graduating senior each year. Starting in 2022, this scholarship was open to any Bedford County High School graduating senior who wanted to apply.

All students must also be enrolled in the fall semester for their traditional university or technical school. The $10,000 award can be used towards any school expenses; however, the standard procedure is to gather the funds and send them to their chosen school to apply to expenses directly.

Who will be the 2023 scholarship winner?

Until then, congratulations to David Smotherman, and to others, much success and happy driving into the future, from Newton Chevrolet Buick GMC and Newton Ford.

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EARLY VOTING: July 15–30
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Washing and storing berries



Hints from Heloise

Heloise

Dear Heloise: According to the experts, one should not wash a whole container of berries at once. They keep better if you wash only what you plan to eat. I have had good luck with the following method:

I wash and thoroughly drain all of the berries. Then I line the original carton with a paper towel, add half the berries, then another paper towel, the rest of the berries, then one more towel on the top. The berries keep very well using this method, which works well for blueberries, strawberries, raspberries and blackberries. -- Jane Hudak, San Antonio, Texas

BURNED FOOD ON COOKWARE?

Dear Readers: Whenever you get food burned on a pot or pan, try my nontoxic way to clean it. Fill the pan with enough water to cover the bottom, add 3 tablespoons of baking soda and simmer on the stove until the burned food comes off. If you need more grease-fighting power, add one drop of mild dishwashing liquid.

Baking soda is a useful household product that can be used for cleaning, deodorizing and cooking. Get my pamphlet "Baking Soda Hints and Recipes" by sending $5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Heloise/Baking Soda, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. FYI: If your dog's fur is a tad smelly, sprinkle a bit of baking soda just onto the fur, and leave for a bit. Then brush off. Don't let the baking soda get into your dog's eyes. -- Heloise

FROM ONE GARDENER TO THE NEXT

Dear Heloise: Today's paper had a question about how messy it can be to garden on a second floor apartment patio. I'm a die-hard gardener and wanted to add the following tip:

Use old bath towels or an old flat bedsheet to spread out on the patio under the project! They are wonderful at collecting debris and give more room to spread out the pots and dirt, with zero mess left on the patio. I use mine for all sorts of messy projects, like protecting a carpet when painting, covering my dining table when kids paint and more. -- Sue in Ohio

RECYCLING WHITE PLASTIC BAGS

Dear Heloise: I enjoy reading your helpful hints in The Alpena News. I have clipped many of the tips that were printed in that publication and would like to share one of my own. We all receive packages in the mail that are shipped in white plastic bags. I cut the top off to empty the contents, and when I need to return an item, I turn the bag inside out so the previous labels are not visible. I reuse these bags to either return the item or ship other items through the mail. I have done this many times and find it to be a good way to recycle. -- Vicky K., Rogers City, Michigan

Vicky, that's such a good idea to extend the usage of all these bags we get and have them live on for others to use. -- Heloise

PET PAL

Dear Heloise: This is Madame Celeste Leota. We had passes to Disney World when we got her, and we named her after a character in the Haunted Mansion (Madame Leota). We added Celeste because it needed something a little extra, and that fit well. -- M.M. in Florida

Readers: To see Madame Celeste Leota, go to www.Heloise.com and click on "Pet of the Week."

Do you have a furry family member you'd like to share with us? Send a photo and a brief description to Heloise@Heloise.com. -- Heloise

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Storms to reappear over this weekend



Steve Norris

Weather

The weekend is looking partly cloudy with a chance of scattered thunderstorms Saturday and Sunday with highs near 85 degrees and a few of these storms could get to be pretty heavy.

Next week we will see temperatures climb from the low 80s on Monday to the low 90s by Thursday and it will be a typical almost summer like weather pattern with Sunshine but a slight chance of a pop-up storm on any afternoon.

Did you know that on a day when the temperature outside is 75 degrees, in a vehicle with the windows rolled up it will be 95 degrees within 10 minutes and over 110 in a half hour. On a 90 degree day the temperature inside will hit 109 in only 10 minutes. Never leave kids or pets for long periods in a closed up vehicle, look before you lock!

If you have any weather questions or need weather data, my email address is weather1@charter.net.

•Steve Norris is a trained meteorologist.

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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.

CANCELLATION

No spaghetti dinner

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Senior Citizens Center's spaghetti dinner, originally scheduled for Thursday, May 19, has been cancelled.

SATURDAY

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 at the company, 118 W. Walnut St. in Murfreesboro. An Open Jam with Jim Hurst will be held 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.

SUNDAY

Decoration Days

•Burns Chapel and Cemetery, Burns Road, will hold Decoration Day on Sunday, May 15. A short meeting will begin at 2 p.m. Donations for chapel and cemetery upkeep may be mailed to Wallace Cartwright. 301 Brown Lane, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

•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.

•New Hermon Cemetery Decoration Day will be Sunday, May 15. Donations may be sent to Frances McGee, 114 Goose Creek Road, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

•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.

MONDAY

Democratic meeting

Bedford County Democratic Party will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, May 16 at El Mexico, 724 N. Main St. Membership is not required and all interested individuals are encouraged to attend.

TUESDAY

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 22

Decoration Days

•Pleasant Valley Cemetery's decoration service will be 2 p.m. Sunday, May 22. Contributions can be sent to Pleasant Valley Cemetery c/o Harold Blackburn, 110 Hopkins Bridge Road, Unionville, TN 37180.

•Decoration Day services will be held at the Shelton/Garrison Fork Cemetery on Eaton Hollow Road in Beech Grove on Sunday, May 22, at 2:30 p.m. The speaker will be Linda Barnes McGill. Donations for cemetery maintenance may be made at the service. In case of rain, the memorial service will be held at Garrison Fork Baptist Church, 16005 Manchester Pike, Christiana.

MAY 27

Cruise-In

Celebration City Car Club's May Cruise-In will be Friday, May 27 from 6-8 p.m. on the Shelbyville square. Food trucks will be present, Chase Clanton and Vintage Vibes will perform and WZNG-The Zinger (100.9 FM/1400 AM) will broadcast live. Cruise-Ins are held each fourth Friday during warm weather months.

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 present.

May 2022

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Holidays

8th - Mother's Day
21st - Armed Forces Day
30th - Memorial Day



MAY 29

Singing

New Bethel Baptist Church, Highway 64 West, will have a fifth Sunday Community Congregational Singing on Sunday, May 29, at 5 p.m. Food will follow the singing in the fellowship hall.

JUNE 16

Commodity distribution

South Central Human Resources Agency will hold a commodity food distribution Thursday, June 16, from 10 a.m,-noon at Bedford County Agriculture Center, 2119 Midland Road. SCHRA staff will place the food in recipients' vehicles. Call 931-685-9962 with questions.

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.

Peanut Butter Perfection

(Culinary.net)

Fluffy Peanut Butter Pie

Servings: 6-8

20 chocolate cream-filled cookies
1/4 cup butter, melted
1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
1 cup smooth peanut butter
1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk
3 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup whipping cream
chocolate syrup

Remove cream filling from chocolate cookies; set aside. With rolling pin, finely crush chocolate cookies.

In medium bowl, combine finely crushed cookies with melted butter.

Press crumb mixture firmly into bottom and sides of 9-inch pie plate; chill while preparing filling.

In large bowl, beat cream cheese until fluffy.



Add reserved cookie cream filling, peanut butter and sweetened condensed milk; beat until smooth. Stir in lemon juice and vanilla extract.

In medium bowl, beat whipping cream until stiff peaks form. Fold whipped cream into peanut butter mixture. Mix until combined.

Pour into crust. Chill 4 hours, or until set. Drizzle chocolate syrup over pie before serving.

Cover leftovers and store in refrigerator.

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Leak, Roe vs. Wade, laughable standards

Special to T-G
By Charles David Sliger

The recent disclosure that a leak to the public has occurred—one disclosing the upcoming ruling by the Supreme Court on the constitutionality of the Roe vs. Wade abortion case—is only one of several sensational occurrences involving the Court.

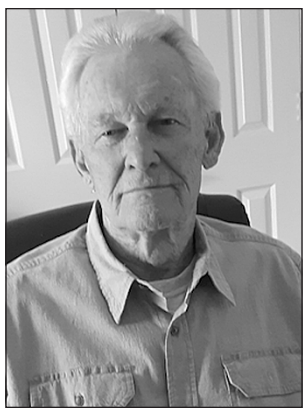
One of the more impacting, in history, was President Lincoln's suspension of the writ of habeas corpus on May 27, 1861, with the military arrest and incarceration in a military prison of John Merryman who was arrested on May 25, 1861, by federal troops and charged with treason.

Lincoln founded his decision on Article 1, section 9, of the U.S. Constitution which specifies that the writ may be suspended . . . "when cases of rebellion or invasion the public safety may require it." This action by Lincoln came about after a series of traitorous behavior and riots by individuals in Maryland during the Civil War.

These acts are past examples of the recent cowardly, criminal, Antifa actions in American cities. Maryland was a slave state with a democrat-controlled government and in general presented a serious threat to the U.S. military via armed rebellion threats and demonstrations.

Of course, the Democrats immediately took umbrage at the suspension of this sacred Constitution article and the chief justice of the SCOTUS, Roger Taney, ruled that Lincoln's action was unconstitutional and that only the Congress of the United States had the power to suspend the writ; which on its own constitutional merits was correct.

However, Lincoln ignored the ruling and left the writ suspension in effect, but after consideration and fearful that Maryland, being a slave state and democrat-governed, could very well secede and join the Southern States in armed rebellion, softened his stance somewhat and remanded Merryman to



Sliger

civil authorities. Merryman never went to trial and in 1867, the charge of treason against him by the U.S. Government was dropped.

Another sensational Supreme Court ruling, rendered by Chief Justice John Marshall, was the famous decision against President Andrew Jackson, ruling his passage of the Indian Removal Act was unconstitutional in that the indigenous American Indians were in fact a sovereignty and not liable to United States' laws.

Jackson in his famous alleged statement (but not exactly historically proven) stated, "John Marshall has made his decision, now let him enforce it." In reality, however, Jackson ignored the ruling and the Cherokee Indians were removed to the western Oklahoma Indian territory via the infamous Trail of Tears and the resultant death of some 4,000 Cherokee Indians.

Of course both Lincoln and Jackson were cognizance of the fact the SCOTUS, as ordained by the Constitution, has absolutely no enforcement powers to enforce the implementation of its decisions. The Framers of the Constitution were very explicit in implying the SCOTUS cannot write federal laws (only the US Congress can write federal laws) but can only interpret the law, determine its constitutionality, and apply it to individual cases.

In conclusion, the recent ongoing, chaotic, fiasco over the leak of the upcoming Roe vs. Wade decision has flamed into a threat to the independent and laughable "unpolitical" standards of the Supreme Court that is raging across America, and probably foreign nations as well. It's causing a furor in Washington and with all the liberal media.

Of course, the misinformation-issuing liberal media never misses a chance to jump on any vessel that can enforce their slavering, unfaltering, praise to the doting and mentally incompetent President Biden. As well, perhaps lessen the impact of his dismal ratings on the fairyland hopes and dreams of the Democrats in the upcoming midterm elections.

However, all rhetoric aside, this leak is unique in its nature and is definitely a breach of policy for all law clerks and other employees of the SCOTUS who are privy to the undisclosed decisions of the Court. If the culprit(s) are found, they should not only be fired immediately, but should be charged with federal violation of the integrity of their position.

In fact, present Chief Justice Roberts has lectured law clerks that leaks "will be punished severely." But I would beg the question, just how, Chief Justice Roberts, will you bring about this punishment if the perpetrator is found?

Can you imagine the turmoil and chaos resulting from public trial or tribunal—especially if brought before the US Congress? Can you imagine the self-flagellation and indignation of the "Squad" and their fellow liberal Democrats posturing and gesturing and in all probability, calling for a national memorial for the criminals and declare them national heroes?

It is a sad state of affairs that our beloved country has devolved into a nation wrought with rioters, criminals, and murders running rampart with absolutely no fear of being brought to justice and now, the absurdity of a decision of the Supreme court being leaked to the public before it is even finalized.

If we don't change the course of our great nation, it could be sadly true that President Lincoln's poignant words to Congress at the onset of the Civil War will come back to haunt us. Lincoln stated: "If we do not join now to save the good ship of the Union this voyage nobody will have a chance to pilot her on another voyage."

So true.

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Blotter

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revoked license; summons issued

•Joshua Sean Griffith, 34, Tullahoma; violation of probation, show cause; held, $3,000 bond

•Joaquin Jack Hinojosa, 44, Dover Street; probation revocation; held, $2,500 bond

•Daniel Humphrey, 33, Staley Road; domestic assault; released, $5,000 bond

•Melissa Annette Jolley, 61, Jolley Road; no driver's license, speeding; summons issued

•William Keith Lynch, 55, Buzzard Roost Road; violation of probation; released, $1,500 bond

•Skylar Layne Moses, 27, Landers Street; violation of probation, driving on suspended license, light law; released, $1,000 bond

•Brenda Lizeth Ortiz Munoz, 37, Belmont Avenue; no driver's license; summons issued

•Deandre Murphy, 29, North Main Street; public intoxication, vandalism over $2,000; held, $5,500 bond

•Cane Mitchell Myers, 26, Cowan, Tennessee; no driver's license, registration violation; summons issued

•Pedro Pablo Sylvester, 26, Bridlewood Drive; no driver's license; summons issued

•Manuela Jose Pascual, 47, Ligon Drive; no driver's license, speeding; summons issued

•James E. Raney Jr., 42, Deer Point Road; contempt of court, DUI (second offense), due care, hands free device; held, $10,000 bond

•Jonathan Aguilar Sandoval, 25, South Cannon Boulevard; possession of schedule VI drug, rules of road violation; held, $5,000 bond

•Julina Lynn Ayers Smoak, 47, Virgil Crowell Road; aggravated domestic assault; released, $5,000 bond

•Lisa Marie Sutton, 26, Peacock Lane; failure to appear (two counts); held, $50,000 bond

•Emily Michelle Swing, 52, Indy Court; assault; released, $500 bond

•Chelsea Renee Young Tanner, 25, Knob Creek Road; failure to appear, possession of schedule II drug with intent to sell; released, $10,000 bond

•William Kenneth Turner, 36, Fairfield Pike; violation of probation; released, $1,000 bond

•Ashley Jamillia Ulmer, 28, Hight Street; driving on suspended license; summons issued

•Troy Allen White, 50, Hickory Hill Road; DUI; held, $3,000 bond

•Christian Isaha Wooten, 19, Troupe Road; leaving scene of personal injury accident, driving on suspended license; held, $6,000 bond

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2022 Shelbyville Water Quality Report

The Shelbyville Water Board of Directors Meet the 4th Tuesday Each Month
Location 308 South Main Street: Time 5:00pm. Please feel free to participate in these meetings.

IS OUR DRINKING WATER SAFE? YES

Our water meets all of EPA Health standards. Test results for 2021 are included in this report

WHAT IS THE SOURCE OF OUR WATER?

Your water, which is surface water, comes from the Duck River. Our goal is to protect our water from contaminants and we are working with the State to determine the vulnerability of our water supply to contamination. The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) has prepared a Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Report for the water supplies serving this system. The SWAP Report assesses the susceptibility of public water supplies to ***potential*** contamination. Water sources have been rated as reasonably susceptible (high), moderately susceptible (moderate) or slightly susceptible (low) based on geologic factors and human activities in the vicinity of the water source. The Shelbyville Water System sources rated as reasonably susceptible to potential contamination.

An explanation of Tennessee's Source Water Assessment Program, the Source Water Assessment summaries, susceptibility scorings and the overall TDEC report to EPA can be viewed online at www.state.tn.us/environment/dws/dwassess.shtml or you may contact the Water System or TDEC at 1-888-891-TDEC to obtain copies of specific assessments.

The State and EPA requires testing and reporting on the quality of our water 24 hours a day while the plant is in operation to ensure its safety. Shelbyville Water System flushes main lines and dead end water mains on a routine schedule to keep water fresh and clean as possible.

WHY ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR WATER?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). For more information about our drinking water call Dennis Rankin at 684-5998 or 684 7171.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm-water runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Do I Need To Take Special Precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.
Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in $10,000.
Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in $10,000,000.
Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanograms/l) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in $10,000,000,000.
Picocuries per Liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.
Million Fibers per Liter (MFL) - million fibers per liter is a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.
Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5.0 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.
Action Level (AL) - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Treatment Technique (TT) - A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
Maximum Contaminant Level - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level - (MRDL) - A level of a disinfectant added for water treatment that may not be exceeded at the customer's tap without an unacceptable possibility of adverse health effects.
Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal - (MRLDG) - A maximum level of a disinfectant added for water treatment and for which no known or anticipated adverse effect on human health would occur, allowing for an adequate margin of safety.

Most of the data presented in this table is from testing done between January and December 2021.

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Coliform (Positive) *	No	0	0	>5%	Naturally present in the environment
Turbidity (NTU, 100%< 0.30)	No	.33	N/A	TT	Soil runoff
Unregulated Contaminants (strontium)	No	65	N/A	N A	Naturally occurring element and is used as strontium carbonate pyrotechnics, in steel production as a catalyst and a lead scavenger.
Barium (ppm)	No	0.0206	2	2	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	No	.76	.7	1.3	Added to prevent tooth decay
Copper (2020) (ppm) Range .0014 to .15	No	90th%= ..0692	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing erosion
Lead (2020) (ppb) Range 0 to .16	No	90th%= ..00826	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing, erosion
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	No	.463	10	10	Agricultural runoff, natural erosion
Sodium (ppm)	No	4.43	n/a	n/a	Naturally present in the environment
Total Organic Carbon **	No	1.60	N/A	TT	Naturally present in the environment
Chlorine*** (ppm)	No	max 3.5 min 1.7	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes
Site # l THM	NO	77	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Site # 2 THM	NO	45	0	80	By product of drinking water chlorination
Site # 3 THM	NO	53	0	80	By product of drinking water chlorination
Site # 4 THM	NO	40	0	80	By product of drinking water chlorination
Site # 1 Haa5,s	NO	62	0	60	By product of drinking water chlorination
Site # 2 Haa5,s	NO	35	0	60	By product of drinking water chlorination
Site # 3 Haa5,s	NO	41	0	60	By product of drinking water chlorination
Site # 4 Haa5,s	NO	36	0	60	By product of drinking water chlorination

The THM and Haa5 locations are Site #1 Kolby Ct, Site # 2 Oriole Circle, Site # 3 Kingwood Dr, Site # 4 130 East Brookfield area.

** The Treatment Technique requirements (25% reduction) for Total Organic Carbon were met in 2021.
Turbidity does not present any risk to your health. We monitor turbidity, which is a measure of the cloudiness of water, because it is a good indicator that our filtration system is functioning properly.

***Public Water Systems using surface water shall continuously chlorinate and maintain a free chlorine residual of 0.2 mg/l in all parts of the distribution system. The residual disinfectant level in the distribution system must be measured at the same time as total coliforms are sampled. Of all 2021distribution disinfectant samples: Average = 3.0 ppm Range = 1.2 to 3.5 ppm

We constantly monitor the water supply for various constituents. We tested for Cryptosporidium in our source water and have not detected any this test period. Total Trihalomethanes THM,s) Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes (THM,s) in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Shelbyville Power Water and Sewer is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking water Hotline [1-800-426-4791] or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead

During the most recent Lead and Copper testing (tests performed in 2020) no sites exceeded the state regulations. Special notice of the availability of Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring results: UCMR sampling has been completed as required. All results were below limits. For further information concerning these monitoring results contact Dennis Rankin @ 931-684-5998.

We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in- a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Volatile Organic Chemical sampling and Analytical requirements have been completed in conjunction with the "Vulnerability Assessment" process. All listed contaminants were found to be below detection limits.

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante. Traduscalo o hable con alguien que io entienda bien.

Please call our office if you have any questions: 931-684-7171 or 931-684-5998

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Hit-and-run driver leaves chaos behind

By DAVID MELSON
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A man who admitted involvement in a multi-vehicle injury wreck Tuesday night on North Main Street was arrested Wednesday, Shelbyville police said.

Christian Isaha Wooten, 19, of Troupe Road is charged with leaving the scene of a personal injury accident and driving on a suspended license. He was being held on $6,000 bond Wednesday.

Wooten told police he'd "bumped" a silver Ford Mustang and left afterwards. Witnesses to th crash told police they'd seen Wooten's red sports car fleeing the scene.

The car, with what Officer Darrian Lanier described as having "damage and paint transfer consistent with being involved" in the accident, had been driven to Wooten's home and parked behind a shed.

The Mustang's driver o iwas charged with third offense driving on a suspended license.

Matthew Kevin Campbell, 20, of Tullahoma posted $2,000 bond.

Additional information on the wreck was unavailable Wednesday. Shelbyville police said the accident report had not yet been filed with state officials.



T-G Photos by David Melson

Two of the vehicles in Tuesday night's crash on North Main Street were severely damaged.



The vehicle initially struck in the crash by a "red sports car" driven by Christian Isaha Wooten, 19, of Troupe Road, who Shelbyville police say fled the scene. This car's driver, Matthew Kevin Campbell of Tullahoma, was charged with third offense driving on a revoked license.

ELECTION MEMBERS WORK



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Election Commission members work the night of the May 3 primary. Administrator of BC Elections Summer Leverette stands in the background.



Darius Young graduates from University of the Cumberlands

WILLIAMSBURG, KY - University of the Cumberlands would like to congratulate Darius Young of Shelbyville, TN, on their graduation from Cumberlands! Darius completed their Bachelor of Science in Exercise and Sport Science.

University of the Cumberlands held commencement ceremonies recently to celebrate its newest graduates. Participants in this year's commencement ceremonies included graduates from 49 states and territories and the countries of Canada, India, Brazil, Spain, New Zealand, and Italy, among others. A total of 2,068 graduates received their degrees from Cumberlands that weekend.

Cumberlands President Larry Cockrum opened the ceremonies offering heartfelt congratulations to the graduates as well as some advice and encouragement.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Send church news to tgnews@t-g.com.

Baptist

Calvary Baptist Church's Sunday service will be held at 10 a.m. with Bro. Tyler Shoemaker presenting the message. Services are livestreamed.

Edgemont Baptist Church's message will be "What About You?" from Joshua 24:15 by Pastor Jimmy West. High school and college graduates will be recognized, Services are livestreamed.

"I Will Make You To Become Fishers Of Men" from Mark 1:16-20 will be the message at **Grace Baptist Church**. Services are livestreamed.

Christian (Disciples of Christ)

"The Story" series will continue at **First Christian Church** with a message about a new leader named Joshua, who has the task of replacing Moses, one of the greatest leaders of all time. Registrations are still being taken for First Christian T-Ball League, where 70 players are involved in the instructional program during June and July.

Church of Christ

The lesson at **Southside Church of Christ** will be "Better Marriages Produce a Better Legacy" from Colossians 3:1-4 in the "Your Family Legacy" series. A study of 2 Peter continues Wednesday. The 10 a.m, Sunday and 6 p.m. Wednesday services are livestreamed at cofc-southside.com.

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church's sermon by Pastor Jim Moran will be from Acts 11:1-18. Services are livestreamed on Facebook.

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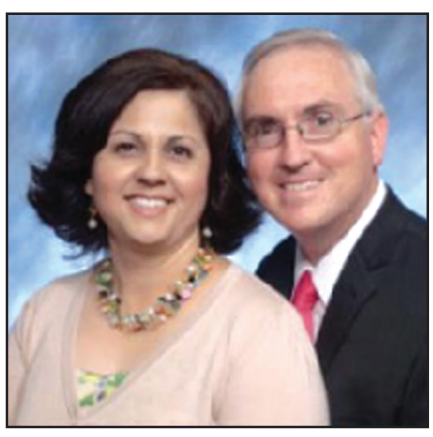

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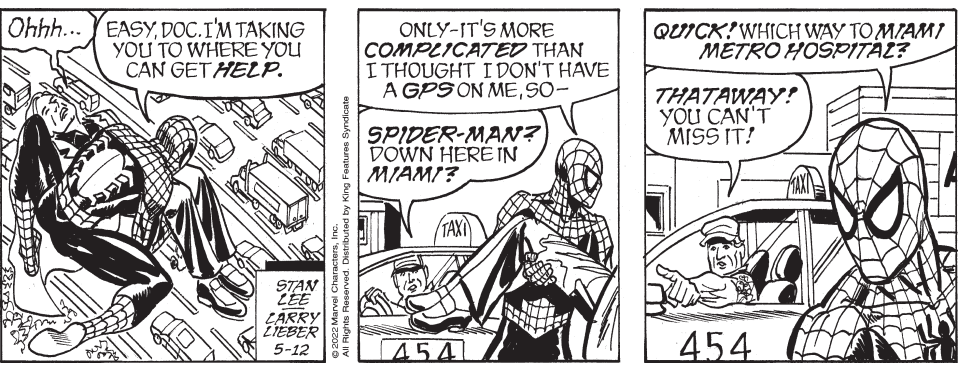





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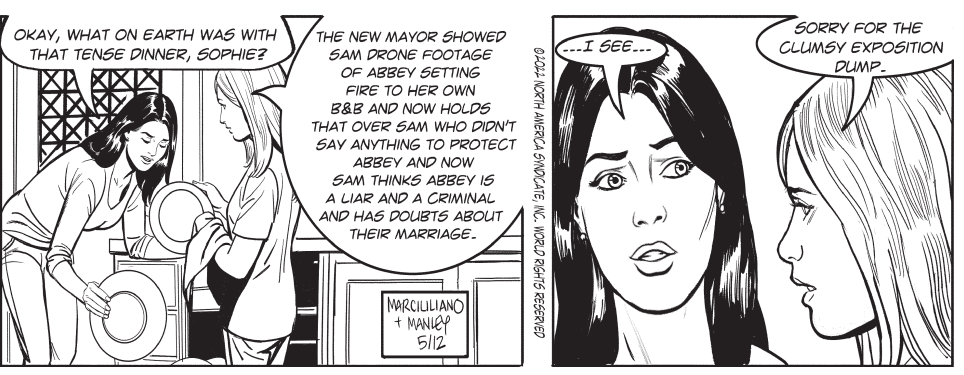

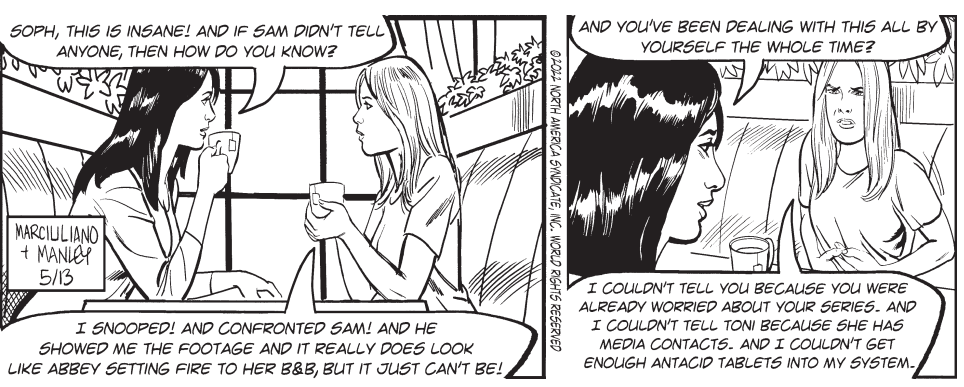

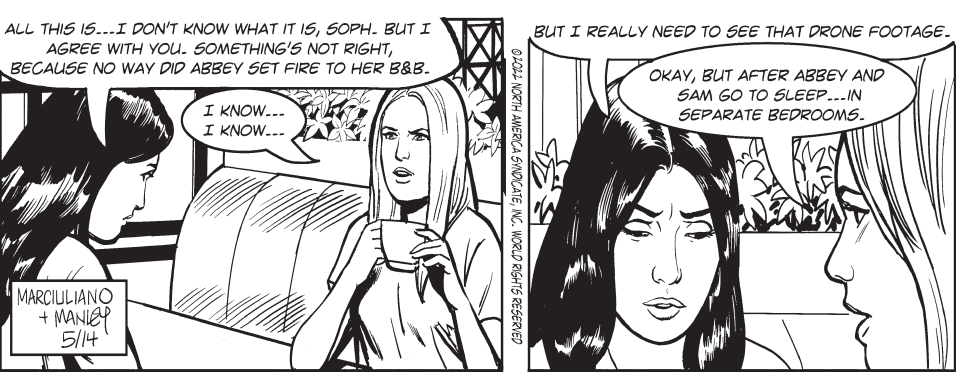

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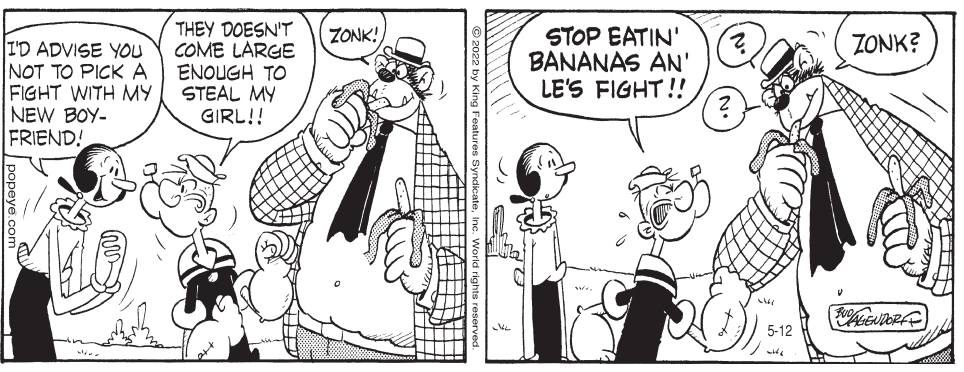

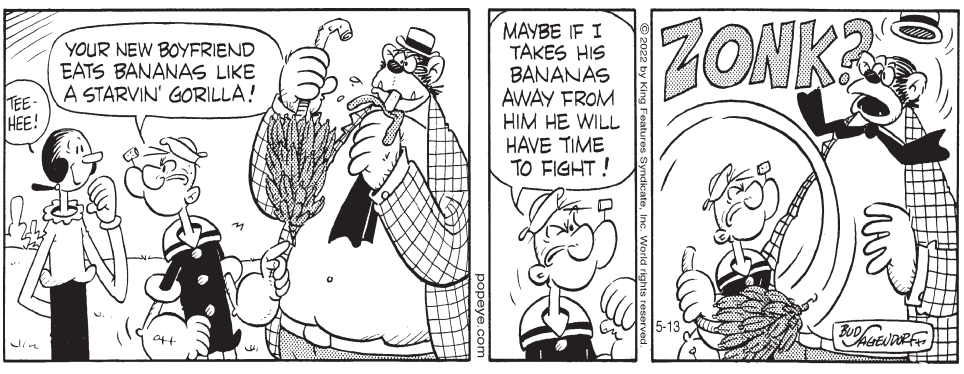

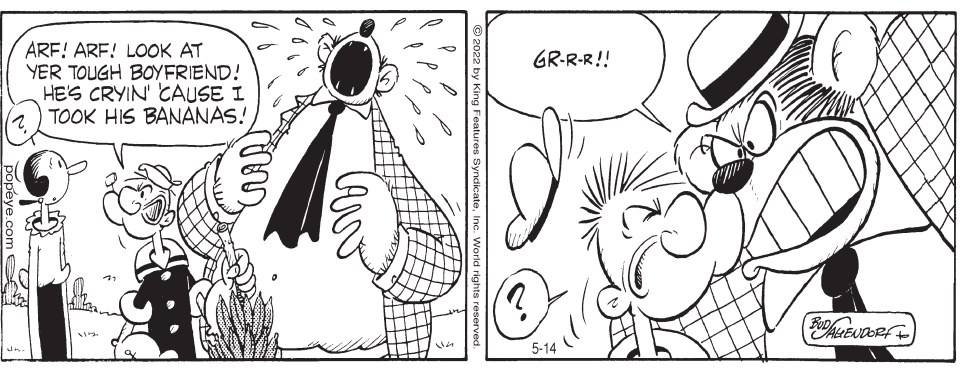

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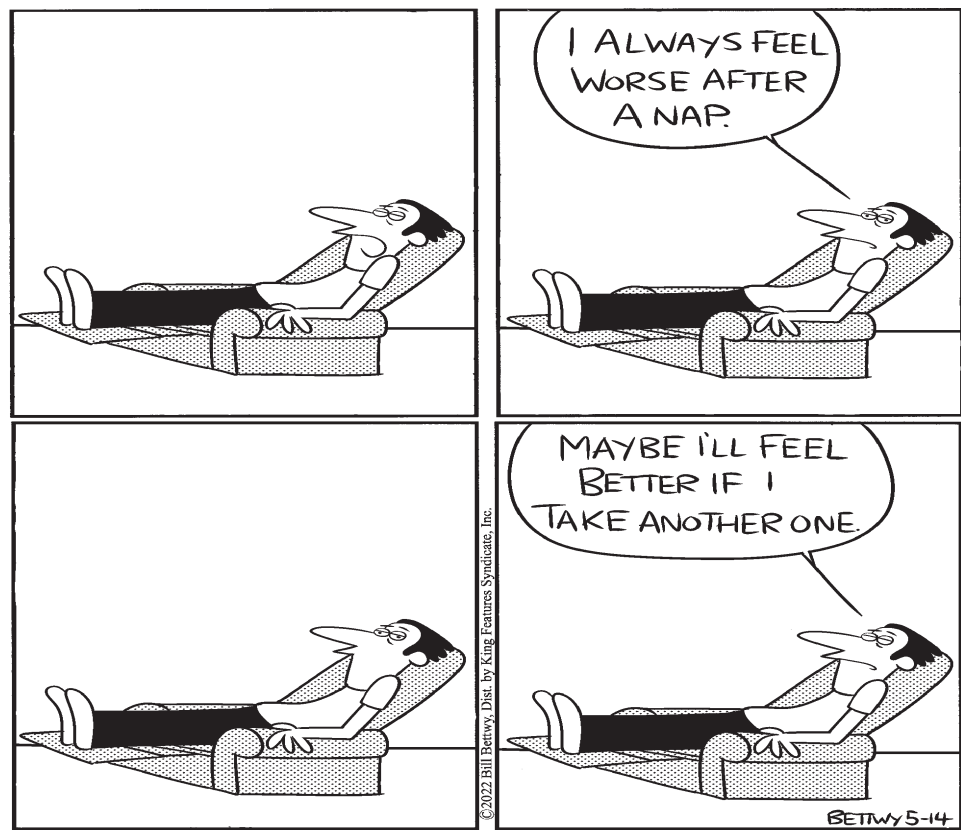

CRYPTO FUN

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to baseball.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 3 = E)

A. **14 8 7 12**

Clue: Advances around the bases

B. **22 11 3 14 22 4 3 12**

Clue: Median statistics

C. **19 22 12 3 12**

Clue: First, second, third ...

D. **12 17 20 14 3**

Clue: Number of runs

Answers: A. runs B. averages C. bases D. score

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

ANSWER:

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

Brad Brown: 'Find your own voice'

By ZOË HAGGARD
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"You must strive to find your own voice because the longer you wait to begin, the less likely you are going to find it at all." ~~J~~ohn Keating (Dead Poets Society, 1989)

It's a good quote to describe Community High School English I teacher Brad Brown.

"It's all about the dynamic you have in the classroom, the culture you create as a teacher," Brown said. "It's all about building confidence."

It wasn't too long ago that Brown was on the other side of the classroom at Community. A native of Unionville, Brown attended Community; he admits he was rather a "goof ball."

But even with his sense of humor, his high school English teacher and current BCS communication director, Carol Garrette, described him as reflective, listening to others' thoughts, and always one to put ideas in their simplest terms.

"Brad would say, 'Isn't it just this?' And it would be that, in a way I hadn't thought about . . . . I always wanted to hear Brad's idea because often it was a departure from any of our other thoughts," Garrette said.

Growing up as a kid, Brown enjoyed reading the "Harry Potter" and "Goosebumps" series. But by high school, he was into the classics. During his senior year, Brown read Catcher in the Rye "and that book blew my mind," he recalled.

Though he enjoyed English, Brown said when he started at Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, he was an undeclared major. It wasn't until he was working his part-time job bagging groceries that he ran into Community High English teacher Amanda Lemmons. She recommended that he come and watch her teach one of her classes.

"I kind of laughed it off and asked 'Why?' She said, 'Because I think you'd be really good at it.' Didn't consider it. Went, watched her, and it just clicked," Brown said.

Now, Mrs. Lemmons' classroom is right across the hallway from Brown's. "If you know her, I don't know if she has a bad day. She might have a bad five minutes but she's just always so happy to be here doing what she's doing. It's just motivating." Which is one of the reasons why she received "Teacher of the Year."

At MTSU, Brown turned his major from undeclared to English and minored in education. After graduating in 2012, Brown worked at the Liberty School, teaching 7th and 8th his first two years, respectively. He moved on to high school shortly after.

"I love working with younger students, but I just wanted to be able to read and talk about things in a certain way."

Students in this generation learn differently. "Today's generation is definitely different . . . . They want to do things their own way and have flexibility and creativity."

He likes to let them discuss and come to a conclusion and get to the point of understanding through self-guidance. "That helps them when they leave my class to kind of be like 'I know how to do this; I know how to think about this.'"

"I think now, more than ever, with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and virtual school, their stamina for reading has declined a little bit. So, the more that you can make it very easy to relate to, it's more encouraging, rather than here's this book, read it," Brown said.

His first year of teaching, that kind of classroom dynamic was not there. Though he was teaching by a textbook definition "it honestly took me until Christmas my first year to be like, I don't even feel like myself. I felt like I was pretending to be the teacher they told me to be in college." That second semester he started having more "real" conversations.

"A lot of the students are very reluctant, and they have no problem telling you, 'I don't read; I don't like books.' And you just have to curb it by finding what they like to read. It can take seemingly endless recommendations, but at least it's a step up."

Third or fourth year, he knew what he wanted his classroom dynamic to be.



Brad Brown, English I teacher at Community High School

In his 10th year

Community High Principal Robert Ralston said Brown "brings his authentic self to the classroom."

Ask anyone to picture their high school English classroom and you conjure up images of desks in rows, a white board, and stacks of paper and leather books. But Brown's classroom mimics a setting more like "The Central Perk" than a traditional classroom.

Students in Brown's classroom sit in groups, either in stools, bean bags, couches, or even the floor.

"It makes it more inviting and a little more comfortable. And they can look in each other in the eye when they're talking," Brown said.

"Plus, I always tripped on the desks when they were in rows," Brown adds with a bit of that humor he has.

The walls are lined with the "rebels" of literature like Hemingway and Vonnegut. "I relate to them as people and not just writers. I'm not a rebel in a bad way, but I like challenging things and doing things your own way."

With his class, he reads books like "To Kill a Mockingbird," and "MacBeth." Then there's "Fahrenheit 451" which he says gets him "fired up about censorship."

"Teaching gives you the ability to impact a kid," said Brown. "I can't have a day where I don't care because that could have been the day where I could've done something that really mattered."

But it's not all letters and language for Brad Brown. To escape the complexities of reading and discussing English, you'll probably find Brown bass fishing and spending time with his wife, Meghan, a teacher at South Side, and his two young kids.

That's life in a nutshell for Brad Brown after 10 years of education. He says he will continue to encourage his students to "find their voice," from whichever bit of literature, or life experience, it should arrive.



Brown's goal is to make books relatable. Breaking characters down is one way of doing just that.




Students discussing "To Kill a Mockingbird, one of Brown's personal favorites.

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• Physical & immunization record

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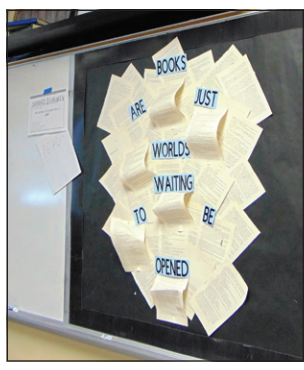
We will continue to accept applications at the Bedford County Board of Education Central Office Building through the 2022-2023 school year. Once all the openings are filled your child's name will go on a waiting list.







"Books are just worlds waiting to be opened."

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Doug Dezotell
Musings and Memories

Rejoice always

Years ago I met a Christian woman who made the claim that depression comes from demonic possession, or from sin in a person's life.

She thought maybe it was a curse, or because God was punishing that person. This dear lady believed that Christians always needed to be happy and 'on-top-of-the-world.'

I lovingly disagreed with my friend, although I told her that I believed on some occasions depression could be due to an ongoing sin, but for most believers depression isn't always a result of those things.

The Apostle Paul wrote these two statements: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice" (Philippians 4:4), and "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

Back when the Apostle wrote these words he was all too aware of the fact that life could be very difficult.

We know from the Book of Acts and even from Paul's own letters that he had faced persecution on numerous occasions. We know he was beaten, stoned, left for dead, imprisoned, and ostracized at times from his fellow Jews and then from the Christian community.

Paul was not under the illusion that life would always be a bed-of-roses, or 'a bowl-full-of-cherries, or easy and trouble-free, and yet he told his fellow believers to 'rejoice always' and 'give thanks in everything.'

Paul was a human with emotions just like you and me, and he faced emotional ups and downs just like us. Just like us!

But, in his letters to the churches I believe the Apostle was challenging his friends to think about the way they should respond to the realities of life, not with naivety but with a conscious choice to focus on the Lord, whatever life throws at them.

The disciple and brother of Jesus, James, wrote in his letter, 1:2-4… "Consider it all joy, my brothers and sisters, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing."

James was an encourager just like Paul. And he had his emotional trials to deal with just like us. But James wanted to encourage his readers in the churches

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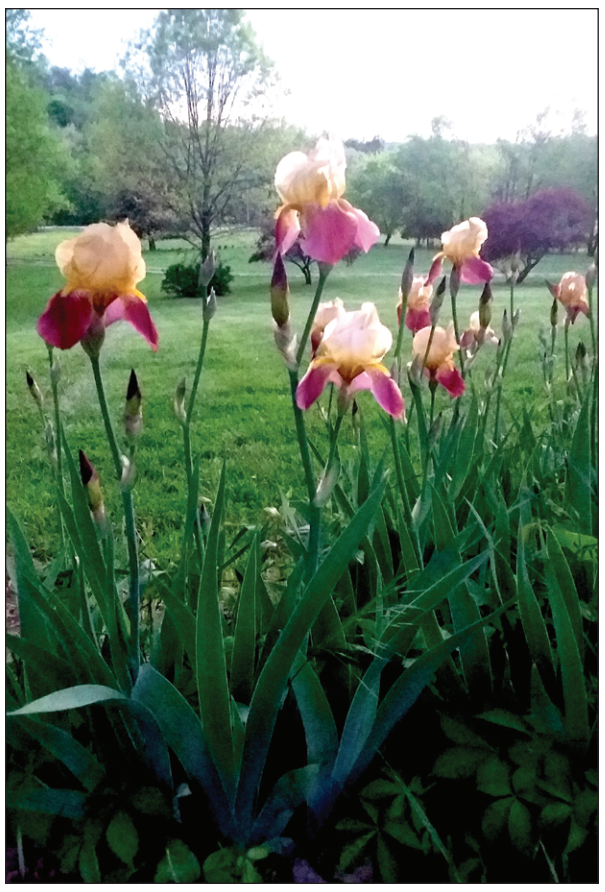
RARE IN BEAUTY



Christy Davis was thrilled to see this black Iris blooming this spring, as they're a more rare color.

IRIS GALORE IN COUNTRY



Jeanne Parker recently snapped this shot of her Iris bed on her Raus farm.

Cut blooms that last the longest

Flowers may look beautiful in gardens and even when snipped and brought inside to brighten up a mantel or dining table. Unfortunately, cut flowers have a finite shelf life.

While cut blooms can't live forever, certain varieties will outlast others. Choosing flowers wisely for wedding centerpieces or keepsakes can help couples enjoy selected flowers longer.

While Iris did not make this list, it is certain there will be a lot of arrangements made with these local beauties this spring. They may just have a shorter shelf life, so they may be best used for outdoor events, like barbecues.

• Peonies: Peonies can last for about a week or two when brought indoors. HGTV says to snip the stems when the buds are tight, wrap them in newspaper and store them in the refrigerator until you're ready to arrange.

• Zinnias: These bright blooms can last for three to four weeks and are best harvested in summer. Related to the sunflower, zinnias are available in a wide range of colors.

• Chrysanthemums: Widely referred to as "mums," these midsummer to late-fall flowers can last between three and four weeks after being cut. Mums can be used to fill out floral displays because they tend to be inexpensive but durable flowers.

• Coneflower: The purple coneflower is popular, but coneflowers are available in many colors aside from purple. Coneflowers attract butterflies and are beautiful in cut displays.

• Ranunculus: Ranunculus mimic the look of roses and display layer after layer of silky, crepe-like petals. These blooms can last a week or more in vases if they're put in water right after being cut.

• Carnations: Another budget-friendly flower, carnations are popular from early spring until late summer. Available in many hues, they can be used in conjunction with other blooms to create well-rounded floral displays that may last between two and three weeks.

• Lilies: Lilies are traditional flowers that are beautiful to behold. Lilies are available in various sizes and colors and can be bought fresh year-round. Lilies often last longer than a week after being cut. Look for lilies with tight buds, as such flowers tend to last the longest.



Likely the most common color of the Iris is purple. But many will display their own particular design.

• Gladioli: The lovely flowers of the vertical-growing gladiolus, which is sometimes referred to as the "sword lily," are available in yellow, peach, pink, white, and other hues. These bulb-based plants can last up to two weeks after being cut and add variety and texture to floral displays.

Although advice varies on how to keep cut flowers fresh the longest, veteran florist Nic Faitos, senior partner at Starbright Floral Design in New York, who has provided his floral expertise for Reader's Digest, says the best approach is to keep vase water clean.

In addition, ProFlowers suggests keeping cut blooms in a cool room away from direct sunlight and heat.



Community Development Center on Eaglette Way has a colorful display of iris.



T-G Photos by Dawn Hankins

This bed of lovely irises, resting next to an American Flag, can be found next door to the DAV Building on Highway 130 East.



Mark McGee
My Take

Crawfish Boil

In my four years as executive director of United Way of Bedford County I am constantly amazed how many people don't know we exist or what we do.

Through our support of local non-profits, we help people literally from the cradle to the grave. But we can't help these non-profits if we don't have funds to give them.

One of our two major fundraisers is our Mardi Gras in May event. It is scheduled May 20 from 5-7:30 p.m. at the Blue Ribbon Circle at the Celebration Grounds.

Boiled fresh crawfish and a shrimp boil with all of the trimmings are the featured food and it is all you can eat. Ashley and Andrew House, owners of Glass Hollow Table & Tavern, will be providing Cajun alfredo. Tyson will donate chicken breasts for those who have shellfish allergies.

Cherokee Distributing is supplying beer and Vanderbilt Bedford is donating water. Tea and wine will also be available. Takeout will be available.

Tickets are $25 for adults and $10 for children. Both a silent and live auction are planned as well.

After covering our expenses the money we raise will be allocated to Bedford Builds Habitat for Humanity, Family Counseling Center, two programs at the Community Development Center, Shelbyville-Bedford County Humane Association, CASA Works, Boys and Girls Clubs, Caregiver Relief Program, Hospice of the Highland Rim, Tennessee Poison Control, Bedford County 4-H, Shelbyville-Bedford County Senior Citizens Center, First Choice Pregnancy Counseling Center and the Imagination Library.

The more money we raise from this event, the more assistance we will be able to provide for these non-profits.

In addition, United Way of Bedford County is part of the 2-1-1 program, a national United Way offering which provides free assistance beyond what we can do locally. Requests from Bedford County are numerous. As a result, we are billed a four-figure fee for this 24/7 service.

We also provide the funding for the "Backpack" program which provides food on weekends for Bedford County students who might go hungry.

Like many non-profits United Way of Bedford County is struggling finan-

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Historic invitations and jail records

County archivist talks to DAR

By ZOË HAGGARD
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A little lesson in local history was given by Bedford County Archivist Carol Roberts at April's Daughters of the American Revolution meeting.

Bedford resident Betty Stacy brought in an 1825 invitation to General Marquis de Lafayette's Ball in Nashville. She said her son found the crumbling piece of paper in a home nearby he was remodeling around 12 years ago; she could not remember which house.

"In Mrs. Stacy's example, I got to do a real fun project," said Roberts, stating this is the kind of projects she worked on while serving as a state conservator for 33 years. Working with a lot of manuscripts that people brought in, she would have to identify a document's authenticity as well as its monetary and historical worth.

This particular ball, for the history of Tennessee, was "the event of the century," according to Roberts. All of Nashville society got to go, so these invitations pop up often.

"The neat thing about that ball was that it was in honor of Marquis de Lafayette's visit as he wanted to come back after the American Revolutionary War and see what changes had been made in that time when he came back as a tourist so to speak," Roberts explained.

Lafayette was a French aristocrat who fought in with the Continental Army against the British during the American Revolution. Later, he was as a leading advocate for constitutional monarchy and became a powerful influence in France during the French Revolution.

"You can [see] how much we respect him . . . many different things are named after him."

Andrew and Rachel Jackson hosted him at the Hermitage, but the highlight was this ball.

"The fascinating thing about this document is that it has been folded...and the name of the address is on the back." The name is Mrs. Pillow, which may possibly be a connection to Gideon Pillow's family in Columbia.

Another interesting thing about the document is there is a heading from 1828 on the backside, showing the owner may have "recycled" the paper to use as a letter.

"Historic documents like these have a wonderful story in themselves, just like the Courthouse itself has wonderful stories and just like all the different pieces of the puzzle that make the County's history," Roberts said.

Plenty of counties across Tennessee threw records away. Roberts said Bedford is not one of those counties ~~th~~ankfully ~~bu~~t the difficult part is locating those records, which are tucked and stored away everywhere –like the old high school gym, basements and attics, and the old 1870 rock jail in the center of Shelbyville.

"Today, my new job here as County archivist is to help the county get the records together, number one, and two, preserve the permanent records that are a responsibility by law (hospital and jail records)," said Roberts.

She added, "And I'm still pulling treasure out of the courthouse attic." She said the renovations of the courthouse have been going well ~~th~~at nothing yet has been lost ~~w~~hile making the 1930s courthouse authentic and accessible.

Roberts said she has helped other DAR chapters with cemetery markers such as one at Mount Moriah for a man named Moses Yale. GIS mapping with John Carney will be most beneficial, she said.

"I'm really looking forward to that because there are a lot of cemeteries today that are not well identified on any maps and I hope we can continue to do that more and more," said Roberts.

Outside of family research, many veterans also need records for forms and applications. Roberts retold a story of how she helped a 95-year-old World War II veteran locate his marriage license so he could finally apply for his service pensions.

Roberts recalls him saying jokingly, "Who knew? We didn't think we'd live this long!"

"So, it's that kind of help we're giving in addition to genealogy and that's what I try to remind people: that we try to be full service," Roberts said.



County Archivist Carol Roberts gave a local history lesson at April's Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) meeting.



Betty Stacy's 1825 invitation to General Marquis de Lafayette's Ball in Nashville

Oh snap, another observance

"Dance Like a Chicken Day"

By DAWN HANKINS
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I've heard of a lot of national observances, but I ran across one the other day I just had to share. Apparently, today, May 14, is "National Dance Like a Chicken Day." Who thought of it?

Those sharing in the day note that "National Dance Like A Chicken Day" is all about reliving fond memories of busting out the iconic "Chicken Dance." Whether it was in elementary school or at an event last week, everyone has probably done the "Chicken Dance." If you're not familiar, you can find it in its glory on You Tube. Over the years, peeps have added finger snaps, knee bends and wing flaps to the dance.

I also remember that the Chicken Polka, as it is commonly known, was a hit in the movie years ago, "Grumpy Old Men."

Believe it or not, there's a history attached to this song. While the accompanying oompah song we now know as 'The Chicken Dance Song' originated in Switzerland in the 1950s, it wasn't until the 1970s that Americans caught on and the song took off on the charts. Gotta love that polka.

Oh and who could forget adorable little Elmo from Sesame Street dancing to that song, dressed in a bright yellow chicken suit?

No matter your history or memories related to that song, the point is, it is a happy song. And couldn't we all use a little "happy" these days of stress and inflation!

So have a party (see some suggested recipes below) and flap your "wings" with your kids and or grandkids on "National Dance Like a Chicken Day." (The grandkids won't laugh as hard.)

Believe it or not, this little song will be the glad in your day!

Smoked Chicken Wings With Blue Cheese Dip

Serves 4

Blue Cheese Dip
2 C. blue cheese crumbles, divided
1 C. mayonnaise
1/2 C. buttermilk
2 tsp. hot sauce
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
1/2 tsp. kosher salt
1/4 C. finely chopped scallions
1/4 C. finely chopped celery

Marinade
1/2 C. vegetable oil
1/2 C. hot sauce
4 Tbsp. Virgil's Dry Rub (see below)
4 Tbsp. granulated garlic
4 Tbsp. granulated onion
Juice of 1/2 lemon

Wings
8 large chicken wings
1/2 C. Virgil's Dry Rub (see below)

Sauce
10 Tbsp. unsalted butter
1 tsp. cornstarch
4 Tbsp. white vinegar
3/4 C. hot sauce
1/4 tsp. cayenne pepper

To make the dip, combine 1 cup of the blue cheese, mayonnaise, buttermilk, hot sauce, Worcestershire sauce, and salt in the bowl of a food processor and blend on low until smooth. Remove to a medium mixing bowl and fold in the rest of the blue cheese, scallions and celery, being sure to break up the larger blue cheese crumbles. Place in a covered container and refrigerate overnight.



Mix all the marinade ingredients in a large mixing bowl. Place the wings in a large container with a lid and pour the mixture over the wings. Toss until the wings are thoroughly coated. Cover and refrigerate for 2 days.

Preheat the grill or smoker to 245 degrees. Spread out the wings on a sheet pan and wipe away any excess marinade. Sprinkle liberally with the dry rub, coating the wings all over. Position the wings on the grill away from the direct heat of the coals or burners, and add hickory to the smoker or hickory chips on the coals or gas burners. Cook the wings for about 3 hours, flipping every 30 minutes (their internal temperature should be about 165 degrees when cooked. While the wings are cooking, cut the butter for the sauce into 1-inch cubes and refrigerate. Whisk the cornstarch into the white vinegar, in a small bowl. In a medium sauté pan over medium heat, bring the hot sauce to a simmer and whisk in the thickened vinegar. Return to a simmer, cook for 1 minute, and remove from the heat. Add the cayenne and slowly whisk in the cold butter. Keep warm until serving. Remove the wings from the smoker or grill and put half of them into a bowl, cover with the sauce, and toss. Repeat with the remaining wings and serve on a platter, with the blue cheese dip on the side.

Virgil's Dry Rub

Makes 5 to 51/2 cups
2 1/2 C. sweet paprika
1 C. granulated sugar
1/2 C. Texas-style chili powder
1/2 C. minced onion
1/2 C. granulated garlic
1/4 C. dried parsley flakes
6 Tbsp. kosher salt

Combine all of the ingredients in a medium bowl and whisk together until completely incorporated. Transfer to a covered bowl with a tight-fitting lid. Store in a cool, dry place.

Philly Cheesesteak Dumplings

Makes about 45

50 thin square eggless wonton wrappers (around 4 inches in size)
Vegetable oil, for frying
5 oz. shiitake mushrooms, stems removed and finely chopped
1 Tbsp. roasted sesame oil
1 lb., 2 oz. cooked, shredded beef short ribs
11 oz. cabbage kimchi, drained and finely chopped
31/2 oz. spring onions, finely chopped
3 oz. pickled jalapeños, finely chopped
1 lb., 2 ounces mature cheddar cheese, grated
Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
To serve:
Silgochu (dried chilli threads)
1 spring onion, julienned and soaked in ice water until curled, then drained
Sriracha

Filling—first sauté the mushrooms in the sesame oil in a large nonstick frying pan over medium-low heat until just softened. Remove from the heat and set aside. In a large bowl, combine the rest of the filling ingredients with the mushrooms. Mix together using your hands, really breaking up the short rib meat to make a uniform texture.

Dumplings—line a couple of baking sheets with parchment and set aside. Fill a small bowl with water. Unwrap the wonton wrappers and cover lightly with a piece of clingfilm to keep them moist. Lay a wrapper on a clean work surface and put 1 ounce of the meat filling in the center. Dip a forefinger into the water and run it along the edges of the wrapper to moisten the surface. Now bring the open edges to the center, and pinch where the edges meet each other, creating four seams in a cross shape. Set aside and cover with clingfilm or a damp tea towel while you shape the rest. Repeat with the remaining wrappers and filling, making sure the dumplings are not touching on the baking sheets.

To a medium saucepan, add the vegetable oil and heat to 340 degrees. Working in batches, place the dumplings on their sides in the pan in a single layer without crowding. Cook for 3 to 4 minutes until golden brown. Transfer the fried dumplings to a wire rack or kitchen paper-lined plate to drain. Repeat with the remaining dumplings. If you don't plan on cooking them straight away, you can freeze them on the baking sheets, then bag them up and store in the freezer.

Shelbyville's new dog park opens

One area of Shelbyville's H.V. Griffin Park is going to the dogs — and no one's complaining.

The city's first designated dog park opened Wednesday. Approximately two rolling, fenced acres adjoining the tennis courts await dogs and their owners. Parks Director Mike Alsup said he hopes dog parks will be constructed in other areas as Shelbyville grows.



One dog was fascinated with the photographer's camera.



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Shelbyville City Councilman Ricky Overcast cuts the ribbon as Parks and Recreation Department employees and board members look on.



Michelle Hastings, with Millie, and Lori Leth, with Sugar, attended Wednesday's ribbon-cutting of the new dog park at H.V. Griffin Park.



David and Leslie Latterman of Pulaski brought their dogs. They said they come to Shelbyville because of the city's superior recreation facilities.



Two gates ensure dogs stay within the fenced area. Parks Director Mike Alsup says an effort was made to make sure the gates were too tall for large dogs to jump.



More than 2 acres are available for dogs to run and play.



A water fountain keeps dogs refreshed.



Skyler Avila's dog Rocky makes new friends.

Doug

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of his day; and we can find encouragement today with his words.

Depression is not a new thing—it's been around almost since day one!

Getting over depression isn't about "having more faith," or "looking on the bright side," or "just getting over it." God will help us deal with it if we will only turn to Him in prayer.

Being a Christian doesn't automatically make us immune from depression; as I said we are emotional creatures, and we all have those highs and lows, and ups and downs. Some peoples' are more frequent and more severe than others.

Depression doesn't mean that a person is spiritually lacking or that they're immature in their Christian faith.

Some of the strongest, most faithful believers have suffered with depression—and God still loved them. And He still loves us too!

Take King David for example. There are numerous times when David's experiences with depression came across in his psalms.

Maybe Paul and James learned from David's psalms how to deal with their 'emotional roller coaster rides.'

In Psalm 61 David wrote (vv. 1-4), "Hear my cry, O God; attend to my prayer. From the end of the earth I will cry to You; when my heart is overwhelmed lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For You have been a shelter for me, a strong tower from the enemy. I will abide in Your tabernacle forever; I will trust in the shelter of Your wings."

In Psalm 25:15-21 David wrote, "My eyes are ever toward the Lord, for He shall pluck my feet out of the net. Turn Yourself to me, and have mercy on me, for I am desolate and afflicted. The troubles of my heart have enlarged; bring me out of my distresses! Look on my affliction and my pain, and forgive all my sins. Consider my enemies, for they are many; and they hate me with cruel hatred. Keep my soul, and deliver me; let me not be ashamed, for I put my trust in You. Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for You."

In Psalm 6:2-7, we read words that sound like something that you and I might pray when experiencing deep depression. David's words seem to be filled with frustration and even anger: "Show me grace, Eternal God. I am completely undone. Bring me back together, Eternal One. Mend my shattered bones. My soul is drowning in darkness. How long can You, the Eternal, let things go on like this? Come back, Eternal One, and lead me to Your saving light. Rescue me because I know You are truly compassionate. I'm alive for a reason—I can't worship You if I'm dead. If I'm six feet under, how can I thank You? I'm exhausted. I cannot even speak, my voice fading as sighs. Every day ends in the same place – lying in bed, covered in tears, my pillow wet with sorrow. My eyes burn, devoured with grief; they grow weak as I constantly watch for my enemies."

One of my personal heroes, Mother Teresa, suffered with bouts of depression. This loving and compassionate nun is usually thought of as an iconic image of supreme Christian service.

Most people who know of Mother Teresa's ministry see her as faithful in her service and unwavering in her devotion to God.

But there was also a side of Mother Teresa that not everyone knew. She suffered with depression and struggled at times to find God, especially during periods of dark despair, but her soul hungered for Him even when she didn't sense His presence.

In her book "Come Be My Light," she wrote: "I want to smile even at Jesus and so hide if possible the pain and the darkness of my soul even from Him." And later she wrote: "With regard to the feeling of loneliness, of abandonment, of not being wanted, of darkness of the soul, it is a state well known by spiritual writers and directors of conscience. This is willed by God in order to attach us to Him alone, an antidote to our external activities, and also, like temptation, a way of keeping us humble in the midst of applauses, publicity, praises, appreciation, etc. and success."

In the "Aquila Report," Allan Adams wrote this about the protestant reformer, Martin Luther: "Luther himself endured many instances of depression. He described the experience in varied terms: melancholy, heaviness, depression, dejection of spirit; downcast, sad, downhearted. He suffered in this area for much of his life and often revealed these struggles in his works. Evidently he did not think it a shameful problem to be hidden."

In 1523, Martin Luther wrote his hymn "From Depths of Woe." Its first stanza is: "From depths of woe I cry to Thee, In trial and tribulation; Bend down Thy gracious ear to me, Lord, hear my supplication. If Thou rememb'rest ev'ry sin, Who then could Heaven ever win Or stand before Thy presence?"

For those Christians who suffer with depression or other forms of mental illness, your journey and experiences are going to be different from each other, but we are all bonded together in a unified Christian experience. You aren't alone in your suffering.

A caring Christian once wrote: "The similarities of our anguish, the deep depths of our depressions, the struggles of our condition, the unanswered, perplexing questions and even at times, silence from God show us by their similarity that God has found a way to stretch us and shape us, even sometime agonizingly, but purposefully into something more than we were before."

Ever since 1949 the Month of May has been recognized as "Mental Health Awareness Month." Millions of Americans suffer with various forms of mental illness, and it more common than you might realize. It has also impacted my own family over the years.

Christian people are not exempt from mental illness, but we do have a Comforter. A Healer. His Name is Jesus. He is called Wonderful, Counselor, Prince of Peace. Turn to Him today.

IF YOU ARE IN CRISIS: Text "MHA" to 741741 or call 1-800-273-TALK (8255) to reach a trained crisis counselor 24/7, 365 days a year.

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Mark

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cially due to the economy, Covid issues and alterations in the local work force.

All the money we raise stays in Bedford County. You may not need the services of all the non-profits we help. But I am sure sometime in your life one of these groups can be of assistance to you.

This event will be my last as executive director for United Way of Bedford County. For a variety of reasons ranging from health to wanting to pursue some other projects it is time for me to step aside.

I invite each of you to be a part of this special event. Those who have attended the Mardi Gras event in the past have enjoyed the cooking of Tyler Gill, the fun of the auctions and the fellowship.

Tickets are available from First Community Bank, members of the United Way of Bedford County Board of Directors, Eventbrite, the UWBC website or at the door the night of the event. Our board of members look forward to welcoming you.

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

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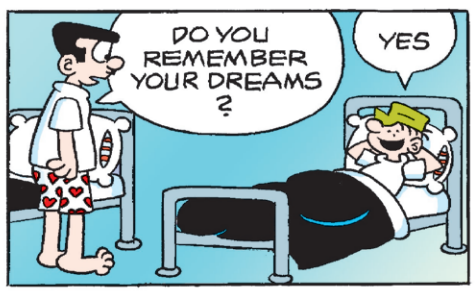

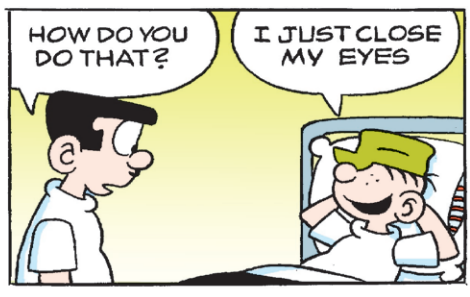





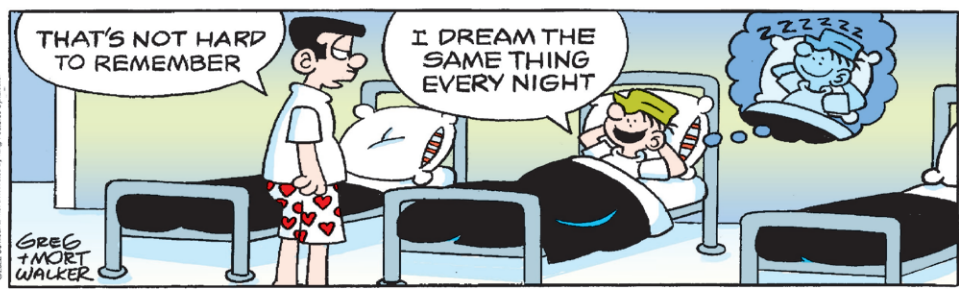

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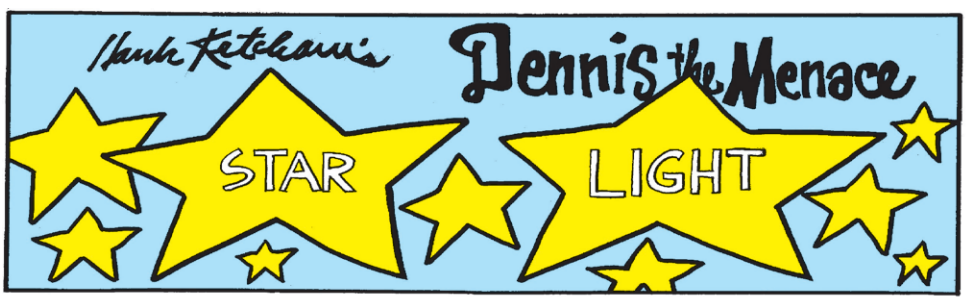









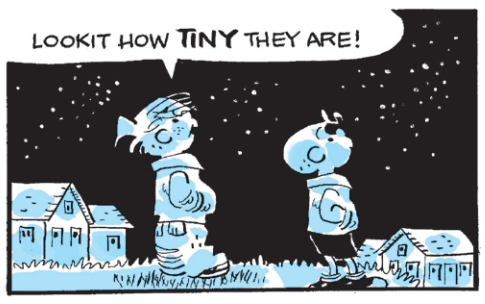



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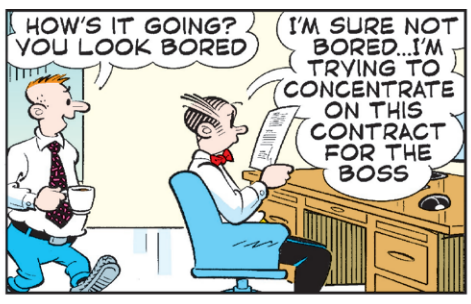

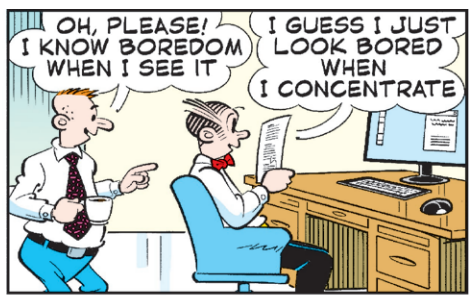

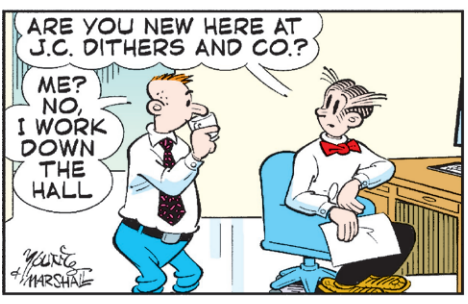

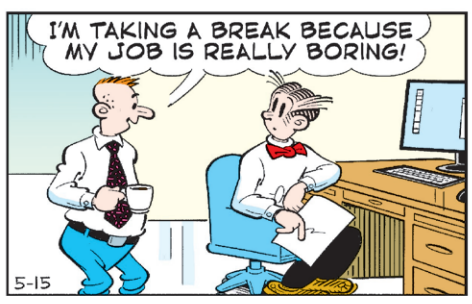



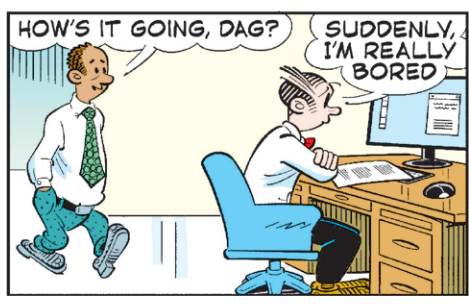

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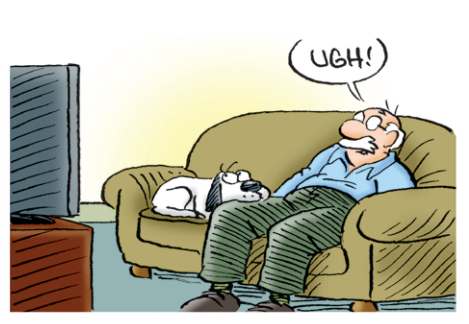









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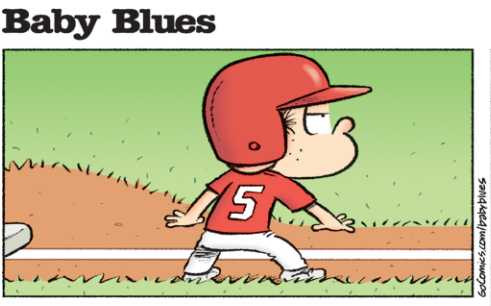

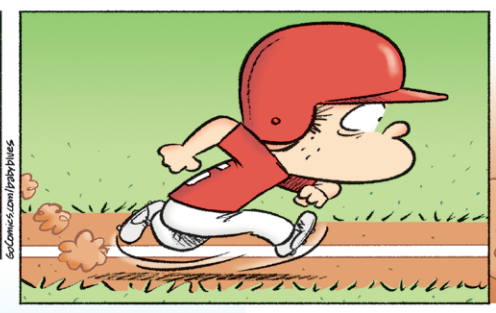





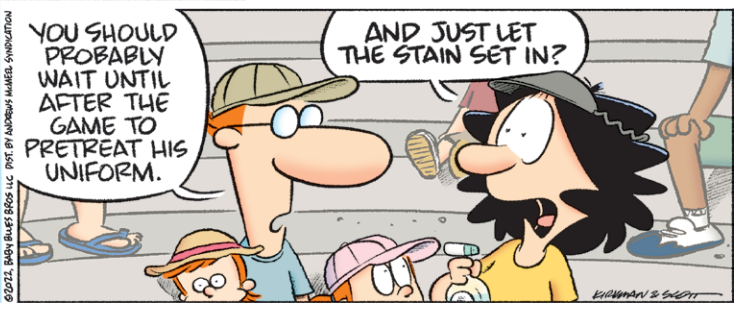

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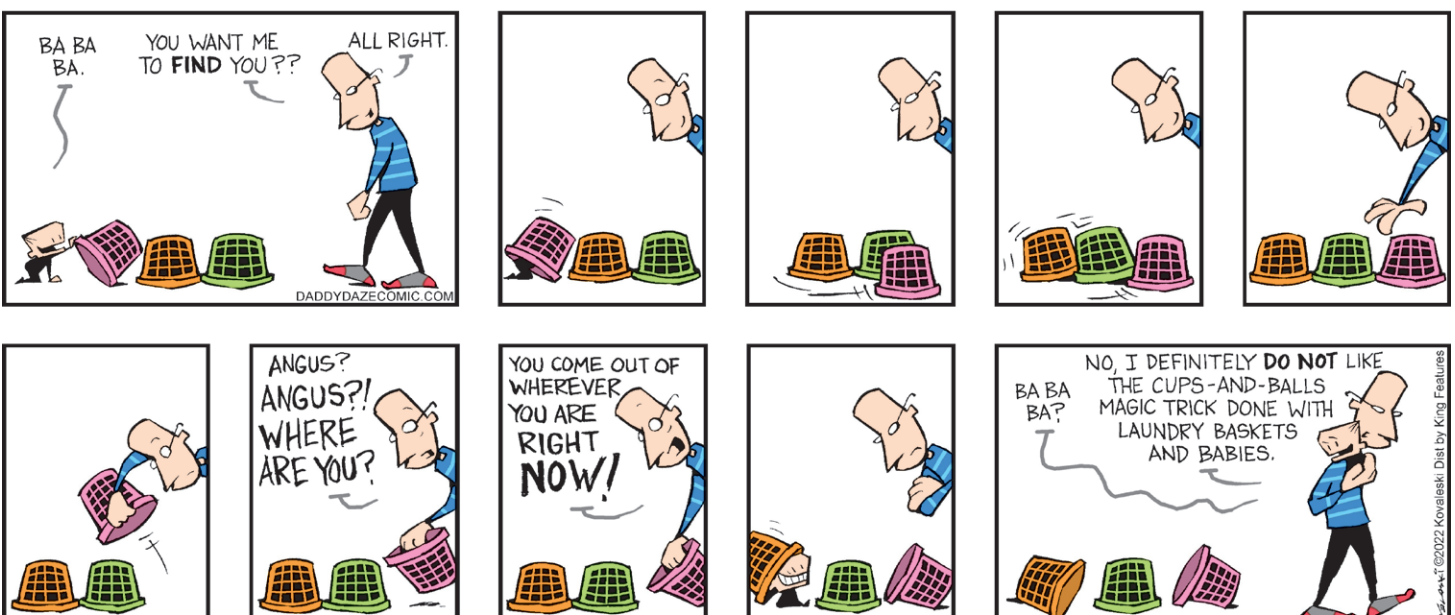

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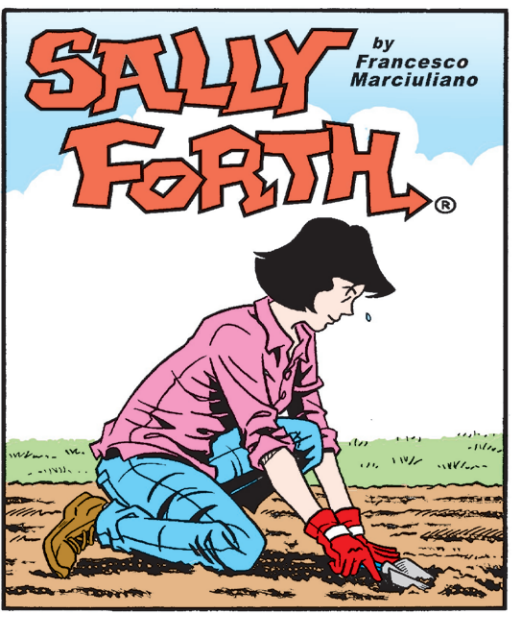

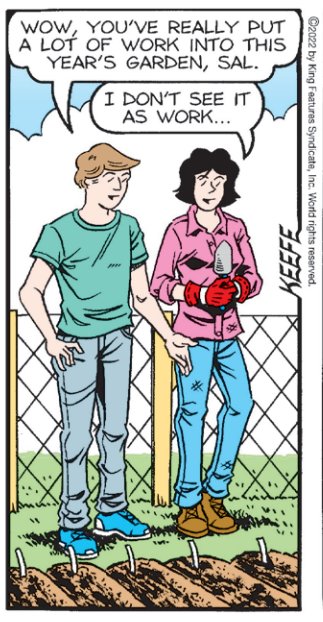

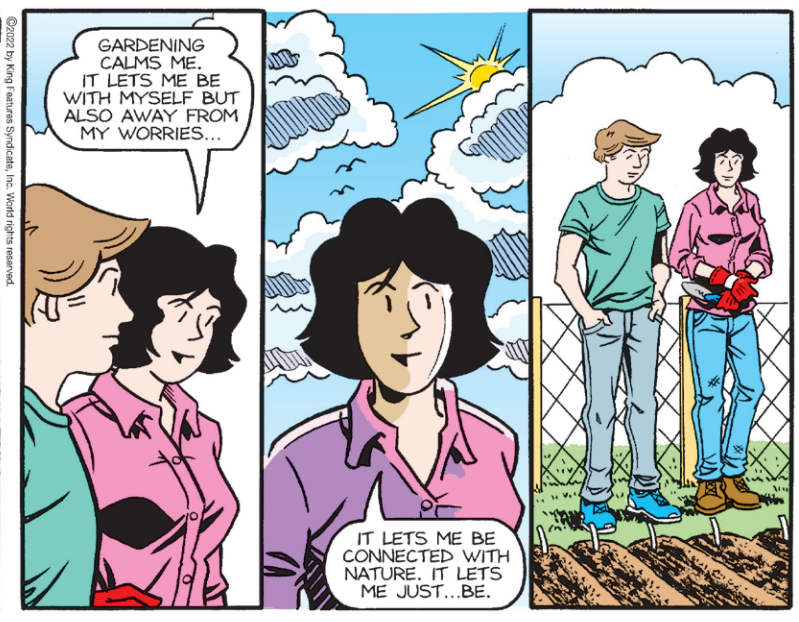

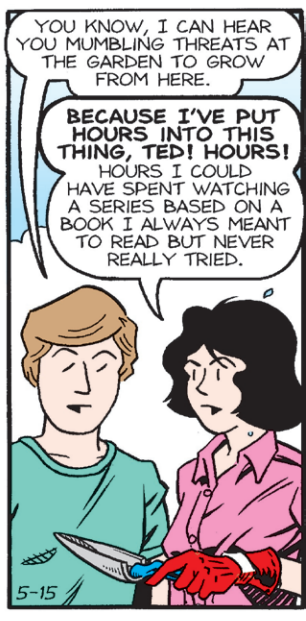

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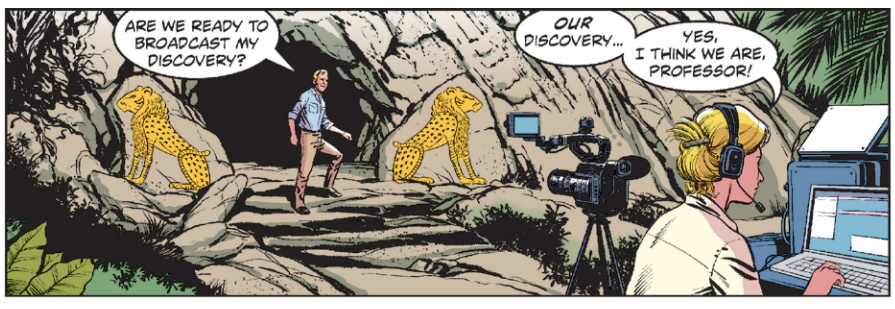

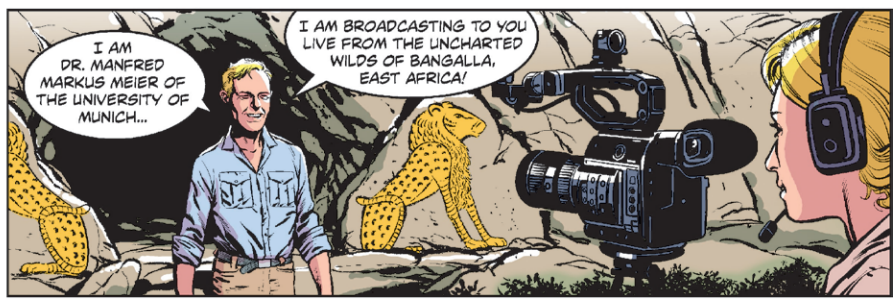

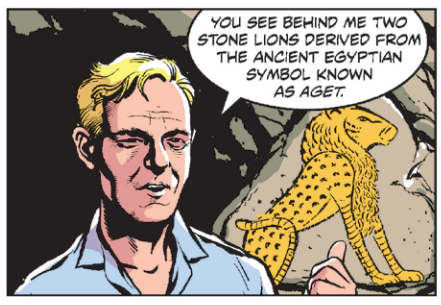

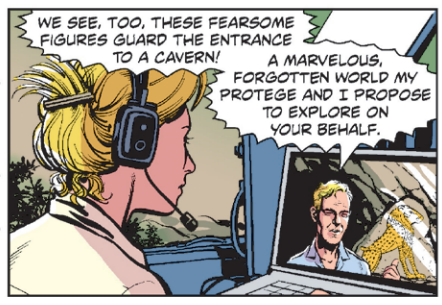

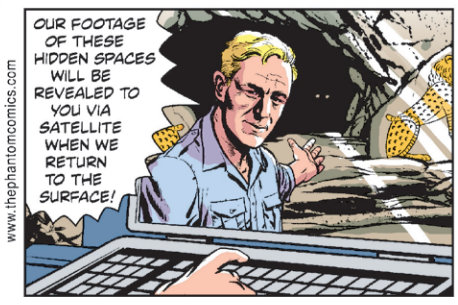

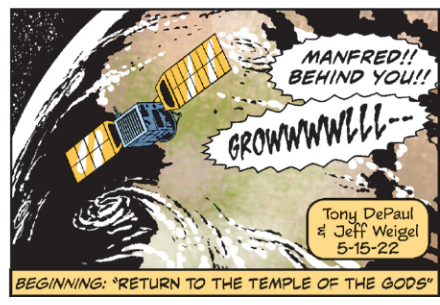

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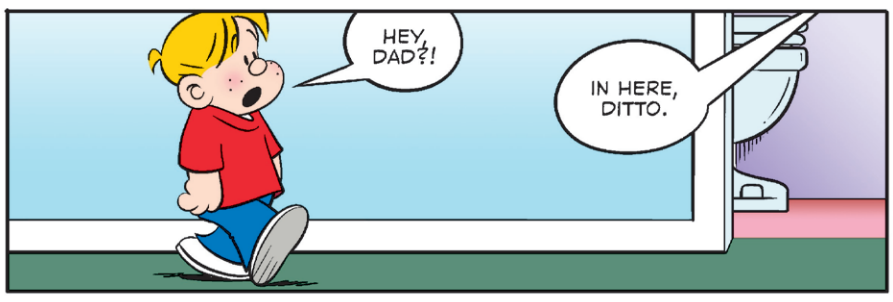



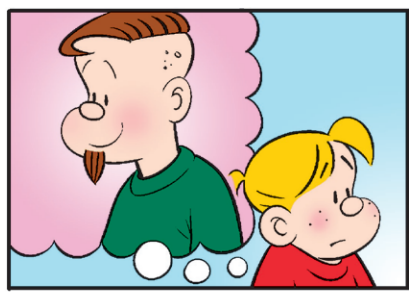

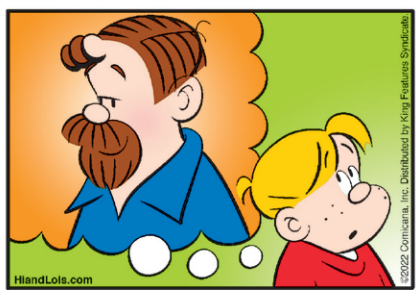

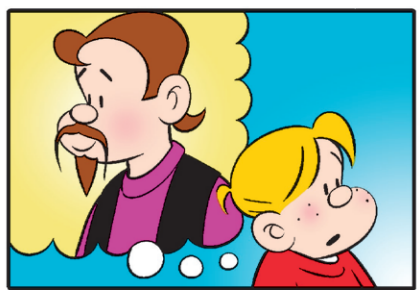



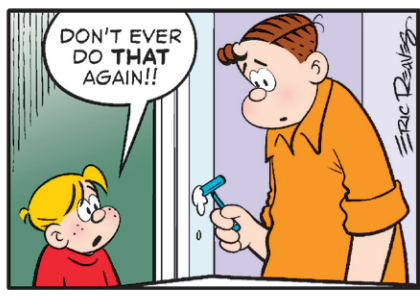

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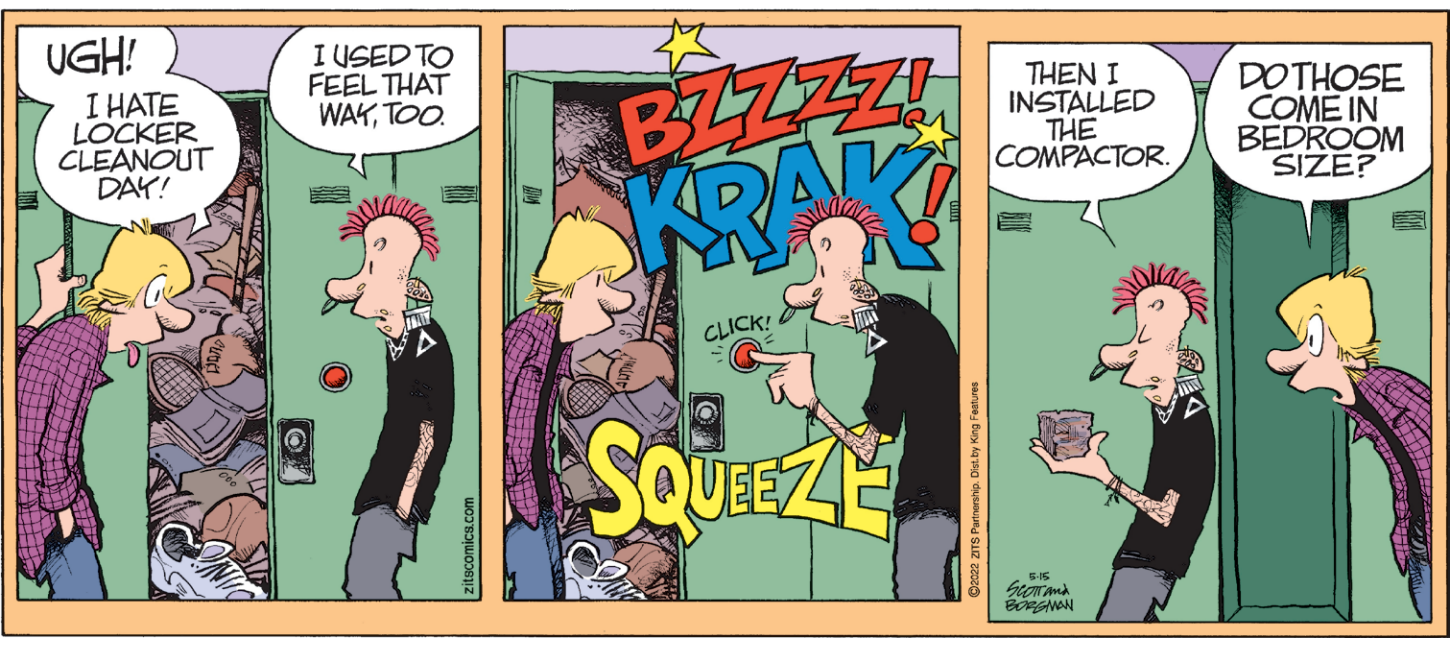

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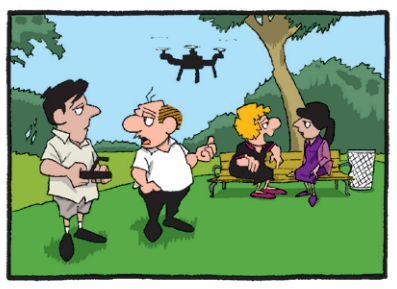



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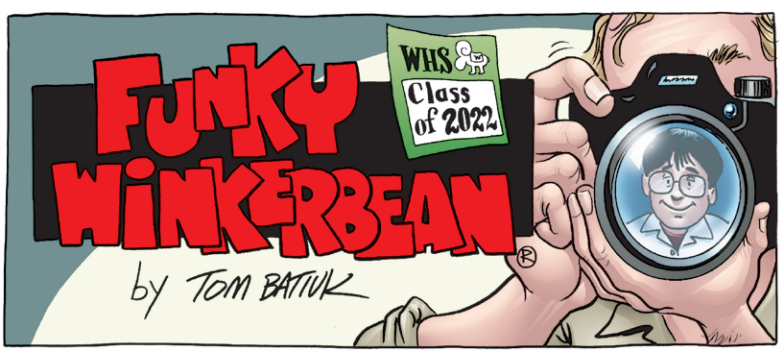

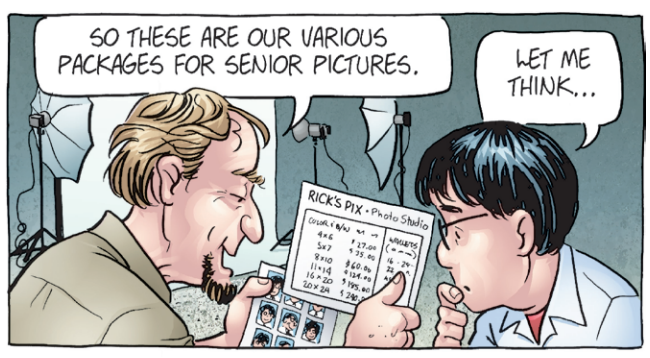

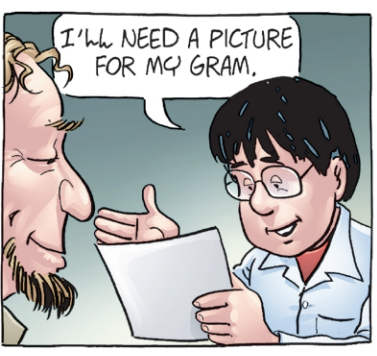

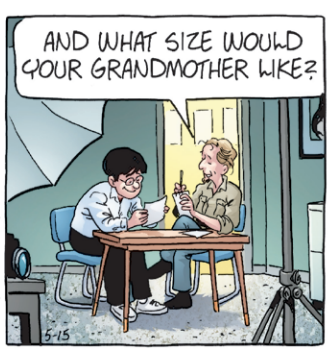

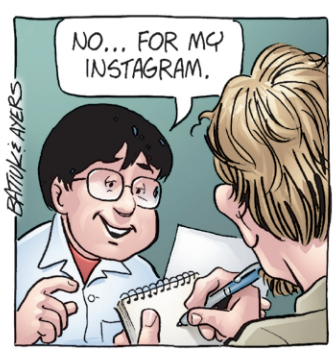



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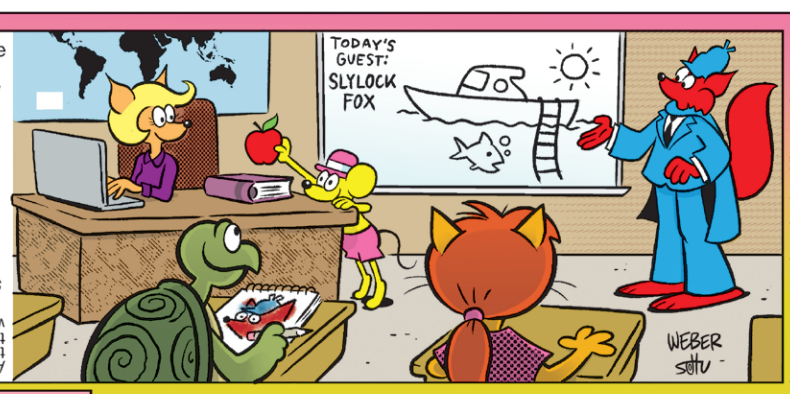

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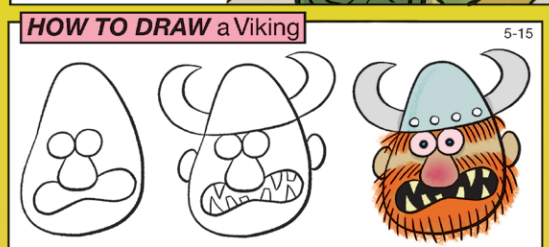

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b) Beaver
c) Sea otter
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Answer -- c)

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Answer -- Tooth, doorknob, cheese, eyes, steering wheel and license plate.

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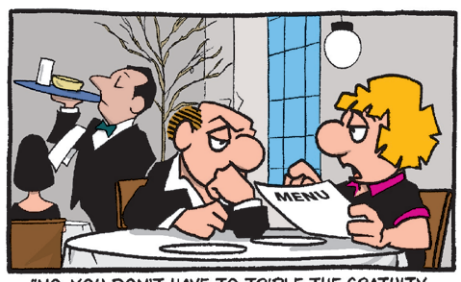

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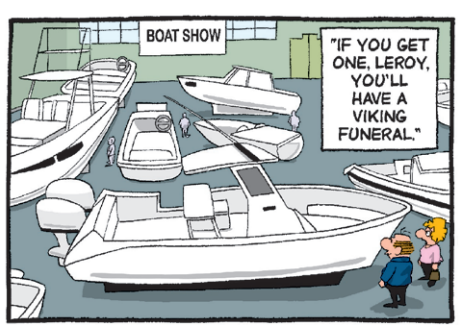



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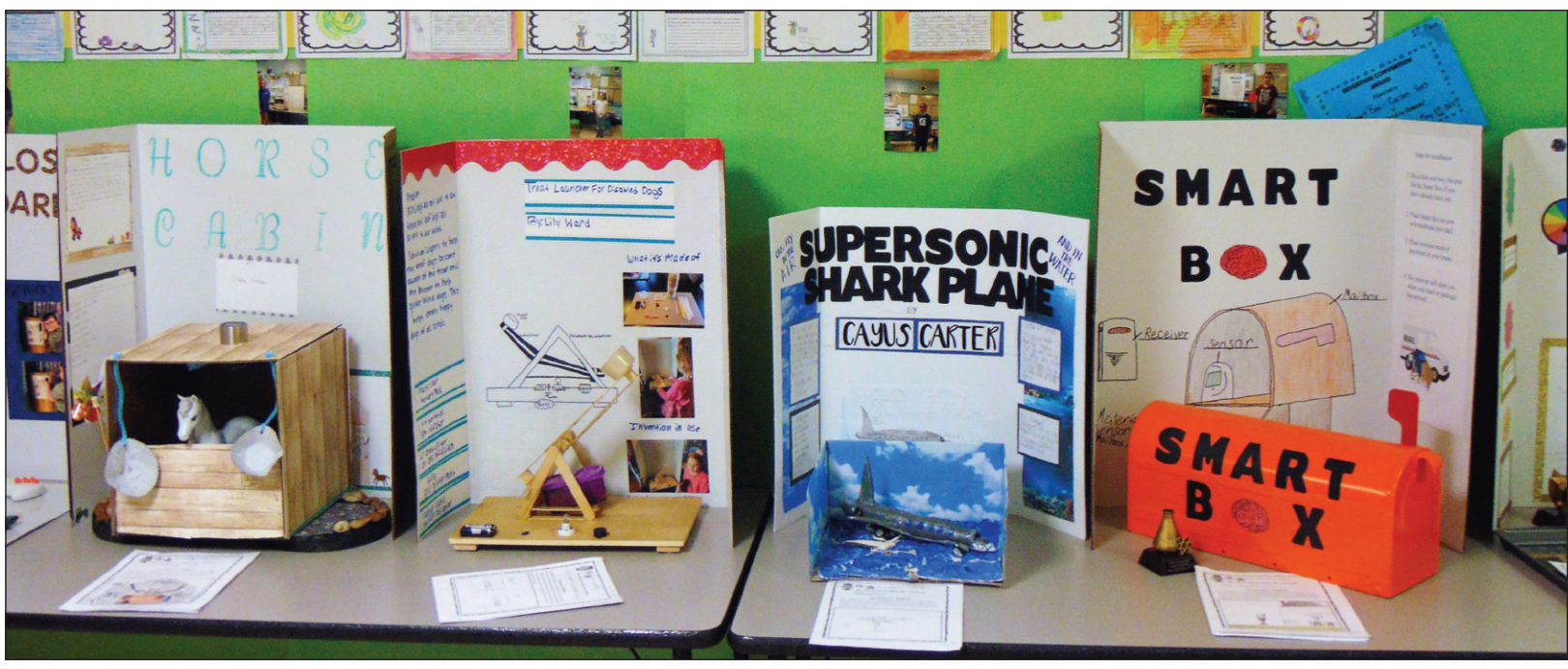
TMS hosts Showcase Night

Thomas Magnet School opened its doors Thursday night to show off students' STREAM (Science Technology Reading Engineering Arts and Math) Day projects.

Each grade had a different theme, such as animals, continents, or history, while every hallway was colorfully decorated to display the student's crafts.

"They're all amazing and so well thought out," said principal Tracy Watson. "It's heartwarming because you can see the students are excited about learning and they don't even realize they're learning."















Educator Bennett says 'goodbye' to BCS

Staff Report

Educator Barry Bennett has announced his retirement as Central Office attendance supervisor, effective June 30.

After 28 years service in BC schools and 38 years total as an educator, he said recently how it was not an easy decision. "Bedford County Schools has been a big part of my life for nearly three decades."



Bennett

The Central Office supervisor said he'll truly miss the people he's worked with these years. Bennett has also served as a teacher, coach, bus driver, dean of students, principal, and district-level supervisor.

He earned his bachelor's degree from Trevecca University in Nashville in physical education and a master's in education from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro.

Director of Schools Tammy Garrett said, "Mr. Bennett will be missed. I appreciate his calmness and his heart for kids. He supports and encourages students, staff, principals, and parents every day and has impacted many in this community through his leadership, coaching and teaching."

When asked how he will fill his time during retirement, Bennett answered, "I don't know. My wife hasn't told me yet."

Garrett added, "On behalf of the Board of Education and Bedford County Schools, we say 'thank you' and wish Mr. Bennett and his family the very best and much happiness in his retirement."

Allison Davis: Central's top CTE student

Allison Davis was recently named the 2021-22 Shelbyville Central High School Career-Technical Education Student of the Year.

Allison was nominated for the award by her Agriculture instructors and FFA advisors, Jordin Ray and Madison Smith. Some of the qualifications for the SCHS CTE Student of the Year include being a senior and one who models positive behavior and good attendance. The student must also maintain a "B" average in all CTE classes.

Within the Agriculture Education program of study, Allison has completed courses in agriscience, large animal science, Principles of Food Production, and veterinary science; she maintained an "A" average in all of these courses as well as an overall GPA of 3.97. Allison currently serves as SCHS FFA president.

Ray states, "Allison is a great student that will try her hardest when she sets her mind to something who is very passionate and knowledgeable about the agriculture industry."

In FFA, Allison ranked first in the State of Tennessee alongside her meats judging team, ranked national level gold in the national meats judging competition, traveled to Kansas to participate in the 4-H meats judging competition, and attended numerous other FFA leadership conferences and conventions.

Allison has also served as Tennessee Junior Angus Association president and FFA treasurer. She received her Greenhand, chapter, and state degrees, through FFA. Allison also completed the health dcience CTE program of study with Becky Davis, taking classes in health science, medical therapeutics, and anatomy and physiology.

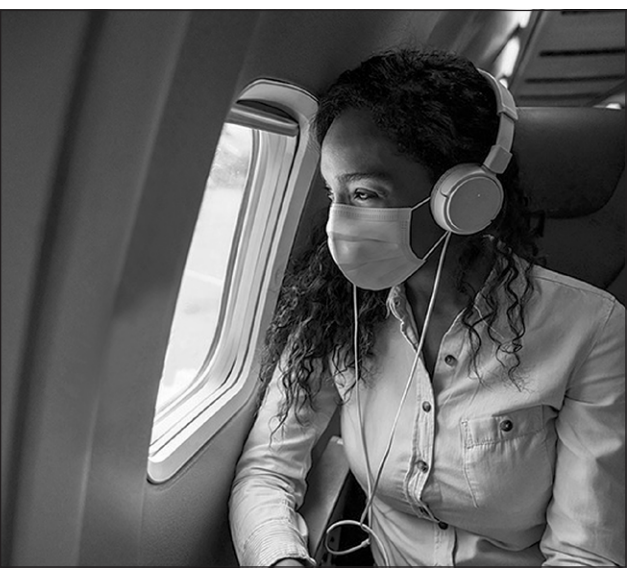


Submitted Photo

Michael McCoin, SCHS CTE Annex Assistant Principal, recently presented Allison Davis with the CTE Student of the Year award.

Allison is 2022 senior class president, a member of National Honor Society, SCHS Top 10, co-captain of the SCHS Varsity Volleyball team and a 4-year member of the SCHS Student Council. She volunteers with the Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen and is a member of the Bedford County Youth Fair Board.

Daughter of Mark and Loretta Davis, the soon-to-be SCHS graduate plans to pursue a degree in agriculture communication from Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan.



Travel gifts for graduates

As COVID-19-inspired travel restrictions are loosened across the globe, many newly minted graduates are eager to travel the world. Graduates planning such excursions — whether large or small — will need essentials to help them make the most of their travels.

Wireless headphones/earbuds. Travelers can enjoy crisp, perfect sound while on the go without the need for wires. Wireless devices can be used on planes, buses and other forms of transportation to listen to music, movies, television shows, or podcasts.

Lightweight daypack. Space is a hot commodity while traveling. Many airlines also charge fees for exceeding luggage weight limits or having extra baggage. A lightweight backpack that collapses is easily packed and also can be used for day trips, hikes and sightseeing expeditions.

Instant film camera. How often do people take pictures only for them to remain on a phone or locked in "cloud" limbo? Graduates can have fun with instant-film cameras that produce prints on the fly. They can double as postcards to send home to family eager for news. Options are still available from both Polaroid and Fuji.

Scrapbooking supplies. While grads are printing instant photos, they can begin planning memory books that catalogue their post-graduation adventures. Put together a selection of scrapbooking essentials, including colored papers, stickers, photo holders, and stencils, as a great scrapbooking starter.

Tags and holders. Graduates can travel in style with matching luggage tag and passport holder sets. Have them monogrammed for an even more personal touch.

Scratch off map. Every traveler needs a way to document where he or she has been. Gift a scratch-off map of North America or the entire world. Grads can scratch off the top layer of the map to reveal a colorful under layer to highlight places they have been.

Personalized weekender. Not every trip a graduate takes has to be lengthy. An overnight stay or a trip of only a few days doesn't require a lot of luggage. A classic weekender bag monogrammed with the graduate's name will ensure he or she travels in style.

Travel jewelry case. It's easy to misplace jewelry while on the go. A handy zippered pouch can keep earrings, necklaces and rings in one spot so they're easily packed away when needed.

Do you like what you're hearing on TV?

Danny Tyree
Tyrades



"I can't HEEAARR you!"

– Sgt. Vincent Carter on "Gomer Pyle, U.S.M.C."

You may recall that -- in October 2019-- I wrote a column denouncing the proliferation of confusing, dimly lit scenes in movies and TV shows.

Now it's time to unload on the audio aspect of the media.

Remember when Hollywood gave us effervescent heroes and scenery-chewing villains with crisp diction? Now many actors/characters are so low-pitched, understated and listless that their threats devolve into, "You'll get to watch your children die in front of you, but only if you don't drown in your Cap'n Crunch first. Please stop falling asleep in your cereal. I'm almost finished whispering my master pl--ZZZZZ."

I know these guttural thespians think smoking 20 cartons of Luckies a day was worth it because their voice is sexy enough to make great-grandmother start ovulating, but it's distracting for the rest of us.

Lack of energy isn't always the main factor in hard-to-understand dialogue. Some actors certainly have the pep to cram their mouths full of marbles before mumbling a soliloquy.

Admit it. Even if you and your significant other possess perfect hearing, you have doubtless squandered many an evening endlessly replaying the same 30-second clip and asking, "WHAT did he say???" These are the times that make "TV Guide" look less enticing that that hardcover copy of "The 1931 Statistical Analysis of Boll Weevils" propping up the wobbly table.

Do you ever wonder what sort of childhood these slovenly, low-volume characters endured? ("Son, always wear clean underwear, and always use your INDOOR VOICE when you're in a hailstorm at the Indianapolis 500.")

Let's not forget subtitles. I make no apologies for being a multitasker. While "watching" a TV show, I can usually imagine the action on the screen while devoting part of my attention to the newspaper, my notebook or the family cats. And then – out of the blue – the writer has a gaggle of characters switch to conversing in their native tongue, with the benefit of subtitles that I must play "catch-up" with.

Producers insist that these jarring rounds of subtitles are necessary for the "realism" of the show. Hey, if I'm watching a miniseries about an elf traveling to the dawn of time with an honest politician, the realism train has probably already left the station.

Even worse, some artsy directors insist on long stretches of non-English dialogue with nothing except facial expressions and gestures to give you the gist of what's going on. Scan your own groceries. Translate your own dialogue. Truly, we live in a wonderful age. Next, we'll perform our own autopsies.

Unfortunately, foreign actors speaking exclusively in English is not a cure-all. Casting directors love actors who have an accent so overpowering you can hear the sound of your ears bleeding. It's like Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales" processed through Ye Olde Drive-Thru Speaker.

From Eddie Haskell to J.R. Ewing to today's scoundrels, I have always thought there were some characters who needed a "come to Jesus moment." Now I think there are characters who desperately need a "come to Henry Higgins" moment.

Let's do something about this situation.

I want you to get up right now and go to the window. Open it, and stick your head out, and yell: "I'm as mad as hell, and I'm not gonna…be able to be heard over the COMMERCIALS."

Sigh

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

Guess Who?

I am an R&B singer born in Alabama on June 20, 1949. I founded several R&B groups and also played tennis on scholarship before making it big. In addition to my own hits, I co-wrote a song that raised money for Africa.

Answer: Lionel Richie



LOCAL CHURCH COMMUNITY

God gives us "newness of life." This is the front sign at New Life Church on Church Street in Shelbyville.

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The Community Viqueens pose with their runner-up plaque after Thursday night's District 7-AA championship at Forrest.

Viqueens slip late, fall in 7-AA title



Zoey Dixon avoids the tag and slides home for a Viqueen run in the top of the fourth inning.

By CHRIS SIERS
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CHAPEL HILL — When you draw the defending Class 2A state championship team in your district, it's never an easy win.

In two consecutive meetings, the Community Viqueens have pushed the defending champion Lady Rockets to the brink, but just couldn't get the finish needed to knock off Forrest.

On Thursday night, the Lady Rockets claimed the District 7-AA title over the Viqueens, rallying for a 10-9 walk-off victory over the Purple and Gold.

"They put in the work and do what they're supposed to do. We just have to finish. But I'm proud of them. I think they're over the intimidation thing with Forrest. We have a lot of talent and a lot of kids that work really hard," Viqueen coach Cam Farrell said.

Community never led in Thursday's 7-AA finals until the Viqueens erased a three-run deficit in the top of the seventh inning and took a 9-8 lead over the Lady Rockets.

The Viqueens loaded the bases in the top of the seventh on singles by Carlie Blanton and Haley Mitchell and a walk by Zoey Dixon—all with one out.

Chloe West singled in the first run of the inning, but it was a wild Pitch by Ella Chilton that allowed Mitchell to score the tying run.

West singled in the first run of the inning for Community, pulling the Viqueens within two.

Blanton then scored on a passed ball, but it was some savvy base-running accounted for the tying run to cross the plate.

Abi Murrill connected on a ground ball single to right, scoring Dixon from third, but an errant throw from first to

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Eagles lock down 6-AAA title with win

By GARY JOHNSON
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Winning district soccer championships never gets old and Shelbyville Central's Golden Eagles know that first hand.

Now add another to that accomplishment.

The Golden Eagles went undefeated in the District 6-AAA regular and backed that effort in the district tournament after claiming a 3-0 win over Coffee County at home on Thursday night.

Shelbyville Central (10-7-0) hosts Howard, of Chattanooga, on Tuesday night at 7 in the opening round of the region.

"Tonight was a match that we wanted to be an exclamation point on the end of district play. We knew Coffee had improved in many aspects of their game, but our boys continue to push themselves everyday in practice. Our senior class is extremely humble and always ready to grow as players."

"The individual work that they put in since last years heartbreak loss at Columbia shows everyday at practice. Our JV and

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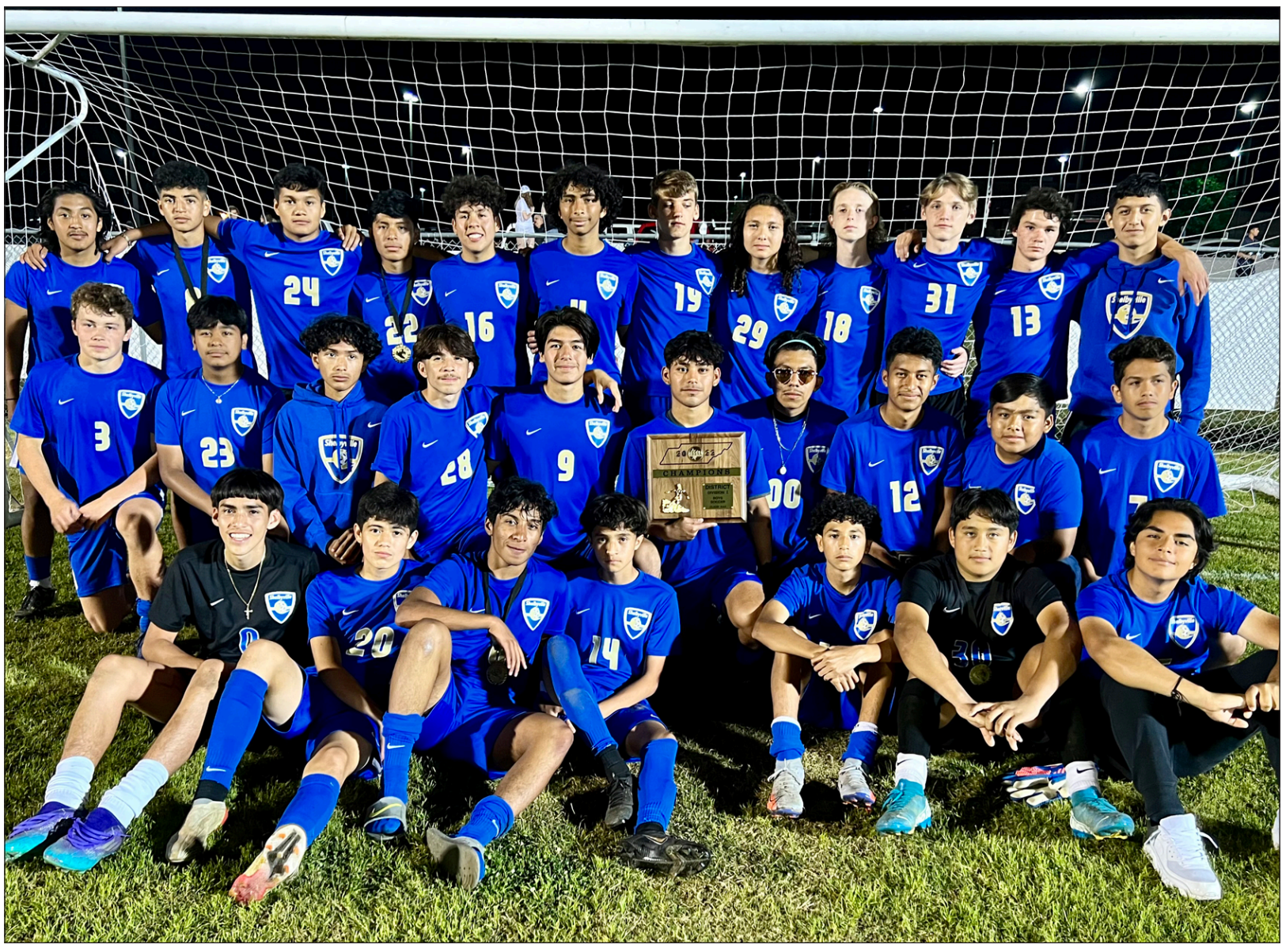

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Shelbyville Central's Golden Eagle soccer team won the District 6-AAA Tournament with a 3-0 victory over Coffee County on Thursday night.



T-G Photos by Rickey Clardy

The Cascade Champions pose with their first place hardware after winning the District 6-A soccer championship over Community.

Champs outlast Vikings for 6-A title

By RICKEY CLARDY
Sports Writer

The Cascade Champions scored less than three minutes into the game and added two other first half goals to take control as the Champions defeated the Community Vikings 5-1 in the finals of the District 6-A soccer tournament Monday.

Pablo Sola connected on the first of his three goals with 37:20 remaining in the first half as the Champions took a 1-0 lead.

With the Champs controlling field position for most of the half, Cascade took advantage of another scoring opportunity and upped its lead to 2-0 as Sola scored with 29:30 remaining.

The Champions made it 3-0 and completed the first half scoring as Drake Hodge found the back of the net with 16:37 left.

"We wanted to keep pressure on the offensive end," Coach Glenn Tidwell of the Champions said. "Once we settled in and kept it on their end, it was a little more comfortable."

"It was important to try to take it to them early," Coach Jesse Cooper of the Vikings said. "We had some mistakes that led to their goals and didn't play as well on defense as we have in the last couple of games."

The Vikings got a big boost four minutes into the second half as Villamar Anica stopped a Champion penalty kick to keep the score at 3-0.

"We seemed to come alive when Villamar had his PK save," Cooper said. "It kind of lit a fire under us."

The Champs were able to add to their lead with 27:27 left as Sam Bossam rebounded the ball into the goal to give Cascade a 4-0 lead.

Sola completed the hat trick by connecting on a penalty kick with 10:09 remaining to put the Champions up 5-0.

The Vikings continued to battle and lighted up the scoreboard a minute later as Ramon Hernandez put the ball into the goal off a corner kick from Shane DeLeon to cut the Cascade lead to 5-1 and end the scoring for the game.

With the win, Cascade will host an opening round game of the Region 3-A tournament next week against the loser of the District 5-A final between Chattanooga School of the Arts and Sciences and Tyner Academy while Community will travel to the CSAS versus Tyner winner.

"Our goal is to keep winning and stay at home," Tidwell said. "The way the region falls this year, as long as we win, we'll play right here and wouldn't be on the road until we go to Siegel."

"The goal is one game at a time but play at home," Tidwell added.

Both teams were well-represented as District 6-A awards were presented after the game.

Hodge, Sola, Carlos Velasquez, and Ivan Draine of the Champions and Randy Anica, Hernandez and DeLeon of the Vikings were named to the regular season All-District team.

Nick Harris, Hodge, Stone Maldonado, and Bossam of Cascade and Villamar Anica, Nicholas Garcia, and Jacob Graham of Community were named to the All-Tournament team.

Randy Anica of the Vikings was named the District 6-A Offensive Player of the Year while Hayden Dowell of the Champions was selected as the Defensive Player of the Year.

Hodge of the Champs was named the District 6-A Most Valuable Player and Tidwell was named as Coach of the Year.

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First Half
Cas – Pablo Sola goal (37:20)
Cas – Sola goal (29:30)
Cas – Drake Hodge goal (16:37)

Second Half
Cas – Sam Bossam goal (27:27)
Cas – Sola penalty kick (10:09)
Com – Ramon Hernandez goal from Shane DeLeon goal (9:05)

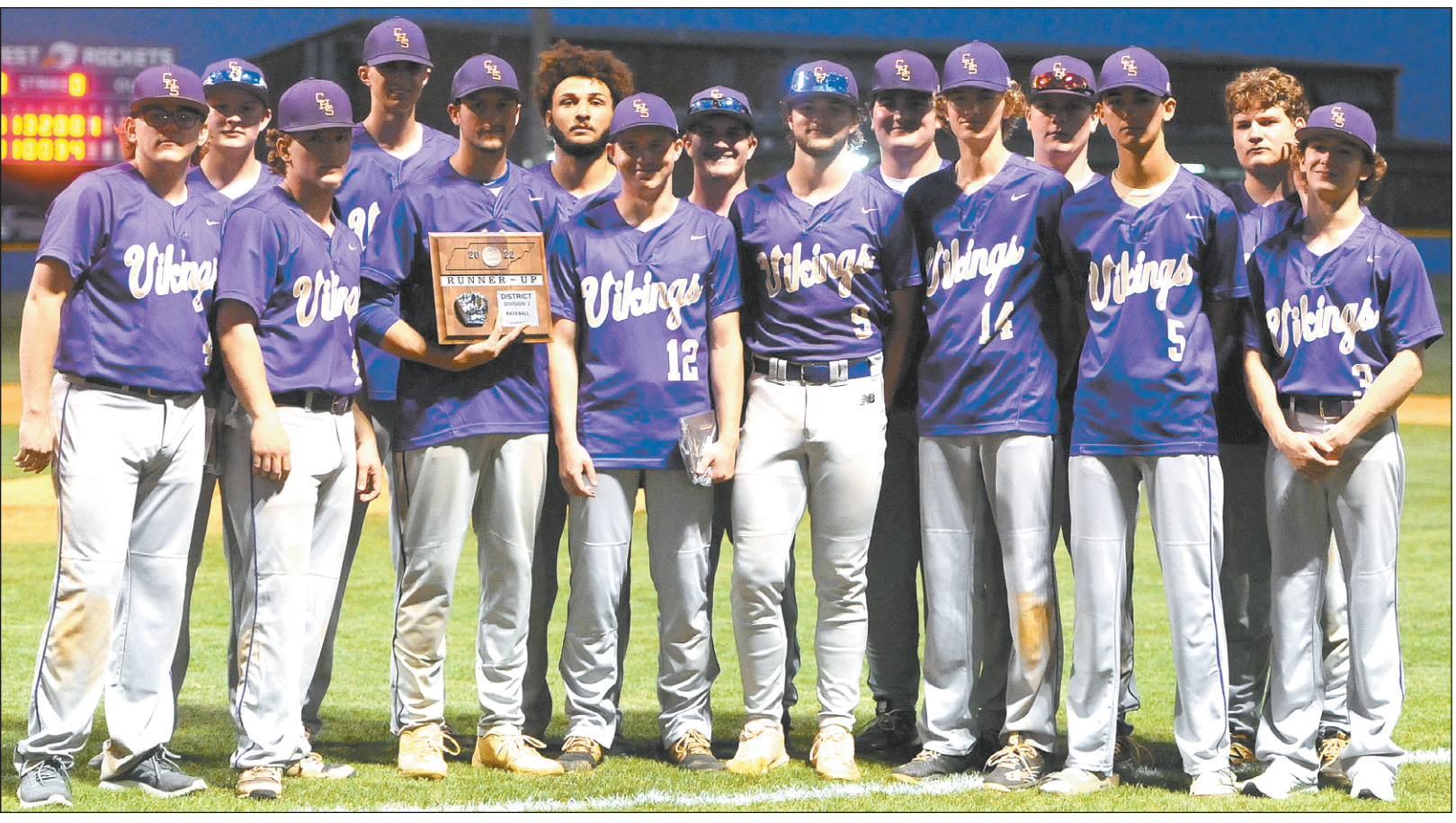


ABOVE: Drake Hodge (6) of the Champions attempts to score around the Viking wall.



LEFT: Goalie Villamar Anica of the Vikings eyes the ball and makes the save of a Cascade shot.

Rockets' rally tempers aggressive Vikes in finals



T-G Photo by Chris Siers

The Community Vikings pose with their runner-up plaque after Tuesday's District 7-AA championship at Forrest.

By CHRIS SIERS
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CHAPEL HILL — An aggressive approach on the base paths and at the plate helped Community build a big lead in Game 1 of the District 7-AA finals on Tuesday, but in the end, the top-seeded Forrest Rockets were able to rally past the Vikings in the later innings to take a 9-8 win and claim the tournament title.

Maki Fleming singled in the first at-bat of the game and scampered around the bags with a pair of stolen bases and stood safely on third base with nobody out.

He went on to score on a sac-fly by Mason Russell, giving Community an early 1-0 lead.

While the Rockets evened the score in the bottom of the inning on a RBI single.

The same trend continued in the second inning as both teams drove in a single

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LEFT: Stratton Lovvorn connects for a base hit against the Rockets in the District 7-AA championship. ABOVE: Third baseman Blaine Paschal fires a throw to first for the out against Forrest.

Vikes

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run, with Blaine Paschal leading off the inning and eventually scoring on a fielder's choice by Stratton Lovvorn.

Andrew Timmons knocked in a second Forrest run to tie the game at two apiece after the second inning.

But following the second Rocket score, Community was able to work the bases loaded in the top of the third and Gage Underwood laced a one-out single to center field, driving in one.

Paschal then doubled to left and plated a second Viking run of the inning.

A third Community run in the third inning came off the bat of Lovvorn, who connected for his second hit of the game and bumped the Community lead to 5-2 by the end of the third.

Feeding off the momentum of the three-run third, Russell sat the Rockets down in order in the bottom of the third inning, allowing the Viking battery to get back to work in the top of the fourth.

Fleming legged out a throw to first and safely reached via Rocket error to lead off the fourth and advanced his way around the bags on a sacrifice bunt and eventually scored when the Forrest centerfielder mis-handled a fly ball.

Community got a second run on the inning when Paschal popped up, but another Forrest error allowed another Viking run to cross the plate, giving Community a 7-2 lead.

Things began to turn in the bottom off the fifth when a Community error allowed the Rockets to score and a two-run homer off the bat of Brennan Mealer brought Forrest within two runs of the Viking lead.

With the momentum shift in favor of the Rockets, Community went a quiet 1-2-3 in the top of the sixth and the Rockets put four-straight batters on base, with Cam Vaughn being hit by a pitch with the bases loaded to pull Forrest within one.

A sac-fly to right tied the game at seven apiece before a groundball single to left put Forrest on top.

A bases-loaded walk by Braden Bowyer plated a fourth Rocket run in the sixth and proved to be the eventual game-winner.

Now trailing and down to three outs, Community got back-to-back walks by Paschal and Corey Paterick and then Lovvorn was hit by a pitch to load the bases with nobody out.

Fleming then ground into a fielder's choice, driving in an eighth Community run, but the Rockets were able to record the final out and preserve the district title.

Even with the loss, the Vikings still are alive and qualify for the Region 4-AA tournament.

The region semifinal will be hosted by East Nashville at Shelby Park on Monday at 6 p.m.

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Community: Maki Fleming 1-for-5, Dylan Norris 1-for-3, Gage Underwood 1-for-2, Blaine Paschal 2-for-3, Sam Holley 1-for-3, S. Lovvorn 2-for-3.
2B: Paschal
WP: Gentry
LP: Russell





T-G Photos by Rickey Clardy

LEFT: Vera Bilbro gives the Lady Champs an early lead by lofting a sacrifice fly to score Lani Jones. ABOVE: Abi Brown lays down a sacrifice bunt to score Abbi Murrill with the tying run in the first inning for the Viqueens.

Viqueens rebound in victory over Lady Champs

By RICKEY CLARDY
Sports Writer

UNIONVILLE — After a tough extra-inning loss to the Forrest Lady Rockets the night before, the Community Viqueens showed no ill effects Wednesday night as the Viqueens scored all eight of their runs in the first three innings en route to an 8-1 win over the Cascade Lady Champions in an elimination game of the District 7-AA tournament.

It was the Lady Champs who drew first blood and took the lead in the opening inning.

Lani Jones led off the game with a single and advanced to third before scoring on a sacrifice fly by Vera Bilbro as Cascade took a 1-0 lead.

The lead was short-lived as Community (23-9-1) came back with four runs in its half of the inning.

After Abbi Murrill led off with a single, Abi Brown drove in the tying run with a sacrifice bunt.

A Taylar Wessner sacrifice for an RBI, a passed ball, and a run-scoring single by Zoey Dixon led to three more runs as the Viqueens increased their lead to 4-1.

The Viqueens padded their lead in the second after the first two batters recorded outs. Brown drilled a home run over the left center field fence to put Community up 5-1 before a run-scoring single by Carlie Blanton and a passed ball gave the Viqueens a 7-1 lead.

Community scored its final run in the third inning as Chloe West singled and scored on a run-scoring double by Murrill.

Meanwhile, the pitching from both sides took center stage the rest of the way. Wessner allowed just three hits over seven innings to get the win for the Viqueens while Addison Pope of the Lady Champs went the distance and held Community scoreless over the final three Viqueen at-bats.

Haley Mitchell led the Viqueen 10-hit attack with three safeties while Murrill added two hits.

Ella Thompson had two of the three Lady Champion hits.

With Wednesday's win, the Viqueens also assured themselves of a berth in the Region 4-AA tournament next week.

Cascade	100	000	0 —	1 3 1
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Cascade: Ella Thompson 2-for-3, Lani Jones 1-for-3.
Community: Haley Mitchell 3-for-4, Abbi Murrill 2-for-4, Carlie Blanton 1-for-2, Zoey Dixon 1-for-2, Hailey Farrar 1-for-3, Chloe West 1-for-3, Abi Brown 1-for-3.
HR: Brown.
2B: Murrill.
WP: Taylar Wessner.
LP: Addison Pope.

Eaglettes' year comes to end

T-G STAFF REPORT

WINCHESTER — Timely hits and a quality pitching performance led the way as Shelbyville Central's Golden Eaglettes claimed a 2-1 victory over Franklin County in an elimination game of the District 6 4-A softball tournament on Monday evening.

Lilly Brown hit a solo home run for the Eaglettes while Jaleigha Harris had a clutch RBI double to account for both runs.

Shelbyville Central sophomore Sammie Brown was in total n the circle, allowing one run in a one-hit effort while fanning five batters while walking four in seven innings of work.

Kaydence Rippy and Alyvia Smith each added a single for the winners.

Carissa Montgomery's triple was the lone hit for Franklin County.

The Eaglettes' season came to a close with an 8-0 loss at Coffee County on Tuesday night.

Shelbyville Central	001	000	1 —	2 4 1
Franklin County	100	000	0 —	1 1 1

Shelbyville Central: Alyvia Smith 1-for-3, Jaleigha Harris 1-for-3, Kaydence Rippy 1-for-3, Lilly Brown 1-for-1.
HR: L. Brown
WP: S. Brown

Shelbyville Central's Lilly Brown slamed a home run in the Eaglettes' District 6 4A Tournament win at Franklin County.

T-G Photo by Gary Johnson



Close tourney losses end Eagles' season

By GARY JOHNSON
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MANCHESTER — Shelbyville Central's Golden Eagles closed out the season with a pair of losses in the District 6 4-A baseball tournament on Monday at Coffee County High School.

In one of their best performances of the season, the Eagles dropped a 5-4 decision to top-seed Franklin County in the opening round.

The Eagles battled the entire game and had a great scoring opportunity slip away with the game tied at 4-4 in the top of the seventh inning with runners on third and second with no outs, but failed to score.

Franklin County hit a two-out double in the bottom on the eighth frame to advance.

Shelbyville Central started senior right-hander Jarius Brown with relief appearances by William Bobo and Gabe Adams.

Sam Vincent got the start for the Rebels followed by Gattis Henley and Josh Stoltzfus in relief.

Vincent, Gage Baker and Eric Jones each doubled with Jones adding a single for the winners.

Nick Johnson ripped a double and single while Marquis Wilson Wilson and

Arye Kavanaugh added a double for the Eagles.

In the elimination game that followed, the Eagles were shutout 2-0 by Warren County.

Baler Melton scattered four hits and fanned eight batters with only one walk to claim the win on the mound.

Will Vance had a double and single while Easton Denning added a two-bagger for the winners.

Wilson collected a pair of singles to pace Shelbyville Central at the plate.

Game 1

Shelbyville Central	000	301 00 —	4 6 3
Franklin County	030	100 01 —	5 6 3

Shelbyville Central: Marquis Wilson 1-for-4, Caden Thomas 1-for-4, Kyler Trice 1-for-4, Nick Johnson 2-for-4, Arye Kavanaugh 1-for-4.
Franklin County: Sam Vincent 1-for-3, Eric Jones 2-for-4, Casen Gilliam 1-for-3, Gage Baker 2-for-4.
WP: Josh Stoltzfus

Game 2

Shelbyville Central	000	000 0 —	0 4 0
Warren County	001	010 x —	2 6 0

Shelbyville Central: Marquis Wilson 2-for-3, Arye Kavanaugh 1-for-2, William Bobo 1-for-2.
Warren County: Layne Roberts 1-for-2, Easton Denning 1-for-2, Will Vance 2-for-3, Eli Kuykendall 1-for-3, Baler Melton 1-for-3.
WP: Baler Melton.

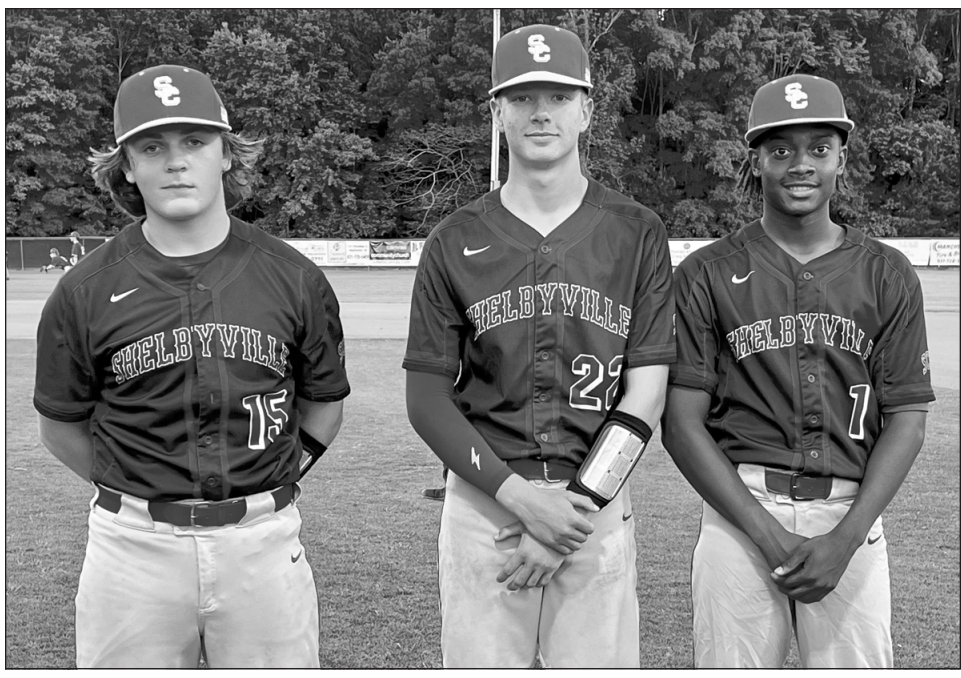


T-G Photos by Gary Johnson

Shelbyville Central senior right-hander Jarius Brown got the start and turned in a fine performance for the Golden Eagles, scattering four hits over six innings of work before settling for a no decision in district tournament action against top-seed Franklin County.



Golden Eagle Nick Johnson safely dives to first base after a pick-off attempt in district tournament action on Monday.



Three Golden Eagles were named All-District 6 4A for their performance this past season. Earning awards for Shelbyville are (from left) Caden Thomas, Carston Williams and Jarius Brown.

ALL-DISTRICT 7-AA BASEBALL AWARDS



T-G Photos by Chris Siers

Community saw five players earn all-district honors for their efforts in the 2022 season. Earning All-District awards are (from left) Maki Fleming, Corey Paterick, Dylan Norris, Mason Russell and Gage Underwood.



Award winners for Cascade who earned all-district nods are (from left) Conner Melson, Ryan Inmon, Kobe Inmon, Walker Craig and Caden Hammonds.

Preds face tough decisions after sweep

By TERESA M. WALKER
AP Sports Writer

NASHVILLE — The Nashville Predators can pat themselves on the back for overachieving and extending the franchise's run of playoff berths to an eighth straight season.

Now, the offseason question is whether reaching the playoffs is enough or maybe Nashville is a team ready for a full rebuild.

The Predators got an eye-opening look at the huge gap between themselves and the best team in the Western Conference after being swept in the playoffs by Colorado. It was the first time Nashville had been swept in 15 playoff appearances.

And even worse for the Predators: they were dominated — leading for just 4 minutes, 57 seconds in the series.

"We got to make sure we look at ourselves, and we got to find a way to win in the playoffs," captain Roman Josi said.

Coach John Hynes pointed out the Predators weren't picked to even make the playoffs. Their eighth straight postseason tied Washington for the second-longest streak in the NHL, and Nashville's 15 playoff appearances since 2004 ranks second in that span.

"We formed an identity that gave us an opportunity in the regular season to be a team that can compete for the playoffs and get into the playoffs, and I commend the guys for that," Hynes said.

Josi turned in the highest-scoring season by a defenseman in 29 years to become a Norris Trophy finalist. Matt Duchene and Filip Forsberg became the team's first two 40-goal scorers. Goalie Juuse Saros is a first-time Vezina Trophy finalist, and Tanner Jeannot led all rookies in goals.

The Predators had their best month in March, going 9-5. Then their physical style seemed to catch up with them as they went 6-6-3 in April and won only once in their final nine games counting the playoffs.

Decisions

Hynes, the third coach the franchise has ever had, has won three playoff games as Nashville's head coach since taking over in January 2020. His contract is up this summer.

The bigger issue may be general manager David Poile. The NHL's winningest GM reached the postseason for the 29th time, topping Jack Adams (28) for most in league history. Poile has been there from the beginning, helping transform the expansion team into a perennial playoff contender.

But he is 72 and still chasing the Stanley Cup that has eluded him. Since Nashville's unexpected run to the 2017 Stanley Cup Final, Poile first tried to hold the core of that team together. Now only six players remain from the Presidents' Trophy team of 2018.

That was the last year Nashville won a first-round playoff series.

Penalty woes

The Predators' aggressive style helped them lead the NHL in fighting majors with 59 — 23 more than anyone else according to HockeyFights.com. They also led the league in total penalties (391) averaging a league-high 12.6 penalty minutes per game. It's a physical style that can take a toll on players.

EAGLETTES WIN INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT TITLES



Senior Ainsley Noel won the individual district championship this week and will qualify for upcoming region tournament, which will be held on Monday at the Adams Tennis Complex in Murfreesboro.



Submitted photos

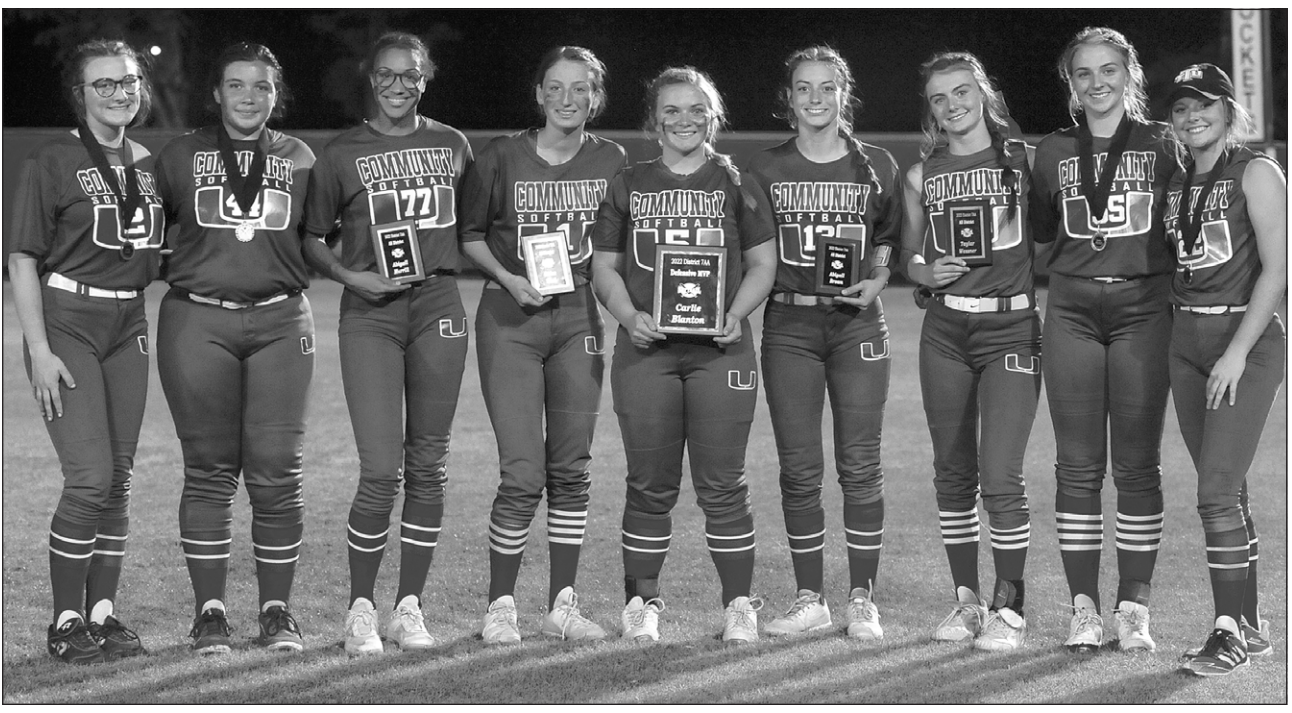
Addie Berry won the individual girls JV tournament.

ALL-DISTRICT 7-AA SOFTBALL AWARDS



T-G Photos by Chris Siers

Members of the 2022 Cascade Lady Champion team who earned All-District honors are Vera Bilbro (All-District), Lani Jones (All-District), Ella Thompson (Honorable Mention), Caitlin Fannin (Honorable Mention), Hannah Vandiver (Honorable Mention) and Audrey Perry (Honorable Mention, not pictured).



Members of the runner-up Viqueens who took home season awards on Thursday night for their efforts in the 2022 season are Taylar Wessner (All-District), Abi Murrill (All-District), Chloe West (All-District), Abi Brown (All-District), Hailey Farrar (Honorable Mention), Haley Mitchell (Honorable Mention), Emma Bentley (Honorable Mention), Zoey Dixon (Honorable Mention) and Carlie Blanton (Defensive Player of the Year).



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Gage Underwood pitched the final three innings for the Vikings and gave up just one hit while striking out four.

Vikes win, gain shot at 7-AA title

By CHRIS SIERS
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UNIONVILLE — A four-run fourth inning gave Cascade a brief lead on Monday afternoon at Community, but in the end, the Vikings were able to recapture the lead and hang on for the 6-4 win and advance to the District 7-AA championship at Forrest.

Leading 3-0, Cascade took advantage of five walks in the top of the fourth inning.

Starting Cascade pitcher Jake Bates helped his own cause when he safely reached after putting the ball in play and reaching base via Community error, which also allowed two runs to score.

Senior Hunter Lemmons worked a full count and eventually drew a bases-loaded walk to plate a third Champion run of the inning.

Cascade went on to take the lead on a hustle play by Conner Melson, who struck out, but a dropped third strike allowed him to race to first base and courtesy base runner Xamarion Dixon stole home, giving Cascade a 4-3 lead.

The Champs' lead didn't hold long as Community went back to work and tied the game on a RBI triple by Dylan Norris and a sac-fly by Mason Russell, once again giving the Purple and Gold a 5-4 lead.

Working in relief, Gage Underwood sat the Champs down in order in the top of the fifth inning and in the bottom of the fifth, Community padded its lead following a Cascade miscue in the infield.

Senior Sam Holley singled to right with one out and eventually scampered around the bases and on a steal attempt to third base, an errant Cascade throw allowed Holley to score.

Underwood allowed just one Cascade base runner over the final three innings pitched — a two-out single by Champion catcher Noah McGeary in the top of the sixth.

Community grabbed the early lead, driving in two in the bottom of the first when Corey Paterick stole home on a passed ball and another when Russell connected on an infield base hit and legged out the throw to first.

A third Community run crossed the plate when Holley laid down a perfect bunt single, scoring another.

Viking starter Dylan Norris got the start on the mound and struck out the side in the top of the first inning.

Cascade threatened in the top of the second with a one-out double by Kobe Inmon and a single to left by Chance Brown.

Norris responded and struck out the final two batters to end the Champion threat in the second.

Cascade again threatened in the third when McGeary safely reached on a Viking error, but a hard-hit shot by Lemmons was snagged Underwood, who was playing first, and followed by stepping on the first-base bag to double up the Champs.

Maki Fleming and Holley were the only Vikings who connected on multiple hits against Cascade on Monday, while Norris' triple was the only extra base hit for the Purple and Gold.

Mason Russell was the top run producer, driving in a pair of runs.

For Cascade, the Champs managed just three hits, singles by Chance Brown and McGeary and a double by Inmon.

Norris pitched the first four innings and the hard-throwing lefty struck out 10 Cascade batters, but gave up five walks. Cascade scored four off him, although none of which were earned.

Underwood pitched the final three innings for the Vikings and gave up just one hit and struck out five.

For the Champs, Bates got the start and pitched three innings, allowing three runs on six hits, only one of which was earned.

He struck out five and gave up two walks before Craig took over and pitched the final three innings.

He struck out four and gave up three runs on three hits.

Cascade	000	400	0 —	4 3 4
Community	201	210	x —	6 9 2

Cascade: Kobe Inmon 1-for-2, Chance Brown 1-for-3, Noah McGeary 1-for-2.
2B: K. Inmon
Community: Maki Fleming 2-for-3, Corey Paterick 1-for-3, Dylan Norris 1-for-4, Mason Russell 1-for-4, Gage Underwood 1-for-2, Blaine Paschal 1-for-3, Sam Holley 2-for-3.
3B: Norris.
WP: Norris
LP: Walker
S: Underwood



Jake Bates got the start for Cascade and pitched three innings.

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An Asbestos Management Plan has been developed and is on file in the office of each school for public persual anytime, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.
Please be advised that, as of September 4, 1990, all known friable asbestos has been removed throughout the Bedford County School System. Some nonfriable asbestos still exists in floor tiles, but with proper preventative maintenance, its existence should pose no threat or danger to the public.
(May 7, 10, 14, 2022)

Bedford County Board of Education
Budget Work Session
May 23, 2022 at 6:00
Central Office
500 Madison St.
Shelbyville, TN 37160
(May 14, 17, 2022)

Bedford County Schools - Job Openings
Bedford County Schools has several full & part time evening positions open in the Custodial Dept. Positive attitude and good work history required. These are 12-month positions with great benefits for full-time positions including retirement, health & life insurance, vacation & sick time, & 15 paid holidays. A great place to work & starting pay at $12.18/hr. Apply online at www.bedfordk12tn.com (choose Departments, Human Resource, then click apply for employment) or apply in person 7:00 AM - 3:30 PM at the Maintenance Department Office, 707 Sevier St., Shelbyville.
(May 14, 17, 21, 24, 2022)

BEDFORD COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Agenda May 19, 2022
Suite 110 Bedford County Business Complex
200 Dover Street at 5:30 PM
Roll call.
Approve March 17, 2022, and April 21, 2022, minutes.
New Business.
Owner requests a special exception at 855 New Hope Rd.
Owner requests a special exception at 2155 Hwy 82 South
Owner requests a variance at 345 Mullins Hollow Rd.
Old Business.
Adjourn.
(May 14, 2022)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
STATE OF TENNESSEE, BEDFORD COUNTY
WHEREAS, Jeremy D. Bomar, Sr. and Angela Bomar executed a Deed of Trust to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for LoanDepot.com, LLC, Lender and Greenview Title and Escrow, LLC, Trustee(s), which was dated January 27, 2020, and recorded on January 31, 2020, in Book TD953, at Page 252 in Bedford County, Tennessee Register of Deeds.
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the debt(s) and obligation(s) thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the current holder of said Deed of Trust, loanDepot.com, LLC, (the "Holder"), appointed the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee, with all the rights, powers and privileges of the original Trustee named in said Deed of Trust; and
NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust by the Holder, and that as agent for the undersigned, Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the power and authority vested in it, will on June 23, 2022, at 10:00 AM at the usual and customary location at the Bedford County Courthouse, Shelbyville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Bedford County, Tennessee, to wit:
Beginning at a point in the West margin of Cemetery Street, said point marking the Southeast corner of the realty herein conveyed and said point being at the intersection of Cemetery Street with Chockley street; thence South 74 degrees 40' West 207.4 feet to a corner fence post; thence North 18 degrees 08' West 250 feet to a stake; thence North 83 degrees 27' East with the South margin of the old Shelbyville Dirt Road 200 feet to a stake in the West margin of Cemetery Street; thence South 19 degrees 57' East 232 feet along the West margin of Cemetery Street to the point of beginning and being the same realty conveyed to Alfred T. Locke by Warranty Deed dated August 18, 1962, and of record in Deed Book No. 86, Page 10, Register's Office, Bedford County, Tennessee.Being the same property conveyed to Jeremy D. Bormar, Sr and Angela Bomar, husband and wife, from Donald J. Locke, married, by Warranty Deed of record in Book D355, Page 574, in Register's Office for Bedford County, Tennessee
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This office is attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
Brock & Scott, PLLC, Substitute Trustee
c/o Tennessee Foreclosure Department
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PH: 404-789-2661 FX: 404-294-0919
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(May 7, 14, 21, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Lathrews Lovvorn
Deceased
Notice is hereby given that on April 29 of 2022 Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Lathrews Lovvorn** who died 3/13/2022 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: 04/29/2022

Misty Marie Bryan
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Ralph McBride, Jr.
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(May 14 & 21, 2022)

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BID NO. 22-1
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2. Fund-raising /General Catalog Sale Items
a. What percentage of sales will be given to Harris Middle School.
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(May 7, 10, 14, 2022)

Public Notice
In accordance with the applicable rules and regulations of the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Resources, the Shelbyville Power Water & Sewerage Systems of Shelbyville, Tennessee has established an Industrial Pretreatment Program that regulates the industrial wastewater discharged into the City of Shelbyville's municipal wastewater collection and treatment system.
The following industrial wastewater user was not in compliance with wastewater pretreatment requirements within the past 12 months.
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Reporting Requirements Violations
(May 14, 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Bedford County Beer Board will meet Wednesday, May 25th at 5:30 p.m. in the Duck River meeting room at the Bedford County Historic Courthouse located at 1 Public Square in Shelbyville to consider the following application: Chuck W. Baker (Barrelhouse BBQ II) 3125 US231 Shelbyville, TN 37160.
(May 14, 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Shelbyville is accepting applications for the full-time position of Solid Waste Laborer for the Public Works Department. The employee performs a variety of manual labor tasks of an unskilled or semi-skilled nature. Duties include collection and disposal of refuse, and a variety of manual labor tasks in the area of sanitation. Employee is under the immediate supervision of the Public Works Director or his assignee. Minimum age to apply is 18 years old and must possess and maintain a valid Tennessee driver's license. Work schedule is MON. – THURS. 6am – 4:30pm.
This is a full-time position with an hourly rate of $13.20 per hour plus benefits.
Applications and a copy of the job description may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours or download from the City website: www.shelbyvilletn.org. Application/job description must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 N. Spring Street, submitted on-line or emailed to stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org and will be accepted until position is filled.
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Stacey Claxton
Human Resources Generalist
(May 14, 17, 21, 2022)

Public Notice to Owner and/ or Lien holder of Abandoned or Unclaimed Vehicles
These vehicles will be sold on May 27th, 2022 at 9:00 am at Mike's Towing and Recovery 833 North Jefferson Street, Shelbyville, TN 37160. To satisfy towing and storage charges if not claimed within 10 days of this notice:

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
Sale at public auction will be on June 7, 2022, at or about 10:00 AM, local time, at the main entrance of the Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN 37160, pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by Frances Lynn Beasley and James L. Curry, a life estate interest and Mary Donice Drake, fee simple interest, to Transcontinental Title, as Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Solstice Capital Group Inc. dated May 5, 2006, and recorded on May 22, 2006, in Book TD623, Page 618, Instrument No. 06004736, in the Register's Office for Bedford County, Tennessee ("Deed of Trust"), conducted by Padgett Law Group, having been appointed Substitute Trustee, all of record in the Bedford County Register's Office. Default in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust has been made; and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.
Party entitled to enforce the debt: U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for Morgan Stanley Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 2020-RPL1
Other interested parties: Mary Donice Drake
The hereinafter described real property located in Bedford County will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens, and encumbrances of record:
Legal Description: A certain real estate lying and being in the Twenty-fourth (24th) Civil District of Bedford County, Tennessee, more particularly described as follows:
The same being bounded on the north by Church property and the lands of David Shoffner; on the east by the lands of David Shoffner, on the south by a private road leading to the residence of David Shoffner; and on the west by the Old Flat Creek Lynchburg Turnpike, and containing one and one-half (1 1/2) acres, more or less, save and except a small graveyard lying within the above description and which is not transferred within.
THERE IS ALSO CONVEYED the perpetual easement for a private water system as described in the easement from Harold Smith to Flat Creek Community Club, Inc., dated March 14, 1986, of record in Deed Book 165, page 929, Register`s Office of Bedford County, Tennessee.
Being the same property conveyed to Frances Lynn Beasley and James L. Curry, a life estate interest and Mary Donice Drake, fee simple interest by Deed from Fran J. Drake, Mary Donice Drake, and Frances Lynn Beasley recorded 06/09/2004 in Deed Book 262 Page 758, in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee.
Street Address: The street address of the property is believed to be 335 Old Flat Creek Road, Shelbyville, TN 37160, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property. In the event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control.
Map/Parcel Number: 129 075.00 000
Current owner(s) of Record: France Lynn Beasley and James L. Curry
This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded Plat or Plan; any unpaid taxes and assessments; any restrictive covenants, easements or setback lines that may be applicable; rights of redemption, equity, statutory or otherwise, not otherwise waived in the Deed of Trust, including rights of redemption of any government agency, state or federal; and any and all prior deeds of trust, liens, dues, assessments, encumbrances, defects, adverse claims and other matters that may take priority over the Deed of Trust upon which this foreclosure sale is conducted or are not extinguished by this Foreclosure Sale.
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If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified check made payable to or endorsed to Padgett Law Group. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.
This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded by the Substitute Trustee at any time.
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
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PLG# 22-003561-1
(May 14, 21, 28, 2022)

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE
Sale at public auction will be on June 21, 2022 at 11:00AM local time, at the south door, Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by William K. Foster and Sandra J. Foster, to Security Escrow & Title Co., Trustee, as trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Accredited Home Lenders, Inc. on November 21, 2003 at Book TD533, Page 915; conducted by LLG Trustee TN LLC, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Bedford County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.
Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2004-HE2, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-HE2, its successors and assigns.
The real estate located in Bedford County, Tennessee, and described in the said Deed of Trust will be sold to the highest call bidder. The terms of the said Deed of Trust may be modified by other instruments appearing in the public record. Additional identifying information regarding the collateral property is below and is believed to be accurate, but no representation or warrant is intended.
Street Address: 115 Swann Ln, Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160
Parcel Number: 090 170.00
Current Owner(s) of Property: The Heirs of William K. Foster
This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.
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The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to LOGS Legal Group LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any

other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.
This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy. The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title.
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Phone (704) 333-8107
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File No. 21-121718
(May 7, 14, 21, 2022)

The Shelbyville Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) will meet on 5/19/2022 in a Regular Meeting at 6:00 PM, Shelbyville Recreation Center, the Arts and Crafts Room on the second floor, 220 Tulip Tree Road. Call City Hall with questions 931-684-9001. Agenda: 1. Call to Order; 2. Roll Call; 3. Approval of Agenda; 4. Approval of Minutes from BZA Meeting of March 17, 2021; 5. Old Business: A. Determining whether the existing usage of the property located at 604 Whitthorne Street (Tax Map 089C Group A Parcel 007.00) and zoned C-2 (General Commercial) as a commercial camping ground for recreational vehicles/camping trailers is a legal non-conforming use; 6. Adjourn.
(May 14, 2022)

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Russia takes losses in failed river crossing

KYIV, Ukraine (AP) — Russia suffered heavy losses when Ukrainian forces destroyed the pontoon bridge enemy troops were using to try to cross a river in the east, Ukrainian and British officials said in another sign of Moscow's struggle to salvage a war gone awry.

Ukrainian authorities, meanwhile, opened the first war crimes trial of the conflict. The defendant, a captured Russian soldier, stands accused of shooting to death a 62-year-old civilian in the early days of the war.

The trial got underway as Russia's offensive in the Donbas, Ukraine's eastern industrial heartland, seemed to turn increasingly into a grinding war of attrition.

Ukraine's airborne command released photos and video of what it said was a damaged Russian pontoon bridge over the Siversky Donets River and several destroyed or damaged Russian military vehicles nearby.

Ukrainian news reports said troops thwarted an attempt by Russian forces to cross the river earlier this week, leaving dozens of tanks and other military vehicles damaged or abandoned. The command said its troops "drowned the Russian occupiers."

Britain's Defense Ministry said that Russia lost "significant armored maneuver elements" of at least one battalion tactical group as well as equipment used to deploy the makeshift floating bridge.

"Conducting river crossings in a contested environment is a highly risky maneuver and speaks to the pressure the Russian commanders are under to make progress in their operations in eastern Ukraine," the ministry said in its daily intelligence update.

In other developments, a move by Finland and, potentially, Sweden to join NATO was thrown into question when Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said his country is "not of a favorable opinion" toward the idea. He accused Sweden and other Scandinavian countries of supporting Kurdish militants and others Turkey considers terrorists.

Erdogan did not say outright that he would block the two countries from joining NATO. But the military alliance makes its decisions by consensus, meaning that each of its 30 member countries has a veto over who can join.

An expansion of NATO would be a blow to Russian President Vladimir Putin, who undertook the war in what he said was a bid to thwart the alliance's eastward advance. But the invasion of Ukraine has stirred fears in other countries along Russia's flank that they could be next.

With Ukraine pleading for more arms to fend off the invasion, the European Union's foreign affairs chief announced plans to give the country an additional 500 million euros ($520 million) to buy heavy weapons.

Ukrainian Defense Minister Oleksii Reznikov said heavy weapons from the West now making their way to the front lines — including American 155 mm howitzers — will take some time to turn the tide in Ukraine's favor. He admitted there is no quick end to the war in sight."We are entering a new, long-term phase of the war," Reznikov wrote in a Facebook post. "Extremely difficult weeks await us. How many there will be? No one can say for sure."

The battle for the Donbas has turned into a village-by-village, back-and-forth slog with no major breakthroughs on either side and little ground gained

The Ukrainian military chief for the Luhansk region of the Donbas said Friday that Russian forces opened fire 31 times on residential areas the day before, destroying dozens of homes, notably in Hirske and Popasnianska villages, and a bridge in Rubizhne.

In the south, Ukrainian officials claimed another success in the Black Sea, saying their forces took out another Russian ship, though there was no confirmation from Russia and no casualties were reported.

The Vsevolod Bobrov logistics ship was badly damaged but not thought to have sunk when it was struck while trying to deliver an anti-aircraft system to Snake Island, said Oleksiy Arestovych, a Ukrainian presidential adviser.

In April, Ukraine sank the Moskva, a guided missile cruiser that was the flagship of Russia's Black Sea fleet. In March it destroyed a landing ship.

Justin Crump, a former British tank commander who is now a security consultant, said Moscow's losses have forced it to downsize its objectives. He said the Russians have had to use hastily patched-together units that haven't trained together and are thus less effective.

"This is not going to be quick. So we're settled in for a summer of fighting at least. I think the Russian side is very clear that this is going to take a long time," he said.

Ukrainian prosecutors are investigating thousands of potential war crimes. Many of the alleged atrocities came to light last month after Moscow's forces abandoned their bid to capture Kyiv and withdrew from around the capital, exposing mass graves and streets strewn with bodies.

In the first war crime case brought to trial, Russian Sgt. Vadim Shyshimarin, 21, could get life in prison if convicted of shooting a Ukrainian man in the head through an open car window in a village in the northeastern Sumy region on Feb. 28, four days into the invasion.

In a small Kyiv courtroom, scores of journalists watched the start of the wartime proceedings, which will be closely watched by international observers to make sure the trial is fair.

The defendant, dressed in a blue and gray hoodie and gray sweatpants, sat in a small glass cage during the proceedings, which lasted about 15 minutes and will resume on Wednesday.

Shyshimarin was asked a series of questions, including whether he understood his rights and whether he wanted a jury trial. He declined the latter.

His Ukraine-assigned attorney, Victor Ovsyanikov, has acknowledged that the case against the soldier is strong and has not indicated what his defense will be.

Shyshimarin, a member of a tank unit that was captured by Ukrainian forces, admitted that he shot the civilian in a video posted by the Security Service of Ukraine, saying he was ordered to do so.

As the war grinds on, teachers are trying to restore some sense of normalcy after the fighting shuttered Ukraine's schools and upended the lives of millions of children.

In Kharkiv, Ukraine's second-largest city, lessons are being given in a subway station that has become home for many families. Children joined their teacher Valeriy Leiko around a table to learn about history art, with youngsters' drawings lining the walls.

"It helps to support them mentally. Because now there is a war, and many lost their homes ... some people's parents are fighting now," Leiko said. In part because of the lessons, he said, "they feel that someone loves them."

An older student, Anna Fedoryaka, monitored a professor's online lectures on Ukrainian literature.

The internet connection was a problem for some, she said. And "it is hard to concentrate when you have to do your homework with explosions by your window."

Nurses protest Tennessee sentence for deadly medical mistake

NASHVILLE (AP) — Hundreds of health care workers gathered outside a Nashville courthouse Friday to protest the sentencing of a former Tennessee nurse facing the possibility of years in prison for mistakenly causing the death of a patient.

RaDonda Vaught was found guilty in March of criminally negligent homicide and gross neglect of an impaired adult after she accidentally administered the wrong medication.

The maximum sentence is unlikely given her lack of prior offenses. A presentencing report rated her risk of reoffending as low. Vaught faces three to six years for gross neglect and one to two years for criminally negligent homicide. Her attorney asked Friday for judicial diversion, which would allow the charges to be dismissed and expunged after she serves a period of probation.

Prosecutors argued that the gross neglect sentence cannot be diverted. They said they would not object to probation but argued that the judge should consider that Vaught was charged with perjury in 2021 for checking a box on a firearms application that stated she did not have any pending felony charges. They also pointed to an expletive-laden television interview in which Vaught accused prosecutors of lying. They said the judge should take Vaught's attitude into consideration.

The fact that she faced any criminal penalties at all has become a rallying point for many nurses who were already fed up with poor working conditions exacerbated by the pandemic. The crowd outside listened to the sentencing through loudspeakers and cheered when some of the victim's relatives said they wouldn't want jail time for Vaught.

"Knowing my mom the way my mom was and stuff, she wouldn't want to see her serve no jail time. That's just Mom. Mom was a very forgiving person," Michael Murphey told the court. Charlene Murphey's husband, however, does want her to serve a prison sentence, relatives testified.

Vaught apologized to the family in court, saying words will never fully express her "remorse and sorrow."

"I'll be forever haunted by my role in her untimely passing," she said. "She did not deserve that."

Vaught also apologized that discussion of systemic hospital problems and the danger of criminalizing mistakes by health care workers took some attention away from Charlene Murphey.

"I'm sorry that this public outpouring of support for me has caused you to continue to live this over and over," she told them. "No one has forgotten about your loved one, no one has forgotten about Ms. Murphey. We're all horribly, horribly sorry for what happened."

Some health care workers have left bedside nursing for administrative positions, while others quit the profession altogether, saying the risk of going to prison for a mistake has made nursing intolerable. Wearing purple T-shirts reading "#IAmRaDonda" and "Seeking Justice for Nurses and Patients in a BROKEN system," they listened to speeches from other nurses and supporters.

Aleece Ellison traveled from Texas to join them. An emergency room nurse for 14 years, she said she broke down crying when Vaught was found guilty.

"Never in my 14 years have I felt so helpless," she said. "This could be me."

Ellison said Friday's outcome could determine whether she stays in nursing. She said she came to Nashville to "let the world know that criminalizing a mistake, an honest mistake, is not a direction we want to go in."

Janie Reed, who drove over from Memphis, said she became a nurse practitioner several years ago because "bedside was getting dangerous. ... There were never enough nurses."

"I usually don't do things like this," she said of the protest. "I'm just so passionate about it. Nurses are going to go to jail and more people are going to die because they won't report their errors."

Vaught reported her error as soon as she realized what she had done wrong.

Vaught, 38, injected the paralyzing drug vecuronium instead of the sedative Versed into 75-year-old Charlene Murphey on Dec. 26, 2017. Vaught admitted making several errors that led to the fatal injection, but her defense attorney argued that systemic problems at Vanderbilt University Medical Center were at least partly to blame.

The state's expert witness argued at trial that Vaught violated the standard of care expected of nurses. In addition to grabbing the wrong medicine, she failed to read the name of the drug, did not notice a red warning on the top of the medication, and did not stay with the patient to check for an adverse reaction, nurse legal consultant Donna Jones said.

Leanna Craft, a nurse educator at the neurological intensive care unit where Vaught worked, testified that it was common for nurses at that time to override the system to get drugs. The hospital had recently updated an electronic records system, which led to delays in retrieving medications. There was also no scanner in the imaging area for Vaught to scan the medication against the patient's ID bracelet.

The jury found Vaught not guilty of reckless homicide. Criminally negligent homicide was a lesser offense included under the original charge.

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Viqueens

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first to third allowed Mitchell to score from third, tying the game at eight.

The go-ahead run came on a fielder's choice RBI by Abi Brown, scoring West, but the Lady Rockets were able to get the third out via tag after Community took the slim, 9-8 lead.

In the bottom of the inning, Viqueen pitcher Hailey Farrar forced a fly out, but the Lady Rockets proved advantageous at the plate and loaded the bases after a pair of walks and a single.

Farrar made things interesting and recorded the second out by striking out Forrest's Christa Warren, setting the Viqueens up one out from forcing a tiebreaker for the 7-AA title.

But it was Abby Ferguson who came through with the game on the line for Lady Rockets and smacked a two-RBI single to right for the walk-off victory.

"I've got a lot of respect for Forrest. When they (Community) can come out here and make it game and not have a run rule, I think our girls realize what their worth is and what they can bring to the table. I think that will give us some gas moving forward," Farrell said.

Forrest looked to put the game out of reach early, driving in two runs in the bottom of the first and a single run in the second and third innings, but the Viqueens just wouldn't go away.

In three different innings, Community cut the Lady Rocket lead to one run before eventually forcing the late-game drama in the top of the seventh with a four-run inning.

Hits were a-plenty for the Purple and Gold.

Mitchell went 3-for-4 with the team's only extra base hit of the night, which came in the top of the fifth inning.

Farrar and Zoey Dixon split time in the pitcher's circle, with Farrar going the first Inning before Dixon worked a single inning in relief.

Farrar then relieved Dixon and pitched the final five innings for Community.

While Thursday went down as another heartbreaking loss for the Viqueens at the hands of the Lady Rockets, the path to a rematch in the Region 4-AA championship is still intact.



T-G Photos by Chris Siers

Abi Brown swipes Forrest's Macyn Kirby for an out at second base.

Community will travel to the District 8-AA champion on Monday for the region semifinal, while the Lady Rockets will host the 8-AA runner-up.

Should both teams win on Monday, the rematch will be set for Wednesday in Chapel Hill.

"The plan is to get back over here for the region championship and get to work. Just move on and find a way to make it work," Farrell said.

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Community: Abi Murrill 1-for-5, Abi Brown 2-for-5, Taylar Wessner 1-for-4, Carlie Blanton 1-for-4, Haley Mitchell 3-for-4, Hailey Farrar 1-for-4, Zoey Dixon 1-for-2, Chloe West 1-for-4.
2B: Mitchell
WP: Chilton
LP: Farrar



Taylar Wessner is all smiles as she is greeted by the Viqueen dugout after scoring in the top of the third inning.



A number of Golden Eagle soccer players received special awards for their achievements on the field during the regular season. Earning awards are (front, from left) Edgar Solis (MVP), Kolby Themm (Defender of the Year) and Daniel Juarez (Midfielder of the Year); (Middle row, from left) Second Team All-District: Jonathan Rojas, Emmanuel Leyva, Jonathan Medel and Alex Sebastian; (Back row, from left) First Team All-District: Brian Contreras, Ryan, Gami Vazquez and Yaden Nino.

T-G Photo by Gary Johnson

Eagles

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younger guys deserve a ton of praise for always challenging the varsity. I told the boys we play the second best team in the district everyday at practice," Shelbyville Central coach Chris Fritz said. "To finish the tournament without giving up a single goal says a lot about our defensive line and goalkeeper. The depth we have helps us keep our pressing game through subbing and gives us a few tactical adjustments. Honestly, these guys have kept me on my toes as a coach and I love it."

The Eagles got on the board off a long shot from Daniel Juarez and added a second score off the toe of a Gami Vasquez redirect from a Daniel Torres corner.

A third score came off a header from Edgar Solis on a Jonathan Medel cross in the box.

"Everyone is coming to every single practice with mentality to improve even in the hot days this week, Fritz said. "We still have work to do and these boys all know that with region coming up. We look forward to the challenge.

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