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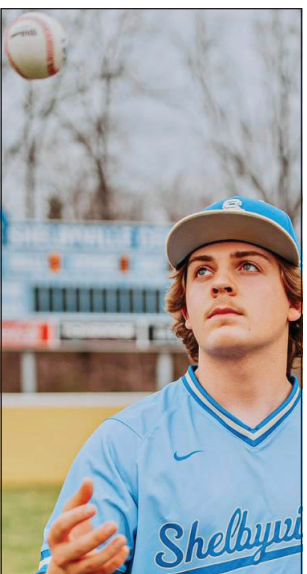

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Juvenile detention dilemma in numbers

By ZOË WATKINS
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How to fund the building of a new juvenile center was the center of discussion at a Tuesday study session for the Courthouse and Property Committee.

According to Jeff Sweeney, past county commissioner and county construction advisor, the cost to build a new facility — but with no kitchen and laundry room — could cost close to $4 million for 7,000 square feet.

"That puts us in a very good position for multiple bids. We're not seeing material prices go down but we're starting to get calls for bidding wanting to bid on more work. So, labor costs might come down soon, but not by much," said Sweeney.

In the next year, Tennessee will also be changing many of its building and code requirements, which could add another $2 million. For example, they will be requiring a "safe room" to be built in schools and education facilities. Building now would essentially grandfather in their design for another budget year.

"If it's a 2024 structure, you're looking at $4.8 [million]," said Sweeney.

"And we're talking about the bare minimum. You're not building for the future. You're not even putting a kitchen in. You realize what you're saying…I don't even know how you can make this make sense," said Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham.

Cartwright Elementary had a guaranteed maximum price of $32 million four years ago, according to Graham. But the price per square foot went up $100 in 18 months.

Renovating the current building — which has been ruled out by the committee — for $2 million would essentially be putting a band-aid on the problem. Plus, any renovations done to the 40-year-old building wouldn't last 20 years, according to Sweeney.

The county has been studying this problem for close to four years. Committee chair and county commissioner Julie Sanders talked about how she thought she was originally for sending them out, but after analyzing the cost is more in favor of building a new facility.

"I wasn't sure where I stood when we started this. I didn't want to be swayed either way. I wanted to hear the facts. And really the bottom line is it's going to cost more to send them," said Sanders.

Send them out

Another option is to send the juvenile out of the county to other facilities. But, according to Sanders, this would require the same amount of personnel, the building of a holding facility, and constant expense for gas and cars.

"If we ship these kids out, it's going to be a mess," said Commissioner Greg Vick.

County finance director Robert Daniel broke the numbers down.

Williamson County has one of the cheapest — so to speak — rates for the cost per day to house an out-of-county juvenile at $125 per day. Shelby County has the most expensive at $150 per day. (This is excluding Rutherford County whose rate is $175 per day. Daniel said Rutherford isn't taking in any juveniles currently). These rates, too, could go up and down.

The total minimum cost for transporting the juveniles would be $366,455.91 and the total maximum would be $476,482.58. These numbers are based on the county's current numbers of 200 juveniles and 1600 nights. This includes vehicle costs and transport officers. Specifically, the county would also need two transport officers (one for males and one for females), which would cost $129,853, including salary and insurance.

Not to mention, Sweeney suggested that sending juveniles out to locations with more crime per capita (like Shelby County) could negatively influence Bedford's delinquents. The top reasons for juveniles going to detention are for assault, runaway/unruly behavior, violations of probation, vandalism, drugs, and — increasingly — threats made at school/carrying a handgun, according to juvenile center director Kelle Smith.

Funding

"Right now, all we really need to be deciding is: are we keeping juvenile services in this county or are we going to send them out? That's what we've got to decide first," said Sanders.

But Commissioner Drew Hooker had an issue with making such a decision until there were more details on how to fund the project. "I don't think we can make that decision…

"We can talk about needing it, about wanting it all we want. But we've got to figure out how to put some money into it," he said. "I cannot with good conscious say

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Pam Birtcil: Habitat's executive director

By MARK MCGEE
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No one really knows where life is going to lead them. Pam Birtcil, for instance, didn't plan a career with a non-profit organization.

During her days working in Atlanta, Georgia, she was part of the corporate world after earning a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Georgia.

"I am pretty good with math, but I don't enjoy it," Pam said. "I was encouraged to go in that direction because it came very easy for me.

"I worked in the dental field in accounting in Atlanta. When I moved to Middle Tennessee, I went to work for Community Health Systems in Franklin which owns hospitals all over the country. I did that for my first 10 years here."

She and her husband Ted lived in Duluth, Georgia, close to Atlanta. He was transferred to Middle Tennessee by the Red Wing Shoe Company in 1992. The Birtcils moved to Bell Buckle 10 years later.

"That's how we got to Bell Buckle," Birtcil said. "Ted gave up his position with Red Wing and went into real estate.

"We wanted to slow everything down. We had lived in Atlanta and raised part of our family there. We call this 'God's country'. We like Bell Buckle and enjoy the pace there."

Time for a change

Pam had left corporate work and was helping Ted in the real estate career when she heard about the

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T-G Photos by Mark McGee

Pam Birtcil started with Bedford Builds Habitat for Humanity in 2006.

ART FOR CONVERSATION



T-G Photo by Zoe Watkins

Shelbyville local Dee Foster is branching out with her art. With a background in airbrushing and graphic design, she is focusing on "3DEE" art with acrylic paint that creates art meant to invoke conversations and ideas. See her full story in next week's edition of the Times-Gazette. Her solo show can be viewed at the Tullahoma Fine Arts Center, 401 South Jackson Street, from now until May 27.



Narrow driveway hinders firefighters

By Jeff Lewis
Special to the TG

An overnight fire, late last Saturday night caused significant damage to a Deason area home.

Fire officials were called to a house on Eady Road shortly before midnight. While en route, Bedford County 911 advised crews that callers reported the side of the house was engulfed and ammunition was stored in the affected rooms.

Access to the home was complicated by a very narrow driveway, requiring crews to stretch lines from the road to the house.

While making an initial attack, crews found heavy smoke showing with fire in two rooms of the structure. It took crews about 30 minutes to bring the fire under control. The cause of the blaze is under investigation. No injuries were reported.

OBITUARIES

Lillie Diane Buchanan

May 6, 2023



Lillie Diane Buchanan was born June 14, 1949, to the late Enis and Katie Buchanan. She departed from this earthly life Saturday, May 6, 2023, at her residence.

She leaves to cherish her memories a daughter, Rochelle Buchanan Adams, and son, William Buchanan; three great-grandchildren, Damion and Anthony Taylor and Joey Vandezz; also, a very devoted brother, Anthony (Shirley) Buchanan.

Services for Mrs. Buchanan will be held today, May 13, at Galilee P.B. Church 917 Sevier St., Shelbyville, Visitation will begin at 11 a.m. with a funeral to follow at noon. Burial at Willow Mount Cemetery. Services are in the care of Nelson & Sons Memorial Chapel, (931) 685-

Terry Michael 'Doodle' Young

May 9, 2023

Terry Michael "Doodle" Young, age 65, of Lewisburg, Tennessee passed from this life unexpectedly Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at his home. A Gathering of Family and Friends was held Friday evening in the chapel of Doak-Howell Funeral Home.

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that we can pay for this with a tax increase."

Daniel said that will be part of the budget process and rely on a revenue stream. "Currently, we're paying more in debt payments than we're taking in revenue. So, we're balancing that with the fund balance. So, we're underwater in the debt payments," he said. "We've got to find a revenue stream somewhere. If not, it will be like maxing out on a credit card."

Graham said that revenue stream could come from four cents from the tax or $10 of a wheel tax. That four cents is based on $500,000 a year that is generally needed to pay the debt up to $5 million.

"Now how much of the four cents can be absorbed in the current, without new money, we don't know. But that's what we're working on.

"You've got to keep in mind the county is not going out of business," said Graham. "The job of the commission and mayor's office is to run the county system, not thump your chest saying you never voted for anything. It's unfortunate, people like to call me a RINO because I'm not afraid to say we're supposed to fix this."

The next Courthouse and Property Committee meeting is May 16, consecutively after the Rules and Legislative Committee and the Courthouse and the Law Enforcement Committee which begin at 5 p.m.

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Birtcil with Shontelli Allen at the Habitat Store on Depot Street.

Birtcil

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opening at Bedford Builds Habitat for Humanity.

"At the time Chuck Gunn was with Keller-Williams," Pam said. "Chuck was on the board of directors for Bedford Builds Habitat for Humanity.

"He asked me if I knew anything about Habitat. I said 'yes, I did' because when I was in student council in Georgia I went to the Governor's mansion and got to meet Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter. He was the governor then. I followed him a little and knew of Habitat just because of its connection to him."

Gunn told Pam about the job opening as executive director. She told Gunn she didn't know how to build a house, but she knew about fundraising through youth groups with her children.

Pam was hired as executive director for Bedford Builds Habitat for Humanity in 2006. She is also in her second term on the state board for Habitat for Humanity of Tennessee representing small affiliates in District 2.

"The board is made up of 50 percent leaders from Habitats and the other 50 percent are business owners," Pam said.

"That first summer we built two houses. Before the pandemic, we used to build two houses and sometimes three. There are 59 Habitat homes in Bedford County and 27 that have been built since I have been here."

Since she didn't know how to build a house she depended heavily on Earl Pewitt and Mitchem Miolen for their construction expertise.

"I worked with Earl for almost 10 years," Pam said. "Mitchem is my construction guy now. He helped Earl. As Earl got older, he and Mitchem kind of changed places. Mitchem was more the lead and Earl was helping him.

"Kenneth Sanders is our other employee. He is one of our homeowners. He did such a great job while he was doing his 350 hours of sweat equity on his home."

Thriftiness builds homes

The first thrift store for Bedford Builds was behind two garage doors at a building owned by Jody Lambert. Pam's office was there as well.

"We used it for a couple of years, but we were getting so much stuff," Pam said. "We could fit it in the building, but we couldn't walk around. We then moved to Madison Street to a building owned by Larry Price."

Heating and cooling the area was a problem so Pam looked for new quarters. Her husband Ted and realtor Darin Hasty found the present store location on East Depot Street in what was once Clifford's Furniture Store.

"We were able to purchase the building instead of renting it," Pam said. "We were making money, but the purpose of the thrift store is to build a house, and with rents always increasing it was difficult. I met with our board and said we needed to find something we could afford so we could build up our house fund. And that is when we found this building."

Family ties

While she and Ted enjoy Bell Buckle, it has not been completely idyllic.

In February of 2008 their daughter Ashley, a junior at Middle Tennessee State University, was driving home from an event at UT-Memphis Medical School. She was traveling along I-40 near Jackson, Tennessee, on a stormy day.

"There was tornadic weather, " Pam said. "There was a state trooper behind her. He told us a very strong wind picked up Ashley's car. She hit a tree and died. She was just 20 years old.

"You never get over it." Yet, despite the loss, I always love talking about her."

Today, the family is doing well. Their oldest daughter, Tiffany, teaches at Central Magnet School in Murfreesboro. Jay, their son, works in IT for Metro Government in Nashville, while Ted continues his real estate work with Simmons Realty.

Drop by

Pam's office is located at 209 Depot Street in the back of the Bedford Builds Habitat for Humanity Thrift Store. Shontelli Allen will greet you at the door and help you navigate through the merchandise. The store is open Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tesla shouldn't call driving system Autopilot because humans are still in control, Buttigieg says

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tesla shouldn't be calling its partially automated driving system Autopilot because the cars can't drive themselves, the top U.S. transportation official says.

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg says he's concerned about Tesla's marketing of the system, which is under investigation by his department in connection with crashes that have caused at least 14 deaths.

"I don't think that something should be called, for example, an Autopilot, when the fine print says you need to have your hands on the wheel and eyes on the road at all times," Buttigieg said in an interview with The Associated Press.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, an agency within Buttigieg's department, has sent investigative teams to more than 30 crashes since 2016 in which Teslas suspected of operating on Autopilot or its more sophisticated automated Full Self-Driving system have struck pedestrians, motorcyclists, semi trailers and parked emergency vehicles.

The probes are part of a larger investigation by the NHTSA into multiple instances of Teslas using Autopilot crashing into parked emergency vehicles that are tending to other crashes. The NHTSA has become more aggressive in pursuing safety problems with Teslas in the past year, announcing multiple recalls and investigations.

Tesla, based in Austin, Texas, didn't immediately return messages left Thursday by the AP seeking comment.

Autopilot can keep a car in its lane and away from vehicles in front of it, while Full Self-Driving can take on most driving tasks. But in each case, Tesla tells owners they must be ready to intervene at all times.

Buttigieg said the Transportation Department will hold Tesla or any other company accountable for complying with federal safety standards. "We call balls and strikes," he said. "I view it as something where it's very important to be very objective. But anytime a company does something wrong or a vehicle needs to be recalled or a design isn't safe, we're going to be there."

In the Wednesday interview, Buttigieg said that self-driving vehicles have enormous potential to reduce the nearly 40,000 U.S. roadway deaths that happen each year, a level that he called unacceptable. But he said the technology has not been proved yet. "It's far from automatic that it's going to meet that potential," he said. "That's what we're trying to shape here at the Department of Transportation."

The NHTSA also is looking at Tesla's Full Self-Driving system. In February, the agency pressured Tesla into recalling nearly 363,000 vehicles with the software because the system can break traffic laws. The problem was to be fixed with an online software update.

Tesla CEO Elon Musk has said he expects to have fully autonomous vehicles this year, a pledge he has made for several years. "The trend is very clearly toward full self-driving," Musk said in April. "And I hesitate to say this, but I think we'll do it this year."

The system is being tested on public roads by as many as 400,000 Tesla owners. But the NHTSA said in documents that the system can make unsafe actions such as traveling straight through an intersection from a turn-only lane, going through a yellow traffic light without proper caution or failing to respond to speed limit changes.

The NHTSA also has opened investigations during the past three years into Teslas braking suddenly for no reason, suspension problems and other issues.

Buttigieg wouldn't comment specifically on the pending investigations. "Both outside bodies, states and other regulatory entities on the marketing side, and us from a vehicle safety perspective, are always paying attention," he said.

No vehicle on sale today can drive itself, he stressed, saying that drivers must pay attention in all cases.

The Justice Department also has asked Tesla for documents about Full Self-Driving and Autopilot.

Buttigieg also touted the Biden administration's efforts to electrify the nation's auto fleet.

"The bottom line is the automotive sector is going electric, and we want that to happen quickly enough to help us meet our climate goals," he said. "We want it to happen on American soil so that we get these American jobs and we want it to happen in an equitable way that everybody can benefit from."

Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W.Va., has criticized the administration for what he calls lax enforcement of rules that require EV batteries to be produced in North America.

Buttigieg acknowledged "some real differences of opinion" on how to implement the tax provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act, but said tax credits that take thousands of dollars off the purchase price of EVs are crucial along with a network of charging stations to accommodate millions of new EVs.

"The president set out a goal of 500,000 chargers by the end of this decade. I think we can hit that goal or beat it, but it's going to take a lot of work," he said, noting that chargers and other benefits from the climate law and 2021 infrastructure law go to every state. "Red states, blue states, purple states all came back with a plan to use those dollars, and they're all going forward with it right now. So I think we can succeed in this EV revolution."

He noted that he is a former mayor of South Bend, Indiana, former home to the Studebaker car company that went out of business in the 1960s.

"I know how important it is that we win this time, and that America lead the world in this revolution that is going to happen one way or the other very aggressively," he said.



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Donating blankets to hospitals



Hints from Heloise

Heloise

Dear Heloise: Here's a tip for all the knitters/crocheters, who make or want to make blankets for hospitals. Please be sure to ask them what size they prefer for babies, the NICU, children and teens, and what to use to make them.

Some hospitals will not take knitted/crocheted blankets for the babies due to safety (wires/fingers/toes), nor will they take fleece (the fluff can get into their lungs). But they may take child/teen sizes that are knitted/crocheted. Any kind of blanket or quilt must be fragrance-free with no pet fur due to allergies. Remember, the kiddos are sick. They don't need another problem.

I am a member of Project Linus, a wonderful group who provides handmade blankets to children in need ages 0-18 in the U.S. Our guidance comes from the hospitals, so it's always good to ask what your local hospitals need. Thank you. -- Mary Anderson, Vancouver, Washington

TINFOIL HINTS

Dear Heloise: I had a good friend suggest putting tinfoil between my Crock-Pot lid and the actual Crock-Pot. No steam seeps out. Also, it can be used between a roaster pan and its cover. Moisture stays in. -- Jacci, via email

ACTIVITIES FOR GRANDCHILDREN

Dear Heloise: In a recent column, someone wrote in about fun activities they do with their grandchildren. Here are a few other ideas:

-- Visit the local library. Libraries are great resources for people of all ages and offer a ton of free activities for children. My local library offers "story time" for children and their families, game night, children's crafting and more.

-- Go for a nature walk and point out plants, animals and anything you see along the way. You can also start a rock collection during these walks. My son loved collecting rocks and sea shells when he was small.

-- Visit a farmers market or flea market.

-- Go to a local museum. Many offer free or discounted days.

-- Have a picnic in the backyard or local park. Let the children help prepare and choose the food to take along.

-- Collect items that are needed for an animal shelter or nursing home. Then, take the kids along to donate the items and visit the location. -- Shelly Lott, via email

PET PAL

Dear Heloise: Here is my 5-year-old shelter rescue dog, Bailey, who has brought so much joy into my life after the loss of my mom to cancer in 2018. He has actually rescued me! -- Maleyna George, Rancho Cucamonga, California

Readers, to see Bailey and our other Pet Pals, go to Heloise.com and click on "Pet of the Week."

Do you have a furry friend to share with our readers? Send a photo and a brief description to Heloise@Heloise.com. -- Heloise

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TODAY

VFW Breakfast

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5019, and its Auxiliary will host their 2nd Saturday of the month FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST Saturday, May 13, from 7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the VFW Post, 1320 Depot Street. There will be home-cooked food (including country ham and pork loin). Carry-outs are available. For more information call Alex at 615-513-7959. The food for this fundraiser has been generously donated by HUMANA.

Decoration Day

·Mt. Lebanon Church cemetery decoration will be May 13. Service will begin at 2 p.m. Donations towards the upkeep and mowing are deeply appreciated.

·Decoration service at Mount Olivet cemetery will be Sunday May 21 at 2:30 p.m.

·Old Mt. Hermon Cemetery will host its Decoration Day on Saturday, May 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., weather permitting. The cemetery caretaker will be at the cemetery to meet visitors and take donations. If unable to visit, please send donations to: Friends of Old Mt Hermon Cemetery, P.O. Box 831, Shelbyville, TN 37162.

·Decoration services will be held at the Mt. Hermon Cemetery on Saturday, May 13, at 2 p.m. Donations may be given at the cemetery or mailed to Mt. Hermon Cemetery Association, c/o Linda Jacobs, 1199 Bugscuffle Road, Wartrace, TN 37183.

·Decoration Day at Wheel Cemetery will be May 13. There will be a short service at 2 p.m. Donations for the upkeep of the cemetery will be accepted and very much appreciated.

·There will be a workday at Rosebank Cemetery in Flat Creek May 13 beginning at 9 a.m. Please bring your yard tools.

Car show

The Celebration City Region Car Club will be hosting a car show Saturday, May 13, at the Celebration horse show pavilion. The event will begin at 8 a.m. and judging will begin at 12 noon. Trophies will be presented at 3 p.m.

Bedford Warriors Course

The Bedford Warriors for Charity will host their first-ever obstacle course challenge on Saturday, May 1, at 9 a.m. at the Bedford County Agriculture Center. Prize money will be donated to a Bedford County charity for the top three women's and top three men's finishers. For more information contact Amanda Arnold at 931-206-0574 or Ron Orr at 615-598-8617. Food trucks, vendors, and kids' area will also be available.

Fish fry

The First Choice Annual Fish Fry fundraiser will be Saturday, May 13, at Walnut Ridge Farm, 1198 Whiteside Hill Rd. in Wartrace. Food will be served from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Kids 10 and under eat free at the event. Tickets are $15 in advance and can be purchased online at Eventbrite.com or by calling First Choice Pregnancy Center at 931-680-0066. Tickets will also be $20 at the door. Curbside pick-up available. Call by noon May 12 to schedule pickup if purchasing more than five meals.

SUNDAY

Old Orchard Decoration Day

Old Orchard Cemetery will hold its annual Decoration & Memorial Service Sunday, May 14, at 2 p.m. Board Members will be on-site Friday, Saturday, & Sunday: May 12, 13, & 14 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to accept upkeep donations and answer questions. If you are unable to attend, feel free to mail your donation to P.O. Box 94, Petersburg, TN.

MAY 15

Democratic Party Meeting

The Bedford County Democratic Party will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, May 15, at the El Mexico Mexican Restaurant at 724 N. Main Street in Shelbyville.

MAY 17

ABCs of Medicare

The ABCs of Medicare Class is offered monthly. The next class will be on May 17 at 101 Sam Watkins Blvd in Mt. Pleasant from 9 a.m. to noon. Advance registration is required. Counselors are available by phone or by appointment at your local Senior Center. Contact us to make a class reservation or to get a counseling appointment, at 931-379-2927 or email sctn.ship@sctdd.org.

MAY 18

Theatre auditions

Fly Community Theatre will be holding auditions on May 18 at 6 p.m. and May 21 at 2 p.m. at The Fly Arts Center for the comedy Play On! This show is about a community theatre and the disasters that happen while they are trying to produce a show called "Murder Most Foul."

MAY 19

Gilliland Fish Fry

The Gilliland Historical Research Center, 803 Lipscomb Street, will be hosting its annual Fish Fry and Bake Sale on Friday, May 19, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tours will be open to the public from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Decoration at Rosebank Cemetery will be May 21 at 2 p.m. at the Flat Creek Community Center. For any questions, call Betty Housch at 931-580-5610.

MAY 20

Decoration Day

New Hope at Talley Station Cemetery's decoration is set for the 3rd Saturday, May 20. Board members will be at the cemetery from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Donations can also be made at or mailed to First National Bank, 1190 N Ellington Pkwy, Lewisburg, TN 37091.

MAY 21

Decoration Days

·Decoration at Rosebank Cemetery will be May 21 at 2 p.m. at the Flat Creek Community Center. For any questions, call Betty Housch at 931-580-5610.

·Decoration Day at New Herman Cemetery will be Sunday, May 21, at 2 p.m. Donations may be made Sunday or mailed to Frances McGee, 114 Goose Creek Rd., Shelbyville, TN 37160.

·The decoration service will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 21, at Burns Chapel Cemetery on Burns Road. Donations will be accepted for cemetery upkeep, and donations may be mailed to: Wallace Cartwright, 301 Brown Lane, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

·The Unionville Cemetery decoration will be on May 21 at 2 p.m. Any donations can be sent to: Peggy Orrell,416 Riverbend Country Club Rd., Shelbyville, TN 37160.

·Decoration day at Houston Whitworth Cemetery will be May 21st. There will be a short service at 2 p.m. Donations may be given at the cemetery or mailed to: Charles Armstrong, 435 Old Nashville Dirt Rd., Shelbyville, TN 37160.

MAY 22

Town Hall Meeting

A Town Hall Meeting for District 4 will be held at 6:30 p.m. at The Liberty School Cafeteria and will be hosted by District 4 commissioners Diane Neeley and Anita Epperson. Attendees are invited to come and share their ideas about current issues in the county. For more information, call or text 931-607-8053.

JUNE 1

SCHRA meeting

The South Central Human Resource Agency Governing Board will meet on Thursday, June 1, at 11 a.m. at SCHRA Central Office, 1437 Winchester Hwy., Fayetteville. The SCHRA Budget/Audit/Appropriations, Property, and Personnel Committees will meet prior to the Governing Board Meeting at 10 a.m.

ONGOING

Meals on Wheels

Shelbyville Senior Citizens Center is in need of Meals on Wheels volunteers to deliver meals to the homebound of Shelbyville. For more information, call 684-0019 and ask for Amy Wilson.

Soup kitchen

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen serves meals from 3:30-5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 336 S. Cannon Blvd. (corner of South Cannon Boulevard and Pickle Street). Donations may be made to Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen, P.O. Box 2259, Shelbyville, TN 37162, and are tax deductible under its 501(c3) non-profit designation.

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

Head Start

Bedford County Head Start Centers are currently taking applications. 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. Head Start is a free child development program for children 6 weeks to 3 years and their families. Early Head Start enrolls pregnant women for monthly prenatal educational visits.

Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery meets each Monday at 6 p.m. at International House of Prayer, 865 Union St. Attendees do not have to be a church member. For more information call Doug, 931-703-3159.

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Sweet, savory, and spring-y

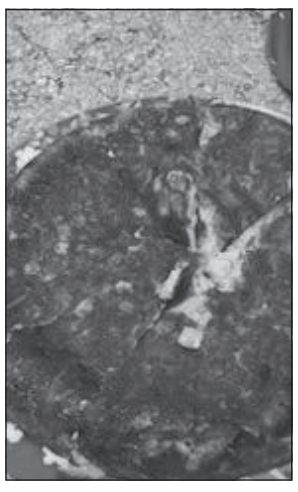
The local Epsilon Sigma Alpha shared some delicious spring recipes that are sure to bring a bit of color to your dinner table. See more recipes inside today's Life and Leisure section.



Asparagus Quiche

5 eggs, beaten with a fork + 1 Tbsp flour
1/2 cup half & half
Salt and pepper to taste
1-1/2 cups heavy cream
Combine all the above ingredients and mix well with a wire whisk.
1 deep dish pie shell, uncooked
1 cup shredded cheese- I use Swiss.
1/4 cup or less, finely diced onion
Shake in herbs of your choice. (I use a tsp of herbs de Provence.)
1 cup fresh asparagus (ends snapped, poached and chopped)
Sprinkle cheese in the bottom of the pie shell. Next, layer the onions seasonings and asparagus.
Pour the egg, cream mixture over all into the pie shell. Bake preheated 325-degree oven for 1 hour or until the knife inserted comes out clean. Quiche should be served warm. Let sit for 15-20 after you remove from the oven

Mexican Cornbread



1-1/2 cups self-rising cornmeal
2 large eggs
1/2 cup sour cream
1- (8-ounce) can whole kernel corn (drained)
1-1/2 cups whole buttermilk
2 fresh jalapeño peppers (seeded and chopped)
3 mini sweet red bell peppers (seeded & chopped)
3 mini sweet yellow bell peppers (seeded and chopped)
5 green onions (chopped) use some of the green
1 cup shredded sharp Cheddar cheese
1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese with peppers
(I substitute some jalapeños from a small can. (2-3 oz. can) I chop them, taking out seeds.)
Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Mix all ingredients in a bowl. Pour in a greased (solid Crisco shortening) 10-inch cast-iron skillet. If you use a smaller skillet, increase the baking time. Bake until golden brown, about 40-45 minutes. Pour out on a serving plate.

Puffy Muffin Ginger Tea

3 heaping Tbsp. Instant tea (plain, no sugar, no lemon)
1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
6 cups warm water
2 cups diluted orange juice
6 oz. can frozen Limeade, undiluted
2 liters Ginger Ale (or enough to make one gallon)
Combine the instant tea, sugar and water. Stir well to dissolve sugar.
Add orange juice and Limeade. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Just before serving, add enough Ginger Ale to make one gallon of liquid. If you prefer sweeter tea, omit 1-2 cups Ginger Ale. This recipe can easily be halved.



Shirley McGee



Entertain guests with a Fresh Al Fresco favorite

(Family Features) If you and your loved ones yearn for new, stimulating experiences to feel connected to the outdoors, look no further than enjoying mealtime al fresco. Inspired by the Mediterranean tradition of "eating in the open air," al fresco dining offers passionate home cooks a fresh way to enjoy their favorite recipes outside with friends and family.

Consider these two tried-and-true al fresco tips from television personality and culinary icon Rachael Ray the next time you enjoy dinner on the deck or lunch on the patio.

Gather the right tools: On those buggy days and nights during the warm season when you're dining al fresco, grab a food mesh tent. Not only will it protect your food, but it also looks good and goes with a variety of table settings.

Plan the decor: When hosting friends and family, up your floral game by reaching into the garden and adding some fresh herbs - it's aesthetically pleasing and smells delicious.

Ideal al fresco meals typically take advantage of in-season produce, offer easy preparation so you can focus on entertaining and are simple enough to eat outdoors. Skip complicated cooking steps and turn to a delicious option like Yellowfin Tuna and Artichoke Pasta, which can be served as an appetizer, side dish or on its own as a light main course.

This dish practically calls for ingredients like Genova Yellowfin Tuna in Olive Oil, which features cuts of wild-caught tuna, hand-filleted in just the right amount of olive oil.



Yellowfin Tuna and Artichoke Pasta

Savory, rich and flavorful with a perfect texture, the tuna elevates the dish with a uniquely rich and savory flavor stemming from Mediterranean inspiration.

To find more al fresco dining inspiration and recipe ideas, visit GenovaSeafood.com.

Yellowfin Tuna and Artichoke Pasta

Recipe courtesy of Rachael Ray on behalf of Genova Tuna
Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 40 minutes with fresh artichokes (25 minutes with canned)
Servings: 4

Artichokes:

Cold water
12 small, fresh artichokes or 2 cans artichoke hearts in water
2 lemons
3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
salt, to taste
pepper or red pepper, to taste

Pasta:

Water
2 cans (5 ounces each) Genova Yellowfin Tuna in Olive Oil
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
4 tablespoons butter, cut into tabs
4 cloves garlic, chopped
1 teaspoon crushed red pepper (optional)
salt, to taste
1/2 cup white wine, chicken stock or vegetable stock
1 pound spaghetti or linguine
1 lemon, juice only
1 cup grated Pecorino Romano cheese
1/4 cup chopped fresh Italian parsley, divided
1 small handful fresh mint, chopped, divided
1/4 cup toasted pistachios or pine nuts, chopped
To make artichokes: Preheat oven to 425 F.
Fill bowl with cold water and juice of one lemon.
If using fresh artichokes, trim tops of artichokes and tougher outer leaves. Using vegetable peeler or small paring knife, trim stems. Once prepped, cut fresh artichokes in half. If using canned artichokes, drain well and quarter lengthwise.
Place artichokes in lemon water.
Let soak 2-3 minutes, drain and pat dry with kitchen towel.
In casserole or baking dish, arrange artichokes and add juice of remaining lemon, quarter lemon and add lemon wedges to dish.
Add olive oil and salt and pepper, to taste.
Roast 25-30 minutes, or until tender.
To make pasta: Bring large pot of water to boil.
While water is coming to boil, place large skillet over medium heat and add olive oil and butter. Add garlic; red pepper, if desired; and salt, to taste, and swirl 1 minute. Add white wine or stock and let reduce by half.
When water comes to boil, salt water, add pasta and cook 1 minute less than directions. Reserve 1/2 cup pasta water before draining.
Add artichokes to large skillet with tuna with its oil and gently break up with back of wooden spoon or paddle.
Add lemon juice and reserved pasta water to skillet along with drained pasta, cheese and half the parsley, mint and pistachios. Toss to combine, top with remaining parsley, mint and pistachios and serve.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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

Baptist

Pastor Jimmy West's message for Sunday morning's service on May 14 at **Edgemont Baptist Church** will be "Love and Sacrifice," from John 12:1-8.

Church Services at **Calvary Baptist Church** will be held on Sunday, May 14, at 10 a.m. The message from Pastor Tyler. Shoemaker will be titled "A Mom Will Always Be A Mom" from 1 Samuel 1-21-28.

Church of Christ

This Sunday at **Fairlane Church of Christ**, the sermon is "Lessons from Mary" and the scripture is Luke 1: 26-38.

The **Southside Church of Christ** lesson will be "Follower of God" from Luke 9:23 by Jim Gibson at 10 a.m. Sunday. Brian Nicholson will be doing a Study of Colossians at the Sunday 6 p.m. service. David Sanders will be teaching "Restoration Thought and History" at the Wednesday 6:30 p.m. service. Sunday morning is livestreamed at 10 a.m. and Wednesday evening services are livestreamed 6:30 p.m. at cofcsouthside.com.

Methodist

Pastor Abe Zimmerman's sermon at the Shelbyville **First United Methodist Church** will be "If My People: A Call to Prayer" from 2 Chronicles 6:12-13, 7:11-15. Throughout history, there have been times when God's people came together and prayed, and then God showed up and responded in amazing ways. These next three weeks, they will look at different places in the Bible where prayer changed things. You can join them for worship service at 10 a.m. as they take a closer look at prayer. Service is also livestreamed on Facebook and broadcast on WLIJ 1580 AM.

First Christian

First Christian invites everyone to worship with this Sunday at 10 a.m. as they talk about Mary the Mother of Jesus as a "Model for the Modern Mom." Children's graded worship & nursery are also available at 10 am as well.

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church's service for this Sunday, the 6th Sunday of Easter, will be held Sunday at 10 a.m. led by Pastor Jim Moran. All services are streamed live on Facebook. Sunday School starts at 9 a.m. They have all age groups and a nursery available for the little ones. They would love to see some new faces and hope you can join them on Sunday at 9 a.m. for Sunday School and 10 a.m. for our worship service.

Women's program

A "Women's Day Program" will be held at **Thompson Grove Missionary Baptist Church** on May 21 at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served after service.

Cowpuncher's Cowboy Church will be hosting its 3rd annual women's ministry "Bee a Blessing" conference on Saturday, June 3, at 1624 Hwy 41A from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be guest speakers, musical guest Delnora, food, and door prizes. Tickets are $20. Checks can be mailed to



Learn the meanings behind popular Mother's Day flowers

Mother's Day is a time to express love and appreciation for mothers, sentiments that are often expressed with gifts. Flowers are a popular present to bestow on Mother's Day, as they can brighten a room and bring a sweet aroma to any household.

While any flowers may ultimately suffice on Mother's Day, gift givers may want to select flowers for Mom that convey specific messages. The language of flowers has been recognized for centuries. Though perhaps not as heralded as it once was, flower symbolism persists to this day. Here's a look at some of the meanings behind certain types of flowers to help guide Mother's Day gifting.

• Amaryllis: These plants start as bulbs and are naturally spring-blooming flowers. The name comes from the Greek word "amarysso," which means "to sparkle," and they symbolize pride.

• Aster: These daisy-like flowers are delicate-looking perennials. Asters make great gifts because they symbolize love and daintiness.

• Begonia: There are more than 2,000 types of begonias, and the flower symbolizes deep thoughts. Begonias were made famous by French horticulturist Michel Bégon, who thought the blooms looked like beautiful girls.

• Bleeding heart: These flowers are red and pink blossoms that look like the perfect heart shape with a teardrop at the bottom. They're beautiful and symbolic of love and affection.

• Buttercup: These are associated with youthfulness and cheerfulness and can call to mind childhood days spent picking buttercups and holding them under chins to reveal that you like butter. The flower is known for its beauty and innocent charm.

• Camellia (white): White camellias stand for purity and innocence, but they also symbolize admiration and respect. Camellias make beautiful additions to any bouquet.

• Daisy: Daisies are happy-looking flowers, and according to Norse mythology they represent motherhood and children.

• Delphinium: Delphiniums come in pink, white and blue varieties and embody youth and renewal. They're a good pick if you want to convey a continued or renewed affection for a person.

• Tulip: Tulips with an orange hue are thought to represent understanding and appreciation. They can express appreciation for Mom or another special person. Yellow tulips symbolize happiness, while pink tulips are symbolic of love. Red blooms should be reserved for sweethearts.

Various flowers symbolize feelings people want to express to their mothers, grandmothers and other special women on Mother's Day.

VETERANS BREAKFAST



Submitted photo

Military Veterans met on Wednesday, May 10, for coffee and breakfast. They meet every Wednesday morning at 9 a m. at Ruth's Kitchen. On the second Wednesday of each month, the local American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, and Veterans of Foreign Wars pay for every veteran's breakfast. They invite all Bedford County Veterans to join other Veteran brothers at Ruth's. Also, they ask for support in joining one or all of the organizations. The next get-together will be Wednesday, May 17, at 0900. For more information call Dave Plumley at 931-294-2415.

OPINION: 'RED FLAG' LAWS IN TENNESSEE

Citizens of Bedford County,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed Red Flag Laws that have been suggested by some county Republican parties. These laws would allow the government to seize firearms from individuals without due process or any evidence of criminal behavior.

Red flag laws violate the fundamental rights of law-abiding gun owners and undermine the Second Amendment. They are a dangerous and unconstitutional infringement on our freedoms.

Furthermore, there is no evidence to suggest that red flag laws are effective in preventing gun violence. In fact, these laws may actually make it more difficult for individuals to seek help for mental health issues, as they may fear having their firearms seized.

We must not allow our government to strip away our constitutional rights under the guise of public safety. We must instead focus on solutions that respect the rights of gun owners while also addressing the root causes of violence.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,
Bo Gill-Chairman, Bedford County Republican Party

Celebrate Statehood Day at the State Library & Archives

NASHVILLE – The Tennessee State Library & Archives will celebrate 227 years of statehood by hosting free events on Statehood Day, Thursday, June 1, and a family-friendly celebration event on Saturday, June 3.

"The Library & Archives displays Tennessee's three original constitutions once a year to celebrate statehood," said Tennessee Secretary of State Tre Hargett. "This is an opportunity for Tennesseans to see the original documents that still to this day provide the foundation of our state government. There will be so much for visitors to explore on Statehood Day and at our family-friendly celebration on June 3. I hope Tennesseans join us for either or both days of celebration."

On Statehood Day, June 1, Debbie Mathis Watts will perform her song, "The Tennessee in Me," an official state song of Tennessee, starting at 8 a.m. The Library & Archives, with assistance from the Tennessee Highway Patrol Honor Guard, will transfer Tennessee's three priceless original constitutions from 1796, 1834 and 1870, typically protected in a vault, to the Library & Archives' lobby. The constitutions will remain on display until 4:30 p.m.

The Library & Archives will also feature rarely seen historical documents, including the Cumberland Compact, Governor John Sevier's Address to the first Tennessee General Assembly, the Cherokee Nation 1827 Constitution and the founding documents of the State of Franklin.

In addition to viewing Tennessee's original founding documents, guests can pick up free historical craft kits and receive a Passport to Tennessee History. The free Passport to Tennessee History features information about the Library & Archives, Tennessee State Museum, Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park and the Tennessee State Capitol and space to collect a distinct stamp from each location.

"The Library & Archives team is excited to welcome visitors during our two days of Statehood Day celebrations," said Tennessee State Librarian and Archivist Jamie Ritter. "We hope parents bring their children to our family-friendly event celebration on Saturday, June 3, and have some fun while learning something new about the history of Tennessee."

On Saturday, June 3, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Library & Archives is hosting a family-friendly Statehood Day Celebration event with a children's scavenger hunt, games, crafts and historical interpreters. On June 3, Tennessee's three original constitutions and other founding documents will be displayed publicly in the Library & Archives lobby from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Library & Archives is joining Bicentennial Mall State Park and the Tennessee State Museum for a variety of events to celebrate Statehood Day. Park Rangers will offer a free guided tour of Bicentennial Mall State Park starting outside the Tennessee State Library & Archives at 9 a.m. For more information, visit tnstateparks.com.

The State Museum is celebrating Statehood Day with a children's story time, statehood artifacts on display, family crafts and a Statehood Anniversary Commemoration at noon on June 1. For the Tennessee State Museum's full schedule of Statehood Day activities visit, TNMuseum.org/Statehood.

The Library & Archives' Statehood Day Celebration events will take place at 1001 Rep. John Lewis Way N., on the northeast corner of the Bicentennial Mall State Park in Nashville. Attending the Library & Archives Statehood Day Celebration events is free. No reservations are required.

For more information about the Library & Archives Statehood Day Celebration, visit sos.tn.gov/tsla/statehoodday.

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Dollar General Literacy Foundation awards over $1.8M to programs

GOODLETTSVILLE — The Dollar General Literacy Foundation announced the award of more than $1.8 million in literacy grants to Tennessee nonprofit organizations, libraries and schools. The funds are part of the Foundation's historical, one-day literacy donation of more than $13 million throughout the 47 states in which Dollar General operates to support adult, family and summer literacy programs.

Some $3,000 of those went to the Shelbyville Unite of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Rutherford County.

"It is a joy to celebrate this historic grant announcement during our 30th anniversary year," shared Denine Torr, executive director of the Dollar General Literacy Foundation. "For three decades, DGLF's investment in community programs has created meaningful access to literacy skills for adults, children and families alike and exemplified Dollar General's mission of serving other. We believe everyone deserves the opportunity and access to a quality education, and we look forward to seeing these literacy grants inspire reading and build brighter futures."

Tennessee recipients are listed below, and a comprehensive list of grant recipients may be found online at www.dgliteracy.org. The grants awarded to Tennessee organizations are expected to positively impact the lives of more than 210,000 individuals.

These grants aim to support schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations within a 15-mile radius of a Dollar General store or distribution center in implementing new literacy initiatives or expanding existing ones. Funding may be used to purchase new technology, equipment, books, materials, or software to enhance literacy programs. Learn more about the Foundation's literacy grant programs online at http://www.dgliteracy.org.

JAIL INTAKE: MAY 13

The following were charged 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.

•Francisco J. Alvarez-Rios, 31, Longview Road, Unionville, Tennessee; violation of probation, no bond.

•Philip Andrew Barlie, 24, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; simple possession, no bond.

•Marcus Antonio Baza, 38, Landers St.; domestic assault-simple, $2,000 bond.

•Francisco Bernado Boltazar, 37, Fairfield Pike; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, no bond.

•Yonathan Moncada Camacho, 26, Meyers St.; driver to exercise due care, no driver's license exhibited on demand, no bond.

•David Capps, 27, South Cannon Blvd.; evading arrest, firearm use in association with dangerous felony, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of schedule II (two charges), resisting arrest by officer, $50,000 bond.

•Juan Cardenas, 59, West Lane St.; driving on revoked license, DUI-commercial license, open container law, $11,000 bond.

•Kristy Lynn Clayton, 37, East Depot St.; public intoxication, $500 bond.

•Ryan Dwayne Cook, 39, Edgemont Dr.; driving on revoked license, financial responsibility, reckless/careless driving, speeding, no bond.

•Jordan Chase Crawford, 25, South Cannon Blvd.; firearm use in association with dangerous felony, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of schedule II (two charges), $50,000 bond.

•Miguel Andreas Cristbal, 29, West Jackson St.; driver to exercise due care, driving under influence, no driver's license/exhibited on demand, violation of implied consent, $4,000 bond.

•Aiden Gabriel Crockett, 21, Almor Knot Dr., Murfreesboro, Tennessee; failure to yield right of way, no driver's license/exhibited on demand, no bond.

•John Frederick Curley III, 52, Highway 64 West; domestic assault-simple, $3,500 bond.

•Tony Dewayne Curry, 31, East Lane St.; driving on revoked license, speeding, no bond.

•Daniela Quadalupe Diaz Santana, 24, Lewisburg, Tennessee; criminal impersonation, shoplifting, $2,500 bond.

•Janet Diaz Santana, 26, Oak St,; criminal impersonation, shoplifting, $2,500 bond.

•Arthur Lee Dobyns, 27, Brookhaven Circle; driving on suspended license, financial responsibility, violation of registration law, no bond.

•Patrick Lee Dunn, 46, Thompson Road, Unionville, Tennessee; driver to exercise due care, driving under influence, failure to file accident with the state, financial responsibility, leaving the scene of accident/personal injury,no driver's license exhibited on demand, seatbelt law, no bond.

•Gregory Stephen Ferrell, 62, East Depot St.; domestic assault-simple, public intoxication, $3,000 bond.

•Ricky Joe Freeman, 44, Couch Lane; theft of property, $5,000 bond.

•Wagner Alexis Berrios Funez, 20, Wells Road, Nashville, Tennessee; license required, light law, $1,000 bond.

•Charles Joseph Garrett, 25, Substation Road, Unionville, Tennessee; aggravated assault, other, violation of probation (General Sessions), $7,500 bond.

•Gabriel Gomez, 40, Derry St.; driving on suspended license, failure to appear, $2,500 bond.

•Jose Guevera, 37, Glestonburg Road; Nashville, Tennessee; driving under influence, failure to maintain lane, no driver's license/exhibited on demand, open container law, $5,000 bond.

•Stephanie Kitzmiller, 35, East Main St., Murfreesboro, Tennessee; attachment, $1,000 bond.

•Gabriel Lopez, 35, West Jackson St.; financial responsibility, no driver's license, speeding, no bond.

•Jackie Lushea Mannahan, 46, Central Ave.; other, violation of probation (General Sessions(, $3,500 bond.

•Lakia Mayburry, 25, Seymour Ave., Nashville, Tennessee; capias, failure to appear, no bond.

•Johnny Lee McCoy, 38, Old Farmington Road, Lewisburg, Tennessee; violation of probation (General Sessions)-two charges, $5,000 bond.

•Kirstin Lyndsy Moningham, 33, Savage Hollow Road; failure to appear, $2,500 bond.

•Samantha Michelle Morris, 30, Windstone Dr., Fayetteville, Tennessee; violation of probation (General Sessions), $3,500 bond.

•Miguel R. Ordaz, 27, Rosewood St.; driver to exercise due care, driving on suspended license, no bond.

•Tomas Ortiz, 37, no address listed; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, $1,000 bond.

•Alexander Selvin Perez-Perez, 22, Old Hickory Blvd.; driving on suspended license, speeding, $2,500 bond.

•Christopher Shane Pittman, 22, Couch Lane; possession of schedule II, theft from motor vehicle (burglary), $23,000 bond.

•Octavius Dorique Ransom, 24, Painted Pony Dr., Murfreesboro, Tennessee; driving on suspended license, light law, no bond.

•Fernando Delroy Rhodes, 38, Sims Road; aggravated assault, $5,000 bond.

•Juan Carlos Rosas, 32, Apache Place; driving on revoked license, violation of registration law, no bond.

•Anthony Troy Sadler Jr., 46, McArthur St., Manchester, Tennessee; driving on revoked license, seatbelt law, no bond.

•Herman Wilson Sims, Jr., 60, Normandy, Tennessee; theft of property, $25,000 bond.

•Ross Morgan Smith, 35, Cedar Glade Circle; attachment, driving on revoked license, violation of probation (General Sessions), $5,000 bond.

•Karina Suarez, 34, Maple St., Bell Buckle, Tennessee; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, no bond.

•Luis Mano Suarez-Oropeza, 18, Maple St., Bell Buckle, Tennessee; driver to exercise due care, leaving scene of accident, no driver's license/exhibited on demand, no bond.

•Donny Daniel Vilsaint, 35, Smyrna, Tennessee; driving on suspended license, speeding, no bond.

•Kara A. Witas, 25, Cliffside Dr., Christiana, Tennessee; violation of probation (General Sessions), $2,500 bond.

•Robert Lee Yeh, 32, Wilson Ave., Tullahoma, Tennessee; driving on suspended license, speeding, no bond.

Dutch suspect in Natalee Holloway disappearance faces extradition from Peru to U.S. on fraud charges

By REGINA GARCIA CANO and FRANKLIN BRICENO
Associated Press

LIMA, Peru (AP) — Peru's government will allow the extradition to the United States of the prime suspect in the unsolved 2005 disappearance of American student Natalee Holloway on the Dutch Caribbean Island of Aruba, bringing her family hope there will be justice in the case.

Dutch citizen Joran van der Sloot will be sent to the U.S., Peru announced Wednesday, to face trial on extortion and wire fraud charges, stemming from an accusation that he tried to extort the Holloway family after their daughter's disappearance.

Holloway, who lived in suburban Birmingham, Alabama, was 18 when she was last seen during a trip with classmates to Aruba. She vanished after a night with friends at a nightclub, leaving a mystery that sparked years of news coverage and countless true-crime podcasts. She was last seen leaving a bar with van der Sloot, then 18 years old.

Van der Sloot was identified as a suspect and detained, along with two Surinamese brothers, weeks later. Holloway's body was never found, and no charges were filed in the case. A judge later declared Holloway dead.

Years later, van der Sloot was arrested in Peru for the 2010 murder of 21-year-old Stephany Flores, who was killed five years to the day after Holloway's disappearance. Prosecutors accused van der Sloot of killing Flores, a business student from a prominent family, to rob her after learning she had won money at the casino where the two met. They said he killed her with "ferocity" and "cruelty," beating then strangling her in his hotel room. He pleaded guilty in 2012, and is serving 28 years in prison for the murder.

But his extradition to the U.S. stems from an alleged attempt to profit from his connection to the Holloway case. A grand jury in Alabama in 2010 indicted van der Sloot on wire fraud and extortion charges, accusing him of trying to extort hundreds of thousands of dollars from the Holloways.

Prosecutors in the U.S. allege van der Sloot accepted $25,000 in cash from Holloway's family in exchange for a promise to lead them to her body in early 2010, just before he went to Peru.

An FBI agent wrote in an affidavit that van der Sloot reached out to Holloway's mother and wanted to be paid $25,000 to disclose the location and then another $225,000 when the remains were recovered. During a recorded sting operation, van der Sloot pointed to a house where he said Holloway was buried but in later emails admitted to lying about the location, the agent said.

Peru's Minister of Justice Daniel Maurate said in a statement Wednesday the government decided to "accept the request" from U.S. authorities "for the temporary transfer" of van der Sloot to be prosecuted on extortion and fraud charges. In Peru, all extraditions must be approved by the president.

The U.S. Department of Justice on Thursday declined to comment on the extradition. A resolution published in the South American country's federal register states that U.S. diplomats on Jan. 10 presented the temporary extradition request to Peru's Ministry of Foreign Relations.

The time that van der Sloot ends up spending in the U.S. "will be extended until the conclusion of the criminal proceedings," including the appeal process should there be one, according to the published resolution. The resolution also states that U.S. authorities have agreed to return the suspect to the custody of Peru afterward.

"We will continue to collaborate on legal issues with allies such as the United States, and many others with which we have extradition treaties," Edgar Alfredo Rebaza, director of Peru's Office of International Judicial Cooperation and Extraditions of the National Prosecutor's Office, said in a statement Wednesday.

BUSINESS LICENSES

04/26/2023—05/02/2023

Sunray's Pools: Installation Of Pools, Pool Supplies, Sales & Service—614 Goose Creek Rd., Shelbyville, Robert (Dustin) D. Ray

All Star ATMs Co.: ATM Business—3390 Midland Rd., Shelbyville, Jaylon Thompson-Hay

BK2 Shooting LLC: Powder Coating—115 Tillman Lane, Bell Buckle, Karen Snyder

La Real Michoacana Ice Cream Shop: Ice Cream Shop—1020 N.Main Street, Suite D, Shelbyville, Ana Guerrero

M & G Screens: Building Window Screens—1002 Old Nashville Dirt Rd., Shelbyville, Gary Serfas

Shasha, LLC: Construction—908 Railroad Ave., Shelbyville, Eleazar Cruz

Tavco Grading: Grading—580 Happy Valley Rd., Bell Buckle, Rhonda Tavolazzi

Tidal Wave Auto Spa: Car Wash—111 Northside Park Dr., Shelbyville,

TNT Gun And Pawn: Gun And Pawn Shop—219 Lane Parkway, Shelbyville, Tracy Teal Jr.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

Randall Ivan Lamb and Gayle Arlene Gragg

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Nathaniel Howard Speegle and Taylor Paige Brown

Billy James Freeman and Rebekah McClain Norton

Charles Cole Krieg and Alexandra Lottie Landers

Christopher Lee Sampson and Amber Sue Swineheart

Johnathan Alexander Pate and Audrey Diane Douglas

Soudone Khambouasy and Done Khounsaknarath

Joseph Brock Tobish and Beverly Alicia Fann Fann

Stacy Edward Pearson and Brandy Sudberry Sudberry Nichols

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Jessica Michelle Sorrell and Joesph Allen Lindsay

Orlando Jareth Zuniga Melo and Maria Del Carmen Zarate Rosas

William Byron White and Mary Anna Brandon

Jose Gonzalez Perez and Mariana Utrera Tejeda

Joshua Floyd Lee and Ligia Ines Sifuentes Vela

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

05/02/2023—05/08/2023

Melinda Gail Stocky, Melinda Stocky to Dwaine L. Stocky—0 money, 2.45 acres, Normandy Rd.

Melinda Gail Stocky to Dwaine L. Stocky—0 money, 19.25 acres, Brinkley Rd.

Katie Woods to Jimmy D. Baker, Deborah Baker—0 money, 5.54 acres, Rippy Ridge Rd.

Lincon Cain to Matthew Wilson—$25,000, 0 acres, North Main St., Shelbyville, North Main St.

Gary Judkins, Tiffany A. Judkins to Harley Dane Thomas, Daniel J. Thomas, Kimberly S. Thomas—$450,000, 0 acres, Pleasant Way

Patsy Johnson to Michelle P. Jones, Gordon Scott Jones—$529,900, 0 acres, North Point Estates

Rebecca Sokol Kherman, Rebecca Fatheree to Christopher M. Benner, Tracey M. Benner—$351,000, 12.24 acres, Hwy. 82 Bell Buckle

Donald L. Bruce, Donald L. Bruce Living Trust, Donald L. Bruce Revocable Living Trust to Vincent I. Moran, Paula J. Moran—$95,000, 0 acres, Honeybee Rd.

Dale Rowland, Denise M. Rowland to April A. Klein, Patrick F. Carroll—$899,000, 0 acres, Ben Williams Rd.

JC Builders LLC to Alan Joel Dennis—$290,000, 0 acres, Meadowbrook Dr.

John B. Hall, Joan M. Hall to Luis Vitervo Olea, German Vitervo Olea—$440,000, 25.96 acres, Savage Hollow Rd.

Troy Seibers, Ashley Seibers to Matthew Seibers—0 money, 0 acres, Smith Chapel Rd.

HP Realty Co. LLC to John B. Hall, Joan M. Hall—$355,225, 0 acres, Himesville Rd.

Len A. Lamb, Teresa L. Lamb to Max R. Johnson, Kathleen T. Johnson—$1,230,000, 51.27 acres, Charlie Russell Rd.

Matthew Mullaney, Melody Mullaney to Chester Allen Swanger—$390,000, acres, S. Wood Lane

Julie Landreth, Timothy A. Smith to Dustin Tyler Mears, Autumn Elizabeth Baker—$244,000, 0 acres, Carlisle Ave.

Robert Flade to Kayla Dick, Bobby Reeves—$367,000, 0 acres, Linda Dr.

Kasey Kesselring, Maureen Kesselring to Amy Magliocco, Patrick Magliocco—$257,000, 0 acres, Horse Mountain Rd.

Chad Tucker to Christina Tucker—0 money, 0.14 acres, Carter St.

Carlton Scott Spence to Christa M. Spence—0 money, 0 acres, no address

Betty A. Andres to Ozone Environmental Service LLC—$863,000, 7.04 acres, Putman Well Rd.

David Journet Glipser, Crystal Glisper to Harrel Loyd Cude III—$309,999, 0 acres, Tines Dr.

Judy Ann Plemons, Judy Ann Plemons Revocable Trust to Judy A. Plemons—0 money, 0 acres, Highland Ave.

Bill J. Brown Jr., Denise M. Brown to Brown Family Trust—0 money, 5.15 acres, Longview Rd.

Kayla Michelle Dick, Bobby Brandon Reeve to Mallory Sullivan—$297,000, 0 acres, Cemetery Rd.

Nancy L. Auld, Jessica L. Auld to Frances Anspach—$140,000, 0 acres, Shadrack St.

Black Diamond Construction LLC to Kathy Minter Baker—$329,900, 0 acres, Horse Mountain Rd.

Pinnacle, Murfreesboro Federal Savings and Loan, Pinnacle Financial Partners VA LLC to PNB Portfolio Owner LLC—$1,043,840, 0 acres, North Main St.

Ibarra Maria Yessenia to Jose A. Torres, Jose Alfedo Torres Morales—0 money, 0 acres, East Cedar St.

Ibarra Maria Yessenia to Jose A. Torres, Jose Alfedo Torres Morales—0 money, 0 acres, Alton Ave.

Tommy J. Griggs, Stacey B. Griggs to Sarah Thrash Lanier, John Cory Lanier—$437,000, 1.72 acres, Fairfield Pike

Nathan Bush to Melissa Wright—$190,000, 8 acres, Whiteside Hill Rd.

Thomas E. Smith, Brenda J. Smith to Susan Nichole Martin—$240,000, 2.88 acres, Deer Point Rd.

Donald Howard Curbow, Daniel Lee Curbow to Victor Alvarez, Brianna N. Curbow—$272,000, 0 acres, Higgins Rd.

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Program success seen in graduates







Another graduation was held for female inmates at the Bedford County Jail who completed the Moral Reconation Therapy program. The program was launched in April of 2022 by the program's director Lt. Chris Cook and jail administrator Ronald Prince. It consists of 16 steps and participants must complete the first 12 in order to graduate. The program is comprised of testimonials and questions that require participants to recount moments in their lives and then come to terms with them. The course usually takes four to six months or more and the goal is to help break the cycle of imprisonment. Pictured are graduates from last Saturday's event visiting with friends and family.

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Doug Dezotell
Musings and Memories

Stories

Stories are what our lives are made of, and we have a whole lot of stories to tell when we look back over the years.

There are stories surrounding our birth, our families, our school years, our young adult years. And there are all the stories that go on from then until now.

I have always loved stories, and I love to tell stories too.

Some of the stories I tell are true, and then others are maybe "truth-adjacent."

The avid storyteller and well-known author, Mitch Albom, said, *"Behind all your stories is always your mother's story, because hers is where yours begins."*

Thank you, Mr. Albom. That's so true.

My mother's story is where mine began. And your mother's story is where yours began as well.

Sooner or later we all quote our mothers, for usually the earliest parts of our stories are what our mothers have told us.

We repeat the things our mothers said.

We think the way our mothers thought.

And sometimes we even do the things our mothers did.

Whether we admit it or not we are like our mothers.

After all, Mother's heartbeat was the first sound we ever heard.

Mother's voice was the first voice we ever heard; that beautiful voice that assured us of her love for us.

When God was *"forming our inward parts,"* and He was *"covering us in our mother's womb,"* we were being *"fearfully and wonderfully made"* right there inside our mothers, beneath her heart.

We were learning her comforting v oice, and listening to that heart, and learning what love is.

Our mother's were our first teachers.

My mother taught me about God, about the importance of the Bible, about the importance of going to church.

My Mother taught me about the importance of prayer.

Mother taught me these things by her example.

My mother made sure her five children were in church every Sunday, and she was right there by our side.

I thank God for my godly, praying mother. And my mother was praying for me up until the day she went to be with the Lord.

Robert Brault said, *"If you have a mom, there is nowhere you are likely to go where a prayer has not already been."*

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Spring treats and savory dishes

Recipes from Epsilon Sigma Alpha



Submitted photos

ESA members, from left, Lucile Sorrells, Babs Chicoine, Judy Hornaday, Linda Nichols, Barbara Smith, Janie Burke, Sharon Lowery.



Table settings ready for spring.

Seasonal Eating

Strawberries Herald in summer

By Whitney Danhof, Extension Agent

You know summer is close when the strawberries make their bright, shiny appearance. Yes, its strawberry season! These red jewels of the garden are full of vitamin C for maintaining a healthy immune system and reducing inflammation. The bonus is that they are sweet and flavorful and can be used in so many ways.

Usually when I get farm grown strawberries or pick my own, I eat them just out of the bucket on the way home. You will want to give them a rinse just before using but eating them plain for a snack or sliced over yogurt or cereal is a great way to enjoy their

▶ See **Summer**, Page 3B



Strawberries and Cream Layered Dessert



Mark McGee
My Take

Mother's Day

Back in the day when you received the Eagle Scout award at a Boy Scout Court of Honor you were given a pin to honor your mother.

Without a mother's influence and support it is difficult to reach that top level of Scouting and the pin recognizes this. I understand now they have pins for fathers, grandparents and even mentors. But, in my case, the pin for my mother was most fitting.

I have always appreciated that she and my father pretty much let me live my life without putting a great deal of pressure on me to do one thing or another. Whatever I was interested in at the time they supported.

But when dealing with my academics or even my athletics my mother was the one who encouraged me to succeed.

As those of you who know her will attest to, she has reveled in my successes. She was also there for my failures as well.

I have put her through some challenging times beginning with the first time I drew a breath. No one is certain how long she carried me, but it was longer than nine months. I weighed 10 ½ pounds and I think I held the record for the longest baby ever born at Bedford County Hospital at 24 inches.

Twelve years ago, I was given a 10 percent or less chance of being here to write this column. She was at the hospital day and night for eight weeks supporting me. She shed a lot of tears.

Mother is a worrier. She worries if something is going wrong in my life. She worries about my health which in the last two years has included a successful neurosurgical procedure as well as the timely removal of a cancerous polyp in my colon. She worries when I travel somewhere, no matter how short the trip is. In addition to worrying she has said a lot of prayers for me.

We have always talked with each other, but in the past few weeks we have spoken more about the past – the good and the bad. I have gained more insight into a woman I thought I knew. As a result, I am more convinced that much of what I have become Is a direct result of her influence.

My mother has been dealing with a lot of issues over the past few months. My father, her husband, for just a few weeks shy of 70 years, passed away in November. She continues to grieve his loss and always will. Her health has been a challenge as well, but she still plugs along. Most people marvel at how she is able to get around despite her aches and pains.

Those she comes in contact with talk about how great a person she is and how much she means to them. I appreciate that and I agree she is special.

Despite her struggles she never fails to tell me, at least once each day, that she loves me. I love you too, mother.

Happy Mother's Day!



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Have you heard of After School Satan Clubs?



Danny Tyree

Tyrades

Sometimes it's difficult to approach news items with the proper balance of bemusement, curiosity and wariness.

(Sometimes it's difficult to approach news items at all, when there are shouts of "When are you going to carry out the garbage?" and "That lawn isn't going to mow itself!" But I digress.)

According to a story at thehill.com, After School Satan Clubs have been growing like the Dickens since their establishment at the beginning of 2020.

The clubs are associated with the Satanic Temple ("founded in the Year of Somebody Else's Lord 2014") and serve as an alternative to Christian-based extracurricular activities for elementary school students.

Although I authored the 2020 book "Yes, Your Butt Still Belongs in Church," I don't feel particularly threatened by the existence of clubs that cater to marginalized atheists, agnostics, pagans and followers of other belief systems; but the naming system does get under my skin.

I mean, most modern Satanists spend an inordinate amount of time dealing with self-inflicted PR problems. They must constantly point out that they don't believe in a literal Satan and don't worship evil, so – other than for shock value – I'm not sure why they choose to be the Satanic Temple or the Church of Satan or Beelzebub's Bungalow to start with.

It's like Jiffy Lube changing its business model without changing its name. ("No, we specialize in extremely lethargic service, and we would really rather sell you a horse than lubricate your gas-powered vehicle…")

The press releases paint the clubs as focusing on tolerance, empathy and common-sense science ("There's a perfectly good reason Grandpa was wearing his cloth mask in the casket, Billy…"), but I hope they don't devolve into snobbery. You know, like "Yo' momma is so narrow-minded…" taunts or charitable gestures such as "Here's a new pair of mittens, because your family probably wears them out knuckle-dragging…"

Some organizers of After School Satan Clubs have faced combative Christian parents or even death threats. The organizers are not rolling over and playing dead (mostly because that would start unproductive arguments over whether death means eternal oblivion or Becoming One with the Universe or drinking mead in Valhalla or being reincarnated as a writer who belatedly realizes he should have trademarked Beelzebub's Bungalow or…).

No, sir, they are standing their ground, winning lawsuits and defying their opponents with, "Oh, Mythical Realm of Punishment Concocted to Keep Superstitious Believers in Line, No!"

Expansion into high schools would seem a no-brainer for future growth, but the devil is in the details (so to speak). For one thing, faculty sponsors would have to guarantee that the personal demons they're wrestling with are purely metaphorical.

And secondary school students would need to be willing and able to take on more of the workload. But "Let's go empathize with endangered cephalopods" has tough competition in a life-phase dominated by raging hormones, driver's licenses and afterschool jobs.

(The seven tenets of the Satanic Temple may be some outstanding prose, but they are no match for an impudent 17-year-old's "I got your tenets right here!")

It will be interesting to track how the clubs grow and evolve. If any traditional Christians are truly concerned about them, they will need to up their game in the marketplace of ideas.

("The preacher had the right idea last Christmas. You know, preacher what's-his-name. Same first name as congressman what's-his-name…")

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

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

Recipes from Epsilon Sigma Alpha

Praline Bars

1 (16 oz) Graham Crackers
1 cup butter (no substitutes)
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup broken pecans

Break the graham crackers apart into four sections and line the bottom of a 10 x 15 1/2" jelly roll pan. Bring butter and sugar to a boil and boil for 3 minutes, stirring constantly. Pour evenly over crackers and add pecans. Bake at 350 degrees for 12 minutes. Let cool for a minute then start lifting out with a spatula onto parchment paper or foil to cool completely. (For variations, add 1 package of milk or dark chocolate morsels to the crackers after baking by sprinkling on top while the crackers are hot.) Yields 40 bars.

Sharon Lowery

Breaded Pork Tenderloin in Golden Mushroom Soup

2 1/2 - 3 lbs pork tenderloin
Salt & pepper to taste
2 eggs, beaten
Milk
Bread crumbs
Can of Campbell's Golden Mushroom soup

Cut pork tenderloin into 1" slices. Use meat tenderize on both sides of the meat slice. Dip into beaten egg and milk mixture. Coat both sides with bread crumbs.

Cook in oil-coated skillet until brown on both sides. Coat Pyrex casserole with oil and line meat patties in a dish. Mix Golden mushroom soup with ¼ can of water and cover the meat with the soup mixture.

Bake 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

Babs R. Chicoine

Sausage Quiche

2 shallow or 1 large pit shell
1 ½ lbs. sausage
2 T sausage drippings
1 cup sliced mushrooms
½ c diced celery
½ diced onions
1 ½ c shredded Swiss cheese
3-4 eggs
1 c milk
2 T flour
1 t salt
½ t paprika

Cook sausage, remove from skillet to drain. Cook onions, celery, and mushrooms (if fresh) in drippings until tender but not brown. Set aside

Brown pie crust for 15 minutes. Combine eggs, milk, flour, salt, and paprika. Beat to blend smoothly. Place cooked vegetables, sausage, and cheese in the shell, and pour the egg mixture over. Bake until the crust is brown and the filling is set in the middle. About 40-50 minutes in a 350-degree oven. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

French Coconut Pie

3 eggs, slightly beaten
1 ½ cup sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
½ cup melted butter
1 cup coconut

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In a large bowl mix all ingredients by hand. Pour into pie shell. Bake for 15 minutes. Reduce heat to 350 degrees. Continue banking for 20 – 45 minutes depending on your oven (usually takes approximately 40 minutes).

Judy Hornaday

Chicken Enchilada Soup

4 cans cream of chicken soup
2 cans Rotel -original
1 pint half and half
2 cups milk
16 oz. Velveta or Mexican Velveta
4 – 6 large boneless chicken breasts
1 tsp. chili pepper

Boil chicken till done – cut or shred into small pieces. Heat the rest of the ingredients and add cooked chicken. Add salt and chili pepper to taste.

Linda Nichols

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Pecan pie



Praline bars



Cornbread



Strawberry-Pretzel Dessert

Recipes from Epsilon Sigma Alpha

Nellie & Joe's Key Lime Pie

9" graham cracker crust
3 egg yolks
14 oz. can condensed milk
½ cup key lime juice

Combine milk, egg yolks, and lime juice. Blend until smooth. Pour filling into pie shell and bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes. Allow to stand for 10 minutes before refrigerating. Just before serving top with whipped cream or Cool Whip.

Janie Burke

Strawberry Jell-O-Pretzel Dessert

1 lb strawberries
8 oz cool whip
¾ cup sugar
1 ½ cups pretzels
1 stick butter
8 oz cream cheese
6 oz strawberry Jell-O
2 cups water

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine strawberry Jell-O with 2 cups boiling water and stir until completely dissolved. Set aside to cool to room temperature.

Crush 2 ½ cups of pretzels in a sturdy Ziploc bag, using a rolling pin. Pretzels should be broken into bite-size pieces.

In a medium pan, melt 8 tbsp butter then add ¼ cup sugar and stir. Mix in crushed pretzels until they are evenly coated. Transfer to a 13x9 glass casserole dish, pressing the pretzel mix evenly over the bottom of the dish, and bake for 10 min at 350. Remove from oven and cool to room temperature.

While the pretzel mix is cooling, use a hand mixer to beat 8 oz cream cheese and ½ sugar on medium/high speed until the mixture is fluffy and white. Fold in 8 oz Cool Whip until no streaks of cream cheese remain. Spread mixture over cooked pretzels, making sure to go all the way to the edges of the dish to create a seal. (You do not want the Jell-O to leak on the pretzels.) Put the dish in the refrigerator for 30 min.

Clean and slice 1 lb fresh strawberries and stir them into your room-temperature Jell-O. Poor and spread strawberry Jell-O mixture evenly over your cooked cream cheese layer and refrigerate until it is set (approx. 2 – 4 hours).

Cut into squares and enjoy!



And, of course, sweet tea
Linda Nichols



Sausage quiche



Spinach quiche



Key Lime pie



Velveeta queso

Doug

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President Abraham Lincoln had a praying mother, and although he had a poor upbringing, he rose to amazing heights.

He said, *"No man is poor who has a Godly mother "and "All that I am, or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother."*

Our first president, George Washington, said, *"My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her."*

The other day I came across this list of things Mothers teach us:

My mother taught me RELIGION: When I spilled grape juice on the carpet, she instructed, "You better pray that stain will come out of the carpet."

My mother taught me LOGIC: From her decisive words, "Because I said so, that's why."

My mother taught me FORESIGHT: "Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."

My mother taught me IRONY: "Keep laughing, and I'll give you something to cry about."

My mother taught me about STAMINA: "You'll sit there 'til all that spinach is finished."

My mother taught me about WEATHER: "It looks like a tornado swept through your room."

My mother taught me THE CIRCLE OF LIFE: "I brought you into this world, and I can take you out."

My mother taught me about ENVY: "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have a wonderful Mom like you do!"

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Summer

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sweet, juicy flavor.

Then there are the salads. Fruit salad with a creamy yogurt or pudding dressing is always good and throw in some pineapple, oranges or grapes as well. Strawberries also pair well with spinach for a green salad topped with blue or feta cheese, toasted nuts and a poppyseed or red wine vinaigrette.

We don't often think of cooking strawberries, but roasted strawberries from the oven concentrates their flavor. You can serve these over ice cream or frozen yogurt, but you can also use them in a sauce over pork chops or grilled chicken breast. Toss 1 pound of cleaned and hulled strawberries with 2 tablespoons sugar and 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar. Bake on a rimmed sheet pan at 250 degrees for about an hour, stirring about every 15 minutes, until dark red. For sauces with meat, you can add a little chopped fresh rosemary and sauteed shallots or green onion with a splash of lemon juice or balsamic vinegar to brighten it up. You can thin it out with a little chicken broth, if too thick.

And then there's the desserts and baked goods, including strawberry pies, cakes, cobblers, crisps, muffins and breads. Sweet and delicious, these are a special treat for the short strawberry season. Four layer dessert and strawberry pretzel gelatin are two of my favorites. Crisp crusts with creamy layers of cream cheese, whipped topping and pudding or gelatin – what could be better. So for an annual, decadent splurge, the Strawberries and Cream Layered Dessert below is your perfect go-to for the season.

So enjoy strawberry season over the next few weeks. For more information and recipes check out the Seasonal Eating page at bedford.tennessee.edu.

Strawberries and Cream Layered Dessert

Dessert

18 full sheets graham crackers
1/3 cup sugar
1/2 cup sliced almonds, toasted
2 pinches salt
8 tablespoons butter, melted
8 ounces cream cheese, softened
1 cup powdered sugar
16 ounces frozen whipped topping, thawed, divided
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/4 teaspoon almond extract
1 cup sugar
1/4 cup cornstarch
1 pinch salt
1 1/2 cups lemon-lime soda
1/2 cup water
1 (3-ounce) package strawberry gelatin
1 1/2 - 2 quarts fresh strawberries, hulled and chopped

Pulse graham crackers in a food processor to fine crumbs. Place in a large bowl. Pulse the almonds until roughly chopped. Add to cracker crumbs. Add 1/3 cup sugar and salt and stir to mix. Add the melted butter and stir to combine into a wet sand texture. Press into the bottom of a 9"x13" baking dish sprayed with vegetable spray. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes. Let cool.

Meanwhile, combine 1 cup sugar, cornstarch, salt, lemon lime soda and water. Bring to a boil and cook until thickened. Add gelatin and whisk until dissolved. Set aside to cool to room temperature.

With electric mixer, beat cream cheese and powdered sugar together until smooth. Add extracts and 1/2 the whipped topping. Mix well. Spread over the cooled crust and put in refrigerator.

When the gelatin mixture is cooled, add the strawberries and stir to combine. Pour over the cream cheese layer in the baking dish. Cover and chill for an hour. Spread the remaining whipped topping over the strawberries. Cover and store in refrigerator until ready to serve, at least 2 hours until strawberry layer is set.

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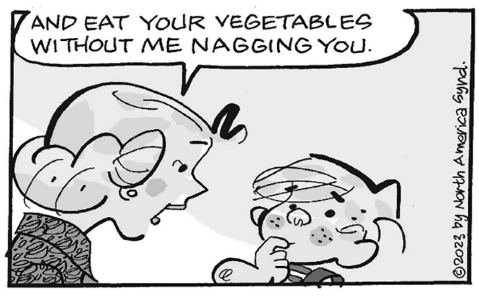

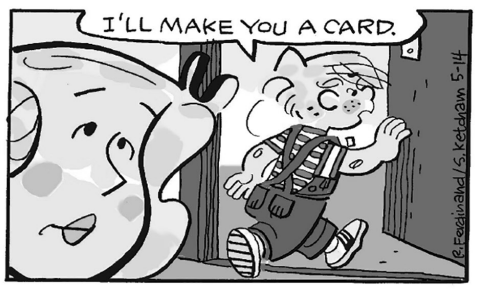

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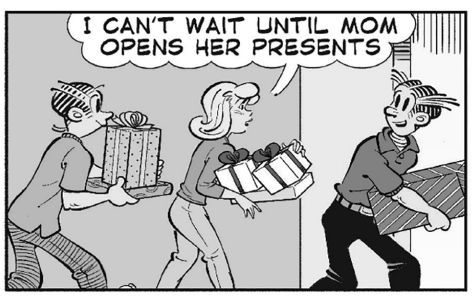



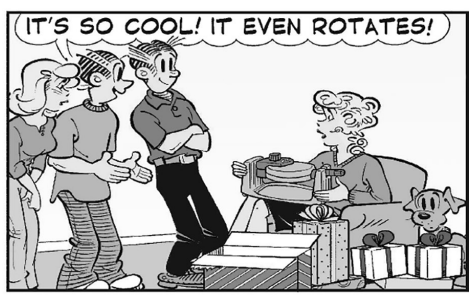





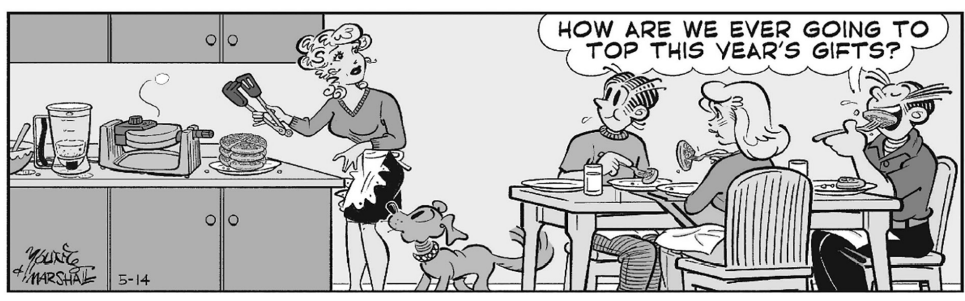

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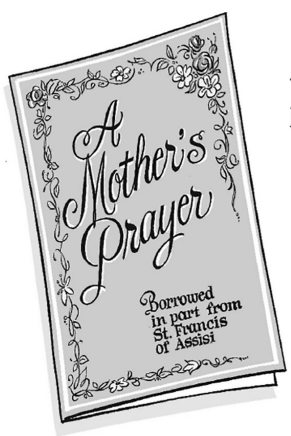

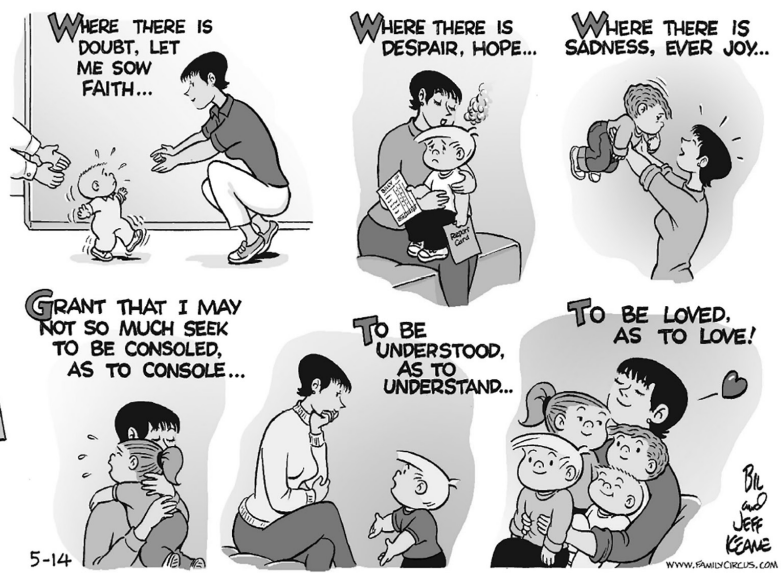

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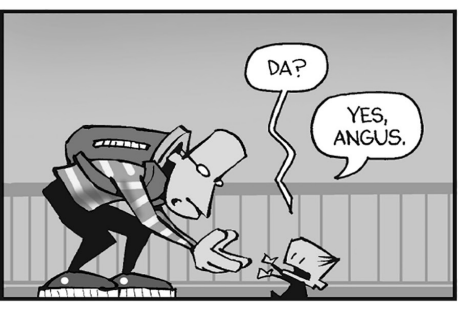

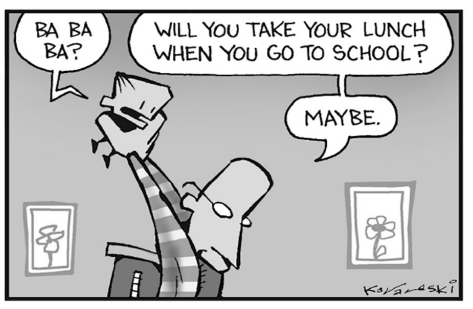



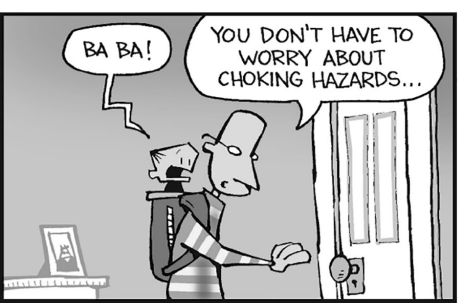









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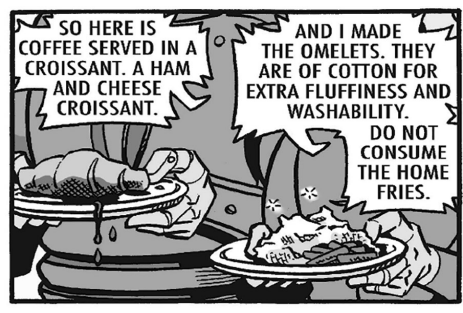



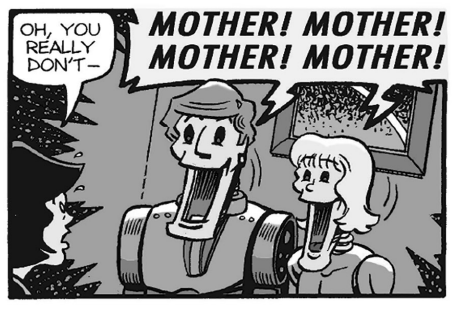

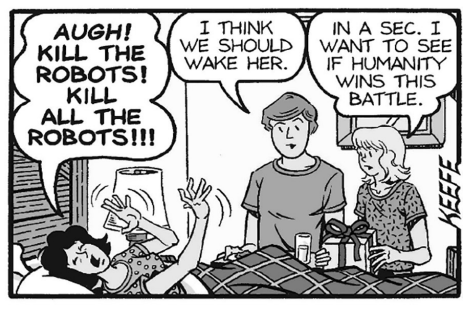

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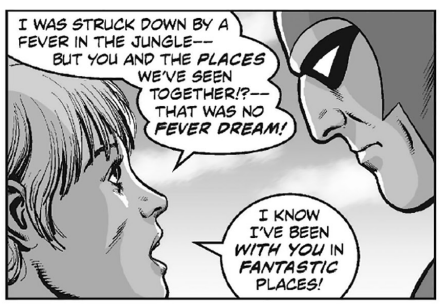

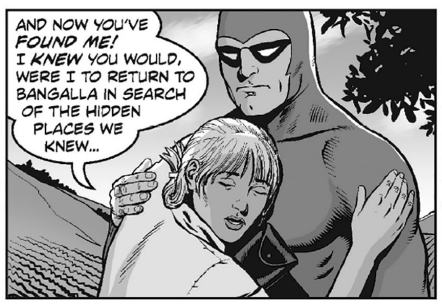

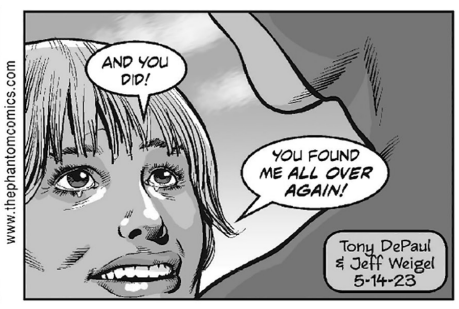

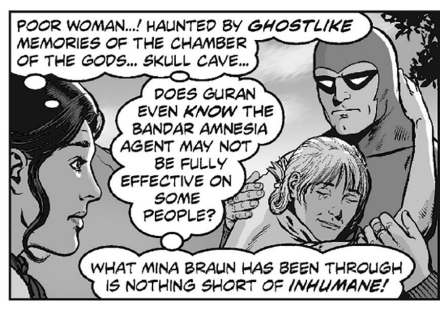

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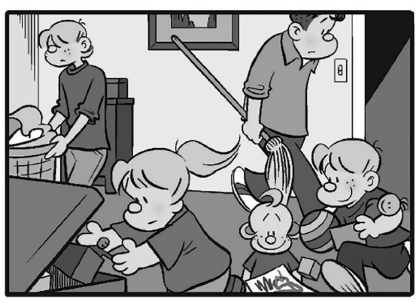



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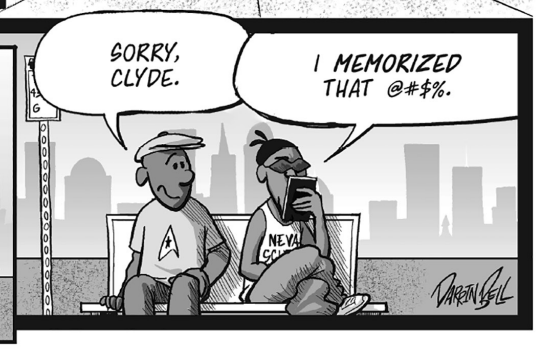

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BY BOB WEBER JR.

The foreman says that despite security measures, thieves stole crates of copper wire from the site last night. He has a new shipment of wire and is concerned it may be targeted tonight. Can you guess what advice Slylock Fox offered to help prevent the new wire from being stolen?

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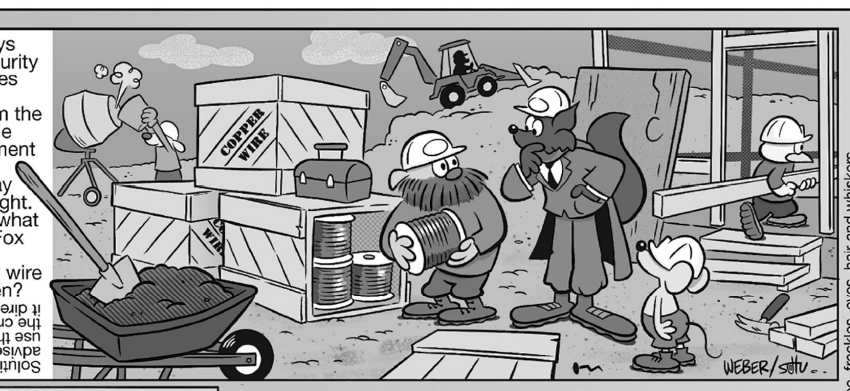

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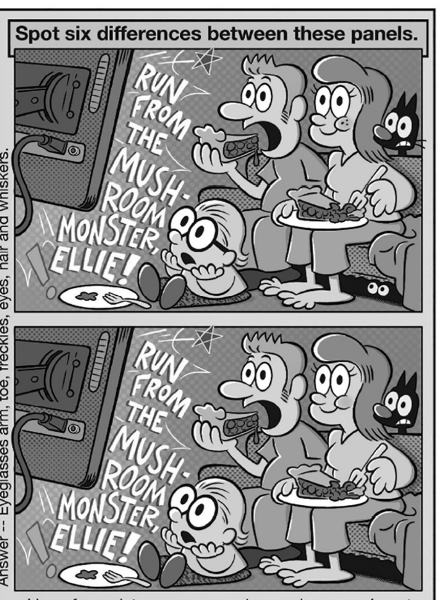

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Happy Mother's Day!



Amy McGee and her boys Piercen & Kyler McGee



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Never a dull moment being the mom of two boys! Perfect pictures are overrated.

Volunteer Garden Club

May 2023 blue ribbon winners



Assorted horticulture flowers: L-R Ann Spencer, Judy Smith, Angela Bell, Pat Shavers, Aurelia Swann



Line mass design. L-R Aurelia Swann, June Gilmore,Judy Smith.



Peony horticulture specimen: Ardis Rittenberry, Pat Shavers, Claudia Hazelwood

2022-23 Shelbyville Central CTE Student of the Year

Kullin Lasne has been named as the 2022-23 Shelbyville Central High School Career-Technical Education Student of the Year. Kullin was nominated for the award by his Computer Science instructor and TSA advisor, Mrs. Kim Shatley.

Kullin has been a founding TSA (Technology Student Association) Member for two years, a TSA Officer for two years, and has had leadership roles both in the classroom and in the community.

Mrs. Shatley states "I am so proud of Kullin. He has really matured into a nice, young man. His involvement in other school-related activities, such as Renaissance and French Club, has increased this past year too. His community involvement includes working at the Public Library helping Senior Citizens with technology. In fact, he has logged in the most hours and has helped the largest number of Seniors for my group."

Within the Computer Science program of study, Kullin has completed courses in Computer Science Foundations, Web Design, and AP Computer Science Principles; he maintained an "A" average in all of these courses.

Kullin is the son of Charles and Stephanie Lasne. Kullin plans to pursue a degree in Computer Engineering at TN Tech.

The qualifications for SCHS CTE Student of the Year are as follows:

-Student must be a graduating senior.

-Student must be nominated by their CTE instructor.

-Student must complete 3 classes in their CTE Program Area.

-Student must maintain at least a "B" average in their CTE classes.

-Student must regularly model positive behavior and good attendance.

-Student should have accomplished at least one of the following:

-served as a CTE student organization officer

-participated at District, State, or National Competition

-demonstrated a high level of proficiency in their CTE program area



Kullin Lasne and Kim Shatley

Fresh Summer Flavors Fit for the Patio



FAMILY FEATURES

Gatherings in the summer sun are all about easy, convenient recipes combined with the joy warm weather brings. Spend those special occasions with those you love most and make this summer one to remember with flatbreads, sliders and sweet treats for all to share.

Keeping cooking simple means more time on the patio or in the backyard engaging with guests, and these Chipotle Chicken Flatbreads, Chicken Shawarma Sliders and Lemon Cheesecake with Fruit let home chefs skip complicated kitchen duties without skimping on flavor.

Visit Culinary.net to find more simple summer recipes to share with loved ones.

Chipotle Chicken Flatbreads

Summery Flatbreads for Family and Friends

When dining outdoors with family, friends and neighbors, there are few things better than a tasty dish the whole family can enjoy like these Chipotle Chicken Flatbreads.

Perfect for al fresco entertaining when served alongside a fresh salad, they're simple to make and allow guests to personalize with preferred toppings before popping in the oven. As a colorful and fresh dish, it's an ideal meal for get-togethers on the patio.

For more summer recipe ideas, visit Culinary.net.

Chipotle Chicken Flatbreads

Recipe adapted from butteryourbiscuit.com

- **2 flatbreads**
- **2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese**
- **1 clove garlic, diced**
- **4 chicken tenders, cooked and cubed**
- **1 pint cherry tomatoes, quartered**
- **salt, to taste**
- **pepper, to taste**
- **1/2 cup ranch dressing**
- **1 1/2 teaspoons chipotle seasoning**
- **2 tablespoons cilantro leaves, chopped**

Preheat oven to 375 F.

Place parchment paper on baking sheet and add flatbreads. Sprinkle cheese on flatbreads. Top with garlic, chicken and tomatoes. Season with salt and pepper, to taste. Bake 16 minutes until cheese is melted.

In small bowl, mix ranch and chipotle seasoning.

Drizzle ranch dressing on flatbreads and sprinkle with cilantro leaves.



Chicken Shawarma Sliders

Shareable Sliders for a Nutritious Summer Meal

Fresh, mouthwatering foods hot off the grill are a sure sign of summer fun. Hosting sunny get-togethers this year can be made easy when you show off your grilling skills with a simple, nutritious and flavorful recipe.

These Chicken Shawarma Sliders are a delicious example of how to grill healthy summer meals without forgoing favorite flavors. They're part of a curated 12-recipe collection of healthy, balanced dishes from the snacking experts at family-owned Fresh Cravings, known for its chilled salsas, hummus and other dips, which teamed up with eMeals, America's leading provider of meal plans.

"These sliders are a fantastic – and healthy – option for your next gathering," said eMeals Senior Nutrition Writer and Editor Rachel West, RD. "The marinade uses a mix of pantry-friendly dried herbs and fresh garlic to give the lean grilled chicken breast some oomph. The lettuce and red onion add cool crispness and crunch to the sandwiches while Fresh Cravings' creamy, flavor-packed hummus gets some nutritional bonus points by providing a dose of protein and fiber."

Find the entire recipe collection by visiting emeals.com/campaign/Fresh-Cravings-Healthy-Eats.

Chicken Shawarma Sliders

Recipe courtesy of eMeals Registered Dietitian Rachel West

Prep time: 25 minutes

Cook time: 10 minutes

- **2 pounds boneless, skinless chicken breasts**
- **3 tablespoons olive oil**
- **4 cloves garlic, minced**
- **1/2 tablespoon smoked paprika**
- **1/2 tablespoon ground cumin**
- **1/2 tablespoon ground coriander**
- **1 teaspoon salt**
- **1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper**
- **1 package (12) slider buns**
- **1 container (17 ounces) Fresh Cravings Honey Jalapeno Hummus**
- **1 package (8 ounces) shredded lettuce**
- **1/2 small red onion, sliced**

In zip-top plastic bag, use meat mallet or heel of hand to pound chicken to even thickness. Cut into 2-inch pieces and place in large bowl. Add oil, garlic, paprika, cumin, coriander, salt and cayenne; toss.

Cover chicken and chill 8 hours, or up to 2 days.

Preheat grill or grill pan to medium-high heat. Grill chicken 4-5 minutes per side, or until done.

Serve chicken on buns with hummus, lettuce and onion.



Lemon Cheesecake with Fruit

Unforgettable Fruity Flavor

Summertime often brings cravings for fresh fruits that add a hint of sweetness to warm-weather gatherings. Serving up a delicious dessert for family and guests starts with favorite produce in this Lemon Cheesecake with Fruit.

The touch of tangy tartness is enough to bring loved ones to the dessert table even after a filling meal as fresh lemon juice in the cheesecake base is complemented perfectly when topped with orange slices and raspberries. Garnished with mint leaves, this brightly colored treat is even sweeter when shared with loved ones.

Find more sweet summer desserts at Culinary.net.

Lemon Cheesecake with Fruit

Servings: 6-8

- **1 1/4 cups graham cracker crumbs**
- **1/4 cup sugar**
- **1/4 cup butter, melted**
- **2 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened**
- **1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk**
- **3 eggs**
- **1/4 cup fresh lemon juice**
- **1 teaspoon vanilla extract**
- **1 orange, peeled and separated**
- **8 raspberries**
- **3 mint leaves, for garnish**

Preheat oven to 350 F.

In medium bowl, combine graham cracker crumbs, sugar and melted butter. Press firmly into 9-inch springform pan.

In large bowl, beat cream cheese until fluffy. Gradually beat in sweetened condensed milk until smooth. Add eggs, fresh lemon juice and vanilla extract; mix until combined.

Pour into pan. Bake 50-55 minutes, or until center springs back when lightly pressed.

Chill in refrigerator until completely cooled. Arrange orange slices around border of cake and place raspberries in middle. Top with mint leaves.

BRANCHES PROGRAM



T-G Photo by Mark McGee

Shelbyville Rotary Club members were given an overview of the Branches Counseling Center program. Based in Murfreesboro, Branches also has an office at First Baptist Church offering mental health counseling and life coaching. From left are program facilitator Barry Cooper, Camille Mickle, Branches' founder Dr. Michael Courtney, and Rotary president Darin Hasty. For information about Branches call 615-904-7170.



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Bad 'break' for Eagles' Thomas turns into blessing



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Shelbyville Central's Cayden Thomas suffered a season ending hand injury his senior season but continues to play a major role in the success of the Golden Eagle baseball team.





ABOVE: Shelbyville Central senior Cayden Thomas has been a standout player for the Golden Eagles over his high school career.

RIGHT: Golden Eagle Cayden Thomas is now confined to the dugout after suffering a season ending broken hand. He continues to life his teammates up despite not getting to play.

T-G Photos by Gary Johnson

By GARY JOHNSON
Sports Writer

If the ordinary struggles of being a high school student athlete are not enough of a challenge from time-to-time, throw in a season-ending hand injury late in your senior year, just before the postseason on a team that's having its best season in years.

Such is the case for Shelbyville Central's Caden Thomas.

Thomas suffered a hand injury while batting in a game a few weeks ago and even though his hand is broken, his spirit is not.

He continues to support his team at practice and in the dugout with a positive attitude and will to do anything within his power to help his brothers on the field to be successful.

That at-bat is an event he will never forget.

"I was up to bat with runners on first and third. We were down by one run and Coach (Chase) Jones gave me the sign to bunt to bring the tying run in. My first attempt to bunt was a ball. I got into the box again with the same sign to bunt in the runner and as the pitcher was getting ready to throw, I got my feet and hands ready to get the bunt down. As he released the ball, I knew that it was inside, but I was still going to make the attempt to get it down to bring in the run. As the ball got closer, I tried to pull my hands inside to push the ball down the line, but instead of the ball finding my barrel of the bat, it found my hand. The ball went down the line and it was still a live ball, so I ran as soon as it hit me, but I knew something had happened to my hand," Thomas said. "The umpire ended up calling the bunt a foul ball, so when I was getting ready to go back, I felt like something was wrong and I took off my batting glove to show my coach at first (base) to see what he thought and as soon as the glove came off, I had a feeling that my baseball career had ended in that moment."

What he saw was something he wished had never happened and something that would set him back in ways he could never have imagined.

"I could already tell that my hand was likely broken and it was already swelling. Even though I knew it was bad, I wanted to go back up to bat because I had the feeling that it would be my last time playing on that field, but I also wanted to do it for my team. But our trainer and coaches knew that it would only have gotten worse if I did so, I appreciate them for that. I talked to the trainer about it and then talked to my mom about it. I know she was trying to be positive about everything, but I think we both knew that I had played my last game as an Eagle and most likely my last game forever."

There was no way Thomas was going to go to the hospital to get his hand checked out until the game was over so he stayed and cheered on his teammates to a win over Tullahoma.

"There are a lot of words that could have described what I was feeling. I was mad, upset, and could only think why this had to happen to me. I didn't understand and I still don't, but I've learned that what happened was not in my control and that it was meant to happen for a reason," Thomas said.

"After all of this happened and after getting an x-ray, I knew that it was over and didn't know what to do. I was laying on the bed in the emergency room confused, but then Mrs. Annette (Williams) came and talked to me. She told me that she didn't know why this happened but knew that God has a plan for me, even if it is playing baseball again or not, and I know, at the moment, I didn't say anything, but I can't thank her enough her encouraging words."

The Golden Eagle baseball team is like a big family and when a teammate is down or having a hard time, they are there for one another.

Coach Jones' emphasized that aspect of life to the team more than anything.

"After we were getting ready to leave and when I got to the lobby, I saw all of my coaches and a couple of teammates. They talked to me and helped me feel better about the situation. I can't thank them enough for showing up after a late game and coming to see me. You don't realize how much you need people to help you until you are at your lowest. I will always be grateful for them being there for me."

It was official. Thomas suffered a broken hand and his season was over.

"My hand specialist in Franklin said the local ER did a great job setting the break the night of my injury, which led to me not needing surgery," Thomas said.

"The only thing I need to do treatment-wise is to be cautious in using it at all while it heals. Recovery time could be anywhere from six-to-eight weeks."

"The night of his injury when he found out his hand was broken and his season was pretty much over (from a playing standpoint), he obviously was devastated," Jones said.

"We told him that night that he might not be out on the field, but he was still going to play a huge role for us if we wanted to achieve our team goals."

Dealing with something like this is unfortunate and it's bound to be a challenge for any student athlete.

"It really sucked at first and it still does. At first, I didn't know what my role on this team would be. My role there had always been to show up and play my hardest every game but I can't do that anymore," Thomas said.

"So, I've found a new role to bring more energy to the dugout. I'm going to keep trying to bring more positive energy to the dugout and find new ways to help them win."

Going from a talented day-to-day starter to someone who can only support the team in a positive manner mentally shows how he is growing as a young man.

"Baseball has played a huge role in my life. I have developed skills that made me a better player, but it's shown me more about how to be a better man. I've loved the sport ever since the first time I walked on the field. I can't remember a time in my life that I wasn't playing baseball. I've lived this sport for so long that I can't imagine what life would be like without it," Thomas said.

"It means a lot to me that I had the ability to play baseball my whole life, but I think the sport means as much to my mom (Tina Corley) as it does to me. I don't think in the past 13 years of playing she's missed a game. She was always there to support me even if it was a good or bad game. I'm very hopeful I can find a chance to continue my baseball career."

For Thomas, baseball is more than a game. It has been a major part of his life.

"In my earlier days of baseball, I remember always showing up to the rec center ready to have fun. I remember everyone in my family coming to the games to support me," Thomas said.

"In most of the memories I have of my biological dad were when he came to the games when I was young. After most of the games I played I remember he would take me to the arcade room at the rec center and let me play on the machines in there as much as I wanted. I never really saw him any before he passed so I'm glad I have these memories with him."

"I also was lucky enough to have my mom there always to support me. She was even planning on missing a trip she won to Hawaii to watch me play, so if that doesn't tell you how dedicated she was, I don't know what will," Thomas said.

"One of the best things is all of the friends I made from this sport. I've been playing baseball with these guys since we were five years old. "The friendships I've made from this sport will last a lifetime and I'm glad I had all of these things over the years."

Thomas has had to overcome adversity in this sport before when he didn't make the middle school team.

"I played baseball with all of my friends all the way until middle school. I remember being so nervous for the middle school tryouts and nervous of failure. We showed up to the tryouts and everything was going OK but at the end of the tryouts they called out all of the names that had made the team. Every one of my friends' names were called, but mine wasn't," Thomas said.

"I was mad and confused on why I didn't make it and I asked what I could do to be better. I was told they didn't see enough from me to be able to help them in the future. That drove me more than anything I can remember. I made sure that the next time I stepped out there they wouldn't have to think twice about me being on that team. I worked my tail off for the next year and I remember coming to that tryout being more prepared than ever. I ended up making the team and being the starting third baseman towards the end of the season. Ever since, I've made sure to be a standout player and I've been a starter for the Eagles ever since. So, the main thing I would take from that is to make failure drive you to be better."

Thomas is so thankful to have built such a bond with his teammates and offers these words of encouragement to them.

"I would tell my teammates to play every game like it's your last. It's easy to say it when you're playing but when your season ends unexpectedly like mine did, you really never know when your last game will be. I also want to tell them to believe in everything they're doing. Playing in the game, it's hard to tell how much potential you really have, but being in the dugout watching them, it's easy to see that they have a chance to do something special this season," Thomas said.

"They have all the talent in the world but just need to start believing even more. Skill will only take you so far. Belief will take this team to places they never would've imagined. I also want to say to them to clear all failure and mistakes during the game. I've been known as a person that can get mad after a strikeout, but I strived to be better for myself, but especially for my teammates. One way to bring your team down is to be the negative energy in the dugout. Turn that negative energy into motivation to be better. I know this team can do big things, but I just need them to believe. Not just for themselves but for each other. If they do this trust me, they will go far in this run. Play for the guy next to you and believe. Prove people wrong."

"Caden is a very special young man. He is a fierce competitor and has shown great leadership this season. He has tremendous expectations of himself and at times is absolutely his harshest critic. He was such an integral part to our middle infield and the middle of our lineup before his injury," Jones said.

Having seen Thomas' transition from the field to the dugout, Jones feels like he's gained another coach to help encourage the Eagles.

"Many young men in his position might feel sorry for themselves and bring bad energy around the team or even distance themselves from their teammates. Caden has been just the opposite. He has basically become another coach on the staff. He is extremely encouraging and helpful to all his teammates. I know he has had to have had some pretty emotional moments away from the guys, but when he is around them, he is the absolute best teammate you could ask for. I hate Caden broke his hand and is no longer able to play for us, but it has been a blessing to watch how he has adapted his role and is as big an asset for us now as he has ever been."

Viqueens advance to 7-AA title after fighting off Cascade rally

By CHRIS SIERS
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UNIONVILLE — A closely-contested first four innings that left the Viqueens in control of a one-run lead over cross-county rival Cascade in an elimination game in the District 7-AA tournament, but it was a five-run fifth inning that broke the game open and eventually sent the Purple and Gold back to the District 7-AA championship for a rematch against the No. 2 seeded Forrest Lady Rockets.

That five-run fifth inning was enough for Community to take the 9-6 win over Cascade and end the Lady Champs' season.

After an injury to District 7-AA pitcher of the Year, Annie Prince, on Tuesday night, the Viqueens turned to Taylar Wessner to toe the rubber to start off against Cascade on Wednesday.

Wessner got right to work and sat Cascade down in order in the first inning.

In the bottom of the frame, Abby Murrill connected on a one-out single and quickly scampered around the bases and scored on a sacrifice by senior Zoey Dixon for the early 1-0 Community lead.

Two innings later, the Lady Champs struck back and got on the board when Kyndal Bolden smacked a RBI single to the center field fence and then Ella Thompson stole home on a passed ball to give Cascade a 2-1 lead.

The Lady Champion lead was short-lived, however, as Community responded with a two-spot in the bottom of the third.

Murrill again was the table setter for the Purple and Gold with a one-out triple to the center field fence,



T-G Photos by Chris Siers

Abby Murrill celebrates with Alana Tate after scoring the game's first run in the first inning.

and then scored on a bunt single by Abi Brown to tie the game at 2-2.

Community then took the lead on a Zoey Dixon RBI single.

The see-saw affair continued into the top of the fifth with back-to-back one-out doubles, capped off with a RBI from Thompson to once again tie the game at 3-3.

As closely-contested as the first 4 1/2 innings were, Community blew the game open in the bottom of the fifth, beginning with the usual cast of suspects at the top of the order.

Murrill beat out a throw to first for an infield single to lead off the five-run fifth inning for the Viqueens.

Brown followed with a base hit to center field that scored Murrill, but was thrown out advancing to third.

Community got two more runs off a Lady Champion throwing error



Cascade's Claire Perry comes up firing a throw to first after fielding a hit at second base.

and then a final run scored off a Chloe West single to right to make it an 8-3 game by the end of the inning.



Audrina Bearden puts the squeeze on a pop fly ball in the Viqueen infield.

Cascade got two back in the top of the sixth off a single by Christina Bilbrow that made it an 8-5 game.

Bilbro went 3-for-4 to lead Cascade at the plate, with two RBIs to her credit.

Brown and West each knocked in a pair of runs to lead Community at the plate.

Wessner got the start and pitched three innings, giving up two runs on two hits before Anna Haskins took over and pitched two innings.

Cascade managed one run off two hits against Haskins, while the Viqueen lefty recorded two strike-outs.

Senior Haley Mitchell pitched the final two innings and gave up three runs on four hits.

For Cascade, Brianna Horn went the distance and and gave up nine runs, only three of which were earned, on seven hits, while fanning eight Viqueen batters.

The win advances Community back to the District 7-AA championship for a rematch against Forrest on Thursday night.

Cascade	002 012 1 — 6 8 3
Community	102 051 x — 9 7 1

Cascade: Christina Bilbro 3-for-4, Ella Thompson 1-for-3, Kyndal Bolden 1-for-4, Brianna Horn 1-for-2, Claire Perry 1-for-4, Addison Pope 1-for-3.
Community: Anna Haskins 1-for-4, Abby Murrill 2-for-4, Abi Brown 1-for-3, Zoey Dixon 1-for-3, Taylar Wessner 1-for-4, Chloe West 1-for-3.
WP: Haskins
LP: Horn

Eagles return to title match

T-G STAFF REPORT

SEWANEE — Shelbyville Central shutout Coffee County 3-0 on Tuesday night at the University of Swanee to advance to the district title match.

The Golden Eagles faced Franklin County on Thursday night in Winchester.

"We had a last minute field change to accommodate the wild weather this week," Shelbyville Central coach Chris Fritz said. "We would like to thank Sewanee for letting us use their amazing facilities.

"The game was a bit sloppy because we made a point to play many of our up and coming players. We had a total of 21 players get significant minutes in this game including seven sophomores and two freshmen."

"Coffee was much more prepared this time and played with a ton of grit. We had to exploit spaces behind their high line."

Senior Arnold Avila put the Eagles on the board first when he hit a clean shot off of some team play around the box.

Freshman Jared Taylor scored the second goal from a Yahir Cervantes through ball right before halftime.

The Eagles (11-6-1) final goal came in the closing minutes of the game when freshman Fernando Gallardo scored of an assist by sophomore Ben Betzelberger.

Eaglettes' season ends at Warren Co.

T-G STAFF REPORT

McMINNVILLE — Shelbyville Central's Golden Eaglette softball team closed out the season with a 7-1 loss at Warren County in the District 6 4-A tournament on Tuesday evening.

The Eaglettes lone run came in the top of the first inning.

Alyssa Smith ripped a double and single to lead Shelbyville Central at the plate.

Kora Forbes went the distance in the circle to claim the win.

Alyssa Mosley smacked a pair of double to leads the winners at the plate.

"This was a heartbreaking loss to end the season," Eaglette coach Shaun Whitaker said. "This year had been full of ups and downs, but it has also been so much fun. We are really going to miss this amazing group of seniors.

Shelbyville Central	100 000 0 – 1 7 1
Warren County	120 004 x – 7 10 0

Shelbyville Central: Alyssa Smith 2-for-4, Alyvia Abbi Storey1-for-2, Lilly Brown 1-for-3, Ariana Floyd 1-for-3, Dejah Lineberger 1-for-3, Damonyai Lyons 1-for-3.
Warren County: Ky Damon 2-for-3, Alyssa Mosley 2-for-4, Kora Forbes 2-for-3, Addison Smith 1-for-4, Jazzlyn Ward 1-for-3, Maddox Adams 1-for-2, Jessie Young 1-for-2.
WP: Forbes
LP: S. Brown

Sophomores help Vikes advance to 6-A title

By RICKEY CLARDY
Sports Writer

UNIONVILLE — With each team winning on its opponent's field in the regular season, Tuesday's District 6-A soccer semifinal tournament match between the Community Vikings and Cascade Champions looked to be close on paper with the winner continuing its post-season.

The game lived up to its billing with each team battling for all 80 minutes, but in the end it was two Viking goals not by their leading scorers, but by two sophomores, which paved the way for a Community 2-0 win over the Champs.

It was a game of close chances as the Champions were on the brink of scoring all game long but could not break into the scoring column.

After the Champs could not convert on an open goal situation five minutes into the game, Randy Anica of the Vikings lofted a 40-yard pass over the Champion defense in the eighth minute and hit the foot of Brody Ray.

Ray took the ball 15 yards and found the back of the net to give Community (9-3-1) a 1-0 lead.

The county rivals continued to battle before a Viking shot narrowly missed the mark in the 32nd minute.

The Champs had their best chance to score in the 38th minute, but a Cascade shot in front of an open goal was kicked away by a Community defender as the Vikings took their 1-0 lead into the intermission.

The halftime break brought a renewed vigor to both teams as the second half started.

The Vikings were initially the aggressor for the first five minutes, but the Champs delivered a flurry of goal chances in the next five minutes but could not connect with the tying goal.

The Vikings maintained their precarious one-goal lead until the 76th minute when Community gained an insurance goal.

Off a direct kick, Anica connected with Jacob Graham near the goal.

Graham was able to slip



T-G Photo by Rickey Clardy

Coach Jesse Cooper of the Vikings celebrates with Coy Rogers following the Viking win.

the ball into the net to give the Vikings a 2-0 lead.

Despite a Champion direct kick hitting the crossbar, neither team could score the rest of the way as the Vikings took the win.

Reily Anica of the Vikings and Nick Harris of the Champions were effective as keepers during the match.

"This game had a little bit of everything," Coach Jesse Cooper of the Vikings said.

"We had a great shot by a kid with his weak foot in the top corner. The other goal was an awesome little volley from another kid who hasn't scored that many this year."

"We had at least two goal line saves," Cooper added. "It was just a good game all around."

Cooper did not feel relaxed with the one-goal lead.

"I didn't feel safe until we scored that second goal, but even then I was worried Cascade was going to get one and they could have easily got another one to tie it up," Cooper said.

"They're a good team, and it was hard to beat them twice this year," Cooper added.

For Coach Glenn Tidwell of the Champions, it was a matter of numerous chances that did not connect.

"We had opportunities to



Alex Domingo (16) of the Vikings and Jason Chanmavong (17) of the Champions race to the ball.

score right in front of the goal, but couldn't get it in the net," Tidwell said.

"It's like the story out of us all year to be honest with you," Tidwell added.

The second goal for the Vikings was a key goal in the game.

"That kind of deflated it right there," Tidwell said. "We didn't quit, but there wasn't much you could do to get caught up with two goals that fast.

"But we'll just regroup. We're still a young group so regroup and do it for next year."

Cascade	0 0 — 0
Community	1 1 — 2

First Half
Comm — Brody Ray goal from Randy Anica (8th minute).
Second Half
Comm — Jacob Graham goal from Anica (76th minute).

Small ball, errors doom Viqueens in tourney



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Freshman pitcher Annie Prince winds up and delivers a pitch for the Viqueens against Forrest on Tuesday.



Short stop Abi Brown snags a line drive for the out.

By CHRIS SIERS
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UNIONVILLE — A handful of untimely errors and Forrest's execution of the small-ball game plan was more than top-seeded Community could overcome in the District 7-AA tournament on Tuesday afternoon in a 7-2 loss.

Forrest didn't waste time getting on the board when the game's lead-off batter, Macyn Kirby safely reached base on a Viqueen error.

She later scored on a bunt-single by Christa Warren.

From there, the game settled into a quality pitcher's duel between Lady Rocket starter Ella Chilton and Viqueen freshman Annie Prince.

The Lady Rockets padded their lead in the fifth inning with a run on another Community error and a two-RBI single by Chilton to give Forrest a 4-0 lead.

Community cut into the Lady Rocket lead in the bottom of the fifth when Chloe West grounded out to first, but scored Taylar Wessner from third.

The game took a scary turn in the top of the sixth inning when Prince took a comebacker off her leg and left the game with an apparent ankle injury.

Wessner took over and pitched the final 1 2/3 innings for Community.

Forrest went on to score three more runs, including one in the top of the sixth on a sac-bunt, and then two more in the seventh, including one on a steal for home and another sacrifice that went down for a RBI.

Hoping for a little seventh-inning magic to replicate the last time the two teams met in Unionville, Community, with its back to the wall, went to work in the bottom of the seventh.

Wessner drew a one-out walk and then scored on a single to right by Carlie Blanton.

But that was all the run support the Viqueens were able to muster in the seventh as Chilton settled in and recorded the final two outs to advance to the District 7-AA title.

Prince pitched well for 5 1/3 innings before leaving the game with the injury to her lower leg.

She gave up five runs on five hits, only one of which was earned.

Wessner pitched 1 2/3 innings and gave up two runs on two hits to go along with one strikeout.

At the plate, Community tagged Chilton for five base hits.

Forrest	100 031 2 — 7 7 2
Community	000 010 1 — 2 5 4

Community: Anna Haskins 1-for-4, Abby Murrill 1-for-3, Zoey Dixon 1-for-3, Taylar Wessner 1-for-2, Carlie Blanton 1-for-3.

WP: Chilton
LP: Prince

Lady Champs boot Grundy Co. from 7-AA tourney

T-G STAFF REPORT

BELL BUCKLE — After falling to Forrest on Monday afternoon, the Cascade Lady Champions rebounded to keep their postseason alive by shutting out Grundy County on Tuesday afternoon, 10-0.

Cascade needed just three hits to knock the Lady Yellowjackets from the tournament, but relied on a combined one-hitter between Katelyn Lambert and Brianna Horn to end the game in five innings.

After a scoreless first frame, Cascade posted four runs in the bottom of the second to break the game open.

Claire Perry knocked in the first run on a sac-fly to left, scoring Horn.

Addison Pope added to the lead with a RBI single to right. Alivia Fannin also scored on a throwing error as well.

Alyana Cruse ground into a fielder's choice, but drove in the fourth run of the inning.

Cascade slammed the door shut on Grundy's season in the fourth inning by plating six runs on a two-RBI double by Christina Bilbro, two passed balls that scored Christina Bilbro and Kyndal Bolden and a second sac-fly by Perry.

Lambert pitched 3 2/3 innings and gave up one hit before Horn pitched the final 1 1/3 innings and struck out four without giving up a hit.

Grundy Co.	000 00 — 0 1 2
Cascade	040 6x — 10 3 0

Cascade: Christina Bilbro 1-for-2, Caitlyn Fannin 1-for-2, Addison Pope 1-for-1.

WP: Lambert

Lady Champs can't solve Forrest's Moreland

By CHRIS SIERS
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CHAPEL HILL — The Cascade Lady Champions just couldn't solve Forrest's Taylor Moreland in the District 7-AA opener on Monday night.

Moreland kept the base paths clear and tossed a no-hitter as Forrest beat Cascade, 7-0.

Moreland's counterpart, Brianna Horn, from Cascade only gave up one singles to the Lady Rockets, but walked nine batters that Forrest took advantage of in the shutout win over the Lady Champs.

Forrest plated two runs in the first, third and fourth innings before a seventh run scored in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Horn did strike out three batters in her 4 1/3 innings in the circle.

Katelyn Lambert took over and pitched the final 1 2/3 innings and gave up just one run.

Cascade stays alive in the tournament and faces Grundy County, who Community defeated, 16-0, in three innings on Monday night.



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Addison Pope makes contact in the second inning against Forrest on Monday night.

In two previous regular season meetings against Grundy County, Cascade claimed a 14-6 and a 10-0 win over the Lady Yellowjackets.

Cascade	000 000 0 — 0 0 0
Forrest	202 210 x — 7 2 0

WP: Moreland
LP: Horn

Viqueens hammer Grundy Co. in 7-AA opener

By RICKEY CLARDY
Sports Writer

UNIONVILLE — It only took 58 minutes for the Community Viqueens to complete their opening round game of the District 7-AA softball tournament as the Viqueens sent 14 batters to the plate in the first inning and scored 10 runs en route to a 16-0 victory over the Grundy County Lady Jackets Monday night.

Abby Murrill and Abi Brown combined for six hits and drove in eight runs at the top of the order to lead the Viqueens at the plate while pitchers Haley Mitchell and Zoey Dixon combined for a no-hitter.

Community (16-9-1), the No. 1 seed in the tournament, wasted little time getting its offense going in the opening inning after celebrating Senior Night in pregame festivities.

Murrill and Brown each had two hits in the inning as the Viqueens belted seven.



T-G Photo by Rickey Clardy

Six Community seniors were recognized in pregame ceremonies Monday night. Those honored were (from left) are Abby Murrill, Haley Mitchell, Zoey Dixon, Abi Brown, Abigail Brooks, and Chloe West.

Brown's second hit was a home run to go along with a double while Mitchell, Chloe West, and Taylar Wessner added hits as the Viqueen hitting parade was in full force.

After inadvertently taking a throw from the Lady Jacket catcher on the arm during her at-bat, senior Abigail Brooks stayed in the game and contributed a key sacrifice bunt that brought home two runs as Community ended the inning with a 10-0 lead.

It was Murrill and Brown leading the way as the Viqueens upped their lead in the second inning.

After singles by Carlie Blanton and Anna Haskins, Murrill drove in two runs with a single and Brown blasted her second homer of the game as the Viqueens increased their lead to 14-0.

The Viqueens finished the game on the run-rule with two runs in the third inning as West was hit by a pitch and Wessner followed with a home run to right field.

Mitchell started on the mound for the Viqueens with Dixon relieving in the third inning.

Grundy Co.	000 — 0 0 3
Community	(10)42 — 16 12 0

Community: Abby Murrill 3-for-3, Abi Brown 3-for-3, Taylar Wessner 2-for-3, Carlie Blanton 1-for-1, Anna Haskins 1-for-1, Chloe West 1-for-2, Haley Mitchell 1-for-3.

WP: Mitchell

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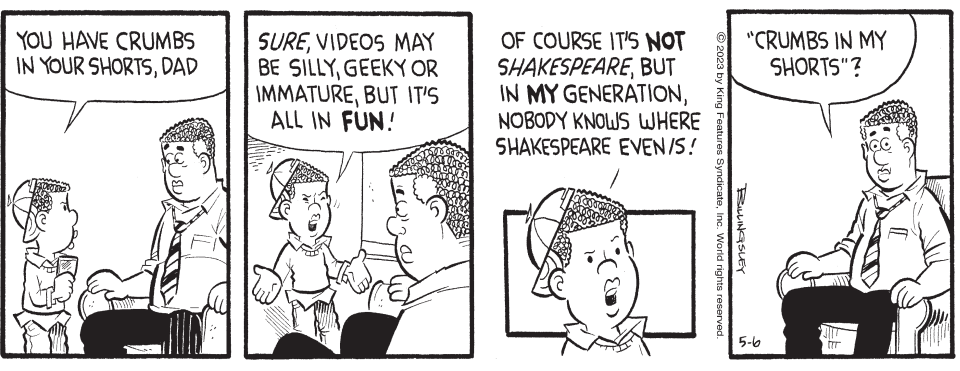

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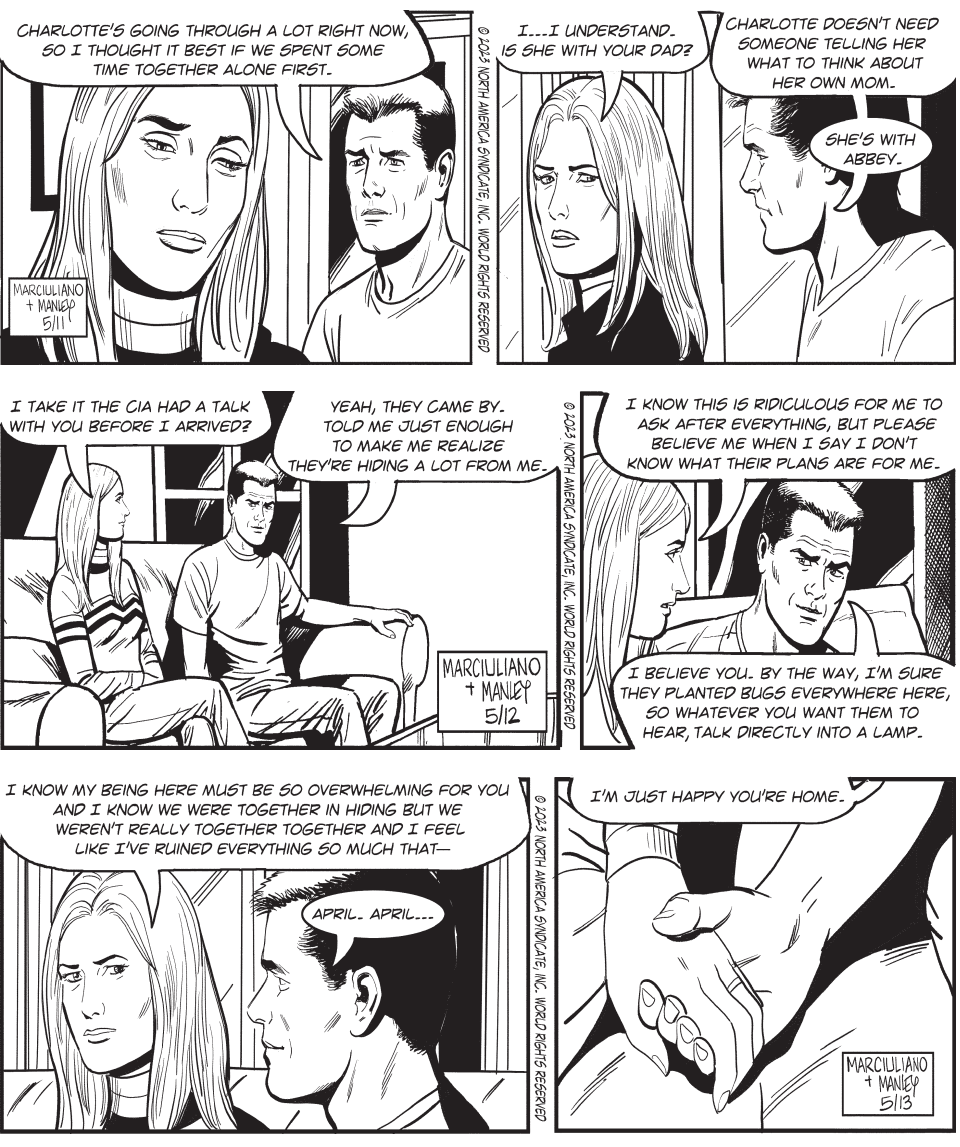

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Clue: One of the five senses

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Answers: A. eyes B. sight C. exam D. dilate

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Thursday, May 11th
Friday, May 12th
Saturday, May 13th
Sunday, May 14th

5 Family Yard Sale
Friday, May 19th
Saturday, May 20th
8AM-4PM
525 Sun Circle
Household Items, Jewelry, Clothing, China, Books, Brand New Body Slimmer in Box, & Lots More!

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For Sale
1968 Ford Mustang
Fastback
302 Engine
4 Speed in Floor
Needs to be Restored
$20,000
931-735-6109

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BEDFORD MOORE COOP
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Bargains

Troy Built Colt Tiller
208CC – 18 In. Cut
Used 1 Time, $400
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Used 1 Time, $125
423-645-0702

2 Black Rocking Chairs & 1 Bench
$120 For All
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11 In. Screen, $250
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42" Cut, 18 ½ HP, $650
931-205-8927

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931-808-6460

3 Boxes of 40 Caliber Ammo
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Bargains

Gold Trim Tables
Coffee Table, Sofa Table, Corner Table & 2 End Tables
$180 for Set, Will Sell Separate
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Nice Dining Room Table with Extra Leaf & 5 Chairs, $100
Have Pictures
931-703-2832

Dining Room Set - Beautiful Wood Table with 6 Chairs & 2 Leaves, Buffet with Lighted Hutch Top, $650 OBO
3 Sets of Living Room Lamps (2 Each)
Hazel Atlas Dinnerware Mostly Pink, $100
931-639-4934

Refrigerator
Works Great, Free
Big Igloo Doghouse, $75
931-575-7410

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Barely Used with Cover
Original Price $699, Now $300
Kobalt Battery Powered Self Propelled Mower
Barely Used
Original Price $600, Now $275
931-639-3332

Cannondale Road Bike
Aluminum Truck Tool Box
(Fits Full Size Truck)
931-205-7757

Public Notice

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE AT SHELBYVILLE
IN THE MATTER OF: CHARLIE DEANN COOPER
d/o/b March 9, 2013, and
ABBIGAIL SUE LAMASTUS
d/o/b September 4, 2010
REBECCA LAMASTUS,
Petitioner,
vs.
AMBRIE SPARKS (now STAGGS), and ZACK COOPER,
Respondents.
Case Nos. 2013-JV-27 & 33-386
CONSOLIDATED
NONRESIDENT NOTICE

In this cause, it appearing to my satisfaction from the Petitioner's Amended Petition, which is sworn to, that the Respondent, ZACK COOPER, is a nonresident of the State of Tennessee or that the resident is unknown and cannot be ascertained upon diligent inquiry so that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him, it is therefore ordered that the Respondent, ZACK COOPER, enter appearance before the Juvenile Court of Bedford County, Tennessee, on or before May 8, 2023, and plead answer to the Petitioner's Amended Petition or the same will be taken for confessed and the cause set for hearing ex parte.

It is further ordered that a copy of this notice be published for four consecutive weeks in the Shelbyville Times-Gazette, a newspaper published in Bedford County, Tennessee.

This the 6th day of April, 2023.

MICHELLE MURRAY,
JUVENILE COURT CLERK

APPROVED FOR ENTRY:
ROBERTSON, WORSHAM, GREGORY, GIFFIN & HOSKINS, PLLC
BY: MICHAEL E. GIFFIN
BPR# 014320
Attorney for Plaintiff
105 W. Lincoln St.
P.O. Box 790
Tullahoma, Tennessee 37388
(931) 455-5407
(Apr. 22 & 29, May 6 & 13, 2023)

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Shelbyville Police Department is now accepting applications for a Tennessee POST Certified Police Officer. Successful Applicants will be required to pass a background check, physical, psychological, and drug/alcohol test prior to final consideration for the position. Applicants must be a minimum age of 21 years old and MUST BE TN POST CERTIFIED.

Starting pay is based on years of experience.

The City currently provides the following for full-time employees:

100% City paid individual medical, dental & vision insurance benefits. long-term disability, life insurance, various paid leaves such as vacation, personal, sick, bereavement and holidays as well as City contributions to the 401k

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. Applications must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 N. Spring Street or emailed to stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org and will be accepted until position is filled.

The City of Shelbyville is a Drug Free Workplace and an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate with regard to race, color, sex, age, disability or national origin.

Stacey Claxton, Human Resources Generalist
(May 6, 9 & 13, 2023)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Rachel A. Dunagan
Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on April 20 of 2023, Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Rachel A. Dunagan** who died 4/2/2023 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: 4/20/2023
Lisa Kim Dunagan,
Executrix
Curt M. Cobb,
Clerk & Master
John T. Bobo,
Bobo, Hunt & White
Attorney
(May 6 & 13, 2023)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Evelyn Register Coffey
Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on April 27 of 2023, Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Evelyn Register Coffey** who died 4/5/2023 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: 4/25/2023
Judy Kraft,
Executrix
Curt M. Cobb,
Clerk & Master
Michael E. Giffin,
Attorney for the Estate
(May 6 & 13, 2023)

Public Notice

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: 4/27/2023
Rebecca Ann Cortner &
Diana Raye Spear,
Co-Executors
Curt M. Cobb,
Clerk & Master
John T. Bobo,
Bobo, Hunt & White
Attorney
(May 6 & 13, 2023)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Winford Daniel
Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on April 21 of 2023, Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Winford Daniel** who died 3/15/2023 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: 4/21/2023
Rayma Reese &
Randall Douglas Daniel,
Co-Executors
Curt M. Cobb,
Clerk & Master
Ewing Sellers,
Attorney
(May 6 & 13, 2023)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of
Daniel Newton Bush
Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on April 25 of 2023, Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of **Daniel Newton Bush** who died 3/24/2023 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: 5/8/2023
Julie Kay Haynes,
Administratrix
Curt M. Cobb,
Clerk & Master
John T. Bobo,
Bobo, Hunt & White
Attorney
(May 13 & 20, 2023)

NOTICE

TO:
Martha Elizabeth Moore
Heirs of Martha Elizabeth Moore
BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE,
Plaintiff,
VS.
DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS,
Defendants.
No. 34,137, Consolidated Cases, In the Chancery Court of Bedford County at Shelbyville.

In this case, it appearing that the following persons have or may claim an interest in the parcels of real estate or personal property located in Bedford County, Tennessee as follows:

Martha Elizabeth Moore 088E-A-00100
Heirs of Martha Elizabeth Moore 088E-A-00100

It appearing that the names and/or residences of the above-named defendants are unknown and cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry, or that process has been returned not found, or that the above-named defendants are non-residents, and that therefore the Court has ordered that the above-named defendants be brought before the Court by publication; and it appearing that on each of the above-described parcels of real estate or personal property there are owing delinquent property taxes, and that this suit has been filed to collect such delinquent taxes and to enforce the lien against each such parcel for such taxes by a sale of such property, each of these defendants is hereby required to appear on or before June 5, 2023, before the undersigned Clerk and Master and make defense to the Complaint and serve a copy of their Answer on Plaintiff's attorney, Ralph McBride, Jr., Delinquent Tax Attorney, 200 East Depot St., Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160, or otherwise judgment by default will be taken against such defendants for the relief demanded in the complaint. It is further ordered that this notice be published for four consecutive weeks in the Shelbyville Times-Gazette.

This the 2nd day of May, 2023.

CURT M. COBB
CLERK & MASTER
RALPH McBRIDE, JR.
200 East Depot St.
Shelbyville, TN 37160
Delinquent Tax Attorney

(May 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2023)

AHERA Compliance

In compliance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) regulations the Bedford County Board of Education has identified and removed all friable asbestos throughout its facilities. An Asbestos Management Plan has been developed and is on file in the office of each school for public perusal 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 9 & 13, 2023)

BEDFORD COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Agenda May 18, 2023
1 Public Square
Suite 200 at 5:30 PM
Roll call. Approval of April 20, 2023, minutes. Approval of the Agenda New Business. Owner requests a special exception at 2541 Hwy 82 South Adjourn.
(May 13, 2023)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

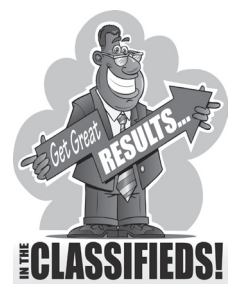
WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated September 26, 2007, and the Deed of Trust of even date securing the same, recorded October 2, 2007, in Book No. TD673, at Page 852, in Office of the Register of Deeds for Bedford County, Tennessee, executed by Rodney W Warren, conveying certain property therein described to Brandon G. Polito as Trustee for Wells Fargo Financial Tennessee 1, LLC; and the undersigned, Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., having been appointed Successor Trustee by US Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VRMTG Asset Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable; and that an agent of Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon said Successor Trustee, by US Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VRMTG Asset Trust, will, on **June 5, 2023 on or about 3:15 PM, at the Main Entrance of the Bedford County Courthouse 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN 37160,** offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder FOR certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in the Deed of Trust, said property being real estate situated in Bedford County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:

BEING Lot No. 39 Orchard Acres, Section 2, as shown by plat of record in Plat Cabinet "B", Envelope 25, of the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, to which plat reference is hereby made for a more complete and accurate description of said lot. SUBJECT to any and all existing easements, setback lines and restrictive covenants of record in the said Register's Office.

ALSO KNOWN AS: 122 Peachtree Lane, Bell Buckle, TN 37020

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. In addition,



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NOTICE

Pursuant to section 67-5-508, Tennessee Code Annotated, the property assessment records of Bedford County will be available for public inspection at Suite 301, 3rd floor of the Bedford County Annex Bldg., during normal business hours. Any person desiring to inspect these records may do so at the appointed time and place.

The Bedford County Board of Equalization will begin its annual session to examine and equalize the county assessments on June 1, 2023. THE BOARD WILL ACCEPT APPEALS FOR TAX YEAR 2023. ONLY UNTIL THE LAST DAY OF ITS 2023 REGULAR SESSION, WHICH WILL BE JUNE 7, 2023. The board will meet each weekday from the hours of 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:00 at the Bedford Co Courthouse 1 Public Square (former 1st floor courtroom) Any owner of property who wishes to make a complaint or appeal to the County Board of Equalization should make an appointment between the dates of May 22, 2023-May 31st, 2023 to appear before said Board by personal appearance or by personal appearance of an agent for the owner bearing the owner's written authorization. Failure to appeal an assessment may result in the assessment becoming final without further right or appeal.

Public Notice

the following parties may claim an interest in the above- referenced property:

RODNEY W WARREN

TENANTS OF

L E N D M A R K F I N A N C I A L SERVICES, LLC

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. In the event of inclement weather, the trustee hereby announces that the sale will be postponed and that notices of said postponement for inclement weather will be mailed to interested parties of record. **W&A No. 143001**

DATED May 9, 2023

WILSON & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C.,

Successor Trustee

(May 13, 20, & 27, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Shelbyville is accepting applications for the full-time position of CDL-A Truck Driver/ Laborer for the Public Works Department. The employee performs a variety of manual labor tasks, including duties of the operating of medium to heavy duty trucks in either a specific or a variety of maintenance, construction, and/or utility tasks. A minimum of a Class A CDL with air brakes is required. Work schedule is MONDAY – THURSDAY, 6am – 4:30pm.

This is a full-time position with an hourly rate of $17.17. The City provides a comprehensive benefits package.

Applications and a copy of the complete job description may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours or download from the City website: www.shelbyvilletn.org

Applications must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 N. Spring Street or emailed to:stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org and will be accepted until position is filled.

The City of Shelbyville is an equal opportunity employer and a drug free workplace. Successful Applicants are required to pass a background check, physical and drug screen.

Stacey Claxton, Human Resources Generalist

(May 13, 16, & 20, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE TO OWNER AND/OR LIEN HOLDER

If anyone owns any interest in a

2008 LONE WOLF 820 10K TRAILER

VIN #

4P7U8202X8F027901

Please contact CHUCK GUNN at 931-607-5889 on or before May 23rd, 2023.

(May 13, 2023)

Notice to Owner and/or Lien Holder of Abandoned or Unclaimed Vehicle.

The following vehicle will be sold at PERRY'S PERFORMANCE on May 23, 2023 B at 120 Deery St., Shelbyville, TN 37160 unless any charges or fees owed are satisfied within 10 days of this notice.

2000 FORD F-150 SVT

VIN #

2FTZF0735YCB06275

(May 13, 2023)

Request for Proposals

Bid No. 23-35 Community Middle School Boiler Replacement

Bid No. 23-36 Thomas Magnet School Window and Door Replacement

Bid packages are available on the Bedford County website, bedfordcountytn.gov, or by contacting April Miller, Kline Swinney Architects, 615-255-1854. **Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 31, 2023.**

(May 13 & 16, 2023)



T-G Photos by Zoe Watkins

Incoming Committee Chairs for the 2023-24 year. Front row from left, Teresa Gill, Laura Pewitt, Belinda Craig, Jennifer Thompson, , Betty Jones, Beverly Spiers, Diandra Womble. Back row, from left, Lynn Shelton, Mary Frances Gordon, and Mary Cathryn Perry.

Woman's Club looks to the stars

By ZOË WATKINS
zwatkins@t-g.com

The Shelbyville Woman's Club had a busy luncheon Wednesday for their first meeting of the 2023-24 year. Outgoing president Miriam Pietkiewicz wrapped up her term with a quote about "Grace," which was her choice of focus of the year.

"I realized that I needed grace and work on grace," Pietkiewicz said. "So, my last statement about grace is, 'Wherever you are, whomever you might be with, whatever you might be doing, show grace.'"

New president Dena Landers has chosen to focus on "Encouragement."

The two words were good representations of the club's memorial service, which was held before lunch.

To commemorate the women of the club who had passed away this last year, Landers lit 10 candles to represent the former club members as their names were read:

Polly Gill Frazier (June 20, 2022), Emma Jean Stimpson (June 21, 2022), Katherine Dale Potts (September 6, 2022), Linda Gayle Mathews (October 21, 2022), Mary Grace Landers Phillips (November 21, 2022), Nelly Campbell Barnes (December 8, 2022), Nadine Marie Hopkins (March 9, 2023), Rachel Ann Dunagan (April 2, 2023), Juanita Price Tucker (April 4, 2023), Evelyn Coffey (April 5, 2023).

To the stars

The Woman's Club also hosted Billy Hix as the guest speaker.

Hix is a retired Bedford County Schools teacher and Solar System Ambassador for NASA. Today, he has a traveling planetarium that he takes to schools across the country to show young students the beauty and mystery of the universe.

"This what I do for fun. This is my hobby," he said.

Showing images from the James Webb Telescope, woman's club members saw images of dying stars and faraway galaxies. "With the James Webb Telescope, you would be able to see the body of a bumble bee on the moon," he said.

According to Hix, scientists believe there are two trillion galaxies across the universe.

As someone who grew up in Possum Trott Road, Hix said he is passionate about bringing education to rural areas, which is part of why his presentations are at no cost to the schools. With this, he understands the importance of educators.

"Among your midst, you have so many wonderful educators, active and retired. Those people are the last saving grace of our world. If we do not support them… the world will fail," said Hix. Like stars shining their light across millions of miles in the universe, Hix said, "Good teachers, their light travels on long after they are gone."

Encouraging young people and citing his life, Hix said, "You need to go for it…You just never know who you'll meet."

He also encouraged people to mark the date of April 8, 2023, which will be the last total solar eclipse for this side of the world until 2072.

"It is something special to be outside and the temperature goes away, it gets cooler…and then the stars come out in the middle of the day. It is awesome!"



Incoming Executive Committee, from left, Marian Arnold, Jan Young, Dena Landers, Pam Birtcil, and Judy Sliger.

Billy Hix showing "Cosmic Cliffs" images from the James Webb Telescope.





ABOVE: President Dena Landers lights candles in remembrance of club members who passed away last year.

LEFT: Outgoing president Miriam Pietkiewicz.

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