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Graham: 'We need a culture change'

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Education is key

Entering his fourth year as Bedford County mayor, Chad Graham recently explained the need for a "culture change" in the county.

Graham grew up about a mile outside Bell Buckle. "It was a close-knit community everybody knew everybody," he said, while economically and socially, everybody was similar and the "apparent divides" we see today were not prevalent.

His family worked technical careers: his grandmother retired from the box plant; his grandfather worked with the highway department; and his dad was a machinist with Schmiede. Graham said it somewhat influenced his decision to go into the technical career of becoming a paramedic.

More than anything, his parents encouraged him to get an education. "There's no question that education is the key to getting out of poverty or raising your standard of living for both yourself and your family," Graham said. Even though he said he "learned more out of school than in," the basic K-12 education served as a foundation.

Graham graduated from Cascade High School, with around 30 other students, in 1985. He eventually attended Alabama University where he studied paramedic emergency services as he was always interested in public safety and "wanted to give the patient the best outcome."

Graham went on to become the director of Bedford County Emergency Medical

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T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins
Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham in the Veterans Day parade.

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WORK NEVER ENDS



Dickie Gardner Stables (DGS) took out a little time last week to enjoy Christmas. But the work there never ends.



T-G Photos by Dawn Hankins

Success is no accident, Dickie Gardner often says. He and assistant trainer Victoria Kalosis recently accepted the award for "Trainer" and "Assistant Trainer" of the Year. They're shown here at DGS with competitor "Jack."

Dickie Gardner Stables earns top WHTA honors

Trainers awarded 35 sets of roses

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Dickie Gardner Stables in Wheel kind of looks like Santa's workshop, not just this time of the year, but all year long. But instead of reindeer, trainers and stable hands work non stop with Spotted Saddle Horses and Tennessee Walking Horses.

Owner, exhibitor and trainer Gardner and assistant, Victoria Kalosis, work side-by-side through rain, snow or sleet. There are currently 60 stalls at DGS needing attention, daily.

Their hard work has certainly paid off for them this year. They recently shared how it is nearly impossible to put into words how "incredibly blessed" and thank-

'Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all . . . love of what you are doing.'

— Dickie Gardner, WHTA Trainer of the Year

ful they are to have had such an "amazing" show season.

They were doubly blessed with Dickie being named Walking Horse Trainers' Association's "Trainer of the Year" and Victoria as "Assistant Trainer of the Year." While Dickie is a veteran trainer and exhibitor, Victoria is only 22, but is already making her own mark on the industry; she graduated last year with a business degree from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro.

Dickie notes how Victoria has certainly

earned her spurs in the literal sense. As she brings a horse out of the stall, she notes this is, however, her real passion. "I've been fortunate to work with Dickie," she says.

With that association in 2020-2021, DGS showed 980 times. Both proudly admit they're running a "well-oiled machine."

Dickie also credits his daughters, Cheyenne and Dakota, for pulling their own weight within the industry. The two of them are busy exhibiting, working and grooming horses these days, right by their dad's side.

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Taser doesn't stop kick from suspect

By DAVID MELSON
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A Shelbyville police officer was allegedly attacked by a suspect being arrested Friday afternoon.

Officer Brandon Paslay was kicked by Kevin Brian Rodas, 29, of Baker Street, who tried to bite another officer according to an accident report.

Rodas allegedly "actively resisted" two officers attempting to arrest him. A Taser stun by Officer Tracy Teal didn't stop Rodas, who allegedly responded by attempting to bite him.

Paslay was kicked as officers placed him on the ground. Eventually five officers managed to get Rodas into a patrol vehicle.

Police were called to the home after Rodas allegedly became angry when told to leave. A Family mem-

ber told Rodas she "doesn't like the person he becomes when he's been drinking."

Rodas was charged with resisting arrest, assault on an officer, public intoxication, disorderly conduct and violation of probation. He was held on \$14,000 bond.

A suspect accused of fracturing a bone in a roommate's face during another violent incident was arrested Tuesday, Shelbyville police said.

Vance Edward Claxton, 49, of Landers Street allegedly punched the woman's face, fracturing a nasal bone, during an argument. She also suffered facial and arm cuts, according to a police report.

Claxton was charged with aggravated domestic assault. Bond was set at \$17,500.

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DEATH NOTICES

Geoffrey Nathan Keith Nelson

December 21, 2021

Geoffrey Nathan Keith Nelson, 31, of Antioch died Tuesday, December 21, 2021.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at Gowen-Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Visitation will begin at 11 a.m.

Johnny Wilburn Waid

December 17, 2021

Johnny Wilburn Waid, 61, of Shelbyville died suddenly Friday, December 17, 2021 at Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital.

Funeral services were held Sunday, December 26 at Doak-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Jay Pope officiating. Burial followed at Lynchburg Cemetery.

Annie Lee Bailiff Warren

December 24, 2021

Annie Lee Bailiff Warren, 81, of Shelbyville died Friday, December 24, 2021.

Funeral services were held Monday at Gowen-Smith Chapel with pastor Jonathan Curry officiating. Burial followed at Willow Mount Cemetery.

Lilly Katherine McCool Perryman

December 26, 2021

Lilly Katherine McCool Perryman, 77, died Sunday, December 26, 2021 at her home in Chapel Hill.

Graveside services will be conducted 2 p.m. Thursday, December 30 at Cedar Grove Cemetery in the Cedar Grove community of Bedford County. No visitation is planned.

Lawrence Funeral Home, Chapel Hill, is handling arrangements.

OBITUARIES

Joseph Watson 'Joe' Bowman Jr.

December 25, 2021

Joseph Watson "Joe" Bowman Jr., 71, of Shelbyville died Saturday, December 25, 2021.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 P.M. Wednesday, December 29th, at Hillcrest Funeral Home, Rev. Mark Ashley officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Visitation will begin at 12 noon. Family asks that masks be worn at all services.

He was owner/operator of Joe's Liquors until 2016; an active member of New Hope Chapel; longtime member of the Shelbyville Jaycees; former Boy Scout Leader; an avid golfer and a professional drummer for over 55 years. He did some acting (was an extra in The Green Mile movie).

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Watson Bowman Sr. and Annie Ruth Jones Bowman. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Claudia Ruth Copeland Bowman; son, Joseph Watson "Joe" Bowman III (Yeo Jin); daughter, Brooke Formosa (Jay); sister, Sandra Daniel; granddaughters, Anne Ruth Formosa, Elizabeth Morgan Formosa, Margaret Parkes Formosa; nephew, Danny Daniel (Michele); niece, Diane Culver (Jim) and great-niece, Taylor Culver.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to St. Jude's.

Edna Lucille Williams Thomas

December 22, 2021

Funeral service for Edna Lucille Williams Thomas, 91, of Shelbyville were held Monday, December 27, 2021 at Doak-Howell Funeral Home with Reggie Smith officiating. Burial followed at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Mrs. Thomas passed from this life Wednesday, December 22, 2021, at Celebration Way Senior Living.

A native of Bedford County, Edna L. Williams Thomas was the daughter of the late Robert C. Williams, Sr. and the late Margaret A. Bacigalupo Williams. Along with her parents she was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Billy G. Thomas; two brothers, Robert C. Williams, Jr. (Margaret) and John O. Williams (Mildred); three sisters, Shirley M. Williams Pinkston (Robert Lee), Nell L. Williams Walker (Joe), and Ruby G. Williams George (J.C. "Red Top").

Edna is survived by: sister, Linda J. Williams Nickens (Ronald); a god-daughter and caregiver, Donna Adams Foster (Kenny) and several nieces and nephews. Also her office manager and caregiver, Clint Smith (Judy), (who was like a son to her) and caregiver, Mary Leta Morris Shavers ("Bubba"), (who has been like a daughter to Mrs. Thomas), Mary Alice Shavers and Mrs. Thomas's namesake, Mason Thomas Shavers.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were owners of Billy Thomas Plumbing and Electric where she was the bookkeeper and secretary for over 59 years. Mrs. Thomas was a member of Southside Baptist Church where she was secretary and treasurer among other duties for over 25 years. At that time Edna became her sick husband's 24 hour a day caregiver. Mrs. Thomas loved her church and she loved people. She and her husband never had children of their own but several of Mrs. Thomas's loved ones' children fondly called her "Granny Thomas." Mrs. Thomas loved helping others, working in her yard and always had a beautiful flower garden.

Memorial donations may be made to Celebration Way Senior Living, 895 Union St. Shelbyville, TN 37160.



Bobbie Jean Wooten

December 22, 2021

Funeral services for Ms. Bobbie Jean Wooten, 80, of Shelbyville will be held 1 p.m. Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at Doak-Howell Funeral Home with Steve Lynn officiating. Burial will follow in Willow Mount Cemetery. Ms. Wooten passed from this life Wednesday at her residence with family by her side following an extended illness.

Visitation will begin at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

A native of Shelbyville, she was daughter of the late John Troy Pendergrast and Bessie Leah Baker. She was a homemaker and of the Christian faith.

Along with her parents Ms. Wooten was preceded in death by: first husband James Thomas McElhaney; second husband Oscar Leon Wooten; children Janice Brown, Johnny McElhaney; sisters Janie Rainey, Gracine George, Shirley Johnson, and Jewell Lynn.

Ms. Wooten is survived by: children, Shelly (Mike) Harden, both of Shelbyville, Jim (Sandy) McElhaney of Sante Fe, TN, Jerry (Natalie) Wooten of Shelbyville, 17 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren.; brother Troy (Betty) Pendergrast Jr. of Shelbyville.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Tennessee Kidney Foundation, 95 White Bridge Road, Suite 300, Nashville, TN 37205.



George-Ann Pratt

December 23, 2021

George-Ann Pratt, 81, of Prairie Village, Kansas passed away December 23, 2021.

George-Ann was born in Wichita, KS to Jack B. Hinkle and Velda B. Watson. She graduated from Wichita East High School and attended Wichita State University, majoring in broadcast journalism.

She and Donald H. Pratt were married June 7, 1960. They had two children, Jacqueline and Donald. Her main interest in life was taking care of and raising her family. She was an owner/exhibitor of Tennessee Walking Horses. George-Ann was a board member of the Walking Horse Owners Association.

One of George-Ann's horses, My First Dollar, received 48 blue ribbons, five World Championships and three World Grand Championships. She had three additional horses: Able, Ozones Cut Above All and Samsung (World Champion and World Grand Champion) which were all trained by Callaway Stables.

George-Ann is survived by her husband of 61 years, Donald H. Pratt; two children, Jacqueline P. (Matt) McGuire and Donald A. (Kathy) Pratt; two grandchildren, Kevin (Courtney) Crawford and Grant (Alivia) Crawford.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wayside Waifs.

A memorial service celebrating George-Ann's life will be held at a later date.



Clara Jane Butler

December 21, 2021

Clara Jane Butler, 83, of Shelbyville died Tuesday, December 21, 2021.

Memorial services will be held 6 p.m. Thursday, December 30, at Hillcrest Funeral Home, Mark Pierce officiating. Visitation will begin at 4 p.m.

She was a native of Bedford County; a former employee of Aramark Uniform Services of Shelbyville and a member of Horse Mountain Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by her parents, Morgan Wyatt Butler and Irene Wisner Butler and a sister, Nelda Butler Hurt.

She is survived by nephews, Jeffrey Scott Hurt and David Jason Hurt.



Gardner

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During this record-setting season, the trainers put in hundreds of hours at the stables and in shows each week. "It has been worth every minute to sit here and say what all we were able to accomplish this season," said Victoria.

Their accolades this year include 297 champions; 29 reserve champions; and 138 top three champions. And what lady trainer wouldn't be proud of 35 sets of roses in a year.

The team has shown 63 different horses—all presented by 50 different riders at 35 different shows. That makes a total of 75 days of just shows.

With these numbers, DGS placed in the top 3, or, 67.7% of the time they entered the show ring. "None of this would be possible without our amazing customers—those who trust us with their horses. We are

looking forward to an even bigger and better 2022," says Victoria.

DGS is a full horse training facility, specializing in flat shod Tennessee Walking Horses and Spotted Saddle Horses. As well, their stables affords opportunity, he says, for a lot of youth riders.

As for COVID-19, it really didn't put a hitch in their successful year. All time lost was easily made up, Dickie explains.

At DGS, the title of "Trainer of the Year" carries a lot of weight. It signifies the DGS team has been at all the shows and went beyond in their efforts to succeed.

Just this year, DGS has won in the National Walking Horse Association (NWAHA) with Dickie earning "Best in Show" class, along side trainers Anna Cloutier, Victoria and her fiancé, Michael Jamison.

OBITUARIES

Mary Jo Pitts

December 26, 2021

Mary Jo Pitts passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, December 26, 2021 after a valiant battle with a number of significant health challenges. She was 69 years old. Mary Jo's husband of 33 years, Terry (TP), was at her bedside, as was her only daughter, Delia Knuteson, and her husband Bill.

Mary Jo was born in Pittsburgh of Italian immigrant parents; she later enjoyed her teenage years in Hawaii, graduating from Kailua High School. As a young adult, she found her way to Arkansas where she met her husband, Terry. Always a gentle spirit and a lover of animals, it was discovered that she was able to form truly unique bonds of understanding and trust with animals that went well beyond the explainable. These special gifts immersed her and her family into a life, that in one way or another, would always include furry friends. Saving an orphaned, disadvantaged, or abandoned animal was every bit as important to her as winning a first place agility ribbon, or earning a "Q." Mary Jo and Terry moved to Shelbyville, TN in the early 90s where she continued participating in the things she loved, while cultivating a long list of priceless friendships. Those friendships will continue into eternity.

Mary Jo was a vivacious soul with an uncanny zest for life. She was passionate, compassionate, and unmatched in her selfless generosity. She lived her life by her favorite Ralph Waldo Emerson quote, "The greatest gift is a portion of thyself." She had a servant's heart, and nothing made her happier than to do something kind for another person. Her kind heart, and that old-school Italian wisdom, rarely failed to solve someone's problem, answer their question, or at least offer some sage advice that was always grounded in truth, love, and compassion.

Mary Jo is survived by her husband Terry.

Also, ex-husband Ken Willes of Little Rock, AR. and their daughter, Delia Marie Knuteson of Houston, Texas, Sister, Flora Collette of N. Little Rock, Arkansas, Aunt Joyce, Lorraine, and numerous other cousins in Pittsburgh, and other areas, many nieces and nephews: Krista, Jon, Paul, Courtney, Ashley, Amy, Heather, Hollie, and a host of step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father, Delio Colonna, her mother, Flora B. Colonna, and her brother, Delio "Jerry" Colonna Jr.

A family and friends memorial service will be 5 p.m. Wednesday, December 29, 2021, at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel. Reverend Mark Ashley will officiate.

Friends may come by the funeral home 12-5 p.m. Wednesday to view a slide show and obtain a memorial record. The family will not be present.

Memorials may be made to your charity of choice, or any local animal shelter.

Biden: Aid available

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Joe Biden on Monday pledged the full support of the federal government to states facing surges in COVID-19 cases from the more-transmissible omicron variant and a run on at-home tests.

Joining a regular meeting between his coronavirus response team and the National Governors Association, Biden said, "My message is: if you need something, say something, and we are going to have your back any way we can."

Biden acknowledged long lines and chaotic scenes as Americans sought out testing amid the case surge and as they looked to safely gather with family and friends over the holiday.

He referenced his administration's plan to make 500 million rapid tests available to Americans beginning next month through an as-yet-to-be-developed website.

A White House official said the new tests would come from new manufacturing capacity and wouldn't interfere with existing supply chains.

Dr. Anthony Fauci, the top U.S. infectious disease expert, said Monday that the U.S. should "seriously" consider a vaccination mandate for domestic travel.

Speaking to MSNBC, Fauci, who serves as President Joe Biden's chief science adviser on the COVID-19 response, said "When you make vaccination a requirement, that's another incentive to get more people vaccinated."

The U.S. currently mandates that most foreign nationals traveling to the U.S. be fully vaccinated against the coronavirus, but has not instituted one for domestic travel.

The administration has at times considered a domestic vaccination requirement, or one requiring either vaccination or proof of negative test, but two officials said Biden's science advisers have yet to formally make the recommendation to the president. The officials noted they have not been eager to mandate vaccination for domestic air travel because they expected it to immediately face legal challenges, mitigating its potential effectiveness as a tool to drive up vaccinations.

Life-long career

A native of Fort Myers, Fla., Gardner grew up with horses and became a professional trainer at the age of 18. In 1993, a friend introduced him to Spotted Saddle Horses. Gardner was named Trainer of the Year for the first time in 1999, and for the second time in 2004.

In 2006, he and the horse "I'm Benny Too" won the World Championship in trail pleasure. Gardner served as the 2007 SSHBEA president and has served on the board.

Down and back up

As sometimes with operating a farm/large operation, there are some years of disappointment. While he doesn't dwell on those days, Gardner recognizes it made his operation much stronger, in the end.

While Santa may have his picture on Wikipedia online, Gardner can say he has his own page there as well.

Sadly, that site mentions

how in November 2007, Gardner's stables were destroyed in a fire that killed over 30 horses. The Gardners, who live off-site, were notified but by the time they arrived the barn was destroyed.

Shelbyville and Wheel supported Gardner and his wife as they rebuilt their stable and eventually resumed training horses. Gardner's office wall signifies his dedication to his profession.

Gardner has been named Trainer of the Year a total of 11 times. In 2010, he was inducted into the Spotted Saddle Horse Breeders' and Exhibitors' Association Hall of Fame. The same year, he and the horse, "Generatin' a Trail of Fire," won a World Championship.

Three of Gardner's Trainer of the Year awards were from the National Spotted Saddle Horse Association (NSSHA) in the years 2012-2014, and three more from the SSHBEA in 2009-2011.

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Drug charge sends released suspect back to jail

By DAVID MELSON
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Just a short time after Kerry Yavagious Ransom posted bond at Bedford County Jail, he was heading back.

A small bag of marijuana allegedly fell from the clothing of Ransom, 21, of Bates Street as he exited his truck during a traffic stop early Thursday on Madison Street. Ransom denied to Officer Darren Jenkins that he'd dropped the bag.

Ransom was charged with simple possession, driving on a suspended license and a light law violation. He was stopped due to a non-functioning headlight. Ransom posted \$1,500 bond.

A Lewisburg man arrested on drug and DUI charges allegedly carried a small bag with a "white powder substance" into Bedford County Jail on Wednesday.

The bag fell out of the clothing of Devin Alexander Perez, 22, as he was being searched, a sheriff's office report said.

Perez was charged with DUI, possession of schedule III and VI drugs, refusal to voluntarily allow a blood-alcohol test, careless driving, failure to exhibit license and introducing contraband into a penal institution. He posted \$13,500 bond.

Thefts

A home and three vehicles were entered on Cedar Glade Circle early Friday, police said. A Bible was taken from one vehicle, a bag containing prescription medication and personal documents was stolen from one and a cup containing change was missing from another.

Handguns and ammunition were stolen from the home.

A man wanted by both Shelbyville and Metro Nashville police is asking \$100 for the return of a stolen Apple watch, police were told.

The suspect met the watch's owner, a Tate Avenue woman, online last weekend. She brought him to her home for the weekend and told police he also took but returned her cellophone.

He later texted her that he had the watch.

The steering wheel, tires, oil and stereo are missing from a vehicle at a home on U.S. 41A North, a Bedford County deputy was told Wednesday.

A suspect who had recently broken a relationship with the owner was named.

A propane gas tank was stolen from the back yard of a home in the 800 block of Lower Halls Mill Road, the sheriff's office was told Friday.

Police were told \$200 was missing from the purse of a guest at a North Main Street motel Thursday. A man who had been staying with the woman was listed as a suspect.

A tablet was stolen Thursday from Popeye's, North Main Street. An employee is suspected, police said.

A computer's hard drive is gone from a South Cannon

Boulevard home after a door was found open Thursday. A suspect was named.

A bicycle was stolen overnight Friday from outside an Oakwood Place home.

Shoplifting

James Thomas McCord, 60, of Laws Hill Road was accused of taking a box of dominoes, party bubbles and correction tape from Dollar General Market, North Main Street, on Friday. He was cited and released.

Accident

Both drivers were charged in a crash early Christmas morning at the intersection of U.S. 231 North and Whiteside Road.

Luis Enrique Hernandez Redondo, 34, of Nashville was charged with simple possession, driving without a license and having an open container when a "small amount" of marijuana was found in his clothing, police said. He was held on \$4,000 bond.

Abel Eduardo Ramirez, 19, of Bridlewood Drive was charged with second offense DUI, underage consumption, driving on a revoked license, violation of probation and failure to appear. He was held on \$1,500 bond.

Jail intake

The following were charged since last Wednesday 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.

- Darien Lebron Akins, 28, Lane Parkway; no driver's license; citation issued
- Remington Jett Allison, 38, Deer Point Road; domestic assault; held, \$2,500 bond
- Kenneth Eugene Cantrell Jr., 31, Hoover Street; DUI, driving on revoked license, financial responsibility, seat belt law; released, \$4,000 bond

•Shirley Mae Cook, 62, Tate Avenue; shoplifting; summons issued

•Timothy Edward Cook, 45, Tate Avenue; shoplifting; summons issued

•Jay Ramsey Estes, 61, Belmont Avenue; public intoxication; released, \$500 bond

•Rony Rafael Francisco, 22, Bridlewood Drive; no driver's license, speeding; released, \$750 bond

•Joshua Michael Franklin, 37, Tate Avenue; domestic assault; released, \$3,000 bond

•Edgar A. Guzman Moreno, 21, Hilltop Drive; due care, no driver's license/exhibited on demand; released, \$1,500 bond

•Luis E. Hernandez Redondo, 34, Nashville; no driver's license, open container, simple possession of schedule VI drug; held, \$4,000 bond

•Elijan Matthew Hinojosa, 21, Dover Street; probation revocation; held, \$2,500 bond

•Emilee Beth Holton, 19, Maple Street; criminal trespassing; released, \$1,000 bond

•Andrew Todd Keith, 25, Winchester; unspecified charges; held, \$5,500 bond

•Everaldo Lopez, 20, Railroad Avenue; light law; released, no bond

•Todd Steven Lykken, 53, Jennings Lane; failure to appear, violation of probation; released, \$7,500 bond

•Robert Steven Madeo, 50, Spring Street, Wartrace; domestic assault; released, \$3,000 bond

•Brandon Alexander Martinez Luna, 19, White Street; DUI under 21 (second offense), implied consent, drinking age law, failure to maintain lane; held, \$9,500 bond

•Amanda Lupe Morales Payan, 31, Shelbyview Drive; allowing animals to run at large, cruelty to animals, vaccination certificates; released, no bond

•Ryan Curtis Morton, 31, Beechgrove; violation of order of protection (five counts), failure to disperse firearms (three counts); held, no bond

•Alberto Lozada Nunez,

46, Nashville; public intoxication, failure to appear, bench warrant; held, \$10,500 bond

•Devin Alexander Perez, 22, Lewisburg; DUI, possession of schedule III drug, implied consent, due care, possession of schedule VI drug, failure to exhibit license, introducing contraband into penal institution; released, \$13,500 bond

•Manuel Saban Picornio, 36, Nashville; DUI; released, \$5,000 bond

•Michael Angelo Presbitero, 21, Fayetteville; DUI, reckless driving, speeding; held, \$4,500 bond

•Miguel Angel Quezada, 24, homeless, Shelbyville; failure to appear; held, \$4,500 bond

•Abel Eduardo Ramirez, 19, Bridlewood Drive; underage consumption, DUI (second offense), driving on revoked license, failure to appear, violation of probation; held, \$1,500 bond

•Kerry Yavagious Ransom, 21, Bates Street; simple possession, driving on suspended license, light law; released, \$1,500 bond

•Eddie Doris Ray, 67, East Cedar Street; criminal trespassing; held, \$1,500 bond

•Jerry J. Roblero, 44, Hoover Street; two unspecified charges; released, no bond

•Kevin Brian Rodas, 29, Baker Street; resisting arrest, assault on an officer, public intoxication, disorderly conduct, violation of probation; held, \$14,000 bond

•Melissa Ann Shelton, 38, Ray Street; domestic assault; released, \$2,500 bond

•Daryl Eugene Skates, 59, Railroad Avenue; driving on suspended license; summons issued

•James Randell Smotherman, 51, Frank Martin Road; unlawful photography; released, \$3,000 bond

•Jose Luis Tapia, 38, Bridlewood Drive; public intoxication; released, \$2,500 bond

•Christopher Jesse Wilhoite, 47, Couch Lane; pub-

lic intoxication; released, \$2,000 bond

•Brandon Chad Wilson, 23, East Lane Street; failure to appear; held, \$5,000 bond

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Meetings of the City of Shelbyville Council & Various Boards 2022

City Council Study Session: January 4th, February 1st, March 1st, April 5th, May 3rd, May 31st, July 5th, August 2nd, August 30th, October 4th, November 1st, and November 29th. Meetings begin at 6:00 PM and are held at the Shelbyville Recreation Center.

City Council Regular Session: January 13th, February 10th, March 10th, April 14th, May 12th, June 9th, July 14th, August 11th, September 8th, October 13th, November 10th, and December 8th. Meetings begin at 6:00 PM and are held at the Shelbyville Recreation Center.

Shelbyville Municipal Airport Authority Board meets on the first Thursday of each month. Meetings begin at 12:00 PM and are held at the Shelbyville Municipal Airport Conference Room.

Shelbyville Planning Commission meets the fourth Thursday of each month. One exception to that is the month of November when the meeting will be held the third Thursday of the month due the holiday schedule. Meetings begin at 6:00 PM and are held at the Shelbyville Recreation Center.

Shelbyville Beer Board meets the second Wednesday of each month when applications have been received. Meetings begin at 6:00 PM and are held at the Shelbyville Recreation Center.

Board of Zoning Appeals meets the third Thursday of the month when applications have been received. Meetings begin at 6:00 PM and are held at the Shelbyville Recreation Center.

Historic Zoning Commission meets the fourth Monday of the month when applications have been received. Meetings begin at 5:30 PM and are held at the Shelbyville Recreation Center.

Quarterly meetings are held for the following:

231 North Business Park Oversight Committee: The first Tuesday in January, April, July and October. The meetings are held at the Bedford County Courthouse Annex, 2nd Floor Conference Room and begin at 12:00 PM.

Shelbyville Bedford County Economic Advisory Committee: the second Monday in January, April, July and October. The meetings are held at the Bedford County Courthouse Annex, 2nd Floor Conference Room and begin at 12:00 PM.

Employee Pension Committee: the fourth Monday in January, April, July and October at 2:00 PM. The meetings are held in the City Hall Conference Room.

Employee Safety Committee: the second Wednesday in January, April, July and October at 1:00 PM. Meetings are held at various locations for inspections.

ADA Subcommittee: the second Wednesday in January, April, July and October at 1:00 PM. Meeting are held immediately following the Safety Committee.

ADA Authority Board: the second Wednesday in February, May, August and November. (As Needed)

JECDB (Joint Economic Community Development Board): the third Friday in February, May, August, and November at 8:00 AM. The meetings are held at the Shelbyville Recreation Center.

The following Boards meet as needed:
Public Works Committee - Board of Construction Appeals - Industrial Development Board

Maintaining household data

Dear Readers: Keep important information and records in one spot in your home or in clearly labeled files online. Organize it in a way that works for you. Make sure it's also easily accessible in case of an emergency. And be certain that family members know where the info is kept. Here's what to do: Make photocopies or scan all key home documents and store them in your designated area, either on your computer, in the cloud or in your home. Also, if you have videos or photos of antiques and valuables for insurance purposes, duplicate them. Keep them with your other important data. -- Heloise

Hints from Heloise

Heloise



Every week, grind leftover lemon or lime rinds down the disposal to freshen it. When you use the disposal, always allow lots of cold water to run through it. Check the splashguard often, because it could be the source of bad odors. Wash it with hot, soapy water. -- Heloise

EGG FRESHNESS TEST

Dear Readers: If you are concerned that the eggs in your refrigerator are too old, use this easy test. Dissolve 2 tablespoons of salt in 2 cups of water. Put the eggs in the bowl. If they sink, they are fresh. But if they float, they might be stale or old. -- Heloise

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

Dear Heloise: My husband loves asparagus, but he's bored by the way I prepare it. Normally, I just boil it. Are there any other ways to fix asparagus that are more interesting than just boiling it? -- Pamela H., Vernon, Connecticut
Pamela, yes! One of my favorite ways to prepare asparagus is to roast it. After you clean the asparagus and remove the stringy ends, place the stalks on a baking sheet with a little olive oil brushed over the vegetable. Place the baking sheet with the asparagus under the broiler until it is cooked, with a little crispness left. You also can sprinkle a little Parmesan cheese over the asparagus before broiling. -- Heloise

GARBANZO BEANS

Dear Heloise: I love to make huge salads with many of our evening meals, and I often add garbanzo beans to the salad because I heard they are a good source of fiber. Unfortunately, my kids hate them. They are just now learning in school how important good nutrition is and how it affects them. But are garbanzo beans really a healthy item to include in salads? -- Bonnie G., Bellingham, Washington
Bonnie, garbanzo beans (also called chickpeas) contain plant protein, folate, fiber, iron and phosphorus. They are an excellent addition to a salad or to other healthy recipes. -- Heloise

DOES YOUR HOME SEEM TO BE REALLY DUSTY?

Dear Readers: Houses contain large amounts of dust, as you've probably noticed, even though you clean your place regularly. Family members and pets track it in from outside. Here's how to prevent it from getting inside. Place doormats in front of every entrance into your home. Ask everyone to wipe their shoes on the mat before they enter.

Sweep off all debris and dirt from sidewalks and driveways on a routine basis. Vacuum frequently around all doors and windows inside the house.

If you're using a feather duster or dry cloth to get rid of dust, you will just be repositioning it or moving the dust into the air. To really remove it, depending on the surface you are cleaning, apply the appropriate furniture polish or multipurpose cleaner to lift off the dust. Air purifiers with HEPA filters will also help remove dust particles in your house. -- Heloise

COLLEGE SON'S LAUNDRY

Dear Heloise: I am responding to your article in the Pasadena Star-News. A reader complained that her college-age son asked for more underwear, socks and towels. Your take on it was that he lost those items. I think he just does not want to have to do laundry so often. College students have too much to do, with studies and their social life, to be running to the laundromat every week. -- Marilyn Arcadia, California

GARBAGE DISPOSAL YUCKY?

Dear Readers: As we know, the garbage disposal is an indispensable tool in our kitchen. And with all of the daily use, it can accumulate bad odors. Here are some hints to help contain and prevent them.

Send calendar items to tgnews@t-g.com, notify us on Facebook, call 931-684-1200 or drop by our offices, 323 E. Depot St., weekdays from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAY

VFW meeting

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5019, and its Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting Monday, Jan. 3 at the VFW Post

ONGOING

Soup kitchen

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen serves meals from 4-5 p.m. Tuesdays at the old Save-A-Lot building on South Cannon Boulevard. One take-away

meal per person present, with come-and-go service only. Donations may be made to Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen, 122 Public Square N., Shelbyville, TN 37160 and are tax deductible under its 501c3 non-profit designation.

Seniors meals

Shelbyville-Bedford County Senior Citizens Center will have meals available for curbside pickup until further notice. Call April, 931-684-0019 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. weekdays for more

information or to place an order. A two-day notice is required.

County meetings

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

How different vitamins affect the body

At the dawn of a new year, it's not uncommon for people take inventory of their personal health and strive to make positive changes. Being more conscientious of the foods they put into their bodies is a start, but some individuals may wonder if supplementation can help them go one step further.

Nutrition Insight reports that 77 percent of American adults consume dietary supplements, and Nutraceuticals World indicates 98 percent of adult supplement users are taking vitamins and minerals. Individuals considering supplements should always discuss them with their physicians prior to including them in their health regimens. Even those who haven't considered supplements can discuss them with their physicians, as Harvard Health, MedlinePlus and the U.S. National Library of Medicine note that various products can provide some significant benefits.

· Vitamin A (retinoids/carotene): Beta carotene can be converted into vitamin A as needed. It plays an important role in vision, keeps tissues and skin healthy, and also is involved with bone growth.

· Vitamin B1 (thiamin): Helps convert food into energy, and is essential for brain health and nerve function.

· Vitamin B2 (riboflavin): This works with other B vitamins by promoting



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growth and the production of red blood cells.

· Vitamin B3 (niacin): Helps convert food into energy. It's also essential for healthy skin, blood cells, brain, and nervous system function.

· Vitamin B5 (pantothenic acid): Helps make lipids, neurotransmitters, steroid hormones, and hemoglobin in the body.

· Vitamin B6 (pyridoxine): This vitamin may reduce the risk of heart disease by helping to lower homocysteine levels. It also helps convert tryptophan into niacin and serotonin, a mood-regulating neurotransmitter.

· Vitamin B9 (folate): Vital for new cell creation, it helps prevent brain and spine birth defects when taken early in pregnancy. It also may lower risk for

colon cancer risk.

· Vitamin B12 (cobalamin): Vitamin B12 is important for metabolism and energy production. It also helps form red blood cells and maintain the central nervous system.

· Biotin: Biotin helps to metabolize proteins and carbohydrates. It also promotes healthy bones and hair.

· Vitamin C (ascorbic acid): This is an important antioxidant that promotes healthy teeth and gums. It also helps the body absorb iron and maintains healthy tissue by promoting wound healing. Vitamin C may help boost the immune system to help with illness prevention or recovery.

· Vitamin D (calciferol): Also known as the "sunshine vitamin," vitamin D is made in the body

after individuals spend time in the sun. It is hard to get enough vitamin D from food sources alone. Vitamin D also helps the body absorb calcium, which is vital for healthy bones and teeth.

· Vitamin E (tocopherol): An antioxidant that helps the body form red blood cells and use vitamin K. Scientists also are studying a potential relationship between vitamin E and a lower risk for Alzheimer's disease.

· Vitamin K (menadiolone): Vitamin K activates proteins and calcium essential to blood clotting. It also may help prevent hip fractures.

In addition to these vitamins, the body needs various minerals, including calcium, iron, copper, iodine, magnesium, and more. Speak with a doctor or nutritionist to learn more about supplementation.

Family-friendly activities for New Year's Day

People spend so much time planning New Year's Eve revelry that they may not consider that they have another day on the holiday calendar to enjoy after the clock strikes 12. New Year's Day activities may differ significantly from the countdowns and parties of the night before, but that doesn't mean it can't be equally enjoyable.

Chances are children are home from school for holiday breaks, meaning New Year's Day activities should probably be family-friendly. Check out these family-friendly ways to spend New Year's Day.

· Catch (or play) a football game. New Year's Day and football go hand in hand, and families can likely find a game on television to enjoy together. Of course, it's also fun to burn off a few New Year's Eve calories by playing a game of football in the backyard on January 1.

· Host a New Year's Day meal. Give people plenty

of time to recover from last night's antics by inviting neighbors or friends and their children over for a brunch, late lunch or early dinner. Potlucks are great for these occasions because no one will likely want to cook for a crowd.

· Enjoy a movie marathon. Spend the day in comfortable clothes and make a new family tradition. Select one movie for each family member to watch and then cue up the streaming service or dust

off that DVD player. Use holiday mugs for hot cocoa and dig into any leftovers from holiday dinners. If a marathon at home isn't up your alley, check out the showings at a nearby theater and enjoy an afternoon at the cinema.

· Take a hike. Enjoy the cold weather up close and personal with a hike in the brisk air. State parks or nearby nature preserves may not be busy on January 1, making them an even more relaxing respite.

PUBLIC NOTICE

New Year Holiday Closing and Trash Schedule

City Hall will be closed on Friday, December 31st in observation of New Year's Day.

Public Works will be closed on Thursday, December 30th in observation of the New Year holiday. Thursday's trash will be picked up on Monday, January 3rd with Monday's regular route.

Please be advised per the Residential Solid Waste Rules of the Shelbyville Public Works Department trash must be curbside no later than 6:00 AM on the scheduled day of collection. To see a complete list of Rules & Regulations, please refer to the Public Works Department website www.shelbyvilletn.org/publicworks.htm

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The 100th Annual Convention of the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation was held earlier this month at the Franklin Marriott Cool Springs. From left, Matthew Ledbetter, Bedford County Farm Bureau president; Zippy Duvall, American Farm Bureau president; Jeff Aiken, Tennessee Farm Bureau president; Charlie Hatcher, Tennessee commissioner of agriculture; Aaron Crafton, Bedford County Farm Bureau board member; and Connie Crafton, Bedford County Farm Bureau women's chairperson.

Farm Bureau honored with president award

During the 100th annual meeting of the Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation, Bedford County Farm Bureau was recognized for its accomplishments and success from the past year.

Bedford County Farm Bureau President Matthew Ledbetter was recognized onstage for the county's exemplary program and service activities in three areas: advocacy, organizational advancement and leadership development.

"Our board is very honored to receive this award. We work hard to participate in every activity we can in the community and within our organization" stated Ledbetter.

Bedford County Farm Bureau was commended for its well-earned success and impressive membership achievements over the past year.

Tennessee Farm Bureau is the largest Farm Bureau in the nation with a membership of more than 680,000. The organization celebrates serving as the voice of agriculture since 1921, and with the same mission a century later — to develop, foster, promote and protect programs for the general welfare, including economic, social, educational and political well-being of Tennessee farmers.



Bedford County Farm Bureau President Matthew Ledbetter (left) was recently recognized at the annual state Farm Bureau Federation meeting for advocacy and leadership development within the local farm bureau. Jeff Aiken, Tennessee Farm Bureau president, makes the presentation.

AG NOTES

By John Teague
 UT/TSU Extension

We use that word a lot around here. It is part of our name, and it really is what we are all about. But just who are we and what do we do? How have we changed lately? What are we an extension of?

We have our beginning back in 1862, when President Abraham Lincoln and the Congress saw the value in establishing a system referred to as the land-grant colleges. These were to be schools of higher learning devoted to agricultural research and then teaching what was learned from that research to a growing population who would feed the country while it also began industrial growth. Up to that point most folks farmed and simply existed. This system was expanded in 1890 to provide the same opportunities for minorities to learn about agriculture and mechanical arts, the early stages of the industrial movement. Later, both systems had instruction in the area of home economics, now referred to as family and consumer sciences. In Tennessee, the 1862

land-grant college was what would become the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, and the 1890 college was what would become the Tennessee State University in Nashville. Now our county staff reflects a combination of both systems.

These land-grant systems provided for a school site and for actual farm land that would be used in researching all areas involved in plant and animal production for food and fiber. Later, there was a need to take that information the schools were discovering and teaching to their students on campus to those citizens in the countryside who would never attend one of these colleges. The Smith-Lever Act in 1914 was passed that established a service that would extend that information to the people in the states at the county level. We have observed the passage of that act and have over a century of good work for the people of counties that we serve.

There had already been some extension work done. There were boys' corn clubs as early as 1906, and there were girls' can-

ning clubs in 1910. It was recognized even then that if the youth were taught new ideas and principles of farming and homemaking they would be more ready adopters and their skeptical parents would then follow suit.

There were many side-by-side plots with fathers and sons competing to see who could grow the most corn, etc. The sons would get the new hybrid varieties to plant, while their fathers would stick to their old favorites, and time after time the boys would win the yield contests. The same happened with the development of fertilizers. The same thing happened with the girls and their mothers, learning how to cook, preserve and can, increase the level of sanitation and personal health, and other issues of the day. These groups became the 4-H clubs, now embracing the traditional subjects of agriculture and family and consumer science plus modern technology and personal development topics.

The first county agent educator representing the University of Tennessee was here in 1917. He was

Julius R. Hickerson, and I still have his report on file. The first home demonstration agent was here a few years later. It is really interesting to read their reports, giving an insight into how people lived. Very rural is a good description. There have been great educators to follow them over the years that improved the lot of the people in all of these areas. And the 4-H Clubs of Bedford County have had a great history, with the first state project winner in 1946, in the horse project. Imagine that!

We have all of these areas of information and instruction in the Bedford County office to serve its residents. Whitney Danhof is the family and consumer science educator. She works with groups in special interest areas of nutrition, food preparation, health, family economics, etc., and on one-to-one with other issues. She also maintains an active Family and Consumer Education Club program, with several community clubs with members well over one hundred in number.

We have two 4-H educators. Emily Osterhaus

and Sean Giffin are responsible for the 4-H youth development program. Both of these educators will maintain contacts with over one hundred clubs and twenty-five hundred members who study personal development, workforce preparation, and many who are involved in projects from animals and plants to computer technology and environment. They serve youth through the twelfth grade. Emily has a background in family and consumer sciences, and Sean graduated with a degree in agriculture.

Yesenia Lira-Garcia works with the Tennessee Nutrition and Consumer Education Program. Her mission is to help families who receive SNAP benefits to learn how to make better food purchases and improve their level of nutrition with better food quality and healthy choices.

Kim Harvey is our administrative staff member, who directs the public to the appropriate source of information and help.

I serve those who have an interest in agriculture, both full and part-time farmers with operations

of all sizes, and residents who do not farm but do have issues with lawns, landscaping and household pests, whatever the case may be. I also work with county residents in the area of resource development, including such things as the fair and other community related events or issues.

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NEXT YEAR

I had a cousin who owned a farm with her husband, and he named it Next Year Farm. I asked him why he named it that, and he said that he always hoped that next year would be a better year than the one we were in.

So, on that same note, may next year be better to you and your family than this past year was. Happy New Year and may you have a great 2022!

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Part 1: Top local sports stories from '21

By **CHRIS SIERS**
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Each year, following the Christmas holiday, the sports staff of the Times-Gazette takes a look back at the top highlights from local sports happenings.

The 2021 calendar wasn't short of highlights and memorable moments within Bedford County.

We'll break down the top highlights from 2021 in a two-part series, beginning with No. 8:

No. 8

Longtime Cascade AD retires

For the better part of 20 years, Dale Rucker kept the wheels turning within the Cascade athletics department.

It takes a special level of care and dedication to ensure officials are requested for each game, transportation arranged for away games, gate fees collected, among many other countless duties and responsibilities.

His impact cannot be undervalued to what he's meant to athletics as a whole at Cascade and several coaches and administrators gave their thoughts on working with Rucker.

"When you think of a Cascade Champion, Dale Rucker immediately comes to mind. Dale served Cascade and Cascade Athletics for 34 years in a variety of aspects such as teaching, athletic director, assistant softball coach, and working the clock at basketball games. Dale was the perfect athletic director as he did not want attention on himself," Cascade principal Dr. Josh Young said.

Head boys basketball coach Chris Lawson shared Hammonds' sentiment as well.

"Dale Rucker is one of the reasons I decided to come to Cascade. When I was asking other local coaches about Cascade before they offered me a job, everyone said, 'Chris, you will get to work for one of the best Athletic Directors in the state.' That is completely true! I never had to worry about anything from a legality standpoint. Dale had it organized. I have a high respect for him and the job he did. I wish him all the best in his retirement," he said.

From his days as a student at Cascade to becoming head football coach, Jake Tyre built up quite the rapport with Rucker.

When the lights hit the field at the Stable on Friday night, Tyre said he never had to worry about anything behind the scenes as well.

"Dale is Cascade through and through. There's few of us out there that bleed Orange and Black to the core and Dale is right there at the top. I went to school here so I had him as a teacher. He wasn't an AD when I was in school. When I came back as an assistant, he was AD. Knowing him as long as I have and seeing the transition of being a student of his to being a colleague and a friend was awesome. You knew everything was going to be done the right way," Tyre said.

Following Rucker's retirement, the duties of athletic director have been split among baseball and assistant basketball coach Josh Hammonds and Tyre.

• Original reporting by Chris Siers

No. 7

Cascade reaches Sub-State

The 2020-2021 Cascade Champion basketball teams was nothing short of a thrill ride, for both the team and the Cascade faithful.

Through November and into December, wins were tough to come by, with Cascade posting a 2-5 record before beginning district play against Fayetteville City on January 8.

With first-year head coach Chris Lawson taking over the program, and summer work severely limited by COVID-19 protocols in the summer, the first part of the season was essentially a get to know the team period for both the Champions and Lawson.

But after that 2-5 start, something clicked for Cascade, and the Champs rattled off nine-straight District 8-A victories and claimed the regular season title.

During that run, Cascade posted three one-possession victories, including a regular season sweep against Fayetteville City.

The Tigers got their revenge on Cascade in the District 8-A semifinals, but it was Cascade who had the last laugh with a consolation round victory over Moore County.

After advancing to the Region 4-A tournament, Cascade dispatched Merrol Hyde in the region quarterfinals, which set the Champs on a collision course rematch against Fayetteville for not only a region championship berth, but also a state sectional berth as well.

In that win-or-go-home fourth meeting against the Tigers, Cascade took control of the scoreboard just 47 seconds into the game on 3-pointer by Lucas Clanton and never left go of the lead.

"We talk about a good team like Fayetteville is going to make a run. We knew it was coming-and it did. We got up on them and they made a run and threw a punch at us. Our guys did a good job of making free throws down the stretch and taking care of the basketball when they had to. They did what they had to do in order to finish it," Cascade coach Chris Lawson said.

In the end, it was a stellar defense effort by the Champions that held off a late Fayetteville rally and punched the Champs' ticket to the Region 4-A title.

"As we go, people make adjustments. When we played them the last time, we kind of played a little more and didn't make as many adjustments and ended up kind of letting one slip away at the end. Tonight, we focused on what we were going to be content with and what we were going to lock up. At the end of the game, our game plan was I think spot on," Lawson said.

While Cascade knocked off Fayetteville in the region semifinals, a sluggish night scoring against Moore County in the region finals saw Cascade come up short, forcing the Champions to go on the road in the sectional with a difficult matchup against eventual Class A state champion Clay County.

In that sectional meeting, Cascade had its chances, but came up just short, falling to the Bulldogs by a single point.



Dale Rucker and wife Linda were presented with a commemorative plaque during his final season as Cascade athletic director.

T-G Photos by Chris Siers



The Cascade bench erupts in emotion after the final buzzer in the Region 4-A semifinals at Fayetteville City.



Viking coach Robbie Davis coaches his team during the Class AA state tournament appearance against Kingston.

• Original reporting by Chris Siers

No. 6

Vikings make state basketball tournament

The 2020-2021 basketball season was a memorable one

for the Community Vikings as they made their first trip to the TSSAA state basketball tournament since 1944.

Just a year prior, the Vikings posted a 32-2 overall record, but came up just short in the state sectional against East Nashville.

Having graduated five seniors, including four starters

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T-G Photo by Chris Siers

Webb freshman Abby Faith Cheeseman powers her way to the finish line and her first state title in the Division II Class A state championship. She ran a 17:26.91, the fastest time of any classification during the 2021 state meet.

Top 8

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off that team, the 2020-2021 team weathered an uncertain season outlook through the global pandemic and in the process, beat East Nashville in the Class 2A sectional to advance to the Murphy Center.

With several measures put into place to play the season, the starting lineup of seniors Will Reed, Jackson Bailey, Evan Petrie, and Jacob Cooper along with junior Stratton Lovvorn saw action last season but had little time to gel and get their chemistry in motion for the upcoming season.

The Vikings started the season 9-1 but lost six of their next seven games and were 10-7 overall and 1-2 in District 12-AA play after falling to Nolensville on January 19.

Community lost its seven games by 17 points and was within striking distance in all of its losses.

The Vikings rebounded by winning their next seven district games and avenged their two earlier district losses by defeating Marshall County and Nolensville.

Community finished 8-2 in the district and in a first-place tie with Marshall County.

The Vikings were seeded second in the district tournament and defeated Forrest, an upset winner over Nolensville, in their opening semifinal game. After the Central Magnet Tigers defeated Marshall County in the other semifinal, Community hosted Central Magnet in the district finals.

The Vikings defeated the Tigers for their second consecutive District 12-AA championship.

Community's season almost came to an abrupt halt in the first round of the Region 6-AA tournament.

The Stewart County Rebels, a team Coach Robbie Davis said was the hardest playing team he has ever had to coach against in his coaching career, gave the Vikings a mighty scare.

In a tie game, the Rebels missed a potential game-winning shot from close range at the end of regulation.

After Stewart County led by one point with under a minute left in overtime, Bailey hit a shot in the lane that gave the Vikings the lead.

Free throws down the stretch by Reed sent the Vikings to the region semifinals.

The Vikings played Marshall County in the semifinals.

After splitting their two games in the regular season, Community increased its lead in the final minutes on the way to a region championship rematch against the Creek Wood Red Hawks.

The Vikings played their first postseason game on the road against the Red Hawks and battled tooth and nail for the upper hand.

The region win brought on a home rematch with the East Nashville Eagles in the sectional with a berth in the state tournament awaiting the winner.

The Eagles overcame an 11-point deficit to put an end to the Viking season last season, but Community did not let history repeat itself.

A Petrie field goal gave the Vikings the lead for

good in the third quarter.

Community did not look back and increased its lead en route to its first state tournament appearance in 77 years.

In their first-round game of the Class 2A state tournament, Community led by as many as 13 points late in the third quarter against Kingston, but in the end, fell victim to foul troubles and came up just short in overtime.

During that first-round game of the state tournament, Reed scored his 1,000th point while playing with the Vikings.

"For Will to get 1,000 points, starting with that group he played with last year, we graduated three 1,000-point scorers. There weren't a lot of shots to go around for a long time. It means a lot that he was able to get it," Viking coach Robbie Davis said.

Davis was quick to credit the senior class for guiding the team to the first state tournament berth in 77 years.

"I looked the other day and in the last two years, this group is 55-10. That's outstanding. These guys are going to leave here with two sub-states and two region championships. If you look at the banners in our gym, that hasn't been done before. Being one of the smallest AA schools in the state, it means a lot. It means a lot to a lot of people," he said.

• Original reporting by Rickey Clardy

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Cheeseman wins XC title

Winning a state champi-

onship in any sport is never an easy task. It takes countless hours of preparation, strategy and dedication to be the best in the state.

While the Webb School Lady Feet cross country team was entirely comprised of freshmen and eighth graders, the team qualified for the Division II Class A state meet.

While the team finished fourth overall, it was freshman Abby Faith Cheeseman who blistered her way to a 17:26.91 final time and the individual state title.

She beat second-place finisher, Lauren Rutlin, of St. George's Independent by 1:32.

Cheeseman's 17:26.91 was the fastest 5k time of any girls' classification during the state meet, which was held at Sanders Ferry Park.

Class A-AA champion Samantha Ouellette finished in 18:31, Class AAA champion Kira Hayes ran an 18:05 and Div. II Class AA champion Bella Guillaumondegui turned in an 18:22.

"Abby Faith is pretty special. As a coach, I have never taken for granted the difficulty of racing. Racing is standing on the precipice of failure and success. I know that she will give her best no matter what the circumstances are. That, to me, is pretty special. She is gritty, works very hard, and thus far, enjoys the process of getting better. Her joy comes from being her best more than the competition itself. However, she enjoys racing and testing herself too," Webb cross country coach Cathy Cheeseman said.

• Original reporting by Chris Siers

NHL brings back taxi squads to keep season going

By **STEPHEN WHYNO** and **JOHN WAWROW**
AP Hockey Writers

The NHL is emerging from an extended holiday break with taxi squads and other roster revisions, a move made to guard against more disruptions to the season amid more players and coaches going into COVID-19 protocol Sunday.

Each team will be allowed to have a taxi squad of up to six players and to make emergency recalls from the minors if COVID-19 absences would cause anyone to play without a full lineup. Taxi squads, which were used during the shortened 2021 season, are set to be in effect until at least the All-Star break in early February.

Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly confirmed the new roster rules in an email to The Associated Press, and the NHL announced the changes Sunday night. The league also postponed three additional games — Columbus at Chicago on Tuesday night and Pittsburgh at Toronto, and Boston at Ottawa on Wednesday night.

"Any relief is welcome, believe me," said Florida Panthers general manager Bill Zito, who is eager to see how the flexibility might help. "It's tough. What if all your goalies get it? What are you going to do? We've been through, as a management team, any number of scenarios surrounding the 'what-ifs' — or maybe we're kidding ourselves and we should be thinking about the 'whens,' as far as who gets it and when."

Under the new provisions, any team shy of having 12 forwards, six defensemen and two goaltenders available can bring up a player from the American Hockey League without playing a game with fewer than the usual 18 skaters. Emergency recalls also can be made of players with salary-cap hits of up to \$1 million, an increase from the previous \$850,000 limit.

Players on the taxi squad will count as being in the minors for cap purposes. They can be there for a maximum of 20 days.

The goal of the changes is to keep the NHL season going after 67 games already have been postponed for coronavirus-related reasons. All 14 games initially scheduled for Monday previously were postponed to allow for analyzing of COVID-19 tests taken Sunday by players, coaches and staff upon returning to team facilities.

"It's my understanding that every game that

is scheduled now will be played, unless for whatever reason there is a change," said New York Islanders GM Lou Lamoriello, whose team is scheduled to play again Wednesday. "Every indication we have (is) we will be playing. We have no indication that we will not be playing."

The return to team facilities also brought the predictable result of additions to the COVID-19 protocol list across the league.

The defending Stanley Cup champion Tampa Bay Lightning added goaltenders Andrei Vasilevskiy and Brian Elliott, defenseman Mikhail Sergachev, forward Pierre-Edouard Bellemare and assistant coach Rob Zetterler to the list. The Islanders added forwards Anthony Beauvillier, Cal Clutterbuck, Zach Parise, and Oliver Wahlstrom and activated Mathew Barzal.

Dallas Stars defenseman Miro Heiskanen, forwards Jason Robertson, Joel Kiviranta, Radek Faksa and Michael Raffl, Philadelphia Flyers defenseman Ryan Ellis, Buffalo Sabres forwards Dylan Cozens and Mark Jankowski and coach Don Granato, Panthers forward Jonathan Huberdeau and Boston Bruins center Charlie Coyle also entered protocol.

The Sabres said Cozens, Jankowski and Granato were asymptomatic. The team canceled a scheduled practice, which was to be Buffalo's first since Dec. 18.

The NHL began its annual Christmas break a day earlier than anticipated last week amid a rapid increase of positive COVID-19 test results among players. At the time, more than a quarter of the league's 32 teams were shut down because of outbreaks.

Because of its seven teams based in Canada, the NHL cannot follow the lead of the NFL by not doing blanket testing of fully vaccinated, asymptomatic players. Lamoriello said league officials are doing their best without any control over rules and restrictions set out by the Canadian federal and provincial governments.

"Unless we weren't playing in Canada and we didn't have teams in Canada, you could consider that, and certainly it would be (considered)," Lamoriello said of adjusting testing requirements. "But with the guidelines and rules of Canada, it's impossible to have happen. We wouldn't be able to have games without the testing that is required to play in Canada."

Alabama expects assistants back

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**
AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Top-ranked Alabama arrived Sunday in North Texas without offensive coordinator Bill O'Brien or offensive line coach Doug Marrone, but coach Nick Saban expected both assistants to make it for the playoff semifinal game at the Cotton Bowl.

The Crimson Tide said last Wednesday that O'Brien and Marrone had tested positive for the coronavirus and were isolating with mild symptoms.

Saban said Sunday there were no known COVID-19 issues among players and that the affected coaches were doing well back in Tuscaloosa. O'Brien and Marrone will participate in meetings and practice via Zoom until they can join the team before Friday's game against fourth-ranked

Cincinnati. "They will do all their work and coaching virtually with players, very similarly to the way I did it when I tested positive before the Auburn game a year ago," Saban said. "They'll be here for the game. ... No one is, you know, really that bad sick that they can't function and do things that they need to do with our players."

The Bearcats (13-0), the first non-Power Five team to make the College Football Playoff, arrived later Sunday. They are 13 1/2-point underdogs, according to FanDuel Sportsbook, against the defending national champion that has won six titles under Saban.

"If you want to have a shot at the title, you've got to beat the champs, and this is what we have. We have a shot to beat the champs," Cincinnati coach Luke Fickell said. "The best

team doesn't always win the game. It's just a reality, the teams that play the best win the football game."

Cincinnati's football team got to Texas on the same day that the American Athletic Conference announced that the Bearcats' league opener in men's basketball, scheduled Tuesday in Houston, had been canceled due to COVID issues for the Cougars. The game was declared a no-contest and Cincinnati given a forfeit win.

CFP officials last week announced contingency plans for the football semifinals and national championship with COVID-19 cases spiking across the country due to the omicron variant. If a team is unavailable, the game would be forfeited with the available team advancing to the championship.

Burrow gains 525 yards in Bengals' rout

By **MITCH STACY**
AP Sports Writer

CINCINNATI — Joe Burrow's franchise record-breaking 525-yard passing performance clearly meant something to the Cincinnati Bengals, who continued calling deep throws for him late in the fourth quarter with a 20-point lead against division rival Baltimore until the mark was secured.

Only three QBs in NFL history have thrown for more yards in a game. But Burrow was more interested in what the final score — 41-21 over the Ravens — meant for his team, which took over first place in the AFC North with two games left.

"We're right where we want to be," Burrow said. "We knew we had a chance to be in this position in training camp. We knew the kind of team we had.

You couldn't ask for a better situation right now. We control our destiny. Win these next two games, and we've got the division locked."

Burrow, who snapped Boomer Esiason's team record of 522 yards, was 37 of 46 with two touchdown passes to Tee Higgins and one each to Tyler Boyd and Joe Mixon as the Bengals swept the Ravens for the first time since 2015. Cincinnati won 41-17 at Baltimore on Oct. 24.

Burrow's 500-yard passing day was the 24th in the NFL and the first this season, and he became the 20th QB to reach the half-century mark. Only Norm Van Brocklin (554 yards), Warren Moon (527) and Matt Schaub (527) have thrown for more. Burrow couldn't remember if he had thrown for that many yards at any level.

"Maybe. Not sure. Probably. I threw for a ton of yards in high school, so who knows," said Burrow, speaking after the game while wearing a Santa hat and a red T-shirt advertising the fictional Krusty Krab restaurant from his favorite TV show, "SpongeBob SquarePants."

"I probably did. I really don't think about the yards too much," he said. "I'm just as happy about throwing for (148) yards against the Raiders and going out and winning the game. So whatever it takes to win the game. Today it took throwing for 525 yards and being smart with the football."

The Bengals are having their best season since 2015, when they last reached the playoffs and were eliminated by the Pittsburgh Steelers in a wild-card game.

TUESDAY EVENING

DECEMBER 28, 2021

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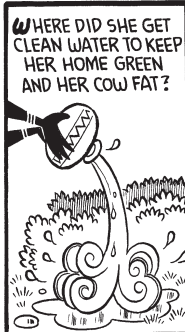
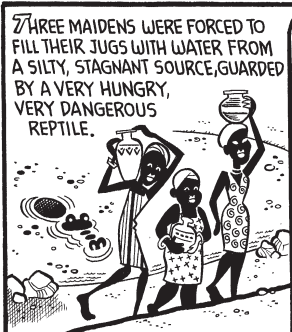
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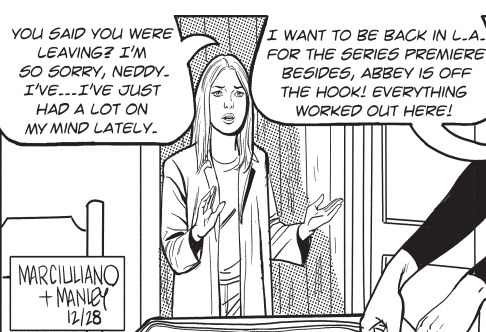
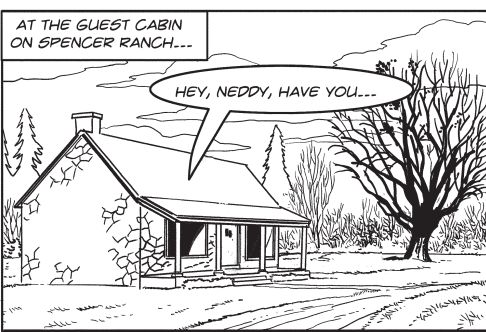
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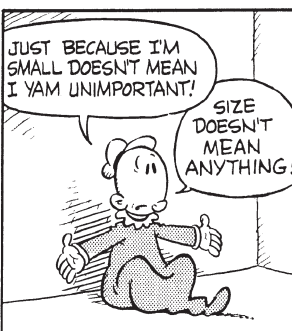
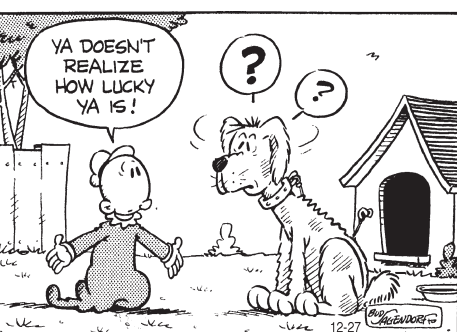
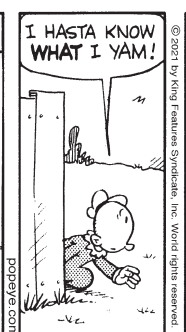
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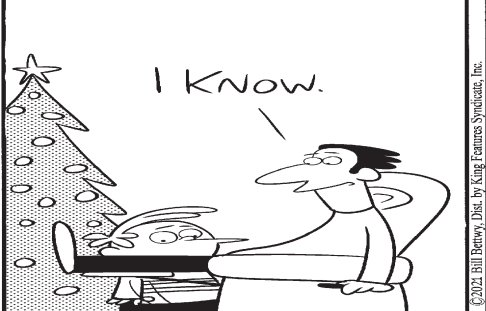
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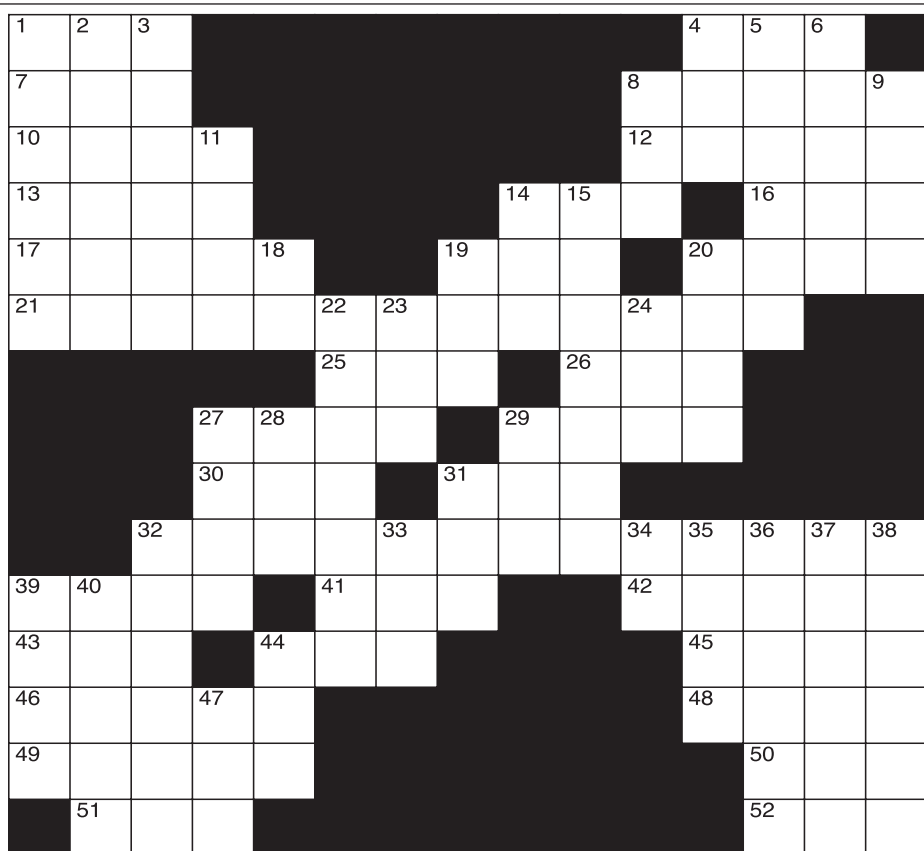
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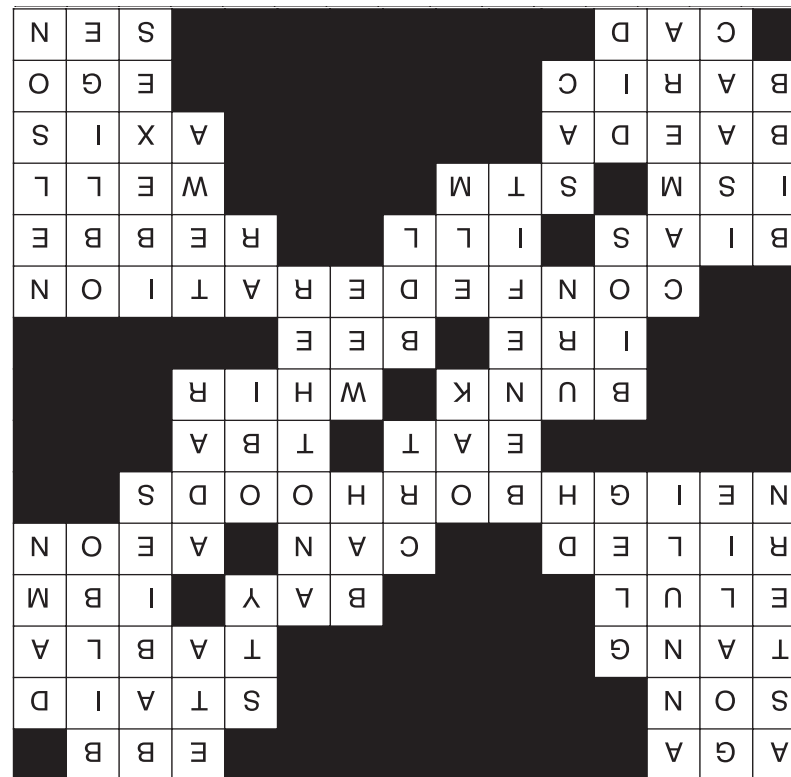
CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Crow species
- 4. Partner to flow
- 7. Male offspring
- 8. Sedate
- 10. Orange beverage
- 12. Pair of small hand drums
- 13. 12th month of Jewish civil year
- 14. Former Pirates star Jason
- 16. Computer company
- 17. Made angry
- 19. Beverage container
- 20. Charlize Theron film “__ Flux”
- 21. Localities
- 25. Consume
- 26. Don't know when yet
- 27. Bed style
- 29. Make a low, continuous sound
- 30. Wrath
- 31. Pollinates flowers
- 32. Association
- 39. Prejudice
- 41. Unhealthy
- 42. Hasidic religious leader
- 43. Distinctive philosophy
- 44. Short-term memory
- 45. In a good way
- 46. Emperors of Ethiopia
- 48. Imaginary line
- 49. Of barium
- 50. One's sense of self-esteem
- 51. Man who behaves dishonorably
- 52. Monetary unit

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Rear of (nautical)
- 2. He minds the net
- 3. Ring-shaped objects
- 4. When you hope to get there
- 5. Young children
- 6. Beloved hobbit
- 8. Pigpen
- 9. Wish harm upon
- 11. Quick-eyed (Scottish)
- 14. Scrooge's phrase “__ Humbug”
- 15. One more
- 18. A ballplayer who only hits
- 19. Once vital TV part
- 20. Sixth month of Jewish civil year
- 22. Advantage
- 23. Type of tree
- 24. Luke's mentor __-Wan
- 27. Life stories
- 28. Vase
- 29. Tiny
- 31. Package (abbr.)
- 32. A photog's tool
- 33. Wood
- 34. One of the six noble gases (abbr.)
- 35. Pueblo people of New Mexico
- 36. Wild goats
- 37. A way to comply
- 38. Horatio __, British admiral
- 39. Actress Leslie
- 40. Sir __ Newton
- 44. Pouch
- 47. Have already done

PUZZLE SOLUTION



ASTROGRAPH

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, group dynamics could be tricky this week. Emotions are tense and putting too many people together may lead to friction. Make a concerted effort to stay calm.
TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, individuals often are judged by the company they keeps. Surround yourself with honest, supportive and accomplished people as much as you can.
GEMINI – May 22/June 21
It is tempting to want to help in every situation, Gemini. But this week you may need to observe from the sidelines and let others work things out on

their own.
CANCER – June 22/July 22
Always get the facts before you react, Cancer. Friends may be pulling you in different directions and want you to be on their sides. Decide what is best for you.
LEO – July 23/Aug 23
Leo, if you butt heads with a colleague or your boss, the confrontation will not get out of control. Things will blow over very shortly.
VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, if your workload gets out of control, don't feel that you have to go it alone. Ask for help and it will be there. This will ensure all projects are com-

pleted on time.
LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, before you dive full speed ahead into a new relationship, it is better to do your research as much as possible. This is especially true when entering a business agreement.
SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Your energy levels may be all over the place this week, Scorpio. Build some free time into your schedule to accommodate for when you may need to play catch up.
SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
There is no need to let emotions get the best of you. Sagittarius. Your confidence

will diffuse many situations as long as you are tactful and respectful.
CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, your commitment to doing things the right way is admirable and has not gone unnoticed. Others look to you for inspiration, and this will benefit your career.
AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you are on a mission this week to stand out from the crowd. Make sure the light is shining on you for all the right reasons. Remain humble when praise comes your way.
PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Figure out how to deliver information in an empowering way, Pisces. A positive, empowering message is likely to be well-received.
FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS
DECEMBER 26
Jared Leto, Actor (50)
DECEMBER 27
Walker Hayes, Singer (42)
DECEMBER 28
John Legend, Singer (43)
DECEMBER 29
Jude Law, Actor (49)
DECEMBER 30
LeBron James, Athlete (37)
DECEMBER 31
Gabby Douglas, Athlete (26)
JANUARY 1
Poppy, Singer (27)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given to all residents of Bedford County to include those residing in the municipalities that a public meeting will be held at 5 p.m. on Thursday, January 6th, at the BCEMA office, 1304 Railroad Ave., Shelbyville, TN. Any person can make comments or ask questions on the DRAFT updated Hazard Mitigation Plan at the meeting. The plan is on file for advance review at the Bedford County Emergency Management Agency (BCEMA), 1304 Railroad Avenue, Shelbyville, TN. Contact BCEMA at 684-5974 or 735-6927 to make an appointment to review the plan. Hazard mitigation planning provides a means for jurisdictions to prepare for and reduce the impact of various types of disasters on the local community. A Federal Emergency Management Agency approved local plan also provides communities with access to compete for hazard mitigation project federal grant funds.

(Dec. 28, 2021) (Jan. 1, 4, 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The 231 N Business Park Oversight Committee will meet in regular session on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, at 12:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Bedford County Courthouse Annex, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Public Square. Agendas are available at City Hall during normal business hours. Lisa Smith, City Recorder (Dec. 28, 2021)

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The City of Shelbyville is accepting applications for the position of full-time Recreation Center Maintenance Supervisor for the Parks and Recreation Department. The employee is responsible for performing maintenance tasks of a semi-skilled or skilled nature. Responsible for work in a variety of construction, repair and maintenance assignments involving the use of specialized tools and small equipment. Valid Tennessee driver's license required. Must be 18 years old to apply. This is a full-time position with an hourly rate of \$19.82, plus benefits. Applications and complete job descriptions may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours or download from the City website: www.shelbyville-tn.org. Applications must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 N. Spring Street, submitted online or email to stacey.claxton@shelbyville-tn.org. Applications 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 background check, physical and drug screen. Stacey Claxton Human Resources Generalist (Dec. 28, 2021) (Jan. 1, 4, 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The Shelbyville City Council will meet in regular study session on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Shelbyville Recreation Center Meeting Room B, 220 Tulip Tree Road. Any person wishing to view the Agenda may do so by contacting Lisa Smith, City Recorder at the Shelbyville City Hall. (Dec. 28, 2021)

Public Notice
 The Shelbyville Municipal Airport Authority will meet in Regular Session on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at 12:00 PM at Shelbyville Municipal Airport, 2828 Hwy 231 N. Shelbyville, TN. Any person wishing to view the Agenda may do so by contacting Paul Perry, Airport Director at the Shelbyville Municipal Airport. Lisa Smith, City Recorder (Dec. 28, 2021)

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on February 3, 2022 at 11:00AM local time, at the south door, Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Elizabeth M. Knight, to Rambo & Kingree, Trustee, as trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Community Mortgage, Inc. on December 11, 2009 at Book TD728, Page 901; conducted by LLG Trustee TN LLC, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Bedford County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable. Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: JPMorgan Chase Bank. National As-

sociation, its successors and assigns. The real estate located in Bedford County, Tennessee, and described in the said Deed of Trust will be sold to the highest call bidder. The terms of the said Deed of Trust may be modified by other instruments appearing in the public record. Additional identifying information regarding the collateral property is below and is believed to be accurate, but no representation or warrant is intended. Street Address: 101 Earnhart St, Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160 Parcel Number: 088D A 039.00 Current Owner(s) of Property: Elizabeth M. Knight This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: any judgment creditor or lien holder with an interest subordinate to the said Deed of Trust or any party claiming by, through, or under any of the foregoing. Such parties known to the Substitute Trustee may include: None. Terms of Sale will be public auction, for cash, free and clear of rights of homestead, redemption and dower to the extent disclaimed or inapplicable, and the rights of Elizabeth M. Knight, and those claiming through him/her/it/them. Any right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are waived in accord with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to LOGS Legal Group LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered. This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy.

The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title. This office may be a debt collector. This may be an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose. LOGS Legal Group LLP Substitute Trustee 10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400 Charlotte, NC 28216 Phone (704) 333-8107 Fax (704) 333-8156 File No. 21-121732 (Dec. 21, 28, 2021) (Jan. 4, 2022)

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Graham

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Services from 1997 to 2014. Historically, those directors have a "shelf life of 5 years," he said.

Even though politics and EMS may seem unrelated, Graham said, "I think it's one of the things that helps me today in the challenges we face because I worked for Bedford County as an employee...as well as in leadership."

Graham said he is a "product of the Bedford County school system," and has worked within the county his entire career. That path of educating students then providing local jobs is one of his goals as mayor.

"We should always be striving to improve who we are and what we do," Graham said. "People are more educated than we've ever been, but we have less ability to fend for ourselves than we ever have. And now here we are in the 2020s and we're saying we can't find people to work on your air conditioning, we can't find people to work on an electronic vehicle."

That's the catalyst for going "back to the basics" in education.

On a higher education level, the new Tennessee College of Applied Technology facility in Shelbyville will affect future generations by providing the opportunity for them learn the much-needed technical skills of local industry.

It is part of the "culture change" Graham emphasized — that is, asking commissioners to have faith in investments that may not have immediate results.

"We have the daily things that we have to do to make sure business happens, but it's powerful whenever we can make a difference into the future with things that we know will leave it better than when we found it," he said. It's going to take a culture change, and it's going to take people making hard decisions."

Robust industry

As the County works on the education side, the focus has also shifted to providing jobs for those young professionals the County essentially creates.

"The things that are going to bring them here — the ones that can be that entrepreneur or business professional — is you have to have a strong education system...and we have to have industry," Graham said.

"Not that we sell out to urban," he said. "You know, we want to keep the rural setting where we can. We want to be respectful of tradition in every way we can."

The challenge lies, Graham said, in recruiting industries. That begins with reworking the "economic model" of Bedford.

Surrounding counties have their competing assets: Coffee County has I-24 running through it; Maury County is attract-

ing and depot industries; and Rutherford has all the amenities to attract young professionals.

Now, the goal is not for Bedford to become those other counties, Graham said.

Instead, industries looking to come to Bedford need assets like direct access to U.S. 231 and robust gas, sewer, and water to support their endeavors, Graham said.

"They want to see investments now, not just promises," Graham said. It's one of the reasons why construction of a "spec building" (essentially, an example industry building) will begin on the 231 North Business Park in spring.

But, "The county is not in the market for hiring," Graham said.

For example, Bedford is losing young professionals to Rutherford and Williamson counties who pay more in positions from emergency services to public school teachers.

"If we don't continue to strive to have market-value for what we're paying for those positions...we're not going to hire those people," he said.

There are some practical things the county can do to further alter the economic model. Using his background in emergency medical services, Graham said there needs to be a "culture change" in how equipment is purchased. Graham said the county uses equipment until it's "non-functional"

and then they have to buy tens of thousands of dollars of new equipment.

"You wouldn't do that in business, so we shouldn't do it in government," he said. Graham said he would like the County to predict items needed and come up with funding models early on, so taxes don't have to be raised.

Uplifting everybody

"Now, having a Publix, or a Chick-fil-a, or a Puckett's — any of those things that would help enrich the nightlife, or the downtown, or the daily quality of your options — are important and good. But that's not really why people are ultimately going to move here," Graham said.

Graham said he wants to enrich Bedford County to lift "everybody," not just bring in high-end people. "I was always told growing up, don't forget where you come from," Graham said. "I'm not trying to displace people that have needs. I'm trying to help them. And education is how we help them. Ultimately, this is my community. I want my grandbabies to grow up in Bedford. Unfortunately, we're in that 'building time'... and I hope that I'm around long enough to show you that we can cash-in on the big investments...But if not, I'm satisfied that we're leaving it better than we found it."

Desmond Tutu, South Africa's moral conscience, dies at 90

By ANDREW MELDRUM Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG — Desmond Tutu, South Africa's Nobel Peace Prize-winning icon, an uncompromising foe of apartheid and a modern-day activist for racial justice and LGBT rights, died Sunday at 90. South Africans, world leaders and people around the globe mourned the death of the man viewed as the country's moral conscience.

Tutu worked passionately, tirelessly and non-violently to tear down apartheid — South Africa's brutal, decades-long regime of oppression against its Black majority that only ended in 1994.

The buoyant, blunt-spoken clergyman used his pulpit as the first Black bishop of the Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town, as well as frequent public demonstrations, to galvanize public opinion against racial inequity, both at home and globally.

Nicknamed "the Arch," the diminutive Tutu became a

towering figure in his nation's history, comparable to fellow Nobel laureate Nelson Mandela, a prisoner during white rule who became South Africa's first Black president. Tutu and Mandela shared a commitment to building a better, more equal South Africa.

Upon becoming president in 1994, Mandela appointed Tutu to be chairman of the country's Truth and Reconciliation Commission, which uncovered the abuses of apartheid.

Tutu's death on Sunday "is another chapter of bereavement in our nation's farewell to a generation of outstanding South Africans who have bequeathed us a liberated South Africa," South African President Cyril Ramaphosa said.

"From the pavements of resistance in South Africa to the pulpits of the world's great cathedrals and places of worship, and the prestigious setting of the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony, the Arch distinguished himself as a non-sectarian, inclusive champion of universal human rights," he said.

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Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen celebrates Christmas

T-G Photos by Dawn Hankins

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen volunteers were busy Tuesday evening serving those in need within the community.

Guests at Tuesday's event included Santa and Mrs. Claus. Children were greeted with treats and a toy table was available for parents to browse.

Volunteers note these events would not be possible without the faithful volunteers and people who contribute weekly to helping the "least of these."

