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## Press awards

The Times-Gazette is a finalist in several Tennessee Press Association news contest categories, it was learned Friday. More details forthcoming from TPA.



## Holiday changes

The T-G will publish Wednesday instead of Tuesday next week due to the holiday. Our office will be closed Monday and open for regular hours on Tuesday.



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## ROCKETS RED GLARE



Have a happy and safe July 4

The City of Shelbyville will conduct its annual July 4th celebration at H.V. Griffin Park on Monday. Activities begin at 5 p.m., and fireworks will light up the sky around 9 p.m. See the T-G calendar inside for other events.

T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

# City under burn ban

## But July 4 fireworks show will be held

By DAVID MELSON  
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A burn ban is in effect in Shelbyville “until we get some rain,” but Fire Marshal Jason Richardson hopes it won’t last too long.

The ban is voluntary and no fines are being assessed, Richardson said.

Shelbyville-Bedford County’s annual July 4 fireworks display at H.V. Griffin Park is not affected by the ban and will take place as scheduled.

Firefighters will ask violators to voluntarily put out fires “or put it out for them,” according to Richardson.

Fireworks are not allowed until immediately before and on July 4 per city ordinance, but it’s typically not enforced by police unless neighbors complain.

“We’re asking people to just use common sense,” Richardson said. “I hate doing it (calling a burn ban), but it’s so hot and dry and the wind’s blowing every day.”

The official National Weather Service forecast for Bedford County shows a 40 to 50 chance of thunderstorms each day through Tuesday. The burn ban will be lifted if enough rain falls, Richardson said.

Burn bans are not in effect statewide or in Bedford County outside Shelbyville.

# Commission raises county tax rate

By ZOË HAGGARD  
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Bedford County Board of Commissioners voted Tuesday night to set the new tax rate at \$2.32 for the upcoming fiscal year. This is an increase from the previous rate of \$1.97.

Many County employees attended the meeting in support of the new tax rate, which will help set government salaries at a competitive rate and help the County’s high employee turnover rate.

“We can’t go back to \$1.97. We have to pay our employees. We have to keep up our economic development. If we don’t, all we’re doing is putting more and more tax burden on the property owners. And we’ve got to expand this tax base,” said Commissioner Greg Vick.

The County has 438 employees, according to Mayor Chad Graham.

The Commission discussed how it was split on keeping the rate the

same and raising the rate. This led to several motions being made on the floor.

The original motion was to set the rate at \$1.97. Nine commissioners voted yes; nine voted no.

Vick then placed a motion on the floor to set the rate at \$2.35, which could be broken down by:

- General: \$1.46
- Highway/Public works: \$0.09
- General purpose school: \$0.62

— General debt service: \$0.15

— County Capital Projects: \$0.0352

However, this again was a split vote at 9-9.

After a 20-minute recess, Commissioner Jeff Sweeney then made the motion to take out \$0.03 from the general fund, setting the rate at \$2.32.

The new tax rate was voted with 12 yeases, 5 noes, and 1 pass. The audience, largely county employ-

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## Cascade community expresses concerns about 4x4 schedule

By DAWN HANKINS  
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School is currently on summer break, but concerned students and parents from Cascade High School continue to make their disagreements known to the school board over the new 4x4 block learning schedule.

Within a typical 4x4 block, the school day is divided into four instructional blocks—each of which is approximately 90 minutes. The new schedule was approved in May by the school board.

Still, during last week’s board meeting, three individuals requested to speak before the board on 4x4. Those speaking were allowed 5 minutes of time.

Margaret Bennett of Shelbyville, first up, to the stage podium at Community High. Bennett described herself to board members as the mother of four Cascade students. Bennett explained her children are in band.

She stated, “I’m here tonight to express

my serious concerns, about Bedford County High Schools and in particular Cascade High School going to the block system.”

She listed concerns, which came from a meeting at Cascade High band the previous night—one which superintendent Tammy Garrett attended. Bennett divided her concerns into four parts.

Bennett said other area schools have gone to the 4x4 block and it has damaged band numbers. She listed McGavock High as one example.

She said the block schedule will also affect students wanting to take AP honor classes. “One of the ideas that was suggested to us, last night, was that they could take them at night, online.”

She said she wasn’t interested in evening online classes. “Our students have been successfully taking AP classes for a number of years in the traditional program, during school hours, and passing

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## BENEFIT HORSESHOW HELD



T-G Photo by Zoe Haggard

Hannah Myatt and Line Item Veto have the spotlight at the Christmas in July Horseshow held this week at the Ag Center on Midland Road. Proceeds benefit local school kids at Christmas.

# Detective, suspect struck during foot pursuit

By DAVID MELSON  
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The driver of a truck that struck both a Bedford County detective and a man he was chasing on foot

Wednesday ended up playing a major role in the suspect’s arrest.

Detective Lt. John Sweeney was attempting to apprehend Ronald Franklin Ferrell, 52, of Pass Road

on North Hillcrest Drive when both ran into the street and were unintentionally knocked to the ground by the truck, driven by David Boner.

No one was injured. Boner was not charged.

“Ronald got back up and continued to run south as I pursued,”

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## DEATH NOTICES

## Dennis Ray Smotherman

June 27, 2022

Dennis Ray Smotherman, 61, of Rockvale, died Monday, June 27, 2022 in Murfreesboro.

Funeral service will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 5, from the Chapel of Lawrence Funeral Home in Chapel Hill with Bro. Mike Hannah officiating. Interment will follow in Whitworth Cemetery in the Link community of Rutherford County. Visitation will begin at 9 a.m.

## Ross Lawrence Hahn

June 24, 2022

Ross Lawrence Hahn, 78, passed away Friday, June 24, 2022.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, July 15, at Wesley Heights United Methodist Church in Tullahoma.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is handling arrangements.

## OBITUARIES

## Wallace Michael Chunn

June 27, 2022

Wallace Michael Chunn, 75, of Greenbrier, Arkansas, departed this life on Monday, June 27, 2022. He was the son of the late Joe Wallace Chunn and Dorothy Orr Chunn, formerly from Shelbyville.

Mr. Chunn is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Brenda Haithcote Chunn, three children and 11 grandchildren. He is also survived by sisters, Brenda Watkins (Buzz) and Wanda Shearin, and many nieces and nephews. His sister, Patsy Hayslip, preceded him in death.

Funeral Services were held Thursday, June 30, 2022 at the Robinson & Center Church of Christ with Steve Norris officiating. Burial was at Woodland Memorial Park, State Highway 16 West, Cleburne County, Arkansas.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Southern Christian Children's Home, 100 W. Harding St., Morrilton, AR 72110.

Online guestbook available at [www.rollerfuneralhomes.com/conway](http://www.rollerfuneralhomes.com/conway)

## Thomas 'Mike' Moore

June 28, 2022

Thomas "Mike" Moore, 71, of Shelbyville died Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

Funeral Services were Friday, July 1, at Hillcrest Funeral Home.

He was a native of Bedford County; a former machinist-quality control for over 40 years with B.F. Goodrich Aerospace of Tullahoma; a veteran of the U.S. Army (Vietnam War) and former reserve deputy for Bedford County Sheriff's Department. He enjoyed trail riding with Side By Side.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Viola Taylor Moore. He is survived by his children, Michael Todd Moore (Emily) of Murfreesboro, Brandy Laine Moore of Shelbyville; sisters, Cathy Peoples of Shelbyville and Barbara Moore of Nashville.

## Amber Nicole Nichols

June 23, 2022

Amber Nicole Nichols, 34, of Nashville, died Thursday, June 23, 2022 at Southern Tennessee Regional Health System in Pulaski.

She was a native of Franklin County, the daughter of Mr. Thomas McElyea and Mrs. Roxanne Baxter (Stan) Williams. She was employed as a valet for the Grand Hyatt in Nashville, and was a member of the Baptist church.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Janice Young, and grandfathers, James Young and Ray McElyea.

In addition to her parents, sister, Candace (Justin) Blodgett of Shelbyville, grandmother, Caroline McElyea of Fayetteville, grandfather, Paul Baxter, and nephews, Damian, Dominic, and Alexander, one niece, Charleigh.

Funeral Services were conducted on Friday, July 1, 2022 from the Chapel of London Funeral Home, 324 West Church St., Lewisburg, with cremation to follow.

London Funeral Home and Crematory is assisting the family with the arrangements.

## Tax

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ees, broke out into applause once the new rate was set.

The new tax rate can be broken down to include:

- General: \$1.43
- Highway/Public works: \$0.09
- General purpose school: \$0.62
- General debt service: \$0.15
- County Capital Projects: \$0.0352

This new rate will generate revenue but expenditures of where that money will go (such as to raises) will have to be amended in the July regular meeting after going through the finance committee, according to Graham.

Those who voted yes include Janice Brothers, John Brown, Ed Castleman, Brian Farris, Don Gallagher, Sylvia Pinson, Jason Sanders, Julie Sanders, Jeff Sweeney, Adam Thomas, Mark Thomas, Greg Vick.

Those who voted no include Bill Anderson, Anita Epperson, Bobby Fox, Tony Smith, and Linda Yockey. Commissioner Biff Farrar made his vote a pass.

Those who were against the tax rate increase said

citizens cannot afford a tax increase among the rise of cost of living and that the commission did not have adequate time to discuss the full extent of changing the tax rate.

"Gas and diesel are at an all-time high. We're approaching double-digit inflation. I do not think it is fiscally responsible to raise taxes during this economic time," said Anderson. He also added that property values have gone up after recent reappraisals.

Yockey said every person on the finance committee voted yes for the \$1.97 tax rate that was presented previously. "Every person... all voted on this budget. That ended up being June 7...In one week, suddenly, we are at an apocalypse."

Chad Graham had issued a letter one week after the June 14 Board of Commissioners meeting, stating that the County actually needed a tax rate increase of \$0.43, which was based off a study.

"In 2021, a study by Burris, Thompson & Associates indicated that we are paying 22 percent less than market value for our current county employees," wrote Graham.

Yockey said, "But when you have a study done, then you incorporate it and mesh

## OBITUARIES

## Forrest Bedford Smith Jr.

May 5, 2022

Forrest Bedford Smith, Jr., 87 of Lakeland, Florida, died May 5, 2022.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held 10 a.m. July 9, 2022 at First United Methodist Church, 122 Public Square N., Shelbyville, Rev. Jim Beaty officiating.

He was born January 29, 1935 in Limestone County, Alabama and was the son of the late Forrest B. Smith Sr. and Winnie Clardy Smith.

He graduated from Shelbyville Central High School in 1951 when he was 16 years old and later became a 1956 graduate of Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville with a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Other education includes receiving a Doctorate of Jurisprudence from Nashville School of Law and passing the Tennessee Bar Exam in 1975 while working full time with a family.

Forrest married the love of his life, Clara Jean Mason, on August 11, 1957.

They met while attending Tennessee Tech University and lived in and around Nashville for many years. After retirement he and Jean moved to Naples, Florida, and finally Lakeland.

Forrest and Jean traveled the world extensively and especially loved Australia and more recently their European cruise.

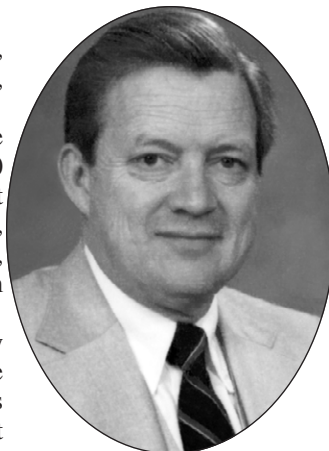
Forrest enjoyed community involvement including being a member of the Shelbyville Benevolent Masonic Lodge #122 F&AM and the York Rite of Masonry in Murfreesboro. He also was always willing to give education and career advice and help to anyone who requested his expertise.

He started his career at Arnold Engineering Development Complex (AEDC) in 1956 as a test and data analysis engineer with ARO, Inc. He left the center to serve as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. In 1960 he went to work for the Aero Propulsion Laboratory at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. In 1964 he returned to AEDC as an Air Force project engineer.

While at AEDC he was responsible for developing the center's strategic planning process that has been widely accepted as setting a national standard for government organizations. That process was recognized with the Federal Quality Institute 1993 National Quality Improvement Prototype Award. He was also instrumental in the establishment of a Strategic Management Group which defined the AEDC strategic plan. He helped develop concepts involving the combination of modeling and simulation and flight test data to meet weapon system development requirements. He served as deputy program manager and director of engineering for the Large Rocket Test Facility J-6 Program. Mr. Smith helped steer the 1992 study by the National Research Council on "Future Aerospace Ground Test Requirements for AEDC." He was instrumental in starting the joint NASA-DoD Hypersonic Test Investment Plan study. These two studies led to a National Facilities Study and several important national facility initiatives. He formed the first international affairs office at AEDC responsible for overseeing the many Data Exchange Agreements and developing international partnerships for the center's facilities. Forrest retired from AEDC in 1993 and in 2000 was honored as an Arnold Engineering Development Complex Fellow for his outstanding service throughout the years.

Forrest is survived by his wife of almost 65 years, Clara Jean Mason Smith of Lakeland, daughter, Tania Smith Shurtleff (Winston) of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee; brothers, Harold (Pat) Smith of Bell Buckle, and Gene (Shirley-deceased) Smith of Smyrna; brother-in-law, William R. (Linda) Mason of Sparta; nieces, Rhonda (Floyd) Crook of Smyrna, Kimberly List of Murfreesboro, Lynn McCullough of Lebanon, Jennifer (Lucas) Murphy of Cookeville; nephews, Brian (Pam) Smith of Pensacola, Florida, and Chris (Leann) Smith of Bell Buckle.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to First United Methodist Church of Shelbyville or a charity of your choice.



## Cascade

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their AP tests and getting their credits."

She said the block system will be difficult for students with ADHD or other learning disabilities. She noted how much faster the pace will be within this learning schedule.

She talked about how ACT and other test scores are going to be affected. Bennett pointed to required subjects like English, biology and sciences which will be affected by 4x4.

The students will suffer, she advised. "They have to have 7 months in between each one of those, unless they're doubling up, taking them back to back. If they take Algebra I and Algebra II, back to back, so they don't have 7 months in between, then they're going to be even a year further out when they take their ACT."

She said the 4x4 block schedule is going to be more expensive. She said more school staff will be needed from tech aids to SROs.

Bennett said she believes truancy issues and poor study habits will be more prevalent with the 4x4 learning schedule. While offering more electives, she said students will have less time to even take more offerings, like math.

"Frankly, it boggles the mind that none of these things are being taken into consideration," said Bennett.

## Local student speaks out

Emma Collard of Beech Grove was next up to speak to the board. A Cascade High senior, she said she considers herself a well-rounded student—one who can offer a "unique perspective" on the topic of 4x4 block learning.

"The first problem this schedule poses is in regard to the attention span of students. Even from my perspective, as an honor student, I know very few of my peers who would be able to focus on a lesson for nearly 2 hours."

She referred to a study published by the Brain Balance Center—one which states that the average attention span of a 16-year-old is 48 minutes.

She said the strongest case against a 4x4 block is its affect on standardized test scores. She named off an ACT report study within her 5 minutes and provided its results to the board.

"A student's ACT score is one of the most critical aspects of their college applications and scholarships," said Collard. "Quite simply, I do not understand why we would jeopardize standardized test scores for students for the sake of implementing a block schedule."

She said she's signed up to take 4 AP courses next year. "It appears that the incentive behind implementing a block schedule is so that the required credits can be raised and that more CTE classes can be offered."

The Cascade senior said she agrees how important it is to implement Career and Technical Education classes (CTE.) But, she explained to the board and the auditorium full of parents, educators and students that how the AP program should also be taken into consideration. She advised that students overall will be limited by the 4x4 schedule.

"I'm also a band member, which means that I must take a band class. Where would that fit in with the block schedule? Would you tell me to choose between another AP class and band?"

Collard said she loves band and is involved because she "loves it." Though, it is not going to be a part of her future career.

She said she just enjoys band and advised how it helps her "contribute to something bigger than herself."

It's a shame, she said, that she can't do both. But, she will likely have to make the choice of taking AP classes.

This wouldn't happen under a "traditional schedule," she told the board. Honor students will have to choose between an AP class, which could benefit a future career, or by participating in an extra curricular activity they're passionate about like band.

"The result would be either a lower enrollment

in AP and CTE courses, or lower enrollment in marching band or other sports. Both of these outcomes can be avoided by staying with the traditional schedule that is currently used."

The senior told the superintendent and the board that there is no statistical evidence that a block schedule is more academically effective than a traditional schedule. The required credits to graduate can still be raised, she said, without switching to a 4x4 block schedule.

"Because this schedule brings so many negative consequences with it, I strongly urge the board to delay the implementation of this schedule and any staff training that comes with it until more research can be done and the vote can be revisited."

She thanked the board for its time. A county official sitting in the audience said after the student's speech, "We need to send her to Washington."

## Deflating supervisor stats

Dawn Kilpatrick of Shelbyville said her position was to deflate a lot of the statistics or comparison data presented by assistant superintendent Tim Harwell during the previous school board meeting.

"Being a numbers person, I took a look at the data (all available on TN.gov website.) The numbers were interesting, but I also compared apples to apples."

She compared districts and she said the data all shows a very interesting story. She said she could go on and on about where the focus of learning should be in this county.

Kilpatrick said she's been working the last 4 weeks with a concerned group of Cascade band parents. She said they're all trying to understand the board's decision to approve the 4x4 schedule.

She advised the board on ways to help students stay at school more hours. She advised that instructing more life skills classes would be good.

She's still a parent. "And I don't care if they're 18. Don't let them check themselves out of school, without their parent permission. They are still kids."

She talked about CTE offerings within the county—a big push from the state. "I appreciate the thought of bringing more options, even if it is going to take 10 or more years to get them out at Cascade."

She discussed how parents want to be included in this process and that means, she said, being "heard" and "considered."

She said a short presentation on 4x4 block is not enough. She doesn't believe enough information was available to the public, regarding this new learning schedule.

"The school board should be checking with their constituents, not just their budgets. They should be open... willingness to hear and work these things out. But there is not. And the one meeting the board had regarding it was the retreat."

Something this important should not be a 9-person decision with no input or discussion with the community," the concerned parent advised.

Kilpatrick said parents see good programs being hurt—FFA and band. AP class options will be limited, she advised.

"The Cascade Band parents were able to have a meeting last night with Dr. Garrett and a few others. We had our list of concerns and questions that the group had put together. We had data... asked for clarification on it. But we were not able to present any of it. We did have parents, alumni and even current students present concerns. But most felt they were not being heard at all. Instead, we got more and more talk about how CTE is only possible with the 4x4 block."

When she began her list of suggestions to the board, board chair Michael Cook called Kilpatrick for being over her 5 minutes of time. She was dismissed.





Submitted Photos

Penny Cooper recently retired as supervisor of dispatch with Bedford County Sheriff's Office.

# BCSO supervisor retires

By **ZOË HAGGARD**  
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Penny Cooper started at the Bedford County Sheriff's Department back in 1996 after her cousin Jimmy Parker, brother of then sheriff Clay Parker, approached her about a dispatch job.

She was immediately interested. "I just wanted to help the community."

Today, the Shelbyville native has served with BCSO for over 25 years, spending the last 16 years as Administrative Supervisor where she led the department's Communication Division. She officially retired this past week to begin a new chapter.

Though the title has changed from dispatch to communications clerks, the job is still the same: helping those when they need it the most.

Cooper probably got that desire innately from her father who was a police officer. "I had thought about going into being an officer...but I'd rather be here."

Cooper's responsibilities were many, including supervising dispatch, payroll, filing insurance, serving as the liaison between the department and TBI, and even keeping track of vehicle maintenance.

"It was a lot to learn along the way, but I really enjoyed the job. I really enjoyed going to work," she said.

And at the end of the day, there was always someone to help.

"We had a lot of people come to the window that just sometimes needed to talk to people. That was my favorite part," Cooper said. "And, of course, I enjoyed supervising because I had some great people working in dispatch."

"There were days that would get to you, but overall, knowing you could help someone at the end of the day or being on the phone with someone that needed some help, that motivated me," she said.

That desire to be active and help the community hasn't left, so what are her plans for retirement?

"I figured out I don't think I can stay at home all the time. I've got to do something," Cooper said with a laugh. She has accepted a part-time job at



Vanderbilt-Bedford where she will work in the emergency department.

The Bedford County Sheriff's Office would like to congratulate Cooper on her retirement.

"We want to thank her for her contributions to the Sheriff's Office which are too many to count," the department wrote on their Facebook page.

"Penny, although we will miss you greatly, we wish you the happiest of retirements, and we know you will enjoy your well-earned time with your family."

Cooper would like to thank all the sheriffs that gave her the opportunity to work, including Clay Parker, Randall Boyce, and Austin Swing.

"And all of them have been nothing but amazing sheriffs," said Cooper.



JOSHUA DANIEL BEU AND MAHALA FAITH DOUGLAS

# Couple announces engagement

Joshua Daniel Beu and Mahala Faith Douglas have announced their engagement. The couple will be wed in November in Seymour.

Mahala is from Bell Buckle and currently attends Carson Newman University, where she has received her bachelor's in psychology, with a minor in criminology. She is currently working on her master's degree in clinical mental health counseling.

Mahala will graduate in December. She is currently employed with Youth Villages as a Family Intervention Specialist.

Josh is from Rickman. He received his educa-

tion from The University of Tennessee, where he received his bachelor's in plant science. He is currently employed with Gettysville Golf Course as an assistant superintendent.

The couple will make their home in Knoxville.

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# Dealing with your keys

**Dear Heloise:** I read your column in the Waterbury, Connecticut, Republican American. Your suggestion for getting hooks by the door was great. I actually got one of those decorative clothes shelves with hooks that also has a small shelf and instead of hanging clothes, use the hooks to put all my keys -- car, truck, garden tractor, lawn mower, snow blower, key to the garden shed, etc. Anything that needs a key to be operated, the key goes there.

As soon as we walk in the door from the car or finish using the mower or whatever, the key is immediately hung on the appropriate hook. If you are worried about a thief breaking in and knowing which key is which, I do not label the keys but get different colored tape for each key and learn which color goes to which key. Car keys have one color, and if you have more than one car, it's very simple to just number them as 1, 2, etc. The same goes for the mowers, etc. Simply label them with a different color and a number.

It is easy enough to remember, for example, that red tape number 1 key is the husband's car key, number 2 is the wife's, number 3 is the kids', 4 the truck that everyone uses and so on. You can easily come up with your own color scheme and numbering. -- Cathy Zbuska, Harwinton, Connecticut

## WASHING MATTRESS PAD

**Dear Heloise:** Our family uses old-fashioned mattress pads, which we wash at least every six months. And it always has been a problem when air gets trapped in the pad and causes it to float on top of the water in our top-loading washing machine. Pushing the pad under the water and even pushing in against the side of the washer tub never seems to get enough of the air out.

But we have just found a better way. Fill the washing machine about a quarter full of water and then push the pad against the sides and bottom of the tub. With less water, the pad cannot "escape," and you will get almost all the air replaced with water. Then fill the tub and wash as normal. And if needed, repeat the process for the rinse cycle. No more floaters. -- John N., Huntsville, Alabama

## PREVENTING BROWN SUGAR FROM HARDENING

**Dear Heloise:** As a retired home economics teacher, I figured out many

### Hints from Heloise

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years ago how to prevent brown sugar from hardening. Once you open the brown sugar box or bag, just place the brown sugar in a freezer-safe zip-top bag to keep the air out. It works! -- Marleen L., San Gabriel, California

## GROUT CLEANING

**Dear Heloise:** Although there are commercial grout cleaners, I like the idea of using an eco-friendly solution. Once the grout has been cleaned, it would probably be a good idea to reseal it with a commercial resealer. Resealing will improve the longevity of the grout and make future cleaning a bit easier. -- Tim Davis, Kettering, Ohio

## PET PAL

**Dear Heloise:** This is Mylie, my grandchildren's 18-year-old border collie. She is the most loving and laid-back dog you'll ever meet. She greets you with a wagging tail and lots of kisses! -- Maryann J., Uniontown, Pennsylvania

Readers, to see Mylie and our other Pet Pals, go to [www.Heloise.com](http://www.Heloise.com) and click on "Pet of the Week." -- Heloise

## KEEP OUT BUGS

**Dear Heloise:** Homes with masonry siding have weep holes located every couple of feet apart along the base of the house. This is to let moist air flow out of the walls. However, it also allows critters to enter the home and live in the walls. To prevent this from happening, get a piece of tight mesh metal screen from a hardware store. Using tin snips, cut little 1-inch circles. Take one of those circles and wrap it around a pencil, then remove and push the mesh circle into the weep holes so it sets against the sides of the hole all around. You have now created a barrier to bugs while allowing air to flow in and out of your home. -- Rich S., Bulverde, Texas

Rich, this is a good idea. In many southern states there are very large cockroaches, geckos, fire ants and more that we need to keep out of our homes. -- Heloise

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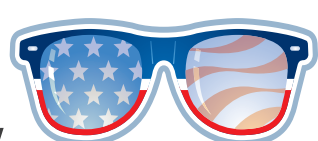
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### Holidays

4th - Independence Day



and Vintage Vibes will perform and WZNG-The Zinger (100.9 FM/1400 AM) will broadcast live. Cruise-Ins are held each fourth Friday during warm weather months.

[www.reg2run.com/index.php/event\\_details/327](http://www.reg2run.com/index.php/event_details/327) or contact Kim Nash at Shelbyville Police Department, 931-684-5811. The first 100 sign-ups will receive a swag bag of goodies.

## JULY 29

### Backpack giveaway

Free backpacks will be given to school-aged children Friday, July 29, at H.V. Griffin Park by The Center for Family Development and the Johnson Family Foundation. The event begins at 10 a.m. and the backpacks will be distributed at 1 p.m. following a free lunch.

## SEPT. 24

### Police Fun Run

Shelbyville Police Benevolent Association will have its annual "Run Like You Stole Something" Fun Run fundraiser Saturday, September 24 at 8 a.m. at Shelbyville Central High School. Sign up at <https://>

Lawwell and Cook families will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 9 at Crowell's Chapel Lutheran Church under the pavilion. Attendees are asked to bring old photos and any other history to share.

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## SATURDAY

### Early 4th fest

Wartrace's Independence Day celebration will be held at Winnette Ayers Park on Saturday, July 2. Music starts at 5 p.m. A mural dedication, ice cream churn off, corn hole, apple pie drawing, children's activities and concessions are planned. Fireworks will begin at 8:30 p.m.

## MONDAY

### Shelbyville 4th

Shelbyville-Bedford County's annual July 4 celebration will begin at 5 p.m. at H.V. Griffin Park. Utopia will perform, children's games will be held and fireworks will begin at 9 p.m. A seniors potluck luncheon and singing will begin at noon.

### Flat Creek 4th

Flat Creek Community Center will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, July 4 at the home of Roger and June Debatin, 848 Hilltop Road. The community center will be cooking hamburgers and participants are asked to bring a covered dish. Fireworks are planned after dark. Rain location will be the center's building.

## JULY 8-10

### Dave-a-Palooza

The Dave-a-Palooza Music Festival will be Friday, July 8, to Sunday, July 10, at 1295 Knob Creek Road near Wartrace.

## JULY 9

### Lawwell/Cook reunion

A reunion of the

## JULY 10

### Laity Club

Bedford County Laity Club will meet at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 10 at Wartrace United Methodist Church. A meal will be provided.

## JULY 16

### Mt. Olivet ice cream

Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church is hosting an ice cream supper and 150th anniversary homecoming celebration at 5 p.m. Saturday, July 16.

## JULY 18-23

### Bedford County Fair

The Bedford County Fair will be Monday, July 18, through Saturday, July 23. See [bedfordcountynfair.org](http://bedfordcountynfair.org) or call 931-684-0239.

## JULY 20

### ABC's of Medicare

A free ABC's of Medicare class will be held Wednesday, July 20, from 9 a.m.-noon at the South Central Tennessee Development District building in Mt. Pleasant. Advance registration is required because class size is limited. Call toll free 1-877-801-0044 or email [sctn.ship@sctdd.org](mailto:sctn.ship@sctdd.org). Volunteers are also needed.

## JULY 22

### Cruise-In

Celebration City Car Club's Cruise-In will be Friday, July 22, from 6-8 p.m. on the Shelbyville square. Food trucks will be present, Chase Clanton

# Storm chances to persist during next week

**W**e are going to get into a weather pattern with chances of thunderstorms every day for the next seven to 10 days. Storm chances are 50 percent through the weekend and I see that continuing most of next week. July 4th activities will have a threat hanging over us.

On June 22 the temperature hit 101 degrees in Nashville with 100 in parts of Sumner, Wilson, Rutherford and Montgomery counties. This heat wave broke records that had stood since 1944. From now through August we are in our lightning season. Did you know it does not have to be raining for lightning

to strike? It can happen up to 15 miles from the precipitation.

Also, a person hit by lightning can be touched and treated immediately because the body does not store electricity. Touching a lightning victim would be harmless to you.

Drop me an email anytime to [weather1@charter.net](mailto:weather1@charter.net).

### Steve Norris

Weather



•Steve Norris is a trained meteorologist.

## Pursuit

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Sweeney said in his report. "The truck that struck us assisted in slowing him down by pulling in front of him, giving me a chance to catch up and take him into custody."

Ferrell pulled away and ran again as Sweeney attempted to walk him to a patrol car and handcuff him. Sweeney grabbed Ferrell after a short foot pursuit.

"He continued to resist, so I took him to the ground and held him there," Sweeney said.

Boner called Bedford

County Communications Center for backup by request of Sweeney, who was unable to reach his handcuffs or radio as Ferrell continued to resist arrest. Ferrell was brought under control when Officer Rod Stacy of the Shelbyville Police Department arrived with handcuffs.

Ferrell was charged with resisting arrest, criminal impersonation — for initially claiming he was his brother — and driving on a revoked license. He is being held on \$10,000 bond at Bedford County Jail after being checked at Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital.

## DID YOU KNOW?

July 4th is a day when Americans celebrate their independence, but it's also a day to commemorate two men who played vital roles in procuring that independence. Both John Adams, the second President of the United States, and his successor Thomas Jefferson passed away on July 4,

1826. The two men had an interesting relationship that became increasingly complex as the nation they helped to found developed. According to History.com, Adams and Jefferson were confidantes in the 1780s. But as time wore on, each man developed a different view of what the United

States government should be, creating a rift in their relationship that was only widened by the 1800 presidential election. The men ran against each other in that election, which is still considered one of the more contentious elections in American history. Jefferson ultimately

claimed victory, a result so unnerving to Adams that he left Washington, D.C. prior to Jefferson's inauguration. The two men would ultimately reconcile, exchanging more than 150 letters before dying within hours of one another on Independence Day in 1826.

# Public Notice

**City Hall will be closed Monday July 4, 2022 in observance of Independence Day. Monday's trash route will be picked up on Tuesday, July 5, with Tuesday'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.**

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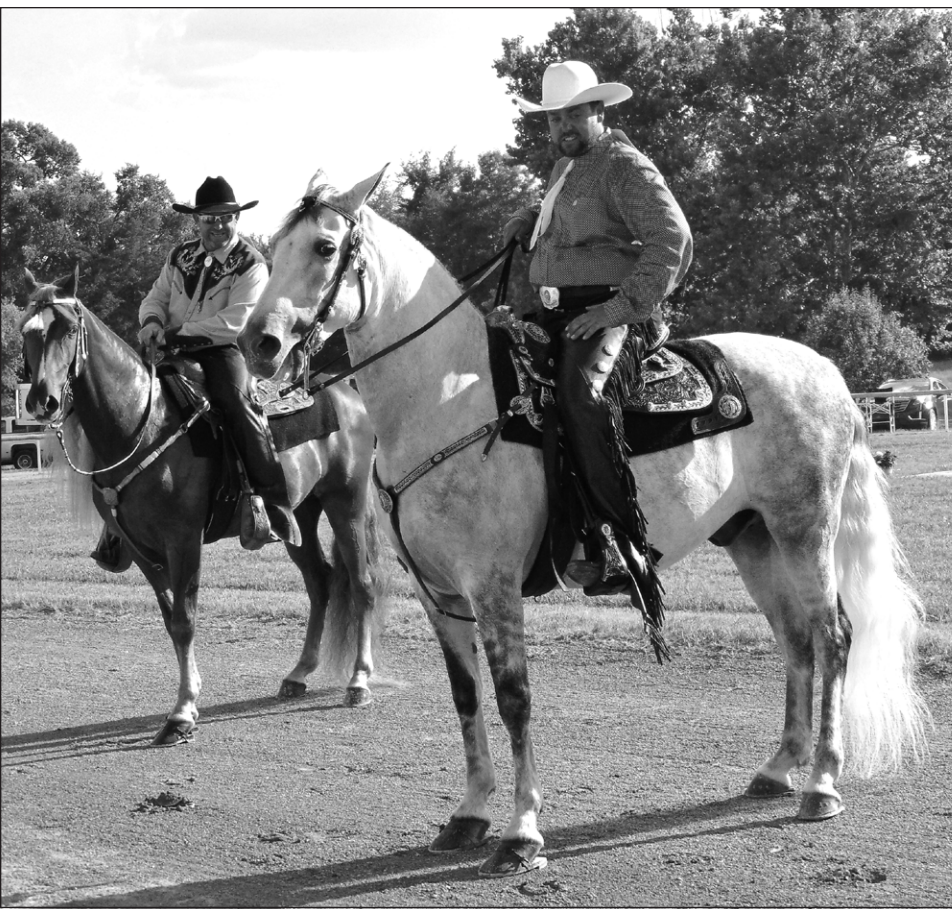
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Patrick Thomas, right, with RC Western Park Pleasure winner Jeff Laughlin on Armed but Kidding.



Kimberly and Perry Walden

# Christmas in July Horse Show has good turnout



Lisa Fisher on It's a Night to Remember, winner of Novice Country Pleasure.



Casey and Amber ran the lemonade stand.

The Christmas in July Horse Show ran last week from Tuesday to Thursday night at the Bedford County Fair Grounds. Proceeds from the show go to collecting and distributing Christmas gifts to Bedford County school-aged children in the upcoming holiday season. Despite sweltering temperatures that made many long for snow days, a good crowd was in attendance to watch a variety of classes as well as enjoy famously good eats. There was a performance by the Mid-State Cloggers as well as stick horse classes for kids.



Standing for the National Anthem



Shelby Oliver with her horse Sabotage.



FAR LEFT: The hot sun didn't stop spectators from enjoying the horse show.

LEFT: Prepping the horse before the show

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# First Assembly of God welcomes new pastor

## J.P. Cannon to serve

By **DAWN HANKINS**  
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J.P. Cannon was recently commissioned as new senior pastor of First Assembly of God Church on Highway 231 North, Shelbyville. He and wife, Tamara, will be married 20 years in August; they are parents to two “wonderful” children. Daughter Emma, 14, is a freshman and son, Jack, age 9, will start 5th grade.

Cannon talks of their marriage—one described as a match made in heaven. “We met and were married at Kingwood Assembly of God in Alabaster, Alabama, where we trained and served in ministry,” says Cannon. “Soon after that we joined the staff of RiverPoint Church in Pelham, Alabama, where we served Pastor Bobby Lewis. In 2008, we moved to West Monroe, Louisiana to join the staff of The Assembly West Monroe and serve Pastor Shane Warren. We lived there for 11 years and were able to experience some amazing milestones in life and ministry. In 2019, we knew God was calling us into the next season of ministry as lead pastors in Tennessee. After a short stop in Franklin, we were able to step fully into what God had been preparing us for, pastoring First Assembly of God Shelbyville.”

Their lives have been full of many twists and turns but the pastor explains how God has shown Himself to be faithful through every step of the way.

“God joined a guy that grew up in the South with a girl that grew up on the West Coast and has blessed us with a great life, family, and ministry.”

The Cannons (no relation to Shelbyville families) have served as children’s pastors, youth pastors, associate pastor and now lead pastors for almost 18 years of their life together. “We have learned to celebrate the good and stand firm when facing challenges. We have both had great leaders and family members that have encouraged us, taught us, and helped us become the parents and leaders we are today. We work hard to do the same for our family, friends, and community.”

The new pastor and Shelbyville resident said his family has been blessed to be able to minister across the country as speakers at camps and conferences through the Assemblies of God.

“We have had a lot of road trips and memories while being able to speak into the lives of children, teens, and leaders. This summer, we will be back where it all started—in Louisiana—speaking at kid’s camp and getting to spend time with great friends from around the state.”

Cannon has already set goals for his Shelbyville ministry. “We believe the key to spiritually healthy communities is spiritually healthy families. Our main goal is to resource, serve, and work alongside families in our community to develop a strong biblical foundation through enjoyable and engaging moments of life. We have a goal to be a part of our community and surrounding area by demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ through service projects, open doors of hospitality, availability



The Cannon family is now serving as the pastoral family at First Assembly of God Church in Shelbyville. From left, Pastor J. P., wife Tamara and children, Emma and Jack.

T-G Photos by Dawn Hankins



These are the hands of the shepherd/pastor, J.P. Cannon, who will now guide First Assembly of God Church in Shelbyville.



J.P. Cannon and wife, Tamara, have had 20 plus years of ministry together. They continue to minister across the country, serving at a Louisiana kids camp this summer.



J.P. Cannon was commissioned recently as senior pastor of First Assembly of God Church, Highway 231 North. Terry Bailey (center) of the Tennessee Assembly of God network officiated the commissioning before the congregation. Members of the congregation welcomed him with open arms.



Pastor Glenn Forsee, long-time pastor of First Assembly of God, recently handed the shepherd’s hook over to J.P. Cannon. Forsee has retired from First Assembly but plans to continue other areas of ministry.

to listen and pray together, and partnering with local organizations.”

The Cannons note how they plan to one day educate, train, resource, and launch new leaders in ministry and business. “We will be developing teams and leaders to travel and minister nationally and internationally for camps, conferences, and missions projects. We look forward to serving alongside

other churches in our community in the common goal of reaching as many as possible with the love of Jesus Christ.”

Pastor Glenn Forsee, who has served the church for over 30 years, recently retired. He and his wife, Linda, plan to continue to live in Shelbyville. Forsee plans to continue to serve on Bedford County Board of Education.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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### Baptist

**Calvary Baptist Church** will meet at 10 a.m. with Bro. Tyler Shoemaker presenting the message “Free Indeed.” The service will be livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook.

**Cornerstone Baptist Church**, 2769 Highway 41A South, will have Red, White and Bluegrass Gospel on Sunday, July 3. Cross Point, the LeFevers and Glen and Shelly Kosiorek will perform and free barbecue will be served.

**Edgemont Baptist Church’s** 4th of July musical will be at 10 a.m. Sunday, July 3 as the Praise Choir presents “We Believe.”

**First Baptist Church in Normandy** has rescheduled its Vacation Bible School to July 10-15 1st. Children ages 3 years to 6th grade are welcome. Call 931-205-3922 for more information.

**Grace Baptist Church** will be celebrating July 4th with patriotic music and the message: “God, You Have Blessed America” from Deuteronomy 8:6-10.

### Christian (Disciples of Christ)

The Greatest of All Time series continues at **First Christian Church** with the message “Leadership Quality - Servanthood” from Matthew 23.

### Church of Christ

The topic at **Bell Buckle Church of Christ’s** morning class at 9 a.m. Sunday will be “Today’s Society Can Condemn You” from Isaiah chapters 46-47. The sermon at 10 a.m. will be “What Is The Only Sign Of His Coming?” from Mark 13. “Don’t Forget Who You Worship” from Isaiah 45 will be the 5 p.m. sermon.

**Fairlane Church of Christ** will hold a combined worship with the Iglesia de Cristo en Fairlane beginning at 9 a.m. Manuel Ramirez will be speaking. Services are livestreamed on Facebook and broadcast on WLIJ (98.7 FM/1580 AM) at 9 a.m.

The lesson “Jesus, on Being Free” from John 8:31-36, starts the new “Superior Teachings of Christ” series at **Southside Church of Christ**. Prayer and parents groups meet Sundays at 6 p.m. A new Summer Series begins at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Sunday morning and Wednesday services are livestreamed at [cofcsouthside.com](http://cofcsouthside.com).

### Methodist

**Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church** is hosting an ice cream supper and 100th anniversary homecoming celebration at 5 p.m. Saturday, July 16.

### Presbyterian

**First Presbyterian Church’s** sermon by Pastor Jim Moran will focus on Galatians 6:1-16. Vacation Bible School will be July 17-21 from 5-8:30 p.m.

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# Speeding suspect flees after struggle with officer

By DAVID MELSON  
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Law enforcement agencies across the area are on the alert for a man accused of struggling with a Shelbyville police officer before speeding away from a traffic stop Monday night.

Patrick James Pace, 23, was last seen headed north on Highway 231.

The incident began when Officer Bailey Dineen clocked Pace at 51 mph in a 35 mph zone on North Main Street around 7:30 p.m. Dineen said Pace appeared to be “trying to get away” before turning into a driveway on Austin Avenue.

Pace initially identified himself as “Austin Gray” and claimed to live at the home, then admitted to lying about the home. A dispatcher’s computer check showed Pace had given a fake name.

Eventually Pace gave his correct name and birth date, saying he’d lied because he “might have warrants” and didn’t want to miss the birth of his baby. The dispatcher determined Pace was wanted locally for failure to appear and was driving on a revoked license.

Pace, who Dineen noted was “very uneasy and fidgety,” initially complied with an order to step out of his Lexus for arrest. Moments later Pace began struggling as Dineen attempted to handcuff him, made it to his car and took off. Officer Dylan Bliss briefly pursued Pace before backing off after speeds reached 120 mph.

A female passenger has not been charged.

Pace is wanted for resisting arrest, evading arrest, criminal impersonation, driving on a revoked license and speeding.

Police are asking anyone with information to contact Detective Cody Swift, 931-684-5811, or Crimestoppers, 931-685-4300.

## Tongue talks

A drug suspect’s tongue told the story.

The smell of marijuana during a traffic stop Monday afternoon alerted officers to its possible presence.

Watson Thibaud Davis, 29, of Belmont Avenue had allegedly pulled into oncoming East Lane Street traffic into the path of an oncoming police car driven by Officer Josh Graves.

Davis failed field sobriety tests and was charged with DUI.

Officer Tracy Teal found a bag of marijuana in the vehicle’s center console and told Davis to stick out his tongue. Raised taste buds indicated Davis had been smoking pot, Graves’ report said.

A charge of simple possession of a schedule VI drug was added. Davis was held on \$5,500 bond.

Two grams of methamphetamine were found in a bag wrapped in a tube as a suspect was arrested during a traffic stop last Friday, according to a Shelbyville Police Department report.

Officer Brock Horner said in a report he was watching Magnolia Motel, South Cannon Boulevard, when a driver identified as Tracy Direll Woodard, 52, of Shoma Drive left the premises. Horner followed from a distance as Woodard allegedly ran a traffic light on North Main Street. Woodard told Horner his brakes weren’t working properly.

“The Magnolia Motel is known for drug activity so I asked if I could search his car,” Horner said in his report.

Woodard was charged with possession of a schedule II drug, running a stop sign and violation of parole. He was held on \$2,500 bond.

Approximately 23 grams of marijuana, separated into three sandwich bags, were

confiscated from a suspect who told Shelbyville police Wednesday it was hemp.

Officer Dylan Bilss stopped Kyleene Ann Davis, 36, of Birch Street for driving 43 mph in a 30 mph zone on Birch Street. Bilss said he smelled marijuana and requested to search the vehicle.

Davis was charged with possession of a schedule IV drug with intent to sell, possession of drug paraphernalia, and speeding. She posted \$7,000 bond.

## Candy, coffee, arrest

A man frequently seen walking around downtown Shelbyville was arrested for allegedly resisting officers and stealing candy bars Monday morning, the SPD said.

Eddie Doris Ray, 67, of Plum Hill Road, allegedly took the candy from the Circle K convenience store on North Main Street. Police were called on Ray, who had earlier been banned from the store.

Officer Brandi Merlo attempted to talk to Ray, who allegedly refused to stop walking toward coffee he’d left on a curb and began pulling away as she grabbed his shirt to keep him from walking in front of oncoming vehicles. Merlo and Officer Ramon Castillo said they had to wrestle Ray to the pavement as he allegedly kept trying to pull away from being handcuffed.

Ray was charged with criminal trespassing, theft of property under \$500, and resisting arrest. He was held on \$5,000 bond.

## Double arrests

A suspect who had arrest warrants on him for theft of merchandise was arrested Monday after being spotted in a Shelbyville store.

Timothy Carroll Casteel, 37, of Tollgate Road, is also

charged with two probation violations and a parole violation. Casteel was held for state corrections officers.

Casteel was riding in a car driven by William Chadwick Reccord, 38, of South Cannon Boulevard, police said.

Reccord, who is on the state sex offender registry, was charged with tampering with a GPS device he is required to carry plus a sixth offense of driving on a suspended license. He was held on \$8,000 bond.

## Trailer taken

A trailer and lawn mower were stolen between 5 am.-5 p.m. Monday from the yard of a home on Peacock Street in Bell Buckle, according to a Bedford County Sheriff’s Office report.

## Jail intake

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

Jose Adolfo Araujo Silva, 41, Rancho Drive; financial responsibility, running red light/stop sign, no driver’s license; released, no bond

Daniel Blaine Armstrong, 48, Industrial Parkway; violation of probation, show cause; released, \$1,500 bond

James Andrew Baugher, 55, L. Fisher Road; harassment; released, \$500 bond

Ariel A. Betancourth Cruz, 30, Petersburg; failure to appear; summons issued

Amy Michelle Bumbalough, 37, Mac Street; violation of probation; held, \$2,500 bond

Timothy Carroll Casteel, 37, Tollgate Road; theft of property, probation revocation, parole violation;

held, \$7,500 bond

Hevelyn Daniela Conde, 21, Akita Way, Unionville; no driver’s license, due care, running red light; released on recognizance

Dustin Mitchell Crosslin, 34, Ashland City; driving on suspended license; released, no bond

William Matthew Dalton, 38, Davis Lane; violation of probation; held, \$1,500 bond

Kyleene Ann Davis, 36, Birch Street; possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of schedule IV drug with intent to sell, speeding; released, \$7,000 bond

Watson Thibaud Davis, 29, Belmont Avenue; DUI, simple possession of schedule VI drug; held, \$5,500 bond

Ronald Franklin Ferrell, 52, Pass Road; driving on revoked license, resisting arrest, criminal impersonation, show cause; held, \$10,000 bond

Yosvin Garcia Sales, 24, Moreland Avenue; no driver’s license/exhibited on demand, speeding; summons issued

Juan Gaspar, 54, Woodbury Street; DUI, no driver’s license; held, \$3,000 bond

Trevor Lee Givens, 19, Longview Road; statutory rape; released, \$1,000 bond

Cory Allen Henderson, 40, Neeley Avenue; speeding, driving on suspended license; summons issued

Sydney Deaena Jones, 22, Landers Street; interfering with emergency calls, bondsman surrender; held, \$10,000 bond

Domingo Juan, 43, Rantoul, Illinois; failure to appear; summons issued

Pascual Juan, 36, Green Lane; DUI, no driver’s license/exhibited on demand; released, \$3,000 bond

Pandora Love Keele, 18, Cedar River Road; fraud of credit card (three counts); released, \$4,500 bond

Tomas Nicholas Sebastian, 31, Woodbury

Street; public intoxication; held, \$500 bond

Garious Devonte Eli Nowlin, 20, Greenwood Avenue; DUI, felony possession of schedule VI drug, possession of drug paraphernalia, speeding, introducing drug into penal facility; held, \$23,000 bond

Imelda Amaro Peralta, 45, Cherokee Trail; no driver’s license, speeding; summons issued

Eddie Doris Ray, 67, Plum Hill Road; criminal trespassing, theft of property under \$500, resisting stop/halt/frisk; held, \$5,000 bond

William Chadwick Reccord, 38, South Cannon Boulevard; tampering with GPS device, driving on suspended license (sixth offense); held, \$8,000 bond

Julie Anne Rodriguez, 36, Woodland Avenue; assault; released, \$1,500 bond

Mariano Gutierrez Sanchez, 47, Barksdale Lane; light law, no driver’s license, open container; released, \$1,000 bond

Fabiara M. Sebastian Mateo, 41, Woodbury Street; public intoxication; held, \$500 bond

Letasha Francine Singleton, 44, East Cedar Street; driving on revoked license (second offense), running stop sign; released, \$500 bond

Freddy David Zuna Sierra, 20, Maplewood Drive; running stop sign, driving on suspended license; released on recognizance

Dominic Rovae Tillman, 36, Mead Drive; child support; released, \$1,000 bond

Julian Guillen Villa Sr., 57, Jordan Avenue; driving on suspended license, failure to yield, financial responsibility; summons issued

# Democrats host gubernatorial candidates

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The Bedford County Democratic Party hosted two gubernatorial candidates at a dinner Thursday evening.

Candidates J.B. Smiley and Dr. Jason Martin both spoke and answered questions from the audience addressing issues such as abortion, education, and voter turnout.

Smiley is a lawyer and councilman from Memphis. His take on winning a primarily red and rural state as a blue and urban candidate is by encouraging more voter turnout.

“I don’t necessarily believe Tennessee is a Republican state. The state of Tennessee is a non-voting state.” According to Smiley, 1.6 million people did not vote in the last gubernatorial race.

He said the majority of that group is made up of millennials and Generation Z as well as “marginalized communities,” such as minority and rural communities.

“We get that base energized and excited,” said Smiley. “Our campaign will get people excited, will turnout voters, and ultimately, we will send Bill Lee home.”

Smiley defined the role of the government as a means to “provide for the general welfare” of people.

“What makes me different from any other candidate is you can’t confuse me on the law because I understand it. You can’t tell me the value or the importance of local governments...because I’m there,” said Smiley.

Smiley also discussed high crime in Tennessee. “What we need to talk about is that we have the third highest rate in the country for violent crime.”

As of 2021, Memphis specifically has been ranked the most dangerous city in the nation, according to a 24/7 Wall St. study using FBI statistics. For example, they have a violent crime rate of 1,359 per 100,000, according to the study.

“The reality of the situation is...the majority of people are in marginalized communities. What this state needs is a government who understands what it’s like to struggle in Tennessee,” said Smiley.

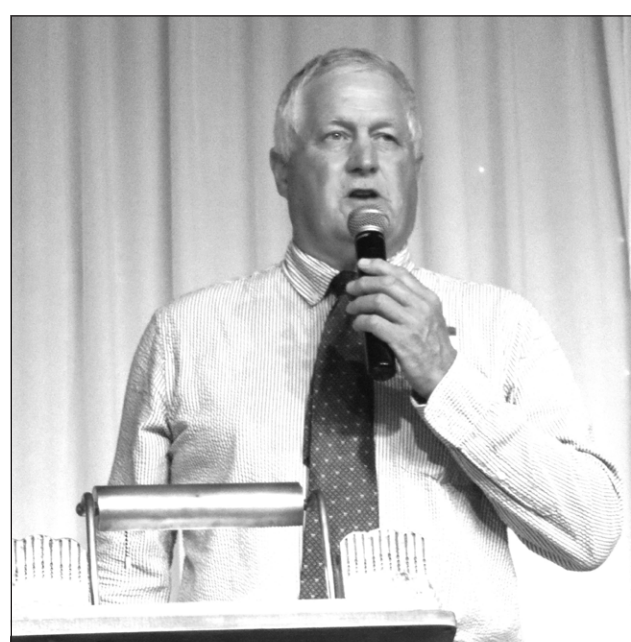
Originally from Southern Alabama, candidate Martin is a physician in Sumner County and has been living in Tennessee for 20 years. Martin said he grew up in a “modest upbringing” under conservative parents who worked for everything.

“I get this question a lot: are you a Republican or a Democrat? And I always start with, I’m a Tennessean,” Martin said. “And I think the way we win this race is by talking about issues that appeal to everybody.”

Those issues include access to a great school, healthcare, and infrastructure (like broadband).

The major theme in Martin’s campaign is pointing at the “lack of leadership” in Gov. Bill Lee’s office, especially involving issues like COVID. “I am sick and tired of COVID but when you talk about it in terms of leadership, I think that’s something people can relate to...”

Martin also hopes to help rural areas with better healthcare access. Concerning Bedford, specifically, “Y’all are lucky that you have access to healthcare. One-fifth of our counties don’t even have an ER.” Due to this lack of investment in healthcare, Martin



Bedford County Democratic Party Chair Van Ayers

said Tennessee is number one in the nation medical debt bankruptcies and hospital closures per capita.

“All that stuff not only affects people’s health and their lives directly, but it also affects the economy. And that’s the connection I try to make to folks,” said Martin.

In a similar vein, Medicaid expansion, which is another part of the doctor’s platform, is “basically a billion dollars a year in our tax money that we’ve paid to the federal government and they’re trying to get it back to us,” said Martin.

With the nation split over the “right to abortion,” both candidates spoke on the issue saying they are for the legalizing of abortion.

“I believe folks that believe in limited government would share this opinion that government does not have a role in the doctor’s office,” Martin said.

“If we want to see as few abortions as possible, then I think we should talk about access to women’s health

resources and education. We should work on preventing unwanted pregnancies.”

When asked about protecting the life and right to live of the child in the womb, Martin said, “It’s not exactly a direct comparison. When you make abortion illegal, you don’t stop abortions, you just stop the safe ones.”

Smiley added, “Women’s rights does not stop at bodily autonomy,” saying his goal is to help women earn a better living wage.

Both candidates also said they had issues with the state’s new education funding formula, TISA, saying that even though a county like Bedford may be getting \$11 million more a year in funding, that will create debt in 2027.

“It’s going to be great during the grandfather period where local communities...the funding is significantly increased,” said Smiley. “But what happens in 2027? 2027, those same commissioners, those same school reps will understand this formula was never about



Connie Crafton and Vivian Ervin



County Commissioner Sylvia Pinson talks with J.B. Smiley.

raising funding for marginalized communities.”

Instead, Smiley said the formula will go to “privatizing public education.” When the grandfather period ends, Smiley said taxes will increase to compensate for the extra funding.

Martin added, “Most counties are going to see more in absolute dollars but they’re also going to have in a couple years after this

whole harmless period just mentioned passes, is they’re going to be more responsible for a larger percentage of that bigger piece of the pie. It’s going to mean more money out of your pocket. That’s going to mean sales tax increase or property tax increases.”

“We need to make sure they understand there’s a carrot right now, but there’s a stick coming,” said Martin.



# 'Tiny but mighty'

## Stone Maddox shines as bat boy

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Stone Maddox may be tiny but he's mighty. And his ball team, coaches, and brothers would agree.

Though only 9 years old, he's the bat boy for the Community Middle School ball team and a travel team called the Crushers, which his older brother River plays on.

Coming from a long line of baseball fans, Stone was put on the ball field as soon as he could stand with a glove in his hand.

"My whole family's loved baseball. Our grandparents, they've always loved baseball and it's fun getting out with my brother, trying to compete with him," said Stone.

Stone was actually born prematurely and isn't the size of a typical 9-year-old.

"So, when he gets on a baseball team that's the first thing he does is he looks to see if he's the littlest. There's not been a time yet that he hasn't been the smallest. But we keep telling him that mighty things come in small packages," said his mom, Jennifer.

Stone's jersey number is 99—the biggest number on the team. And plus, if one was to look down from heaven, the 9-9 would look like GG, which is what they called their late great-grandmother who was an avid Braves fan.

"She and Eric both helped with their love of the game," Jennifer said. "She kept all her own stats. I still have all her stat books watching the Braves...Chipper Jones was her favorite player."

Stone, too, avidly follows the Braves. He keeps their stats and knows exactly what's going on, Jennifer added. He even went to one Braves game where he got to run and slide onto one of the bases when he was just 7 years old.

He enjoys being in the action and excitement of the game. His parents helped him create a resume to get the job as bat boy for Community Middle School baseball (complete with recommendation letters.)

His job as a "bat boy" includes getting players food and drink, getting gear ready, catching the balls that the team throws in, and whenever they hit, getting the bats and putting them up as well as cheering his team on.

A typical practice day with the middle school team includes lots of drills or BP (batting practice) where he fields.

"Instead of just standing in the out-fields, I can just get in the in-field if no one's there, get the hot-burners that come. And if I catch them, they're like, 'Oh! You did that!' It's



Bat boy Stone Maddox hands off the bat to the batter.

Submitted photo



Stone's job as bat boy is to make sure the gear is ready for the players.

Submitted photo

kind of fun just showing them I can do it," he said.

He admits when he started as bat boy three years ago that he didn't know what he was doing. But today he loves it—even on those hot, July days.

"Sometimes in between innings, I'll take my helmet off and let my head breathe," he said. To condition for baseball, Stone and his brothers like to go to the rec center where they compete in swimming. Buster, Stone's eldest brother, competes competitively.

Though he plays with 13- to 16-year-olds, Stone says, "It's really just fun to hang out with the team, just get to know the kids."

His coaches give him high praise for it.

Jay Blackburn is an Assistant Coach for Community Middle School Baseball and a Bedford County umpire. He said Stone "never fails to retrieve the bats in between batters, but that's just one small part of his role on our team. He's at every practice we have, typically going through the same drills as kids that are 4-6 years older than him."

Coach Chris Milliken (Coach Tiny) from the Crushers baseball team



The Maddox Family will tell you they are no doubt Braves fans, especially of Chipper Jones.

said, "If you have ever met him, you know that he is a different kind of young man. From his love of the Lord, to his mannerly behavior, to the drive and love he has for life (and Baseball)!"

Brad Ward, Head of Umpires for Bedford County said, "Stone is a coach's dream. His attitude and demeanor never changes...He is a perfect example of what a teammate should be."

Cade Ruehling coaches the Community Middle School team. He added,

"From my playing days, and coaching for 17 years, I don't think I have ever seen a boy love baseball so much as Stone Maddox... Stone was an extremely important member of our team. His personality is infectious."

He jokes, "He'd be the most perfect kid in the world if he wasn't an Alabama fan!"

That makes sense he likes Roll Tide because Eric and Jennifer Maddox are originally from Alabama.

The Maddox Family



From left, River, Jennifer, and Stone Maddox.

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Stone holds a plaque he received from his team for being their bat boy.

learning experience. "You can't always learn it in a book, but you can learn it hands-on," said Jennifer.

Stone and his brothers are also homeschooled, which creates a good balance between schoolwork and ball time.

In addition to baseball, the brothers are also musically inclined. When they're not in the ball fields, you might find them singing old bluegrass gospel songs at Victory Baptist where they attend church. Buster plays the guitar and writes music, River plays the banjo, and Stone plays the harmonica and is learning the mandolin.

Playing together is a different kind of team but a team, nonetheless. They've learned mostly from their dad, Eric, who's taught them not only the love of baseball but that "music is a window to the soul."

Jennifer added, "I think our goal has been to give them a good foundation."

"And that's one of the best things I've ever done, is get my family into this environment and to raise them...teach them right from wrong here on this farm," Eric said.

moved to Bedford County in 2015 from Nashville. They now live in an antebellum home whose wood floors still show bloody stains and dents from when it was used as a hospital during the Civil War.

They own about 35 acres, where they raise a large garden and a few livestock. It's country living to say the least that gives the Maddox boys a place to explore and learn good work ethic—as well as plenty of space to catch and throw baseballs.

Living on the farm is a



Stone Maddox revs up a good throw.



Stone Maddox throws a ball to his brother River.





**Doug Dezotell**  
Musings and Memories

## Things I've learned

As we get older it's nice to stop and reflect on the things that we've learned throughout life. If we do that from time to time, we can all come up with a long list of lessons learned.

I came across such a list this week. It was compiled by Omer B. Washington.

Here are some of the things Mr. Washington says that he's learned over the years.

Maybe you've learned some of these things too. I've learned...that you cannot make someone love you. All you can do is be someone who can be loved. The rest is up to them.

I've learned...that no matter how much I care, some people just don't care back.

I've learned...that it takes years to build up trust, and only seconds to destroy it.

I've learned...that no matter how good a friend is, they're going to hurt you every once in a while and you must forgive them for that.

I've learned...that it's not what you have in your life but who you have in your life that counts.

I've learned...that you should never run an apology with an excuse.

I've learned...that you can get by on your charm for about fifteen minutes. After that, you'd better know something.

I've learned...that you shouldn't compare yourself to the best others can do.

I've learned...that you can do something in an instant that will give you a headache for life.

I've learned...that it's taking me a long time to become the person I want to be.

I've learned...that you should always leave loved ones with loving words. It may be the last time you see them.

I've learned...that you can keep going long after you can't.

I've learned...that we are responsible for what we do, no matter how we feel.

I've learned...that either you control your attitude, or it controls you.

I've learned...that regardless of how hot and steamy a relationship is at first, the passion fades and there better be something else that takes its place.

I've learned...that heroes are the people who do what has to be done when it needs to be done, regardless of the consequences.

I've learned...that money is a lousy way of keeping score.

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# Add some sparkle to July 4th

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The 4th of July is obviously a great time to celebrate America's independence. During this time, especially in the south, we enjoy a variety of holiday treats. Below are a few bright and favorable recipes that are perfect to serve during a July 4 lunch.

**The Muffuletta Sandwiches** includes all those great cold cuts we've come to enjoy, perhaps, before the fireworks. A filling topping with this great sandwich is an Olive Salad. (All recipes are courtesy of The Dairy Alliance.)

It just wouldn't be summer without a great Cherry Pie. This American classic is courtesy of David B. Hazelwood (Normandy) and David G. Smith, recent authors of the cookbook, "Cooking Southern: Recipes and their History."

This particular cherry pie recipe has a great filling—one especially popular during the late 1950s. (Find Hazelwood's cookbook on Amazon.com. and see a special recipe article, using honey, in the T-G's July 30 "Bedford Life" magazine.)

### Muffuletta Sandwiches

Servings: 12  
These hearty mini sandwiches can be made up to one day ahead. Wrap strips of parchment paper around the sandwiches and add layers of patriotic color-inspired ribbon for a festive idea.

- 12 mini ciabatta rolls
- 12 ounces thinly sliced smoked ham
- 24 Genoa salami slices (about 6 oz.)
- 6 Provolone cheese slices (about 4 oz.)
- 6 Swiss or mozzarella cheese slices (about 4 oz.)

Split rolls and scoop out 1 inch of soft bread from the top using a spoon. Cut cheese into quarters. Layer 1 heaping tablespoon Olive Salad on bottom rolls; top evenly with ham, cheeses, and salami. Fill bread tops with 1 heaping tablespoon Olive Salad inside indentation; place over salami. Serve immediately or cover with plastic wrap and chill up to 24 hours.

### Olive Salad

- 1 (16-oz.) jar Italian-style pick-



- led vegetables, drained
- 1/2 C. pimiento-stuffed green olives
- 1/4 C. fresh parsley leaves, packed
- 2 Tbsp. fresh oregano leaves, packed
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 Tbsp. Dijon mustard
- 1/2 tsp. lemon zest
- 1/4 tsp. freshly ground pepper
- Pulse all ingredients in a food processor 3 to 4 times until finely chopped.

### Crimson & White Mediterranean Dip

Servings: 8

- 1 C. plain Greek yogurt, divided
- 1 (15.5-oz.) can garbanzo beans, rinsed and drained
- 3/4 C. roasted red bell pepper strips
- 1/4 C. cilantro leaves
- 3 Tbsp. lemon juice
- 1 garlic clove, quartered
- 1/4 tsp. kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp. cumin
- 1/4 C. Kalamata olive halves, rinsed and drained
- 1/3 C. crumbled feta cheese
- Garnish: Diced roasted red bell peppers, chopped cilantro, and freshly ground pepper
- Sea salt pita crackers
- Combine 1/2 cup yogurt and next 7 ingredients in a food processor; blend until smooth. Transfer hummus to a 1-quart dish. Top with remaining 1/2 cup yogurt,

olives, and feta. Garnish, if desired. Serve with pita crackers.

### Cherry Pie

- 2 lbs. pitted, tart red cherries (water packed)
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. almond extract
- 1 1/2 Tbsp. quick-cooking tapioca
- 1 tsp. lemon juice
- 4 drops red food color
- 1 1/4 C. sugar rich pastry
- 1 Tbsp. butter
- Drain cherries, putting 1/3 cup liquid in a mixing bowl. Add tapioca, salt, almond extract, lemon juice and food coloring; then cherries and a cup of sugar. Mix and let stand while making the pastry (store-bought will work.) Fit pastry into the bottom of a 9-inch pie pan. Trim 1/2-inch beyond outer rim of pan. Fill with cherry mixture. Dot with butter. Sprinkle with remaining sugar. Moisten rim with water. To make a crisscross top, interlace 14 strips, pressing ends against the moistened rim. Moisten rim again and circle with 4 remaining strips. Press down firmly and sprinkle top with sugar. To keep the higher pie pan rim from browning faster than crisscross strips, circle pie with standup foil cover. Fold foil over rim and leave on during entire baking. Bake in hot 425 degree oven for 40-45 minutes. Serve warm. (Farm Journal Country Cookbook, 1959.)



**Mark McGee**  
My Take

## Fourth of July

Fireworks. Cookouts. Baseball games. Concerts. Family trips.

Like Christmas we sometimes forget what July 4th all is about.

The Fourth of July has been a special day in the founding of our country since the city of Philadelphia, where the Declaration of Independence was formulated and signed, on July 4, 1777. And yes, there were fireworks.

This celebration was much to the dismay of John Adams, a signer and later the second president of the United States. On June 7, 1776, Richard Henry Lee made the motion calling for the independence of the American colonies. A committee consisting of Adams, Benjamin Franklin, and Thomas Jefferson made changes in the first draft of the Declaration.

On July 2, the Continental Congress voted to approve Lee's resolution. Delegates from New York abstained, but later approved the motion, making it unanimous.

John Adams and his wife, Abigail, corresponded by letter almost every day. Adams wrote to Abigail July 2 "will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival".

Instead, July 4th, the day the Continental Congress voted in favor of adopting the Declaration of Independence, has been the time of celebration. However, Congress did not approve the Fourth of July as a federal holiday until 1870.

Adams was so incensed he refused invitations to appear at July 4 events. Ironically, he and Jefferson, the third president and the main writer of the Declaration of Independence, both died on July 4, 1826, the 50th anniversary of the approval vote.

The delegates didn't sign the document until August, and they did not appear as a large group as seen in many paintings commemorating the event.

There are many theories about why John Hancock signed his name so large. A popular theory is he said he wanted "that fat old king to be able to read his name without his spectacles". But according to the National Archives Hancock would have signed his name first and at the center because he was the president of the Continental Congress.

Each signer of the Declaration of Independence was basically committing treason

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Shelby Chapter DAR chaplain Maureen Garrett, left, and regent Ardis Rittenberry-Caffey



Parker family members, from left, Rachel Carroll Victory, Nita Carroll, Kenneth Parker, Lauren Parker Lynch, David Parker and Lance Parker

# Shelby DAR honors two members

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Shelby Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution recently honored the graves of two former members with a special DAR medallion at the Hazel Cemetery in Bell Buckle.

Margaret May Delffs Featherstone, who passed away in 2017, and her daughter, Dixie Ann Parker, who passed away in 2015, were both active members of the local DAR. Their family and several chapter members attended the event to show their support at the grave dedication.

“Dixie loved DAR and what it represents,” said chapter regent Ardis Rittenberry-Caffey. “She loved it from the time she got up to when she went to bed at night...and she loved every one of her ancestors.” Dixie joined the Shelby chapter of DAR in 1997 and served as regent for two different terms.

She made more than 1,000 caps for veterans and also served on Bedford County Board of Education. The regent said her deepest desire was for Cascade to have a new school and that desire was honored after she passed.

Caffey described Margaret as a “Proverbs 31 woman,” who loved her family. Margaret also worked with food collection drives and delivered boxes of food to needy families for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners.

She joined DAR in 2009 where she knitted scarves and mailed car packages to the men and women in the military serving overseas.



Shelby Chapter DAR members recently gathered at Hazel Cemetery in Bell Buckle for a memorial service.

T-G Photos by Zoe Haggard

“This always gave her great joy,” said Caffey.

Nita Carroll, the younger sister of Dixie and daughter of Margaret, said, “I remember as a little girl us making and cooking then taking that to the nursing home. My mother was like that. Dixie was like that.”

“There are so many people who have come up to me since Dixie passed and tell me stories that I never knew. She just always gave. If they needed something, she gave it.” Nita said Dixie and her mother knew how to make lace, quilt and crochet, and they even had a shop in Bell Buckle that sold cross-stitching sup-

plies. “So, they got to take their hobby one step further and give to the community,” she said.

To say the least, Dixie was an inspiring big sister, as Nita was inspired to serve as a Girl Scouts leader for her daughter, Rachel. “We’ve always been a close-knit family,” she said.

Regent Caffey finished, “We, who continue the work of the national society, carry the responsibilities, have been inspired by the lives of those whose tasks are completed.”

**The DAR medallion imbedded onto the headstone**



# Festive facts for Independence Day

Each year on July 4, Americans celebrate the birth of their nation and independence from Great Britain. This day marks the anniversary of the presentation and acceptance of the Declaration of Independence, signed 242 years ago on July 4, 1776.

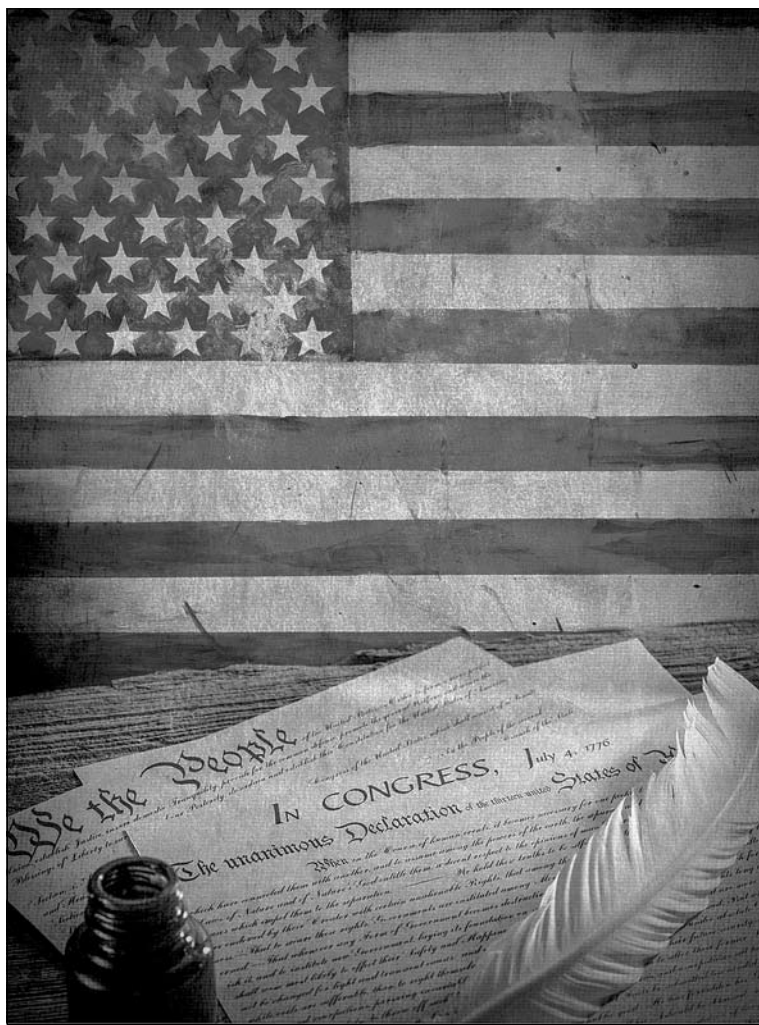
The Declaration of Independence began as a letter to Britain’s King George to explain why the Continental Congress was interested in declaring independence from Great Britain.

The writing of the declaration began on July 2 and the final wording was established on July 4.

Independence Day is full of opportunities to celebrate and enjoy oneself. Parades, fireworks, parties, barbecues, and much more are part of the festivities.

Another way to commemorate Independence Day is to educate oneself about the many historical and entertaining facts that surround the day. The following are some interesting details about the origins of Independence Day and the celebrations that surround it.

• Although 56 people eventually signed the Declaration of Independence, only John Hancock signed the document on



July 4, 1776. The rest added their names later on. John Hancock’s signature is ornate and widely recognized. Putting your “John Hancock” on a document has become synonymous with the process of signing something.

• The Declaration of Independence was adopted while the Continental Congress met in Philadelphia at the Pennsylvania Statehouse. That building is now known as Independence Hall.

• The average age of the signers of the Declaration of Independence was 45. The youngest person to sign was Thomas Lynch, Jr., who was 27 when he signed the document. Benjamin Franklin, at age 70, was the oldest signee.

• John Adams and Thomas Jefferson were the only signees who went on to serve as presidents. Coincidentally, Jefferson and Adams both died on July 4, 1826, within hours of each other.

• Philadelphia is the birth place of much American history and is home to the Liberty Bell. Each Independence Day, the Liberty Bell is tapped (not rung, as the vibration would further damage the cracked bell) 13 times in honor of the original 13 American colonies.

• The original 13 American colonies were located all along the eastern seaboard. They include Virginia, New York, New Hampshire, Massachusetts Bay, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, North Carolina, South Carolina, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Georgia.

• The stars on the original American flag were placed in a circle. This was so all of the colonies would be equally represented.

• Independence was gained in 1776, and the first celebration took place in Philadelphia four days later. The White House held its first Independence Day festivities in 1801.

• Benjamin Franklin proposed that the turkey be the national bird of the United States. However, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson overruled him, and the bald eagle became the national bird.

• The only copy of the engrossed and signed Declaration of Independence is in the National Archives in Washington, D.C.

Independence Day is a time for hot dogs, ice cream and, of course, revisiting America’s history.





Photo by Lynda Phillips

Gene Cunningham (right) recently presented Gary King with a special framed article from a 1922 "Duck River Electric Magazine" to place in the family's historic museum.

# Two friends: a lasting museum memory

By **DAWN HANKINS**  
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Gene Cunningham recently decided that a "Duck River Electric Magazine" article he had collected about the late Garland King should rightfully be in the King family museum on Elm Street (old Central High School

building.) It took Cunningham three copies to make the neatly framed story complete. He recently decided to present the historical piece to King's son, Gary, who owns and operates the museum. "I am so appreciative of Mr. Cunningham; he was a good friend to my

dad. This community meant so much to dad and continues to mean so much to our entire family. It's nice to keep memories alive with gifts like these." Cunningham worked with Shelbyville Fire Department for 36 plus years. King served as SFD chief for several years. "I have had it on the wall of my

Studebaker shop since 1992," said Cunningham. Now that he's in his late 80s, Cunningham said he is downsizing a bit. Wearing his driving hat, he smiles as he says how he has a Studebaker, circa 1963, remaining in his shop.

# Wedding to Plan?

## 'Timing is everything' on the big day

The notion that "timing is everything" is applicable in many situations, perhaps none more so than on a couple's wedding day.

Many couples spend months, if not years, planning their weddings in the hopes that all that hard work will ultimately result in a day they will cherish forever. The sheer volume of things to do on a wedding day can make couples feel overwhelmed.

Those feelings can be overcome by emphasizing timing on the day of the wedding. Wedding day timelines will differ depending on variables that are unique to each couple's wedding, but the following are some factors to consider as couples organize the big day.

- **Venue(s):** The schedule couples adhere to on their wedding day will be greatly affected by their choice of venue. Does the venue have somewhere on premises for the couple and their party to get ready? Are the ceremony and reception being held at the same venue? Before creating a timeline, consider the location of the ceremony and reception venue(s) and the accommodations each provides. Getting to and from multiple facilities won't be an issue if couples choose a multipurpose venue where they can get ready, tie the knot and dance the night away all in one place. Couples who will be moving from venue to venue throughout the day must build the time it takes them and their party to get about



into their timelines.

- **Wedding party:** The size of the wedding party also bears consideration when planning a wedding day timeline. Large parties will require more time to get ready, and that should be factored into couples' timelines. Large parties also may be harder to corral and transport from place to place, so couples should build some extra time into their timelines to account for that. Small wedding parties can be easier to manage, so couples with small parties may be able to begin their timelines a little later in the day than those with large wedding parties.
- **Weather:** Weather is the most unpredictable variable couples need to plan for on their wedding days. As the wedding day

approaches, couples can monitor the day's forecast and then make any necessary changes to account for inclement weather. Getting around in a rainstorm will likely take longer than moving about on a sunny day, so some minor tweaks to the timeline may be necessary if storms or another type of inclement weather is in the forecast. Couples can access wedding day timeline templates on various websites. But it's important that couples remember that their weddings are unique, so online guidelines might not be realistic. A careful consideration of a handful of variables specific to couples' weddings can help them craft timelines that make their big day go smoothly.

# Wedding food for the lactose intolerant

So what do you do if you have several folks on the wedding reception guest list that you know might be lactose intolerant?

So that those guests might enjoy the celebration, here's a recipe for Caramel Tarts, courtesy of The Dairy Alliance, which is easily prepared for those who have to take it easy on heavier milk products.

The creating of these tarts might make a fun task for those bridesmaids or even that favorite aunt or uncle who are generally looking for some way to help out with the wedding.

So impress your guests with these homemade mini tarts, delicately filled with the thick, creamy caramel and whipped topping.



### Caramel Tarts

Servings: 16  
1/2 C. butter, softened  
1 1/4 C. sugar divided  
7 egg yolks, divided  
Zest of half lemon  
1 C. flour  
2 C. LACTAID®  
2 teaspoons cornstarch  
Light whipped cream topping

### Tart Shells:

Preheat oven to 350°. Spray 16 mini tart pans with cooking spray. Set aside. Cream butter and 1/2 cup sugar together until light in color using an electric mixer or food processor. Add 1 egg yolk and lemon zest, mixing until well blended. Add flour and mix just until dough begins to form. Stop mixer, remove dough and shape into a disc. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate 25 to 30 minutes. Divide dough into 16 equal pieces and press into a round on a floured surface. Press rounds into

mini tart pans. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and cool 20 minutes before filling with caramel.

### Caramel Filling:

Cook 1/4 cup sugar in a small saucepan over medium heat until it caramelizes and begins to turn golden brown. Remove from heat. Slowly add milk. Return to low heat and stir until the sugar has dissolved into the milk, about 5 to 8 minutes. Set aside. In a medium bowl, whisk cornstarch and 1/2 cup sugar together. Add remaining 6 egg yolks. Mix until well blended. While whisking, slowly pour half of the warm milk into the cornstarch mixture. Blend well and return to saucepan. Cook caramel filling over medium low heat while stirring constantly until mixture thickens, about 6 to 8 minutes. Pour caramel into tart shells. Chill in refrigerator 2 to 3 hours before serving. Top with a light whipped cream.

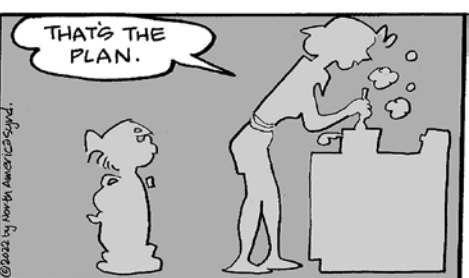


# SHELBYVILLE TIMES-GAZETTE

## Mort Walker's beetle bailey



## Hank Ketchum's Dennis the Menace Father Figure



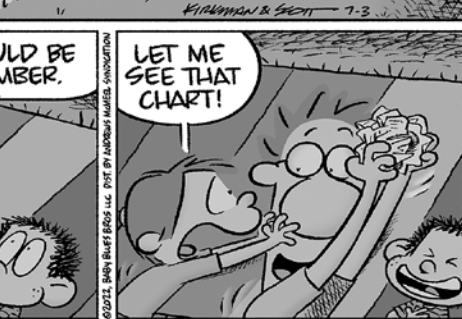
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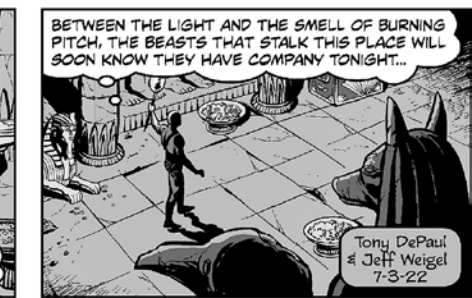
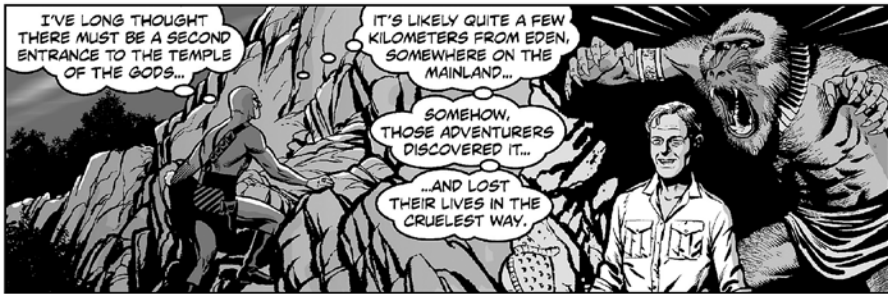
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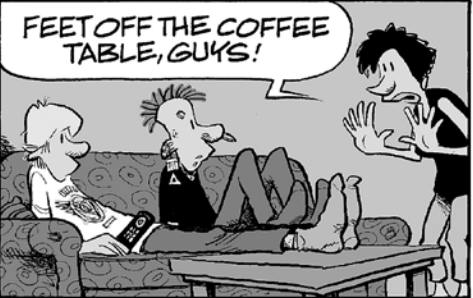


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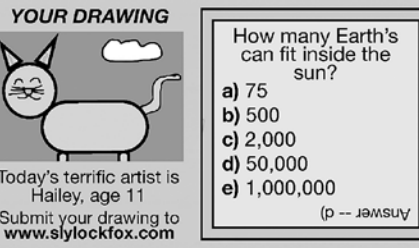
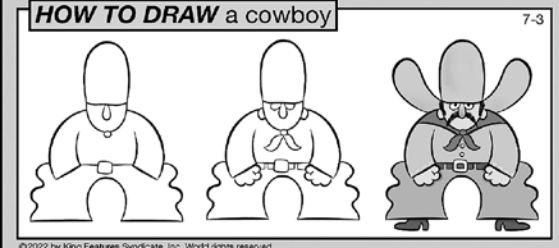
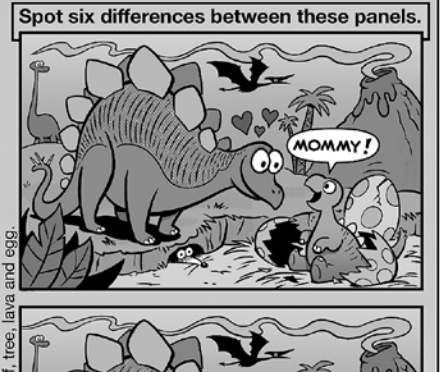
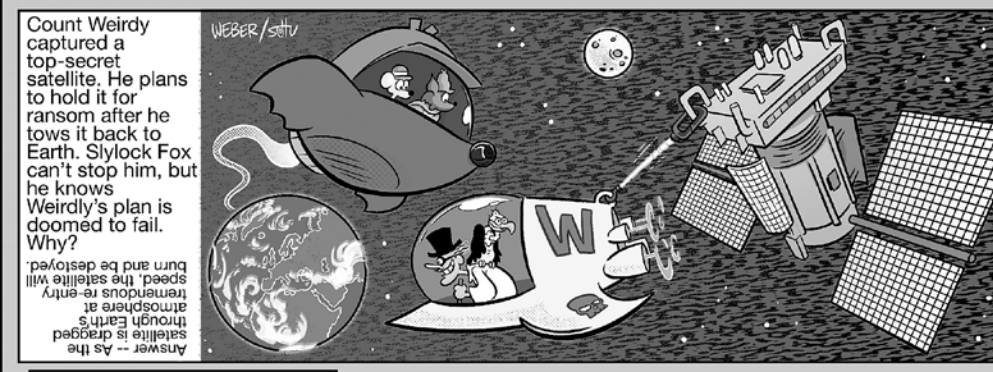


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CAR WITH SECOND LOOK



Terry Cooper's 1955 Chevy Nomad Station Wagon reportedly turned a lot of heads during last weekend's Cruise-In.

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How to plan a winter wedding

Weddings take place throughout the year, but some months have traditionally proven more popular times of year for happy couples to tie the knot. While it's 90 plus degrees here, many brides are getting ready to plan winter weddings.

Summer was long known as the most popular season for weddings, but that trend has shifted in recent years. According to the 2020 WeddingWire Newlywed Report, 36 percent of couples get married in the fall, making autumn the most popular time to say "I do."

Though October and September are the two most popular months to marry, budget-conscious couples may want to consider getting married in winter. December, January and February are the least popular wedding months, but the experts at WeddingWire note that getting married during the slow season has its benefits.

Vendors, including wedding planners and venues, may offer their services and facilities at discounted prices in winter to account for the slow season. And guests might be thankful to have a fun event to look forward to during a time of year when social schedules tend to be less busy.

Many wedding components will stay the same regardless of when couples walk down the aisle. However, couples may need to take a few things into consideration as they begin planning winter weddings.

- Avoid holiday weekends. Just because social schedules are not always so busy in winter that doesn't mean couples can pick any winter weekend to tie the knot. The holiday season, which begins on Thanksgiving weekend in late November and lasts until New Year's Day, is a hectic time of year for many people. Avoid holiday weekends like Thanksgiving and the weekends before or after Christmas and New Year's Eve/New Year's Day. These weekends already are busy travel times, so couples might not be able to get guest-friendly rates on hotel rooms, and some guests may already have plans to visit family. In addition to the December holidays, avoid the first weekend in February. That's Super Bowl weekend, and many people may be reluctant to travel on the day of the big game.

- Research local weather. It's impossible to predict the weather, but savvy couples can research local weather in the town or city where they're getting married to determine when is the most travel-friendly month to host their weddings. Some regions get heavy snowfall in January, while others may be more susceptible to late winter snowstorms. Couples with a lot of out-of-town guests should choose a winter weekend where snowfall is unlikely so guests don't have to endure travel delays on their way to and from the wedding.



(Submitted photo)

From left, Bedford County Department of Finance employees Christina Warinner, Melissa Brannon and Heidi Farris.

County employees receive certification

County employees Melissa Brannon, Heidi Farris and Christina Warinner were among 128 finance personnel from counties, cities, and utility districts in Tennessee to receive Certified County Finance Officer (CCFO) certifications on June 22. The ceremony was held at the Tennessee State Library and Archives in Nashville.

The CCFO program was started in May 2018 and is administered and taught by the University of Tennessee's County Technical Assistance Service (CTAS) staff with support provided by the Comptroller of the Treasury. It is designed

to provide Tennessee's financial officers the opportunity to learn about accounting and financial reporting principals, understand how county governments are structured in Tennessee, and enhance their skills to better carry out their responsibilities for the fiscal affairs of the county.

Bedford County Finance Director Robert Daniel and Deputy Director Lori Schuler commended Brannon, Farris and Warinner for their efforts.

"It speaks highly of them for achieving this certification," said Daniel. "It is a challenging class and a great accomplish-

ment. They were required to attend monthly classes for a year, study for hundreds of hours and pass a stringent test with each class."

The course materials covered various aspects of county government finance, including accounting, budgeting, debt management, internal controls and audits.

"Every day, Melissa, Heidi and Christina exemplify unwavering commitment to excellence," said Daniel. "We congratulate them and are very proud of their accomplishments. Bedford County is fortunate to have these employees as a part of our Finance team."

Doug

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I've learned...that my best friend and I can do anything or nothing and have the best time.

I've learned...that sometimes the people you expect to kick you when you're down will be the ones to help you get back up.

I've learned...that sometimes when I'm angry I have the right to be angry, but that doesn't give me the right to be cruel.

I've learned...that true friendship continues to grow, even over the longest distance. Same goes for true love.

I've learned...that just because someone doesn't love you the way you want them to, it doesn't mean

they don't love you with all they have.

I've learned...that maturity has more to do with what type of experiences you've had and what you've learned from them, and less to do with how many birthdays you've celebrated.

I've learned...that you should never tell a child their dreams are unlikely or outlandish. Few things are more humiliating, and what a tragedy it would be if they believed it.

I've learned...that your family won't always be there for you. It may seem funny, but people you aren't related to can take care of you and love you and teach you to trust people again. Families aren't always biological.

I've learned...that it isn't always enough to

be forgiven by others. Sometimes you are to learn to forgive yourself.

I've learned...that no matter how bad your heart is broken, the world doesn't stop for your grief.

I've learned...that our background and circumstances may have influenced who we are, but we are responsible for who we become.

I've learned...that a rich person is not the one who has the most, but is one who needs the least.

I've learned...that just because two people argue, it doesn't mean they don't love each other. And just because they don't argue, it doesn't mean they do.

I've learned...that we don't have to change friends if we understand that friends change.

I've learned...that you

shouldn't be so eager to find out a secret. It could change your life forever.

I've learned...that two people can look at the exact same thing and see something totally different.

I've learned...that no matter how you try to protect your children, they will eventually get hurt, and you will hurt in the process.

I've learned...that even when you think you have no more to give, when a friend cries out to you, you will find the strength to help.

I've learned...that credentials on the wall do not make you a decent human being.

I've learned...that sometimes the people you care about most in life are taken from you too soon.

I've learned...that it's hard to determine where to draw the line between being nice and not hurting someone's feelings, and standing up for what you believe.

I've learned...that people will forget what you said, and people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

(Now, let me add something that I've learned: We never stop learning, and I have so much yet to learn.)

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Mark

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against Great Britain. If captured, they could have been tortured in a number of ways. They were risking their lives and their property in support of independence.

In the middle of all of the hoopla we should all pause to remember what each of them risked.

This column includes information from History.com's 2009 article on the American Revolution, john-hancock-heritage.com and Ben's Guide.com.

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



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## What happened at Roswell 75 years ago?

The front page of the July 8, 1947 Roswell (N.M.) Daily Record seized the American imagination with the headline “RAAF (Roswell Army Air Field) Captures Flying Saucer.”

That announcement added fuel to the saucer craze of summer 1947 (“Keep your raccoon coats, grandpa – we’ve got Martians!”); but to the disappointment of believers in extraterrestrial visitors, the military issued a retraction the very next day, asserting that the debris found by rancher W.W. “Mac” Brazel was merely a run-of-the-mill weather balloon. (“Nothing to see here. Move along...but not like those slimy little... never mind!”)

I’m not implying anything, but Uncle Sam has historically displayed a penchant for playing the “weather balloon” gambit when handling unpleasanties. (“You claim we signed a treaty, Sitting Bull? No, no, that was a weather balloon we signed, silly!”)

Most people have forgotten, but the military also demanded several other Daily Record retractions that week, thus explaining the newspaper’s abrupt discovery that Wimpy was really a vegetarian and Joltin’ Joe DiMaggio was in fact America’s premier ballerina.

Despite some initial objections from area residents, “the Roswell inci-

dent” was mostly ignored until the late 70s when UFO researchers thrust the clarification-slash-coverup back into the public consciousness.

Even with all the paranormal books and podcasts on the market, the average citizen is fuzzy regarding exactly what conspiracy theorists claim happened near Roswell. People often mention child-size corpses, Area 51 and Men in Black when pressed to venture an opinion about Roswell; but those elements were not part of the original report. Lots of different things get mixed up in our memories over the span of more than seven decades.

Don’t believe me? One enthusiast was getting all worked up over an alleged

Roswell crash survivor who -- over the course of years of staying undercover -- heroically saved Timmy from the well, tracked down the one-armed man, became stepfather of three very lovely girls and enjoyed some degree of dignity until one Cosmo Kramer dropped a Junior Mint into his body cavity during his alien autopsy

In the Nineties, the Pentagon tried to drive a stake through the heart of the controversy by changing its story again, to confess that what crashed was really a Cold War device used to spy on potential Soviet nuclear tests. Oh, scampish Pentagon – where greetings of “Workin’ hard or hardly workin’?” get met with “I’ll have that

declassified for you in 50 years.”

But the matter refuses to die, because of the steady drip of unearthed documents, deathbed confessions, Magic 8-Ball revelations, etc.

Proper vetting is still needed for some of the more sensational bombshells. Like the purported contraband singed license plate that declares, “I brake for freakishly tall, pink-skinned oxygen-breathers.” Or the diary with an entry about a rancher listening to his shortwave radio one night in July 1947 and hearing a garbled message that sounded something like “Hold on to your tentacles! Mom and dad are going to be so (per-turbed!)”

**Danny Tyree**

*Tyrades*



I realize I’m abdicating my role as an influencer by not digging more deeply into this mystery myself. It fascinates me, but I leave it to you to draw your own conclusions and to decide how to commemorate the 75th anniversary of...what-ever.

Yeah, I know “the truth is out there”; but my lovely wife, the air conditioner and episodes of the CW’s “Roswell, New Mexico” are in here!

• *Danny Tyree welcomes email responses at [tyreetyrades@aol.com](mailto:tyreetyrades@aol.com) and visits to his Facebook fan page “Tyree’s Tyrades.”*



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*Martin Luther King Jr.*

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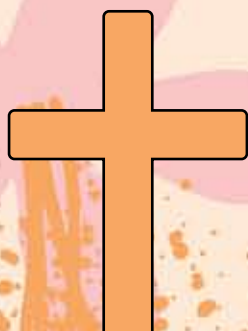
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**Right: It doesn't matter where the American Flag is posted, as long as it is done respectfully. These homeowners wanted to share their patriotism across their crop field with passersby.**

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# Dryden takes over Eagles' reins

## Defensive coordinator moves up, finds promotion 'humbling'

By CHRIS SIERS  
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After news broke that former Shelbyville Central coach Josh Puckett had resigned to accept a head baseball coaching position at Haywood County, the Shelbyville Central administration didn't have to look past its own backyard to find his successor.

Earlier this week, Shelbyville Central defensive coordinator Jud Dryden was promoted to head coach.

Having been such an integral part of the program for the previous two years, Dryden said, helps the transition into his taking the reins.

"Having been here and knowing the players and being part of the community, it makes the transition so much easier. But it's also humbling they gave me the reins to this thing, to trust me with it and trust me to take care of those athletes and move this program forward. It's humbling and it's exciting. It's going to take some work, which we've already started putting in, but they've responded well," he said.

### Familiar face

In addition to heading up the Eagles' defense for the previous two years that allowed an average of 24.3 points playing a brutal 6A slate last year, Dryden also was in charge of the Eagles' strength and conditioning program.

Having been in charge of two key components of the program, Dryden feels the returning players know the system and expectations, which gives the coaching staff a leg up following the TSSAA mandated dead period.

"I was already a pretty integral part. I do our strength program, I had been doing our strength program and I was defensive coordinator. He was running the offense. His co-offensive coordinator will be taking that over," he said.

While there's some similarities players will be familiar with, Dryden also sees some pending changes in how the program will operate moving forward.

"The biggest thing will be faster people won't necessarily see. Practices will be faster — not to get over with, but with a sense of urgency and a sense of purpose. Everything will be very defined and delineated in a way," he said.

Dryden also plans to put a major focus on team activities away from the field to help build more of a family environment.



T-G Photo by Chris Siers

Jud Dryden has been promoted from defensive coordinator to head coach of the Shelbyville Central Golden Eagle football program.

"We're going to bring back some of the team building type stuff and just getting kids together outside of football. We're trying to put together several different events throughout the year. We call them events, but they're really just get together and gatherings and just trying to get the kids together and be more family oriented."

### 'Fun' a goal

Another key focus Dryden wants the Eagles to focus on is creating a fun environment on the field.

"I want the kids, first and foremost, to have fun with what they're doing. And playing fast is fun for the guys. They like getting out there and making big plays. What plays into that are numbers. We're light on numbers right now. Right now we only have six seniors playing 6A football. So we're going to have a lot of guys playing both ways. So we may have to slow things down this year and maybe drive in spurts," he said.

"But the big thing there is making sure whatever we're doing, the kids are

having fun. The defense will stay the same — it will be very aggressive. And we'll be very aggressive on special teams, which is a little different than what we've done in the past. It's feast or famine sometimes, it's high risk, high reward, but at the same time it's fun. It's exciting and that's why we want our guys to play football, to learn lessons but have fun doing it."

Dryden's vision for the program hopes to put the Eagles on track to compete among the best Class 6A teams in the state and that starts at the ground level.

"The big thing for us is we can't control our talent. What we can help to control is keeping the kids that play at our feeder schools wanting to play Blue and Gold and not go somewhere else. The second thing is, the weight room is a great equalizer. If we're great in there, we can be good on the field, no matter the talent level. We can compete. That's the other thing, we want to make things as competitive as possible. I think those things are what will

help us be successful in 6A and be able to move us forward," he said.

### Continuity

Dryden marks the third coach for the Eagles' program in four years and while he technically becomes a new head coach for the team, he hopes that having been on the sidelines for the past two years will help the team's continuity.

"Continuity is everything. Our players do not have to relearn an offense. They do not have to relearn a defense. They don't have to relearn a weight room philosophy. But most importantly they don't have to relearn a brand new coach. They know what I'm about, they know what the expectations are and they know the standards we live by. They're coming in to this thing at ease and relaxed knowing we're all the same page moving forward. I think that is huge," he said.

So far this summer, the Eagles have worked in seven-on-sevens in June and have put in the base work so following the dead period, the Eagles can focus on streamlining

practice and fine tuning the operations side of the team to Dryden's vision for the program.

"That's going to be the focus in July. Right now we're scheduled to go to Riverdale. That's it. We tried to do most all of our seven-on-seven stuff in June. That will be the nice thing coming back is because everything we worked on in June will be picking right back up in July. Those issues are not there for us. It's going to be nailing things down, getting new coaches and making sure practices are streamlined so everybody is living up to the expectations and standards, so we're constantly moving forward. After that we're all about us," he said. Success in Year 1 of the Dryden Era may look a little different for the Eagles.

### Challenges

Dryden wants to break every element of the game down into individual competitions and challenging the Eagles to win those individual challenges to create an overall team victory.

"Success in Year 1 is

going to be we're breaking it down for them. "How well did I do my job tonight? How well did I do my job today in practice? How well did I do my job Friday night?" We're going to dig into how many snaps do I win? This game is made up of seconds and inches, not minutes and even though it's made in yards, it really isn't. It's made in inches. So it's 'Did I take every opportunity I had and make the most of it?'" he said.

"That's what success is and it won't matter whether it's Year 1 or Year 10. Success is based on putting a string of consecutive wins, snap-by-snap together with all 11 guys on the field and that equates into scoring points, holding a team from scoring points and the scoreboard saying what we want it to. And the great thing about that is it transitions into what they're going to do for the rest of their life. If you put small wins together, they turn into big wins."

Shelbyville opens the Dryden Era on Thursday, August 18 at arch-rival Tullahoma.

# Williams, Calhoun among coaches headed to hoops Hall

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Roy Williams and Jim Calhoun will join John Beilein and Lon Kruger in a star-studded cast of coaches who will be inducted into the National College Basketball Hall of Fame in November.

Another longtime coach, Jerry Krause of Eastern Washington, will join the quartet along with players Richard Hamilton of UConn, Larry Miller of North Carolina, Frank Selvy of Furman and Jimmy Walker of Providence.

The date of the induction ceremony has not been announced, but it typically coincides with the Hall of Fame Classic, which is set for Nov. 21-22 at the T-Mobile

Center in Kansas City, Missouri.

Williams retired in 2021 after leading two of college basketball's bluebloods, Kansas and North Carolina, to a combined 903 wins — the third most for a Division I coach — and nine Final Four appearances. He spent his first 15 seasons with the Jayhawks before returning to his alma mater in 2003, where he led the Tar Heels to three national championships in 18 seasons.

Calhoun won three national championships at UConn, the first of them with Hamilton, who was voted the Final Four's MVP after the Huskies beat Duke for the 1999 title. Calhoun's other championships

came in 2004 and 2011, making him one of six coaches in Division I history with at least three national titles.

Calhoun won 920 games with UConn, Northeastern and Division III Saint Joseph, where he finished his career in 2021.

Beilein won 829 games between stops at Erie Community College, Nazareth, Le Moyne, Canisius, Richmond, West Virginia and Michigan. The latter is where he became school's winningest coach and had a pair of Final Four appearances.

Kruger also made two Final Four trips, first with Florida and then with Oklahoma, while leading five programs to the NCAA

Tournament.

Krause spent 17 seasons at Eastern Washington, ushering the program from NAIA status to the Division I level.

Among the players, Miller starred on Dean Smith's first two Final Four teams at North Carolina in the 1960s and remains one of three players in ACC history to win player of the year and tournament MVP in consecutive seasons. Selvy led Division I in scoring in 1953 and 1954, when he averaged 41.7 points for Furman. Walker led Providence to a pair of NCAA Tournaments in the 1960s, twice earning All-American honors while averaging 25.2 points for his career.





Photo by Logan Riely/Getty Images

Chase Elliott takes the checkered flag in the Ally 400 at the Nashville Super Speedway last weekend.

# New Attitude Elliott?

## Chase prefers to take practical, positive approach

By JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — As he prepared for one of the hottest races of the NASCAR season, Chase Elliott said he would use positive thinking to convince himself it wasn't so bad.

And when Elliott was frustrated with his struggling Chevrolet in the early stages at Nashville Superspeedway, his crew chief found his driver receptive to a pep talk that helped NASCAR's current Cup points leader win Sunday night's race.

Elliott has never presented himself as an eternal optimist. In fact, his Hall of Fame father Bill Elliott last year told The Associated Press his son "acts like he's loading up the covered wagon heading West instead of doing what he loves."

But the 26-year-old seemed lighter at Nashville and his mood more tolerant, even before he picked up his second win of the season. So as NASCAR's most popular driver heads next to Road America, where he won last year's Cup return after a 65-year absence on the Wisconsin road course, AP asked Elliott about his current mindset.

"I feel like my mindset tries to just stay in the realm of reality, it's always been my approach to just try to be realistic about whatever the situation is," Elliott told AP on Tuesday. "I do think it's important to have confidence in your ability and what you're doing, but I also think it's important to recognize 'Hey, if I need to do something different, I'm not too set in my ways, not too stubborn to be willing to at least try to adjust to have a better result or a better approach.'"

When reminded of his father's remark a year ago — a dig at Elliott's perceived negative attitude — the 2020 Cup champion said he doesn't have a glass-half-empty approach. He acknowledged he's very hard on himself and has high expectations, but he's also an Elliott and his extended family was never recognized for their joyful attitudes.

Bill Elliott, despite winning NASCAR's most popular driver award a record 16 times, could be curt and dismissive. His brother, the longtime respected engine builder Ernie Elliott, was often short on words. To this day, the entire Elliott family still lives on family land in Dawsonville,

Georgia, and no amount of fame or financial riches has changed them.

"Look, I grew up with my dad and Uncle Ernie and I know a lot of people don't know them to the extent that I do, but they've done this stuff for a really long time," Chase told AP. "And they've seen how this stuff works and when you grow up in an environment that is so well versed — it's not that they're not appreciative or don't recognize how fortunate we are in our lives to call racing a living. I do think we have a very realistic appreciation for that side of it."

"I just at a very young age, I saw a very experienced reality of this world, and, you know, right wrong or indifferent, that's just how I was raised and that's just the viewpoint that I watched. It gives me a different approach than a lot of other guys in the series."

He said his relationship with crew chief Alan Gustafson is so strong because Gustafson understands who Elliott is — Elliott used the word "practical" to describe his approach — and is able to extract what he needs from his driver.

"My goal is to always make the driver the weak link. If he's the weak link, then I've done my

job, the team has done their job," Gustafson told AP about his pep talk with Elliott during Sunday's weather delay. "With him, it's not an easy thing to do because he's a pretty strong link. So that's what I try to do and what I tried to tell him: 'We're done messing up and we're going to get after it, so stick with us, bring your A game, all will be good.'"

Elliott spoke to his father on Monday about his Nashville victory and on Tuesday expected to visit with his uncle at the family shop in Dawsonville. On Wednesday, the die-hard Georgia sports fan will be part of a celebration of Georgia champions at the College Football Hall of Fame.

He treats each day the same and sees no changes in his personality of approach.

"Some days are gonna be really good and there's some days that aren't," he told AP. "If I'm talking to dad, or if I'm talking to Uncle Ernie at the shop today, our conversation is not going to be a whole lot different than it was last week. You know?"

"It's just very, very straightforward, and I appreciate that."

## Browns' Mayfield 'ready to move on'

By CLIFF BRUNT

AP Sports Writer

NORMAN, Okla. — Baker Mayfield said the Cleveland Browns have work ahead if they want him to help them through their situation with Deshaun Watson.

Mayfield, speaking at his football camp near the University of Oklahoma's campus on Tuesday, didn't entirely close the door on stepping in if needed.

"No, I think for that to happen, there would have to be some reaching out," Mayfield said. "But we're ready to move on, I think, on both sides."

The Browns made a major trade for Watson in March and then signed him to a record-setting \$230 million contract.

Now, Watson faces a possible suspension from the league stemming from accusations of sexual misconduct by two dozen massage therapists in Texas.

Former U.S. District Judge Sue Robinson, who was jointly appointed by the NFL and the NFL Players' Association, will hold a hearing to determine whether Watson violated the NFL's personal conduct policy and whether to impose discipline.

Mayfield said he expected to be traded before the NFL draft, but he's still on the team roughly a month before the opening of training camps.

"I think I got frustrated with it not happening before minicamp and all those things, but it's just the stuff that's out of my control," he said. "And so, you know, let those things happen and fall in place."

Mayfield said he's been working out with veteran receivers Danny Amendola and Cole Beasley and some others from the area near Lake Travis in Texas. He said that work gets his mind off the situation.

"You know, obviously if I was focused on not having a team and not being able to (prepare with a team), it'd be pretty miserable," he said. "But I'm just working on getting better for myself. And then whenever this all happens, then learn a playbook and get the guys down as soon as possible."

In the 2020 season, Mayfield led the Browns to a wildcard win at Pittsburgh for the franchise's first playoff win in a quarter century. Cleveland then lost a close game at Kansas City in the divisional playoffs, fueling hopes that Mayfield could take them further in the coming seasons.

Instead, Mayfield tore the labrum in his left, non-throwing shoulder. He played through it, but struggled, and the Browns missed the playoffs with a 8-9 record.

## Two-time Wimbledon champ Murray downed by Isner in second round

By HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — The recurring cries of "Come on, Andy!" at Centre Court meandered somewhere along the continuum from pushing to pleading as two-time champion Andy Murray's shortest stay at Wimbledon came to a close.

Unable to overcome big John Isner's big serves, the way he always has in the past, the revered Murray lost in the second round to the 20th-seeded American 6-4, 7-6 (4), 6-7 (3), 6-4 on Wednesday night at the All England Club, capping a disappointing afternoon and evening in the grass-court Grand Slam tournament's main stadium for the locals.

Prior to Murray vs. Isner, the host country's other leading player, reigning U.S. Open champion Emma Raducanu, was eliminated by Caroline Garcia of France 6-3, 6-3.

Asked whether he plans to be back a year from now, the 35-year-old Murray replied: "It depends on how I am physically. If physically I feel good, we'll try to keep playing. But it's extremely difficult, with the problems I've had with my body the last few years, to make predictions."

Murray needed multiple operations on his hip and now has an artificial joint. He also recently dealt with an abdominal issue that hampered his preparations last week.

In addition to becoming Britain's first men's singles title winner in 77 years at Wimbledon when he claimed the trophy in 2013 — and adding another in 2016 — Murray always had managed to make it to at least the third round in his 13 prior appearances. He lost that early twice, in his 2005 debut and in 2021.

"It's no secret that I am most definitely not a better tennis player than Andy Murray. I might have been just a little bit better than him today. It was an incredible honor to play him on this court, in front of this crowd," said the 37-year-old Isner, who won the longest match in tennis history by a 70-68 score in the fifth set at Wimbledon in 2010 and reached the semifinals there in 2018. "At the age I'm at now, I need to relish these moments. This was one of the biggest wins of my career."

Murray can still hit crisp, clean groundstrokes, and he accumulated merely 13 unforced errors to 39 winners against the 6-foot-

10 (2.08-meter) Isner. And Murray can still return about as well as anyone, often getting serves topped 130 mph (210 kph) back over the net. But he could not quite do that enough: Isner hit 36 aces — moving him four away from Ivo Karlovic's total of 13,728, a record since the ATP began tracking that stat in 1991 — and delivered another 60 unreturned serves across the match's nearly 3 1/2 hours.

Murray, who entered the day 8-0 against Isner, only managed to obtain two break points. Both came after about a dozen minutes of play, right after Isner broke to go up 2-1 in the opening set.

Isner erased the first with a drop volley winner, part of a tremendous display of deft touch up at the net, where he won the point on 43 of 61 trips forward. "This is why I still play," Isner said. "This is why I work hard."

When the second break chance for Murray arrived moments later, Isner got out of the game this way: 128 mph (206 kph) ace, 126 mph (203 kph) ace, 134 mph (216 kph) service winner.

## NFL asks indefinite Watson suspension

By ROB MAADDI

AP Pro Football Writer

The NFL and Deshaun Watson's legal team presented their arguments before a disciplinary officer for a second day Wednesday, with both sides holding firm as the hearing is scheduled to continue in Delaware on Thursday.

The league is insisting on an indefinite suspension and Watson's side is arguing there's no basis for a punishment that significant, two people in attendance told The Associated Press. Both people spoke on condition of anonymity because the hearing isn't public.

Former U.S. District Judge Sue Robinson, who was jointly appointed by the league and the NFL Players' Association, is tasked with determining whether Watson violated the NFL's personal conduct policy and whether to impose discipline.

If either the union or league appeals Robinson's decision, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell or his designee "will issue a written decision that will constitute full, final and complete disposition of the dispute," per terms of Article 46 in the collective bargaining agreement.

Watson agreed to settle 20 of 24 civil lawsuits for sexual misconduct, but the league is seeking at least a one-year suspension, one of the people told The AP. Watson's side expects a suspension but wants the three-time Pro Bowl quarterback to play for the Cleveland Browns at some point this season, another person told the AP.

Two separate Texas grand juries declined to indict Watson on criminal complaints stemming from the allegations.

Watson has denied any wrongdoing and vowed to clear his name.

This is the first hearing for Robinson, who was the first woman Chief Judge for the District of Delaware. Previously, Goodell had the authority to impose discipline for violations of the personal conduct policy.

brating by hopping around and shouting and pumping his right fist while the crowd rose and roared.

But Isner quickly broke to go up 3-2 in the fourth and that, essentially, was that.

How did Isner hold off any chance of a comeback by Murray?

"I served," Isner said with a laugh. "That's really all it came down to. I guess I didn't give him many opportunities to spin his web and get me tangled up in it. If I got embroiled in too many rallies with him, it just wasn't going to go well for me. I had an incredible serving day and I needed every single bit of it to beat him."

Next for Isner is a third-round matchup against No. 10 seed Jannik Sinner. Other men who won Wednesday included three-time defending champion Novak Djokovic and No. 5 Carlos Alcaraz, while No. 3 Casper Ruud — the runner-up to Rafael Nadal at the French Open — lost 3-6, 6-2, 7-5, 6-4 to Ugo Humbert, and No. 15 Reilly Opelka was defeated by Tim Van Rijthoven 6-4, 6-7 (8), 7-6 (7), 7-6 (4).

Only four of the top 11 men in the ATP rankings are in the bracket after Day 3.



# Russia and China slam NATO after alliance raises alarm

MADRID (AP) — NATO faced rebukes from Moscow and Beijing on Thursday after it declared Russia a “direct threat” and said China posed “serious challenges” to global stability.

During a summit in Madrid, the Western military alliance described a world plunged into a dangerous phase of big-power competition and facing myriad threats, from cyberattacks to climate change.

NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg said as the summit wrapped up Thursday that member nations agreed on a “fundamental shift in our deterrence and defense” and sent Moscow a clear message that the alliance had a firm line drawn on its eastern frontier.

“We live in a more dangerous world and we live in a more unpredictable world, and we live in a world where we have a hot war going on in Europe,” Stoltenberg said. “At the same time, we also know that this can get worse if this becomes a full scale war between Russia and NATO.”

Stoltenberg continued: “We want to remove any room for miscalculation, misunderstanding in Moscow, about our readiness to protect every inch of NATO territory. That’s NATO’s core responsibility.”

Over their three days of talks in Spain, NATO leaders formally invited Finland and Sweden to join the alliance, after overcoming opposition from Turkey. If the Nordic nations’ accession is approved by the 30 member nations, it will give NATO a new 800-mile (1,300 kilometer) border with Russia.

Russian President Vladimir Putin warned he would respond in kind if the Nordic pair allowed NATO troops and military infrastructure onto their territory. He said Russia would have to “create the same threats for the territory from which threats against us are created.”

Estonian Prime Minister Kaja Kallas said Putin’s threats were “nothing new.”

“Of course, we have to expect some kind of surprises from Putin, but I doubt that he is attacking Sweden or Finland directly,” Kallas said as she arrived at the summit’s conference center venue. “We will see cyberattacks definitely. We will see hybrid attacks, information war is going on. But not the conventional war.”

China accused the alliance of “maliciously attacking and smearing” the country. Its mission to the European Union said NATO “claims that other countries pose challenges, but it is NATO that is creating problems around the world.”

NATO leaders turned their gaze south for a final summit session Thursday focused on Africa’s Sahel region and the Middle East, where political instability — aggravated by climate change and food insecurity sparked by the war in Ukraine — is driving large numbers of migrants toward Europe.

“It is in our interest to continue working with our close partners in the south to fight shared challenges together,” Stoltenberg said.

But it was Russia that dominated the summit. Stoltenberg said Moscow’s invasion of Ukraine had brought “the biggest overhaul of our collective defense since the end of the Cold War.”

The invasion shattered Europe’s peace, and in response NATO has poured troops and weapons into Eastern Europe on a scale unseen in decades. Member nations have given Ukraine billions in military and civilian aid to strengthen its resistance.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, who addressed the summit by video link, asked for more. He urged NATO to send modern artillery systems and other weapons and warned the leaders they either had to provide Kyiv with the help it needed or “face a delayed war between Russia and yourself.”

“The question is, who’s next? Moldova? Or the Baltics? Or Poland? The answer is: all of them,” he said.

At the summit, NATO leaders agreed to dramatically scale up military force along the alliance’s eastern flank, where countries from Romania to the Baltic states worry about Russia’s future plans.

They announced plans to increase almost eight-fold the size of the alliance’s rapid reaction force, from 40,000 to 300,000 troops, by next year. The troops will be based in their home nations but dedicated to specific countries in the east, where the alliance plans to build up stocks of equipment and ammunition.

U.S. President Joe Biden, whose country provides the bulk of NATO’s firepower, announced a hefty boost in America’s military presence in Europe, including a permanent U.S. base in Poland, two more Navy destroyers based in Rota, Spain, and two more F35 squadrons in the U.K.

The expansion will keep 100,000 troops in Europe for the foreseeable future, up from 80,000 before the war in Ukraine began.

Biden said Putin had believed NATO members would splinter after he invaded Ukraine, but the Russian leader got the opposite response.

“You’re gonna get the NATO-ization of Europe,” Biden said. “And that’s exactly what he didn’t want, but exactly what needs to be done to guarantee security for Europe.”

Still, strains among NATO allies have emerged as the cost of energy and other essential goods has skyrocketed, partly because of the war and tough Western sanctions on Russia. There also are tensions over how the war will end and what, if any, concessions Ukraine should make.

Money remains a sensitive issue — just nine of NATO’s 30 members currently meet the organization’s target of spending 2% of gross domestic product on defense.

Britain, one of the nine, announced a further 1 billion pounds (\$1.21 billion) in military support to Ukraine on Thursday.

At what Stoltenberg called a “transformative” summit, the leaders published NATO’s new Strategic Concept, its once-a-decade set of priorities and goals.

The last such document, in 2010, called Russia a “strategic partner.” Now, NATO is accusing Russia of using “coercion, subversion, aggression and annexation” to extend its reach.

The 2010 document made no mention of China, but the new one addressed Beijing’s growing economic and military reach.

“China is not our adversary, but we must be clear-eyed about the serious challenges it represents,” Stoltenberg said on Wednesday.

NATO said that China “strives to subvert the rules-based international order, including in the space, cyber and maritime domains” and warned of its close ties with Moscow.

# Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas has a lot to celebrate

By **JESSICA GRESKO**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Last week, as he marked his 74th birthday, Clarence Thomas achieved two long-sought goals: expanding gun rights and overturning Roe v. Wade’s nationwide protection for abortion.

If he was ready to take a victory lap, Thomas didn’t let on. Instead, he called on his colleagues to do more, to revisit the Supreme Court’s cases acknowledging rights to same-sex marriage, gay sex and contraception.

After 30 years on the court, Thomas’ influence has never been greater, and yet he remains a lightning rod for controversy. That includes recent questions about his wife’s role in attempting to overturn the results of the 2020 election and his decision not to recuse himself from cases that involved it. Thomas has said nothing in response to the criticism, and he could still serve another decade or more, racking up additional victories with a court that has become more conservative.

“If you serve long enough sometimes things go your way eventually,” said Ohio Northern University professor Scott Gerber, the author of a book on Thomas. Gerber said that at this point there are people who have moved through the conservative legal movement, studying conservatives like Thomas and the late Justice Antonin Scalia, who have now joined Thomas on the court. “They’ve learned from him and agree,” he said.

Thomas is now the senior member of a group of conservative justices with the votes to control the court, not only what cases the court takes on but how broadly it rules. That’s a change for Thomas, whose views were for years seen as far out of the mainstream.

“He’s always been known as not taking quite the same approach,” said George Mason University law professor Jennifer Mascott, who worked for Thomas as a law clerk. But in the guns case, she said: “Everybody joined with him, his approach.”

Ralph Rossum, who has also written a book about Thomas, said the justice once compared himself to a marathon runner who has to take the long view. Now, as time has gone on and more conservative justices have joined the court, Thomas is, in

a sense, running “faster and faster” and “lengthening his stride,” Rossum said.

Thomas declined an interview request from The Associated Press.

On top of the criticism Thomas has faced over the years for his views, he and his wife, conservative activist Virginia Thomas, have faced criticism recently for their actions following former President Donald Trump’s defeat in the 2020 election. Among other things, Virginia Thomas exchanged messages with then-White House chief of staff Mark Meadows encouraging him to work to overturn President Joe Biden’s victory and urged Republican lawmakers in Arizona, where Biden won, to choose their own slate of electors. The House committee investigating the Jan. 6, 2021, insurrection at the Capitol has asked her for an interview.

As for the justice, there has been criticism that because of his wife’s actions he should have recused himself from a case involving the committee’s access to presidential documents and lawsuits challenging the election results, challenges the court turned away. Democrats in Congress wrote in a letter that his participation is “exceedingly difficult to reconcile with federal ethics requirements.”

In recent days, following the abortion decision, thousands signed a petition saying he should no longer be allowed to teach a class at George Washington University’s law school. The university rejected that idea.

More personally, after a draft of the abortion decision leaked, there were protests at his house and the homes of other conservative justices. In an appearance after the leak Thomas drew a contrast between liberals and conservatives in unusual us-versus-them terms. “You would never visit Supreme Court justices’ houses when things didn’t go our way. We didn’t throw temper tantrums,” Thomas said.

What many Americans know about Thomas stems largely from his bruising 1991 confirmation hearing, when he was accused of sexual harassment charges by former employee Anita Hill — charges he denied. He wrote a bestselling book in 2007 but for years — partly because he chose not to ask questions during arguments at the court and partly because he is a

self-described introvert — Thomas spoke largely through his opinions. Not infrequently, because his views were so conservative compared with the rest of the court, he wrote opinions that spoke only for himself.

That has changed. The court has grown more conservative over the last several years during Trump’s administration, particularly after the death of the liberal Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and her replacement in 2020 by conservative Justice Amy Coney Barrett. Conservatives now have a six-justice majority and can lose the vote of Chief Justice John Roberts, who is sometimes less willing to issue sweeping rulings, and still have a majority.

Thomas has also become more vocal in general over the past two years. When the court began hearing arguments by telephone because of the pandemic and changed the arguments’ format so justices asked questions one by one, Thomas joined in. He continued asking questions when the justices returned to their courtroom last fall, his colleagues deferring to him for the first questions.

Thomas’ influence has been felt in other ways, too. Many of the men and women Thomas mentored as law clerks held political appointments in the Trump administration. That includes John Eastman, the conservative lawyer who aided Trump’s efforts to undo the 2020 election results. Ten other former law clerks are now federal judges who hold lifetime appointments. Their ranks include Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, the federal judge in Florida who in April struck down the national mask mandate on airplanes and mass transit.

Thomas is 74. Justice Stephen Breyer is retiring this year, just before his 84th birthday. Ginsburg served until her death at 87. In 2028, Thomas would surpass Justice William O. Douglas as the longest-serving justice ever.

Gerber, the Ohio professor, said Thomas has always said that becoming a justice is a lifetime job.

Said Gerber: “It’s like Queen Elizabeth. She’s been in power 70 years and she’s going to stay until she’s carried out in a box. That’s his view also.”

# About half say Trump should be charged for 1/6: AP-NORC poll

By **FARNOUSH AMIRI**  
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — About half of Americans believe former President Donald Trump should be charged with a crime for his role in the U.S. Capitol attack on Jan. 6, 2021, a new poll shows.

The survey from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research finds that 48% of U.S. adults say the Republican former president should be charged with a crime for his role, while 31% say he should not be charged. An additional 20% say they don’t know enough to have an opinion. Fifty-eight percent say Trump bears a great deal or quite a bit of responsibility for what happened that day.

The poll was conducted after five public hearings by the House committee investigating Jan. 6, which has sought to paint Trump’s potential criminal culpability in the events that led to deadly insurrection. But it was taken before Tuesday’s surprise hearing featuring former Trump White House aide Cassidy Hutchinson. Her explosive testimony provided the most compelling evidence yet that the former president could be linked to a federal crime, experts say.

Views on Trump’s criminal liability break down predictably along party lines, with 86% of Democrats but only 10% of Republicans saying Trump should be charged with a crime. Among Republicans, 68% say he should not be charged and 21% say they don’t know. Still, the fact that nearly half the country believes he should be prosecuted is a remarkable position for the former president, pointing to the difficulties he could face if he makes another run at the White House in 2024.

For Ella Metzke, a South Carolina Democrat, Trump’s culpability has been clear from the beginning, when he urged his supporters to march to the Capitol on the morning of Jan. 6 and “fight like hell.”

“It was meant to provoke violence because he kept encouraging them,” the 86-year-old told The Associated Press. “As it happened, I watched it all and I just thought why doesn’t somebody stop this? Why doesn’t he stop this?”

Chris Schloemer, a Texas indepen-

dent, agreed Trump holds responsibility for egging on the crowd with his baseless claims of election fraud. But, the 61-year-old doesn’t lay the blame solely on Trump.

Schloemer feels Republicans in Congress have a hand in what happened that day, too: “I feel like people were afraid of Donald Trump, especially Republican politicians, and so they wouldn’t rein him in, and I think that just emboldened him.”

And he’s not alone. While views of Trump’s role have not changed since December, Americans are somewhat more likely now than they were then to say Republicans in Congress were significantly responsible for the events of Jan. 6.

Forty-six percent say that now, up slightly from 41% in December. An additional 21% say GOP lawmakers had some responsibility and 30% say they were not responsible. The change in the share saying Republicans in Congress have a large amount of responsibility was driven mostly by Democrats and independents.

Ulysses Bryant, a Democrat from Florida, said while he always believed Trump and the rioters should be charged with a crime, he hadn’t known of the involvement of congressional Republicans until he began to follow the hearings.

Close to 6 in 10 Americans — 56% — say they followed news about the congressional hearings. A smaller but still sizeable share -- 42% -- say they watched or listened.

The nine-member panel, comprising seven Democrats and two Republicans, has worked around the clock for the past year to investigate the connection between Trump and his allies and the violence and chaos that ensued on the Capitol. The public hearing phase of their investigation is meant to put all of that investigative work on display to the American public in an effort to create a historical record of what occurred.

Seventy-five percent of Democrats and 42% of Republicans say they followed news about the hearings. More Democrats than Republicans also say they tuned in, 58% to 27%. The first of the public hearings, which began in early June, received high ratings for TV viewership, though subsequent hearings

have received more modest ratings.

Kathlyn Keller, a retired investment banker from San Francisco, is one of the GOP voters who has tuned into the hearings and still believes Trump holds no responsibility for the events of that day.

The 83-year-old thinks the only people who should be charged are those who brought weapons to the Capitol, or anyone who got into the building and caused damage inside. Trump “absolutely shouldn’t be charged with anything,” she told the AP.

Nonetheless, the committee plans to continue its congressional probe and present new evidence in the coming weeks to its many viewers, including the most important one: Attorney General Merrick Garland. Regardless of public opinion about Trump’s likely criminal involvement, lawmakers continue to face a stark reality: While they can investigate Jan. 6 and issue subpoenas to gather information, only the Justice Department can bring criminal charges.

But there are clear signs in recent weeks that the Justice Department appears to be escalating its probe of pro-Trump efforts to overturn the 2020 presidential election. Federal agents on Wednesday seized the cellphone of Trump lawyer John Eastman, who was the architect behind a plan to pressure then-Vice President Mike Pence into rejecting the electoral college results.

Last week, authorities searched the Virginia home of Jeffrey Clark, who was known at the Justice Department to champion Trump’s false claims of election fraud. Agents also served subpoenas to the Republican Party chairmen of Arizona, Nevada and Georgia, three states that went for Democrat Joe Biden and where Trump allies intended slates of “alternate electors” created to subvert the vote. And Republicans in two other states — Michigan and Pennsylvania — disclosed they had been interviewed by the FBI.

• *The poll of 1,053 adults was conducted June 23-27 using a sample drawn from NORC’s probability-based AmeriSpeak Panel, which is designed to be representative of the U.S. population. The margin of sampling error for all respondents is plus or minus 4 percentage points.*







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LINDSEY GUNN  
Petitioner,  
VS  
DYLLON GUNN  
Respondent  
CASE NO. 33,886  
TO: DYLLON GUNN  
Order of Publication  
It appearing from the bill in this cause, which is the Last known residence and current address of the above listed defendant, DYLLON GUNN, is unknown and cannot be served with process. It is ordered that publication be made for four consecutive weeks in the Shelbyville Times-Gazette, a newspaper published in SHELBYVILLE, BEDFORD COUNTY, TN requiring the said defendant, DYLLON GUNN TO appear before the clerk of said Court on or before thirty days after the last Publication hereof and make defense to the bill filed in the above cause, which seeks Divorce or otherwise said bill be taken for confessed and cause proceeded with exparte. This the 8th day of June, 2022.  
Solicitors for Plaintiff:  
HUNTER FOWLER  
(June 25 & July 2, 9, & 16, 2022)

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
CATHEY LYNN ZARATE SOLIS  
PLAINTIFF  
VS.  
SILVESTRE ZARATE SOLIS  
DEFENDANT.  
TO: SILVESTRE ZARATE SOLIS  
CASE: 33904  
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(July 2, 2022)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE  
WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated September 7, 2000, and the Deed of Trust of even date securing the same, recorded September 11, 2000, in Book No. TD425, at Page 579, in Office of the Register of Deeds for Bedford County, Tennessee, executed by Terry Throneberry and Doris F Throneberry, conveying certain property therein described to Dennis Baird as Trustee for Associates Financial Services of America, Inc; and the undersigned, Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., having been appointed Successor Trustee by Nationstar Mortgage, LLC.  
NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable; and that an agent of Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon said Successor Trustee, by Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, will, on July 26, 2022 on or about 12:00 PM, at the Bedford County Courthouse, Shelbyville, Tennessee, offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder FOR certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in the Deed of Trust, said property being real estate situated in Bedford County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:  
ALL THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY SITUATED IN SHELBYVILLE IN THE COUNTY OF BEDFORD, AND STATE OF TENNESSEE AND BEING DE-

SCRIBED IN A DEED DATED 07/10/97 AND RECORDED 07/11/97, AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF THE COUNTY AND STATE SET FORTH ABOVE, AND REFERENCED AS FOLLOWS: BOOK 220 PAGE 365 COMMENCING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF CARNEY STREET RUNNING SOUTH INCLUDING THE DRIVEWAY FROM CARNEY STREET TO AND BETWEEN TWO GARAGES TO THE SOUTH; BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY HANES' PROPERTY; THENCE PRACTICALLY WEST TO THE PHELP'S PROPERTY, AND BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY PHELP'S PROPERTY; THENCE NORTH ALONG CARNEY STREET 3 FEET EAST OF THE DRIVEWAY; AND BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY PROPERTY OF W.H. CROWELL.  
ALSO KNOWN AS: 402 Carney Street, Shelbyville, TN 37160  
This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property:  
TERRY THRONEBERRY  
DORIS F THRONEBERRY  
HERITAGE MEDICAL CENTER CACH, LLC  
ESTATE OF TERRY THRONEBERRY HEIRS OF TERRY THRONEBERRY  
The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. In the event of inclement weather, the trustee hereby announces that the sale will be postponed for a period of two weeks. In such situations, notices will be mailed to interested parties of record.  
W&A No. 352401  
DATED June 28, 2022  
WILSON & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C.,  
Successor Trustee  
(July 2, 9, & 16, 2022)

has been declared due and payable; and that an agent of Wilson & Associates, P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon said Successor Trustee, by NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, will, on July 26, 2022 on or about 11:00 AM, at the Bedford County Courthouse, Shelbyville, Tennessee, offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder FOR certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in the Deed of Trust, said property being real estate situated in Bedford County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows:  
Land in Bedford County, Tennessee, and being all of Lot No. 3, on the Final Plat, Creekside Estates Subdivision, Phase I, as shown by plat appearing of record in Plat Cabinet E, Envelope 192 (formerly Plat Cabinet B, Envelope 248), in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, to which plat reference is hereby made for more complete details of said lot.  
ALSO KNOWN AS: 104 Doak Street, Shelbyville, TN 37160  
This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property:  
LIDIA BARBOZO MORALES INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE ADVISORY CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS  
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W&A No. 352660  
DATED June 13, 2022  
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Successor Trustee  
(June 18, 25, July 2, 2022)

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Executor  
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This is a full-time position Monday - Thursday; 6am-4:30pm. Pay rate is dependent on qualifications and experience. The City provides a comprehensive benefits package. Applications and a copy of job description may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours or download from the City Website: www.shelbyvilletn.org. Applications must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 N. Spring Street or emailed to stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org and will be accepted until position is filled.  
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Stacey Claxton  
Human Resources Generalist  
(July 2, 5, 9, & 12, 2022)

Request for Proposals Uniforms - BCEMS Bid No. 23-5  
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# How to eat to improve your energy levels

A little extra energy during the day could benefit just about anyone. Late morning mental fatigue and the post-lunch yawns may seem unavoidable, but there are plenty of ways to improve energy levels throughout the day. One such means to getting an extra hop in your step involves utilizing food.

The health care experts at Kaiser Permanente® note that every part of the body, including the brain and heart, require energy to work. The body gets that energy from food. According to the National Health Service, the publicly funded health care system of the United Kingdom, a healthy, balanced diet is the best way to maintain sufficient energy levels throughout the day. A dietary approach rooted in

eating to energize can change the way people eat, potentially helping them avoid unhealthy foods that won't give them the boost they need.

The American Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics echoes the sentiments of the NHS, noting that eating better is an effective way to improve energy levels. The AAND also recommends additional strategies for people looking to foods to provide an energy boost.

• Eat every three to four hours. The AAND notes that eating every three to four hours helps to fuel a healthy metabolism. This approach also can prevent the between-meal hunger pangs that compel many people to reach for whatever food is readily available, even if it's unhealthy. When eating

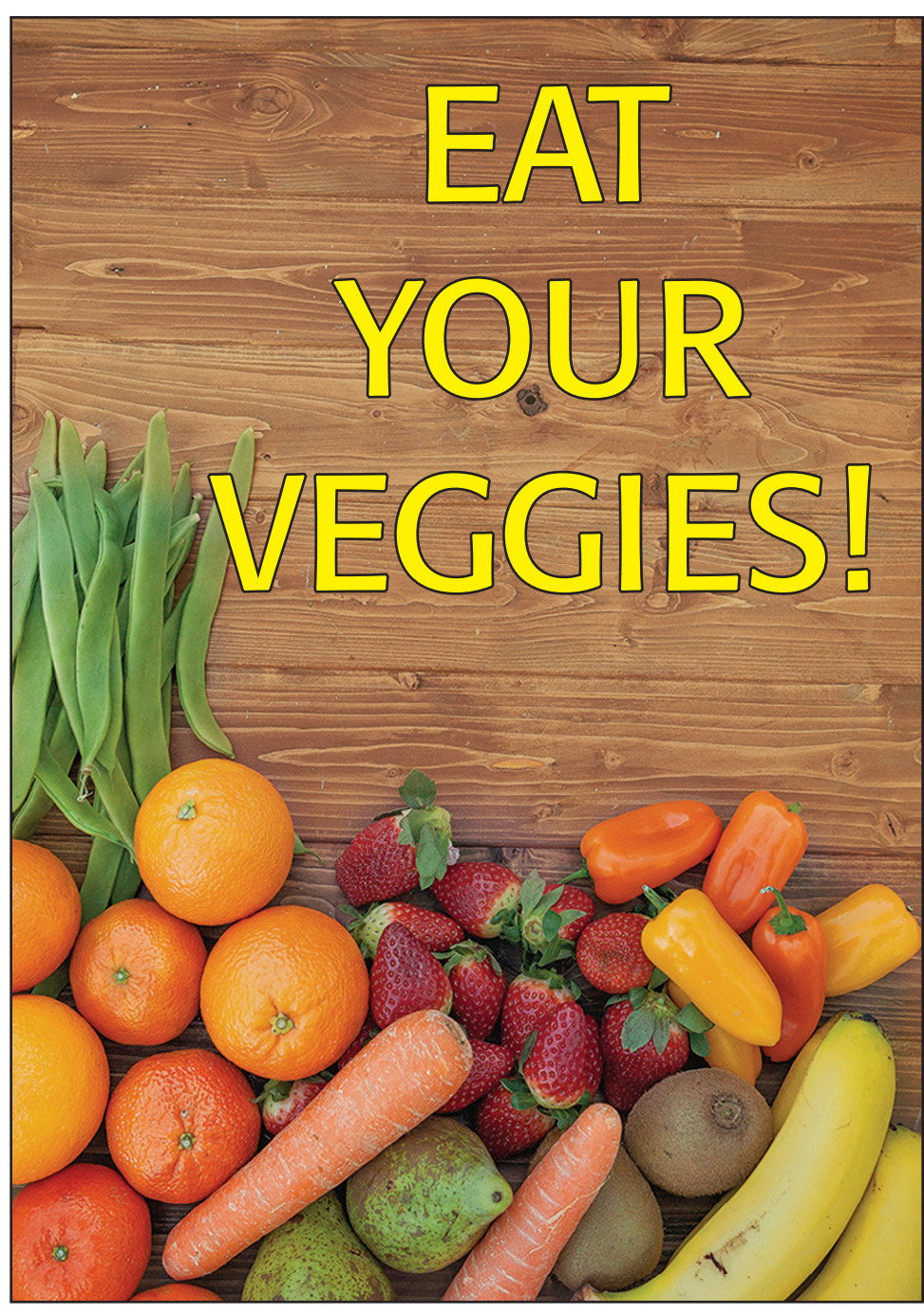
every three to four hours, remember to prepare smaller portions than you would if you were eating three meals per day. The AAND points out that feeling comfortably full but not stuffed is a good indicator that you've eaten enough.

• Aim for balance. A balanced plate should include foods from multiple food groups. The AAND notes that even a small amount of fat can find its way onto your plate, which should include a combination of whole grains, lean protein, fiber-rich fruits and vegetables, and fat-free or low-fat dairy. If that's too much for a single sitting, ensure these food groups are represented on your plate at some point during the day.

• Avoid added sugars. Added sug-

ars can adversely affect energy levels. In addition, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notes that consuming too many added sugars, which are found in sugar-sweetened beverages like soda and iced tea and sweet snacks like candy, increases a person's risk for obesity, type 2 diabetes and heart disease. The AAND notes that the energy provided by foods with added sugars is typically misleading, as it wears off quickly and ultimately leads to an energy crash. If you're looking to eat and drink for energy, then choose water or low-fat milk instead of coffee and soda and replace sweet snacks with fruit.

• Choose the right snacks. The AAND recommends snacks have lean protein and fiber-rich carbohydrates. Low-fat Greek yogurt, apples, a handful of unsalted nuts, and carrots are some



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