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New fiscal year for County, City

The great County reset: Pay scales examined

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Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham gave a presentation Tuesday evening to explain the new pay scale correction for county employees. Graham gave the talk to justify the recent property tax rate increase from \$1.97 to \$2.32 — one which County Finance Director Robert Daniel said should generate \$4.2 million in revenue.

Four million from the tax rate increase is dedicated to this payroll correction, Daniel explained.

Graham said, “So, when we look at this number and it seems like a great number — \$4 million — one time here for this body, this really is just catching-up.”

Essentially, the County has been using an “archaic

system” of payment that has led employee salaries to average 22 percent under market value for the County as well as cause high turnover rates for otherwise long-term employees, according to Graham.

“There’s such disparity in some of the departments — just doing fuzzy math — you’ve got positions that are easily \$10,000-\$12,000 off of what they ought to be making annually. Then, you’ve got some that are \$2,000. And we’ve got a few that are pretty close to what the fair market value said that job happened to be,” said Graham.

Therefore, not every job will see a significant increase. But others will.

This will be the first comprehensive pay model restructuring since the adoption of the 1981 Act



Chad Graham

in 2006, according to the mayor.

Graham said, “They had some scales they had built once the finance department came over to the county government . . . and they started basically with some dollar amounts that start at 1 percent increments down through 20 years to generate numbers. They weren’t necessarily tying them to specific pay or jobs.”

He added during his talk, “It had no system to the madness or anything about where the scale came from or how it was built,” Graham continued. “But the scale was never built on fair market value or what the job description was set up to be a part of.”

Essentially, employees were simply placed on the scale based on what they made when the ‘81 Act

went into effect. Therefore, pay has not kept pace with the ever-changing market due to this lack of a comprehensive structure for an employee to fall into when they are hired, according to Graham.

“You can have a lot of things happen, like you can have new employees come work for you that make more than the people

that have been with you 10 years,” Graham said. Even though that could still happen with this new pay scale model, Graham said they want that to be a rare exception, not a rule.

Establishing the minimum

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Football workouts



Tuition choices

Local/5B

City property tax to remain at \$1.59

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During a recent special called meeting, Shelbyville City Council passed the municipal property tax levy for the coming fiscal year, which reflects no change over last year at 1.59 (per \$100 assessed property value.) Public hearings were held and there were no speakers present against the decision.

Council member Marilyn Ewing had asked at a budget work session if since the budget had been amended, would there be an option to amend the tax rate. After a short discussion, the rate stayed the same and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman William Christie had approached Council early in the spring about possibly lowering the property tax, but he as well voted for the \$1.59.

During a budget work session, Bedford County Economic Development Director Shane Hooper presented a tourism

proposal to Council. Hooper thanked the City for all the support regarding economic development. He said that he believes all the City’s hard work is about to pay off in the way of tourism.

He discussed a proposal for the Shelbyville-Bedford Partnership to take over the City’s area of tourism. He advised how one of the main goals of the partnership this year was to focus on downtown revitalization. He gave a proposed budget for tourism would be \$114,865—an amount which includes salary for a tourism director. The dollar amount is in the budget but hasn’t been appropriated.

Council conversation turned to the then proposed fiscal year budget for 2023. Interim City Manager Parker reviewed the nonprofits (some were cut by 50% from last year.) Those remaining in the next fiscal year budget included Shelbyville-Bedford County Library, Skills Development Center and Shelbyville-Bedford

County Senior Citizens Center.

City employee raises

Discussions during the mid June meeting turned to personnel with Council member Ricky Overcast stating that he wanted airport and park part-time employee wages be increased to \$15 an hour.

Treasurer Parker reviewed several options, including raising all employees by \$1.25 an hour or a 6% increase across the board. At that point in discussion, several directors present said they fear losing employees to low hourly pay.

Council decided at the budget session to bring all employees up to \$15 an hour or give a 6% across the board increase, whichever is the highest wage for the employee.

2023 Pre-budget details

Interim City Manager Parker, back in early June, reviewed where the City was in the current year, noting there had been a

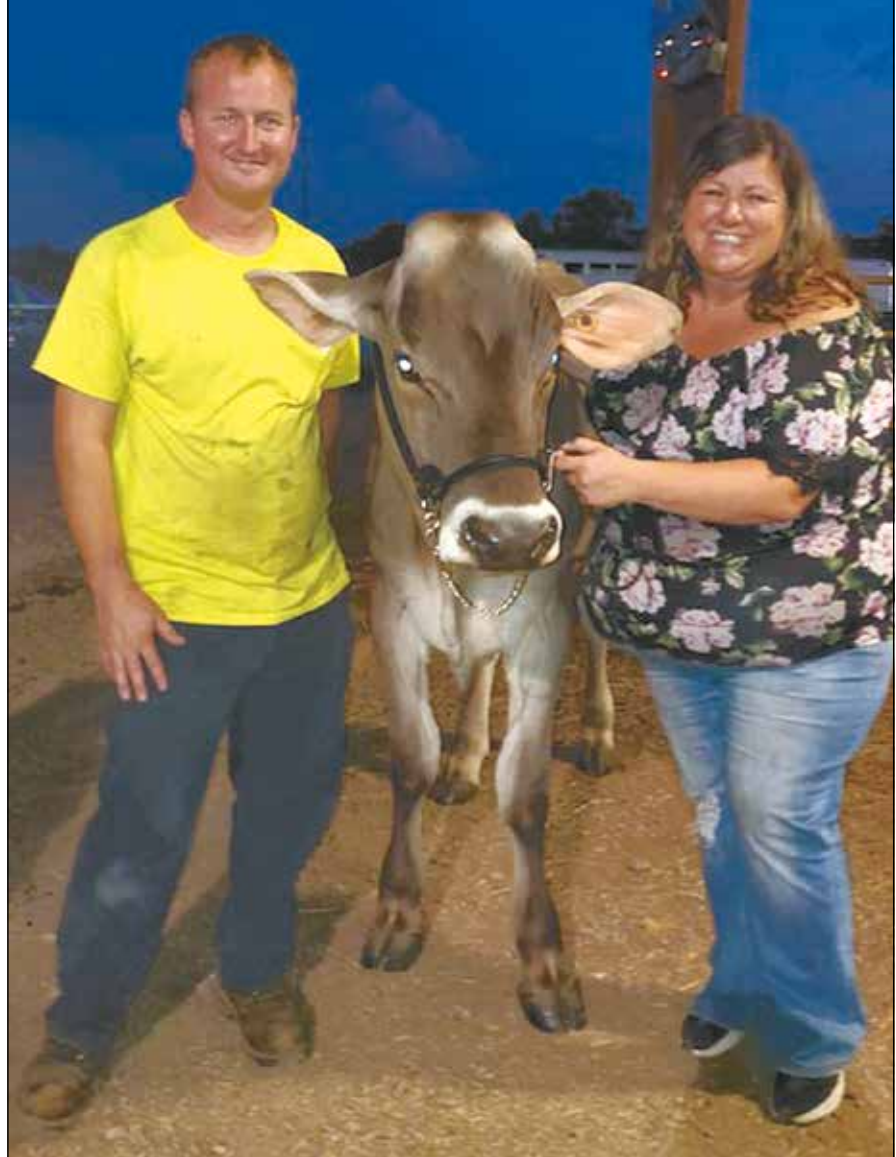
large amount of capital funds appropriated during the 2022 fiscal year. That included \$2 million for a jet hanger at the Shelbyville Municipal Airport and \$1 million for the purchase of the Carlton property off Highway 231 North.

The FY23 proposed budget shows transferring \$1.5 million to capital projects, \$100,000 to debt reserve fund and \$400,000 to the industrial fund. Additionally, Parker advised there are no raises included in this draft as Council will need to discuss how it wishes to proceed. She said there were no new personnel included for the fire and police departments—both waiting on grants for some needs.

There was further discussion at the June 28 called meeting on different options regarding capital expenditures, mainly ones that would prove more conservative. Council member Overcast said putting off projects only means higher cost in the next fiscal year.

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COWGIRL AT HEART



Submitted Photo

Julie Smith says she’s always been a cowgirl at heart. She and Chad Calahan took in every aspect they could think of at last week’s Bedford County Fair. See a story about Julie’s love for the fair in Saturday’s Life and Leisure.

City manager talks ongoing

By **DAWN HANKINS**
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Shelbyville City Council has had a busy summer. It’s likely the last half of the year may prove to be just as involved, with the City still in the process of hiring a new administrative manager.

Department heads from the parks department to the police department are also busy filling several job openings. City treasurer Kay Parker has graciously served as interim City manager for a few months now. Several special meetings have been held this summer to discuss resumes received for the open City manager position.

During a special called meeting last month, MTAS consultant Chuck Downham gave an introduction of 6 applicants who met all education requirements (a bachelor’s degree) and work history, which is 8 years prior experience as outlined in the City’s job application.

MTAS is Municipal Technical Advisory Service through the University of Tennessee which serves municipalities like Shelbyville. MTAS was called upon earlier this year to assist Council with the application selection process for its new City manager.

Council members Rick Overcast and Gary Haile wanted to make sure that the City’s two local applicants were given consideration for the City manager position.

While Downham said his role was not to tell Council how to proceed, only to facilitate, he cautioned Council when considering applicants outside of the threshold of minimum requirements established. “You will want to make sure they exhibit the proper qualities, experience and education to be considered, especially when dealing with a field of applicants that might have stronger qualifications.”

Councilperson Ewing said it was her understanding that Council was not going to go as strong on educational requirements during this hiring process. (The City terminated Josh Ray as City manager earlier this year,

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OBITUARIES

Michelle Ann Vincent

July 19, 2022

Michelle Ann Vincent, 64, of Winchester passed from this life Tuesday, July 19, 2022 in Murfreesboro.

Funeral services were Saturday, July 23, from the chapel of Doak-Howell Funeral Home with Jim Michaels officiating. Burial followed in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens.

Born in Moses Lake, Washington, Michelle was the daughter of the late Benjamin Richard Worthington Jr. and Georgia Helen Warren Worthington. She worked as a drafting engineer for OLG Drafting & Construction in Tullahoma and was of the Baptist faith.

Michelle is survived by her loving companion of 24 years, Anthony Fanning; children, Adam (Misty) Vincent and Wendy Vincent; grandchildren, Kalley, Mallory, Austin, Emily, and Logan; and brother, Benjamin Richard Worthington III. Along with her parents she was preceded in death by siblings Nicholas Earl Worthington and Robbie Lynn Cordrey.

Doak-Howell Funeral Home is serving the family.

Richard Frank Gardner

July 23, 2022

Richard Frank Gardner, 64, of Shelbyville, departed this life on Saturday, July 23, 2022.



Funeral service will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 26, in the chapel of Doak-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Bobby McGee officiating. Burial will follow at Rosebank Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 11 a.m.

He was born November 11, 1957 in Shelbyville. He was a 1976 graduate of Shelbyville Central High School. He spent the majority of his life serving Bedford County at Hardee's. He also spent several years employed with Hart's Chapel and Celebration Nissan. He was Chairman of the Deacons and member of Grace Baptist Church in Shelbyville.

Frank enjoyed watching his grandchildren play soccer, football, travel baseball, dance, and cheer. He loved them endlessly. They were the center of his life. His two daughters were the light of his life. Brooke and Mary Beth spent many years enjoying Vanderbilt games with their daddy. He loved his wife, Vickie, who he met at Hardee's, both at the age of 16. They enjoyed their outings to Red Lobster. Due to his health, he spent his Sunday mornings watching the virtual services at Grace Baptist. He loved Vanderbilt athletics and was an avid Tennessee Titans fan.

He is survived his wife of 46 years, Vickie Brown Gardner; daughters, Brooke (Michael) Smith of Shelbyville; Mary Beth (Daniel) Jones of Murfreesboro; granddaughters, Mallorie Gardner and Kealey Smith; grandsons, Mason Jones, Korbin Smith, Camden Jones, and Crew Smith; sister, Yvonne (Jerry) Lowe of Eagleville; nephew, Eric (Julia) Sutton of Shelbyville.

He was preceded in death by his daddy, Bryce C. Gardner and his mother, Doris Gardner.

Doak-Howell Funeral Home is serving the family.

www.doakhowellfuneralhome.com

John Cooper

July 24, 2022

John Cooper, age 67, of Wartrace, went to be with his Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ, on Sunday, July 24, 2022. He passed away at home surrounded by family.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife of 29 years, Glenda Cooper.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Cooper, his brothers Leroy Cooper, Allen Cooper, and his sister, Linda White, 4 children, Crystal Crawford, Cissy Crawford, Samuel "Bumper" Cooper, and Aaron Corley, and 11 grandchildren. He retired from 30 years of service as a diesel mechanic at Nationwide Express.



Back to school bash planned

A free back to school bash for students K-5 will be held from 11 a.m., to 1 p.m., Saturday, July 30, at Harris Middle School at 570 Eagle Boulevard.

Food includes hot dogs, ice cream and cotton candy.

Special guests include fire personnel, staff from TCAT-Shelbyville and Motlow State Community College.

Students are encouraged to come dressed for water activities!

Parking is in the lot between Harris Middle and Learning Way Elementary.

Parents must accompany their children.

Students will have the opportunity to meet principals and teachers during the event.

PACKING SENIOR MEALS



T-G Photo by Zoe Haggard

Amy Wilson and Donna Armstrong pack 45 meals for the day to either be delivered or picked up through the Meals on Wheels program-one which makes sure local seniors have healthy lunches.

City

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who had a lot of education credentials and city management experience.)

Councilman Feldhaus said he studied the top 6 applications, without looking at names, and he came to the same conclusion as MTAS, which was that the local applicants did not make the cut due to lack of experience managing a city.

After discussions about

qualifications, and Council members selecting their favorite top three applicants, it came down to four, at that time, being selected for initial Zoom interviews: Gregory Scott Collins, Patrick Jordon, Patrick Marsh and Scott Avery.

As of today, Council is still working on hiring of a new City manager. There is a first round Zoom interview set for noon Wednesday with another candidate, Andy Butterfield, added to the top applicants.

Council has planned to have its second round

of in-person interviews on Wednesday, Aug. 3, at noon, with candidate Collins.

The other candidates, Jordon, Marsh and Avery, are still considered to be in the running, but Council has not scheduled interviews with them as of today.

Planning commission meeting

While Shelbyville Planning Commission pretty much runs on its own, there

is a regular session meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, July 28, at Shelbyville Recreation Center, Meeting Room B. Consideration will be given to the Shelbyville 2040 Comprehensive Plan, titled "Spark Shelbyville."

While City Council generally takes recommendations from the Planning Commission, it has been pretty involved with the organization of "Spark Shelbyville." See Saturday's T-G- for story on this meeting.

Tax

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Council stayed with its capital amount in the 2023 budget, stating it could always be amended at a later date, if necessary.

Fire and police departments were reviewed during budget meetings, with the police budget including one new officer to train for a planned retirement and some additional ammunition and training supplies.

Shelbyville Fire Department has four firefighters scheduled to move up in rank during the next year. Police and fire chiefs discussed the continued need for a new building, advising Council they are continuing to do research on the best location.

The public works budget included moving some employee wages to be 100% in one department

instead of being spread out over streets, solid waste and storm water. This also followed suit with the Parks and Recreation department.

Council member Ewing advised that she would like to see the pavilions at the park get a facelift. Shelbyville Parks and Recreation Department Director Mike Alsup said he would like to see some clearing of the new property as a priority, as the City would be able to use that area—once it was cleaned up—as soccer fields.

Shelbyville Municipal Airport board is requesting a full-time operations technician, the replacement of existing security cameras and the addition of six new ones. The airport is currently accepting applications for the operations tech position.

All department directors discussed with Council the

need to increase wages for employees, particularly those considered part-time. Department heads also reported needed increases, due to rising fuel costs.

Most everyone wins in 2023

During the June 28 special called budget meeting, Interim City Manager Parker advised she had set the budget to reflect a 6% raise or \$15 an hour increase for City employees, whichever is greater—that which Council had discussed earlier in the month. She said some department heads with part-time employees requested the flexibility for them to start out part-timers out at less than \$15 an hour.

Council agreed and moved that only full-time City employees would be the ones to receive the 6% increase or \$15 an hour, whichever is greater.

Having increased revenue projections at the earlier budget meeting in June by \$200,000, Parker said she had included the new planning commission position and needed software, however the cost was going to be now \$60,000. Mayor Wallace Cartwright said it would be beneficial to do the upgrades. Four Council members agreed with the mayor to purchase the software.

All council members agreed to increase City Judge John T. Bobo's salary by \$10,000 annually. Mayor Cartwright said he'd like to see Council get reports from municipal court regarding fines collected.

It was mentioned during budget talks that Shelbyville Power Board has increased its fire hydrant cost—a \$60,000 increase that will be in the 2023 budget.

Pay

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sector salary survey (by compensation management firm Burris, Thompson & Associates) defines Bedford as a "small market" county, based on population.

"I want to establish the minimum starting pay rate for a specific job description based on this Burris-Thompson study that we're going to use," said Graham. "Because if we can get the minimum starting pay correct...then you build your 1 percent-step increments on top of that mathematically through the 30 years. That's the model we put together."

This "line zero" is especially important for infusing cost of living into the equation.

For reference, there are 438 total employees in Bedford across 40 various positions. Of those, 360 are full-time; 78 part-time.

The goal is to make these county service jobs competitive in the job market as well as aid in recruitment of highly skilled employees, Graham explained.

On average, Graham said over 70 percent of full-time staff have less than 1.5 years of experience.

Graham, who has

served on Bedford County school board, said the school system has a similar model to what the county wants to use.

They're infusing \$2.1 million into their pay scale for teachers this year, according to Daniel. Last year, another \$2 million went to non-teacher positions.

Though it's not part of the model, Graham discussed that family health premiums are "beyond the employees' ability to pay" (about \$1,200 per month). If approved later on, this family health insurance contribution will cost an estimated \$5 million, he advised. Currently the county pays zero dollars toward family health insurance for employees. The school system, however, pays about 80 percent or 100 percent for individual coverage.

Many county officials wanted to do this pay scale restructuring sooner, at the start of Graham's first term. But COVID hit and halted a lot of workshops as well as aid from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro to redefine job descriptions.

Graham said they also wanted to focus on restructuring job descriptions. "... didn't want to be in a situation where we had people doing

the same job in different departments, making different amounts for the same job."

One commissioner requested new pay for each employee. However, Graham said they do not have that information yet since they do not know if the model is going to be approved.

Specific examples

Even though the goal of the meeting was not to debate specific job salaries, Graham provided a few examples (not what an employee actually makes, due to confidentiality) but to show how the model would work.

For example, looking at the assistant director of elections, the small market, median actual pay is \$17.79, starting minimum. Bedford's current minimum pay rate is \$14.30.

"These are the kind of disparities and crazy gaps you're seeing in pay all over the County," Graham said. "Part of the problem was probably when the employee got hired, they just had so much money, they figured out where on the scale something that could equate to that yearly money."

With the new scale, this job would receive \$17.97 (a 1% increase from \$17.79)

the next year until at year 30, the employee would make \$23.98 per hour.

Graham said ideally, they want to be in the median actual pay rate. "But sometimes that number is too big. We can't afford it with the money we have. In that case, we can drop back to the minimum starting pay."

Another example is emergency management agencies. Ideally, they would like to pay the fire chief \$51.97 per hour. Graham said, however, since the County cannot afford that, they can fall back to the median starting rate of \$40.45, which according to the survey is a fair market value for a medium market. Currently for Bedford County, the minimum pay for a public safety chief starts at \$27.29.

On the other hand, the finance director makes close to what he or she is supposed to. Ideally, the finance head is supposed to make a minimum of \$52.71. Currently, that minimum rate is \$51.95.

Graham added that they will have to look at "anomalies." For example, if a pay increase calls for \$40,000, they will make specific adjustments for that position. "This is the beginning, not the end," said Graham.

TINIEST COWBOY



Submitted Photo
Toddler Carson Jones no doubt stole the show during last week's pageant at the county fair. With him is his mom, Julie Ann.

Thompson seeks Commission seat

Troy Thompson has announced his candidacy for a District 3 seat on Bedford County Board of Commissioners.

Thompson attended Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro on a baseball scholarship and received his bachelor of science degree in business administration.

The Commission candidate has 17 years of experience working directly in Bedford County government from 1993 to 2011. "I have been very fortunate to gain experience and knowledge working in the administrations for four outstanding men over the course of my governmental career."

He said those include former county executives, Paul Parker, Jimmy Woodson and Eugene Ray and former sheriff, Randall Boyce. "I feel this has provided me with a unique perspective that will benefit the citizens of District 3. I know the day-to-day operations of county government and I know the importance of representing the hard-working taxpayers of Bedford County."



TROY THOMPSON

Thompson said he's seen many changes over the years and sees even more challenges ahead for not only the entire county, but specifically, the northwestern part of Bedford County. "Bedford County faces many challenges ahead and I know the rural area of District 3 is becoming a haven for new residential and commercial construction. I pledge to be an active participant in all phases of decisions for our area and listen to all households that are being affected."

For the last 11 years, Thompson has been

employed by Titan Transfer, Inc., in Shelbyville in the administration/finance department.

"It was a transition going from government into the private sector, especially the trucking industry, but it has given me the opportunity to see how the demands and challenges of our industry are vital to the economic impact of the entire nation."

Thompson has been married to his wife, the former Misty Lamb, for 28 years. Misty has been an elementary school teacher at Community Elementary for the past 27 years.

The Thompsons have 3 children, Taylor, Erin, and Maddox. They recently welcomed their first grandson, Waiks, into the family tree.

"I have really enjoyed getting to meet as many of you as I can in District 3, but rest assured, if elected, I will not stop seeking your feedback. I think it's important that we work together to make our County better for those coming behind us."

Editorial comment on upcoming election

Get out and vote!

By **DAWN HANKINS**
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As you've probably noticed in the last month, candidates are out heavily campaigning for county offices, prior to the Aug. 4 General Election.

There's still time to early vote. But do so by Thursday, which is the cut off day.

One thing I've noticed while writing their editorial copy is that candidates want future generations to be secure and enjoy a prosperous life in Bedford County.

Others talk about what they've done in the past. That's just typical of election announcements when you want to get an edge on another candidate.

But few have given their true agendas for the next four years, with maybe the exception of Mayor Chad Graham. The former school board member has been a proponent of education for several years,

which is certainly a very good thing for Bedford County.

So I guess really, considering per pupil spending continues to remain the same or less and more school facilities are needed for the future, education is a good topic to take on within the next four years.

Candidates with education in mind are going to be hard-pressed, given the economy. They will face local agendas for other

projects.

Sometimes it is the chicken or the egg . . . industry, then education . . . education, then industry.

The people who settle into this county to make a living or to retire look first to see what kind of education system this county produces. Even if residents are empty-nesters, they still look at the education system, because it really sums up the the county's priorities as a whole.

Let me explain. When people want future generations to have something better, in the way of roads, education, business opportunities, that says, 'We care.'

Some of you have already cast your vote. Thank you. That's awe-

some.

There are some of you still on the fence. My suggestion is that you look at the candidates who have future generations in mind, not just personal agendas.

I'm not singling out any particular candidate here. You as the voter must

make that decision, based on what you know and what you're hearing from the candidates.

But in the end, what really matters is that you get out and vote. It's time. It could make all the difference in the world for this county's future.

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Consumer Lending Manager, Heritage South Community Credit Union

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AG NOTES

By John Teague
UT/TSU Extension

FARMERS MARKET

We are open on Thursday afternoons now. Sales start at 2:30 p.m. Last week we had thirteen vendors, and others have called about coming as well. The vegetables are in with relatively good supply and quality. Come by the pavilion at the Celebration Grounds next to the big blue water tower.

WEBINAR

Here is an opportunity to view a discussion of the new disease found in a Tennessee cattle herd. This one is carried by the Asian Longhorn tick, an invasive exotic pest first found in the United States in 2017. Since then, it has spread to 17 states ranging from the South all the way up through the East Coast. The tick is extremely mobile, spreading to new locations by attaching to people, birds, pets and wild animals, however, it can survive for up to a year in the environment without attaching to a host. Because it is smaller than a sesame seed, it is also difficult to detect. The tick is extremely aggressive and can cause stress and severe blood loss in cattle.

The tick also carries diseases such as bovine Theileriosis, a disease that causes anemia, failure to grow (ill-thrift), persistent infection, reproductive problems, and in some cases, death. There is currently no approved treatment against Theileria orientalis, leaving cattle at risk.

The National Cattlemen's Beef Association is hosting a two-day webinar August 23-24 discussing this tick and this disease and it is open for interested parties.

I can share the free link if you will send me an email to jteague1@utk.edu

NEW COLLEGE CREDIT

In a unique agreement between the University of Tennessee Herbert College of Agriculture and UT Extension, which oversees the statewide Tennessee 4-H Program, senior level 4-H students can now apply for college credit in 10 project areas. The currently approved projects represent coursework in the Department of Animal Science or the Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communications.

"I am more than thrilled to be able to announce this new collaboration between our Herbert College of Agriculture and UT Extension," said Carrie Castille,

senior vice chancellor and senior vice president of the UT Institute of Agriculture. "I believe this is the first time that the dedication and in-depth knowledge of our 4-H'ers has been recognized on the college level. As a 4-H'er in my youth, I can tell you that every acknowledgment is valued as students launch their academic careers."

"Of course, the students must reach certain benchmarks within each project," says Ashley Stokes, dean of UT Extension. "We are working to add to the number of projects for which students can receive credit, but we must ensure the academic integrity of each college course and ensure that the 4-H project objectives and accomplishments line up with the college course requirements. Our faculty and specialists have worked collaboratively to make this innovative program possible."

Stokes expects the college credits to be available beginning Fall Semester 2022. We don't have the details just yet, but we expect them anytime. We'll announce them when we know more.

FARM MANAGEMENT

Times are tough on the farms right now. I know, I pay for feed and expenses like everybody else. And the weather has caused

havoc on crops and forages, and I strongly suspect conception and pregnancy rates. I've had a call about heat-induced calf losses, crop pollination failures, and toxic drought-stressed forages.

The UT Extension Center of Farm Management will be holding free zoom sessions on farm management in the wake of drought conditions and difficult economic times. The dates and times are on August 9th and 11th @ 6 p.m. CST/7 p.m. EST.

The goal of the general sessions as well as the library of recorded videos is to discuss "what to do" or "what are my options" rather than "what is happening currently."

For example, on the topic of inflation, we want to discuss how to navigate rising inflation, not how inflation has increased over time. Our producers realize what is going on; that is why they are having questions and wanting to know what to do.

The library of videos will continue to be updated as deemed necessary and a resource for producers to access any time. A few questions and topics that will be available as recorded videos are inflation and living expenses, financial difficulty, culling strategies, impacts of rising interest rates, pricing and quality of corn silage and bean hay, tax implica-

tion and lender relationships, crop insurance, and marketing strategies for drought affected crops.

During these times, we know it is impossible to provide a solution that fits everyone's individual situation, but it is our goal with this series to provide them with resources and information that can allow them to make informed decisions as they sort through this uncertainty.

I will be glad to share the free registration link if you will send me an email to jteague1@utk.edu

THE KIDS

The kids were here last week for a trip to the fair. Ford joined Hank on some of the bigger rides this time, and Piper rode some new things that she was tall enough to ride this year. The laughs and giggles were constant! The boys helped me with my fair duties, and Piper had a good time having them around.

This week is special to the boys. They are at UT in Knoxville at baseball camp with the UT coaches and players! They are in baseball heaven!

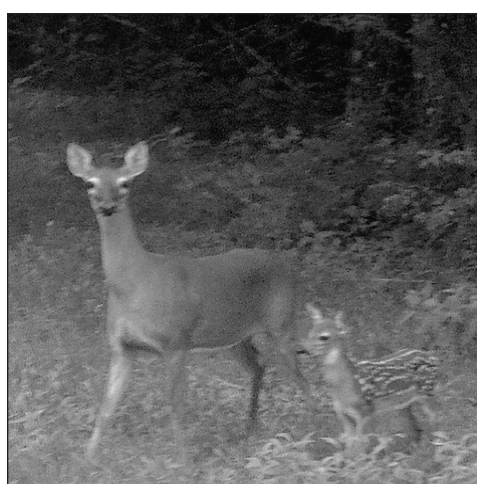
I may have to go watch their games later in the week. I feel a road trip coming on!

Weekly Tennessee Cattle and Grain Summary		USDA Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News	
Nashville, TN		Monday, July 25, 2022	
For Week Ending:		Saturday, July 23, 2022	
Receipts: 8,345	Last Week: 9,181	Last Year: 7,371	
Compared to last week, feeder steers were 3.00-5.00 higher, and feeder heifers mostly 1.00-3.00 higher with good demand for all feeder classes. Slaughter cows were mostly 4.00-7.00 lower, and slaughter bulls mostly 1.00-3.00 lower.			
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Steers (M&L 1-2)	This Week	Prior Week	Last Year
300-350 lbs	172.02	180.82	167.01
350-400 lbs	183.80	180.68	167.24
400-450 lbs	182.32	178.47	163.25
450-500 lbs	177.51	173.41	158.33
500-550 lbs	164.92	169.29	158.57
550-600 lbs	165.24	164.65	152.26
600-650 lbs	157.99	163.60	145.82
650-700 lbs	157.18	157.97	141.42
700-750 lbs	150.19	146.79	137.83
750-800 lbs	147.45	152.65	135.02
Heifers (M&L 1-2)			
300-350 lbs	149.61	151.69	142.43
350-400 lbs	154.36	157.02	142.39
400-450 lbs	154.75	152.51	142.67
450-500 lbs	151.41	150.32	139.87
500-550 lbs	147.10	145.21	135.39
550-600 lbs	143.98	142.55	132.81
600-650 lbs	142.08	140.19	127.06
650-700 lbs	136.07	135.71	125.56
700-750 lbs	124.77	126.15	117.28
750-800 lbs	130.02	123.90	114.58
WEEKLY COW SUMMARY			
Slaughter Cows	Average	High	Low
Breakers	64.00-85.00	69.00-88.00	57.00-70.00
Boners	52.00-85.00	68.00-90.00	45.00-65.00
Lean	40.00-77.50	72.00-80.00	40.00-60.00
Slaughter Bulls	Average	High	Low
Yield Grade 1's	88.00-117.00	101.00-125.00	74.00-92.00
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GOATS: 433			
KIDS-Selection 1 41-45 lbs 285.00-322.50; 50-52 lbs 320.00-322.00; 67 lbs 312.50; 83 lbs 265.00; 100-120 lbs 215.00-220.00. Selection 2 48 lbs 300.00; 63 lbs 300.00; 85 lbs 240.00. Selection 2-3 45 lbs 250.00; 64-65 lbs 220.00-245.00;			
LAMBS: 413			
Wooled & Shorn-Choice and Prime 2-3 43 lbs 210.00; 50 lbs 220.00; 65 lbs 230.00; 80 lbs 220.00; 110 lbs 162.50. Hair Breeds-Choice and Prime 2-3 48-49 lbs 200.00-210.00; 51-58 ;bs 222.50-240.00; 64-69 lbs 205.00-22 View Full Report			
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GRAINS	This Week	Prior Week	Last Year
Corn	5.89-6.97	6.19-7.07	5.67-6.71
Soybeans	13.77-16.02	14.41-16.41	13.56-14.76
New Crop Wheat	6.99-8.10	7.07-8.37	6.44-7.11
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BEHIND BARS



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If this dude could get out of his cage, likely he'd be causing a lot of trouble. But last week, during the county fair, he was subdued for a while. A lot about life can be observed from bird-watching.

SHARING FROM HIS GARDEN



T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

Boyd Waterson of Shelbyville has been growing tomatoes since he was a young boy in Beech Grove. On the heels of his 80th birthday, he's still in the garden, sharing produce like tomatoes and cucumbers with family and friends.

Caregiver charged with defrauding elder

By DAVID MELSON
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A Shelbyville woman has been charged with financially exploiting a vulnerable person.

TBI agents began an investigation in July 2021 into an allegation of theft from a TennCare recipient.

Unauthorized transactions were made on a credit card belonging to an individual under the care of a caregiver. Agents determined that the caregiver, Jacklynne Taylor, 43, of Nelson Street, was using the victim's credit card to make multiple internet purchases for her personal use.

The Bedford County Grand Jury returned indictments Monday charging Taylor with financial exploitation of a vulnerable person and one count of theft of property-\$1,000-\$2,500. Taylor was arrested by TBI agents and Shelbyville police last Tuesday. Bond was set at \$10,000.

Assault

Two men were charged with aggravated assault Wednesday night for allegedly attacking another man at a Barksdale Lane apartment complex.

Jimmy Sanders, 37, of Barksdale Lane, and Aaron Christopher St. Onge, 19, of Murfreesboro, are accused of seriously cutting the man's arm. The victim's

girlfriend had allegedly asked St. Onge and a female companion to quieten down as they climbed stairs to a nearby apartment. The two women fought — neither was charged — and later in the evening St. Onge was allegedly joined by Sanders in the attack on the man.

The victim was treated at Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital. St. Onge and Sanders were also each charged with violation of probation and held on \$12,500 bonds.

Thefts

•A customer paid for a purchase with a counterfeit \$100 bill Friday at Lay It Up Thrift Store, Madison Street, police were told.

•A Weedeater and chain saw were taken sometime last week from the yard of a Chestnut Drive home. The victim was unsure what day they were stolen.

Drug charge

A driver clocked at 53 mph in a 30 mph zone on South Cannon Boulevard Sunday night was charged with simple possession when Officer Samuel Campbell found a cigarette pack containing 4 grams of marijuana in his car, a report said.

Dunikah Dowdy was also charged with speeding and financial responsibility and given a court summons, police said.

Jail intake

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

•Zaronta Ladel Allen, 21, Columbia; failure to appear, violation of probation; summons issued

•Charles Ryan Allison, 26, Ledbetter Road; speeding, driving on revoked license (third offense); released, \$2,500 bond

•Shawna Michelle Barrier, 34, Lynchburg; bond revoked by judge

•Christopher Dean Batts, 45, Fairfield Pike; domestic assault; held, \$5,000 bond

•Marcos Antonio Baza, 37, Landers Street; failure to appear, bench warrant; released, \$10,000 bond

•Omar Benitez Villatoro, 41, La Vergne; driving on revoked license; released, no bond

•Della A. Blacksmith, 45, Edd Joyce Road; failure to appear; summons issued

•James Bradley Blair, 29, West Lane Street; driving on revoked license (seventh offense), speeding; held, \$5,500 bond

•Alexius A. Cash, 25, Murfreesboro; failure to appear, failure to appear for booking; held, \$1,500 bond

•Alexis Joan Montgomery Freels, 19, Lentz Street; unlawful possession of firearm, possession of schedule 6 drug; held, \$10,000 bond

•Jacob Garvin, 41, Barksdale Lane; failure to appear; held, \$250 bond

•Elmer Gonzalez Cabrera, 21, Industrial Parkway; DUI, driving on suspended license; held, \$3,000 bond

•Robert Jeremy Grieshaber, 33, Amos Smith Drive; assault; summons issued

•Nathan Douglas Hancock, 36, Barksdale Lane; violation of protection, domestic assault; held, no bond

•Joseph Roger Hedrick, 41, homeless, Shelbyville; aggravated criminal trespassing, vandalism, public intoxication, aggravated burglary; held, \$43,000 bond

•Jessica Jade Henderson, 30, Old Columbia Road; domestic assault; held, \$2,500 bond

•Emilee Beth Holton, 19, Maple Street; criminal trespassing, possession of schedule 2 drug, possession of schedule 6 drug, possession of drug paraphernalia; held, \$14,000 bond

•Noah M. Jacobs, 24, South Cannon Boulevard; aggravated domestic assault; held, \$7,500 bond

•Vanessa M. Molina Jacobs, 24, South Cannon Boulevard; domestic assault; released, \$1,500 bond

•Evelyn Charlena Johnson, 38, Highway 41A North; failure to appear; held, \$5,000 bond

•Holly Lynn Killion, 43, Estill Springs; viola-

tion of probation, show cause; summons issued

•Julie Marie Landreth, 45, Carlisle Avenue; DUI, open container, financial responsibility; held, \$2,000 bond

•Brandy Lynn Lewis, 43, Unionville-Deason Road; driving on revoked license, financial responsibility, seat belt law, registration violation; summons issued

•Tyler Locke, 25, Hobson Avenue; domestic assault; held, \$2,500 bond

•Domingo Lopez Coj, 35, White Street; no driver's license; summons issued

•Natasha Lynn Groves Lynch, 39, Warners Bridge Road; driving on suspended license, registration violation; summons issued

•Kaylee Brooke Manire, 23, Barksdale Lane; failure to appear; held, \$10,000 bond

•Richard McGowan, 34, Tullahoma; driving on suspended license, speeding; released, no bond

•Sha Timothy McMillan, 25, Nashville; introduction of contraband into penal institution, possession of schedule 2 drugs (four counts), possession of schedule 4 drug; held, \$55,000 bond

•Charles Steven Metcalf, 42, Fayetteville; violation of probation; held, \$2,500 bond

•Manuel Rizo Mojica, 46, Eagle Boulevard; DUI, driving on revoked license (third offense), implied consent; released, \$4,000 bond

•Juan Ortiz Batz, 20, Sherwood Court; DUI, drinking age law, criminal impersonation; released, \$6,000 bond

•Pedro Campos Osorio, 22, Highway 41A North; driving on revoked license, running traffic control device; summons issued

•Kenneth Jawayne Phillips, 39, Nashville; violation of probation, show cause; held, \$2,500 bond

•Matthew James Reusch, 27, Patricia Drive; aggravated domestic assault (three counts); released, \$75,000 bond

•Robert Rochester, 50, Kingree Road; domestic assault; released, \$2,500 bond

•Matthew L. Sadler, 33, Whiteside Road; driving on suspended license, light law; summons issued

•Aaron Christopher Sanders, 19, Murfreesboro; aggravated assault, violation of probation; held, \$12,500 bond

•Laskeika Monae Sales, 29, Barksdale Lane; light law, driving on revoked license, failure to appear; released, \$4,500 bond

•Jimmy Sanders, 37, Barksdale Lane; aggravated assault, violation of probation; held, \$12,500 bond

•Napoleon Dwight Scales, 26, Barksdale Lane; criminal trespassing; held, \$1,000 bond

•Diego Sebastian, 27, Sandusky Street; DUI (second offense), no driver's license, criminal impersonation, open container, failure to appear; held, \$8,500 bond

•Chelle Renee Simmons, 33, Rockvale; violation of probation; held, \$2,500 bond

•Dana Michelle Swift, 38, Manchester; failure to appear; summons issued

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BEDFORD COUNTY
AUGUST 4, 2022

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DISTRICT 62**
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AUGUST 4, 2022

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WRITE-IN

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DISTRICT 17**
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Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

**CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE
PART II DISTRICT 17**
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Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

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DISTRICT 17**
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Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

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MISTY L. PELLAR
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Independent Candidate

BRIAN FARRIS
Independent Candidate

DIANE NEELEY
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Republican Party Nominee

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Independent Candidate

J.D. "BO" WILSON SR.
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Independent Candidate

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DISTRICT 9**
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REGISTER OF DEEDS
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**SCHOOL BOARD
DISTRICT 2**
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BRIAN CREWS
Independent Candidate

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**SCHOOL BOARD
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**SCHOOL BOARD
DISTRICT 3**
Vote For One (1)
0 selected, incomplete

DAN REED
Independent Candidate

WRITE-IN

TOWN OF BELL BUCKLE

**MAYOR
Bell Buckle**
Vote For One (1)
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RONNIE LOKEY

WRITE-IN

**SCHOOL BOARD
DISTRICT 4**
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WRITE-IN

**ALDERMAN
Bell Buckle**
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JUDICIAL RETENTION QUESTIONS

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Shall Jeffrey S. Bivins be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

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**Supreme Court
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Shall Holly Kirby be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

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**Supreme Court
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Shall Sarah K. Campbell be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

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**Supreme Court
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Shall Sharon Gail Lee be retained in office as a Judge of the Supreme Court, At Large, or be replaced?

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**Supreme Court
At Large**
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**Court of Appeals
Eastern Division**
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Shall Thomas R. "Skip" Frierson be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
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Shall Kristi Davis be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
Eastern Division**
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Shall John W. McClarty be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
Eastern Division**
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Shall Mike Swiney be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
Middle Division**
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Shall Frank Clement be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Middle Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
Middle Division**
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Shall Andy D. Bennett be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Middle Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
Middle Division**
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Shall Neal McBrayer be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Middle Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
Western Division**
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Shall Kenny W. Armstrong be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
Western Division**
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Shall Carma Dennis McGee be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
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Shall Arnold B. Goldin be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Appeals
Western Division**
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Shall Steve Stafford be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
Eastern Division**
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Shall Robert H. Montgomery, Jr. be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
Middle Division**
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Shall Jill Barte Ayers be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Middle Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
Eastern Division**
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Shall James C. Witt, Jr. be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Eastern Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
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Shall Timothy L. Easter be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Middle Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
Middle Division**
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Shall Robert L. Holloway, Jr. be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Middle Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
Western Division**
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Shall John W. Campbell, Sr. be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

RETAIN

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
Middle Division**
Vote For One (1)
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Shall Robert W. Wedemeyer be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Middle Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
Western Division**
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Shall J. Ross Dyer be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
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Shall Camille McMullen be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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**Court of Criminal Appeals
Western Division**
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Shall John Everett Williams be retained in office as a Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Western Division, or be replaced?

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Great folks working the fair



The Shelbyville Central High School tennis team served as entry gate volunteers.

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FAIR DOGS



T-G Photo by Julie Smith

Julie Smith took a picture of her fur buddies last week during Bedford County Fair. See a story about why Julie loves the county fair in Saturday's Life and Leisure.



Kyle Robinson helps to set up for the cattle show.



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Shelbyville Central works through special teams during a recent practice.

Football season's not that far away Preparations heat up for Eagles under new head coach

By **GARY JOHNSON**
Sports Writer

As summer winds down and with the start of the high school football season on the horizon, Shelbyville Central's Golden Eagles are hard at work but the emphasis is more than developing fundamentals and position skills on the field.

Recently-hired head football coach Jud Dryden has made changing the culture of the team his top priority.

"As far as players are concerned, the number one priority is setting our culture and making sure they are aware of the expectations set for them as well as

ourselves and do everything we can to move forward on that right away," Dryden said. "We want a culture here at Shelbyville Central where our players are committed to each other like a family and a culture where we believe success comes from having a good attitude and being committed to each and working through those hard times accountable. Those are the things that we want to truly define as our success. That's where our culture comes from."

The Eagles are doing what every team does in the preseason; conditioning, working on their offense, defense, and special teams. But success tends to follow

the teams that work the hardest and work together as a team.

Discipline both on and off the field is as important as any aspect mentioned and that goes along with the culture that Dryden is trying to build as well.

"Our job, in part, as coaches is to make sure these young men know what it is like to be an adult. One of the things we want to impress upon them is when they make a choice the consequences of their choices go beyond just themselves and filters those around them as well," Dryden said. "On the field we want to make sure we eliminate those big penalties that hurt the team. That

can be the difference between winning or losing. This has been a major focus during the preseason and they know it is unacceptable if that happens and there is a price to be paid if it does happen. It's all about self-discipline and self-control and those two things help make a great football player as well as a great human being and a great man."

Offensively, the Eagles will look the same with a few tweaks while on defense will continue to look to get to the football and apply as much pressure as possible.

Dryden looks to put more attention and detail on special

teams, which can make a big difference in a close contest.

"It's nice that we will basically run the same systems on offense and defense with the same terminology. We will add a few things on both sides of the ball but this makes our transition a lot quicker and much easier," Dryden said.

When Dryden took over as head coach a few weeks ago, he had a number of coaching positions open. Two new coaches have been hired with three more in the works over the next few days.

Shelbyville Central opens the season on Thursday night, Aug. 18, at home against Tullahoma at 7.

Champions reloading, not rebuilding, for upcoming season

By **WILL CARTER**
Sports Writer

A year ago the Cascade Champions found themselves in the first round of the TSSAA D-I AA playoffs where they were defeated 36-18 by the Lewis County Panthers, but the Champions used that loss as motivation to carry them through the trials of off-season workouts and summer practice with a goal of making it back and even farther than the first round this upcoming season.

One of the biggest positives out of Cascade's football program coming into this season is that they only graduated five seniors: leaving them with a strong core of starters to build around.

"As soon as the season ended last year, we set a goal that we wanted to be region champions and go a little further than last year,"

Champions head coach Jake Tyre said. "We graduated five off the team last year, so the majority of our starters are coming back. Getting bigger, faster, and stronger was our main goal since the end of last sea-

son. They've worked their tails off for the past eight months."

Of those five seniors that graduated, Ryan Inmon is the most glaring loss having been the starting quarterback for the majority of the season while also starting on the defensive side of the ball. Inmon accumulated 2,011 of the Champions' 2,929 total offensive yards a season ago while accounting for 17 total touchdowns, but Tyre isn't looking too far down the roster for his replacement.

"Xamarion Dixon is moving into being our quarterback, and he did a great job playing that position in junior varsity last year," Tyre said. "We're still trying to figure some things out, but I like where we're at. All the kids want to work, and they've had a really good summer."

Dixon contributed as a running back and defensive back on the varsity team last season, and accounted for 467 total yards offensively.

Defensively, he racked up 21 tackles and one inter-

Vikings compete in 7-on-7 events

By **RICKEY CLARDY**
Sports Writer

With the TSSAA dead period in the rearview mirror and the 2022 football season around the corner, the Community Vikings recently spent a week participating in 7-on-7s at three different schools.

Coach Chris Grooms discussed how the team fared in the competition at Riverdale, with many of the opponents from bigger classifications.

"It went well. We had a lot of playing time," Grooms said. "At Riverdale, we competed and went to overtime with Summit in the tournament. Summit turned around and beat Oakland, which lets you know

ception.

The Champions have been busy this summer not only in the weight room but also on the field, competing in 7-on-7's and most recently a team camp in Alabama.

While passing the ball comes second in the Champions' offense, it was important for them to build chemistry and set a foundation between their skill players in those competi-

where we were at."

"We won three out of five games over there, so we were in the mix," Grooms added. "We're still lacking some skill positions with people being out on vacation. So we had to get creative with our coaching strategy."

The Vikings have spent time acclimating per TSSAA rules.

"Tonight is acclimation, so we've got three days of helmets," Grooms explained. "Even though we've been in helmets doing 7-on-7s, we've still got to do three days of helmets. That's the rules for TSSAA because my linemen have not been out here."

"They've got to put them on to make sure they get used to the heat

and having the helmet on," Grooms said. "Then after that, we're able to go to shoulder pads and helmets. The next Monday, we're able to go to full pads."

The team has spent the off-season in the weight room to prepare for the upcoming season.

"We lifted Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, and then on Tuesday and Thursday nights we would come out here and do our 7-on-7 work," Grooms said.

Some new faces are a part of the 2022 team.

"We've got a lot of new players," Grooms said. "We've got a couple that transferred in and a bunch of freshmen coming out of Liberty."

NFL enters streaming marketplace with 'NFL+' service

By **JOE REEDY**
AP Sports Writer

The NFL is making its move into offering its own media streaming platform.

The league announced that "NFL+" launched on Monday. Owners were briefed about it during the league meetings in May, while Brian Rolapp, the NFL's chief media and business officer, confirmed in a column for "Sports Illustrated" last week that it would be starting this season.

Commissioner Roger Goodell said in a phone interview with The Associated Press that the direct-to-consumer offer-

ing gives the league the ability to understand what fans and non-fans are seeking in terms of content and customize it for them.

"We think this is a major step forward. It will evolve, build and get better as more and more content becomes available on this platform. The work that we've done either with other offerings or research has helped us sort of frame this in a way that we think would be very attractive and engage our fans."

The launch of "NFL+" comes as 15 games on Thursday night will be carried exclusively on Amazon Prime Video. The "Sunday

Ticket" package of out-of-market Sunday games currently will expire at the end of this season. Amazon, Apple and Google have emerged as the frontrunners to take over the rights that DirecTV has held since 1994.

"NFL+" will allow fans to view out-of-market preseason games on all devices; local and national regular-season and postseason games on mobile devices; team and national radio feeds, NFL Network shows on-demand along with the NFL Films archive. It could also include content produced by teams. It will be able to be accessed through

the NFL app and website.

It is an upgrade of the "Game Pass" service that has been available to fans in the United States since 2015. The league began offering a package in which fans could watch replays of games online — appropriately called "Game Rewind" — in 2009. It started to gain favor among fans and analysts in 2012 when it added coaches film, including two angles where all 22 players on the field could be viewed.

The league has also offered out-of-market preseason games either through a separate package or "Game Pass" in previous

seasons.

The key to the package is the live regular-season and playoff games. The league regained the mobile rights after its contracts with mobile carriers expired at the end of last season.

"NFL+" will be available for \$4.99/month or \$39.99/year. A premium package — which includes full and condensed game replays as well as the coaches film — is \$9.99/month or \$79.99/year. The "Game Pass" package was previously available for \$100/year. "NFL+" will part of fans who purchase season tickets for their teams.

"We've had our toe

in the water with 'Game Pass,' but this is our next step forward," said Hans Schroeder, the executive vice president of NFL Media. "We think this will be attractive for fans and sort of bring down the price point for fans on a monthly basis. There is an eye on future content down the road. We're excited to see where this can go this year and beyond."

Goodell said recently the league is hoping to make a decision about "Sunday Ticket" and possibly selling an equity stake in NFL Media properties by the end of the year.

Runners on roll for U.S.

By **EDDIE PELLIS**
AP National Writer

EUGENE, Ore. — For the U.S. women's relay team, this was a shock. For the men -- more of the same.

The women pulled a stunner over Jamaica in the 4x100 relay at world championships Saturday, while the favored men finished second after the latest sloppy baton exchange in what has been a ritual since before anyone on this team was born.

Andre De Grasse beat American Marvin Bracy to the line by .07 seconds to lift Canada to the victory in the men's race in 37.48 seconds.

Bracy fell behind in the anchor leg after twice reaching back and whiffing on the exchange from Elijah Hall, who went tumbling to the ground after he finally got the stick into his teammate's hand.

"Not being clean cost us the race," Bracy had posted on Twitter before he'd even made it through the interview area. "No excuses. We let y'all down my apologies."

The U.S. women felt nothing but love. A clear underdog to a Jamaican team that had won all but one of the six sprint medals at this meet, the U.S. pulled the upset when Twanisha Terry held off 200 gold medalist Shericka Jackson for a .04-second victory.

She celebrated by doing her "dirtbike dance," hopping on one foot while revving the handlebars of her pretend, superfast bike.

"I just felt the crowd go crazy. It was very electrifying," Terry said.

The American team, which also included Melissa Jefferson, Abby Steiner and Jenna Prandini, finished in 41.14.

Jamaica's Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce kept her streak alive. She's won gold or silver in every world relay she's been part of, dating to 2007. Nobody on Jamaica came into the relay thinking about second place this year, though.

Jamaica's lineup included all three sprinters from its 100-meter sweep last weekend and both members of the 1-2 finish in the 200. Its fate might have been sealed on a messy first pass between Kemba Nelson and Elaine Thompson-Herah.

"I don't think there's any medal that is designated just for Jamaica," Fraser-Pryce said. "We have to go out there and we have to work like everybody else."

The U.S. men, meanwhile, had taken all six medals in the 100 and 200.

The relays proved, yet again, that pure speed is not all that matters in these races.

"You can have the fastest runner but if there's no chemistry and there's no trust, and the baton isn't moving through the exchange, you aren't going to produce that fast of a time," Terry explained.

Though the U.S. men will walk away with a medal this time -- they'd been shut out in six of the last 13 worlds and three of the last four Olympics -- this can't be framed as anything but an unsatisfactory result.

"You could come out of here with nothing," Bracy said. "But we've got to clean it up. We've got a lot of work to do to continue to get better."

De Grasse, the Olympic champion at 200 meters, could barely walk up his stairs four weeks ago while recovering from COVID-19. He didn't make it through 100-meter heats last weekend and pulled out of the 200 altogether.

He won the gold medal with a team that also included Aaron Brown, who finished seventh in the 200 and eighth in the 100; Jerome Blake, who didn't make the final in either; and Brendon Rodney, who was part of Canada's relay pool.



Photo by Tim Nwachukwu/Getty Images

Chase Elliott was given the win on Sunday at Pocono after Denny Hamlin and Kurt Busch were disqualified after post-race inspections.

Elliott given Pocono win; Hamlin, Busch disqualified

By **DAN GELSTON**
AP Sports Writer

LONG POND, Pa. — The siren at the Dawsonville, Georgia, pool hall that sounds whenever Chase Elliott wins a race did indeed go off Sunday night without the hometown star ever leading a lap at Pocono Raceway.

"Winner, winner Joe Gibbs Racing are cheaters!" the Dawsonville Pool Room tweeted.

In an extraordinary decision for a NASCAR Cup Series race, Joe Gibbs Racing driver Denny Hamlin had his Pocono win thrown out and runner-up and teammate Kyle Busch also was disqualified after their Toyotas failed inspections.

Elliott shot up from third place and the Hendrick Motorsports driver was awarded his fourth victory of the season. He never led a lap in the No. 9 Chevrolet — and his car also was inspected by NASCAR.

Hamlin lost his record seventh victory at Pocono and his third win of the season. Busch led a race-high 63 laps.

NASCAR believed the last time it disqualified an apparent winner was April 17, 1960, when Emanuel Zervakis' victory at Wilson Speedway in North Carolina was thrown out because of an oversized fuel tank.

"We were shocked to learn of the infraction that caused our two cars to fail NASCAR's post-race technical inspection," Joe Gibbs said in a statement. "We plan to review every part of the process that led to this situation."

The penalties can be appealed and both Toyotas were sent to NASCAR's research and develop-

ment center in North Carolina for further evaluation. NASCAR said the infractions were not caught in the pre-race inspection because the wrap was not removed from the cars until after the race.

"There was some issues discovered that affect aero in the vehicle," NASCAR Cup Series managing director Brad Moran said. "There really was no reason why there was some material that was somewhere it shouldn't have been. And that does basically come down to a DQ."

Moran said the parts in question were the front fascia — essentially the nose cone — and final decisions "should be sorted out by next week."

Moran said the inspection "rules have tightened up" with the introduction this season of a new car. NASCAR's newest version is pretty much a kit car. Teams get all the same pieces from varying vendors and have detailed instructions regarding how to put it together.

"We don't want to be here talking about this problem," Moran said. "But the teams and the owners and everybody was well aware that this new car was going to be kept with some pretty tight tolerances. There's some areas that all the teams are well aware that we can not go down the path that we had in the past with the other car."

The failures marred what had been a banner day for JGR.

Hamlin had seemingly won for the third time this season and passed Hall of Fame driver Jeff Gordon for most wins at Pocono with seven. Hamlin swept two races at Pocono in his rookie season in 2006, and added wins in 2009, 2010, 2019 and 2020. Now,

he remains tied with the four-time NASCAR champion.

Hamlin had plenty to handle from the start, when the pole sitter tagged the wall on the opening lap. He recovered — at 400 miles on the 2 1/2-mile tri-oval there's plenty of racing ahead — then had to watch Busch lead the majority of the race. Oh, then there was this thorny issue of settling a lingering score with Ross Chastain.

Chastain wrecked Hamlin two times in a month earlier this season — Hamlin counted two more times from last season — and was fed-up with the aggressive driving of the watermelon farmer. Hamlin refused to give his rival an inch off a restart at Pocono and forced Chastain into the wall with 16 laps left in the race. Chastain slammed the wall and triggered a wreck that collected several drivers, including winless Kevin Harvick, who is fighting for a playoff spot.

"What did you want me to do? What did you expect me to do," Hamlin asked in the immediate aftermath.

Chastain, who has two wins this season driving for Trackhouse Racing, sheepishly understood comeuppance was due.

"I think that's something that's been owed to me for a few months now," Chastain said.

Hamlin got the last word — well the latest word — but does it squash their beef? Perhaps not, as the wife of Chastain's race team owner Justin Marks tweeted, "Game. On."

Hamlin also lost his tie with former teammate Tony Stewart on NASCAR's career wins list with 49.

"We've just been good friends

and he's certainly someone that I look up to from a talent standpoint," Hamlin said. "He was the guy that for 36 races was a threat to win, and that's what I hope to be some day."

Hamlin is pretty close: He's a three-time Daytona 500 champion and part owner of 23XI Racing with Michael Jordan. About the only blemish on his resume is the championship he's failed to win — and the first DQ of his Cup career.

Hamlin's young daughter burst into tears of joy and he sent her to retrieve the checkered flag. Taylor Hamlin clutched the flag as she slid through the passenger's side window and took a victory lap around Pocono with dad at the wheel.

Hamlin tweeted a photo of his daughter holding the flag and he wrote, "Yeah, good luck getting that back."

NASCAR could say the same to him over his championship trophy.

Ty game

Ty Gibbs finished 16th for 23XI Racing in his first career Cup start subbing for the injured Kurt Busch.

Busch suffered a head injury during a hard hit Saturday in qualifying and was not cleared to race by NASCAR's medical staff. That opened the door for the 19-year-old Gibbs. In a pinch, the grandson of Joe Gibbs wore Busch's firesuit and Hamlin's shoes.

"I never thought I'd race with these guys," Gibbs said. "It was just cool being next to them on the track. To 10-year-old Ty, that means a lot."

Grandpa Joe was pretty proud.

NCAA hits Vols with 18 major violations under Pruitt

By **TERESA M. WALKER**
AP Sports Writer

Tennessee hopes its "exemplary cooperation" with the NCAA helps the Volunteers avoid serious punishment from 18 major rules violations as easily as they dodged paying former coach Jeremy Pruitt's multi-million dollar buyout.

The NCAA notified Tennessee on Friday of the Level 1 violations, the NCAA's most serious, for allegations of providing impermissible cash, gifts and benefits worth about \$60,000 to football recruits and their families under Pruitt. The notice of allegations says at least a dozen members of Pruitt's staff were involved in more than 200 individual violations over a two-year period.

Tennessee has until Oct. 20 to respond, according to the letter it received from the association's enforcement staff.

Pruitt and nine others were fired for cause in January 2021 after Tennessee started an internal investigation following a tip on Nov. 13, 2020, and found what the university chancellor called "serious violations of NCAA rules." The firing negated Pruitt's \$12.6 million buyout after he went 16-19 in three seasons.

Chancellor Donde Plowman had said Pruitt was responsible for overseeing the football program.

Tennessee also fired two assistants and seven members of the recruiting and support staff. Pruitt, three of his assistants and three other staffers could face show-cause penalties making it difficult for them to get another college job after a hearing is held with the NCAA's Division I Committee on Infractions.

"In every step of this process, we took quick and decisive actions that exemplified the longstanding values of the NCAA reiterated in the membership's new constitution," Plowman said in a statement Friday. "The university hired outside counsel to fully investigate allegations about the football program, acted promptly to terminate the employment of football coaches and staff members, and shared our conclusions with the NCAA enforcement staff."

Pruitt told ESPN he was still reading through the report and seeing a lot of information in the allegations for the first time.

"I'd rather not comment a whole lot past that, other than to say that I'm looking forward to telling my side of the story somewhere down the road," Pruitt said.

NCAA investigators opened a case in December 2020 and became more involved within the two weeks before Pruitt was fired. The complaint notes how

Tennessee handled its investigation "should be the standard for any institutional inquiries into potential violations." The NCAA noted Tennessee immediately mirror-imaged football staffers' cell phones leading to information "that substantiated the violations alleged."

Tennessee wrapped up its investigation last November and announced then it wouldn't self-impose a bowl ban to avoid penalizing current players and coaches. New athletic director Danny White, who replaced the retiring Phillip Fulmer, hired Josh Heupel in late January 2021.

Plowman noted the NCAA enforcement staff recognized the university's "exemplary cooperation" in the case.

"While we will take appropriate responsibility, last fall, the university announced that we will not self-impose penalties that harm innocent student-athletes like post-season bans based upon the actions of coaches and staff who are no longer part of the institution," Plowman said.

Three Level I allegations involve impermissible visits during the COVID-19 recruiting dead period.

On nine separate weekends from July to November 2020, about \$12,100 in impermissible

recruiting inducements and unofficial visit expenses were provided for six recruits and their families to come to the Knoxville area, according to the complaint.

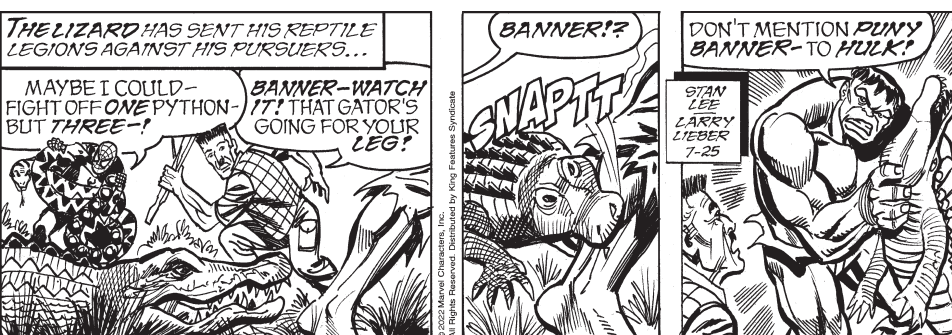
Among the allegations, on at least 31 occasions from January 2019-March 2021, outside linebackers coach Shelton Felton, inside linebackers coach Brian Niedermeyer, recruiting staff member Bethany Gunn and Pruitt's wife, Casey Pruitt, provided about \$16,300 in impermissible benefits to an individual in the form of cash, parking to attend home football games and entertainment expenses to host a recruit's mother.

And on 25 occasions from January 2019-March 2021, Casey Pruitt allegedly provided a total of \$12,500 in cash benefits to an individual for monthly car payments.

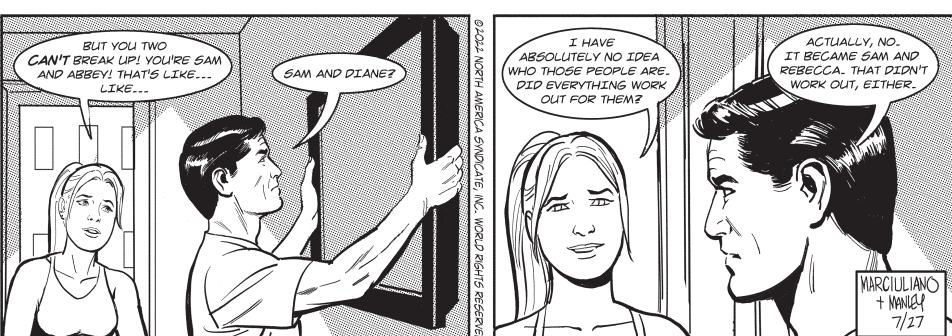
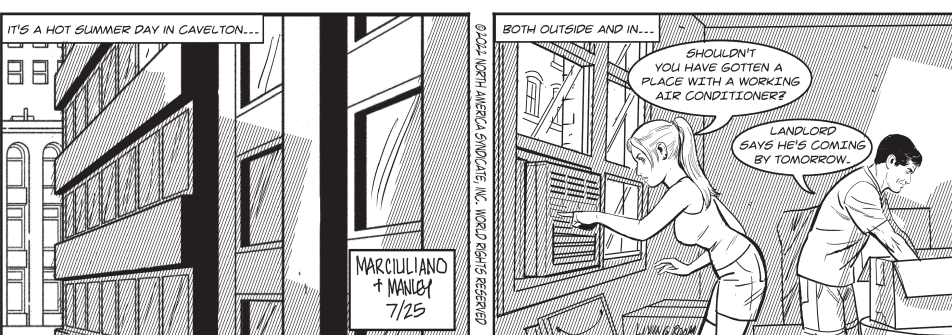
Pruitt and two recruiting staffers provided or arranged for approximately \$11,223 on at least 20 occasions between January 2019-December 2020. That includes \$2,443 reimbursed to the assistant director of recruiting using CashApp for costs that covered furniture, household goods or party decorations.

The then-head coach also provided approximately \$6,000 in cash toward a down payment toward a new car during an unofficial visit.

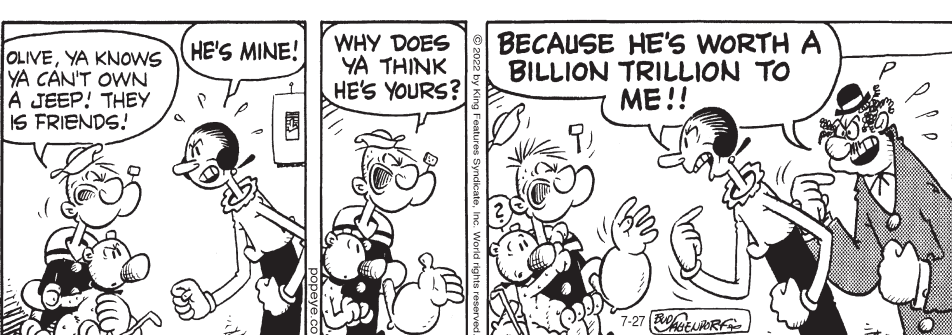
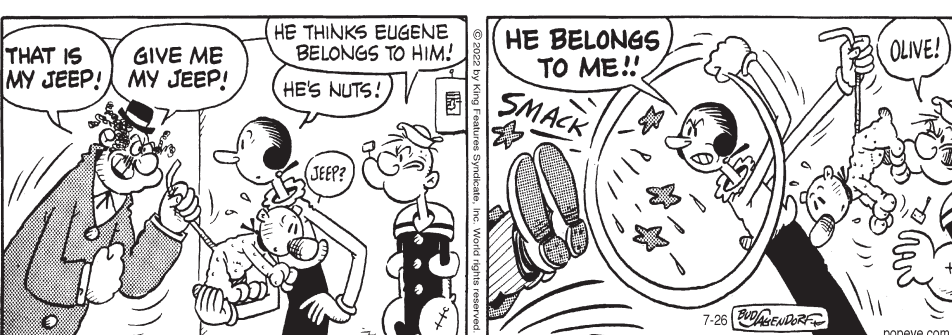
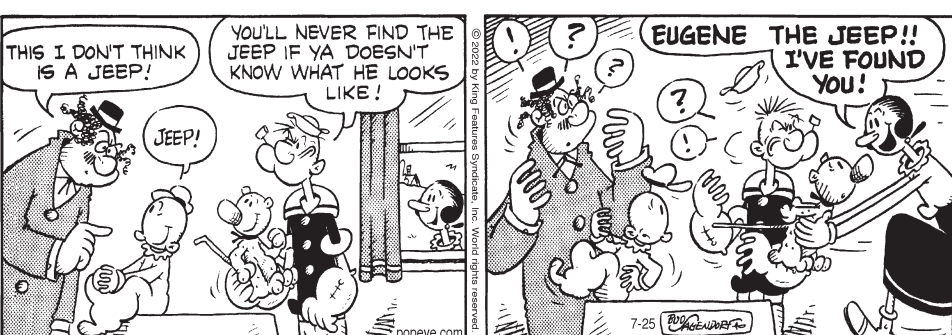
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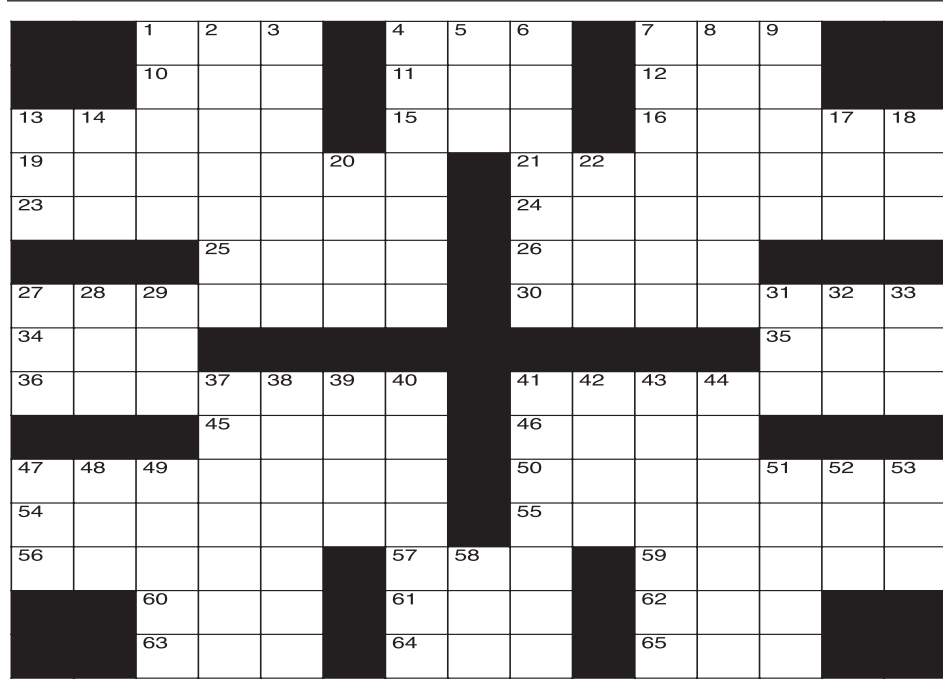
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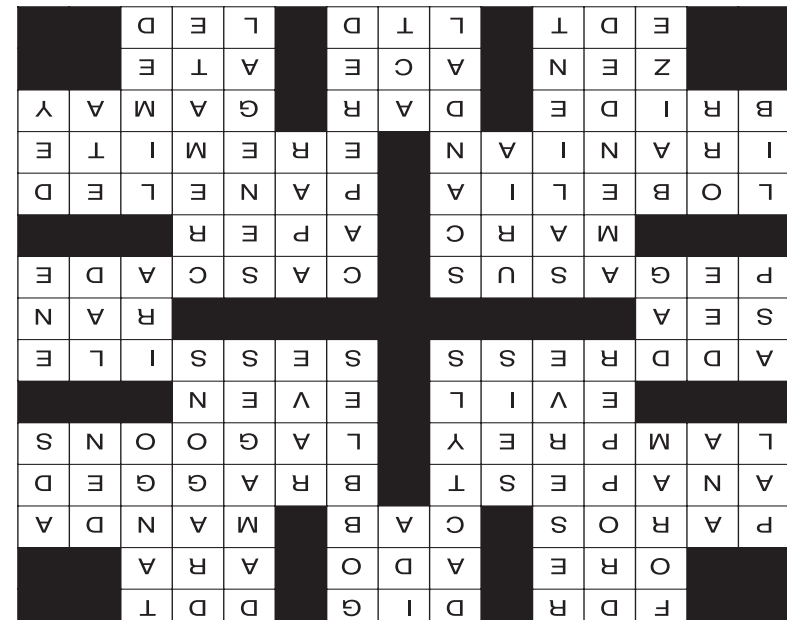
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4. Move earth
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10. Naturally occurring solid material
11. State of fuss
12. Bhutanese wine
13. Greek island
15. Taxi
16. Tanzanian ethnic group
19. Metrical foot
21. Boasted
23. Eel-like vertebrate
24. Small freshwater lakes
25. Morally base
26. Not odd
27. Where you live
30. Fixed in place
34. A very large body of water
35. Moved quickly
36. Winged horse
41. Small waterfall
45. Hoopster Gasol
46. One who mimics
47. Tropical plant
50. Used of walls
54. A citizen of Iran
55. Christian hermit
56. She marries the groom
57. American patriotic society
59. Wine grape
60. School of Buddhism
61. A team's best pitcher
62. Consumed
63. Time zone
64. Part of a company name
65. Type of bulb

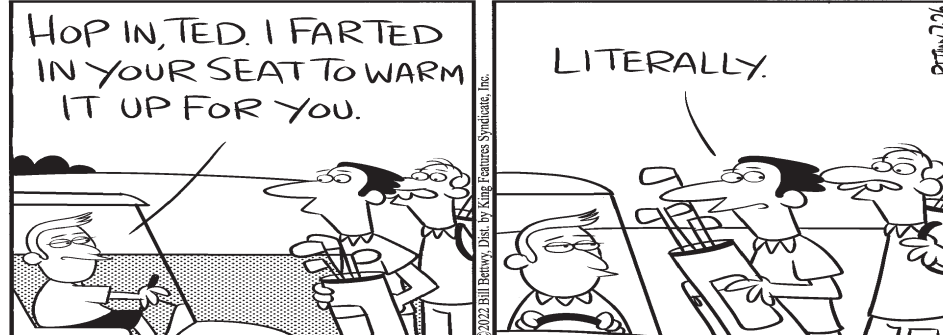
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3. Set aside for a later time
4. Metrical foot
5. Famed journalist Tarbell
6. Consumes quickly
7. Rewards in a civil suit
8. Kamodo are some
9. Ballroom dance
13. Chum
14. Comedienne Gasteyer
17. A room to relax
18. Commercials
20. Six (Spanish)
22. Wild party
27. Small European viper
28. Baseballer Gordon
29. Eccentric person
31. A way to save for your future
32. Young boy
33. Midway between northeast and east
37. Changed
38. Prominent
39. Genus of seabirds
40. Event regarded as wrong
41. Skipped in a lively way
42. Multi-function radar (abbr.)
43. A country in W. Africa
44. Burn a corpse
47. Women's __ movement
48. NHL great Bobby
49. Coarse, green material
51. Treated with calcium oxide
52. When you hope to get there
53. "Partridge" actress Susan
58. What thespians do

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CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Aries: This week you may find yourself taking on a teaching or mentoring role...
Cancer: Get together with others this week because you can use some extra support...
Libra: Take a break and get some exercise in the process...
Taurus: Taurus, this week it may be challenging for you to relate to others on a certain level...
Leo: Leo, self-control is important for you this week...
Scorpio: This week you may consider furthering your education or learning new skills...
Gemini: It's possible you will find people to be extra aggressive this week...
Virgo: This is a good week to look at things in a new way...
Sagittarius: Spend time with people who care about you...
Pisces: You may be more sentimental now than in the past...
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WEDNESDAY EVENING JULY 27, 2022

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FRIDAY EVENING JULY 29, 2022

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SATURDAY EVENING JULY 30, 2022

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TUESDAY EVENING AUGUST 2, 2022

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Motlow advises on tuition choices

LYNCHBURG, TN—When it comes to paying for tuition, Motlow State Community College is working to help students make the wise choice of bundling TN Promise and TN Reconnect with Pell.

The Pell Grant covered approximately 80 percent of the costs of attending a public four-year institution when established in 1973. Unfortunately, the Pell Grant has not kept up with continued tuition increases at most institutions.

Motlow ensures students have more tuition payment power. Using Pell with Promise or Reconnect at the associate degree level ensures students are more likely to have Pell funding to continue their education toward a bachelor's degree.

"It's smarter to use Pell at the community college level where tuition is less expensive. When you combine Pell with Promise or Reconnect Scholarships, money can go a long way at the community college level. That's why community colleges were created, so they could offer the same college credits at a greater value," said Lisa Myers, assistant vice presi-



Lisa Myers

dent for Business and Finance at Motlow.

Recently, President Joe Biden signed a spending bill to increase Pell Grants by \$400, bringing it to \$6,895. Still, the power of Pell has decreased over time because it doesn't pay for as much college as it used to, and there is a maximum

lifetime Pell award amount. With this increase, the purchasing power of Pell is only just over 30 percent of the cost.

Students have become more reliant on loans to finance their education because Pell covers less of the necessary costs. The wisest use of financial aid is not always self-evident. Low tuition rates, scholarships, and many unique transfer opportunities allow students to save thousands of dollars on their education. Students may qualify for free tuition, scholarships, or grants.

"People often assume they can't afford to go to college or that navigating the financial aid process is too hard. That's why we're here," said Myers. "Motlow wants to open the doors to college for everyone. We help students navigate the pathway to free or low-cost education every day."

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Each year, Bedford County Soil & Water Conservation District presents a college scholarship to a student majoring in agriculture or a related field. This year's recipient, Drake Hodge, plans to attend UT-Martin and major in fisheries and wildlife science. His hobbies are hunting, fishing, waterboarding, and playing soccer. The District wishes him well in his future.

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Sanders, conservatives oppose semiconductor bill

By KEVIN FREKING
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A bill to boost semiconductor production in the United States has managed to do nearly the unthinkable — unite the democratic socialist Sen. Bernie Sanders and the fiscally conservative right.

The bill making its way through the Senate is a top priority of the Biden administration. It would add about \$79 billion to the deficit over 10 years, mostly as a result of new grants and tax breaks that would subsidize the cost that computer chip manufacturers incur when building or expanding chip plants in the United States.

Supporters say that countries all over the world are spending billions of dollars to lure chipmakers. The U.S. must do the same or risk losing a secure supply of the semiconductors that power the nation's automobiles, computers, appliances and some of the military's most advanced weapons systems.

Sanders, I-Vt., and a wide range of conservative lawmakers, think tanks and media outlets have a different take. To them, it's "corporate welfare."

It's just the latest example of how spending taxpayer dollars to help the private sector can scramble the usual partisan lines, creating allies on the left and right who agree on little else. They are positioning themselves as defenders of the little guy against powerful interest groups lining up at the public trough.

Sanders said he doesn't hear from people about the need to help the semiconductor industry. Voters talk to him about climate change, gun safety, preserving a woman's right to an abortion and boosting Social Security benefits, to name just a few.

"Not too many people that I can recall — I have been all over this country — say: 'Bernie, you go back there and you get the job done, and you give enormously profitable corporations, which pay outrageous compensation packages to their CEOs, billions and billions of dollars in corporate welfare,'" Sanders said.

Sanders voted against the original semiconductor and research bill that passed the Senate last year. He was the only senator who caucuses with the Democrats to oppose the measure, joining with 31 Republicans.

While Sanders would like to see the spending directed elsewhere, several GOP senators just want the spending stopped, period. Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah, said the spending would help fuel inflation that is hurting the poor and middle class.

"The poorer you are, the more you suffer. Even people well-entrenched in the middle class get gouged considerably. Why we would want to take money away from them and give it to the wealthy is beyond my ability to fathom," Lee said.

Conservative mainstays such as The Wall Street Journal's editorial board, the Heritage Foundation and the tea party aligned group FreedomWorks have also come out against the bill. "Giving taxpayer money away to rich corporations is not competing with China," said Walter Lohman, director of the Heritage Foundation's Asian Studies Center.

The opposition from the far left and the far right means that Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., will need help from Republicans to

get a bill over the finish line. Support from at least 11 Republican senators will be needed to overcome a filibuster. A final vote on the bill is expected in the coming week.

Sen. Mitt Romney, R-Utah, is among the likely Republican supporters. Asked about the Sanders' argument against the bill, Romney said that when other countries subsidize the manufacturing of high technology chips, the U.S. must join the club.

"If you don't play like they play, then you are not going to be manufacturing high technology chips, and they are essential for our national defense as well as our economy," Romney said.

The most common reason that lawmakers give for subsidizing the semiconductor industry is the risk to national security from relying on foreign suppliers, particularly after the supply chain problems of the pandemic. Nearly four-fifths of global fabrication capacity is in Asia, according to the Congressional Research Service, broken down by South Korea at 28%, Taiwan at 22%, Japan, 16%, and China, 12%.

"I wish you didn't have to do this, to be very honest, but France, Germany, Singapore, Japan, all of these other countries are providing incentives for CHIP companies to build there," Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo said Sunday on CBS's "Face the Nation."

"We cannot afford to be in this vulnerable position. We need to be able to protect ourselves," she said.

The window for passing the bill through the House is narrow if some progressives join with Sanders and if most Republicans line up in opposition based

on fiscal concerns. The White House says the bill needs to pass by the end of the month because companies are making decisions now about where to build.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., told members of the United Auto Workers in Michigan on Friday that she feels "very confident" the bill will pass the House.

"Before I walked in here, coming from the airport, I was told that we have some important Republican support on the House side," Pelosi said. "We value the bipartisanship of this bill."

Two key congressional groups, the Problem Solvers caucus and the New Democrat Coalition, have endorsed the measure in recent days.

The Problem Solvers caucus is made up members from both parties. Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick of Pennsylvania, the group's Republican co-chair, said Intel Corp. wants to build its chip capacity in the United States, but much of that capacity will go to Europe if Congress doesn't pass the bill.

"If a semiconductor-related bill is brought to the floor, it will pass," Fitzpatrick said.

Rep. Derek Kilmer, D-Wash., said he believes the legislation checks a lot of boxes for his constituents, including on the front-burner issue of the day, inflation.

"This is about reducing inflation. If you look at inflation, one-third of the inflation in the last quarter was automobiles, and it's because there's a shortage of chips," Kilmer said. "So this is about, one, making sure that we're making things in the United States, and two, about reducing costs."

Study: Millennials sticking close to home

By MIKE SCHNEIDER
 Associated Press

Growing up in mid-sized Virginia Beach, Andrew Waldholtz wanted to live in a big city so he moved to the District of Columbia for college. After four years in the comparatively expensive city, he realized he wanted a place to live that was more affordable.

Waldholtz, 35, eventually found a happy compromise in St. Louis whose Midwestern affordability and opportunities to build his career in corporate compliance had the added bonus that his sister and brother-in-law lived there.

Now living 940 miles away from Virginia Beach, Waldholtz is in a distinct minority among others who reached adulthood in the 21st century in that he resides half-continent away from where he grew up, according to a new study by U.S. Census Bureau and Harvard University researchers released Monday.

The study found that by age 26 more than two-thirds of young adults in the U.S. lived in the same area where they grew up, 80% had moved less than 100 miles away and 90% resided less than 500 miles away. Migration distances were shorter for Black and Hispanic individuals, compared to white and Asian young adults, and the children of higher income parents traveled farther away from their hometowns than those of less wealthy parents, according to the study.

"For many individuals, the 'radius of economic opportunity' is quite narrow," the report said.

Young adulthood is a period in life when migration is highest in the U.S. The study looked at the likelihood of people born primarily between 1984 and 1992 moving away from the commuting zone they grew up in. Commuting zones are made up of one or more counties that reflect a local labor market, and there are more than 700 commuting zones in the U.S. The birth range in the study overlaps the generation typically referred to as millennials.

It turns out that the most common destinations for young adults were concentrated near where they grew up, said the study which utilized decennial census, survey and tax data.

For instance, three quarters of people who grew up in the Chicago area stayed there. Rockford was the top destination for people who moved away and stayed in Illinois but only represented less than 1% of the young adults from Chicago. Los Angeles was the top destination for those who moved out of state but that accounted for only 1.1% of young adults from Chicago, according to an interactive data tool that accompanies the study.

Where young adults moved to varied by race.

Atlanta was the most popular destination for young Black adults moving away from their hometowns, followed by Houston and Washington. Young Black adults who grew up in high-income households were multiple times more likely to move to these cities in a "New Great Migration" than those from low-income families, according to the study.

For white adults leaving their hometowns, New York, Los Angeles, Washington and Denver were the most population destinations. Los Angeles and New York were the top two destinations for Asians and Hispanic young adults. San Antonio and Phoenix also were popular with Hispanics, while San Francisco also appealed to Asian young adults.

Despite the region's economic woes and the prospect of job opportunities elsewhere, young adults in Appalachia were less likely to move far from their hometowns compared to those of similar incomes living elsewhere, the report said.

The reluctance of millennials to move far away is backed up by recent studies showing declines in mobility in the U.S. for the overall population. In the middle of the last century, about a fifth of U.S. residents, not just young adults, moved each year. That figure has dropped steadily since the 1950s, going from about 20% to 8.4% last year, due to an aging population, dual-income households that make it more difficult to pick up and move and, more recently, the pandemic, according to a recent report from Brookings.

A Pew Research Center survey released last week showed that a quarter of U.S. adults ages 25 to 34 resided in a multigenerational family household in 2021, up from 9% in 1971. The age groups in the Pew study and the study by the Census Bureau and Harvard University researchers overlap to some degree.

When there were wage gains in a local labor market, most of the benefits went to residents who grew up within 100 miles (161 kilometers) rather than people who had migrated to the area. Wage increases' effect on migration to an area was rather small, and migrants likely would have moved there regardless of wage hikes. Young Black adults were less likely to move to a place because of wage hikes compared to white and Hispanic millennials, said the study released Monday.



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Yellen downplays recession risk as economic reports loom

By CHRISTOPHER RUGABER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen on Sunday said the U.S. economy is slowing but pointed to healthy hiring as proof that it is not yet in recession.

Yellen spoke on NBC's "Meet the Press" just before a slew of economic reports will be released this week that will shed light on an economy currently besieged by rampant inflation and threatened by higher interest rates. The data will cover sales of new homes, consumer confidence, incomes, spending, inflation, and overall output.

The highest-profile report will likely be Thursday, when the Commerce Department will release its first estimate of the economy's output in the April-June quarter. Some economists forecast it may show a contraction for the second quarter in a row. The economy shrank 1.6% in the January-March quarter. Two straight negative readings is considered an informal definition of a recession, though in this case economists think that's misleading.

Instead, the National Bureau of Economic Research — a nonprofit

group of economists — defines a recession as "a significant decline in economic activity that is spread across the economy and lasts more than a few months."

Yellen argued that much of the economy remains healthy: Consumer spending is growing, Americans' finances, on average, are solid, and the economy has added more than 400,000 jobs a month this year, a robust figure. The unemployment rate is 3.6%, near a half-century low.

"We've got a very strong labor market," Yellen said. "This is not an economy that's in recession."

Still, Yellen acknowledged the economy is "in a period of transition in which growth is slowing," from a historically rapid pace in 2021.

She said that slowdown is "necessary and appropriate," because "we need to be growing at a steady and sustainable pace."

Slower growth could help bring down inflation, which at 9.1% is the highest in two generations.

Still, many economists think a recession is on the horizon, with inflation eating away at Americans' ability to spend and the Federal Reserve rapidly pushing up borrowing costs. Last week, Bank of America's econo-

mists became the latest to forecast a "mild recession" later this year.

And Larry Summers, the treasury secretary under President Bill Clinton, said on CNN's "GPS" Sunday that "there's a very high likelihood of recession," as the Fed lifts interest rates to combat inflation. Those higher borrowing costs are intended to reduce consumer spending on homes and cars and slow business borrowing, which can lead to a downturn.

On Wednesday, the Federal Reserve is likely to announce its second 0.75% point increase in its short-term rate in a row, a hefty increase that it hasn't otherwise implemented since 1994. That will put the Fed's benchmark rate in a range of 2.25% to 2.5%, the highest level since 2018. Fed policymakers are expected to keep hiking until its rate reaches about 3.5%, which would be the highest since 2008.

The Fed's hikes have torpedoed the housing market, as mortgage rates have doubled in the past year to 5.5%. Sales of existing homes have fallen for five straight months. On Tuesday, the government is expected to report that sales of new homes dropped in June.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

07/12/2022—
07/18/2022

Curl Properties LLC, Greg T. Curl to James Sharp, Adria Sharp—\$290,000, 0 acres, East Bomar Ct.

Thomas A. Foster, Betty L. Foster, Betty Lou Foster to Tia Utley, Bobby Utley—0 money, 5 acres, Hwy 82 South

Curl Properties LLC to Reginald Martin—\$290,000, 0 acres, E. Bomar CT.

Skid Montgomery to Elijah L. Collard, Kimberly Collard—\$190,000, 0 acres, Whitthorne St.

Charles M. Williams, Vicki Williams to Andrew Trey Davis—\$147,340, 5.28 acres, no address

Brock & Scott PLLC, Jeremy D. Bomar St., Angela Bomar to Loandepot Com LLC—\$183,188.44, 0 acres, Spring St.

Daniel P. Dye, Brandi D. Dye to Alisa Marie Schatz, Derek Alexander Schatz—\$396,000, 0 acres, Cloverdale Rd.

Clifford Cook to Tanner William Warf, Lindsey Giles—\$242,500, 1.01 acres, Halls Mill Rd.

Thomas David Walker, Myra Kandee Walker to Jaime Kristen Paulus, Thomas Taylor Walker—\$695,000, 12 acres, Clyde Gleaves Rd.

Jonathan M. Garrison, Patricia Ann Garrison, Kathy Wang, Elizabeth Willis, Jeanne Garrison to Jonathan M. Garrison, Kathy Wang, Elizabeth Willis—0 money, 9.33 acres, Shipmans Creek Rd.

Jonathan M. Garrison, Patricia Ann Garrison, Kathy Wang, Elizabeth Willis, Jeanne Garrison to Jonathan M. Garrison, Kathy Wang, Elizabeth Willis—0 money, 9.86 acres, Shipmans Creek Rd.

Jonathan M. Garrison, Kathy Wang, Elizabeth Willis to Robert Ghaffer—\$335,000, 9.86 acres, Shipmans Creek Rd.

Richard M. Kluth, Jennifer Kluth to James Armor—\$398,000, 0 acres, Avalon Dr.

Eddie G. O'Neal, Tammy O'Neal to Charles Welsh, Tamatha Bynum—\$22,500, 0.23 acres, Cedar Grove Rd.

Zachary B. Holcomb, Jessica L. Holcomb, Jessica L. Gochee to Robert Montgomery Mealer Jr., Clarisse Rosenbaugh—\$325,000, 0 acres, Mac St.

Robert B. Brown, Daniel Brown to Brenda Pennington—\$450,000, 7.88 acres, Hill Rd.

John Robinson, Jerry Robinson, Best Friends Animal Society to John Vance Sweeney—\$200,000, 0 acres, Fairfield Pike

Blake R. Cammack, Melissa S. Cammack to James Thomas, Leah M. Thomas—\$306,350, 0 acres, Blue Ribbon Pkwy.

Kelly Michael Owens, Erica Marie Garcia to Mariano Rojas, Mario Jair Rojas—\$330,000, 0 acres, Bridle Ct.

Valerie Teresa Drew to Charles Lester Drew III—0 money, 3.89 acres, Normandy Tullahoma Rd.

Ruben Soto to Sabina Rico Jimenez—\$10,000, 4.66 acres, Faye Creek Rd.

Jonahant Blake Canada, Kayla Canada to Aldo Josue Gonzalez Salinas, Karen Castro Cortez—\$295,000, 0 acres, August Way

William D. Carter to William D. Carter, Pauline Rodriguez—\$0 money, 6.59 acres, Hwy 231 South

Annette Marie Dorch to George Dorch—0 money, 0 acres, no address

SDH Nashville LLC to Floria Hofmann, Kevin M. Smith—\$389,839.97, 0 acres, Pacific Ave.

Karlie Niccole Franks, Dillon Franks to Tejinder S. Judge, Baljinder Sangha Judge—\$235,000, 0 acres, Briar Patch Dr.

Troy R. Stacy to Mindy Barrett, Todd Barrett—\$359,900, 0 acres, no address

Lois Johnson to Lois Johnson Living Trust—0 money, 0 acres, Amos Smith Rd.

160 Lee Lane GP, Paul Arnold to Paul Arnold—0 money, 18.3 acres, no address

Curl Properties LLC, Greg T. Curl to Amanda Leanne Mills—\$289,900, 0 acres, East Bomar Ct.

Jessica Beristain, Jessica Beristain Gonzalez to Ronald Kevin Rogers, Tracy Rogers—\$287,000, 0 acres, White St.

Dorissa N. Cawthon, Dorissa N. Boyce, Everett Boyce to Samuel Earl Swain—\$230,00, 0.3 acres, Methvin Dr.

Amer Safwat Angeley to Yasmany Hernandez Padilla—\$72,500, 0.17 acres, Dunnaway St.

James Stephan Conley, Kristin Bowker to Sidney A. Herring Jr., Victoria J. Herring—\$565,000, 10.92 acres, Happy Valley Rd.

Anders C. Moore, Sarah Moore to Sarah Moore—0 money, 0 acres, Longview Rd.

SDH Nashville LLC to Larry M. Jackson, Gisela E. Jackson—\$386,945, 0 acres, Pacific Ave.

Donald L. Bruce, Donald L. Bruce Revocable Living Trust to Donald Henley Construction LLC—\$2,900,000, 0 acres, no address

BUSINESS LICENSES

07/07/2022—
07/21/2022

B.A.M. Home Services—Equipment/Filing And Storage Of Files—211 Eventine Dr., Shelbyville, Matthew Cowell

Elite Earthworks—Excavation, Digging, Clearing Properties—155 Osteen Lane, Chapel Hill, Jordan Levine

Granizadas Guatemalteco—Guatemalan Snow Cone And Ice Cream—301 Ligon Dr. Apt. B7, Shelbyville, Sebastian S. Nicolas

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K.D. Bowker Inc.—Install Metal Buildings And Sell Buildings—2513 Midland Rd., Shelbyville, Kevin Bowker

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Mow Better LLC—Mowing—113 Fort Circle, Wartrace, Michael Collins

Nashwheels—Wheels & Tires Sales, Internet—2137 Hwy 130 W., Shelbyville, Ronaldo Meda

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Tri-Star Remodeling—House Remodeling—1804 Edmond Rd., Shelbyville, Peyton Spence

Watts Rockin—340 Clardy Rd., Unionville, Kenneth Watts

D.S.R. LLC—209 Deer Point Rd., Unionville, Carolyn Pennington

Glen Prince—324 Anthony Rd., Wartrace, Glen Prince

BCS Rentals LLC—2525 Highway 231 N., Shelbyville, Glen Prince

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James Bradley Handy II and Johnna Lee Soper

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Leonard Albert Burgett and Traci Renea Floyd

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