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An architect's rendering of the Duksan Electera America, Inc. factory to be built in 231 North Industrial Park.

New industry revealed

Electrolyte manufacturer is 'Project Cardinal'

T-G STAFF REPORT

The state finally revealed the name of the industry, referred to as Project Cardinal, that will go into the 231 North Industrial Park.

Officials announced Wednesday that Duksan Electera America, Inc will invest \$95 million to locate its first North American manufacturing facility in Shelbyville.

A branch of South Koreanbased Duksan Group, Duksan Electera will create 101 new jobs in Bedford County over the next five years as the company constructs a new facility at 210 Frank Martin

As an electrolyte manufacturer for the electric vehicle battery industry, Duksan Electera's

"This major investment in our community will bring more jobs to our area and further strengthen our local economy."

--- State Rep. Pat Marsh

expansion to Tennessee will position the company to be geographically closer to its core customer base.

Representatives say Shelbyville location will be "essential" to Duksan Electera as the company is responsible for supplying roughly 60,000 tons of electrolytes to battery makers in the southeastern U.S.

Founded in 2021, as a subsidiary of Duksan Technopia Co., Ltd., Duksan Electera supports its parent company through the manufacturing of electrolytes for the electric vehicle battery sector.

Since 2018, Tennessee's Department of Economic and Community Development (TNECD) has supported more than 50 economic development projects in the Southern Middle Tennessee region, creating around 7,700 job commitments and \$5 billion in capital investment.

Gov. Bill Lee commented that "companies choose to call Tennessee home because of our strong business climate and highly skilled workforce. I commend Duksan Electera for choosing to locate its first North American manufacturing facility in Bedford County and thank this company for creating opportunities for Tennesseans to thrive."

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Smith commented, "This

committee worked very

hard on our budget for

next year and it passed

unanimous here. It

was presented to the

commission on the 28th

(of June). It got rejected,

which happened for the

first time in over 30

years...In my opinion,

what this did, was show

disrespect for this group

of individuals that worked

on it. It showed a lot

more disrespect for every

individual in Bedford

who

"And, Mr. Mayor, if

forward—that

this is the way we're going

to conduct our business

for the County from here

we put things up on the

commission floor and

vote on them without

going through a standing

committee or being

studied-I suggest that we

dissolve all four standing

wasting our time and

effort." He said that the 18

commissioners need to get

together and act as a team

comment," Graham said.

Quarterly report

"We appreciate your

According to the

finance office's monthly

report, property taxes

collected in June were

\$800,000 more than the

same time last year. Sales

tax collections were \$1.5

million more than last

committees.

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Soup kitchen adds serving day

By DAWN HANKINS dhankins@t-g.com

From humble beginnings in the basement at First United Methodist Church on the square to a new donated, building on South Cannon Boulevard, Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen has come a long way. But volunteers like Kay Bartley say with most certainty that the mission needs to

With food and gas prices having soared this year, no doubt more people are going to be in need of meals in the coming year. But Bartley notes thanks to many volunteers, they're able to feed twice a week on Tuesdays and now Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., at the new

This is the first time since its inception 6 years ago that the soup kitchen has been able to serve twice a week. Bartley said largely, the additional hours at the soup kitchen is a result of community support. It takes money and volunteers to run such a mission.

"We have been blessed," said the volunteer.

Bartley said they have a long list of volunteers willing to cook and serve meals. "Robert [Martin], our soup kitchen manager, has fallen from the heavens into our laps. He knows food. He knows restaurants. He knows people. He knows organizations. He knows the Christian community."

She said a chance meeting at Koffee Beanz where Martin was working at the time became a blessing for SCSK. He's now organizing volunteer lists and menus. "He's "serving with his whole

heart," she said. The board had



described the person they needed. They didn't know when they prayed who that would be. The rest was a gift from God, as in walked Robert Martin.

Another gift, she advises, is of course the new building, which is right down from the previous Save-A-Lot building on South Cannon Boulevard. Though the pandemic dictated somewhat that meals were to be served via drive through, dine in Bartley, who's been

is now open. with the group from the get-go, said it was time the ministry move out on its on from the church, which so graciously supplied

space until COVID-19. "We needed to be a

separate entity; we just didn't have the ability to be."

She said when the Save-A-Lot building was freely deeded to them, the goal was to rehab the building. However, they discovered it was going to take \$1 million to do thatmoney they didn't have in the bank. She adds, "God had a

plan. We could feed drive by during COVID. How could we have done that, otherwise?" It served them, she

said, when people had to come to them for food. She said this community has just gifted so much to SCSK. In fact, the former building is being used by

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Budgets, SROs, early literacy discussed

Agenda full for financial committee

By ZOË HAGGARD

zhaggard@t-g.com Bedford County Commission's Financial Management Committee met Tuesday to review monthly reports as well as adopt an amendment to the budget that implements the new County pay scale model.

"We spent a lot of time trying to get these numbers laid down into the proper structure to reflect the amendments that would allow the model presented before the board," County Mayor Chad Graham said.

According to County Finance Director Robert Daniel, this strictly includes the salary study as well as a percentage of the property tax (\$0.03) that goes to the highway department. Graham said all County departments have been informed about the pay scale changes. "The model is just

like every amendment document we've forward. It will then place the money in the appropriate place to be spent.... Once you approve this, then that would infuse it into the individual budgets..." Graham said.

The Board Commissioners will meet Aug. 9 to vote to pass the amendment. The meeting will be held in

the Courthouse at 7 p.m.

Commissioner Tony

The total fund balance budget as of July 1 is

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DEATH NOTICES

Blanche De La Cruz Torrejon

July 23, 2022

Mrs. Blanche De La Cruz Torrejon, 86, of Shelbyville, passed away Saturday, July 23, 2022, under the loving care and comfort of her family and Aveanna Hospice.

Funeral services were Thursday, July 28, 2022, at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel.

Florence Westmoreland

July 25, 2022

Mrs. Florence Westmoreland, 90, of Caney Spring in Marshall County, died on Monday, July 25, 2022 in Lewisburg. She was a Bedford County native.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 30, at Lawrence Funeral Home in Chapel Hill with Rev. Eric Hogstrom officiating. Interment will follow at Simpson Cemetery in Rover. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Friday.

OBITUARIES

Robert F. Lynch

July 24, 2022

Mr. Robert F. Lynch, 65, died Sunday evening, July 24, 2022 at his home in

Funeral services were Thursday, July 28, from the chapel of Lawrence Funeral Home in Chapel Hill with Rev. Ricky Lynch officiating. Burial, with military honors, followed in Cothran Cemetery in Rover.



Mr. Lynch was a son of the late Rozelle Culverson and Barbara Jean Newsom Lynch. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by a brother, Rozelle C. "Buster" Lynch, Jr. and a sister, Brenda Faye Lynch

Robert served his country as a member of the Army National Guard and retired after 27 years as a truck driver for Chapel Hill Farm Center. His favorite hobby was fishing, which he loved and did any time he had an

Mr. Lynch is survived by his wife of 34 years, Thresa Ann Christa Lynch, Unionville; children, Barbara (Joseph) Lynch Brannon, Unionville, Tiffany Lynch (Ernest "Bubba") Hoover, Unionville, Mary Christa, Unionville; grandchildren, Jordan Wayne Lynch, Haven Grace Lynch, Addison Cook, Ashlynn Apostol, Isabella Brannon, Braelyn Hoover, Jacob Brannon, Joey Brannon; brother, Richard Earl Lynch, Missouri; several nieces and nephews.

Donnie Lynch, Mitchell Lynch, William Henry Lynch, Claude Newsom, Buddy Lynch, Steve Lynch, Jimmy Lynch and Kenneth Lynch served as pallbearers.

Lawrence Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Chapel Hill, TN, 364-2233, (www.lawrencefuneral.net) in charge of arrangements.

Crystal Jean McBride

July 24, 2022

opportunity.

Crystal Jean McBride, 48, of Shelbyville, passed from this life Sunday, July 24, 2022, at home surrounded by family after an extended illness.

A Celebration of Life

service was held Thursday, July 28, in the chapel of Doak-Howell Funeral Home with Pastor Loyd Warren officiating.

Crystal was born August 29, 1973 in San Diego, Calofornia, to Frank and Debbie Hargis Dye. She was preceded in death by granddaughter, Briley Leverette.

She attended Shelbyville Central High School and gained her cosmetology license from Buchannan Beauty College. She worked for several different salons throughout her 16-year career including Great Clips, Fantastic Sam's and Hair Expression. In her free time she enjoyed crocheting, word search and collecting black bear figurines. She loved her family very much; she always enjoyed family trips to the Smokies or the beach.

Along with her parents she is survived by her loving husband of 25 years, Michael McBride; sons, Michael (Joyce) Leverette, Jonathan and Tyler (Hannah Smotherman) McBride, all of Shelbyville; grandchildren, Austin Warren, Kayleigh Warren, Arizona Leverette, Bentley Leverette and Stella Rose McBride; brother, Troy (Jennifer) Dye; sister, Tammy (Paul) Buckingham both of Unionville; nieces, Chelsea, Jessica, Bridgett and Brittany; and nephews, Matthew, TJ and Joey. Per her request, Crystal chose cremation and her ashes

will be interred at a later date at Hazel Cemetery in Bell Doak-Howell Funeral Home is serving the family.

www.doakhowellfuneralhome.com

Melba Frances Bell Sparks

July 21, 2022

Melba Frances Bell Sparks, 98, of Oxford, Mississippi, formerly of Shelbyville, passed away peacefully on July

The graveside service was held Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at Oxford Memorial Cemetery with Rev. Robert Allen Frances was born on January 28, 1924, in Shelbyville,

the oldest of three children. Frances married Carroll Sparks in 1946. They first lived in Memphis, and then moved to Oxford, Mississippi, in 1958, when they formed Sparks Auto Parts. Frances and Carroll were married for 55 years until his

death in 2001. Frances was a longtime member of First Baptist Church in Oxford. Frances was also receded in death by her parents,

Charles and Carrie Bell; and her brothers, Ralph Bell and She is survived by her daughter, Judith Davis of

Ridgeland, Mississippi, and her son, Gregory (Angela)

of Madison, Mississippi; her grandchildren, Haden Davis of Nashville and Molly Kramer (Adam) of New Orleans; her great-grandchildren, John and Sidney Kramer of New Orleans; her sister-in-law, Joyce Bell of Shelbyville; and many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the

American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231, or First Baptist Church of Oxford, 800 Van Buren Avenue, Oxford, MS 38655.

For more information or to leave an online condolence

call 662-234-7971 or visit www.wallerfuneralhome.com.

Soup

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another local ministry for storage, which is still a help to SCSK.

The inaugural opening

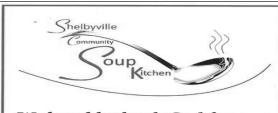
In June, the inaugural opening was held for the new SCSK facility. Since, volunteers and Martin are serving up at least 110-120 meals on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The soup kitchen still offers boxed foods with fresh bread. There are homeless bags available-even showering opportunities for those in need.

"We are looking at adding a third feeding day," Bartley said with much enthusiasm. She said she hopes that comes to fruition in the fall. She adds that those

needing meals may ask for seconds. "We don't want a lot of carry outs," she said, explaining there's more ministry when individuals and families have a sit down meal at the center. She said this creates some great prayer opportunities. In the works is a

monthly Sunday dinner, which will actually be prepared by volunteers and Martin for the general public after church. Reservations are going to be required. "We know we have

good cooks . . . food.



We humbly thank God for our faithful donors, and this community's generous support of the Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen this year. You are making a meaningful impact in your local community, and we are encouraged at what the future holds. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We're going to offer meals for the public." It's still up in the air

whether the meals will be per donation or SCSK will charge. "Everything we earn will go straight into feeding people."

"We're excited about that. Board members will be the servers. Robert and some of the board will also cook. We will do whatever."

Looking into the future

Bartley said she's overwhelmed the amount of youth currently serving the soup kitchen. When speaking of volunteers, She also praises Rebecca Baker who managed the drive by food ministry during COVID-19. By choice, she's now helping out

SCSK in other ways. Rebecca and others,

she said, have paved the way for a future for many families in need. No matter what walk of life those in need are coming from, they're served, said Bartley.

There are a lot of other dreams within the SCSK, Bartley added. Many will be announced, if they come to fruition, in the future "This excites me. This

has been on my to-do list for soup kitchen for probably 3 years or more. It is to start networking, because there are many agencies that can help this population. And it's not just homeless, it's the at-risk population . . . marginalized folks. And I knew when I started just digging this out, over months, that there were many agencies that needed to start talking to one another, because we help each other that way. We provide better services. People come to us with things we can't provide. But we can say, 'I know who can help you."

Bartley said she believed that she needed to poll this community. "So, I contacted everybody I could think of . . . find out about through others, that were helping this community in some way with services."

She said most are non

profit, but not all. There

were about 30 agencies

invited and of those, about 21 attended that meeting. She invited a City councilman, a County Commissioner and just some "listeners" who were interested in the ministry. Bartley's eyes fill with tears when she describes it as a "beautiful meeting."

She said the "spirit of the community" joined together in a wonderful way. "The spirit of that community of people, together . . . shared what

we do in trying to help the people of this community. It was just huge. We all felt so supported." There is much to do at the SCSK, as Bartley has explained. She said with

the rate God is moving this ministry forward, there's room for others who have a servant-heart for helping others.

Industry

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TNECD Commissioner Stuart McWhorter added, 'Tennessee is at the forefront of the electric vehicle revolution, and it's thanks to companies like Duksan Electera that this industry continues to thrive. We are proud to be the home of Duksan Electera's first North electrolyte American manufacturing plant and believe Shelbyville's central location in the southeastern corridor will set this company up for great success in the years to come."

"We have chosen the city of Shelbyville and Bedford County not only for its excellent location, but also because of the warm welcome and passion we've felt from the City of Shelbyville, Bedford County and the State of Tennessee," Duksan Electera president Suwan Lee said.

He said the electric vehicle market has a "bright future with an expected compound annual growth rate of 32 percent by 2030." The demand for related materials such as electrolytes is projected to rise as well, according to

"With our business in this promising market, I hope that we can create a mutually beneficial environment where the community and the company can both continue to grow," Lee said.

Local response

County Mayor Chad Graham, who has been a proponent of the new industrial park since his election in 2018, said, "Our collaboration with the City of Shelbyville, along with the formation of the Shelbyville-Bedford Partnership, has proven to be effective. We look forward to many more exciting things to come in Bedford County."

Commissioner Vick, who sits on the 231 Industrial Park Board, talked about the "intense training skills necessary for employment" that can be provided by the local TCAT. "We

inspired their confidence demonstrating the necessary workforce can be cultivated and developed by our local school system through our local Work Force Development initiative."

He added, "But equally important, we showed everyone in Tennessee our local economic presence and business acumen will now allow us to compete statewide for complimentary industry related companies eager to be part of our success."

Shelbyville City Mayor Wallace Cartwright highlighted collaboration it took to get this multi-million-dollar company to Bedford's growing corridor.

"Their investment in our community is the result of our elected officials combined vision. Shane Hooper [CEO of the Shelbyville-Bedford Partnership] and his team have worked tirelessly for over eight months to represent our community professionalism,"

Cartwright said. "We expect this collaborative effort will ensure continued growth for higher wage jobs and improve the quality of life for all our citizens."

TVA and Duck River Electric Membership Corporation were also part in recruiting the new industry. They will be partnering Shelbyville-Bedford Partnership, Middle Tennessee Industrial Development Association and the TDEC to "further that mission and look forward to Duksan Electera's future business success in the Valley."

"Helping to attract and retain jobs and investment in the region is fundamental to TVA's mission of service," said John Bradley, TVA senior vice president of Economic Development.

Speaker Pro Tempore Pat Marsh (R-Shelbyville) added, "This major investment in our community will bring more jobs to our area and further strengthen our local economy."

Agenda

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TNTP contract Bedford County School

system received an \$80,000 grant from the Tennessee Department of Education. The grant comes from TNTP (formerly known as The New Teacher Project), a nonprofit headquartered in New York that aids in teacher training and consultation work. TNTP serves as TDOE's

Early Literacy Network vendor. Last November, the state established a \$16 million, two-year contract with TNTP. According to TDOE's Fiscal Review Committee Submission contract, the state's contract extends from March 2021 to March 2024 and is "100 percent federally funded." As part of Gov. Bill

Lee's initiative to get all school aged children reading by the 3rd grade, it is to help combat the "COVID lull" that many students are facing. "Our goal is to get at least 75 percent of our

students proficient by the

third grade and I think this

will help us get there," said

Bedford County School Superintendent Tammy On the state level, there

were some concerns raised over TDOE's contracting with TNTP when it was implemented last year. For one, Education Commissioner Penny husband Schwinn's allegedly works for TNTP, creating a conflict of interest. There are also some concerns that state education departments that contract with organizations such as TNTP "privatize education" since they are funded by private businesses. The contract

Bedford goes on for two years with the County receiving \$40,000 each According to Garrett,

the program is based on foundational skills. The County will also get a support organization that has professional communities principals to conduct walkthroughs and evaluations to show principals what they should be looking

for, such as high-quality materials and engagement among students. "It just helps

administrators be better

at recognizing that high-

quality instruction," said Garrett.

Building update Garrett added that

they are still in the design phase of the construction of the new Cartwright Elementary School, located along the 437 Bypass. Daniel explained that

the County has a 70/30 savings, which means if the construction manager comes in under contract, the County gets 70 percent of the savings. There

"equipment on the ground" for the construction of the new Community High School wing. **New SROs**

The finance committee

also voted to use funds from the sale of the EMA building (1304 Railroad Ave) to hire five Student Resource Officers in the inner-city elementary schools for the next 12 months. These five schools would be Southside, East Side, Thomas Magnet, Learning Way, and Deery

Total cost to hire the SROs would be \$378,000 with each receiving about

\$75,000 (depending on

the level of experience of the SRO), according to

This is one-time money, according to Graham, so there would need to be another solution at the end of the cycle. Commissioner Linda

Yockey, who brought the motion before the committee, said, "There may be some grants that come along the way that can help with all this and maybe there could be another one at Cascade and another one at Community in the future. But if we could get these five in the City right now, I just feel like that's a very positive thing." Garrett added, "There

are parents that have called me who lose sleep every night because of the things going on in society that are out of their control, and they feel that this would be a great addition to have to keep our students, our teachers, and our staff In addition to keeping

the school physically, Graham added that this will show young students that law enforcement officers are "friends not

foes."

Strassner enters Commission race

Hopeful District 5 dark horse candidate

Tracey Strassner is a candidate for an open seat within Bedford County Commission for District 5. This area consists of Flat Creek, Normandy and the Raus communities. Although not a lifelong resident of the County, Strassner is quick to comment on how much she "loves this area."

For Strassner, it is the people of Bedford County that make this place "home."

"I have lived in several states, and I have found that it is the incredible sense of community here which makes this place so special. When I left my strategic planning and operations role at Asurion, I wasn't sure what I was going to do next. I was asked to chair the feasibility committee and then the viability committee for what was one of the first county development projects, the Main Street Market.'

She said through that 15-month process, she learned a lot about local government, Bedford County's vision,



TRACEY STRASSNER

and the process of how Commissioners do their elected jobs. "I've attended and presented at most of the County committee meetings as well as County Commissioner meetings over the past 2 years. If elected, I am committed to engage and do the work to continue to improve the voice that our communities have in the direction and plan for this district and the County."

Strassner said she had a mentor who once told her "We live our lives in thirds: you learn a third, earn a third, and serve a third."

She added, "I believe now is my time to serve. My 30+ years' experience of creating business plans and the teams that successfully execute them is needed right now. I've managed large scale technical and infrastructure projects and understand that you have to create a vision as well as options."

She's seen the hard work and dedication that it takes to run small business these days. "As one of the owners of Sunchaser Market in Flat Creek, I know how small businesses are the heartbeat of our communities. All our local businesses need support right now to make sure they can keep their doors open and grow with the all the change happening right now."

Strassner said she plans to serve the our community by placing her focus on "managing the now while preparing for the future." This strategy includes:

•preparing for growth and enabling new infrastructure

•developing strategies for community engagement and communication

•continually improving public safety and support for students, educators, and 1st responders.

"As I travel the district during this campaign, I continue to be amazed by the people I meet here. It would be an honor to serve as District 5 County Commissioner."

THEATRE

There's some

work which has

to go on behind

Capri Theatre.

Such seemed to

T-G Photo by Dawn Hankins

be the case on

Wednesday.

the scenes at the

WORK

Bo Wilson returns for Commission seat

J.D. (Bo) Wilson is seeking a seat on the Bedford County Commission, representing the 5th District. Wilson previously held this seat for 28 years and is reentering the race in order to "help return fiscal responsibility to local government."

He believes that after nearly three decades of service, he's very qualified to serve. While on the Commission, he was on the finance committee, heading the committee at one time. He also served on the Courthouse and Property Committee and was chairman pro tem of the Commission.

Wilson was involved with building the new Bedford County Health Department. The former Commissioner said that was done for "50 cents on the dollar," thanks to a private donation he and the late Dr. Fred Ownby, a local heart specialist, were able to secure.

He's also proud that Bedford County Agricultural Center was built during his time on the Commission. He recalls how the County paid for it with monetary assistance from private individuals and the State. Wilson said he was instrumental in obtaining these funds.

Another contribution to Bedford County, he said, was his assistance in the purchase of the old First National Bank building—one which now houses Bedford County Annex. "The purchase price was \$300,000, but that cost was covered by rent from Regions Bank and lease termination fees. Total cost to Bedford County to purchase the building was zero dollars!"

During his lengthy tenure, Wilson was a part of the County's action to donate \$1 million from the sale of the old hospital on Union Street to help build the new Shelbyville—Bedford County Public Library. The other million needed was



J.D. (BO) WILSON

privately raised, he said.

"We now have a state-of-the-art building envied by other cities and counties around us," said Wilson. "The Volunteer Fire Services also grew New fire trucks were purchased and new facilities were built, thanks to many volunteers and donations as well as support from the county."

He was a Commissioner when the Normandy Fire Station was destroyed by a tornado in 1995. Wilson said he had promised Chief Paul Prince that he would work diligently to help replace that structure. Normandy still uses that facility today.

"Bedford County now enjoys a lower fire rating which makes individual's fire insurance cost less, thanks to the Bedford County Fire Department and its volunteer fire departments."

During his tenure as a Commissioner, Community High School, Cascade and Learning Way Elementary schools were constructed. Wilson said he stills recognizes education has one of the most important jobs of local government.

Bo considers the establishment of the finance department, along with the adoption of the 81 Act, to be one of the best management and cost saving tools Bedford County ever enacted. He is proud of his involvement in both of these areas.

"All financial information on every department in the county is available so that the County Commission can make the best use of taxpayer money," he advised. Wilson said he was privileged to work with during those 28 years with many Commissioners and County mayors who "wanted only the best" for Bedford County.

He looks forward to the opportunity to bring his expertise back to the Commission and move Bedford County forward. "If elected . . . [I] plan to focus on road improvement and infrastructure, safe school environment, continued support of fire protection and ambulance services and good management of taxpayer money."

While born, raised and educated in Lincoln County, he has called Bedford County home for 50 years. After graduating from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, he married the former Rheaetta Farrar, a life-long educator, now retired. The Wilsons have two grown children, Jim-Bo and Sarah Mac.

Professionally, he's retired from banking and still farms some. The Wilsons are active members of First United Methodist Church-Shelbyville.

Early voting for the Aug. 4 general election ended Thursday. So local residents will now go to the polls on Thursday to cast their vote for the Commission seat.

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Bedford County Government photo Mitchell McGee, who spent 17 years as a convenience center attendant, working at El Bethel and at Deason, was honored Thursday, July 28, following his retirement. Bedford County Highway Superintendent Mark Clanton praised McGee's reliability, saying there was never a worry about whether McGee would be on the job at the appropriate time. McGee, who was joined by his wife Margaret and his son Mark, was presented with a let-

ter of appreciation from

Clanton and County Mayor

Chad Graham. From left are

county Human Resources

Director Shanna Boyette;

Solid Waste Coordinator

Diane Forbes; Margaret

McGee; Mitchell McGee;

Mark McGee; and Clanton.

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Dealing with inflation

ear Heloise: You recently had a letter about dealing with inflation from Harriet S. Your answer was correct. I would like to say, I try to shop by only buying things on sale -- all the time, not just when there is inflation.

If we shop semifrugally all the time, a bump in the road won't hurt as much because we already are used to doing things that way. Things will get better. We just have to be patient. --Rich S., Connecticut

WEARING CLOTHES A SECOND TIME

Dear Heloise: Regarding the letter of having an area in the closet for clothes you wish to wear again before laundering, I simply turn those items inside out. That way, it reminds me they have been worn more than once, and I feel it also airs them out a little. --M.G., via email

LUMPY GRAVY SOLUTION

Dear Heloise: If all else fails with your gravy, just put it in your blender, and that will quickly smooth it out. The first Thanksgiving at my house, my motherin-law had lumpy gravy, and it was my husband who suggested tossing it in the blender. It turned out great! -- Marie, Claremont, California

ANTS BE GONE

Dear Readers: If you have an ant problem, with them marching all over your counters, simply mix a solution of half vinegar and half water to wipe the counters, and ants will stay away.

Vinegar is such an

indispensable and safe household product, which can be used for cleaning, deodorizing and cooking, as you have discovered. I've put together a sixpage pamphlet full of vinegar uses that you can have by visiting www.heloise.com or by sending \$5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (78 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Vinegar, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. FYI: If you want to fluff up your meringue, add 1/4 teaspoon of white vinegar to three egg whites. -- Heloise

STRETCHING FOOD DOLLARS

Dear Heloise: You asked about economizing during inflation. I used 2 pounds of ground beef to make taco meat. I invited some friends for dinner; five of us each ate two tacos. The next day, I used the leftover meat to make a pasta skillet dish with frozen vegetables, spices and tomato sauce. My husband and I ate that for two days. That 2 pounds of meat went a long way! -- Linda Richter, via email

PET PAL

Dear Heloise: Cherie is our rescue from Puerto Rico. We adopted her on her first birthday in 2019, so she is called a COVID-19 rescue pet. She is the most lovable, affectionate, spoiled Dachshund/Jack Russell mix we have ever adopted. -- Richard Perreault

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



Heloise

Week."

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

Climate change

Today's Sound Off is about climate change:

Dear Heloise: I'm so very worried about climate change. Well, actually the entire environment. I have five children and nine grandchildren, and I worry that this planet will be trashed before they get to be my age. We throw garbage into the ocean, and smoke from various places of industry seems to blanket entire cities. How are we going to reverse this mess if we don't all get busy with a massive cleanup? -- Hannah, Chattanooga, Tennessee

Hannah, new laws governing emissions from factories are being passed, we have become more aware of the dangers of pollution, and people have formed crews to help clean up our planet. People are recycling and consuming less than ever before in this century. I know it's a daunting task, but we can and must take better care of our planet, which is our home and the home of future generations.

If each of us does our part to take care of our place on Earth and respect the planet as a whole, perhaps there would be no war, no poverty. Who knows what might be accomplished if we ALL did our best to protect this place in space that feeds and shelters us? -- Heloise

FAST FACTS

Painting a room in your home? Remember to do these steps:

- -- Empty the room or cover furniture with sheets of plastic.
- -- Clean the walls with water and mild soap.
- -- Cover stains with a
- primer. -- Repair nail holes.
- -- Mask off areas such
- as trim, ceiling, etc.

BIRDBATH

Dear Heloise: During this hot weather, I use extra ice cubes for my wild birds' birdbath. They seem to like it.

I also have two hummingbird feeders, so I keep them on my porch, but I alternate them. One will be in the refrigerator, while one will be out on the porch. I change them out occasionally so that the hummingbirds can have a nice, cool drink of sugar water. By the way, I enjoy your column every day. -- Hazel R., Sherwood, Oregon

Hazel, that's a thoughtful idea, but have you checked with a nursery or someone who watches birds? For some animals, cold water will give them a stomachache. I don't know how cold water affects birds, but if they seem to like it, I imagine it's safe. --Heloise

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Send Community Calendar items to tgnews@t-g.com, notify us on Facebook, call 931-684-1200 or stop by our office, 323 E. Depot St.

SATURDAY

Fish fry

Rosenwald Community Center, 516 Tillman St., is holding a fish fry Saturday, July 30, at 10:30 a.m. Plates including a sandwich with beans and cole slaw will be available. Call 931-684-5160 with pre-orders,

Flat Creek ice cream supper

Flat Creek Community Center's annual ice cream supper will be Saturday, July 30, from 4-7 p.m. Hamburgers, baked beans, chips, drink, dessert and ice cream will be available

SUNDAY

New Bethel singing

New Bethel Baptist Church, 1832 Highway 64 West, will be having a 5th Sunday Community Singing on July 31 at 5 p.m. A meal will follow the singing.

MONDAY

Bag Day

Good Samaritan will hold a bag day Monday, Aug. 1, from noon-2 p.m. at 201 E. Highland Ave.

VFW meeting

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5019, and its Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting Monday, Aug. 1, at the VFW Post on East Depot Street. Dinner is at 6 p.m. with a business meeting for members immediately following. For more information, contact Post Commander Mike Ruess, 931-249-1566.

AUG. 3

Blood Drive

First Presbyterian Church, 600 N. Brittain St., is hosting a community blood drive Wednesday, Aug. 3, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. For an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org and go to Shelbyville Community FPC.

AUG. 4

Bell Buckle planning

Bell Buckle Planning Commissio will meet Thursday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m. in Town Hall.

AUG. 5

Farm Bureau meeting

Bedford County Farm Bureau's annual membership meeting will be held Friday, Aug. 5, 6:30 p.m. at its office, 323 Bethany Lane. Dinner will

be served.

AUG. 6

Eagleville fish fry, auction

The Lanier Family Reunion Committee's annual fish fry and auction will be 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at the **Eagleville Community** Center, 317 Highway 99.

Hunter's Night Out

The annual Hunter's Night Out at Shelbyville Mills Baptist Church, Union Street, is scheduled Saturday, Aug. 6. A 3-D archery contest is scheduled at 5 p.m. and a free barbecue meal at 6:30 p.m. Many door prizes will be given.

AUG. 7

Gospel concert

The Kellys will appear in concert at 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7, at Longview Baptist Church, 101 Cooper Road near Unionville.

AUG. 9

Bell Buckle meetings

Bell Buckle Parks & Recreation Committee will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, and the Bell Buckle Board of Mayor & Aldermen at 6 p.m. in Town Hall.

County Commission

Bedford County Commission will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, at Bedford County Courthouse.

AUG. 11

Shelbyville City Council

The monthly meeting of Shelbyville City Council is scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11, at Shelbyville Recreation Center.

AUG. 13

Safety class

A free safety awareness class for women ages 16-25, with emphasis on campus and college safety, will be held 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, Aug. 13 at the Shelbyville Police and Fire Departments' training center, 400 Elm St. inside King's Museum (old Central High building). Call 931-684-5811 ext. 4419 to sign

Back-to-School Bash

Sevier Street First Baptist Church is hosting a Back-to-School Bash at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 13. Free school supplies including a backpack, free food and free COVID vaccines (first and second doses and first and second boosters) will be available along with free blood pressure and blood sugar tests. Community

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AUG. 15

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Democratic meeting

The Bedford County Democratic Party will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 15, at El Mexico, 724 N. Main

AUG. 16

Bell Buckle history

Bell Buckle Historical Commission will meet Tuesday, Aug. 16, at 6 p.m. in Town Hall.

AUG. 18

Bell Buckle beautification

Bell Buckle Beautification Committee will meet Thursday, Aug. 18, at 6:30 p.m. in Town Hall.

AUG. 26

Cruise-In

Celebration City Car Club's Cruise-In will be Friday, Aug. 26, from 6-8 p.m. on the Shelbyville square. Food trucks will be present. Chase Clanton and Vintage Vibes will perform. Cruise-Ins are held each fourth Friday during warm weather months.

SEPT. 15

Commodity distribution

South Central Human Resource Agency will hold a commodity distribution Thursday, Sept. 15, from 10 a.m,-noon at Bedford County Agriculture Center, Midland Road.

Alzheimer's Walk

The Walk to End Alzheimer's will be Saturday, Sept. 17, starting at the Jack Daniel's Welcome Center in Lynchburg. Register at act.alz.org/ tullahomalynchburg.

SEPT. 24

Police Fun Run

Shelbyville Police Benevolent Association will have its annual "Run Like You Stole Something" Fun Run fundraiser Saturday, Sept. 24, at 8 a.m. at Shelbyville Central High School. Sign up at https://www.reg2run. com/index.php/event_ details/327 or contact Kim Nash at Shelbyville Police Department, 931-684-5811. The first 100 signups will receive a bag of goodies.

Aviation Day

Shelbyville Aviation Day will be Saturday, Sept, 24, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Shelbyville Municipal Airport. Admission is free. Vintage airplanes, drones. and food vendors will be on

ONGOING

Soup kitchen

the grounds.

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen serves meals from 4-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 336 S. Cannon Blvd. (corner of South Cannon and Pickle Street). Doors open at 3:45. Donations may be made to Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen, P.O. Box 2259, Shelbyville, TN 37162, and are tax deductible under its 501c3 non-profit designation.

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

Clouds, storms expected this week





to be basking in the sun anytime soon with lots of clouds and a 70 per cent chance of showers and storms every day. High temperatures will range from 80 to 85 and dropping to 60 to 65 at night.

Dawn Hankins, Editor

A few of the storms could be very heavy this week with straight-line wind that could blow down a few trees, and frequent lightning strikes, which are common this time of year. Did you know that to

see a rainbow, simply stand with your back to the sun when it is shining and rain is in the area and the rainbow will be directly in front of you. We are likely to see several this week with it being partly sunny and numerous showers.

The rainbow is mentioned in the Bible, Genesis

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time if you need weather information or have ques-

· Steve Norris is a trained meteorologist.



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FAITH & FAMILY







Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen: still thriving

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen has gone through a lot of changes over the last several years.

Every step has been a great one, according to volunteers. Even during the pandemic, volunteers masked up and continue to serve in drive by fashion.

Now, the soup kitchen, located on South Cannon Boulevard, is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays for dinner. Serving time is 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

There is even talk of a third night of serving. Stay tuned for later this fall.

The non profit's board members note they're truly thankful to all the churches, individuals and businesses who've given their time and resources to serve, "The least of these.'













CHURCH ACTIVITIES

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

Baptist

Calvary Baptist Church's message will be "Saved By Grace." The service will be livestreamed.

"Rolling Up Our Sleeves" from John

13:1-17 will be the message at **Edgemont Baptist Church**. Services are livestreamed. Grace Baptist Church's message will be "Judgment Seat Of Christ" from 2 Corinthians 5:1-10.

The Kellys will appear in concert Sunday, Aug. 7 at Longview Baptist Church, 101 Cooper Road near Unionville. New Bethel Baptist Church, 1832 Highway 64 West, will be having a 5th Sunday Community Singing on July 31 at 5

p.m. A meal will follow the singing. Christian (Disciples of Christ)

The Story series continues Sunday with "Solomon - the King Who Had It All" at First Christian Church.

Church of Christ

Southside Church of Christ's series on "The Superior Teachings of Jesus" continues Sunday morning with the lesson "Jesus, a Hero?" from Luke 23:39-43. The Summer Series continues Wednesday with Josh Schwartz speakling on "A Fellowship Which Looks Like A Body." Sunday morning and Wednesday services are livestreamed at cofcsouthside.com.

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church will be blessing backpacks this Sunday before the new school year starts. The sermon will focus on Colossians 3:1-11. Services are livestreamed on Facebook.

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3-D ARCHERY CONTEST

(931) 684-3625



FREE BBQ MEAL Begins at 6:30PM DOOR PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN AWAY AFTER THE MEAL

NO COMPETITION BOWS WILL BE ALLOWED! LACE WINNER WILL WIN A HAWK COMBAT HANG ON TREE STAND AND 1ST PLACE JUVENILE WINNER WILL WIN A 3D TARGET DOOR PRIZES INCLUDE: Henry .22Ir Lever Action Rifles,

a Ruger .270 Hunting Rifle with Scope, Leupold Range Finder, Trail Camera, Grunt and Turkey Calls, Knives, Scent Eliminators, and much more!

YOU MUST REGISTER AND BE AT THE BBQ MEAL TO WIN

Gospel presentation will be made by Pastor Chris Sheppard

* *TWRA FALL HUNTER'S SAFETY COURSE WILL BE TAUGHT AT SMBC ON AUGUST 1, 2, 4, & 5



Red Sand Project into 8th year

Human Trafficking continues

reason that human trafficking is still an issue around the country and right here in Bedford County. This is "Human Trafficking Awareness Week" in Bedford County.

Tennessee Department of Health, which includes Bedford County Health Department, promoted Red Sand Project observances statewide, including on the grounds of the historic Bedford County Courthouse this week. Desiree Mullis, founder and president of the Full Moon Healing Project, which works with survivors of various types of trauma including domestic abuse and human trafficking, was guest speaker.

A proclamation was signed

by Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham proclaimed July 24-30 as "Human Trafficking Awareness Week" in Bedford County.

The Red Sand Project, launched in 2014, is an annual

event designed to raise awareness of the problem of human trafficking. While many people think of human trafficking based on images from pop culture of people being whisked away to or from foreign countries, human trafficking can be a local problem even in a community like Shelbyville, where people are manipulated into doing sex work.

An estimated 40.3 million

individuals live in slavery, whether in forced marriages, forced labor or sexual exploitation. The Red Sand Project uses red sand, placed in sidewalk cracks, as a way of drawing attention to the issue.

If you know someone who needs help to escape trafficking, call the Tennessee Human Trafficking Hotline at 855-558-6484.







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Failure To Yield Right Of Way—Ali Saad Ali, Calvin Maxwell—both \$105, Ruth Clark, Dwight D. Layne, Martha D. Love, Jack Harry Stevenson Jr., Desmond L. Teasley—all \$130, Mary E. Green, Katee J. Lee-both

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Registration Violation— Christopher N. Azcarate, Meghan Bailiff, Stacey M. Cox, Manuel Ortega Garcia, Christian Mark Kincaid, Aaren Brooke May, Trenton Alexander McClain, William J. Moore, Spring R. Pinkleton, Wendy R. Powell, Alvin B. Thomas—all \$10, Anthony G. Boyce, Phillip S. Boyd, James Avery Brown, Erick K. Clow, Ronnie Dale Davis, Treyton G. Fann, Hayden Edward Galyean, Shelbi M. McClure, Zing Cung Nung, Matthew D. Romano, Shelby L. Stanfield, Bryce J. Taylorall \$115

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Violation Window Tint Law—Marcus L. Merrell **Helmet Law Violation**—

Ahmed Abdullahi Osman **Violation Of Move Over**

Law-James R. Painter **Animal Not Having** Vaccinations—Cassandra

Renea Reccord McDaniel \$155, Alaina Rose Thompson \$50 Animals At Large—

Alaine Rose Thompson

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07/25/2022 Addison P. Arnold, Bower Arnold to Richard B. Mavity,

Tracey Mavity—\$345,000, O acres, Patriot Circle Dylon Anthony Bozeman

to Theresa Ann Liget, Larry Cornel—\$285,000, 0 acres, Southwood Lane

Robert A. Allison, Nicole P. Allison to Jeremiah T. Pitt, Jenna N. Pitt-\$49,900, 0 acres, no address

Prentiss Holt to Benjamin Prentiss Holt Revocable Trust—0 money, 18.83 acres, Hwy 130

West Rubin Lublin TN PLLC. Lynda Ann Johnson to J W

Properties—\$139,100, 0 acres, Stanley Blvd. Rubin Lublin TN PLLC,

Charles R. Gawthorp Jr. to J W Properties—\$170,000, 2.34 acres Charlie Shaw

Thomas Walker, Vera C. Walker to 598 Minkslide Rd Trust-\$249,900, 2.05 acres, Minkslide Rd. Sandy A. Floyd to

Catherine Shavon Bland— \$466,000, 0 acres, Hwy Darryl E. Phillips,

Donna Phillips to John Kleinschmidt, Cristine Schwenk—\$269,900, 0 acres, Sanders St.

Robert E. McKinney, Charlotte C. McKinney to Samuel D. Santo, Camilla Ribeiro-\$280,000, 0

acres, Hilltop Rd. Carolyn Stovall to Carolyn Stovall Revocable

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Sharon L. Wilharm to PWM Holdings LLC—\$400,000, 0 acres, E. Side Square Tina Ashworth to Tiffany Williams, Chad Williams—\$36,000, 0

acres, Bryant Rd.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS Gary Boyce Construction LLC to Caleb Boyce, Chevenne Bovce-\$350,000, 32.42 acres,

Longview Rd.

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Running With Scissors LLC. Cody Adgent to Sabrina Williams—\$176,000, 1.06 acres, Gregory Mill Rd.

Kalvin Easterling. Amanda Mae M. Goodwin to Gabrielle M. White, Charles Joel White Jr.—\$239,900, 0 acres, Haskins Chapel Rd.

Richard Cobble, Claudette P. Cobble to Richard A. Cobble—0 money, 0 acres, no address

Mike Pedone, Kathy Pedone to Shariff S. Buren, Rebecca Buren-\$215,000, 0 acres, Orchard Lane

Kevin Avery Overcast, Charles Spence Jr. to Kevin Avery Overcast—0 money, 0.26 acres, Butler Ave.

Ole South Properties

Inc. to Josie Ann Messick, Daylan Martin Jacks-\$338,254, 0 acres, no

Bedford Development LLC to Ole South Properties Inc.—0 money, 0 acres, no address

Margaret T. Arnold to Deborah Brooks Parsons, Jennifer Arnold Kennefick—0 money, 1.02

acres, Hwy 130 East Richard Keith Bond to Lora L. Bond—0 money,

8.22 acres, Longview Rd. TI Shopping Center LLC to TI Tennessee, John Tumino, David Tumino, Melissa Tumino, Maria

Tumino, Alessandro Danel

Tumino—0 money, 3.46

acres. Belmont Ave.

TI Shopping Center LLC to TI Tennessee, John Tumino, David Tumino, Melissa Tumino, Maria Tumino, Alessandro Danel Tumino—0 money, 5.01 acres, Frank Martin Rd.

Timothy Smith, Allison Family Trust to William Ira Wood IV—\$416,830,45, 23.43 acres, Knob Creek

Rd. Bobby R. Smith Revocable Living Trust, Florida W. Smith Revocable Living Trust to Brenton Carroll, Ashley Carroll—\$334,000, 6.4

acres, Magnolia Lane Stephen A. Steele, Peggy O. Steele to John P. Edens, Jill Greenfield Edens-\$160,000, 20

acres, Puncheon Camp Rd. Dana M. Van Hise to Zachary M. Baker-\$245,000, 0.37 acres, South Brittain St.

SDH Nashville LLC to Chenic L. Dinkel-\$366,473.50, 0 acres, Pacific Ave.

James Allen to Marisol Rodriguez—\$50,000, 0 acres, U.S. Rubber Mill Rd. Brian Kilgore to James

Property Investment LLC-\$137,500, 7.56 acres, Hannah Gap Rd. Brian Kilgore to James

Property Investment LLC-\$137,500, 7.38 acres, Hannah Gap Rd. Jeffery Hurst,

Donna Hurst to Gary A. Hodgkiss, Gloria Darlene Hodgkiss—\$205,000, 0.17 acres, Maplewood Dr.

Douglas Ray Hickson, Darrin Burton Hickson to Betty Sue Burton Hickson-0 money, 0 acres, Kayden Ave.

SDH Nashville LLC to Steffanie M. Torres, Antonio Torres Diaz-\$384,040, 0 acres, Pacific

Motel squatting results in drug arrest

By DAVID MELSON dmelsn@t-g.com

A man who had allegedly been caught sleeping inside a vacant room at a Shelbyville motel Monday morning was caught with drugs at another motel a short time later, police said. Officer Ramon Castillo

was checking motels for a man fitting the description of an individual ordered to leave Best Western Celebration Inn, Madison Street. Castillo was told by a maintenance employee at Shelbyville Inn, North Cannon Boulevard, that a non-guest who fit that description was on the grounds

The man, identified as Peyton Nicholas Garrett, 25, of Shelbyville, allegedly ran upon seeing Castillo. A concerned citizen told Castillo she saw Garrett run behind a brick-walled storage area behind a Delray Street business.

Sheriff Austin Swing and Castillo approached the enclosure. Castillo said in his report he climbed the wall and found Garrett spread-eagled on the ground.

Garrett complied with officers' orders when taser use was threatened, allegedly saying he didn't want to be jailed for trespassing. A backpack belonging to

Garrett containing crystal methamphetamine, drug paraphernalia, and a loaded pistol was found nearby, police said.

Garrett was charged with possession of a schedule 2 drug and paraphernalia, resisting stop/frisk/ halt/search, and possessing a weapon while under the influence of a controlled substance. A charge of being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm was added when a records check showed Garrett was convicted of auto burglary in 2015 and aggravated burglary in 2016. He was held on \$16,000 bond.

Drug charges

Drugs were confiscated from two people who passed out in their vehicle at the Race Trac store, North Main Street, around 2:15 a.m. Monday, police said.

Officers said they found driver Alexis Joan Freels, 19, of Lentz Street with a smoked marijuana cigarette and a bag containing .67 grams of marijuana in her clothing, and a pistol tucked into the driver's side door handle of her Dodge

Charger. Shea Timothy McMillan, 25, of Nashville, allegedly had a bag containing 43 1/2 prescription pills of various types, a small bag containing 1.64 grams of cocaine, and a magazine for Freels' gun.

McMillan was charged with introduction of contraband into a penal institution, possession of schedule 2 drugs (four counts), and possession of a schedule 4 drug. He was held on \$55,000 bond.

Freels was charged with unlawful possession of a firearm and possession of a schedule 6 drug, and held on \$10,000 bond. •A bag of methamphet-

amine was found next to Ricky Rutledge when he was found by police asleep behind The Fly Arts Center, South Main Street, around 8:20 a.m. Monday. Nearby were additional

belongings of Rutledge, 37. Police said Rutledge is homeless. Rutledge was charged

with possession of a schedule 2 drug and held on \$1,500 bond. •A folded \$1 bill containing methamphetamine

was found on a man clocked at 52 mph in a 30 mph zone on Dover Street who allegedly refused to stop for an officer until reaching the parking lot of police headquarters Monday.

FrontierFoundations.com Cory Scott Melton, 34, of

Midland Road, was driving a 2011 Nissan Rogue with a license plate registered to a 2013 Dodge, Officer Brock Horner's report said. Melton told police he recently purchased the car. Murfreesboro police later said the SUV had been stolen from a dealership there along with 15 sets of keys in a lock box.

Charges of sixth offense driving on a revoked license, speeding, evading arrest by vehicle and possession of a schedule II drug were filed against Melton. He was held on \$8,000 bond.

Thefts

•A man entered Dollar General Store, Big Springs Shopping Center, early Sunday night, swiped a card and ordered a clerk to press the register's "cash" key, police were told.

The register downloaded \$860 onto the card, according to the clerk.

suspect described as a dark-complexioned Black man with dreadlocks and weighing approximately 190 pounds. •A vehicle dolly was

stolen within the past two weeks from property on Squire Hall Road, a Bedford County deputy was told Tuesday.

Jail intake

The following were charged since Monday 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

•Sandra Kaye Arnold, 38, Green Lane; violation of probation, show cause; released, no bond •Jessica Dean Barrett,

28, Chestnut Drive; shoplifting; summons issued •William Wesley Bates, 52, North Cannon

Boulevard; criminal simu-

lation (two counts); held, \$10,000 bond •Caelan Adams Berry, 18, Sims Road; driving on suspended license, registra-

tion law; summons issued •Quiana Shavonta Blackman, 26, Antioch; show cause, probation revocation; held, \$5,500 bond

•David Thomas Boyd, 53, King Arthur Court; public intoxication; summons delivered

•Timothy Allen Dominick, 45, Beechwood Road; possession/sale of schedule 2 drug, assault; released, \$3,000 bond

•Dumikah M. Dowdy, 18, Raby Avenue; financial responsibility, simple possession, speeding; released,

 Michael John Edwards, 49, Tullahoma; violation of probation, show cause; held, \$4,500 bond

Patricia Abrajen Fernandez, 30, South Main Street; no driver's license/ exhibited on demand; released on recognizance

•Escamilla Garcia, 26, Murfreesboro; light law, no driver's license; held, \$500 •Peyton Nicholas Gar-

rett, 25, Shelbyville; con-

victed felon in possession

of firearm, resisting stop/ frisk/halt/search, possession of schedule 2 drug, possession of drug paraphernalia, weapons violation; held, \$16,000 bond Pascual Miguel Gaspar, 25, Saddlewood Drive;

DUI, light law, driving on revoked license, open container; held, \$5,000 bond ·Sebastian Juan Gaspar, 26, homeless, Shelbyville;

•Shaun Earl Gibson, 44, Highland Court; assault; released on recognizance •Justin Kaleb Harris,

34, Tines Drive; domestic

three attachments; held,

\$1,230.79 bond

assault; released, \$5,000 •Noah Andrew Jackson, 20, East Depot Street; light

law, simple possession;

summons issued

 Elizabeth Holly Martin, 31, Tulllahoma; driving on suspended license, leaving scene of accident; summons issued

•Kenneth Shondale Mason, 47, Nashville; violation of probation (two counts); held, \$5,000 bond •Cory Scott Melton, 34, Midland Road; driving

on revoked license (sixth offense), speeding, evading arrest by vehicle, possession of schedule 2 drug; held, \$8,000 bond •Jamie Elizabeth Merlo,

attachment; held, \$300 bond •Nicholas Ian Price, 32, Manchester; disorderly conduct, resisting arrest;

42, Cedar River Road;

held, \$11,000 bond Juan Raigoza Sartillan, 36, Ranchero Drive; domestic assault; held, \$2,500

Ricky

William E.

Shelbyville; possession of schedule 2 drug; held, \$1,500 bond •Blake Michael Stone,

Rutledge, 37, homeless,

28, Horn Lane; driving on revoked license; released, \$500 bond ·Carla Marie Stringer, 45, Manchester; probation

revocation; released, no

 Hailey Blair Whitehead, 32, Cedar Glade Circle; bondsman surrender, failure to appear, bench war-

rant; held, \$10,000 bond

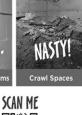
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The cost of 'catching up'



was intrigued by a statement Mayor Chad Graham made recently about the property tax increase and pay scale readjustment. "So, when we look at this number and it seems like a great number—\$4 million—at one time here for this body, this really is just catching-up." But why is Bedford just now "catching up" and why are citizens having to pay for it? Let's take a few steps back and look.

That \$4 million, of course, refers to how much it will take to readjust the county government pay scale. This number is basically the majority of the revenue that will come from this tax hike of \$2.32 per \$100 of assessed prop-

Commissioner Linda Yockey described previous commissioner boards as "conservative." Which is why only a 1 percent yearly raise was offered for county employees. From 2011 to 2016, the County tax rate was \$2.27. It was then increased to \$2.52 in 2017. Then there was another increase for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to

At the start of the new fiscal year, in June of 2019, the Board of Commissioners approved an overall county property tax rate of \$2.66. The entire amount of the raise was to pay for 20 additional employees that the state said were needed in order to operate the new county jail when it opened later that year.

A tax levy was then set at \$1.97 in July of 2021. At the time, the lower rate was offset by much higher property values due to 2021 reappraisals, and according to state officials, the county's revenue was approximately the same as before.

Kind of looks like the tax rate has been all over the place. However, that's the sticky part: changing rates amid higher property values means people are having to pay more and more. The City of Shelbyville "lowered" their property tax last year from \$1.77 to \$1.59. Lowered is emphasized because since last year was a reassessment year, residents ended up paying more even though the rate was lower. Figure that yourself, as a property owner.

Bedford resident Logan Johnson owns a property that's valued at \$287,000. He said last year his taxes went up \$211 and since he put doors on a carport this year, it went up another \$44. And now the \$1,100 he's paying is going up

Johnson raised concerns over not seeing results in better road conditions or more jobs brought to Bedford. On one hand, it's good to see the County "catching up" and getting its act together. Because if our government can't handle something like pay scales, then what makes us think they can run a county as wide and ever-

growing as Bedford? Plus, the services of emergency management and first responders are desperately needed (only eight full-time firefighters for the County, according to Fire Chief Mark Thomas) while the many vacancies are a concern for many. People from all angles can point their fingers to the many rea-

sons why rates remain the same or are lowered or are increased. But the question of caution to ask is for a County like Bedford, that has grown slowly for so many decades, how much change is too much change?

This is one of the reasons why the County is "catching up" and residents are having to pay for it. Then there's the split among the Commission. It's concerning as a reporter to sit through meetings where many commissioners are still upset at how the tax rate increase was handled.

Many of them—Biff Farrar, Tony Smith, Linda Yockey—say the voting process happened too quickly and that there wasn't enough discussion. Others—like Greg Vick and Mayor Chad Graham—say it's now or

Whatever side of the debate you land on, it boils down to growth in moderation. And with the recent announcement that a South Korean-based battery company, called Duksan Electera, is coming to Shelbyville, how well can Bedford keep up with its promises to maintain such growth and industry?

How can Bedford retain its identity?

How can Bedford maintain its green space and agriculture?

At the County Commission meeting, they seemed to hint that they'll figure that out "when they get there."

Let's hope they do before they have to reach into the pockets of Bedford Countians, again.

 Zoe Haggard is a full-time T-G staff writer. *She is a recent graduate* of Middle Tennessee State *University. She currently* covers local events and county government.

'The forefront of an EV revolution'

Duksan America is constructing a manufacturing facility in Shelbyville to make electrolyte for batteries to be used in electric vehicles or EVs. I know that several of our local Shelbyvillians have been diligently working to acquire this business. They should all be thanked for their work. As the Tennessee Department Economic Community Development Commissioner Mr. Stuart McWhorter stated, "Tennessee is at the forefront of the electric vehicle revolution." With the Ford Blue Oval plant in West Tennessee, the GM EV battery plant in Spring Hill, the Cadillac EV plant in Spring Hill, Nissan EVs in Smyrna and Volkswagen manufacturing EV models in their Chattanooga facility – there is no doubt that Tennessee is the manufacturing hub of EVs in the

As we are all aware,

United States. Apparently, several Republicans in this state including our own Senator Blackburn, Marsha Senator Bill Haggerty and our US Representative Scott Desjarlais have not gotten the memo about the Tennessee EV industry. The federal Infrastructure Bill included \$7.5 billion to build over 500,000 EV charging stations throughout the US. EV charging stations are needed to keep these vehicles moving. The

bill passed, both Senator Blackburn and Senator Haggerty voted against it as did Rep. DesJarlais. The new Tritium EV char-

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result Van H. Ayers this bill.

The Build Back Better initiative, which never got voted on in the Senate because of Republican opposition, included a tax credit for electric vehicle purchase; however, a new bill called the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 includes tax credits for both new and used electric vehicles and lifts the cap off the number of electric vehicle owners that can receive the credit as a function of the manufacturer - which will be a boon to our Tennessee EV builders. This bill is going through reconciliation because it is anticipated there will be no Republican support, which includes our Senators and Representatives. Senator Blackburn is already bad mouthing this bill.

Finally, Semiconductor Bill which recently passed, encourages the manufacturing of semiconductors in the US. As we know an EV is nothing more than a computer on wheels - so US manufacturing of these items will assure supply and our Tennessee EV auto plants would not shut down because China cut supply of semiconductors. Our own Senator Blackburn voted against this bill. It now goes to the House; the bet is that Representative DesJarlais votes against it. I add that Blackburn and Haggerty voted against supporting Ukraine funding as DesJarlais; DesJarlais voted against supporting NATO on two separate bills - who are these elect-

ed officials working for? As a Democrat, I have little influence over our US Senators and our US Representative. However, there are people in this community that do. The question before all our local Republicans is - Do you want this EV industry in Tennessee? If so, then let's all work together to get and keep it, including having our federal representatives support it. If not, then get your diesel pickup and run up and down the road with the Let's Go Brandon flag fluttering in the wind while blowing coal. Remember though, the Chinese are building an EV auto industry and will ship those vehicles to

Tennessee. Van H. Ayers Chair, Bedford **County Democratic Party**

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I FARM. I VOTE.

In Tennessee, rural areas are an important part of the state. I Farm/I Vote is an initiative to encourage farmers and rural Tennesseans to get out and vote. Bedford County Farm Bureau is a proud sponsor of this movement. Rural votes matter and we encourage you to vote to ensure the voices of agriculture are heard.

Thank you. Renee Reeves

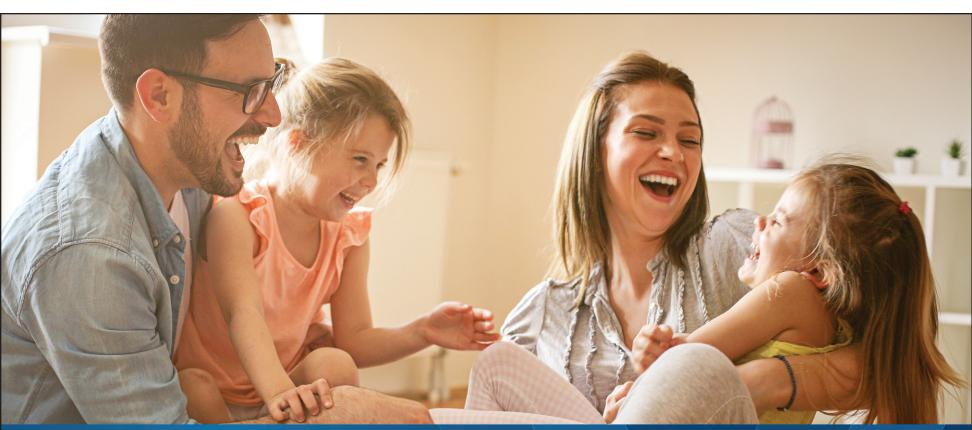
BCFB Secretary

Why Measure Schools Based on Spending Rather than Outcomes?

Why is it that politicians rate schools by how much money we spend on them rather that the quality of student they produce? Could it be the desire to spend other people's of educating children? If Bedford County Schools can provide a strong and proper education for less money, isn't that a good thing? Isn't that something other school districts would want to emulate?

money supersede the goal

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Death

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Friday night my girl-

had a cheerful outlook. She

was always looking ahead.

couple of months was "it's

Her family and many

of her numerous friends

had been with her during

the final five days of her

life. Late in the afternoon

Friday it became appar-

ent she wasn't going to

be with us much longer.

So, she was surrounded by

family and friends as she

The key concern in

those last days was keep-

dealing with someone in

ing her comfortable. When

the final days of stage four

cancer that is the best you

She was lying on her

couch with all of us around

He brother unselfishly

allowed me to sit in that

seat for the final 30 min-

utes of his sister's life. He held her other hand.

she constantly squeezed it. Some said she appeared to

perk up when I sat down

and took her hand. I pray

that I was a comfort to her

in the final minutes of her

talk for a few days. When

she looked at me as her

departure time was near-

ing there was a mixture of

fear, desperation and even

a tear or two in her eyes.

She appeared to be implor-

ing me to help her, but all

I could do was urge her to

move on to her next, and

better stage, of her exis-

useless.

mouth.

tence. I have never felt so

For several minutes she

It is called "a death rat-

breathed heavily. Then her

moaning sound, indicating

chest stopped heaving. A

she was getting weaker,

tle" and it can take many

forms in terms of sounds.

rattle was softer than some

of the descriptions, it was

I never want to hear

to erase from my memory. She was supposed to

live and take care of me.

stricken with an aortic dis-

Her decisions, made 11

section, are the reasons

I am still here and able

She saw me through my

neurosurgery and colon

cancer surgery this year,

even though she was deal-

ing with her own issues in

on so many levels. But I

place and I am comforted

know she is in a better

I am going to miss her

fighting her cancer.

by that thought.

to write this column.

years ago when I was

Even though her death

haunting, nonetheless.

it again. Her face at the

moment of death is an image I will never be able

was coming from her

She had been unable to

I grabbed her hand and

her. Several of us had

taken turns sitting in a

chair next to her.

struggled in those final

friend of 25 years lost her

battle with cancer. She

fought hard. She always

Her mantra in the final

someone's hand as they passed from

My Take



Still a N. Dakota boy

ynn and I are going to take a vacation **d** together, just the two of us... no children, just Lynn and Doug.

We are flying up to North Country, to the land that produces people like

I am a North Dakota Boy through and through!

Like they say: "You can take the boy out of North Dakota, but you can't take North Dakota out of the

I think they say that. Well, I just said it! So... it must be true. Right?

We are going up North to see my big sister, Cindi, and her family. Cindi just celebrated the Big 7-0... So we are going to celebrate Cindi. Maybe we'll even

And...Lynn and I are going to attend my 50th high school class reunion.

The last time I saw most of those people we were just 18-year-old kids ready to go out and tackle the world. And now... we are older, greyer, and hopefully

Looking back over they years from 1972 to 2022, I can honestly say that I've learned a lot; and maybe, just maybe, I'm even a little bit wiser.

Over those 50 years, I've learned...that it's not what you have in your life but who you have in your life that really matters.

I've learned...that it takes you a long time to become the person you want to be. And I've learned...that you shouldn't be comparing yourself to others. Let's just be the 'ME' that God created us to be.

I've learned...that you can do something in an instant that will give you heartache for the rest of your life.

And, I've learned...that it takes a good while to build trust with someone, and just like that... trust can be gone with the snap of a finger.

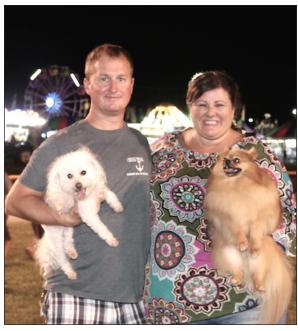
I've learned...that you should always leave your loved ones with kind and loving words. Tell them that you love them. It may be the last time you see

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

And those heroes don't wear capes and leap over tall buildings or fly around at the speed of light.

I've learned...that you and your best friends can do anything, or nothing, and have the best time doing it. You can talk up a storm or just be quiet and enjoy the silence...together.

➤ See **Doug**, Page 3B



Julie and Daniel enjoy the dog show at the fair. In fact, there isn't really much they don't like about the summer event.



Julie Smith and Daniel Calahan took in as much fun as possible at last week's county fair at the Ag Center on

BC fair: tradition for Julie Smith

By DAWN HANKINS dhankins@t-g.com

here are some folks who really enjoy the county fair and then there are those whose life just wouldn't be complete each summer without

it. Julie Smith says she's one of

those—a die hard fan.

Julie has enjoyed the county fair since she was a young girl. This year, she entered a division in the Fairest of the Fair pageant and placed 2nd runner up.

She and Daniel Calahan took in just about every event from

livestock competitions to riding the Ferris Wheel. The food booths were awesome, she says. "We just enjoy the fair, so much.'

They were also exhibitors in several of the competitions. Daniel won first in one of the dog shows with their fur buddy, "Chloe." Julie says the dogs felt right at home at the Ag Center, including pup "Gracie."

The two entered a lot of the competitions, taking home several ribbons again this year. Daniel was a champion at some the game booths.

They attended car shows and cow shows. "We enjoyed learning about the old farm tools," notes

They were there to support friends performing in shows. They enjoy the music and Mid-State Cloggers.

As the fair closed up on Saturday night at the fairgrounds, Julie was a little sad, but says she's proud there's still a county fair in her hometown. "It's a yearly tradition for us."

See more photos on page 3B.



Julie Smith says everyone knows you must have a hat when attending the Bedford County Fair.

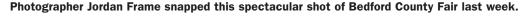


Julie won second place for her scrapbook at the fair.

BEDFORD COUNTY FAIR



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Is the gardening craze growing on you?

ccording to the National Gardening Association, the number of households growing their own vegetables, fruit and other foods has tripled since 2008.

(Coincidentally, the number of households stocking up on earplugs to keep from hearing neighbors brag about growing their own vegetables, fruit and other foods has also tripled since 2008. But I digress.)

Since last year alone, multi-family community gardens have increased by 22 percent. Such gardens would spread even faster if organizers could weed out the "participants" who try to abuse the division of

For instance, the "researcher" who helps out by lying all day on his sofa, analyzing the 1978 film "Attack of the Killer Tomatoes." ("Hey, Mike – I'm going to need another bucket of that locally produced popcorn, with locally produced hot butter. Chop chop!")

In times of high inflation, a home garden can be a lifesaver. Financially strapped consumers can save money while also eating a more nutrient-rich diet. Consequently, they will have the funds and energy to go out campaigning for the politicians who got them into times of high inflation to start with! Some people's gourds have been out in the sun too long, if you catch my

Today's gardeners love communing with Mother Nature – assuming Mother Nature recognizes them through all the insect repellent and SPF bazillion sunscreen. Neophyte gardeners

revel in the convenience of walking right out and plucking an edible from the vine – after first scheduling an emergency visit with the chiropractor. ("I'm tired, doc, but it's a good... golly, are those x-rays even human???")

Gardeners take pride in doing their small share to reduce their carbon footprint. Or is it that they take pride in doing their small share to use soil stolen from Indigenous peoples to cut migratory farm laborers, truck drivers and grocers out of a job? I always get those confused.



Today's gardens hearken back to the patriotic Victory Gardens of World War II. But our modern culture can reduce their status to more of a "Waving the White Flag" garden. ("Okay, Junior, but you have to PROMISE to help shell these nutritious peas after I drive you around the corner and buy you a 64-ounce Medium Gulp. And no, there's not an app for shelling peas.")

Sometimes gardeners get a little too emotionally involved in their horticultural hobby. They aren't satisfied to let professionals 2,000 miles away tend to pesticides. No, they insist on going the "This time it's personal!" route when dispatching aphids, worms and beetles. If these people load me down with a two-year supply of rutabagas, I thank them profusely and walk backwards all the way to the car.

Believe me, I understand about dissatisfaction with cardboard-adjacent vegetables that are engineered for transportation and storage. On the other hand, gardeners sometimes get on their high horse and twist everyday words into strong pejoratives. ("Yes, my husband is a vegetable since his accident, but at least he's not a STORE-BOUGHT vegetable!")

It will be interesting to see how many gardeners are in it for the long haul (pardon my French, logistics-phobes) and how many are just dabbling with a new pastime in the post-pandemic era.

Overheard at a dinner party: "I am serious. This is not a fad. I don't do fads. Now pass the brussels sprouts and help yourself to more of the Tide Pods souffle and Beanie Babies casserole."

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



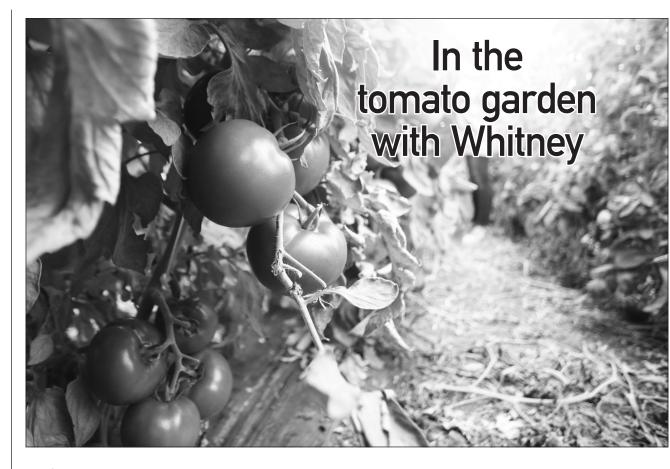
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FITZ ANDREW BURCHETT

Jordan and Kelly Burchett of Hoover, Ala., announce the birth of their son, Fitz Andrew, on June 16, in Birmingham, Ala.

The baby weighed 7 pounds and 1 oz. He is brother to Annie Scott, 19 months.

Grandparents are Glenn and Barbara Burchett of Huntsville, Ala., and formerly of Shelbyville and Jeffrey and Jenny Shaffer of Auburn, Ala.



'Tomayto, Tomahto'

Summer tomato recipes



By WHITNEY DANHOF BC Exension Agent

omatoes are summer's crowing glory. There is nothing like a red, ripe, juicy, summer tomato, especially fresh off the

Below are some tips, recipes and information to help you enjoy this bounty of summer flavor. No matter how you say it, tomatoes are always delicious!

Nutrition facts: Tomatoes are low in calories and high in nutrients. They're excellent sources of Vitamins A and C. They are high in lutein and lycopene, which studies show sup-

ports healthy vision. Tomatoes are one of the most popular vegetables to grow but they can be challenging as well with diseases and need for constant care.

To grill tomatoes, heat a greased pan to medium-high heat. Cut tomatoes in half and lay face down on a paper towel and let sit for 30 minutes. Places halves face down in a pan and grill for 5 minutes. Turn and grill for 1 minute or until skin is charred. Remove tomatoes form heat and let

Fresh Tomato Summer Salsa

7 Roma tomatoes 2 jalapeño peppers, finely

1/2 yellow onion, chopped

1 clove garlic, minced juice form 1 lime

1/4 C. fresh cilantro

1 tsp. Kosher salt

1 tsp. dried oregano 1/2 tsp. ground cumin

Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add the tomatoes and boil for about 2 minutes or until the skins split. Remove from the pot and place in a bowl of cold water to cool. Peel and chop the tomatoes into 1/4-inch



cubes. Stir in the peppers, onion, garlic, lime juice and cilantro, salt, oregano and cumin. Allow to sit at room temperature for about an hour and then refrigerate until ready to use. Serve with tortilla chips.

Shrimp, Fennel and Tomato

Sheet Pan Dinner

1 fennel bulb

4 Tbsp. olive oil, divided

2 Tbsp. grated Parmesan cheese Kosher salt

black pepper 5 oz. cherry tomatoes

1 clove garlic, minced

1/4 tsp. crushed, red pepper 1/4 tsp. Kosher salt

1/2 tsp. Italian seasoning 1/8 tsp. onion powder

1 lb. peeled and deveined large

Remove tops from fennel bulb. Cut bulb in half vertically and cut

out core. Slice fennel into 1/4-inch slices. Toss with 1 tablespoon oil oil, Parmesan cheese and a big pinch of salt and some pepper. Place on one end of a silpat or parchment-lined baking sheet. Place in a 375 degree oven for 10 minutes. In the meantime, toss tomatoes with 1 tablespoon olive oil and a pinch of Kosher salt and pepper. In another bowl, stir together remaining 2 tablespoons of olive oil, garlic and crushed, red pepper, 1/4 tsp. Kosher salt, pinch of pepper, Italian seasoning and onion powder. Add shrimp and set aside. After fennel has cooked for 10 minutes, add the tomatoes to the opposite end of the sheet pan. Return to the oven for 20 minutes more. After that 20 minutes, add the shrimp to the center of the pan with a slotted spoon to drain. Cook for 10 more minutes until shrimp are opaque and cooked through and the fennel is tender.

FCE CLUBS MEET

Butler's Creek FCE

Butler's Creek Family and Community Education Clubs (FCE) met at the UT/TSU Extension Office in Shelbyville on Monday evening, July 11 with members and extension agent, Whitney Danhof, in attendance.

Vicki Faulkner called the meeting to order with a hint for keeping ice cream cones from dippings and reminded members that July is "ice cream month."

The roll call asked members to respond with their favorite flavor of ice cream. Refreshments of homemade ice cream with a variety of toppings and homemade cookies were provided by Louise Moore, Brenda

Gregory, Susie Henderson and Vicki Faulkner. A gift was presented to Debbie Crosslin by members in thanks for hosting the June fish fry.

The program, "Tomayto, Tomahto" was presented by Whitney with detailed information about growing tomatoes. She handed out canning information and recipes using tomatoes. An interesting feature club members report was showing three "beautiful" tomato serving spoons and giving a bit of history about

New business included "May Marathon" medals awarded by Whitney to five members who participated. Pat Crick completed a full marathon. Melissa Turrentine, Vicki Faulker, Susie Henderson and Cindi Lindsey completed a half marathon.

A 'thank you' card was read from 4-H member Katie Leverette who attended 4-H camp this summer. She had received a donation towards 4-H camp made in Lorraine Sutton's name.

Personal hygiene items were collected to be donated and distributed by the Soup Kitchen ministry. The club will continue to collect caps and lids towards a recycled plastic "Buddy Bench" at monthly meet-

Community service projects were discussed The motion to purchase and

donate four—\$25— gift cards was a motion made by Amy Martin and seconded by Susie Henderson. The motion was passed by 100% vote.

Club demonstrations included Barbara Troxler demonstrating a needlepoint piece that she had completed and had framed into a serving tray. The center of the piece featured a beautifully, stitched frog.

Louise Moore displayed a turquoise, waffle-pattern baby blanket, featuring a white border she had crocheted.

Cindi Lindsey showed three double ply (fingering weight yarn) sock blanks

that she had dyed. Cindi

briefly explained the dye

process, which includes separating the two identically dyed threads into two balls of yard to knit an identical pair of socks with each blank.

Patty McEntire displayed a brightly colored baby quilt which used blocks made with star patterned blocks on the front, as well as on the back, that she quilted for her grand-

Gloria Crick demonstrated a therapy "fidget" activity mat that she had sewn using various items that a child, or an elderly dementia or Alzheimer's patient, could use to comfort themselves and relieve

Debbie Crosslin showed

a very clever ideas of using a pair of worn out overalls to make a lovely kitchen apron. She also displayed a baby blanket with a matching burp cloth and changing pad that she had quilted.

Amy Martin displayed a veteran's Quilt of Honor that was "adeptly quilted" with striking patterns which emphasized the beautiful fabrics used within the quilt

The next meeting will be Aug. 8 at 6 p.m. at the extension office.

Vicki adjourned the meeting with a quote by Charles M. Schulz of "Peanuts." He said, "Life is like an ice cream cone, you have to lick it one day

Julie and Daniel take in the fair



Growing up in the rural area of Bedford County, going to cow shows is just old hat for Julie Smith, family and friends.

FAIR SELFIE



There were plenty of fun selfies to be taken at Bedford County Fair last week.



In her eyes, Julie says Daniel can do just about anything well, including win her prizes



Julie entered the Fairest of the Fair competition and took home a second place award. She and Daniel just enjoy life, she says.

FARM PORTRAIT



This might not be the typical photo some folks might hang on their wall at home, but Julie Smth and Daniel Calahan love Bedford County Fair so much, it seems only fitting they get this photo.

from games at the county fair.



Julie is even great at photos and the artistic way she presents them. She received awards this year.

Doug

(Continued from Page 1B)

sometimes when I'm angry I have the right to be angry, but that doesn't give me the right to be cruel. I have a coffee mug that says, 'Be Kind!' And I need to take it's advice. I've learned...that

true friendship continues to grow, even over long distances.

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

I've learned...that Families aren't always

biological, and people you aren't related to can take care of you and love you and teach you how to love others. I've learned...that all

the mess you make of your life can be cleaned up if you ask God to help you do the cleaning.

I've learned... that

sometimes you have to discover how to forgive yourself... maybe even over and over again.

I've learned...that God is always willing to forgive us. And He will help us forgive others.

I've learned...that no

matter how bad your heart is broken, the world doesn't stop spinning. We have to

move on...one step at a time. I've learned...that our background and circumstances may have

influenced who we are, but

we are responsible for who

we become.

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

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exact same thing and see something totally different. And that's okay. $I've\ learned...that\ no$ matter how you try to protect your children, they

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and you will hurt in the

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process. But you can hurt

together.

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

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decent human being. I've learned...that sometimes the people you care about most in life

are taken from you way

too soon. But, we need to

keep moving forward and

cherish the memories.

I've learned...that

· Doug Dezotell is the pastor of Cannon UMC. He is a columnist for the Times-Gazette; and a hus-

people may forget what

you said, but people will

remember what you did

and how that made them

I've learned...that we

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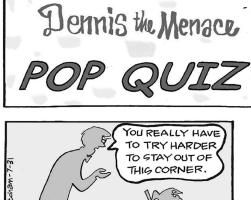








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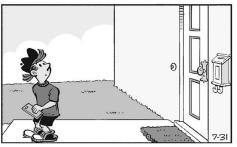


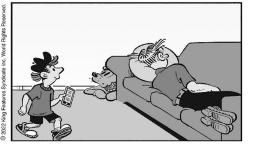














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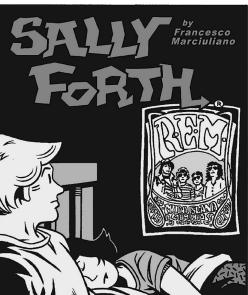








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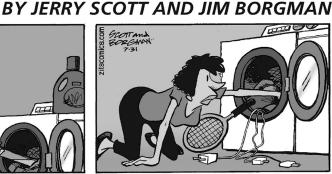


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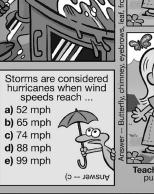


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Back-to-School Days



Submitted photo













Back-to-School



T-G Photos by Zoe Hagg

Graylag geese are the largest group of gray geese. Their wingspan can reach almost 69 inches on average.





ABOVE: The white bearded Silkie chicken is known as the most calm and friendly type of chicken

BOTTOM LEFT: Crested chickens are always crowd pleasers with their rather wild "hair-

Chickens rule roost at the fair

ne of the most fun attractions at Bedford County Fair has to be the chicken competition. The

birds come in all shapes, colors and sizes.

It takes a lot of work to put these beauties into competition.

24th Bedford County Fair comes to close

Lots of work, plenty of fun













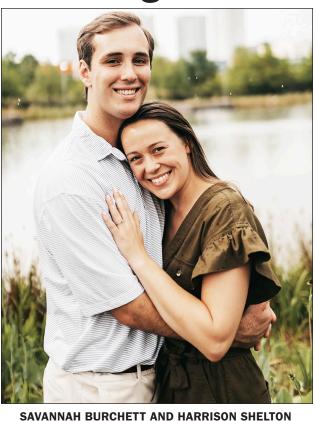
Burchetts-Sheltons plan October wedding

Glenn and Barbara Burchett of Huntsville, Alabama and formerly of Shelbyville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Savannah Glyn, of Birmingham, Alabama, to Harrison Brooks Shelton, son of Stephen and Lora Shelton of Trussville, Alabama.

The bride-elect graduated from The Webb School in Bell Buckle. She obtained a bachelor of science in nursing from Samford University, Birmingham, and a master of science in nursing from the University of Alabama (UAB) in Birmingham. She is employed as a pediatric nurse practitioner.

The bride-to-be's late grandparents, John C. and Louise Helton and Jack and Sue Burchett, were all from Bedford County.

The future bridegroom is a graduate of Samford University and is currently a student at the Cumberland School of Law. He is the



grandson of Don and June the late Olivia Shelton. May of Warrior, Alabama, A.B. and Elaine Shelton of Woodland, Alabama, and University, Birmingham.

The couple will be wed Oct. 22 at Samford

Treat wedding guests extra special

Weddings may focus on couples getting hitched, but weddings can also be a good time to demonstrate a special thanks to the many family and friends, especially those involved in the festivities.

Some of the more successful weddings are ones in which couples honor their guests and let them know how much they're appreciated. By incorporating these ideas into wedding ceremonies and receptions, couples can let their guests know how much they're loved.

- Arrange seats at the ceremony (if practical) in a circular pattern around you so that everyone can have a great view when you exchange vows.
- · Create a bathroom convenience basket for both the men's and women's bathrooms. Stock items that might come in handy, like mouthwash, toothpaste, first aid items, spare pantyhose, hair spray, sanitary products, moisturizer, gum, and whatever other nice-
- Provide prearranged to-go boxes so that guests can take home tasty tidbits from the meal or dessert table.
- · Offer transportation between the ceremony and reception.
- Customize "do not disturb" door tags for overnight guests so they can ensure they get enough shut-eye
- Make sure the photographer takes photos of everyone at every table and then shares those photos on a wedding website or via social media. Create a hashtag unique to your wedding so that guests can easily find the photos.
- Provide inexpensive slippers or flipflops so that avid dancers can rest their toes



in between songs.

- If valet parking service is not included, ask for an add-on so that guests get door-todoor treatment.
- Always be considerate of special needs by seating guests in places where they're most likely to be comfortable. Keep elderly guests away from speakers and near exits to facilitate trips to the bathroom.
- · Be mindful of all food allergies or requirements and have accommodations set up in advance.
- · Honor those people who could not be at the wedding in a special way, including deceased family and friends.
- Include information about how guests can request songs at the reception. Pass on the information to the band or DJ.
- · Encourage guests to get up and dance by making it fun. Put song lyrics from different songs on each table. When that song is played, that table has to join you on the dance floor.
- Remember to thank everyone for coming and follow up those in-person sentiments with handwritten, personalized thank-you notes after the wedding.

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Lucky Duck river guide Fuzzey Garland paddles with a second kayak full of car tires pulled from the Duck River. In addition to supplying the Duck River with rentals, the guides at Lucky Duck also put in a lot of time, effort and resources into keeping the river clean.

Lucky Duck helps kayakers, river

By CHRIS SIERS

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Over the last decade, there's been a surge in recreational sports and lifestyle activities that's been embraced by people of all ages.

One of the most popular activities has been kayaking and canoeing and it's no secret that Bedford County is home to one of the friendliest rivers for beginner kayakers in the state with the Duck River.

This summer, the owners and guides at Lucky Duck River Rentals have begun servicing the Duck River, as well as putting in time, effort and resources into keeping the river clean and safe for all to enjoy.

"I think the biggest thing right now is, of course it got popular before COVID, but I think do it," he said

COVID had everyone want to get out," Lucky Duck owner Chuck Baker said.

Baker also feels the stretch of the Upper Duck is a great section of water for younger kayakers to dip their toes into the sport.

"I would say it's very family friendly. We get a lot of younger kids. They have a great experience that first time. That's what we want. We want them to have a good first experience," Baker

River guide Fuzzey Garland also helps take groups down the river with Lucky Duck as well.

"I think there's just a big boost for recreational activity. People trying to get exercise and trying to enjoy the outdoors in someway—it's an easy way for them to

One part of enjoying the river is also being a caretaker for the natural resource and keeping it clean and safe for all to enjoy.

Lucky Duck provides each kayaker with a TWRA trash bag that allows every boater to not only keep their imprint at a minimum, but also pick up any additional trash seen while paddling.

"We do provide every kayaker a trash bag that will leak through. We do provide everyone with a TWRA trash bag," Garland said.

Recently, Baker helped guide a couple down the river and the three helped pick up a bit of trash on their float.

"We had two ladies who paid for a guided tour and we ended up bringing a lot of stuff back. The biggest thing is if everyone could pick up the small stuff. The big

stuff is a little dangerous," Baker

In addition to taking tours down the river, the staff at Lucky Duck have put in several trips of hauling off bigger items, such as car tires, to help improve the river's safety and cleanliness.

Currently, Lucky Duck services three floats, ranging from an all-day 14 mile float, to a short, five mile trip.

"You can do the whole thing, but you've got to be here at 8 a.m. because we have to get you on the water early because it's an all-day float," Baker said.

For those interested in giving kayaking a shot, both Garland and Baker agreed on one piece of advice for a first-time kayaker—

protect your phone. "We had a lady who had a sim Garland said.

card in her android for 10 years and lost it," Garland said.

In addition to kayak rentals, the Lucky Duck's main hub of operation at Halls Mill includes a restaurant and any amenities, including drinks and snacks, one

would need for a day on the Duck. With summer in full swing, prospective boaters can find additional information on rentals and floats at www.luckyduckriverren-

tals.com. Baker hopes to extend the kay-

aking season into this fall as well. "I think we'll shut it down in the fall, but I want to go as late as we can," he said.

"It's a great beginner float, it's beautiful and clean. It's a fun for families and entertaining,"

Five bold predictions for college football

By CHRIS SIERS

sports@t-g.com With just over a month until the 2022 college football season kicks off, teams are putting in the summer work, while fans' excitement, and perhaps anxiety, reaches a fever pitch, leading up to the season's start.

What storylines will dominate this sea-

Will Alabama strike back at Georgia? Will Tennessee continue its rise to prominence under Josh Heupel?

While it's still the middle of summer, there are plenty of bold takes one what will crop up this season.

Here are five bold predictions for the upcoming 2022 college football season:

Tennessee beats either Georgia or Alabama

Tennessee is in the middle of arguably the best rise from ashes in recent memory in the college landscape.

The mess Jeremy Pruitt left behind, which ultimately led to his firing and 18 Level I violations, left the Tennessee administration scrambling to find his

With Phillip Fulmer on his way out of the administrative role as well, Tennessee turned to then-UCF athletic director Danny White, who in turn brought in Josh Heupel from UCF. The tandem from Central Florida

made sense as a package deal, but it was clear given the implications under Pruitt, Tennessee was going to be hit with a mass exodus of players due to the violations and recruiting restrictions.

Needless to say, the cupboard was fairly bare when Heupel stepped foot in

While expectations a season ago were essentially non-existent, Heupel and his

staff put forth one of the more competitive seasons by Tennessee with a ragtag roster and finished 7-6, and was one blown call away from winning the Music City Bowl against Purdue.

Not only was Tennessee knocking on the door of an eight-win season, the Vols were in a dog fight at Alabama and at one point in the fourth quarter, was within a single score of knocking off Alabama in Bryant-Denny Stadium.

Eventually, Alabama's depth wore down Tennessee and put the game well out of reach by scoring 21 unanswered points to close out the game.

Now a year into Heupel's tenure and a full year of recruiting, it's clear his system worked a season ago.

The emergence of Hendon Hooker as a bonafide star gives the Vols a real threat

Last season, Hooker played in 13 games for the Vols and nearly hit the 3,000-yard barrier. He tossed 31 touchdowns and had just three interceptions, while completing 68% of his passes.

The Vols certainly have enough talent to play with the big boys in the conference and the preseason media poll has the Vols

picked to finish third in the SEC East. It's certainly a tall order for a rebuilding Tennessee team to beat the defending national champs, or the other team that

played for a national title. But Heupel runs a warp-speed offense and that's enough to gas even the best

defenses in the nation. Now that Tennessee has a little depth

on its roster, and Hooker entering his second season in the system, it shouldn't be a stretch to think the Vols can knock off either of the SEC's two top dogs.

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Webb golfers off to strong start

T-G STAFF REPORT The Webb School got off to a strong start on the 2022 season on Monday, taking second place in the Webb Invite, held at River

Bend Country Club. While the Feet took second place as a team, Kennedy Clarkson took third place overall for the girls with a 90.

Trinity Christian took first place as a team in the girls competition.

the 18-hole match, Webb turned in a team score of 323, just six strokes off the top score turned in by FRA.

Consistency was the name of the game for the Feet, with Noah Brown, Andrew Reeves and Preston Hall each carding an 81, while Phoenix Khramthong posted the top score for Webb with an 80.

Webb returned to action on Thursday in the I-24 Invitational, which was held at Indian Hills Golf Course, however results were unavailable at press

Webb (323) Phoenix Khramthong 80 Noah Brown 81 Andrew Reeves 81 Preston Hall 81 FRA (317) PCA (342) Columbia Acad. (360) MTCS (373)

Miller leads Vikes to team win

T-G STAFF REPORT

WINCHESTER — The Community High School golf teams teed off the 2022 season on Tuesday afternoon at Bear Trace against Huntland and came away with a pair of

On the girls' side of the match, only the Viqueens competed and senior Haley Mitchell posted the round-low of 62 to lead the Viqueens.

Sara Brook Neill finished three strokes back with a 65.

For the Vikings, junior Logan Miller took medalist honors and posted a 44. Blaine Paschal finished

second individually with a 50, while Mason Russell and Nathan Stacy carded a 54 and 53, respectively, to round out the varsity scoring for the Purple and

Huntland's Camden Smith posted the lowest score for the Hornets.

Community will return to action on Tuesday, facing Forrest and Cascade at Henry Horton.

Community (201) Logan Miller 44 Mason Russell 54 Blaine Paschal 50 Nathan Stacy 53 Huntland (220)

Community (127) Haley Mitchell 62 Sara Neill 65

C-USA in state of transition

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Western Kentucky football coach Tyson Helton was part of Conference USA's inaugural season in 1996, as a freshman quarterback on his father's team at Houston that shared the first title. He was also previously an assistant coach for two other teams in the league that is now in a state of transition.

The Hilltoppers have twice won nine games and been to bowl games in each of Helton's three seasons. They were league runner-ups last season, and are among the only five of C-USA's current 11 schools

that will still be part of the

league a year from now. "I've seen this confer-

ence recreate itself many times over, and every time it's become stronger," Helton said Wednesday at the league's media day. "It's always been an exciting conference to play in. ... I'm focused on 2022. We've

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College

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USC makes the **College Football** Playoff

Lincoln Riley sent shockwaves throughout the college football landscape late last fall when he announced his departure from Oklahoma, where he averaged over 10 wins per season, where he spent five years that included four-straight Big 12 Championships and two Heisman Trophy winners in Baker Mayfield and Kyler

After putting together a win percentage of .846, Riley was lured away from Norman to the West Coast

Since then, Riley has been on an absolute tear, compiling perhaps the most talented roster via the trans-

He also took with him highly-touted former Oklahoma quarterback Caleb Williams. As a freshman, Williams

eventually took over quarterback duties from Spencer Rattler, who struggled to effectively become the Sooners' leader. Williams played in 11

games and completed 64.5% of his passes and threw just over 1,900 yards. He was effective in the downfield game as he threw

21 touchdown passes against just four interceptions. In addition to landing

Williams, 2021 Biletnikoff winner Jordan Addison transferred from Pitt to Addison totaled 1,593

receiving yards and hauled in 17 touchdown passes. With the depth Riley

built around USC, the Trojans basically became a playoff contender overnight. It's no secret the Pac-12

has been the weakest of the Power 5 conferences for several years. The last playoff appear-

ance from a Pac-12 team came in the 2016-2017 season when Washington locked up the No. 4 seed, and then was promptly booted from the playoffs by Alabama in a 24-7 domina-

Other than Oregon, the Pac-12 is essentially a cakewalk for a roster loaded with that much talent and arguably the best, "young" coach in the nation.

With a favorable schedule, with a loaded roster, USC will have a say in not just how the Pac-12 shakes out, but arguably the final College Football Playoff

Other than Utah and Oregon, USC should be able to easily take care of business and reach the 10-win barrier, if not more. Given the 2022 land-

scape of college football, the usual cast of suspects will be in the mix for the four-team playoff, including Ohio State, Alabama, Georgia and Clemson. But Clemson has a major

issue that's holding it back entering 2022—QB. D.J. Uiagalelei entered

2021 as one of the highest touted quarterbacks in the What he did for the

Tigers a season ago was anything but stellar, completing just 55.6% of his passes for 2,246 yards.

He also only had nine touchdowns against 10 interceptions.

As such, Clemson suf-

fered ACC losses to NC State and Pitt and despite finishing with a 10-3 overall record, the Tigers didn't play for an ACC title and was left out of the College Football Playoff. Given that void a season

ago, and the rise of USC, the Trojans should be able to make a quick rise back to the national conversation with Riley at the helm and make the playoffs.

C.J. Stroud unseats Bryce Young as

Heisman winner Last season, Alabama quarterback Bryce Young put together one of the best seasons in history and led

the Crimson Tide to the

College Football National Championship game against Georgia.

Young eventually was named the Heisman Trophy winner with a stellar stats

He completed just shy of 67% of his passes and he went for 4,872 passing yards.

He also posted a 47-7 TD-INT ratio. Ohio State quarterback

C.J. Stroud wasn't far off the

mark a season ago and as a

freshman, completed nearly 72% of his passes for 4,4435 yards and 44 touchdowns against six interceptions. Taking nothing away

from Young, who barring injury, is poised for a big junior season. Young will certainly put

forth another spectacular

year and there's not much to indicate otherwise. Alabama was the preseason favorite to win the SEC West and with good

Another year in the system under Nick Saban, Young should have another stand out year.

But this year, it's Stroud's turn to hoist the top award in college football.

Ohio State returns the bulk of its team that went 11-2 a season ago. The Buckeyes suffered

a loss to Oregon in Week 2 last season, but then rattled off nine-straight wins before Michigan upset Ohio State and ended its run at a College Football Playoff bid. Having taken a loss to

its arch-rival a season ago, Stroud enters his sophomore campaign with a Michigansized chip on his shoulder, and that should terrify any team with Ohio State on the schedule this season. While Young will have

another stellar season in what figures to be his last season in Tuscaloosa, it will be Stroud hoisting the Heisman Trophy this fall.

Vols reach 10 wins for first time in 15 years

Tennessee fans have spent years in football pur-

It's been 15 years since the Vols have won 10 games in a single season, which came last under Phillip Fulmer in 2007.

Since then, Tennessee has gone 85-88 overall and have gone through five head coaches, searching for the right fit on the sidelines to bring the Vols back into the national spotlight.

After former coach Jeremy Pruitt was fired for what eventually came to be 18 Level I violations, the Tennessee athletic administration hired Josh Heupel out of USC, who came to Knoxville with a 28-8 record over three seasons.

With the era of college football changing from a ground-and-pound offense, play solid defense style, to which team can turn every game into a track meet with up-tempo offenses and scoring as much as possible, Heupel's offense seemed to be a natural fit in Knoxville.

With a patchwork roster depleted in depth from an exodus of players amid the Pruitt fallout, Heupel orchestrated perhaps one of the most unexpected seasons in recent history for the Volunteers.

Butch Jones put together back-to-back nine-win seasons for Tennessee in 2015 and 2016, but then fell from grace before being replaced with Pruitt. Pruitt never was able to

gain his footing among the Rocky Top faithful, nor the athletic administration notably former head coach Phillip Fulmer, who was the Tennessee athletic director at the time. Even with depth issues throughout the roster,

Tennessee was fairly close to putting together a ninewin season ago. A Week 2 loss to Pitt came on the heels of a

huge second-quarter for the Panthers. Pitt only escaped

Knoxville with a seven-point Fast forward to the Music City Bowl, Purdue edged out a three-point win over

Tennessee in arguably the

most entertaining bowl of

the whole season.

Still, Tennessee sat within one score of another win.

If Tennessee caught a bit of luck in either of those two losses, the Vols could well have reached the nine-win plateau for the first time in five years and the first time with Heupel at the helm.

A quick glance at the

schedule has Tennessee

opening up with a favorable record through the first two months of the season. Sandwiched between Ball State and Akron, Tennessee makes the trip to Pittsburgh,

looking for revenge for a close loss from a season ago. From there, Tennessee will shrug the bugaboo of playing Florida and move to

The Vols will follow with a trip to Baton Rouge and will pick up a win against LSU, searching for an identity under first-year coach Brian Kelly. After moving to 5-0,

4-0 on the season.

Tennessee will have a tough stretch, with three of its next four games coming against Kentucky, Alabama and Georgia. While Mark Stoops has

Kentucky trending upward, including four-straight bowl wins, Tennessee has dominated the series against the Wildcats, including a 45-42 upset last season in Lexington. Tennessee should be

able to defend its home turf against Kentucky this season, which leaves Alabama and Georgia as the two remaining juggernauts left on the Vols' schedule. played Tennessee

Alabama to within one score in the fourth quarter with a depleted roster last season in Tuscaloosa. improbable,

Tennessee is primed to upset

one of its two biggest rivals this season. After the October Tennessee gets

Missouri, South Carolina and Vanderbilt left on the schedule. Missouri and Vanderbilt

should both be chalked up as wins for the Vols, but South Carolina remains as a trap game for Tennessee after quarterback Spencer Rattler transferred from Oklahoma to give the Gamecocks a legitimate quarterback

In the end, Tennessee will take care of the games its supposed to, aside from a possible late-season upset, and pick up a win it shouldn't season in 15 years.

Ohio State beats Georgia in the national championship

It's mid-July, so it only seems natural we should know who will be playing for a national championship,

Throughout the tenure of the College Football Playoff, it's been a mainstay to expect certain teams in the mix for a national title.

The greatest football coach of all time, Nick Saban, typically has the Tide not just in the playoffs, but playing for a national title.

Since taking over as the Georgia head coach, former Saban assistant Kirby Smart has had Georgia in the thick of the playoffs as well. in five seasons in Athens,

Smartt has went 66-15 and finally was able to overcome his former mentor last season and win his first national was handsomely

rewarded for bringing a title to Georgia with a 10-year, \$112.5 million contract to secure his future as the Bulldogs' head coach. Another team that con-

tinually finds itself in the playoff mix is Ohio State. In 2014, Urban Meyer took the Buckeyes to the

national championship and delivered its first title in 12 Since the implementation of the playoff format, the

Buckeyes have made four playoff appearances, including two after Meyer's departure for "health reasons." Since then, Ryan Day has taken over the program and

has continually delivered

and in four seasons as the

Buckeyes head coach, has

posted a 31-4 overall record.

Titans' top pick has asthma under control

AP Pro Football Writer

NASHVILLE — Treylon Burks

stretched out for a fade from Ryan Tannehill and kept both hands on the ball as he went to the ground for a deep reception. Later, he reached for a catch with defenders around him. That's exactly what the Tennessee

Titans hoped to see when they drafted Burks out of Arkansas with the 18th pick overall in April to replace the guy they traded away to Philadelphia — A.J. Brown. They just had to wait a bit.

Burks' catches came Wednesday on the opening day of training camp with the entire roster, and all eyes kept tabs on the rookie's progress and whether he worked drill-to-drill or finished the entire practice. He did just that, and Burks said it sure

helped having his asthma under control. "That's just being accountable, and I should've took a better attack on that," Burks said. "And now that I am you can

tell a big difference." Burks caused concern when he bowed out of his first practice in May as part of the Titans' rookie minicamp and was seen using an inhaler. Burks declined to discuss the inhaler, deferring questions to Titans coach Mike Vrabel. Wide receivers coach Rob Moore confirmed that the rookie was

General manager Jon Robinson credited Burks with being "pretty transparent" with the Titans during his pre-draft visit. Robinson drafted the 6-foot-2, 225-pound receiver to help replace Brown, their leading receiver each of his three seasons in Tennessee and a Pro Bowler in 2020.

dealing with asthma.

Burks said asthma "kind of messed with me a little bit" during his freshman and sophomore years at Arkansas. "Once I got to my junior year, I was so

much more acclimated into the system and knowing my role and wanting to be better at my position," Burks said. "And I just Burks not only attacked it, he became

He caught 66 passes for 1,104 yards and 11 touchdowns to become an AP All-Southeastern Conference receiver along with Alabama's Jameson Williams, who was the 12th overall pick by Detroit. Not being able to be on the field

throughout the offseason program had

Burks worried. He credits Vrabel with telling him not to worry, to keep working a day at a time and not to "harp on" himself Burks responded by dropping 5 or 6 pounds by working on his conditioning

and making sure to use his inhaler before and after practice. Or as he called it, "just being accountable." "I should've took a better attack on that,

and now that I am, you can tell a big difference," Burks said. Burks has the physical size and hands that drew comparisons to Brown before

the NFL draft. The Titans need him to

work his way into the starting lineup by their Sept. 11 season opener against the New York Giants. Tannehill said he's excited to have Burks on the field, noting they've worked together over the past few days with rookies, quarterbacks and injured players reporting for camp last weekend. The quarterback

said Burks has a long way to go, though

making more plays like Wednesday will

speed up that process. "If he wins consistently and makes plays like that for me down the field, you know it gives you a lot of confidence to go his direction," Tannehill said.

For now Burks is just trying to earn respect and let his teammates "know I'm not just here to make money, I'm here to win a championship."

Notes

Robert Woods, the veteran receiver the Titans traded for in March, and CB Caleb Farley both practiced Wednesday without knee braces. Each is recovering from torn ACLs that ended their 2021 seasons.

Penn State QB mum on players' demands

By RALPH D. RUSSO AP College Football Writer

INDIANAPOLIS -Penn State quarterback Sean Clifford steered away from questions at Big Ten media days about his recent conversation with the leader of a group trying to organize college football players and toward preparation for the season.

Clifford's meeting with Jason Stahl, a former member of the faculty at the University of Minnesota and the executive director of the College Football Players Association, drew attention last week when a social media post suggested Penn State players were forming a union.

Clifford backed away from that with a Twitter post of his own. He did say he recently had "very positive and open discussions" with Penn State coach James Franklin, new AD Pat Kraft and Big Ten Commissioner Kevin Warren about "changing the landscape of college sports."

Warren said Tuesday at the opening of media days the Big Ten would create a Student-Athlete Advisory and Advocacy Committee. Stahl took to social

media to accuse Penn State and the Big Ten of trying to quell any movement by the players to organize. Kraft said no such thing

happened and said he was happy to have conversations with Clifford about trying to address concerns of athletes - from health care to financial benefits. "I'm proud of Sean and our other kids for being

honest and come and asking questions," Kraft said.

As for Clifford, he tried his best to keep the focus on the field.

"We are five days away from camp," the sixthyear senior said. "And, you know, that's the main thing right now, but just to address what happened: Do I want to make change for college athletics and college athletes across the country? Absolutely.

"And I still believe I'm very blessed to be in the situation to have a commissioner that's open to conversations. Head coach who is open to conversations, and a new athletic director that is open to conversations."

Day to day

Ryan Day understands the expectations at Ohio State. Beat Michigan, win Big Ten titles and national championships.

Nothing else suffices. So when the Buckeyes

were shut out of all three last season for the first time in a decade, the 11-2 mark and Rose Bowl win simply wasn't good enough for the Buckeyes or their fans. And he knew it. "The expectation is to

win them all," Day said. "I said that in my opening press conference when I was named the head coach, and that's just the way it is. Maybe at some places 11-2 with a Rose Bowl victory is a good year. It isn't at Ohio **Holding pattern**

Rutgers linebacker

Drew Singleton is hoping the NCAA will grant him an extra year of eligibility

UAB and Charlotte.

Singleton declared for the NFL draft and signed with an agent before the Scarlet Knights were a lastminute bowl addition following the opt-out of No. 23 Texas A&M. Unlike Rutgers' other pro prospects Singleton decided to play in the 38-10 loss to

Wake Forest and wound up injuring his ankle. After going undrafted, waiver application was denied. Coach Greg Schiano said Wednesday the school has appealed so Singleton can pursue a

graduate degree. "We're hopeful that cooler minds prevail," Schiano said. "We have an appeal in. I'm hopeful he will be able to come back. He wants to seek his graduate degree. I believe that -- he does so many great things. He's a kid from inner city Newark who's overcome a lot. The guy is trying to do the right thing. I hope that we're able to do the right thing and get him

What's the beef? Penn State lost nose

guard PJ Mustipher with a season-ending left knee injury in October. Now, he's back - per-

haps playing an even bigger role for the Nittany Lions defense as he continues to add beef to an already massive 321-pound frame. And in Indianapolis, Mustipher and his coach, James Franklin, chowed down at one of Indy's most familiar steakhouses, St. Elmo's. As usual, Mustipher

for the 2023 season.

"My personal opinion

is I don't think it's done

held nothing back.

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State

some great Conference USA teams that are still in

the conference, so it ought to be really, really competi-Defending champion and

for the American.

Old Dominion and Southern Mississippi left this summer for the Sun Belt. Southern Miss, the last of C-USA's original six teams to depart, shared that 1996 title with Houston, which left the league after the 2012 season

There were 14 C-USA

schools before Marshall,

yet. I think there'll be more teams coming," said Middle Tennessee State coach Rick Stockstill, the league's mosttenured coach going into his 17th season. "I think if you look at it geographically throughout the country, I think there's going to be a lot of movement still within the conferences. But I think we're in a great position."

preseason favorite UTSA is leaving for the American

Athletic Conference next summer, along with Florida Atlantic, North Texas, Rice,

Liberty, New Mexico

State, Jacksonville State and Sam Houston State are already set to join C-USA

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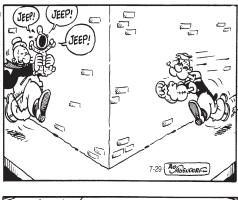






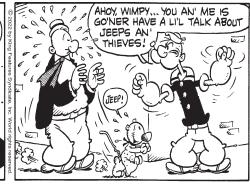










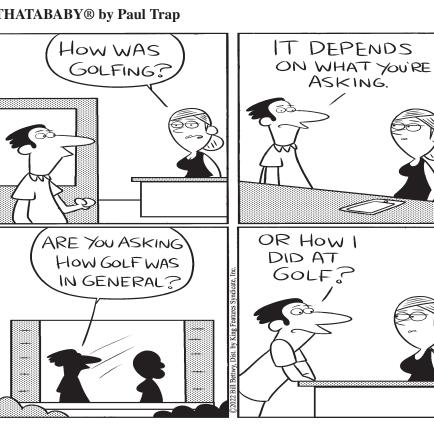


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Level: Beginner

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to irrigation. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 4 = R)

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Clue: Living organisms

B. **25** 22 20

Clue: Get larger

16 10 **20** 26

Clue: Hydrogen and oxygen

26 D. 22

Clue: Flexible tube

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Public Notice

Bedford County Board of Commissioners Commissioner Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 09,

2022 Time: 7:00 PM Location: Bedford County Historic Courthouse, 2nd Floor Courtroom

Agenda Call to Order: Chairman, Mayor Chad D. Graham Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance Meeting: Sheriff Open

Austin Swing Roll Call: County Clerk Donna Thomas Minutes Approval:

Approval of Special Called Commission Meeting Minutes from June 28, 2022 -†Placed on agenda with recommendation to

amend by Rules & Legislative Committee 2. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes from July 12, 2022 -†Placed on agenda without a recommendation by Rules &

Elections & Confirmations: †Nominations from the floor.

4. Elect Notaries for September 2022 -† Placed on the agenda by Rules & Legislative Committee

Presentations: 5. Presentations to Outgoing Commissioners - Mayor Chad Graham

6. Charlie Curtiss, TCSA Executive Director to Commissioners with 20 years of service 7. Presentation to Com-

John Brown has missioner from U.S. Congressman Scott DesJarlais' Office Resolutions: 8. None Additional Items by Stand-

ing Committees: Legislative Committee: 9. Changing the speed

zone on dead-end roads Coleman Harvey Lane and Thompson Lane from 45mph to 30 mph. - (3-2 10. Rezoning:† Map 48;

Parcel 009.00, plus a por-

tion of Map 48; Parcel

10.01 for a total of 2.89 acres (NE of Intersection with Hwy 41A & Hwy 270) rezoned from A1 to C1.† to wit: The proposed use will be LOCATED IN THE 11TH for a Dollar General Store.† Existing structure on property to be removed.† There are other C1 commercial parcels both across the street on the SW corner and on the same side of parcels away, Garrett Auto and Garrett Wrecker, ††

Resolution re-11. TVA garding transmission Line Easement Law Enforcement Commit-

tee: 12 None Courthouse and Property Committee:

13. None. Management Financial Committee

County Budget Amendment #1 - (unani- 37180. In the event of any mous recommendation). 15. Early Literacy Network Contract - BOE

16. Quarterly Financials 17. Surplus Property-BOE 18. Hire 5 new SROs -tto

be funded first year with proceeds from sale of EMA building, located on PARTIES: Railroad Avenue. Other Business:

19. Q4 Reports: Clerk & Master Circuit Court Clerk/Driving School Director County Clerk Director of Schools Election Registrar

Hwy Superintendent Property Assessor Registrar of Deeds Trustee

Economic Development Announcements Adjourn Chad D. Graham, Bedford County Mayor

(July 30, 2022) Bedford County Road **Board Monthly Meeting** August 1, 2022 4:30 P.M. OFFICE, SHOP DOVER ST. , SHELBY-

VILLE, TN **AGENDA** 1. Call Meeting to Order 2. Approve minutes of July

11, 2022 3. Old Business 4. New Business:

5. Other Business Announcements 7. Adjournment (July 30, 2022)

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants.

terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated August 31, 2018, executed by DANIUL L CHANCEY conveying certain real property therein described to DAVID MARTTALA, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee recorded Au-

gust 31, 2018, in Deed

Book TD913, Page 412;

WHEREAS, the beneficial 3. Appointment to Board of interest of said Deed of Education - 8th District to Trust was last transferred replace John Boutwell - and assigned to FREE-DOM MORTGAGE COR-PORATION who is now the owner of said debt; and WHEREAS, underthe

signed.Rubin Lublin TN. PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee NOW, THEREFORE,

tice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute his duly ap-Trustee or pointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on September 8, 2022 at 12:00 PM At the main entrance to the Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN 37160, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ON-LY, the following described

CIVIL DISTRICT OF BED-COUNTY, TEN-FORD NESSEE. LAND IN BED-**FORD** COUNTY. TENNESSEE, BEING ALL OF LOT NO. 1, WHIS-PERING MEADOW SUBthe highway (41A) just two DIVISION, OF RECORD IN PLAT CABINET B, EN-

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other day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead. and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is

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TION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, Substitute Trustee 119 S. Main Street, Suite

Memphis, TN 38103 rlselaw.com/property-list-

Tel: (877) 813-0992 Fax: (470) 508-9401 (July 30 & August 6 & 13, 2022) NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S

SALE WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust Note dated October 18, 2001, and the Deed of Trust of even date securing the same, recorded November 26, 2001, in Book No. TD460, at Page 108, in Office of the Register of Deeds for Bedford County, Tennessee, executed by Joann Rodgers and Donnell Rodgers, concertain property described to Mitherein chael L. Mossman, Esq as Trustee for Bank One, NA; and the undersigned, Wil-Associates, P.L.L.C., having been appointed Successor Trustee by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Trustee Stearns Asset Backed Se-

curities I Trust 2004-BO1. NOW. THEREFORE, notice is hereby given indebtedness been declared due has and payable; and that an agent of Wilson & Asso-P.L.L.C., as Successor Trustee, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested in and imposed upon said Succes-Trustee, by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities I Trust 2004-BO1, will, on August 2022 on or about 12:00 PM, at the Bedford Courthouse, County Public Square, Shelbyville, 37160, Shelbyville, Tennessee, offer for sale certain property hereinafter described to the highest bidder FOR certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-aptrustee. The sale is free from all exemptions, which are expressly waived in Deed of Trust, said property being real estate Bedford situated in County, Tennessee, and

being more particularly described as follows: All that parcel of land lying and being in the Seventh (7th) Civil District of Bedford County, Tennessee, particularly

scribed as follows: Being Lot No. 13 of Shoma Park Subdivision, Sec. I, to the City of Shelbyville, a plat of which is of record in Deed Book 103, page 545, Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennes-

ALSO KNOWN AS: 501 Shoma Drive, Shelbyville, TN 37160

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restriceasecovenants, ments, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above- referenced proper-

The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor

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Trustee's option at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. In the event of inclement weather, the

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mailed to interested parties of record. W&A No. 351694 DATED July 25, 2022 WILSON & ASSOCIATES, P.L.L.C., Successor Trustee (July 30 & August 6 & 13, 2022)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of **Connie Gaye Oliver** Deceased Notice is hereby given

that on July 18 of 2022 Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of Connie Gave Oliver who died 11/16/2021 were sued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court Bedford of County, All per-Tennessee. sons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured. against the estate are required to file same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forbarred: (1) (A) ever Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to credi tors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date

Date: 7/18/2022

Amber Nicole White Administratrix

Clerk & Master S Todd Bobo

Curt M. Cobb

Bobo, Hunt & White Attorney (July 30 & August 6, 2022) **NOTICE TO**

CREDITORS

Estate of

Ellis Kay Parker

Deceased Notice is hereby given that on July 21 of 2022 Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of Ellis Kay who Parker died 2/6/2022 were issued to the undersigned by Bedford County Chancery Court of Bed-County, Tennesford All persons, resisee. dent and non-resident, having claims, matured

or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4)

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Attorney

Keith Parker Administrator

Curt M. Cobb

Clerk & Master S Todd Bobo Bobo, Hunt & White

(July 30 & August 6,

2022) NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** Estate of James Thomas "J.T" **Darnell** Deceased

Notice is hereby given

that on July 18 of 2022 Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of James Thomas "J.T" Darnell who died 5/22/2022 were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured. against the estate are required to file same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forbarred: (1) (A) ever Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting. as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the credi-

Date: 7/18/2022

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Sean Keith Darnell Executor

Curt M. Cobb

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decedent's date

Lesa H. Skoney Attorney (July 30 & August 6,

NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** Estate of **Polly Gill Frazier** Deceased Notice is hereby given that on July 22 of 2022 tion in respect of the estate of Polly Gill Frazier who 6/20/2022 were issued to the undersigned by Bedford County the Chancery Court of Bed-County, Tennes-All persons, resident and non-resident. having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred: (1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); Twelve

Date: 7/22/2022

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dent's date of death.

Freda Head Executrix

Curt M. Cobb Clerk & Master

S Todd Bobo Bobo, Hunt & White Attorney

(July 30 & August 6, 2022) Notice to owner and/or Lien holder of abandoned or unclaimed vehicle. These vehicles will be sold on August 6, 2022 at 10:00 am at QUALITY 2015 HWY 41A N SHFI-BYVILLE, TN 37160. To

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VIN# 1FTRX17293NA92572 (July 30, 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE The Bedford County Planning Commission On June 28th, 2022, the Bedford County Regional Planning Commission unanimously recommended the rezoning of approximately 2.89 +/acres along U.S. Hwy. 41-A Shelbyville, North, TN. from its existing A-1 (Agri-

culture-Forestry) zone-dis-

trict, to C-1 (Commercial

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Rural Center District), and more particularly identified as the entirety of Bedford County Tax Map 048, Parcel 009.00, including a small portion of Tax Map 048, Parcel 010, also zoned A-1, and said parcel being owned by Mr. & Mrs. Bobby and Clara Boyce the property being known as the old Boyce Livestock

The public hearings will occur immediately before the Bedford County Commission meeting which will begin at 7:00 p.m. on August 09, 2022. The public hearing and commission meeting will be held in the old Courthouse, 1 Public Square, 2nd Floor Meeting Shelbyville, Chamber., Tennessee 37160.

Accommodations Persons with a disability who wish to request accommodation to participate in the Public Meeting should notify Suzanne Alexander at least one (1) business days prior to the Meeting at (931) 684-7944 or email your request to Suzanne.Alexander@bedfordcountytn.gov to discuss accommodations.

Every reasonable effort will be made to meet your

(July 30, 2022) PUBLIC NOTICE The City of Shelbyville is seeking applicants for the position of a full time Pool Manager for the Shelbyville Parks & Recreation Dept. The employee will be primarily responsible executing programs and maintaining daily operation of the City's aquatic facilities in the absence of the Aquatics Coordinator. Duties include but are not limited to being responsible for indoor and outdoor pool management, customer service involving considerable public interaction, staff supervision, lifeguard duties, general maintenance tasks, water quality control, pump room maintenance and any other tasks as may be required to accomplish the essential functions of the position as set out herein Minimal qualifications must

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\$15.00. The City provides a comprehensive benefits Applications and a copy of job description may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours

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

Stacey Claxton, Human Resources Generalist (July 19, 23, 26, & 30, 2022)

PUBLIC NOTICE The following vehicles will be sold at silent auction at Green's Towing & Recovery, 1221 Madison St. Shelbyville, TN 37160 on this day, August 12, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. Liable for towing and storage.

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Public Notice

The Shelbyville Municipal

Airport Authority will meet

in Regular Session on

Thursday, August 4, 2022,

at 12:00 PM at Shelbyville

Municipal Airport, 2828

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(July 30, 2022)

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Rents spike as investors buy mobile home parks

By MICHAEL CASEY and CAROLYN THOMPSON **Associated Press**

LOCKPORT, - For as long as anyone can remember, increases rarely happened at Ridgeview Homes, a family-owned mobile home park in upstate New York. That changed in 2018

when corporate owners took over the 65-yearold park located amid farmland and down the road from a fast food joint and grocery store about 30 miles northeast of Buffalo. Residents, about half

of whom are seniors or disabled people on fixed incomes, put up with the first two increases. They hoped the latest owner, Cook Properties, would address the bourboncolored drinking water, sewage bubbling into their bathtubs and the potholefilled roads.

When that didn't happen and a new lease with a 6% increase was imposed this year, they formed an association. About half the residents launched a rent strike in May, prompting Cook Properties to send out about 30 eviction notices.

"All they care about is raising the rent because they only care about the money," said Jeremy Ward, 49, who gets by on just over \$1,000 a month in disability payments after his legs suffered nerve damage in a car

He was recently fined \$10 for using a leaf blower. "I'm disabled," he said. "You guys aren't doing your job and I get a violation?"

The plight of residents at Ridgeview is playing out nationwide as institutional investors, led by private equity firms and real estate investment trusts and sometimes funded by pension funds, swoop in to buy mobile home parks. Critics contend mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are fueling the problem by backing a growing number of investor loans.

The purchases are putting residents in a bind, since most mobile homes — despite the name — cannot be moved easily or cheaply. Owners are forced to either accept unaffordable rent increases, spendthousands of dollars to move their home, or abandon it and lose tens of thousands of dollars they invested.

"These industries, including mobile home park manufacturing industry, keep touting these parks, these mobile affordable homes, as

housing. But it's not affordable," said Benjamin assistant Bellus, an attorney general in Iowa, who said complaints have gone up "100-fold" since investors out-of-state started buying up parks a few years ago. "You're putting people

where they have no ability to defend themselves," he Driven by some of the strongest returns in real estate, investors have

in a snare and a trap,

shaken up a once-sleepy sector that's home to more than 22 million mostly low-income Americans in 43,000 communities. aggressively Many promote the parks as ensuring a steady return by repeatedly raising There's also a growing

industry, featuring how-to books, webinars and even a mobile home university, that offers tips to attract small investors.

"You went from an environment where you had a local owner or manager who took care of things as they needed fixing, to where you had people who were looking at a cost-benefit analysis for how to get the penny squeezed lowest," Bellus said. "You combine it with an idea that we can just keep raising the rent, and these people can't

George McCarthy, president and CEO of the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, a Cambridge, Massachusetts-based think tank, said parks containing about a fifth of mobile home lots nationwide have been purchased by institutional investors over the past eight years.

McCarthy singled out Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac for guaranteeing the loans as part of a what the lending giants bill as expanding affordable housing. Since 2014, the Lincoln Institute estimates Freddie Mac alone provided \$9.6 billion in financing for the purchase of more than 950 communities across 44 states.

spokesman Freddie Mac countered that it had purchased loans for less than 3% of the mobile home communities nationwide, and about 60% of those were refinances.

Soon after investors started buying up parks in 2015, the complaints of double-digit rent increases followed.

In Iowa, Chapman, a mobile home resident at a park purchased by Utah-based Havenpark Communities, said his rent and fees had almost doubled since 2019. Iowa Legal Aid's Alex Kornya said another park purchased by Impact Communities saw rent and fees increase 87% between 2017 and 2020. "Many of the folks

living in the park were on fixed incomes, disability, Social Security, and simply were not going to be able to keep pace," said Kornya, who met with about 300 angry mobile home owners at a megachurch. "It led almost to a political awakening."

In Minnesota, park purchases by out-of-state buyers grew from 46% in 2015 to 81% in 2021, with rent increases as much as 30%, according to All Parks Alliance For Change, a state association. U.S. Sen. Jon Tester

of Montana, speaking at a Senate hearing this year, recalled tenants complaining of repeated rent increases at Havenpark development in Great Falls. One resident, Cindy Newman, told The Associated Press her monthly rent and fees went up \$117 to nearly \$400 over a year and eight months — equal to the increase over the previous 20 years. The company says the increase was \$95 over a three-year period. On top of rent increases,

residents complained of being inundated with fees for everything from pets to maintenance and fines for clutter and speeding all tucked into leases that can run upwards of 50 pages. Josh Weiss,

Havenpark spokesperson, said the company must charge prevailing market rates when it purchases a park at fair market price. That said, the company has moved since 2020 to limit its rent increases to \$50-a-month.

"We understand the anxiety that any rent increase has on residents, especially those on fixed incomes," Weiss said. "While we try to minimize the impact, the financial realities do not change."

The mobile home industry argues communities are the most affordable housing option, noting that average rent increases across parks nationwide were just over 4% in 2021. Spending on improvements around 11%. Significant investments are needed, they said, to improvements at older parks and avoid them being sold off.

"You have some people coming into the space that give us all a bad name but those are isolated

examples practices are not common," said Lesli Gooch, chief executive officer of the Manufactured Housing Institute, the industry's trade association. Both sides said the

government could do more to help. The industry wants

Administration financing

Federal

Housing

made available to residents, many of whom rely on high-interest loans to purchase homes that cost on average \$81,900. They also want the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to allow housing vouchers to be used for mobile Advocates for residents, MHAction, including want lawmakers to put

a cap on rent or require a reason for an increase or eviction — state legislation that succeeded in Delaware this year but failed in Iowa, Colorado and Montana. They also want Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to stipulate in loans they back that rents remain affordable. And

they support residents purchasing their communities, which started in New Hampshire and has reached almost 300 parks in 20 states. A Freddie Mac spokesperson said it has created a new loan offering that incentivizes tenant protections and

mandatory for all future mobile home community transactions. At Ridgeview, it's unclear how the rent

last year made those

strike will be resolved. Cook, which claims to be the largest operator of mobile home parks in New York and has a slogan "Exceptional Opportunities. Exceptional Returns,' declined to comment. The company closed a \$26 million privateequity fund in 2021 that purchased 12 parks in New York, but it was unclear if one of them

was Ridgeview. Residents, meanwhile, soldier on. Joyce Bayles, an 85-year-old resident has taken to mowing her own lawn because crews show up only monthly. Gerald Korb, a 78-yearold retiree, said he's still waiting for the company to move an electric pole and transformer he fears could topple onto his

home during a storm. "I bought a place and now they are forcing all this on us," said Korb, who stopped paying rent in protest. "They are absentee landlords is what they are."

Biden, Xi could meet in person, US official says world. Differing per-

(AP) — President Joe Biden and China's Xi Jinping are exploring meeting in person, a senior administration official said after the leaders spent more than two hours on Thursday talking through the future of their complicated relationship, with tension over Taiwan once again emerging as a flashpoint.

to be identified to talk about the private conversation. Biden conducted the telephone call from the Oval Office, where he was joined by top aides, including Secretary of State Antony Blinken.

The official declined

When Biden was vice president, he spent long hours with Xi in the United States and China, an experience he often recalls as he talks about the two countries' opportunities for conflict and cooperation.

However, they have

not met in person since Biden became president last year.

A recurring strain is Taiwan, which has governed itself for decades but China asserts as part of its territory, a claim emphasized by Xi on Thursday. "Those who play

with fire will perish by it," said the Ministry of Foreign Affairs after the call with Biden. "It is hoped that the U.S. will be clear-eyed about The White House released its own descrip-

tion of the conversation about Taiwan, saying that Biden "underscored that the United States policy has not changed and that the United States strongly opposes unilateral efforts to

change the status quo or undermine peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait." The goal of the call, which began at 8:33

a.m. EDT and ended at

10:50 a.m. EDT, was "responsibly manage our differences and work together where our interests align," the White House said. As usual, China left no doubt that it blames

the U.S. for the deteriorating relationship between the two coun-"President Xi under-

scored that to approach and define China-US relations in terms of strategic competition and view China as the primary rival and the most serious long-term challenge would be misperceiving China-U.S. relations and misreading China's development, and would mislead the people of the two countries and the international com-

munity," the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said. The call took place as Biden aims to find new ways to work with

China and contain its

influence around the

spectives on global health, economic policy and human rights have long tested the relationship — with China's refusal to condemn Russia's invasion of Ukraine adding further strain. The latest pressure point has been

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's potential visit to Taiwan, which has a democratic government and receives informal defensive support from the U.S., but which China considers part of its territory. Beijing has said it would view such a trip as a provocation, a threat U.S. officials are taking with heightened seriousness in light of Russia's incursion into "If the U.S. insists on going its own way

ful responses," Zhao

Lijian, a spokesperson

and challenging China's bottom line, it will surely be met with force-

for China's Foreign Ministry, told reporters earlier this week. "All ensuing consequences shall be borne by the U.S.

Pelosi would be the highest-ranking U.S. elected official to travel to Taiwan since Republican Newt Gingrich visited the island in 1997 when he was House speaker. Biden last week told reporters that U.S. military officials believed it was "not a good idea" for the speaker to visit the island at the moment. John Kirby, a U.S.

national security spokesman, said Wednesday that it was important for Biden and Xi to regularly touch base. "The president wants to make sure that the

where we can cooperate

with China on, and there

lines of communication with President Xi remain open because they need to," Kirby told reporters at a White House briefing. "There are issues are issues where obviously there are friction and tension." Biden and Xi last

spoke in March, shortly after the Russian invasion of Ukraine. "This is one of the

consequential bilateral relationships in the world today, with ramifications well beyond both individual countries," Kirby said. Biden has moved to

shift U.S. reliance off Chinese manufacturing, including final congressional approval Thursday of legislation to encourage semiconductor companies to build more high-tech plants in the U.S. He also wants to

marshal global democracies to support infrastructure investments in low- and middle-income nations as an alternative to China's "Belt and Road Initiative," which aims to boost China's trade with other global markets.

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Liberty FCE Meets

Members enjoy 'National Ice Cream Month'



iberty FCE met on July 18, with 8 members present. Club members answered the roll by telling their favorite flavor of ice cream.

Debbie Parker read the call to order themed, "An Ice Cream Sunday" in observance of July as National Ice Cream Month.

Lynn Wilhelm gave our devotion on "Honoring Those In Authority". The Sunshine Report

included Betty Renegar's birthday on July 12. Club members brought something that they had

made in past years for

show and tell. Adjournment included a quote from Charles Shulz's quote: "Life is like an ice cream cone, you have to lick it one day at a time."









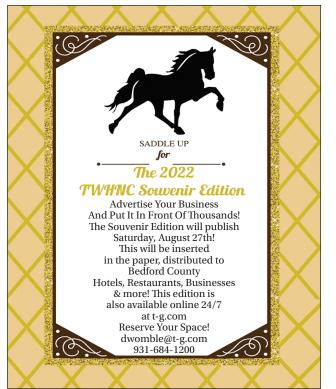






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