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Christine Craighead celebrated her 100th birthday on March 9.

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Turning 100 Christine Craighead becomes a centenarian

By **ZOË WATKINS**
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Longtime Shelbyville resident Christine Craighead turned 100 on March 9 and was given a big congratulations by both the City of Shelbyville and by friends and family.

A party was thrown at Carriage House Inn, where Christine is one of

their longest-staying residents. And even at 100, she's still got a bright smile and a love for chocolate cake.

Born "out in the country," just outside Gainesboro in Jackson County, Mary Christine Stafford grew up in a little farmhouse. According to her son, Ed Craighead, her father died in a drowning

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Homeless Task Force looking at solutions

By **ZOË WATKINS**
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The joint city and county Homeless Task Force met Tuesday to start establishing a plan for deterring violent offenders from public areas and providing resources for both victims and the homeless.

Members of the task force briefly discussed the differences between violence and harassment and nuisances. According to Shelbyville police officer Letisa Diaz, there are very few violent offenders in Shelbyville.

"Me being a law enforcement officer, if you tell me somebody's a violent offender, I'm thinking they're out here assaulting somebody; they're attempting to rape somebody. That's just not the case with a large majority," said Diaz. Most jail intake lists show the majority are taken in for violation of probation, public intoxication, and trespassing, according to Diaz.

The issue, however, is getting legal aid for police to utilize when someone is being harassed by a homeless person. That is, they can't just take someone into custody because they're on a public sidewalk.

"A homeless person has just as much right to walk on those sidewalks as you or I," said Zoning Director Chris White. "The problem is they're not just walking on the sidewalks. They're peeing on the sidewalks. They're cussing and using expletives, harassing people. They scare customers away from merchants. They go into the business' restrooms and make a mess. They don't go in with the intention of buying anything."

Commissioner Drew Hooker defined loitering as going against the "intended use" of an area, which is language they would like to put in a possible resolution. "The city council has a little bit different power and ability than the county commission does. They have the ability to physically perform and create law. We do not have that ability," said Hooker.

Officer Diaz had several suggestions for business to implement in the meantime, such as putting up "No Loitering/Trespassing" signs and not allowing for password-free wi-fi or uncovered outlet plugs or water taps.

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SCHS National Honor Society inducts members

T-G STAFF REPORT

Shelbyville Central High School hosted their National Honor Society induction ceremony Tuesday to induct new members.

The SCHS National Honor Society Officers of 2022-2023 are: Katelyn Carrillo, President; Sean O'Gorman, Vice President; Merced Mulgado Gomez, Secretary; and Edith Vasquez, Treasurer.

The new SCHS National Honor Society Officers for 2023-2024 are Caitlyn Burdick,



The 2022-2023 Service-Learning Class Members.

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DEATH NOTICES

Vickey Lee Davis

March 8, 2023

Vickey Lee Davis, age 66, of Shelbyville, passed away Wednesday, March 8, 2023.
 Funeral service was Thursday, March 16, at Woodfork Chapel AME Church in Shelbyville. Rev. Dr. Randall Webster was eulogist. Burial followed in Willow Mount Cemetery.
 Feldhaus Memorial Chapel assisted the family with the arrangements.

Elizabeth Ann Potts

March 11, 2023

Elizabeth Ann Potts, age 33, of Canton, Georgia, formerly of Atlanta, passed away Saturday, March 11, 2023, due to late effects of treatment of a malignant, inoperable pediatric brain tumor.
 A graveside service and interment were held on Friday, March 17 at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Shelbyville.
 In lieu of flowers, the family requested with gratitude that memorial contributions in Elizabeth's name be directed toward offerings to the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation, Northside United Methodist Church, Atlanta or First United Methodist Church of Shelbyville.
 Darby Funeral Home, Canton, and Feldhaus Memorial Chapel, Shelbyville, are assisting the family.

OBITUARIES

Larry Wilson Deering

March 13, 2023

Larry Wilson Deering, 76, of Unionville died Monday, March 13, 2023.
 Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at Hillcrest Funeral Home, Jeff Curtis officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Visitation will begin at 12 noon.
 He was born December 7, 1946 in Gallatin; was a former employee of Schmiede Corporation of Tullahoma and a longtime member of Eastside Church of Christ.
 He was preceded in death by his parents, William Deering and Bessie Mae Miles O'Dell; his wife of 55 years, Linda Nelson Deering; sister, Jane Horvath and brother, Terry Deering.
 He is survived by brothers, David O'Dell of Unionville and Peter O'Dell of Chapel Hill.



Nadine Marie Allen Hopkins

March 9, 2023

Nadine Marie Allen Hopkins, born November 6, 1946, in Norton, Virginia, passed away March 9, 2023, in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, with her loving family by her side.
 She attended Dorchester School through the seventh grade, and then J.J. Kelly High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society, graduating in 1965. While in her first year at J.J. Kelly, she met the man who would become her husband of nearly 57 years, Paul Allan Hopkins, whom she married in 1966. Following graduation, she worked as a lending officer at Wise County National Bank until 1972, and as a bookkeeper for Lyons Coal Company. She continued her education after high school, earning certificates in Basic Electronics, Electronics, and Intro to Micro Computers. She also completed college courses at UVA-Wise in real estate, business, and photography. While still residing in Virginia, she was a Master Wilton cake designer, an apple retailer and wholesaler, airplane pilot and licensed amateur radio operator. In her "spare time," she was a beloved mother to her two children, Lori and David.
 She and her family moved to Shelbyville, Tennessee, in 1988, where she was a member of the Shelbyville Woman's Club, was the Past-Worthy Matron of the Shelbyville Order of the Eastern Star #248, participated in fundraising for the United Way and volunteered on many other committees. She was a member of the Celebration City Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America. She was the President of Hopkins-Hall Broadcasting, which operated radio stations WLII and WZNG, during which time she founded the annual Professional Woman's Luncheon in Shelbyville to recognize and honor the extraordinary women of Shelbyville and Bedford County, and organized many civic-related programs that were broadcast on her radio stations. She and her family later founded Hopkins Farms Broadcasting, Inc, which currently operates WLII and WZNG, about which she continued to give guidance and advice until her passing.
 She was preceded in death by parents, John Allen and Viola Virginia Ramey Allen, brothers Stuart Timothy Allen, Eddie Wayne Allen, Lynn Allen, Gary F. Allen, Jerry Allen, and sisters Ruby Deloris Allen Culbertson and Barbara Allen Thunstrom. She is survived by her husband, Paul Allan Hopkins, daughter Lori Hopkins Schuler and her daughter Alex, son David Hopkins and his wife Adah and daughter Caroline, brother Donald Grayson Allen and brother-in-law Don Culbertson.



Per her wishes, there was no public service. A private graveside service for the family was held in the Hopkins family section of the Wise Cemetery, Wise, Virginia, on March 11, 2023, Don Culbertson officiating.
 Memorials can be made to the charitable organization of the donor's choice in the Shelbyville, Tennessee, area.

OBITUARIES

Emily Ann Stewart

March 14, 2023

A gathering of family and friends to celebrate the life of Emily Ann Stewart, age 59, of Shelbyville, will take place Sunday, March 19, 2023 from 3:00 until 5:00 p.m. in the chapel of Doak-Howell Funeral Home. Emily passed from this life Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at Viviant Healthcare of Murfreesboro after an extended illness.
 A native of Bedford County, she was the son of the late Jerry Harrison Stewart and Jo Ann Hill Stewart. Along with her parents she was preceded in death by her brother, Jason Lee Stewart.
 Emily was a 1981 graduate of Shelbyville Central High School. She was a loving daughter, sister, aunt and friend. She was always willing to help anyone in need despite having health issues. She was very active within her family and they will miss her very much.
 She is survived by: son, Adam (Dee Ann Martin) Stewart of Florida; siblings, Jerri Lynne (Eric) Price, Jerry (Dawn) Stewart, Jr., and Michael P. (Regina) Stewart, all of Shelbyville; nephews, Mike, Jonathan, and Trey; nieces, Ashley, Lindsey and Jill; also numerous great nephews and great nieces.
 Memorials donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org or by mail: 501 St. Jude Pl. Memphis, TN 38105-9959.
 Doak-Howell Funeral Home is serving the family.
 www.doakhowellfuneralhome.com

Members

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President; Evelyn Morales Cortes, Vice President; Sarah Bailey, Secretary; Victor Smith Rogel, Treasurer.
 The 2022-2023 Service-Learning Class Members:
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Homeless

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"An employee of a store can call us and have us remove a person, and if they wish to have a person banned from the store, we'll take care of that as well. We'll make sure if they're found back on that property, they'll go to jail for trespassing," said Diaz.

Drug abuse

Drug abuse is a major component of this homelessness cycle. "Part of the problem with violent offenders is probably mental health and/or drug addiction, or a combination of both," said member Kellee Smith, Juvenile Detention Director.

Many members agreed that prevention starts in education, in the public schools. They would like to start by reimplementing the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program or LEADS (Law Enforcement Against Drugs).
 This prompted the discussion about the role of School Resource Officers in schools as "more than just security guards."

Often, such programs require a dedicated SRO in that position who would be available to be consistent even during emergencies.
 As the one who wrote the contract between the Bedford County Sheriff's Office and the Board of Education for the first SRO program, White added that teaching students about drug abuse prevention is in the SRO job description. But SROs began to acquire more responsibilities that prevented them from dedicating class time to teaching against drugs, according to White.

"If we're getting away from the original concept of the SRO program, we need to rein it back in...and that is to have somebody on campus all the time that is not just a cop but is a

friend," said White.

Centralized resource

The members also concluded that there needs to be a central resource for both the homeless and people affected by the homeless to utilize.
 "What I keep hearing — the commonalities of each of these communities dealing with it — is they need to identify a central hub," said Hooker. For example, Shelbyville has a soup kitchen, warming shelters, law enforcement, and mental health resources but no one central source to go to.
 "We've got plenty of resources to help but we need a point person. They're going to need a specific skill set to deal with the different levels that we have," said member Amy Peterson from the Bedford County Zoning Office.

According to statistics from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, there are about 10,500 homeless people across the state of Tennessee. White said many homeless people in Shelbyville are being brought from outside areas, while Commissioner Bill Anderson, who has a business near downtown North Main, said the homeless he has talked to often say they are from Davidson County.

Pastor Jeff Rasnick of First Baptist Church added, "I don't think the intent of anybody here is here to say, 'Just get them away from me...' I think this needs to be a holistic, bigger approach. So, we've got to be thinking about how to encourage the next ring that they'll go to."

The Homeless Task Force meetings are open to the public, and the public is encouraged to attend. The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 11, at 5:15 p.m. in the Bedford County Courthouse Community Room.



Christine with her caregiver, Elizabeth Campbell, at Carriage House Inn.

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accident when she was just 4 years old. With two little brothers, her mother took them to live with their grandparents.

As a little girl, Ed said she would have lived a "made from scratch life," by helping to hoe the garden, drop tobacco plants, prune their orchards, and plant tomatoes and potatoes for eating.
 When she was 16 years old, Christine then married her husband, Roger Glynn Craighead. Together, they had two sons — Ed and Ralph — raising them in Gainesboro until 1956 when they moved to Shelbyville.
 She did all sorts of different work but most of her life she's been a seamstress. "She's always sewed," Ed recalled.

Ed said his parents moved to Shelbyville looking for a better education for their sons. "We got a more rounded education, I don't know if it was better," said Ed with a laugh. "But we were the first Craigheads to really leave Jackson County since 1823."

While in Shelbyville, Christine and her husband were part owners and managers of a retail store until Roger passed away in 1992. Christine eventually ran the store by herself before running

the children's department at Sullivan's Department Store. Right before her husband passed away, they also lived in Chapel Hill, North Carolina to be close to Ed.

Christine then moved back to Shelbyville in the mid-1990s and taught Sunday school at Southside Church of Christ for 30 years.

"I think most people in the community who know her, know her after she came back and she continued to run Christine's Seamstress business...She worked very hard," Ed said. Not to mention, Christine was always an avid walker.

Ed said she lived by herself until she was 92. However, after suffering a nearly fatal heart attack, she moved to Carriage House Inn.

On her 100th birthday, Mayor Randy Carroll read a proclamation and presented Christine with a key to the city to commemorate the special day and the special lady. Representatives from Arosa Home Care declared her as the 7th centenarian they've celebrated in Bedford County.

Being in the research field, Ed said he's seen evidence that there's a benefit to making others around you happy and being selfless. "I think she's really totally a good-hearted person who cares about everyone around her," said Ed.

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Four Bedford health care providers receive nationally ranked award

SHELBYVILLE – Vanderbilt University Medical Center has recognized four of its health care providers and three of its facilities in and around Bedford County for earning top scores in patient satisfaction.

The Excellence in Patient Experience award is given to those in the top 10% of a national survey conducted by the health care solutions and consultant company Press Ganey. The survey was conducted from July 2021 through June 2022.

The award-winning facilities are the Vanderbilt Integrated Primary Care Unionville, Vanderbilt Integrated Primary Care Madison Street, and Vanderbilt Integrated Surgical Services in Bedford County. The award-winning health care providers are:

Lori Liggin APRN, who practices in the Vanderbilt Integrated Primary Care in Unionville.

Navid Monajjem, MD, who practices in the Vanderbilt Integrated Surgical Services in Shelbyville.

Karyn Jones, APRN, who practices in the Vanderbilt Integrated Primary Care Madison Street in Shelbyville.

Amber Archer, NP, who practices in the Vanderbilt Integrated Primary Care in Shelbyville.

"I want to thank all of our clinicians and facilities in Bedford, and especially this year's recipients of the Excellence in Patient Experience awards, for their service and commitment to ensure every patient who walks through our doors has a pleasant and personalized care experience," said Bill Rich, president of Vanderbilt Bedford Hospital (VBH).

The awards honor outstanding performance and commitment to service excellence in medical practice/clinics, inpatient, ambulatory surgery, outpatient services and more. Awards were presented by Kristy Bugg, director of physician practices at VBH, and Bill Rich, president of VBH.

Systemwide, Vanderbilt University Medical Center is recognizing 581 clinicians and 148 clinical areas for receiving high marks.

"In Bedford County and across the state, Vanderbilt providers and clinical service areas are putting patients and their families first," said Travis Capers, president of Vanderbilt regional community hospitals.

Excellence in patient safety and care has always been a top priority for VBH. From July 2021 to June 2022, the hospital provided care to 960 inpatients, treated more than 17,000 patients in the ER, and performed 990 surgeries. In addition, VBH clinics had 31,930 visits.

For the latest news and updates on VBH visit [facebook.com/VanderbiltBedfordHospital/](https://www.facebook.com/VanderbiltBedfordHospital/)

About Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC) is one of the nation's leading academic medical centers and is one of the largest comprehensive research, teaching and patient care health systems in the Southeast. The most heavily utilized quaternary, referral health care facility in the Mid-South, VUMC sees over 3 million patient visits per year in over 160 locations, discharging 70,000 inpatients, and per-



Submitted photos
Lori Liggin NP at Vanderbilt Integrated Primary Care Unionville: from left to right, Chloe Griffy, Ashley Franklin, Lori Liggin, Kristy Bugg and Stephanie Reed.



Vanderbilt Integrated Primary Care Madison Street: left to right, Stephanie Reed, Olivia Thomas, Sarah Allen, Karyn Jones, Kristy Bugg, Farrah Prince, Grace Miller.



Vanderbilt Integrated Surgical Services: left to right, Dr. Navid Monajjem, Kristy Bugg, Brenda Miller, Sandra Smith, Stephanie Reed.



Left to Right, Angela Merlo, Donya Neal, Amber Archer, Kristy Bugg, Ashley Utz, Tiffany Holder, Diamond Thompson, Amanda Dalton.

forming 80,000 surgical operations. The Medical Center is the largest non-governmental employer of Middle Tennessee citizens, with approximately 40,000 staff, including more than 3,000 physicians, advanced practice nurses and scientists appointed to the Vanderbilt University faculty.

Junior's House: April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Every day in the nation, 1,900 children are abused. Child abuse continues to be prevalent in today's society with one in ten children being sexually abused before they turn 18 years old.

Child abuse prevention and services are imperative in every community because, if left untreated, child abuse is linked to higher rates of drug use, teen pregnancy, mental illness, and even shorter life spans. The economic impact of this is also significant. Providing free services to child abuse victims is indispensable in every community and Bedford County has ensured that the children have a place to receive these services.

Junior's House Inc. was established in 2003 in honor of a special little boy named Junior who tragically died as the result of child abuse. Lincoln County Sheriff's Department, Captain Joyce McConnell, engaged the Lincoln County Community and opened a child advocacy center to ensure that child abuse victims receive the services and support they need and to honor the brief life of six-year-old Junior.

Since that time, Junior's House has continued to expand, and thousands of child abuse victims have been served. Junior's House offers services in Bedford, Lincoln, Moore, and Marshall Counties. One of their offices is located at the Bedford Business Complex in Shelbyville.

Every year, Junior's

House plants a Pinwheel Garden in each of the counties they serve as April is Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month. Each garden represents over 500 children they serve annually, due to allegations of abuse and neglect. Each Pinwheel you see planted in Shelbyville this April, represents 10 abused and neglected children they served during the past year.

Junior's House representatives say they welcome the community to assist them in planting their annual Pinwheel Garden on Friday, March 31, at 10 a.m. at the Chamber Building located at 100 N. Cannon Blvd.

As always, they continue to need support to help the numerous victims they see each year. Every day, new referrals come in and every day they have another family to help.

If you are unable to attend the planting of our Pinwheel Garden, then you can support Junior's House by joining them on Thursday, May 11, at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds for their annual Blue Ribbon Walk. They walk to honor Junior's memory and raise awareness about child abuse as well as much needed funds to provide free services to victims.

Kick off time is at 9:30 a.m. with State Rep. Pat Marsh officiating. Walkers can be picked up at Junior's House or found on-line at juniorshouse-tn.org. Please register by April 18 to ensure you receive a free t-shirt.

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Cooking at home isn't dead

Dear Heloise: Recently, one of your readers asked if cooking was dead because her child's family either orders food to be delivered or eats outside the home. But cooking is definitely alive and thriving in my daughter's family. They cook together, and my young grandchildren love to cook. My 8-year-old grandson can name the ingredients in all of his favorite recip-



Hints from Heloise

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CONTAINING HAIRSPRAY

Dear Heloise: I want to share my idea on how to keep hairspray from getting on cupboards and unwanted areas.

After I shower, I hang the towel over the shower rod. When I spray my hair, I stand in front of the towel. The extra hairspray lands on the towel, and I simply launder it out. -- Peggy Ankerman, Wapakoneta, Ohio

FLANNEL-BACKED TABLECLOTHS SAVE PLANTS

Dear Heloise: Down here in New Orleans, I use old flannel-backed plastic tablecloths to cover tender vegetation when the occasional freeze is predicted. The flannel touches the leaves and protects them from being "burned" by the cold plastic, and the plastic shields them from freezing wind and rain. -- Kathleen Schrenk, New Orleans

PET PAL

Dear Heloise: This is my cat's picture. His name is Caesar, and he's a shorthair domestic cat. I adopted him in July 2018. He was abandoned by his first owner when he was only 2 years old.

Caesar is now 4 years old and loves to pose for pictures.

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

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

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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.

TODAY

Gilliland walkthrough

Gilliland Historical Resource Center, 803 Lipscomb St., will be open for a walkthrough only from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, March 18.

Daffodil Day

Bell Buckle's annual Daffodil Day is Saturday, March 18 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free tree seedlings will be available, a flower show and the Best of the Butts barbecue cookoff will be held, and the town's Citizen of the Year will be named.

VFW Music Night

VFW Post 5019, 1320 E. Depot St., will hold its monthly third-Saturday music night this weekend. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with the event from 6-9:30 p.m. James Smotherman & Friends will be featured but other acoustic musicians and singers are welcome. Admission is \$3, and there will be a potluck meal. No alcohol or outside beverages are permitted. For more information, call 931-607-3149 or 931-684-2523.

Biloxi Blues

Neil Simon's "Biloxi Blues" will be presented at The Fly Arts Center March 18, 24 and 25 at 7 p.m. and March 19 and 26 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available online at <https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/tix/5464>

MONDAY

Democratic Party Meeting

Bedford County Democratic Party will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, March 20 at El Mexico, 724 N. Main St.

Bell Buckle meeting

Due to sickness, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Bell Buckle Board of Mayor & Aldermen has been postponed to Monday, March 20 at 6 p.m. in the Town Hall. A public hearing at 5:45 p.m. to discuss Ordinance 23-01 (Cyber Security Policy) will precede the meeting.

Historical Society

The Bedford County Historical Society will resume its customary meeting schedule with its spring quarter meeting on Monday, March 20, in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church. A potluck supper will kick off the meeting at 6:30 p.m. followed by a short business meeting. Society member and Bedford County Archives Director Carol Roberts will provide the program featuring "Distilleries of Bedford County In the Prohibition Era." Hosts are Tom and Rhonda Styer, Scott and Trish Hubbard, Sandra Smith, and Sarah Hill. The public is invited to bring a dish and enjoy the meal and program. Call Society President Al Simmons, 680-6313, with questions.

Diabetes program

Take Charge of Your Diabetes, a six-week program, helps people with diabetes learn to manage their disease and improve their health. Some of the topics covered include nutrition, controlling blood sugar, exercise,

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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stress management, foot care, etc. The program is offered free of charge and will be taught by UT/TSU Extension and the Health Department on Mondays at 10 a.m. from March 20 through April 24 at the Extension office, 2105 Midland Road. You must pre-register by calling 931-684-5971.

WEDNESDAY

Election Commission

Bedford County Election Commission will meet at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2023, in the Election Commission office. For more information visit: <https://www.bedfordcountytn.gov/departments/elections/index.php>

THURSDAY

SCHRA meetings

South Central Human Resource Agency's governing board will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 23 at their office, 1437 Winchester Highway in Fayetteville. Subcommittees will meet at 10 a.m.

SCV meeting

Maj. Gen. Benjamin F. Cheatham Camp 72, Sons of Confederate Veterans, will have their regular dinner meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 23, at the Oak Restaurant in Manchester. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. Del Thomasson will discuss his book about finials, toppers and ferrules used during the War Between the States.

MARCH 25

Democratic convention

Bedford County Democratic Party will hold a reorganization convention to elect new leaders Saturday, March 25 at Shelbyville Recreation Center. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the convention at 10. All registered Democrats are invited.

APRIL 1

Underwater Egg Hunt

Shelbyville Parks & Recreation's Underwater Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 1 at Shelbyville Recreation Center for ages 3-13. Starting time vary by age from 9-10:30 a.m. A mandatory \$4 preregistration fee includes free all-day swimming. Register at the Rec Center or its website.

Book signing

Shelbyville-Bedford County Public Library will host an author presentation and book

signing with Dr. Lona Bailey of Manchester at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 1, in the Community Room. Bailey's newest book, "The Voice of Villainy," covers the life and work of actress Betty Lou Gerson from Chattanooga, the voice behind the original Cruella de Vil from Disney's One Hundred and One Dalmatians. The event is free to attend for all ages. For more information call 931-684-7323.

SCHS '57 reunion

Shelbyville Central High School's Class of 1957 will meet at the back parking lot of King's Museum (the old SCHS) on Saturday, April 1, at 9:30 a.m. They will tour the museum and then meet at Legends, 1609 N. Main St., at 11:30 a.m. for their reunion. Guests are welcome.

Easter egg hunt

First Community Bank will host a free Easter egg hunt at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 1 at its main office, 207 Elm St.

APRIL 2

Soup Kitchen fundraiser

The Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen will be hosting a fundraiser on Sunday, April 2, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 336 S. Cannon Blvd. A portion of the proceeds will be shared with Gateway Church, who provides them storage space, facilitates clothing, and distributes additional food. To-go orders available. Reservations are appreciated but not required.

APRIL 8

Paper-postcard show

The 19th Shelbyville Regional Postcard & Paper Memorabilia Show will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at The Fly Arts Center. A dinner, speakers and a silent and live auction are scheduled.

APRIL 15

Benefit for Hope

The Youth Leadership Bedford Class of 2022-23 will host Benefit for Hope, to help minimize the stigma surrounding mental health, from 4:30-8 p.m. Saturday, April 15 at Shelbyville Central High School. Tickets are \$20 and include dinner, speakers and a silent and live auction. Tickets are available at the Shelbyville-Bedford County Chamber of Commerce website. For more information email yhb.benefitforhope@gmail.com.

APRIL 22

Barbecue cookoff

Shelbyville Moose Lodge #2197 will hold its 14th annual barbecue cookoff Saturday, April 22. For more information call the

lodge, 931-684-9137.

Glow in the Park 5K

The eighth annual Glow in the Park 5K will be Saturday, April 22 at 8 p.m. at H.V. Griffin Park. Fee is \$25 in advance, \$30 day of race. Register before April 1 at Shelbyville Recreation Center or its website to be guaranteed a free t-shirt.

APRIL 29

Fern sale

Boston and Kimberly ferns will be on sale from 8-11 a.m. Saturday, April 29 at the Wartrace well house. Proceeds will go to the Wartrace gym. For more information or to place an order see Friends of Wartrace Gym on Facebook or call Beverly Saylor, 931-205-4702 or Claudia Curl, 931-703-4605.

ONGOING

Meals on Wheels

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

Soup kitchen

Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen serves meals from 3:30-5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 336 S. Cannon Blvd. (corner of South Cannon Boulevard and Pickle Street). Donations may be made to Shelbyville Community Soup Kitchen, P.O. Box 2259, Shelbyville, TN 37162, and are tax deductible under its 501c3 non-profit designation. Boxed non-perishables are available. Takeouts are no longer distributed.

Head Start

Bedford County Head Start Centers are currently taking applications. For more information or to complete an application contact any Head Start Center. Phone numbers are: Wartrace 931-389-6406, Harris Head Start 931-773-0033, North Side Head Start Center 931-773-0141, and Bedford Early Head Start 931-685-0876. Head Start is a free child development program for children 6 weeks to 3 years and their families. Early Head Start enrolls pregnant women for monthly prenatal educational visits.

Celebrate Recovery

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

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Baptist

Pastor Tyler Shoemaker's message at 10 a.m. at **Calvary Baptist Church** will be "God's Will" Part 1. The service will be livestreamed.

"Followers Abide" from I John 2:12-17 will be from Pastor Jimmy West's message at 10 a.m. Sunday at **Edgemont Baptist Church**. The service will be livestreamed.

Bro. Bobby McGee's message at **Grace Baptist Church** will be "Does God Really Talk To Us?" from Luke 8:4-8. A love offering for Drug Rescue will be taken.

Christian (Disciples of Christ)

Pastor Dan Asche's sermon at **First Christian Church** at 10 a.m. Sunday will be "Jesus: No Ordinary Man."

Church of Christ

The sermon series "The Fight" by Lance Bennett continues at **Fairlane Church of Christ**. "Follow the Leader" from Galatians 5:24-26 will be the message. The service will be livestreamed and broadcast on WLJ (98.7 FM/1580 AM/wljradio.com). Fairlane's Hispanic church continues the "Fruits of the Spirit" sermon series with "Joy" from John 15:11 and Galatians 5:22-23.

"The Life You Were Meant to Live" from Titus 2:11-14 will be new minister Tim Gunnells' sermon 10 a.m. Sunday at **Southside Church of Christ**. Gunnells will speak on Holistic Spirituality at 6 p.m. Sunday. David Sanders will speak on "Restoration Thought & History" and small groups will meet in the annex at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, led by David Sanders. Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services are livestreamed at cofcsouthside.com.

Methodist

"Jesus' Sorrow" from Luke 13:31-35 will be Pastor Abe Zimmerman's message at **First United Methodist Church**. When John the Baptist was in prison and death was near, he had his disciples ask Jesus a very odd question, "Are you the One we've been waiting for?" Come and see what he meant and what it has to do with us as believers. The 10 a.m. service will be livestreamed on Facebook and broadcast on WLJ (98.7 FM/1580 AM/wljradio.com).

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church's service for the fourth Sunday in Lent at 10 a.m. will be led by Pastor Jim Moran. All services are streamed live on Facebook.

By GIOVANNA DELL'ORTO
Associated Press

Florida pastors mull conservative issues

DORAL, Florida (AP) — Several of Florida's conservative faith leaders have the ear of two early frontrunners for the 2024 Republican presidential nomination — former President Donald Trump, who lives in Palm Beach, and Gov. Ron DeSantis.

The clergy's top political priorities are thus likely to resonate in the national campaign for the religious vote, even as both men's agendas are still being weighed from the pulpit.

The faith leaders' key issues include education, especially about gender and sexuality, and immigration, a particularly relevant matter in Florida, which is a destination for hundreds of thousands of newcomers and home to politically powerful Latino diasporas.

Trump made reducing illegal immigration a strong focus of his previous campaigns, often with strident rhetoric, and has discussed building on his legacy in a second term. DeSantis, who isn't yet a candidate but is widely expected to run, has taken a more careful approach with immigration developments in Florida, while spotlighting issues related to schools and family.

Several pastors, particularly in heavily Latino South Florida, argue for reforming immigration policy. They want a more orderly process at a time of historically high illegal border crossings, but also more help to regularize and integrate undocumented migrants who are contrib-

uting economically and socially in United States communities.

The faith leaders' top priority, however, is defending their congregations, and youth in general, from what they see as efforts to impose — through public education — concepts of marriage, family and identity that run against their values.

Some LGBTQ advocates, teachers unions, and others argue that the issue of "parental rights" is being used to inject conservative politics into public schools.

But for pastors like Frank López of Jesus Worship Center in Doral, a Miami suburb, exposing children to certain types of sexually explicit materials in schools without their parents' knowledge is a form of political indoctrination that "brings conflict to a family."

"We don't want any government ever to go above a father and mother," said López, whose church has grown to more than 3,000 members from over 40 different nationalities since it was founded two decades ago with barely three dozen worshippers.

He cited as a counterweight a bill DeSantis signed last year to give parents a say in what books are available in school libraries, targeting the presence of sexually explicit volumes.

"I think that the government should not get involved in any religion, but yes I believe that religion should get involved in governing," said López, whose church has hosted visits by Trump, DeSantis and other conservative politicians.

Tom Ascol, the senior pastor at Grace Baptist Church in Cape Coral who offered a prayer at DeSantis' inauguration earlier this year, said he wants political leaders fighting "woke mobs" to restore "common-sense sanity" on issues like sexually explicit materials in public spaces with children.

"What Governor DeSantis did here in Florida, I'm grateful for," Ascol said.

For Rabbi Avrohom Brashevitzky, executive director of Chabad Jewish Center of Doral, the top concern is similarly "the breakdown in morals and ethics," which he believes leads to societal ills including antisemitism, a growing worry nationwide.

He attributes that breakdown to failures in education to imbue youth with the values of tolerance, kindness and a belief in a higher existence.

"Life doesn't begin and end with your cheeseburger, you and your pleasures," Brashevitzky said, praising DeSantis and the Florida legislature for passing a "moment of silence" in schools before the day's start, where children can pray or reflect.

"We as a society, Christian or not, have a responsibility to protect the young ones," echoed Abraham Rivera, senior pastor at La Puerta Life Center, a Brethren in Christ church with about 200 members in Miami.

The focus on freedom for conservative faith-based moral values, particularly for youth, is proving a win-

ning argument among religious voters nationwide, experts say.

"I certainly see a lot of energy around what conservatives would call 'parental rights' ... I don't see that ending," said Marie Griffith, the director of religion and politics studies at Washington University in St. Louis.

In Florida, conservative family values might have turned younger Latino voters toward DeSantis, helping to account for his nearly 20 percentage point reelection victory last year -- "unheard of" according to Susan MacManus, a professor emerita of political science at the University of South Florida.

The state is almost evenly divided between Democrats and Republicans, she said. Trump won the prized battleground state by single digit percentage points in the last two presidential elections.

"The evangelical vote in Florida is too diverse to be a big force in politics," she added, but many faithful across denominations like seeing DeSantis take charge of issues like sexually explicit materials available to children. "That resonates."

The ability to stand up for more conservative values is also inextricably linked to the free exercise of religion for faith leaders like Rivera and his wife, Marilyn, who's also a pastor and met with Trump when she led South Florida's Association of Hispanic Ministers, which represents about 800 pastors from different Christian denomina-

tions.

"We never come at it from a hate perspective. As a pastor, I happen to believe what the Bible teaches about sexuality and marriage," he said.

But he and other pastors fear holding on to those beliefs could put their churches at risk of being sued, for example when refusing to celebrate same-sex marriages, or that they might be forced to go against their conscience.

"The effort of some on the 'progressive side' to define religious freedom as freedom to worship but not necessarily the freedom to serve or the freedom to advocate" is also a top concern for Thomas Wenski, the Catholic Archbishop of Miami.

Wenski noted that "neither party will necessarily embrace the whole gamut of Catholic social thought," which includes opposing abortion and capital punishment. Last year, Wenski's strong advocacy for migrants and refugees put him publicly at odds with DeSantis, who's Catholic.

Ultimately, faith leaders said that a candidate's integrity and ability to address their concerns through policies outweighs a candidate's likeability and other personal traits.

"The Christian church is not about looking for a perfect person or a charismatic person," López said. "It wants a person who does what he says and a person who's aligned with God's values."

Fear, anxiety follow Nicaraguan faith leaders into exile

By MARÍA TERESA HERNÁNDEZ
Associated Press

SAN JOSÉ, Costa Rica (AP) — For two hours each afternoon, the Catholic priest listens to confessions behind a glass wall where anyone nearby can spot him. Yet that visibility is deceptive; he yearns to keep his name and exact whereabouts a secret to the outside world.

He began hearing confessions within a few days after recently fleeing to Costa Rica from Nicaragua, where the government has imprisoned religious leaders, activists and numerous outspoken critics of President Daniel Ortega.

The priest agreed to an interview on condition his name and new home base be withheld. He fears for his loved ones, who still live in Nicaragua, and hopes they'll be safe as long as he remains discreet.

He is not alone. Many priests and nuns in exile worry about reprisal from Ortega and fear going public with their stories.

"There is persecution of the church because the church is the voice of the people," the priest said.

A human rights organization, Nicaragua Nunca Más, estimates that more than 50 religious leaders have fled since 2018, when a social security reform triggered massive protests. Last year, two congregations of nuns — including from the Missionaries of Charity order founded by Mother Teresa — were expelled.

Other church personnel, including priests, seminarians and lay staff members, were among the 222 Nicaraguans released from detention and forcibly expelled to the United States on Feb. 9.

The priest interviewed in Costa Rica left his Nicaragua hometown so hastily that there was no time for goodbyes. In the sole company of a driver, he travelled by car, then by motorcycle. Once near the Costa Rican border, he

walked. "I miss my people, my nation," he said, his voice breaking.

Ortega initially asked the Catholic Church to play a role as a mediator as political tensions rose over the past five years, but the first round of dialogue didn't last long. After priests sheltered demonstrators inside their parishes and expressed concern about excessive use of force, Ortega targeted them as "terrorists" who backed opposition efforts to undermine or overthrow him.

Nicaragua Nunca Más and CSW, a British-based organization that advocates for religious freedom around the world, say Ortega's government has targeted evangelical pastors, as well as Catholic personnel. Yader Valdivia of Nicaragua Nunca Más said at least 50 evangelical churches have been shut down.

The two organizations have gathered testimonies from dozens of people — some in exile and some still in Nicaragua — who have described harassment, threats, physical violence and arbitrary detention targeted at a range of religious workers. There are multiple accounts of

masked men breaking into churches, theft or destruction of religious objects, and the prohibition of religious processions.

CSW said parishioners are warned not to display holy symbols outside their homes, while detainees are denied visits from clergy and barred from keeping a Bible in prison.

Among the remaining prisoners, the highest-profile Catholic cleric is Bishop Rolando Álvarez of Matagalpa. Before his arrest last year, his image was seen around the world as he knelt in front of security forces after being barred from celebrating Mass inside his church and deciding to pray in the streets.

An outspoken critic of the government, Álvarez was sentenced to 26 years in prison and stripped of his Nicaraguan citizenship on Feb. 10, the day after Ortega released and sent to the U.S. the planeload of opposition figures.

In Nicaragua, Catholic leaders' response to the government's repression has been muted, apparently in an attempt to not inflame tensions. Commenting last month on Álvarez's imprisonment, Cardinal Leopoldo Brenes of Managua — Nicaragua's

capital — said, "Pray that the Lord gives him strength."

Reynald Gaitán, a former seminarian who met Álvarez in Matagalpa and currently studies theology in Costa Rica, believes that the bishop's imprisonment could be problematic for Ortega.

"If Monsignor were to die, his cause would continue to live because we will always remember him as a martyr," Gaitán said.

Two priests who were released and exiled on Feb. 9 — after spending several months in a Nicaraguan prison — shared some of their experiences with Catholic faithful at a recent Mass in Miami.

They described how they had no inkling of their upcoming release until they were told suddenly to change from prison uniforms to their regular clothes and put on buses heading to the airport.

The priests recounted the emotional flight to the U.S., with former prisoners hugging one another and crying with both relief and the sorrow of leaving families behind who are still at risk should they speak publicly about their ordeals.

"When the church seemingly was trying to be a voice for the voiceless, ... the Ortega regime went after the church," said Miami Archbishop Thomas Wenski, who has met with some of the exiled clergy and seminarians.

Nicaragua is the second poorest country in the Americas after Haiti, according to the World Bank. Facing poverty, unemployment and repression, most Nicaraguans crave spiritual reassurance. Around 42% of the population is Catholic and 35% evangelical.

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Long March Madness run coming to a close for Jim Nantz

By **JOE REEDY**
AP Sports Writer

Jim Nantz has seen his share of magical moments and sendoffs during a career that has spanned nearly 40 years. He could get one of his own as he prepares to call his final NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament.

Not only is the Final Four in Nantz's adopted hometown of Houston, but with the University of Houston as one of the top seeds, Nantz could get to call his alma mater playing for a national title.

The Cougars basketball program was a launching point for Nantz in what has been a successful career at CBS as the network's preeminent voice of the NFL, golf and March Madness.

"I wanted it to be a CBS year, but especially I wanted Houston to be my last dance for me and to exit college basketball stage right," Nantz said. "It was truly through the basketball program — being the student public address announcer and while still a student later being entrusted to host the Guy Lewis television show, that was my entryway into television. I was just a kid living in the dorms. With a chance to possibly call my last basketball game with Houston playing for a championship, that would be amazing."

Nantz called a regular-season game between Houston and Memphis on March 5. He will also have Cougars' first-round game on Thursday against Northern Kentucky. The top crew of Nantz, Bill Raftery, and Grant Hill will be in Birmingham, Alabama, for the first two rounds on Thursday and Saturday

since top seeds Houston and Alabama have games there.

Even though Nantz still has a deep affinity for the Cougars, you couldn't tell by how he has called the games the past couple of years. Nantz called Houston's Final Four run two years ago and has done at least one regular season game the past two years.

"You could not tell, if you listened to that broadcast, that he had a vested interest whatsoever," Raftery said of the recent Houston game, where Jamal Sheard made the game-winning basket as time expired. "The love he has off the court doesn't exhibit itself during the game. It is all about the 10 kids playing. I think it's been that way since he started, and it will continue until he finishes in Houston."

Nantz and CBS Sports chairman Sean McManus agreed two years ago that this would be Nantz's final tournament as the top announcer. Nantz started calling early-round games for CBS in 1986 and was the Final Four studio host for five years before taking over play-by-play duties from Brent Musburger in 1991.

When Nantz signs off on April 3, he will have called 354 NCAA Tournament games, including 64 national semifinals and 32 championship contests.

Nantz decided to step back from doing the tournament to devote more time to family. His 7-year-old son and 9-year-old daughter have spring break in March and, starting next year, he will have a six-week break between the Genesis Invitational in Los Angeles and The Masters for what will likely end up



CBS announcer Jim Nantz begins the broadcast of an NCAA college basketball championship game between Penn State and Purdue at the Big Ten men's tournament, Sunday, March 12, 2023, in Chicago.

being his longest time off.

With the NFL and golf, Nantz will still be on the road 38 out of 52 weekends. He plans on calling the NFL through at least 2033, which is the final year of CBS' current contract with the league.

As for Nantz's final assignment, he has long said he hopes it will be the final round of the 100th edition of The Masters on April 13, 2036. It could also be Nantz's 51st year he has been involved with the tournament.

"I've loved it, and it has been so much fun. Something had to go, though. You're never going to walk away from the NFL — it's too big — and golf

is deep in my heart," Nantz said. "It's been an amazing ride and a glorious part of my life."

Nantz still plans to attend future Final Fours, but as a fan. He got to experience part of that last month when he went to the Super Bowl. Since Fox had the broadcast, it marked the first time Nantz was at a Super Bowl where he wasn't working.

"One of the great times of my life was sitting in the stands and getting to experience the excitement my children had watching the game, it brought me great joy," he said, "I'm really looking forward to having that family time next year."

Nantz called 18 Final Fours with Billy Packer, who died earlier this year. Since 2015, he has been with Raftery and Hill.

Raftery was Nantz's analyst for his first NCAA Tournament game in 1986 when Duke faced Old Dominion in the second round in Greensboro, North Carolina. Hill led Duke to three Final Fours and two national titles, including the first one called by Nantz in 1991; he said he plans to try and enjoy this run as much as he did when he was a senior at Duke in 1994.

"This month, it's always special. It's bittersweet because he's our friend, our leader, our mortar, the guy I feel keeps this whole thing

together," Hill said. "He has done it so eloquently, masterfully and respectfully for so long it's crazy. It's still surreal that it's coming to an end."

If Houston could make it to the national championship game, Nantz said it would rank up there as one of the top two moments of his career. His favorite remains the 1992 Masters when college roommate Fred Couples won the tournament.

Despite what happens over the next three weeks, though, Nantz is not about to let the story be about him. He wants the focus to be on the tournament and the special moments that occur.

A beautifully baked beef dinner

(Culinary.net)

Many families crave savory and delicious week-night meals. After a long day of work and school, it's time to gather around the table to share a mouthwatering meal and memories together.

For something truly wholesome, try this Beef Tenderloin with Roasted Cauliflower and Spinach Salad. It's a full meal the whole family can enjoy, and you'll be surprised at how easy it makes it to feed all the smiling faces.

This meal has layers of flavor and sneaks in a few vegetables like spinach and cauliflower, but even picky eaters can't resist trying it.

Start with a beef tenderloin and drizzle it generously with olive oil. Add 2 tablespoons of pepper. Flip and repeat on the other side. Bake for 12 minutes at 475 F.

Next, add one head of cauliflower to a mixing bowl with five shallots cut into quarters. Add 2 tablespoons of olive oil; mix well with salt and pepper,

to taste. Add this to the baking sheet with the beef tenderloin and bake 18-25 minutes.

While that's cooking, add 3 tablespoons of olive oil to a mixing bowl with lemon juice, Dijon mustard, salt, pepper and baby spinach.

To plate, add baby spinach salad first then the cauliflower and shallot mixture and, finally, that juicy, perfectly cooked beef tenderloin. Garnish with cranberries for a splash of color.

This meal is satisfying and only requires some mixing bowls and a large sheet pan to make cleanup a breeze so you can focus on what really matters most: time with your loved ones.

Find more recipes and savory main dishes at Culinary.net.

Beef Tenderloin with Roasted Cauliflower and Spinach Salad

Servings: 4-6
1 beef tenderloin (4



pounds), wrapped with butcher's twine
9 tablespoons olive oil, divided
4 teaspoons pepper, divided
1 head cauliflower
5 shallots, quartered
2 teaspoons salt, divided
3 tablespoons lemon juice
2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
1 package (5 1/2 ounces) baby spinach
dried cranberries, for garnish

Heat oven to 475 F. Place beef on baking sheet. Rub 4 tablespoons olive oil and 2 teaspoons pepper into beef. Bake 12 minutes.

In large bowl, toss cauliflower, shallots, 1 teaspoon salt and 1 teaspoon pepper to combine. Scatter vegetables around beef and bake 18-25 minutes, or until desired doneness is reached. Allow meat to rest 15 minutes covered in aluminum foil.

In medium bowl, whisk 3 tablespoons olive oil, lemon juice, mustard and remaining salt and pepper until combined. Add spinach; stir until combined.

Serve by layering spinach topped with cauliflower and shallots then sliced tenderloin. Garnish with dried cranberries.

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Police find marijuana during traffic stop

By **DAVID MELSON**
dmelson@t-g.com

Marijuana was confiscated from a man initially stopped for driving on a revoked license Monday, a Bedford County Sheriff's Office report said.

Christian Wooten allegedly had 2.2 grams of marijuana in the vehicle's console, Deputy Justin Merlo said.

A charge of simple possession was added.

A small bag of methamphetamine was found by an employee early Wednesday at one of the Marelli buildings on Stanley Boulevard, police said.

A material handler found the bag around 3 a.m. near an office.

6.5 mile marker and at 9 p.m. Fri., April 7 on Highway 41A North .9 miles south of the 3 mile marker.

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 courts.

•Jimmy Lynn Alsman, 51, Petersburg; theft of property (two counts); held, \$12,500 bond

•Joseph Junior Beebe, 21, Neely Avenue; financial responsibility, light law, no driver's license/exhibited on demand; released on recognizance

•Elizabeth Ann Campbell, 39, Fayetteville; failure to appear; released on recognizance

•Hailey Campbell, 33, Lynchburg; violation of probation, other unspecified charge; held, \$7,500 bond

•Thomas Keith Cook, 45, Belmont Avenue; violation of probation; released, \$1,000 bond

•Lewis Faulk, 24, West Blackman Boulevard, Wartrace; failure to appear; held, no bond

•Travis Everette Foster, 41, Fayetteville; driving on suspended license, financial responsibility, seat belt law; released on recognizance

•Eduardo Osorio Gallegos, 50, Industrial Parkway; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, running stop sign; released on recognizance

•Kevin Lewis Hargrove, 45, Pass Road; failure to appear; held, no bond

•Miguel Hernandez, 37, Green Lane; driving on revoked license, light law, registration law; released, \$3,500 bond

•Rigoberto Jimenez Looez, 33, Sherwood Court; financial responsibility, no driver's license/exhibited on demand; released on recognizance

•Steven Dale Johnson, 30, Christiana; violation of probation (two counts); held, \$3,500 bond

•Ronald Llopi Jr., 26, Wills Valley Drive; driving on suspended license, speeding; released on recognizance

•Bryan David Loyd, 21, West Lane Street; possession of drug paraphernalia, simple possession, speeding; released on recognizance

•Earl Reed Manier Sr., 64, Bunker Hill Road; disorderly conduct, resisting arrest; released, \$250 bond

•Kaylee Brooke Manire, 24, McMinnville; bench warrant, failure to appear; held, no bond

•Nathan D, McCleskey, 34, Fayetteville; attachment; released, \$500 bond

•Vick Moore, 67, Highway 82 East; driving on revoked license, financial responsibility; released on recognizance

•Orlando Maciel

Ramierz, 18, Benford Road; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, speeding; released on recognizance

•Sydney Dalton Reeves, 40, Lynnville; two bench warrants; held, no bond

•Cesar Rodriguez, 22, Moreland Drive; domestic assault; held, \$3,500 bond

•Ligia Ines Sifuentes Vela, 51, Sunlite Road; no driver's license/exhibited on demand, running stop sign; released on recognizance

•Chandra Antoinette Smith, 43, Green Lane; truancy; released on recognizance

•Jack Harry Stevenson Jr., 55, Forest Avenue; theft of property; held, \$10,000 bond

•Kristopher Dallas Thorne, 20, Montgomery Road; unlawful possession of a weapon; held, \$5,000 bond

•Andrew Chase Williams, 25, Lafayette Street; aggravated assault (two counts), domestic assault; held, \$13,500 bond

•Tiffany Denea Williamson, 34, Landers Street; possession of drug paraphernalia, simple possession; released on recognizance

•Sarah Ann-Marie Wright, 30, no fixed address, Shelbyville; violation of probation, other unspecified charge; held, \$3,500 bond

•Karen Josefina Zaragoza Suarez, 31, Davis Street; driving on suspended license, registration law; released, \$500 bond

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

03/07/2023—
03/13/2023

Offerpad SPE Borrower A LLC, Offerpad SPE Borrower A Holdings LLC, Offerpad LLC to Tamarra L. Henry, Korrena N. Stroud—\$259,900, 0 acres, Jordan Ave.

Christopher Sons, Ashlee Sons to Christopher Sons—0 money, 1 acre, Hwy 82 S.

Leigh Ann Williams, Betty Brown to Leigh Ann Williams—0 money, 1.2 acres, no address

David G. Bradford, Greg Curl to Kenneth Gill, Katherine Gill—\$349,900, 0 acres, Woodland Ave.

David T. Moulder, Sonya Comstock Moulder to Chase Hatchett, Jenna Hatchett—\$172,000, 8.65 acres, Midland Rd.

Earl Stanley Marshall to Zacharias Rael, Angel a Rael—0 dollars, 137.42 acres, Liberty Pike

Roberto Cordero Leverette, Kayla Marie Parker to Donald James Powlison—\$360,000, 0 acres, Midland Rd.

Dannie Vincent to Daniel Vincent, Raymond Clayton Lester Jr.—0 money, acres, Wild Creek Rd.

Ole South Properties Inc. to Wayne Jacob Armstrong, Leah Elizabeth Armstrong—\$314,990, 0 acres, no address

Daniel Chase Brandon to 2415 Construction Inc.—0 money, 8.32 acres, Hwy. 64 E.

Tennessee Western Kentucky United Methodist Church, Shiloh United Methodist Church to Shiloh Outreach Church—0 money, 0 acres, Lewisburg Hwy.

Brent Philpot to Brent Philpot, Sarah Kyla Ann Adams—0 money, 5.18 acres, Hensley Rd.

John Hockaday Sr., June Hockaday to Charles Rodney Bowling, Chanel Donegan—\$7,000, 0 acres, no address

Angel Faye Orr to Angela Faye Orr, Ryan Orr, Jeanette Orr—\$10, 3.54 acres, McCullough Lane

Peter Varvais to Amanda E. Lavers, John T. Lavers, Lynette Lavers—\$430,000, 46.5 acres, Sims Rd.

Ole South Properties Inc. to Tha Klew, Eh Htoo—\$314,990, 0 acres, no address

Bedford Development LLC to Ole South Properties Inc.—\$55,000, 0 acres, no address

Bedford Development LLC to Ole South Properties Inc.—\$275,000, 0 acres, no address

Ole South Properties Inc. to Jesse Moore, Katie Moore—\$329,990, 0 acres, no address

William Gary Crowell, Julia Crowell Campbell, Joyce Crowell Parsons to William Gary Crowell—0 money, 24.65 acres, Burnt Hill Rd.

Bridget Denean Templeton to John Kenneth Conrick Jr.—\$334,000, 0 acres, Temple Ford Rd.

Gary Boyce Construction LLC to Michael Alexander Carrion—\$469,900, 0 acres, Longview Rd.

Michael Alexander Carrion to Michael Alexander Carrion, Whitney Ann Carrion—0 money, 0 acres, Longview Rd.

Greg T. Curl, Joey Curl

to Alexander Martinez Morales—\$319,900, 0 acres, Ridgewood Dr.

HP Realty Co. LLC to Barbara Ann Lucas, 284,900, 0 acres, Smotherman Lane

Ole South Properties Inc. to Kirk White—\$333,588, 0 acres, no address

SDH Nashville LLC to Gabe Mercado, Jennifer Mercado—\$350,588, 0 acres, Grand Station Blvd.

SDH Nashville LLC to Sutter County Homes LLC—\$255,490, 0 acres, Townsend Ave.

Eddie H. Stacy to Randall Boleyjack—\$60,000, 0 acres, Unionville Deason Rd.

Brad Brown, Meghan Brown to Fancy Taylor Spence—\$295,000, 0 acres, Idle Drive

M&M Homes LLC, Michael Simons to Lexus Renae Porter, Brayden Dee Taylor—\$254,900, 0 acres, Coble Circle

Javier Reyes, Gregoria Morales to Brandy Matthews—\$185,000, 0 acres, Horse Mountain Rd.

Cynthia Frances Cate Shanks, Evelyn H. Cate, Evelyn R. Cate, Thomas Douglas Cate, Susan Ann Cate Barnett to Cynthia Frances Cate Shanks, Thomas Douglas Cate, Susan Ann Cate Barnett—0 money, 0 acres, no address

Elizabeth A. Brown, Brownie Brown to Amanda Marie Parrott, Jackie Lynn Kerley—\$400,000, 6.76 acres, Hwy. 64 West

Wanda Carol Williams, Linda Wyatt to Candace Conway—\$175,000, 0 acres, Valley Rd.

Normagene Y. Starnes to Shane Starnes—0 money, 1.3432 acres, Shipmans Creek Rd.

Walter Lee Smith Jr., Walter Randolph Smith to Walter Randolph Smith, Anthony Lee Smith—0 money, 2 acres, Keys Chapel

Walter Lee Smith Jr., Walter Randolph Smith, Anthony Lee Smith, Winford Allan Smith, Angelia Freeman to Angelia Freeman, Angela Freeman—0 money, 1.67 acres, no address

Walter Lee Smith Jr., Walter Randolph Smith, Anthony Lee Smith, Winford Allan Smith, Angelia Freeman to Winford Allan Smith—0 money, 2.16 acres, no address

Walter Lee Smith Jr., Walter Randolph Smith, Anthony Lee Smith, Winford Allan Smith, Winford Allan Smith, Angelia Freeman to Walter Randolph Smith, Anthony Lee Smith, 1.08 acres, no address

Norma Beristain, Alejandro Beristain Morales to Iliana M. Velazquez, Chris Campos—\$40,000, 5.08 acres, Palmetto Rd.

Bobby Lee Anderson to Bobby Lee Anderson, Jackylon Lucille Wilson Anderson—0 money, 0 acres, Fairground Heights.

Prosecutor: Black man smothered to death at mental hospital

By **SARAH RANKIN**
Associated Press

DINWIDDIE, Va. (AP)—Security camera footage from a state mental hospital shows a Black Virginia man who was handcuffed and shackled being pinned to the ground by seven deputies who are now facing second-degree murder charges in his death, officials said Thursday.

Dinwiddie County Commonwealth's Attorney Ann Cabell Baskervill said during the seven deputies' first court hearing Wednesday that Irvo Otieno was smothered to death, local news outlets reported.

During a news conference Thursday, Mark Krudys, an attorney for Otieno's family, described how all seven of the deputies pushed down "every part of his body" with "absolute brutality."

"I was not really prepared to see this," Krudys said of the video footage, stressing that Otieno was in handcuffs and leg irons.

"You can see that they're putting their back into it. Every part of his body is being pushed down with absolute brutality. You cannot even see his image many times."

Baskervill said in court that the officers had no justification for putting Otieno, who was being checked in, on the floor. The prosecutor said Otieno did not appear combative

and was sitting in a chair before being pulled to the floor by the officers, the Richmond Times-Dispatch reported.

It was a "demonstration of power that was unlawful," the prosecutor said, according to the newspaper.

The Commonwealth's Attorney's Office for Dinwiddie County said Thursday in a news release that three hospital employees have also been charged in Otieno's death.

The prosecutor identified the three hospital employees also charged with second-degree murder as Darian M. Blackwell, 23, of Petersburg; Wavie L. Jones, 34, of Chesterfield; and Sadarius D. Williams, 27, of North Dinwiddie. It wasn't immediately clear if the three had attorneys who could speak on their behalf. A spokeswoman for the state police said that she didn't know if they had attorneys.

Otieno, a 28-year-old from Henrico County, had a history of mental health struggles and was experiencing mental distress at the time of his initial encounter with law enforcement earlier this month, according to statements from his family and one of their attorneys. He died March 6 as he was being admitted to Central State Hospital south of Richmond, Baskervill said in a news release Tuesday

announcing the charges against seven Henrico County Sheriff's deputies.

Otieno's family was expected to view video of the events that preceded his death on Thursday, according to a news release from his attorneys, Krudys and Ben Crump, a civil rights attorney known for representing victims in police brutality cases.

What's been described so far "paints a heinous and inhumane image," Crump, who represented the family of George Floyd, said in a statement.

"It is truly shocking that nearly three years after the brutal killing of George Floyd by police, another family is grieving a loved one who allegedly died in nearly the exact same manner — being pinned down by police for 12 agonizing minutes," Crump said.

Otieno, whose family is from Kenya, was a deeply loved and well-regarded young man, an aspiring musician who had been a well-known high school athlete in the area, Krudys said.

He first came into the custody of law enforcement March 3, according to a timeline provided by Henrico County Police, a separate agency.

The police department said in a news release that officers responding to a report of a possible burglary March 3 in suburban Richmond encountered

Otieno, and based on his behavior, put him under an emergency custody order and took him to a local hospital for evaluation. The news release did not describe the behavior that led to the order.

In an interview Thursday, Krudys said a neighbor called police over concern about Otieno gathering lawn lights from a yard. Krudys said Otieno's mother tried to de-escalate the initial police encounter and the family supported his being taken to a hospital, believing that he needed mental health treatment.

While he was at the hospital, police said he became "became physically assaultive toward officers, who arrested him" and took him to a local jail that is managed by the Henrico Sheriff's Office, where he was served with several charges.

Around 4 p.m. on March 6, employees of the sheriff's office arrived at the Central State Hospital south of Richmond to admit Otieno, Baskervill said.

Krudys said there was a delay in getting Otieno needed medications while he was in jail. He also said the family does not understand why Otieno was taken from the jail to the state hospital about 45 minutes away rather than to a local mental health facility.

BUSINESS LICENSES

03/08/2023—
03/14/2023

A-1 Auto Services: Body Work Car Services And Tires Sales—1330 Madison St., Shelbyville, Latef Selevani
Chabbi's: Selling Baked Goods And Candy—98 E. Main St., Wartrace, Rebecca Lamastus
Country Island Contractors: Home Renovation—505 White St., Shelbyville, Christopher Jones
De-Am-Ron: Precast Concrete Producer Construction—6137 Hwy 60 East, Owensboro, Ky., Sy Clark

Dixie Em's Event Bartending: Booking, Planning, Storage—103 Fort Circle, Wartrace, Emilie Shantz
Domino's Pizza: Pizza Restaurant With Delivery Service—757 Madison St., Shelbyville, Benjamin Carrigan
Echo Hills Excavating LLC: Excavation—130 Maupin Circle, Shelbyville, Donald D. Barnes III
EMC Motors: Auto Repair—116 E. Highland Ave., Shelbyville, Jason Simmons
Greenbriar Landscape Co., Inc.: Construction—6155

Highway 99, Rockvale, Shane Fogle
Hemalex Cleaning Services: Cleaning Service—1313 Madison St., Lot 41, Shelbyville, Alejandro Hernandez Martinez
K & K Industrial Cleaning Services: Janitorial Service—207 Cottonwood Dr., Shelbyville, Saira Signal
Lee Harper: Selling Art And Jewelry—282 Simmons Rd., Shelbyville, Barbara L. Harper
Middle Tennessee Tech Services: Computer Tech Services—136 Holly Court, Unionville, Cliff Heide

Patti's Classy Cuts: Dog Grooming—181 Wildcreek Road, Shelbyville, Patti Salmon
Real Steel Fabricators, Inc.: Installing Misc. Structural Steel—9318 Industrial Drive, Old Hickory, Tn., William B. Gambill, Jr.
Remodeling Plus LLC: Asphalt Paving—115 Thompson Rd., Shelbyville, Chris Brothers
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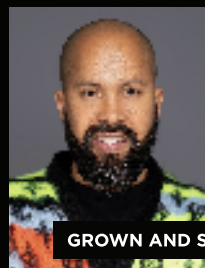
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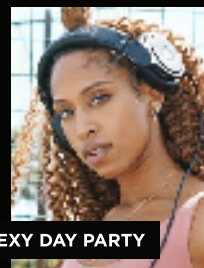
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Kenny Burns
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Doug Dezotell
Musings and Memories

Sing unto the Lord!

Like so many other Christians, I have a bunch of favorite 'psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs,' (as Apostle Paul put it).

Most Christians love to sing songs unto the Lord, songs of worship and praise. And we encourage us and others in our faith.

Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs are great reminders of Who our God is, what He has done for His people in the past, what He is doing for us today, and what He is going to do in the future.

The writer of the Book of Hebrews reminds us that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." (Hebrews 13:8)

Two times in his letters to churches, Apostle Paul encouraged those congregations to sing and praise the Lord with music.

In his letter to the church in Ephesus, Paul wrote, "And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart." (Ephesians 5:18-19)

And to the Christians in Colossae and the surrounding area, he wrote these words, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God." (Colossians 3:16)

From the beginning of the Christian Community the followers of Christ were a singing people.

All throughout history Jewish people were always a singing people; and we need to remember, Jesus and His first followers were Jewish people as well.

Back in the Book of Exodus, after the Jews (the Israelites) made it safely across the Red Sea, they watched as Pharaoh and his approaching army were swallowed up by the waves.

In Exodus 15, Moses and all the men sang praises to the Almighty God Who made it possible. Those awestruck men sang these words:

"I will sing to the Lord, for He has triumphed gloriously, the horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea. The Lord is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation. This is my God, and I will praise Him, my Father is God, and I will exalt Him. The Lord is a warrior, the Lord is His

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Supporting and serving Flat Creek



Tracey Strassner and Jennifer Meyer opened Sunchaser Market four years ago.

T-G Photos by Zoe Watkins

Sunchaser Market in its fourth year

By **ZOË WATKINS**
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Tracey Strassner, along with business partner Jennifer Meyer, opened up Flat Creek's Sunchaser Market, 2301 TN 82 South, four years ago with the intention to "serve food, fun, and our community."

The name "sunchaser" comes from a time when Strassner was sitting on the beach in Fort Myers watching the sun rise and the sun set all from one spot. "I was thinking that doesn't happen very often," she said.

Then, when purchasing their 130-acre farm in Flat Creek, the same thing happened—you could see the sun rise and the sun set all from the same spot on the front porch. So the name stuck.

There have been many learning curves for Strassner in the four years Sunchaser has been open—like inventory, pricing, and going back to manual processing while working with local vendors.

The first year was rough, Strassner admits—even hearing "chatter" that the business would never make it. But consistency paid off.

"I think we've built a good brand name. We call it the 'Sunchaser family'...because you take care of the people where you



The market is located in the rural village of Flat Creek right off of TN 82 South.

can. I think it's crystalizing my thought that it's about the people and the connection," said Strassner.

Strassner grew up in Maryland, outside of D.C., in a coastal area rich in tobacco farming. Living close to the nation's capital meant roaming the historic streets and sitting among the monuments was part of everyday life.

Following her tech-based and telecommunications career fields, Strassner was able to move from Connecticut to Florida and finally to Tennessee, working for the Home Shopping Network, Aetna and then Asurion. She said the last 10 years of her career was about building a plan, selling the

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Mark McGee
My Take

Rock stars

In a world where ancient history is anything that happened more than two months ago, the death of Gary Rossington may not have meant much to many.

But for old rock fans like me, it was another example of how my favorite rock stars are aging, and yes, dying.

Rossington was one of the founding members of Lynyrd Skynyrd. He survived the plane crash in 1977 that took the lives of lead singer Ronnie Van Zant, guitarist Steve Gaines and back-up singer Cassie Gaines. He was back with the group when Ronnie's brother Johnny Van Zant reformed the band. I was there, along with my mother who got me interested in music at a young age, on the front row at the old Starwood Amphitheatre at Volunteer Jam when the new version of the band made its debut to a sold out audience.

While I admit, I have tired of hearing "Free Bird" and "Sweet Home Alabama" on classic rock radio stations, Lynyrd Skynyrd was part of the wave of Southern rock that filled the airwaves and arenas in the mid-to-late 1970s. The Marshall Tucker Band, The Outlaws and The Allman Brothers Band were all vibrant parts of the music scene at that time and their music still is relevant to me as well as recalling a great period in my life.

Back in November of 2022 Christine McVie, the keyboardist and a co-lead vocalist for Fleetwood Mac, passed away. She joined Fleetwood Mac in 1970 and was a major contributor of songs. The self-titled Fleetwood Mac album in 1975 that included newcomers Stevie Nicks and Lindsey Buckingham as well as the "Rumors" album released in 1977 which became a monster best seller included several of McVie's songs.

I always loved her smoky, edgy voice and some of her less popular songs are some of my favorites.

Going back even deeper into my musical losses was the 2016 departure of Paul Kantner, a co-founder of Jefferson Airplane in the 1960s who remained with the group through the name changes to Jefferson Starship and simply, Starship. I noticed Starship is going on a tour this year, but this will be almost a tribute band since Kantner has passed away along with co-founder Marty Balin, who died in 2018.

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Student Advisory Council discusses violence in school

Bedford County Schools' Superintendent Student Advisory Council met with Bedford County Mayor Chad Graham on March 9 at the Bedford County Courthouse. The council, made up of students ranging from 7th through 12th grades, advises School Superintendent Tammy Garrett. On Thursday, they discussed school security issues with Graham.

Mayor Graham conveyed to the group that his administration has an ongoing interest in working with school system administration to support enhancements to school security. The mayor's office had sent each member of the advisory council an online survey prior to the meeting. Students responded well, and the mayor discussed their survey feedback and offered opportunities for indi-

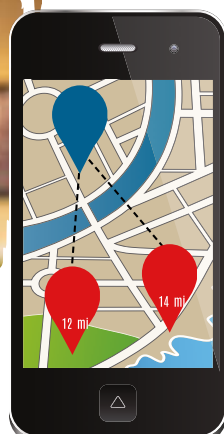
vidual students to expand on their answers if they chose. Specific survey questions related to issues like student resource officers, the influence of social media, in-school violence, and security enhancements. About half of the council members reported on the survey that they or their friends felt some concern about school safety.

Out of 16 respondents, half said they almost

always felt safe in the classroom, while 12.5 percent said they almost never felt safe in the classroom.

When asked to rate how safe they feel at school, on a 10-point scale, three-quarters of the council members chose 8, 9 or 10. However, students overwhelmingly agreed at the meeting that portables represent an unsafe

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Left to right, Jon Rubke, Ty Grabovich, Chase Perryman as lead character Eugene Jerome, Michael Burtram



Chase Perryman and Jody Barnes Turner as Eugene and Rowena



Mary Margaret Edwards and Chase Perryman as Daisy and Eugene

FFA OFFICER RECOGNIZED



Submitted photo

A big congratulations goes to Shelbyville Central High School FFA Officer Helena Duke. She was recently accepted into the Tennessee Governor's School for the Agricultural Sciences at the University of Tennessee at Martin. She is amongst a small group of students selected to attend through the month of June.

Have you ever been on the radio?

Everyone should do it at least once in their life.

Speak on the radio, I mean.

While promoting my new book (search for my name on Amazon if you're curious), I had the honor of being interviewed live (via telephone) on Nashville's Super Talk 99.7.

(Not that I haven't broadcast live from a studio before. Forty-something years ago, my career as a DJ came to a screeching halt after a single comedy-of-errors weekend. In the weeks following that catastrophe, when the word "frequency" came up locally, it had less to do with signal modulation than "Just how often will the sheriff let us tar and feather someone?")

I'm glad I built up the nerve to do the interview.

Like many people, I am self-conscious about my voice. Sure, when my utterances go straight from my mouth to my ears, I imagine myself subbing for Patrick Stewart onstage in "Macbeth" or exchanging urbane witticisms with the

fabled Algonquin Round Table. But when I hear my voice on a tape recorder or other such device, I remind myself of Huckleberry Hound with his bow tie on too tight.

Some people have a face made for radio. I have a voice made for hieroglyphs.

I'll admit that I overprepared for the interview. Sure, the cough drops IV unit was marginally defensible, and I may yet find a venue for the six-act hand puppet biography of Guglielmo Marconi; but I could still face litigation for disabling every toilet within the range of hearing and simultaneously gagging the Ty-D-Bol Man.

The genial host invited me to relax and treat it like a normal one-on-one conversation, but my brain has a built-in translator. A benign query such as "What inspired you to write this book?" becomes as stressful as "When you sign this 40-year mortgage, you do realize we'll know where you live, right?" or "Just what are

your intentions with my virgin daughter, you young punk?"

On the other hand, it's hard to take yourself too seriously when you know that while half the listeners are hanging on your every word, the thoughts of the other half drift toward, "Oooo, I hope they rerun the jingle with the yodeling vinyl siding today!"

All in all, it was a great experience. I hope you seize your own radio opportunities.

Voice your opinion on a political show. Phone in and prognosticate on a sports show. Compete in a trivia contest. Announce a birthday or anniversary. Publicize your civic organization. Don't be a wallflower when an on-air personality does a remote broadcast from one of your favorite businesses.

You'll get a priceless ego boost when friends and acquaintances laud you as a celebrity. But remain vigilant as you enjoy your 15 minutes of fame. I keep expecting the IRS to connect the dots. ("Hmm. 15 minutes of fame. Time

Danny Tyree

Tyrades



is money. Audit time! KACHING!")

And it might be even more than 15 minutes of fame. We tend to think of radio broadcasts as having less permanence than a book, but those radio waves just keep traveling through the universe.

Perhaps someday they'll reach intelligent life thousands of light-years away.

"Dude! It's just like those earth signals I picked up forty-something years ago. Huckleberry Hound is still their leader! Have they never heard of term limits??? Somebody just go ahead and give me an alien autopsy right now!"

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



Some regulars enjoying their coffee on a chilly Monday morning.

Market

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technology, getting the team ready to implement it, and then doing it again.

With such a background, she can safely say she never intended to open and run a market at this point. But her background in planning comes into play often.

"I always wanted to own a small business... but with everything going on at the time, I never did that," Strassner said. "But I happened to come by here when we were driving to the farm, and saw that this was for sale... My five-year plan happened five years too soon."

But Strassner said the community has opened up in ways she didn't expect.

When opening Sunchaser, Strassner wanted it to be an outlet for fresh food and an outlet for being a part of the community.

Many might classify rural villages around Bedford as "food deserts." Strassner said she was surprised by just how many regulars came multiple times a week for their fresh breakfast, lunch, and dinner offerings.

As one who loves to cook, Strassner also loves the creativity of coming up with new recipes. As they try to come up with more signature dishes, Strassner said they're playing around with things like homemade pickles and whiskey onions for a whiskey burger. And in addition to their savory



The market is one of the few places around with 100 percent gasoline.

quiches and classic ham and biscuits, they have cinnamon roll waffles and salted caramel banana bread.

Plus, they hope to continue reaching out to local vendors, like Purdom's burgers and BBQ and the Barking Pig BBQ, to make Flat Creek a BBQ hub.

Outside of food, they're also one of the few stops around that still has 100 percent gas. Depending on the season, they'll have a line of ag equipment filling up at the old station.

"What's been interesting about that is we're on the path to Jack Daniels and Uncle Nearest—Corvettes and motorcycles stop in to get that premium gas," said Strassner.

All this has really turned Sunchaser into a "community hub." For example, Strassner recalled how during the power outages earlier this month, many people came to the store to try and figure out what was going on.

"The memories are fading but there's a need

to bring that back," said Strassner. The key, she says, is to bring in the younger generations, which they hope to do with hosting movie nights, corn hole games, and Easter egg hunts and visits from Santa during the holidays.

Every day is a full day, but coming from her previous work environment, she said she's used to the pace.

Plus, what Sunchaser has become wouldn't be possible without the great support she's received from their Sunchaser family.

"I didn't realize how much the connection in working with people was needed," she said. In this way, you create the community and support the community.

"I've lived in several different communities and states over my life, and no where else has it ever felt more like home than Flat Creek," Strassner finished.

For more information and updates on events, visit their Facebook page at Sunchaser Market Shelbyville.

then which still lingers recalling the turbulent late 1960s and 70s.

Another voice from that period was silenced in January with the death of David Crosby. I never cared for The Byrds that much, but when he joined Stephen Stills and Graham Nash as CSN the result was harmonious magic. The group also at times included Neil Young. To see them live was purely a

magical experience. They were the voices of a generation searching for answers and much of their music is still relevant to some of the issues we are facing today.

We have lost a world of musical talent in recent years and I don't mean to slight anyone, but music has an impact on listeners and these had a profound impact on me. If you aren't familiar with them, I urge you to give them a listen.

Mark

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Lead singer Grace Slick has adamantly refused to perform in any sort of reunion tour through the years preferring to spend time as a painter.

I was still in elementary school when the Airplane first flew, but their music made an impact on me

Doug

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name. The chariots of Pharaoh and his army He has thrown into the sea, and his chosen officers were drowned in the Red Sea. The depths have covered them; they went down to the bottom like a stone. Your right hand, O Lord, was majestic in power; Your right hand, O Lord, shattered the enemy."

And then Miriam, the prophetess, the sister of Aaron and Moses, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances.

And Miriam and the ladies sang to the Lord, "Sing to the Lord! For He has triumphed gloriously! The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea!"

King David was a singer and a song writer too. He would fit in really well up in Nashville with all those creative types.

He sang songs of victory, and songs of praise to God, and he also sang songs of sorrow, and desperation.

He sang his prayers to God; prayers asking God for protection; and prayers asking God for forgiveness of his sins.

And David wrote and sang songs of worship that became songs that future worshippers sang on their way to the Temple in Jerusalem.

Jesus and His disciples sang psalms and hymns and spiritual songs together. They would sing the Psalms of David as they walked on the roads in Galilee and into Samaria and on the road leading up to Jerusalem.

At least three times a year the Jewish men would make their way to Jerusalem for the Holy Days of Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles, and they sang the Psalms of Ascent as they traveled.

On the night that Jesus was betrayed and arrested, after their last supper together, He and His disciples sang a hymn and then went out onto the Mount of Olives. (Matthew 26:30)

The Book of Psalms was the songbook of Jesus and His followers because it was the songbook of the Jewish people.

I love the Book of Psalms, that beautiful collection of songs written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. These ancient Jewish hymns and spiritual songs were written by anointed men like Moses and David and Asaph and Solomon thousands of years ago. And they still inspire us today.

Many of us find comfort in reading or praying or singing the psalms. We turn to the Book of Psalms when we have trouble finding the right words to express our feelings to God.

We can encourage, challenge, and comfort ourselves by memorizing and reciting a psalm; and then sharing them with others.

Many of the hymns and worship songs in our hymnals and songbooks of our churches are based on the Psalms. When we sing them we are singing God's Word.

A lot of my favorite hymns contain portions of Scripture and are filled with rich doctrinal truths.

The old hymns such as those written by Charles Wesley are rich in doctrine and the Word of God.



Bedford County government photos



School

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ronment that doesn't afford adequate protection from weather-related threats or other security risks, such as an active shooter.

Respondents overwhelmingly felt safer when SROs were present at their school or at after-school programs, and most said they felt comfortable speaking to their SRO. The overwhelming majority also felt there was a trusted adult on campus to talk to if they have a physical, emotional and /or mental health concern.

Students acknowledged that physical fights and cyberbullying occur at their schools but are divided about how often. For physical fights, 56.25 percent said physical fights happen "almost never" or "once in a while," but 43.75 percent said they happen "sometimes" or "frequently." For cyberbullying, 37.5 percent said it happens "almost never" or "once in a while," but 31.25 percent say it happens "sometimes" and another 31.25 percent say it happens "frequently" or "almost always." One student felt that their school had a culture of community and was therefore not concerned about fighting, while another student mentioned their school had recently experienced three separate fights break out, which had caused tensions



to run a bit high.

Half of the respondents said their school is "very prepared" or "completely prepared" for emergencies. Another 37.50 percent chose "somewhat prepared," and 12.50 percent thought their school was "a little prepared." No one chose "not at all prepared." Most survey respondents said they know the proper procedures to follow in case of an active threat or emergency.

Students were divided on whether metal detectors should be at entry points, with half of all respondents saying "maybe." "Yes" and "No" tied at 18.75 percent each, while the remaining 12.5 percent were neutral.

One of the survey questions specifically asked students, "If schools were designed more like a detention facility, would it have a positive or negative effect on learning?" to which half of respondents indicated it would be "very negative"

and 30 percent said "negative." One student related an experience of feeling uncomfortable when visiting Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, FL, site of the 2018 mass shooting, in order to attend a student council convention. Fencing surrounding the school, which now has a single point of entry, among many other security measures, created the uncomfortable feeling/culture of a detention facility. Several students agreed such a culture would not be conducive to their learning experience.

When asked, "What is one thing you could do at school to make it feel safer?" one student responded, "... when they see a threat, tell someone," which was in line with Mayor Graham's advice to the group - "See something, say something."

The students enjoyed lunch on the first floor of the courthouse, near its familiar terrazzo map of the county.

A Wesley hymn like, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," is a favorite Christmas carol, and is one of the most moving summaries of the doctrine of Christ in our hymnals.

"Hark! the herald angels sing, 'Glory to the newborn King!' Christ, by highest Heav'n adored;

Christ the everlasting Lord; Late in time, behold Him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb.

Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail the incarnate Deity, Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel. Hail the heav'nly Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!

Light and life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings."

The songs of the church deal with spiritual themes. They might not directly praise God, but they will teach a doctrine, encourage the body, or prompt others toward love and good works.

A spiritual song might express the joy of our salvation, might speak of the grace of Christ, or exalt the majesty, glory and power of God.

From Exodus to

of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."

Music finds its highest purpose when we use it as a tool to exalt the majesty, the greatness, and the glory of God. It is a biblical way of expressing our worship of the Lord.

Whether it's with psalms or hymns or spiritual songs, the purpose of music is to glorify God, and He wants us to use this gift as a means of worshiping Him.

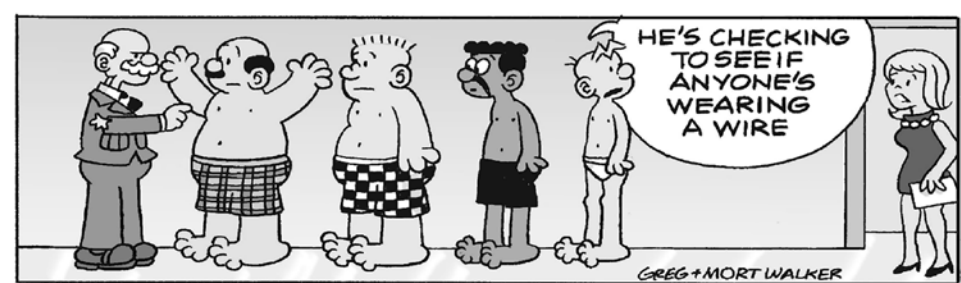
Our singing now is just 'Choir Practice' for Eternity.

That Day is coming when we will gather with that Great Choir of the Saints and Angels in Heaven and we will sing together. So get ready now! Sing unto the Lord!

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Mort Walker's **beetle bailey**



Hank Ketchum's **Dennis the Menace** **WORD UP!**



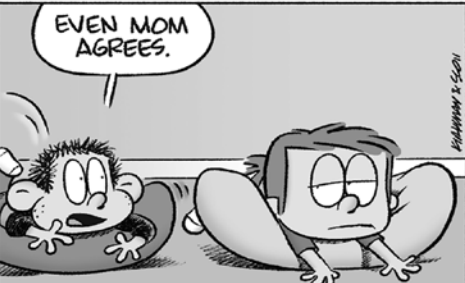
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by Francesco Marciuliano

HERE, KITTY, KITTY, KITTY, KI-WOW. MY FOLKS NEVER SHOULD HAVE LET ME NAME A CAT WHEN I WAS FOUR.

KEEFF

3-19

NOT GONNA LIE. THAT HURT. AWW, TED. SHE'S JUST A -- KITTY BLINKED AT ME! SHE BLINKED RIGHT AT ME! I LOVE YOU TOO, KITTY! I DO, I DO, I DO!

The PHANTOM

by Lee Falk

A SPECIES AND CULTURE FROZEN IN TIME AROUND THE END OF THE 19TH CENTURY...

I CAN ONLY SUPPOSE THE SECRET PRIESTHOOD THAT ONCE RULED THE TEMPLE OF THE GODS MUST HAVE STOPPED COMING HERE AROUND THAT TIME IN HISTORY.

DARLING, YOU SEEMED AWFULLY IMPATIENT WITH TEYDRA TODAY...

AS FOR ME, I WAS FASCINATED TO FOLLOW HER THROUGH THIS SUBTERRANEAN HOME OF THE ALMOST HUMANS.

MEANWHILE...

...I SUSPECT THE HUMAN CALLED WALKER MADE HIS WAY TO THE GATES OF THE DOMAIN IN SECRECY...

THERE, UNDETECTED, HE SAW THE IMAGE OF THE CHAMPION OF OLD!

HE THEN ADOPTED THAT IMAGE AS HIS OWN!

FOR PURPOSES... YET TO BE REVEALED.

IMPATIENT? I THOUGHT I WAS RATHER NICELY SAVING MY IMPATIENCE FOR TOMORROW. WHEN TEYDRA EITHER PRODUCES THE WOMAN WE CAME HERE TO SEE... OR WE HAVE A PROBLEM.

Tony DePaul & Jeff Weigel 3-19-23

Hi and Lois

by Brian and Greg Walker

BUZZ BUZZ

WONDER WHAT THAT WAS?

SHE'S STALLING. YOU DO REALIZE THAT. I KNOW SHE IS...

I SUPPOSE I WAS CARRIED AWAY AT SEEING A PLACE NO ONE I KNOW WILL EVER SEE.

...ALMOST NO ONE I KNOW. THAT'S BETTER...

DING!

ANOTHER TEXT?

BOING BOING

WHY DON'T MY POCKETS MAKE NOISES?

ERIC REINER 3-19

ZITS

I'M MAKING MEATLOAF FOR DINNER!

I LOVE YOUR MEATLOAF!

YOU'RE A GOOD KID AND I LOVE YOU, JEREMY!

I LOVE YOU TOO, MOM!

BY JERRY SCOTT AND JIM BORGMAN

I'D BE HAPPY TO WASH THE DISHES TONIGHT!

THAT WOULD BE VERY SWEET OF YOU!

EVEN WHEN THEY'RE GETTING ALONG THEY'RE ARGUING.

HAVE A GOOD DAY!

I WILL!!

THE LOCKHORNS

BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER

"YOU ACCIDENTALLY BOUGHT THAT DOG SHAMPOO AGAIN, DIDN'T YOU?"

"I SUGGEST A NUMBER 8 IRON AND A NUMBER 2 WEED WACKER."

CANDORVILLE

BY DARRIN BELL

LET ME TELL YOU A THING OR TWO ABOUT "MANSPAINING"...

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"I'VE NARROWED IT DOWN TO FLORA OR FAUNA."

New MTSU education dean looks to build up college

MURFREESBORO — For Neporcha Cone, the new dean of MTSU’s College of Education, the university’s award-winning teacher preparation program drew her in because she believes it is well-positioned to produce educational leaders of the future.

“The university is made up of a dynamic body of administrators, faculty, staff and students who are committed to empowering and creating change in a global society,” Cone said. “I’m looking forward to building on the strengths of our internal and external stakeholders, as well as highlighting our dedication to being difference makers.”

Following a nationwide search, Cone was recently named to take the helm of the college that represents the university’s founding as a teacher-training institution. She comes to MTSU from Kennesaw State University in Georgia where she is a professor of science education. She’ll begin her MTSU role in July.

Originally from Miami, Florida, Cone started her career in the classroom as a middle school science teacher in the late ’90s in a predominantly Hispanic community while also completing her master’s and doctorate degrees. She transitioned to post-doctoral work and higher education in 2006.

“I completed my post doctorate at the University of Miami where I worked with scholars, elementary teachers, principals and students to develop curriculum and assessment instruments for multilingual learners,” Cone said. “I moved through the traditional faculty ranks of assistant, associate and full professor and



Neporcha Cone

also worked as a course coordinator, program coordinator, department chair and interim associate dean during my years in higher education and most recently at Kennesaw State University in Georgia.”

MTSU Provost Mark Byrnes said it was this background and

experience along with her enthusiasm that made Cone an impressive candidate whom they viewed ready to lead the college.

“I expect Dr. Cone to lead our College of Education through the highly challenging environment facing public education these days,” Byrnes said. “There

are plenty of problems to confront, and I’m counting on her to take them on, along with her colleagues in the college.”

In recent years, the college has received many accolades and awards for its high-quality programming:

Recognized by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation, the “gold standard” for educator preparation.

Ranked by National Council on Teacher Quality as having among the nation’s best elementary teacher preparation program.

Ranked consistently as the No. 1 producer of most effective teachers in Tennessee based on data from the Teacher Educator Preparation Program Report Card.

Launched Center for Fairness, Justice and Equity to cultivate an inclusive and diverse college.

Had multiple alumni awarded prestigious recognition for their work, including two winning Milken Educator Award — known as the “Oscar” of education.

To highlight these many accomplishments, Cone’s initial goals include increasing the college’s visibility and national footprint.

“There is so much great work being done by faculty, staff and students of which others might be unaware, so I plan to celebrate our tremendous accomplishments by sharing our stories with internal and external constituents,” Cone said.

“I want the larger community to see us as ‘difference makers’ who effectively prepare teachers, leaders and entrepreneurs to solve problems that exist in local

and global communities. I am committed to working collaboratively with the larger community through meaningfully engaged partnerships.”

Cone wants to build on the college’s existing excellence to propel it forward in a 21st century world.

“I want to improve teacher workforce diversity by building a diverse teacher pipeline,” Cone said. “I want the college to continue to play a critical role in workforce development by offering a strong sense of community, continuing to seek meaningful connections on campus and engaging in interdisciplinary or cross-disciplinary collaborations.”

Cone emphasized that the education of educators is hugely important to the university and larger community.

“Educators are the backbone of our democracy,” she said. “They create spaces that foster 21st century skills such as curiosity, creativity and innovation, which are important to the university and the pursuit of excellence in education.”

The college is currently led by interim Dean Rick Vanosdall, who stepped in following the 2020 retirement of longtime dean, Lana Seivers, now a dean emeritus of the college.

MTSU’s College of Education is made up of the Department of Elementary and Special Education and the Womack Department of Educational Leadership, offering undergraduate and graduate programs in both. It also includes several centers and professional areas. For more information, visit <https://www.mtsu.edu/education/>.

SCOPE CONFERENCE SUCCESS



Students of Bedford County Schools engaged in mock board meetings and critical issue debates at this year’s Scope Conference, located at Belmont University and hosted by the Tennessee School Boards Association. During the debate portion of the conference, Shelbyville Central High School sophomore, Carlie Belle Barber, was selected as the first Vice President and will be one of three students charged with leading the conference next year.

Help protect your health during spring travel

By Dr. Amit Arwindekar,
Medical Director,
UnitedHealthcare Global

With spring break coming up soon, many Tennessee residents may be planning a fun getaway. While spring-time travel can be a chance to reconnect with loved ones or soak up some sunshine, it can also present challenges.

To help minimize stress and reduce the risk of health-related issues while traveling, here are five tips

to think about:

Anticipate potential health issues. Consider a wellness checkup with a primary care doctor before departure to talk about travel plans. Packing a portable health kit with may also prove helpful, so consider including items such as anti-inflammatory pain relievers, first-aid supplies, earplugs, sunscreen and sunburn relief, motion-sickness remedies and insect repellents.

Refill medications. Before any trip, it is a good idea to refill medications and pack extra doses in case of travel delays. When traveling by airplane, always pack medication in carry-on luggage to help ensure access. For international travel, be sure to check prescription drug restrictions for each country to help avoid the risk of medications being confiscated.

Reduce jet lag. People

taking to the air can face the possibility of jet lag. To help avoid this, get lots of rest before a trip, and drink plenty of water before, during and after flights. Then, make a point to get plenty of sunlight during the day, which can help to reset the body’s internal clock. Proper sleep can help **strengthen the immune system**, better regulate appetite and aid in recovery from injury.

Stay active. Studies have

shown that exercise is a great choice for helping to reduce stress and improve mood. Incorporating physical activity into sightseeing is one strategy for staying active. Using a **fitness app** may also help, providing access to thousands of workouts, from high-intensity interval training to yoga, and meditation too.

Get protection. Prior to traveling, take time to review your health insurance plan and confirm what

it covers. For additional protection, **travel medical plans** may cover the cost of medical care and offer additional services. These may include direction to appropriate facilities and coordinated care with local health providers.

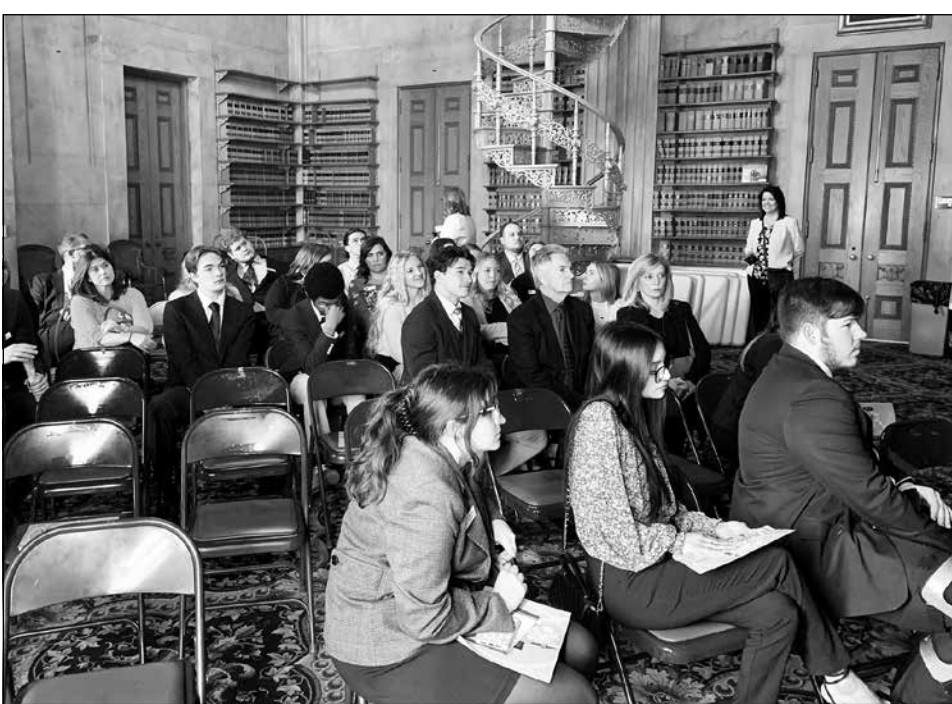
Whether traveling, considering these tips can help avoid health issues, promote well-being and protect against unexpected complications.

Leadership Bedford explores Capitol Hill



Submitted photos

Leadership Bedford Class of 2023 started their State Government Day by joining State Rep. Pat Marsh and State Sen. Shane Reeves for a continental breakfast at the Cordell Hull Building in Nashville. Legislative Librarian Eddie Weeks presented on the history of Tennessee's State Capitol Building. After walking through the underground tunnel, both classes took a photo with Gov. Bill Lee on the capitol steps. This was followed by a mock session in the House Chambers where students acted as the Speaker of the House, proposed a bill, and voted for or against it. Assistant Treasurer for Program Services Steve Summerall and Comptroller Jason Mumpower explained their functions in the government. After lunch, Secretary of State Tre Hargett spoke with the class preceding their capitol tour. The class would like to thank everyone who made this great experience possible.





IN HIS PRESENCE

“Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend into heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.” (Psalm 139:7 - 10). Therefore, be encouraged that even when you don't “feel” the presence of The Lord, that you “know” He is there with you always. And that He wants to be with you.

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VELEZ WINS MS. BASKETBALL



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Webb's Angelica Velez capped a remarkable career that included three state championships with the most recent state title won two weeks ago. The final accolade Velez takes home as part of the Webb Lady Feet is the 2022-2023 Division II Class A Ms. Basketball award.

Viqueens claim opener

T-G STAFF REPORT

CORNERVILLE — It was a close battle in Monday night's season opener between Cornersville and Community.

After the Viqueens built a late, two-run lead, Cornersville rallied for two runs in the bottom of the seventh.

In the end, it was an eighth-inning run knocked in by senior Zoey Dixon that secured the Purple and Gold's first win of the season.

In total, Community hammered Cornersville pitching for 14 hits, with Abi Brown leading the way with four hits, including a double and a triple.

Anna Haskins, along with Dixon, both

went 3-for-4.

Annie Prince toed the rubber for seven innings and struck out 10 batters against four walks.

She allowed six runs on seven hits, only three of which were earned.

Taylor Wessnar pitched the final inning in relief and despite giving up two walks, didn't allow a run to score.

Community 100 300 21 — 7 14 4
Cornersville 001 120 20 — 6 7 2
Community: Abi Brown 4-for-5, Zoey Dixon 3-for-5, Alana Tate 2-for-5, Anna Haskins 3-for-4, Annie Prince 1-for-4, Taylor Wessnar 1-for-4.
Cornersville: Jayli Childress 2-for-3, Alicia Polk 1-for-3, Emma Ward 2-for-5, Kate Lemon 1-for-3, Carmen Ward 1-for-4.
WP: Wessnar
LP: C. Ward

Eagles can't catch Indy

T-G STAFF REPORT

THOMPSON'S STATION—Independence took an early lead on Wednesday afternoon over Shelbyville Central and never let off the throttle as the Eagles dropped to 0-3 on the season following the 9-1 loss at Independence.

Indy jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning and added a fourth in the third frame before Shelbyville got on the board in the top of the fourth.

In the fourth, Nick Johnson drew a leadoff

walk and after Kyler Trice ground out advanced to third base.

He scored when Nick Hopper reached via error.

But Independence answered with four more in the bottom of the fourth and added a ninth run in the fifth frame.

Caden Thomas, Johnson, Mason Shavers and Caleb Keffer all singled on Wednesday afternoon.

Parker Burks pitched 3 2/3 innings for the Eagles and gave up seven runs on five hits, while striking

out two.

Thomas pitched an inning and struck out two, but didn't give up a walk.

Brody Lovvorn also hit the bump for the Eagles and pitched 1 1/3 innings, allowing two runs on one hit, while striking out one.

The Eagles closed out a busy week of action at Wilson Central on Thursday afternoon and at Siegel on Saturday.

Shelbyville 000 100 0 — 1 4 2
Independence 301 410 0 — 9 6 2
Shelbyville: Caden Thomas 1-for-4, Nick Johnson 1-for-2, Mason Shavers 1-for-3, Caleb Keffer 1-for-2.
WP: Roberts
LP: Burks

Eagles off to tough start

T-G STAFF REPORT

SPRING HILL — It was a tough outing for Shelbyville Central to open the 2023 season on Monday night against Summit.

The Spartans brought out the heavy lumber and hammered out nine hits against the Eagles in the 12-1 win over the Eagles.

Summit plated two runs in the bottom of the first frame, but a six-run outburst in the third broke the game wide open.

Shelbyville got one run back in the top of the fourth frame, but Summit close the game with two runs in the bottom of the fourth and fifth innings to reach the 10-run rule limit.

Carston Williams, Nick Hopper and Brody

Lovvorn all singled for the Eagles.

Marquis Wilson got the start and pitched 2 2/3 innings before the Eagles turned to the bullpen.

Wilson was tagged for eight runs on six hits, seven of which were earned, while he struck out five.

Nolensville 7, Shelbyville 1

NOLENSVILLE — Shelbyville Central's Golden Eagle baseball team lost a 7-1 decision to talented Nolensville on the road on Tuesday afternoon.

Dawson Sweeney

pitched five strong innings for the winners, fanning 11 batters while allowing only one walk with no runs and hits.

He helped his cause at the plate with a double.

Quentin Jenkins added a double while Tate Riggs and Chase Clatur each collected a pair of singles.

Palmer Edwards got the start on the mound for the Eagles (0-2) while Nick Hopper in relief with two scoreless innings.

William Bobo, Caden Thomas, Carston Williams and Caleb Molder each singled for Shelbyville Central.

Shelbyville 000 001 0 — 1 4 2
Nolensville 230 200 x — 7 12 2
Shelbyville: Bobo 1-for-4, Thokmas 1-for-5, Kaydence 1-for-2, Lilli Brown 2-for-4, Dejah Lineberger 2-for-4, Sammie Brown 2-for-4, Ariana Floyd 1-for-3, Shayla Briggs 1-for-3.
WP: Sweeney
LP: Edwards

Eaglettes notch 1st district win

T-G STAFF REPORT

WINCHESTER — After dropping a decision on the road at Columbia on Monday, Shelbyville Central's Golden Eaglettes claimed a 9-8 district win on the

road at Franklin County on Tuesday.

The Eaglettes (1-1, 1-0) belted out 14 hits.

Abbi Story, Alyssa Smith, Lilly Brown, Dejah Lineberger and Sammie Brown each had two hits

to lead Shelbyville Central at the plate.

Shelbyville Central 400 200 3 - 9 14
Franklin County 111 113 x - 8
Shelbyville: Abbi Story 2-for-4, Alyssa Smith 2-for-4, Damonyai Lyons 1-for-5, Kaydence 1-for-2, Lilli Brown 2-for-4, Dejah Lineberger 2-for-4, Sammie Brown 2-for-4, Ariana Floyd 1-for-3, Shayla Briggs 1-for-3.
WP: Briggs
LP: Edwards

TOUGH START



T-G Photo by Rickey Clardy

Blaine Paschal delivers a pitch for the Vikings in the first inning of their season opener against the Huntland Hornets. Community could not get the bats going as the Hornets defeated the Vikings 5-0.

Lions spoil Champs' opener

T-G STAFF REPORT

BELL BUCKLE — After being rescheduled from Tuesday night, the Cascade Champions opened the 2023 season at the Park in Bell Buckle on a brisk Wednesday afternoon.

Despite grabbing the early Cannon County, the Cascade Champions saw the Lions rally to a 4-3 win to spoil the opener.

Cascade got on the board in the bottom of the first inning following a Jaxon Sheffield groundball single to center field.

He stole second and later scored on a Cannon County error for the first run of the game.

The second Cascade run of the game came in the bottom of the second inning after Logan Green reached

base via walk and then scored on a hard-hit ball by Chance Brown.

Cannon County evened the score with a two-spot in the top of the fourth, but Cascade was able to once again answer in the bottom of the sixth.

Green again drew a walk, this time on four pitches, and later scored on a wild pitch, giving the Champs a 3-2 lead heading to the seventh.

But again, Cannon County came up with an answer on a RBI fielder's choice and then scored the go-ahead run on a Cascade error.

Gaige Turner, who went the distance for Cannon County, struck out the side in the bottom of the seventh to escape with the one-run win.

Walker Craig got the start for the Champs and pitched four innings, giving up two runs, only one of which was earned, on three hits, while striking out five.

Zach Crosslin worked the following two innings in relief and gave up three hits, but struck out two.

At the plate, Chance Brown recorded three base hits for the Champs, while Sheffield and MgGeary also singled.

Cascade returned to action on the road on Thursday night at Marshall County, however results weren't available by press time.

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WP: Turner
LP: Green

Horn's homer not enough in Lady Champs' opener

T-G STAFF REPORT

MURFREESBORO — It was a tough start to the 2023 season for the Cascade Lady Champions on Monday night at Blackman.

The Lady Blaze drove

in 12 runs on eight hits and handed Cascade a 12-2 defeat in their season opener.

Blackman plated two runs in the first, but blew the game open with a five-

spot in the bottom of the second.

Cascade got two runs back in the top of the fourth inning with a two-run homer by Brianna Horn in the top of the fourth inning.

But Blackman answered right back with four in the bottom of the fourth frame to put the game out of reach.

Hannah Vandriver doubled for Cascade in addition to Horn's two-run blast.

Alivia Fannin and Ella Thompson both singled as well.

Cascade returned to action on Thursday, facing Cannon County, before closing the week with

a doubleheader against Riverdale on Friday night.

Results were unavailable by press time.

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NFL free agency opens with Rodgers, other QBs on move

By ROB MAADDI

AP Pro Football Writer

After a flurry of moves in the two days ahead of the official start of the NFL free agency period, Aaron Rodgers made the biggest news Wednesday by announcing his intention to play for the New York Jets.

Several more players switched teams, others are staying put and a few stars, including Ezekiel Elliott, will be looking for new homes in 2023.

But Rodgers is the dominant story of the offseason, and the four-time AP NFL MVP cleared things up during an appearance on "The Pat McAfee Show" on YouTube and Sirius XM a few hours before the league year started at 4 p.m. EDT.

Rodgers said the Packers assured him after the season they wanted him to return, but things changed after he emerged from a five-day darkness retreat. He said he was told by people, mostly players on other teams, that the Packers shopped him around because they want to move on and make 2020 first-round draft pick Jordan Love their starting quarterback.

Rodgers said he entered the retreat "90% retiring, 10% playing" but he has since made a decision to play this season.

"At this point, as I sit here, I think since Friday, I've made it clear that my intention was to play and my intention was to play for the New York Jets," Rodgers said. "I haven't been holding anything up at this point. It's been compensation the Packers are trying to get for me, kind of digging their heels in."

Rodgers, who replaced Brett Favre as the starter in Green Bay after the Hall of Famer was traded to the Jets, spent 18 seasons with the Packers and led them to a Super Bowl title following the 2010 season.

Once the teams figure out trade details, Rodgers will be following in Favre's footsteps by going to New York and trying to lead the Jets to their first championship since another No. 12 — Broadway Joe Namath —

delivered a victory that he guaranteed against the Baltimore Colts on Jan. 12, 1969.

Former No. 1 overall pick Baker Mayfield was among other players on the move Wednesday, agreeing to an \$8.5 million, one-year contract with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, a person with knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press. The person, along with all other unnamed sources cited in this story, spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because the agreement they confirmed hadn't been announced.

Mayfield, the top pick by Cleveland in 2018, joins his third team since last July. He gets an opportunity to compete with Kyle Trask to replace Tom Brady, who retired after three seasons with the Buccaneers.

Mayfield was 2-8 in 10 starts last season with the Panthers and Rams.

Jacoby Brissett, who replaced Mayfield in Cleveland while Deshaun Watson served a suspension, agreed to terms with the Washington Commanders on a one-year contract worth \$10 million with \$8 million guaranteed, according to a person with knowledge of the deal.

Brissett will compete with projected starter Sam Howell, a second-year pro. Brissett threw for 2,608 yards, 12 touchdowns and six interceptions last season for the Browns in 11 starts.

Two 1,000-yard rushers are off the market.

Running back Jamaal Williams and the Saints agreed on a \$12 million, three-year contract, a person familiar with the deal told the AP. Williams led the NFL with 17 rushing touchdowns while running for a career-best 1,066 yards with the Detroit Lions last season.

Running back Miles Sanders, coming off his best season with the NFC champion Eagles in which he ran for a career-high 1,269 yards with 11 touchdowns, is heading to Carolina.

Carolina also added former Cincinnati Bengals tight end Hayden Hurst on a three-year contract. Hurst caught 52 passes for 414 yards and two

touchdowns last season with another 13 receptions for 141 yards and a TD in the playoffs.

Late Wednesday night, four-time Pro Bowl tackle Orlando Brown Jr. agreed on a \$64.09 million, four-year deal with the Cincinnati Bengals.

Brown's agent, Michael Portner, confirmed the deal to the AP. He said it includes a \$31 million signing bonus. Brown goes from protecting Patrick Mahomes for the Super Bowl champion Chiefs to blocking for Joe Burrow and the AFC runnerup Bengals.

The New England Patriots made their first big pickup of free agency, adding wide receiver JuJu Smith-Schuster. A person with knowledge of the deal said it is for three years and could be worth as much as \$33 million.

Smith-Schuster confirmed the move in a post on Twitter saying he was "Excited for my next chapter in New England!"

Smith-Schuster had 78 receptions for 933 yards and three touchdowns last season for Kansas City. He was held by Eagles cornerback James Bradberry on a play that led to a go-ahead field goal late in the fourth quarter of the Chiefs' 38-35 win in the Super Bowl.

The Browns agreed with safety Juan Thornhill on a three-year contract worth \$21 million — \$14 million guaranteed — a person familiar with the negotiations told the AP.

Thornhill leaves the Super Bowl champion Chiefs after four seasons. He's the third defensive player to join the Browns in free agency along with run stopper Dalvin Tomlinson and end Ogbornia Okoronkwo.

Six-time Pro Bowl defensive tackle Fletcher Cox is returning to the Philadelphia Eagles on a \$10 million, one-year deal, according to a person familiar with that deal.

Veteran safety Jordan Poyer, a two-time second-team All-Pro, is staying in Buffalo on a two-year deal.

Smart insists he hasn't lost control of Georgia program

By CHARLES ODUM

AP Sports Writer

ATHENS, Ga. — Georgia coach Kirby Smart insists he has not lost control of a program that has produced back-to-back national championships but has been rocked by off-season arrests and a car crash that claimed the lives of a player and a recruiting staffer.

"There's no lack of control for our program," Smart said Tuesday before the Bulldogs' first spring practice.

"... Our guys do make mistakes. That historically is probably going to happen when you have 18 to 22 year-olds. Our job as coaches is to prevent that from happening and that starts with me and you do it with how you educate your players and how you discipline your players and we'll continue to do that at a high standard."

Wednesday's pro day on campus for NFL general managers and coaches will feature defensive tackle Jalen Carter, who is regarded as one of the top picks in the NFL draft on April 27. Carter's draft outlook has been potentially clouded by misdemeanor charges of racing and reckless driving in relation to the Jan. 15 crash that killed teammate Devin Willock and a

recruiting staffer, 24-year-old Chandler LeCroy.

The crash occurred hours after the Bulldogs celebrated their second straight national championship with an Athens parade and ceremony at Sanford Stadium.

Georgia players said Tuesday they are still recovering from the losses of Willock and LeCroy.

"Like the other day we were looking at film and I saw my boy Dev and it kind of hit me real hard," said defensive lineman Zion Logue. "So you have to put those things aside and get back to football. It was a tragic event. We all learned from it. It's just something very unfortunate."

Added wide receiver Ladd McConkey: "It's a tough situation. It's hard to even talk about it. Just do what you can and love every day like it's the last one."

Carter is scheduled for arraignment in municipal court in Athens on April 18. He posted a statement on his Twitter account on March 1 saying he expects to be "fully exonerated of any criminal wrongdoing."

Carter is not the only Georgia player facing charges of racing on public roads.

Linebacker Jamon Dumas-Johnson, the team's second-leading tackler in

2022, was arrested on Feb. 22 on misdemeanor charges of reckless driving and racing. Dumas-Johnson is scheduled for arraignment on April 17.

Meanwhile, quarterback Stetson Bennett was arrested in Dallas on Jan. 29 and charged with public intoxication.

Smart said "the expectations we have here for our student-athletes" are important.

"Certainly we haven't met some of those requirements," Smart said. "We want our student-athletes to meet those and we take those things very seriously. The standards have been created here for a long time. That doesn't change and we want our players to live up to those."

Smart said when players make mistakes, "we treat them like we do our kids. We discipline them. We try to prevent them. We try to educate them. We try to do all we can to help our student-athletes in a positive way."

Police allege in an arrest warrant that Carter was racing his 2021 Jeep Trackhawk against LeCroy's 2021 Ford Expedition at the time of the crash. Willock was a passenger in the SUV LeCroy was driving.

Police determined LeCroy's Expedition was

traveling at about 104 mph (167 kph) shortly before the crash. The arrest warrant says LeCroy's blood-alcohol concentration was .197 at the time of the crash. The legal limit in Georgia is .08.

Smart said he had officers from Athens-Clarke County police and University of Georgia police speak to players last summer about the dangers of street racing. Seeing a teammate and staff member lose their lives may teach far more painful lessons.

"We feel like our players are beginning to acknowledge and starting to understand you make mistakes and decisions that are costly and it can cost you your life," Smart said. "That's not to be taken lightly and I think our guys understand that and we'll continue to educate them and we'll continue to do all we can as a university to make sure they behave and do that in a proper way."

Smart said LeCroy should not have been driving the vehicle that is expected to be used only for work.

"It is understood that you cannot take a vehicle when you are not doing your duties and they were not participating in their duties at this time," Smart said.

MLB umpires will have new view this year

By RONALD BLUM

AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — Umpires will have a new view this season: on Zoom.

Major League Baseball struck a deal with Zoom Video Communications Inc. allowing on-field umpires to watch videos being evaluated by the replay operations center during contested calls.

MLB first adopted instant replay in September 2008 for home boundary calls and expanded it to a wide variety of decisions for the 2014 season. There were 1,434 video reviews last season that included 1,261 team challenges with 50.2% leading to overturned calls.

Until now, the on-field crew chief listened to the replay umpire in New York with audio only, joined by the umpire who made the initial call if different from the crew chief. The umps walked over to the side of the field through 2013 to listen on a headset, then from 2014-21 an attendant brought out a headset to the field for them. Last year, umps switched to a wireless belt pack and MLB for the first time allowed them to announce replays and decisions over ballpark public address systems.

On-field umps this year will have 12.9-inch iPad Pro tablets brought out to them by a technician. They will be connected to the Zoom contact center and the replay operations center so they can see what replay is being viewed. The replay umpire still gets the final call.

"You'll be able to see who's in the chair, who might be with that person, what plays they're looking at, and be able to pair a visual interaction with the traditional audio interaction that they have discussing the call in the field," MLB Chief Operations and Strategy Officer Chris Marinak said.

A limited number of broadcasts will have access to the Zoom videos being seen by the umps: Apple TV+ and MLB Network Showcase telecasts. Marinak said the new technology could become available for postseason telecasts, and ballpark videoboard will have access to the Zoom views on the telecasts — which will have the company's branding.

Zoom also will be used by MLB during the first day of the amateur draft in Seattle on July 9. It's too early to determine whether Zoom can be incorporated into robot plate umpires, the automated ball-strike system being tested throughout Triple-A this season.

"That whole ecosystem is open for innovation and experimentation," Marinak said. "We're absolutely going to try things out and see what sticks. For ABS, I think it's too early to say that we're settled on one particular process and technology in the long-run. We're still I think doing a lot of experimentation and open to really anything as we try things out at the minor league level."

Zoom, launched in 2011, was increasingly used by MLB teams during the pandemic. For much of 2021 and '22, Zoom replaced in-person media availabilities for players and managers.

"They've been a customer for many years utilizing our meetings, our rooms our phone technology and then deeper integrations as we know over the past few years, the way in which people have leveraged video has really evolved," said Janine Pelosi, Zoom's chief marketing officer. "What I think it's going to do is add that technology where it's not getting in the way of the game. I think that that's critical. And it's going to bring the fans into the experience."

Morant suspended for eight games

MIAMI (AP) — Ja Morant will be back with the Memphis Grizzlies next week, after the NBA handed the All-Star guard an eight-game suspension without pay Wednesday and saying his displaying a firearm at a club in suburban Denver earlier this month was "conduct detrimental to the league."

Morant missed his sixth consecutive game when the Grizzlies played in Miami on Wednesday night. He will miss the next two games — at San Antonio on Friday and home against Golden State on Saturday — then be eligible to return on Monday when Memphis plays Dallas, though he is not expected to play that night.

The games he already missed will count toward the suspension, and Morant will forfeit about \$669,000 in salary.

"Ja's conduct was

irresponsible, reckless and potentially very dangerous," NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said in a statement. "It also has serious consequences given his enormous following and influence, particularly among young fans who look up to him."

Silver met with Morant in New York before announcing the league's decision. Other league officials, as well as representatives from the National Basketball Players Association, were part of that meeting.

Grizzlies coach Taylor Jenkins said he doesn't expect Morant to play Monday, saying the team is "going to be respectful of the time off he's had."

"There will be a quick ramp-up period after that," Jenkins said. "Obviously, he hasn't been playing basketball for almost two weeks now."



AP Photo/Darryl Webb

Hendrick Motorsports was hit with the largest team fine by NASCAR in series history.

Hendrick hammered with huge fine by NASCAR

By JENNA FRYER
AP Auto Racing Writer

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — NASCAR levied the largest combined fine on one team in series history Wednesday, hammering Hendrick Motorsports for modifying air-deflecting pieces last weekend at Phoenix Raceway.

Hendrick was issued a combined \$400,000 in fines — \$100,000 to each of its four crew chiefs, along with four-race suspensions for the quartet — and docked the drivers 100 regular-season points and 10 playoffs points each. Although NASCAR has issued larger monetary fines and suspensions, the Hendrick penalties are the largest combined

punishment for one organization. NASCAR's winningest team said it would appeal. William Byron has won back-to-back races for Hendrick to give HMS two wins through the first four races of the season, and Alex Bowman was the Cup Series points leader prior to his 100-point deduction.

"On Friday at Phoenix Raceway, NASCAR identified louvers on our race cars during a voluntary inspection 35 minutes after the opening of the garage and prior to on-track activity," Hendrick Motorsports said in a statement. "NASCAR took possession of the parts approximately four hours later with no prior communication. The situa-

tion had no bearing on Saturday's qualifying session or Sunday's race."

HMS also said it was "disappointed" with the penalties and would be appealing based on facts that include:

— Louvers provided to teams through NASCAR's mandated single-source supplier do not match the design submitted by the manufacturer and approved by NASCAR,

— Documented inconsistent and unclear communication by the sanctioning body specifically related to louvers, and

— Recent comparable penalties issued by NASCAR have been related to issues discovered

during a post-race inspection

Hendrick said it would not be requesting a deferral of the crew chief suspensions for this Sunday's race at Atlanta as the appeal process begins.

Kaulig Racing's Justin Haley and his team received the same penalty, and NASCAR disagrees with the argument that the parts were not in compliance when received.

"It was obvious to us that these parts had been modified in an area that wasn't approved," NASCAR Senior Vice President of Competition Elton Sawyer said.

NASCAR confiscated the Hendrick teams' louvers after

practice at Phoenix Raceway. The louvers sit atop the radiator ducts and direct air out of the hood and any modifications could impact downforce. The points penalties dropped Bowman from first to 23rd in the Cup standings, Byron from fourth to 29th and Kyle Larson from fifth to 32nd.

Chase Elliott, who did not race at Phoenix because of a broken leg, was not penalized. Because his replacement driver does not receive points in the Cup Series, Josh Berry was also not punished.

NASCAR, meanwhile, also penalized Denny Hamlin 25 points and a \$50,000 fine for intentionally wrecking Ross Chastain on Sunday's final lap.

Cramping hits Georgia's Carter during pro day

By CHARLES ODUM
AP Sports Writer

ATHENS, Ga. — Stetson Bennett gave himself a lukewarm grade for his workout of about 55 passes for NFL scouts, general managers and coaches at Georgia's pro day on Wednesday.

Jalen Carter didn't stick around to comment on his performance.

Following position drills, he was sprawled on his back with arms outstretched on the turf, suffering from apparent cramps. The defensive tackle did not participate in other tests, including the 40-yard dash and broad jump.

Bennett and Carter helped lead Georgia to back-to-back national championships but each has been dealing with off-field legal problems in a troubled offseason.

Bennett was arrested in Dallas on Jan. 29 and charged with public intoxication. Carter — widely regarded as one of the top picks in the April 28 NFL draft — faces misdemeanor charges of racing and reckless driving in relation to the Jan. 15 crash that killed teammate Devin Willock and Georgia recruiting staffer, Chandler LeCroy. It isn't clear how the charges will affect Carter's draft status.

"We know what comes with the territory of where we are now and things that are going to be out and situations we put

ourselves in and how to be responsible," Bennett said after his workout.

The 6-foot-3 Carter weighed 323 pounds on Wednesday. He was listed by Georgia at 300 pounds during the 2022 season and checked in at 314 pounds for the NFL scouting combine in late February.

Carter had 32 tackles, including seven for losses, and three sacks as Georgia won its second consecutive national championship.

After the Athens-Clarke County Police Department issued the arrest warrant, Carter posted a statement on his Twitter account on March 1, saying "There is no question in my mind that when all of the facts are known that I will be fully exonerated of any criminal wrongdoing."

Carter has the support of Georgia teammates, including Bennett.

"Jalen is a rock," Bennett said. "He knows who he is. We all know who he is."

Bennett said Carter is quiet and "doesn't talk much. Comes in, does his job. Knows that he's the best one on the field and still does things the right way. ... Obviously can get after the quarterback. He's sudden and strong in his suddenness, twitchy, does the right footwork. If you look at him, he's always in a power position. That's why he blows people off the line. That's why I think he is a special player."



AP Photo/Eric Gay

The Tennessee Titans have released linebacker Bud Dupree, two years into a five-year contract.

Titans release Bud Dupree

By TERESA M. WALKER
AP Pro Football Writer

NASHVILLE — The Tennessee Titans released outside linebacker Bud Dupree two years into a five-year contract, parting ways with the big free agent they acquired in 2021 to boost their pass rush, the team announced Thursday.

Dupree signed a contract worth up to \$82.5 million in March 2021 after spending his first six seasons with Pittsburgh. The Titans signed Dupree despite the 6-foot-4, 269-pound linebacker tearing an ACL in early December

2020. He was waived Wednesday night. Dupree becomes the latest veteran cut by Tennessee's new general manager Ran Carthon, joining three-time Pro Bowl left tackle Taylor Lewan, wide receiver Robert Woods, center Ben Jones, kicker Randy Bullock and linebacker Zach Cunningham.

Dupree had been due the second-highest base salary on the Titans' roster at \$17 million, along with a bonus of \$3.2 million. He was set to count \$20.2 million against the cap, according to Spotrac.com. With

a dead cap hit of \$10.8 million, the Titans get a cap savings of only \$9.35 million.

The linebacker started the season opener but struggled coming off the torn ACL. He had one sack in his first seven games and wound up on injured reserve with a hip injury. Dupree started only six of the 11 games he played in 2021, and he played in only 11 games in 2022.

Dupree, who had 39 1/2 sacks in Pittsburgh, finished with only seven sacks over 22 games with Tennessee.

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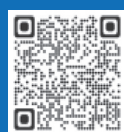
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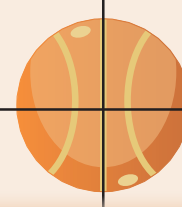
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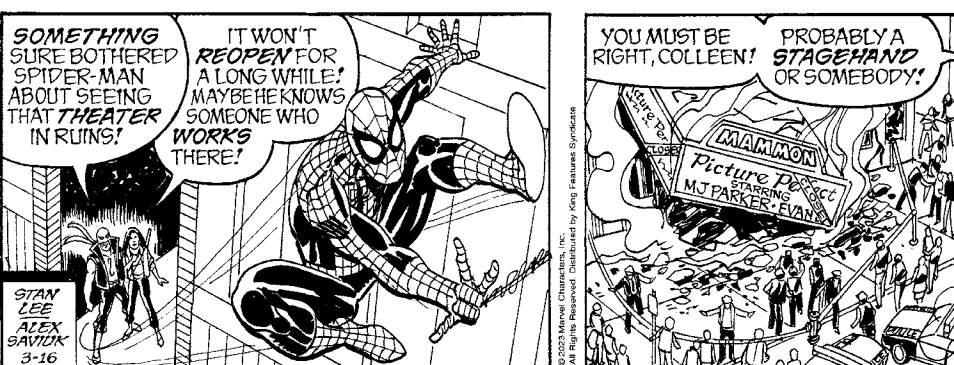
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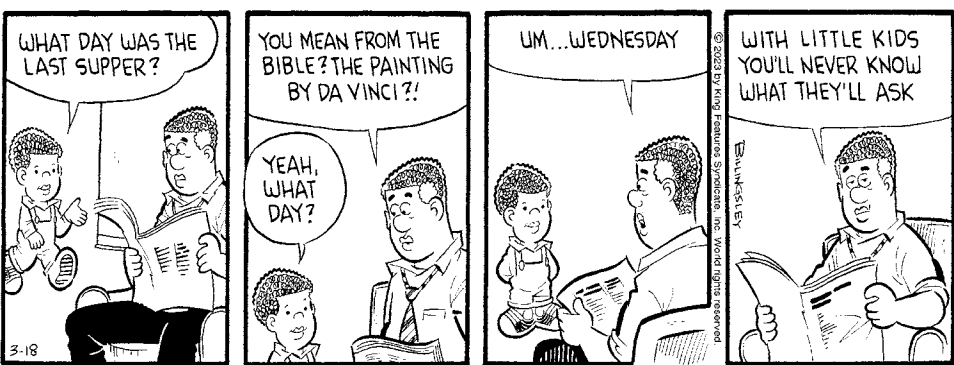
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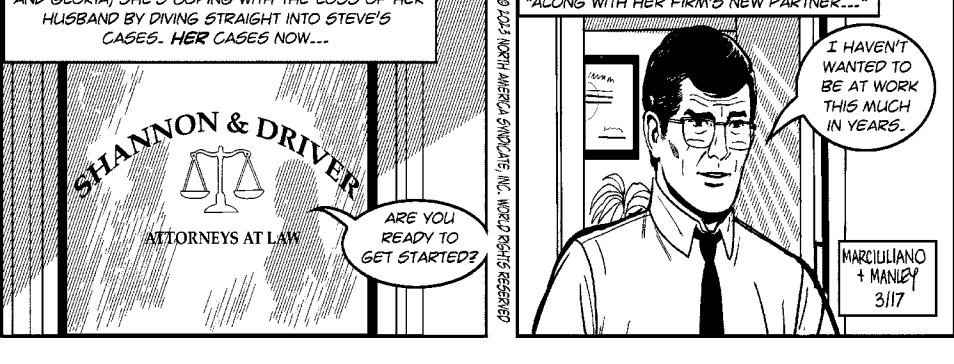
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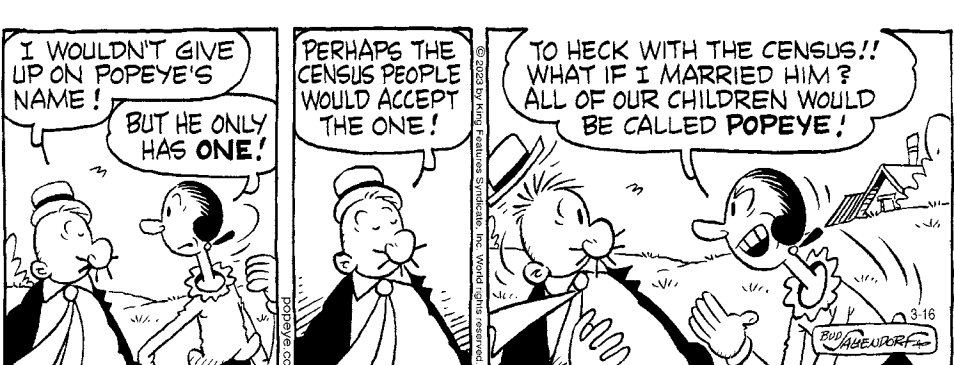
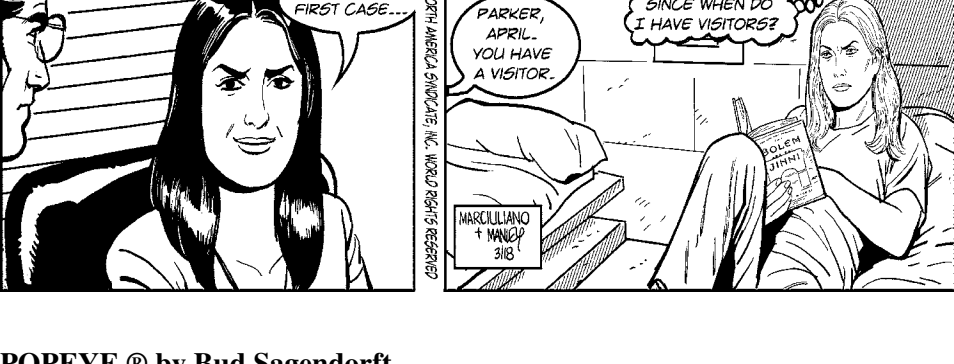
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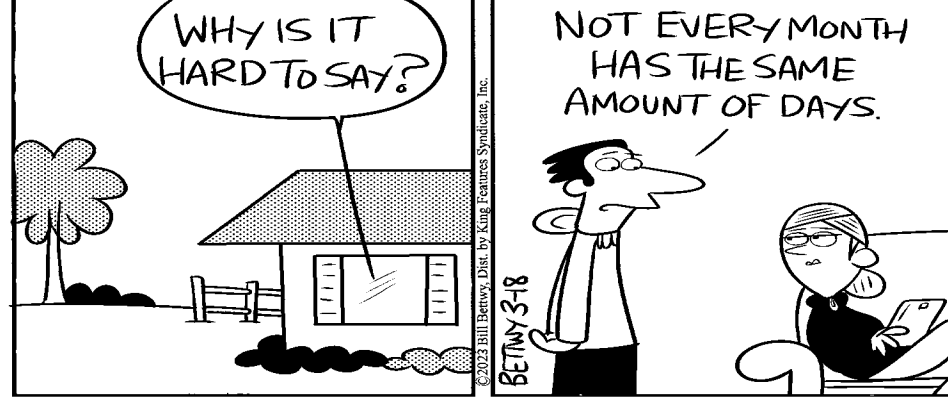


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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to peanuts.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 3 = O)

A. 14 23 3 22 16 21

Clue: We stand upon it

B. 14 23 3 12 8 4

Clue: Measured progress

C. 18 3 3 21

Clue: Sustenance

D. 1 23 3 8 6 20 16

Clue: Essential nutrient

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
6	9	4	5	7	2	3	1	8
1	5	8	6	4	3	9	7	2
7	2	3	1	8	9	6	5	4
8	4	9	3	2	1	7	6	5
5	3	7	8	6	4	2	9	1
2	1	6	9	5	7	4	8	3
9	7	1	4	3	8	5	2	6
3	8	5	2	9	6	1	4	7
4	6	2	7	1	5	8	3	9

ANSWER:

Answers: A. ground B. growth C. food D. protein

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TO: ZACK COOPER AMBRIE SPARKS STAGGS VS. REBECCA LAMASTUS VS. AMBRIE SPARKS STAGGS and ZACK COOPER In the Juvenile Court for Bedford County, Shelbyville, Tennessee Civil Action No. 2013-JV-27

It appearing from the Petition, which was sworn to, in the above-styled cause, that the residence of the Respondent, Zack Cooper, is unknown and cannot be ascertained upon diligent inquiry; he is hereby required to appear and answer or otherwise defend against the Petition of Ambrie Sparks Staggs, Counter-Petitioner, whose attorney is Pat M. Fraley, P.O. Box 18, 111 Main Avenue South, Fayetteville, Tennessee 37334, within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this Notice; otherwise, default judgement may be entered against him for the relief demanded in the Petition. It is further ordered that this Notice shall be published in the Shelbyville Times-Gazette for four (4) consecutive weeks, beginning February 25, 2023. Pat M. Fraley, #2585 Attorney at Law P.O. Box 18 111 Main Avenue South Fayetteville, TN 37334 (931) 433-6138 maudean@patmfraleylaw.com (Mar. 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2023)

NOTICE OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Note dated AUGUST 28, 2017, and the Deed of Trust of even date, securing said Note recorded AUGUST 30, 2017, in Book TD888, at Page 156-169, as Document #17005423 in the Register's office for BEDFORD County, Tennessee, executed by NATALY RIVERA and JORGE ENRIQUEZ, TENANTS IN COMMON, conveying the certain property described therein to SIGNATURE TITLE & SERVICES, LLC, Trustee, for the benefit of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS") AS BENEFICIARY, AS NOMINEE FOR FNB BANK, its successors and assigns and to MARINOSCI LAW GROUP, P.C., having been appointed as Successor Trustee by instrument of record MARCH 1, 2023, in the Register's office for BEDFORD County, Tennessee in Book TD1078, at Page 549-551, as Document #23001366.

WHEREAS, the owner and holder of the Note has declared the entire indebtedness due and payable and demanded that the hereinafter described real property be advertised and sold in satisfaction of

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indebtedness and costs of foreclosure in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Note and Deed of Trust. **NOW, THEREFORE**, notice is hereby given that an agent of Marinosci Law Group, P.C., as Successor Trustee, pursuant to the power, duty and authority vested in and conferred upon said Successor Trustee, by the Deed of Trust, will on April 18, 2023 at 11:00 AM at the Main Entrance of the Bedford County Courthouse in Shelbyville, Tennessee offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, and free from all legal, equitable and statutory rights of redemption, exemptions of homestead, rights by virtue of marriage, and all other exemptions of every kind, all of which have been waived in the Deed of Trust, certain real property located in Bedford County, Tennessee, described as follows: **LAND IN BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE, BEGINNING AT A METAL PIN AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT NO. 36, OF DEER POINT SUBDIVISION, SECTION II, AND A POINT AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF A 50.00 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY THAT LEADS TO DEER POINT ROAD (PLAT CAB. "A," ENV 254), AND BEING A POINT IN THE EAST LINE OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE LEAVING SAID SOUTH MARGIN WITH WEST LINE OF SAID LOT NO. 36, SOUTH 08° 24' WEST 300.00 FEET TO A METAL PIN AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT NO. 36, AND BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE LEAVING SAID SUBDIVISION, NORTH 81° 34' 55" WEST 338.65 FEET TO A FENCE CORNER POST AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE MARY ANDERSON, PAMELA DICKSON PROPERTY, AND BEING A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE, WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID ANDERSON, AND DICKSON PROPERTY, NORTH 81° 16' 52" WEST 296.59 FEET TO A FENCE CORNER POST AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE LEONARD RUCKER PROPERTY, AND THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE, WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID RUCKER PROPERTY, NORTH 08° 44' 36" EAST 344.99 FEET TO A METAL PIN IN FENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE, LEAVING SAID EAST LINE, SOUTH 81° 55' 13" EAST 583.18 FEET TO A METAL PIN; THENCE, SOUTH 08° 24' WEST 50.00 FEET TO A METAL PIN; THENCE, SOUTH 81° 36' EAST 50.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 5.01 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. INCLUDED IN THIS CONVEYANCE IS NATALY RIVERA'S RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST IN AND TO A 50 FOOT EASEMENT ALLOWING ACCESS TO A 50 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY RESERVED ON THE PLAT OF DEER POINT SUBDIVISION OF RECORD IN (PLAT CABINET "A," ENVELOPE 254), REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE. SAID 50 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS AKITA WAY, AND BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A METAL PIN AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT NO. 36, OF DEER POINT SUBDIVISION, SECTION II (PLAT CABINET "A," ENVELOPE 254), AND THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF A 50 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE, LEAVING SAID SUBDIVISION, AND RIGHT-OF-WAY, NORTH 81° 36' WEST 50.00 FEET TO A METAL PIN; THENCE, NORTH 08° 24' EAST 50.00 FEET TO A METAL PIN; THENCE SOUTH 81° 36' EAST 50.00 FEET TO A METAL PIN AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT NO.**

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35, AND THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF A 50.0 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE, SOUTH 08° 24' WEST 50.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING ALL OF A 50.00 FOOT BY 50 FOOT EASEMENT. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO ANNIE JEAN CANNADY AND VICKIE G. LEVERETTE AS JOINT TENANTS WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP, BY WARRANTY DEED FROM JOAN A. MARKOVITS, UNMARRIED, DATED SEPTEMBER 27, 1999, OF RECORD IN BOOK D233, PAGE 445, REGISTER'S OFFICE FOR BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE, VICKIE G. LEVERETT PRDCEASED ANNIE JEAN CANNADY LEAVING HER AS THE SURVIVING TENANT WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP. ANNIE JEAN CANNADY DIED TESTATE ON 2/12/16 AND BY LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF RECORD IN VILL BOOK 15, PAGE 417, CLEK AND MATER'S OFFICE FOR BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE PROPERTY HEREBY DESCRIBED WAS DEVEISTED TO CYNTHIA ANDERSON. BY EXECUTRIX'S DEED DATED 5/23/16 OF RECORD IN D331, PAGE 899, REGISTER'S OFFICE OF BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE, CYNTHIA ANDERSON, EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF ANNIE JEAN SKINNER CANNADY, CONVEYED THE SUBJECT PROPERTY TO CYNTHIA ANDERSON. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO NATALY RIVERA FROM CYNTHIA ANDERSON BY WARRANTY DEED DATED 8/28/17 AND RECORDED ON AUGUST 30, 2017, IN INSTRUMENT # 17005422, BOOK D339, PAGE 790, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE. More Commonly Known As: 101 AKITA WAY, UNIONVILLE, TN 37180 Said sale shall be held subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose; and subject to, but not limited to, the following parties who may claim an interest in the above-referenced property: JORGE ENRIQUEZ, NATALY RIVERA, OCCUPANTS/TENANTS OF 101 AKITA WAY, UNIONVILLE, TN 37180.

To the best of the Successor Trustee's knowledge, information, and belief, there are no other Federal or State tax lien claimants or other claimants upon the subject property which would require notice pursuant to the terms and provision of T.C.A. § 35-5-104 or T.C.A. § 67-1-1433 or 26 U.S.C. § 7425. The sale held pursuant to this Notice may be rescinded at the Successor Trustee's option at any time. The Successor Trustee may postpone the above referenced sale from time to time as needed without further publication. The Successor Trustee will announce the postponement on the date and at the time and location of the originally scheduled sale. This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be utilized for that purpose. Marinosci Law Group, P.C., Successor Trustee 555 Perkins Extended Suite 445 Memphis, TN 38117 Office: (901) 203-0680 Fax: (901) 440-0561 (Mar. 11, 18, & 25, 2023)

Request for Proposals Metal Fascia Painting at Liberty and Cascade Middle Schools Bid No. 23-28 Bid packages are available on the Bedford County website, bedfordcountyt.n.gov, or at the Bedford County Department of

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Finance, 200 Dover Street, Suite 102. **Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Friday, March 31, 2023. (Mar. 14 & 18, 2023)**

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The City of Shelbyville is accepting applications for the full-time position of Information Technology Director. This is currently a stand-alone position which provides end-user desktop/workstation support for all PC hardware, software, phone, cell phones, peripherals, printing and network issues. Travel to individual City department locations will be part of the responsibility of assisting those branches with their IT needs. This position is under the direction of the City Manager and will provide short-term and long-term operational planning for the city-wide information management needs.

The ideal candidate will have a minimum of two (2) years of experience performing networking and/or client/server work for a medium to large scale computer system under advanced operation systems. Please see job description for a complete list of requirements. This is a full-time salaried exempt position with a starting salary between \$61,405.00 - \$89,770.00, depending on experience and qualifications.

Applications and a copy of the complete job description may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours or download from the City website: www.shelbyvilletn.org. Application/job description must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 N. Spring Street, or emailed to stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org and will be accepted until position is filled.

The City of Shelbyville is an equal opportunity employer and a drug free workplace. Successful Applicants required to pass background check, physical and drug screen. Stacey Claxton, Human Resources Generalist (Mar. 14, 18, 21 & 25, 2023)

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The City of Shelbyville will be accepting applications for the position of full-time Operations Technician with the Shelbyville Municipal Airport. Minimal qualifications must include the following: 18 years of age or older, with High School Diploma or GED Equivalent and valid TN Driver's License. Aviation interest or background is desired, but not mandatory. This is a full-time position with an hourly rate of \$14.00. The City provides a comprehensive benefits package. Applications and complete job description may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours or download from the City website: www.shelbyvilletn.org. Applications must be returned to City Hall Administration Office, 201 North Spring Street or emailed to stacey.claxton@shelbyvilletn.org and will be accepted until position is filled.

The City of Shelbyville is a Drug Free Workplace and an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate with regard to race, color, sex, age, disability, or national origin. Successful applicants will be required to pass a background check, physical, and drug screen. Stacey Claxton, Human Resources (Mar. 18, 21, & 25, 2023)

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The Sub-Committee of members of the Shelbyville City Council and the Airport Authority Board will meet for a workshop on Monday, March 20, 2023, at 12:00 PM at the Shelbyville Municipal Airport, 2828 Highway 231 N., Shelbyville, Tennessee to discuss the MTSU Flight School Project. Lisa Smith, City Recorder (Mar. 18, 2023)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Bid No.: 023-01 BEDFORD COUNTY UTILITY DISTRICT 214 BETHANY LANE SHELBYVILLE, TN 37160 Separate sealed bids for the 2023 HALLS MILL ROAD WATER LINE IMPROVEMENTS will be received by Bedford

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County Utility District located at 214 Bethany Lane, Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160 until 10:00 A.M. local time on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, and then at said time and place publicly opened and read aloud. This project consists of the installation of approximately 13,000 linear feet of twelve (12) inch and six (6) inch diameter ductile iron pipe and appurtenances in Bedford County, Tennessee. The 2023 HALLS MILL ROAD WATER LINE IMPROVEMENTS Bid Package, Bid Form, Agreement, and other bidding instruments may be examined at the Bedford County Utility District. Copies of the bidding documents may be obtained at the office of BEDFORD COUNTY UTILITY DISTRICT for \$100 per seat.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in the bidding and to reject any or all bids. All bids must be made out on the Bid Form bound in the contract documents, and the Bid Form should not be detached from the contract documents. Bids will not be opened by Bidders who have not obtained the contract documents from the Owner. No Bidder may withdraw his bid within ninety (90) days after the actual date of the opening thereof. David Dickens, President Bedford County Utility District (Mar. 18, 2023)

The Shelbyville Municipal Planning Commission will meet on 03/23/2023 in a Regular Session at 6:00 PM, Police Department, 109 Lane Pkwy, Shelbyville, TN 37160. Call City Hall with questions 931-684-9001. Agenda: 1. Call to Order; 2. Roll Call; 3. Approval of Agenda; 4. Approval of Minutes from PC Meeting of February 23, 2023; 5. New Business:

A. Consideration for a site plan application for a trucking company located at the corner of Bethany Lane and Depot Street; B. Consideration for a site plan application for a building addition for a property located at 306 Bethany Lane; C. Consideration for a lot combination application to combine two parcels located on the northside of Brown Lane; D. Consideration for a lot combination application to combine two parcels located at corner of North Main Street and Moreland Drive; E. Consideration for a Preliminary Plat for Phase 4 of the Wheatfield Subdivision consisting of 46 residential lots; F. Consideration for a Final Plat for Building 11 of the Park Place Townhomes to create 8 attached residential units; G. Consideration for a rezoning application from the R-3 Medium Density Residential zoning district to the R-1 Low Density Residential zoning district for the back portion of a property fronting on Hendon Memorial Boulevard; H. Consideration for a rezoning application from the General Commercial (C-2) zoning district to Residential High Density (R-4) zoning district for a vacant property on the southside of Coloredo Boulevard;

I. Consideration for a Preliminary Plat for Phase 2 of the Stonegate Subdivision for 20 residential lots; J. Consideration for a Preliminary Plat for Phase 3 of the D&D Subdivision to create 5 residential lots; K. Consideration for a lot combination for two lots on the east side of Main Street; L. Consideration for a Preliminary plat for 27 lots for Global Manor Subdivision. Phase 12; 6. Adjourn. (Mar. 18, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Shelbyville Parks & Recreation Department is seeking applicants for the position of seasonal/part-time Summer Day Camp Leader. Applicants must be available to work May-July. Must be available 7:30am-5:30, Monday through Friday and 2-3 Saturday mornings for the season. Valid Tennessee driver's license required. Must be at least 16 years old to apply. This is a part-time/seasonal position with an hourly rate of \$12.00. Averages 20-25 hours per week. Applications and a complete job description may be picked up at City Hall during normal business hours or download from

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Public Notice to Owner and/or Lien Holder of Abandoned or Unclaimed Vehicles. These vehicles will be sold on March 30, 2023 at 9:00 am at Mike's Towing and Recovery, 833 North Jefferson Street, Shelbyville, TN 37160. To satisfy towing and storage charges if not claimed within 10 days of this notice.

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Seeking Alzheimer's clues from few who escape genetic fate

By LAURAN NEERGAARD AP Medical Writer

ST. LOUIS — Doug Whitney inherited the same gene mutation that gave Alzheimer's disease to his mother, brother and generations of other relatives by the unusually young age of 50.

Yet he's a healthy 73, his mind still sharp. Somehow, the Washington man escaped his genetic fate.

So did a woman in Colombia who dodged her own family's similar Alzheimer's destiny for nearly three decades.

To scientists, these rare "escapees" didn't just get lucky. They offer an unprecedented opportunity to learn how the body may naturally resist Alzheimer's.

"It's unique individuals oftentimes that really provide us with breakthroughs," said Dr. Eric McDade of Washington University in St. Louis, where Whitney's DNA is being scoured for answers.

The hope: If researchers could uncover and mimic whatever protects these escapees, they might develop better treatments — even preventive therapies — not only for families plagued by inherited Alzheimer's but for everyone.

"We are just learning about this approach to the disease," said neuropsychologist Yakeel Quiroz of Massachusetts General Hospital, who helped study the Colombian woman. "One person can actually change the world -- as in her case, how much we have learned from her."

Quiroz's team has a pretty good idea what protected Aliria Piedrahita de Villegas -- an additional genetic oddity that apparently countered the damage from her family Alzheimer's mutation. But testing showed Whitney doesn't have that protective factor so something else must be shielding his brain.

Now scientists are on the lookout for even more Alzheimer's escapees — people who may have simply assumed they didn't inherit their family's mutation because they're healthy long after the age their loved ones always get sick.

"They just think it's kind of luck of the draw and it may in fact be that they're resilient," said McDade, a researcher with a Washington University network that tracks about 600 members of multiple affected families — including Whitney, the escapee.

"I guess that made me pretty special. And they started poking and prodding and doing extra testing on me," the Port Orchard, Washington, man said. "I told them, you know, I'm here for whatever you need."

Answers can't come quickly enough for Whitney's son Brian, who also inherited the devastating family gene. He's reached the fateful age of 50 without symptoms but knows that's no guarantee.

"I liken my genetics to being a murder mystery," said Brian Whitney, who volunteers for Washington University studies that include testing an experimental preventive drug. "Our literal bodies of evidence are what they need to crack the case."

More than 6 million Americans, and an estimated 55 million people worldwide, have Alzheimer's. Simply getting older is the main risk -- it's usually a disease of people over age 65.

Less than 1% of Alzheimer's is caused by inheriting a single copy of a particular mutated gene. Children of an affected parent have a 50-50 chance of inheriting the family Alzheimer's gene. If they do, they're almost guaranteed to get sick at about the same age as their parent did.

That near certainty allows scientists to study these families and learn critical information about how Alzheimer's forms. It's now clear that silent changes occur in the brain at least two decades before the first symptoms — a potential window to intervene. Among the culprits, sticky amyloid starts building up, followed by neuron-killing tau tangles.

What happens instead in the brains of the resilient?

"That's why I'm here," said Doug Whitney, who for years has given samples of blood and spinal fluid and undergone brain scans and cognitive exams, in the hunt for clues. "It's so important that people in my situation come forward."

Whitney's grandparents had 14 children and 10 of them developed early-onset Alzheimer's. The first red flag for his mother: Thanksgiving 1971, when she forgot the pumpkin pie recipe she'd always made from memory.

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SPRING TRAINING CONFERENCE



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Mark McGee, left, and Autumn Marshall, representing Lipscomb University, were both speakers at the 30th Annual NINE Spring Training Conference in Tempe, Arizona. McGee's topic was "Crafting Baseball Legends: The Managerial Skills of Harry Craft". Craft was the first manager of Mickey Mantle and also managed Whitey Herzog and Roger Maris. All three credit Craft for helping their careers. Marshall's presentation was "Fuel Up To Play Nine: Sports Nutrition in College Baseball."

AG WEEK DISPLAY



Submitted photo

Bedford County Farm Bureau is celebrating National Ag Week March 19-25, and especially National Ag Day on March 21 by providing an "Agricultural Display" at the Bedford County/Shelbyville Public Library. The Bedford County Farm Bureau Women provide a display every year during the month of March showcasing different aspects of agriculture. Pictured are FBW Chairperson Connie Crafton and Vice Chairperson Rhonda Boyce.

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