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Rules Committee pushing Senior Tax Freeze proposal back to full Commission

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Local resident Anna Collier told County Rules Committee members Tuesday evening that she's one of many local seniors barely able to make ends meet due to high taxes and other costs. A disabled senior over the age of 65, she advised that Bedford County needs to help its local seniors with property tax costs.

She may have gotten her wish.

The Rules Committee moved to have one workshop meeting on Nov. 10 at 5 p.m., to re-discuss the senior tax freeze proposal.

The senior tax freeze topic by this action should be able to make its way back onto the December full Commission agenda.

Several County Commis-

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Bedford County Mayor Curt Cobb discussed briefly the proposed Senior Tax Freeze during the Rules Committee meeting Tuesday. His campaign included support for such a state-backed program. "It's going to be a lot of work . . . a challenge that can be met." He talked about how he supported such enabling legislation several years ago when he served in the Tennessee Legislature.

'I am encouraged to see the progress on the senior citizens' property tax freeze. I am optimistic that this will pass but we still need folks to reach out to their Commissioners and let them know they support it.'

—Eric Maddox, County Commissioner



Senior resident Anna Collier told Rules Committee Tuesday during public comment how "old folks are the backbone of Bedford County." She advised the County to do something about the high cost of living here for seniors. The Rules Committee discussed the proposed Senior Tax Freeze, which would prevent residents like Anna from having to pay any future increases in their property taxes. Anna said many residents are living on just a few thousand dollars a year after working hard all their lives.



FIVE GENERATIONS PAUSE FOR HISTORICAL MOMENT

Submitted Photo

Cassidy W. Heuvel recently shared with the T-G how her family had the wonderful opportunity to photograph five generations of women together, including her 96-year-old great-grandmother, Alice Mae, and her infant daughter, Caroline Mae. Caroline was named in honor of Alice Mae, who lovingly calls her "my namesake." The photograph features Alice holding Caroline; surrounded by Caroline's great-grandmother, Helene Harton (second-row, right), grandmother, Elizabeth Elam (second-row, left), and mother, Cassidy Heuvel (second-row, middle.) Alice says proudly that she is a long-time subscriber to the Times-Gazette.



LEADERSHIP BEDFORD HAS A DREAM

Michael Taylor spoke on behalf of the 2026-2027 Leadership Bedford Class during the Rules Committee meeting Tuesday.

A more pleasing area for tourists, locals, planned by new Leadership Bedford Class

No doubt, Leadership Bedford Class has dangled a tasty carrot in front of County officials. A present photo of North Spring Street behind the public square, near the historic Bedford County Jail vs a luscious park site was part of a presentation at County Committee meetings Tuesday.

Michael Taylor made a presentation about how the new Leadership Bedford Class wants to begin phase 1 of a possible 3 phases to revamp the area of downtown where the old historic jail sits and at the juvenile detention center. (A new juvenile detention center is now located in the area of the adult jail off Highway 231 North.)

The idea is to continue the work being done to make the old rock house jail a museum. But, spruce the area up surrounding it.

The group estimates the first phase of the project will be finished in April of 2027.

With the City of Shelbyville currently working on its half of that area through the Riverview District project, Taylor said it would only be fitting for the County to do this work as well on its property.

"Is this what you want tourists to see as they come into town on the way to Lynchburg?" he asked, showing the ill state of that area now.

The class, full of professionals this year with the obvious skills to get phase 1 done soon, note that the other phases would be left to County responsibility after 2027. That would include upkeep and maintenance on the part of Bedford County.

Taylor, a law enforcement officer, spoke of how he believes volunteers will want to step in and make this beautiful rendering a reality.

Taylor told Courthouse and Property Committee members that the class wants to dedicate this beautiful, new park area (currently AI rendered and known as Leadership Park) to the late Eugene Ray, who served as Bedford County Mayor for several years. Taylor said he was one of his valued mentors.

He further discussed how this property should first be used to help out non profits with fundraisers. He referred back to the late 1990s, when Leadership Bedford built the Celebration Station for children at H.V. Griffin Park.

"I think it's limitless, what it can do," said Taylor.

He shared how his own family dates back to the 1800s in Bedford County. He said now, the Leadership Bedford Class wants to leave a legacy for future generations.

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The October meeting and Fall Fashion Show of the Shelbyville Woman's Club was held last Wednesday at Bell Buckle Banquet Hall.

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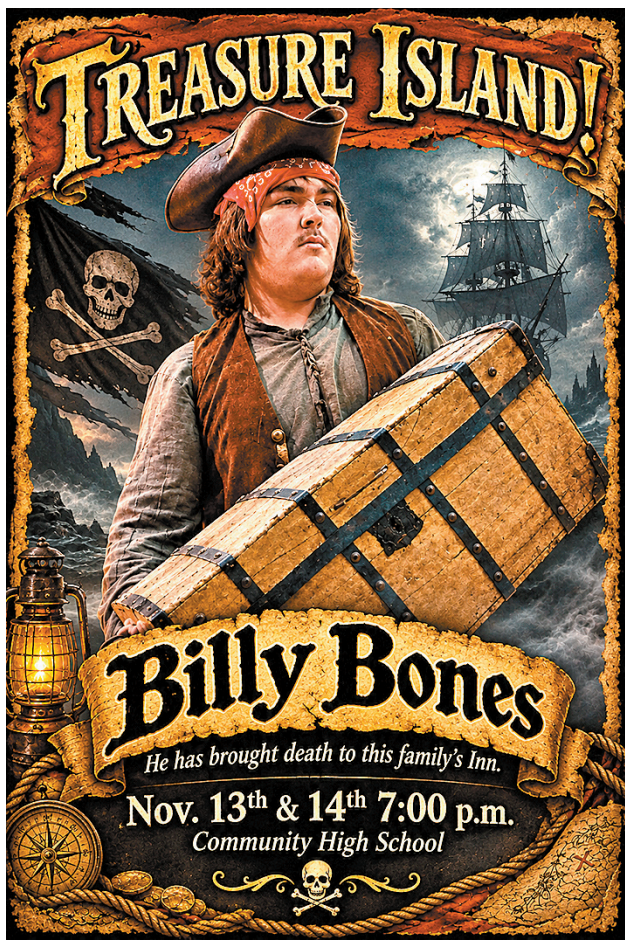
Lady Champs win over Richland Raiders

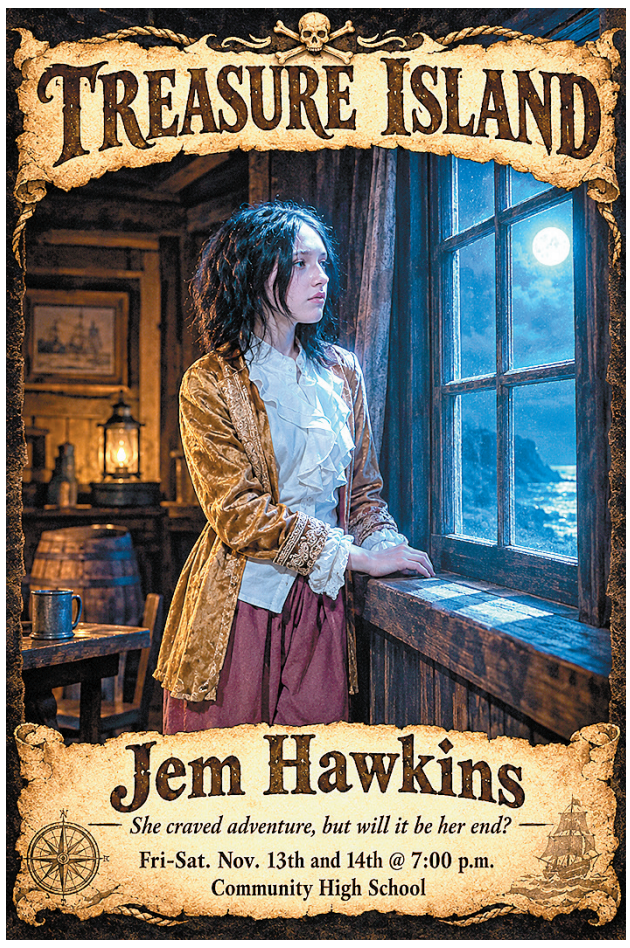
The Cascade Lady Champions continued their march back to State with a victory over the Richland Raiders.

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Community High's Smokestack Theatre brings "Treasure Island" to the stage

Some traditional pirates take on a different persona

The Robert Louis Stevenson novel "Treasure Island" is being adapted to the stage with Anthony Davis directing the Smokestack Theatre Group at Community High School. Show dates are Friday and Saturday, Nov 13 and 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Admission is $5 at the door of the Community High Auditorium.

The adaptation is unique, Davis notes, as it incorporates many females (as pirates), and including the main character, Jim Hawkins, who is now "Jem" Hawkins (played by senior Destiny Roaden.)

It's the story of Jem, a young girl who dreams of adventure and seeing foreign lands. She gets her wish when a strange man named "Billy Bones" (played by Brayden DeSanto) arrives at her mother's doorstep. Bones will carry a wild story...and a map...that may just lead to a buried treasure.

With that, Jem is off, accompanied by her mother's friend, Doctor Livesey, on a quest that will lead them straight into the path of the most blood-thirsty pirate to ever sail the seven seas, "Long John Silver" (played by Aaron Kight.)



SHELBYVILLE NATIVE ACHIEVES CHIEF NAVAL AIR CREWMAN

Cory Aaron Rogers a native of Shelbyville, recently achieved Chief Naval Air Crewman Operator. Cory is the son of the late Bobby Rogers and Bernice (Rogers) Mooneyham. Cory was a 2013 graduate of Shelbyville Central High School and joined the Navy September 5th 2013. He graduated boot camp November 1st 2013, he then went to Naval Aircrew Candidate School and graduated February 20th, 2014. On June 13, 2014, he married his high school sweetheart Emily Hope (Vincent) Rogers also of Bedford County. Cory then graduated AWA School June 25th, 2014, checked into VP-10 August 2015 in Jacksonville Florida. Cory has been deployed 3 times and been to more than 25 countries, he was direct support for the humanitarian disaster relief after hurricane Irma in 2017.

He then checked into Pensacola for instructor duty May 2020, he has earned 4 Navy achievement metals, 3 sea service deployment ribbons, 1 Navy Unit commendation metal, 1 battle E, 1 global war on terrorism medal, 1 military outstanding volunteer service medal, 4 good conduct ribbons, and 1 national defense ribbon. Cory and Emily have 4 children Isabella, Riley, Aaron and Adelina, they are currently in Texas waiting on orders for the next part of their journey. We appreciate your sacrifice for our country and are proud you are a native of Shelbyville.



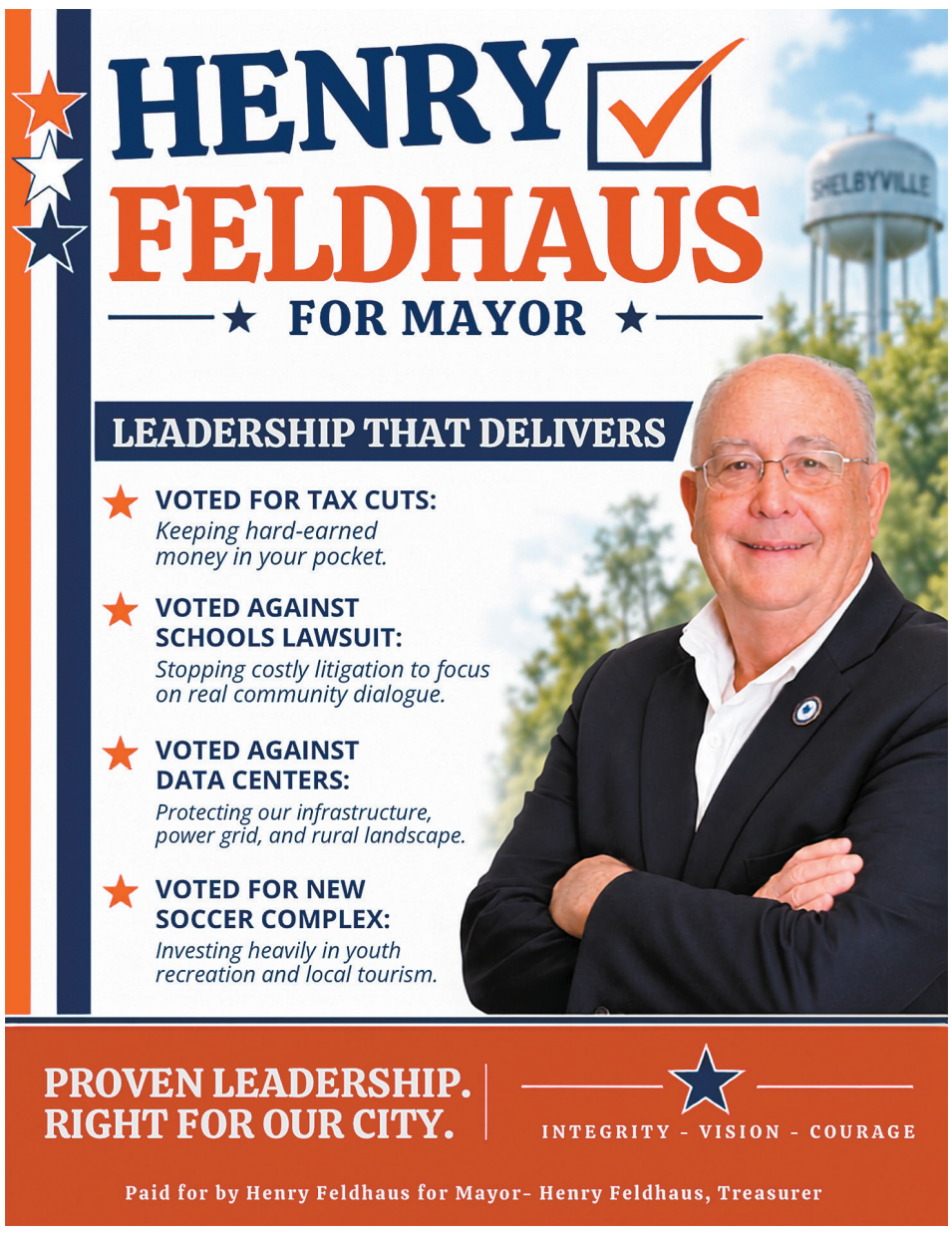
THE ISSUE

NEW COMMISSIONER SETS OUT TO STUDY SCHOOL TRAFFIC ISSUES

Commissioner Brian Bruce said during County Committee meetings Tuesday there are a lot of traffic woes at Bedford County Schools. However, on Tuesday, he focused on Cascade schools, which he said is one, if not the, worst. The area near the elementary school, off Fairfield Pike, has gotten very dangerous, he said. Public safety has also had a hard time servicing the area at times, given the traffic flow on two lane highway and one route out of the elementary school. He demonstrated his point with videos, though he said it doesn't compare to real time. It was also discussed that a team of educators, highway superintendent and more are being organized to study this problem. It is hoped that safety grants will help with expense of re-organizing the school traffic. One bus driver said it truly is a nightmare getting in and out of schools.







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Dear Editor:

America should be aware and concerned over the recent devastating riots and chaos occurring in France and soon to spread to other European countries. These riot and violent protests are but a precursor to what can very well happen in America if the far-left socialists/communist democrats win our midterm elections and gain a majority in congress. Until recent legislation and new immigration laws, France had a very liberal immigration program with open borders and free giveaways to the illegals entering her country, similar to Joe Biden's in the US, and one we are still paying the consequences for.

The violent protests in France have resulted in part of Paris and other cities being burned and property damage is massive yet the cowardly protesters backed by the liberal media still insist the "protests are peaceful and orderly." History shows that Adolf Hitler succeeded in controlling Germany as a totalitarian dictator and ruler of the Nazi party, reaching the pinnacle of his power as a result of similar protests and chaos among the depression era Germany populace and acceptance of his dictates as a sure winner for Germany. History also tells us the result of his reign that resulted in millions of lives lost during the course of WWII.

These current European protests are very well-organized and are financed and manned by socialists, communists and the Islamic Muslim brotherhood. Their goals are very obvious; take control of the countries they are active in and control the governments and reform them around religious persecution, socialists' goals and communism. It seems strange and saying that the so-called peaceful protesters are all wearing masks to hide their identity. If they are so pure in their thoughts and for peaceful demonstrations then why are they ashamed to show their faces? Could be because they are spineless cowards and afraid of the consequences if their unlawful acts should fail.

Here in the US the liberal socialist-controlled Democrat party is bent on the same goals as that of European protests. Obtain a congressional majority and then make every attempt to install socialist/communist rule by opening the borders, abolishing ICE, padding the SCOTUS and defunding police forces so that they are inefficient in curtailing and preventing crime. If this assessment sounds like fantasy and "can't/won't-happen-in America" then read the political speeches and platform all the US liberal democrat candidates are running on. Most certainly they will do their utmost to disrupt America with their outlandish political promises. And the so-called moderate democrats are supporting this ultra socialist liberal wing of them partly by remaining silent and raising nary a voice in protest at the lies and innuendos voiced by their brothers. And rest assured they will also immediately start impeachment proceedings against Trump, and even if such is doomed to failure, there will be an inordinate amount of wasted legislature time and taxpayer money spent.

So be aware America, we need to vote against all these liberal doomsayers and send them back to whatever hole they crawled from in an attempt to place America in the losing situation as Europe.

Charles David Sliger
Shelbyville

Always the lesser of two evils

The Republican Party is not perfect (There is no perfect organization on this planet); however, when heading into the voting booth this fall, I hope you will consider voting for our Republican candidates. Here's why: From 2020-2024, the democrats opened the border and allowed an invasion of millions of foreign citizens. Opening the border was a crime of epic proportions. Amongst these hordes of unvaccinated illegal aliens, were thousands of dangerous unvetted criminals, which resulted in harmed Americans - murders, rapes, fentanyl deaths, child trafficking, chaos, etc...

The purpose behind the democrat's open border policy is even more sinister. It wasn't for compassion for needy foreigners, rather it was for political power - to import citizens of foreign nations to come here illegally, to get them to vote illegally, spread them throughout the homeland, then trust they would vote for free stuff (aka vote for democrat candidates) once naturalized. Bottom line - the democrats are eager to sacrifice American lives and bring chaos upon us, all for the sake of future political power. And sad to say, most democrats continue to advance this treasonous foreign invasion.

Thankfully, the Republicans were elected to power in 2024, and immediately secured the border, then they started the painful, expensive, and dangerous task of capturing and deporting the illegals that the democrats ushered into our homeland.

Most Americans are for legal immigration. Americans are the progeny of immigrants. My grandfather immigrated legally from Sweden in 1917. My other ancestors came from Scotland, England, Denmark, and Ireland from the 1600's to the 1800's – ALL LEGALLY. Every nation should have guarded borders and decide who comes in. In addition, we are $40,300,000,000,000 in debt. We can barely afford the social security safety nets for our own citizens let alone millions of invading foreigners.

So, why vote Republican? Because Republicans stand for the rule of law, secure borders, voter integrity, legal immigration and keeping our communities safe. The Democrats stand with the foreign invaders over American citizens.

Greg Sandlin
Tullahoma

FREEZE

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sioners still openly support the senior tax freeze, including Anita Epperson who did a lot of leg work this week getting information out to new Commissioners.

As well, new Commissioner Michael Gregory told Rules members that it was time to get the senior tax freeze proposal back on the table. Why? Because constituents have requested it be so, he told Rules members Tuesday.

A few Commissioners felt that some more committee meetings/studies should be conducted in an effort to give several newly elected Commissioners, and the public, an opportunity to ask vital questions.

Others said all the information has been provided to those new Commissioners. As well, a recent committee met for several months to study and gather all info and present to the public.

Commissioner Diane Neeley said it was time to move on and pass the Senior Tax Freeze on to the full Commission and "stop beating it to death."

Many of the Commissioners who voted against the tax freeze earlier this year have now retired and the Commission now includes several new members.

There was a lot of disappointment in and out of the historic courtroom earlier this year when the former Commission body voted 9:8 against the proposed senior property tax freeze. One commissioner abstained from the vote. Several of those voting against the proposal said the timing was off and were concerned about the budget impact.

Many of those on the Finance Committee believed it was just too large of a financial burden on those under age 65 and non-qualifiers of the program. Basically, in 10 years, many here would be left holding a $2-million fiscal note, some finance committee members advised.

Having talked with County Trustee Tonya Davis, Commissioner Epperson said Tuesday that the word is their office, and the Property Assessor's Office, are willing to take on the senior tax freeze, if any burden, this year and do the work required. But a new employee would need to be hired, included in the County budget, for any work thereafter.

This seemed to be a key to further moving the senior tax freeze proposal on Tuesday, given expense of new employees and budget burdens have clouded the state-back proposal.

How does the senior tax freeze work? Remember, it's not the same as the senior tax relief program already administered by the Trustee's office.

With a freeze, basically, there would be no more property tax increases for an estimated 700 more people over the age of 65. Their income level has to be $43,780 or less. The Commission, had it voted for the freeze earlier this year, could have also moved the income guideline to the state's highest permissible amount of income to $63,470.

Now, the Commission is going to have to move expediently, that is, if it wants to help its senior age constituents in the coming tax year. That has to be done legally by December for the senior tax freeze to be attached to next property tax year.

Newly elected Commissioner Brent Smith, who was absent for Tuesday's Rules meeting, first brought forward the idea of a Senior Property Tax Freeze several years ago during his Commission term. Now, most area counties now have it on the books for seniors over 65 who qualify within the income limits.

Last year, Commissioner Eric Maddox re-proposed the issue, along with Shelbyville City Councilmember Josh Blevins. The City is expected to follow suit with the approval of Senior Tax Freeze, if the Commission accepts it in December.

Commissioner Maddox said when it was defeated this summer that he knew the proposal wasn't really dead in the water and planned to reignite the senior tax freeze at some point in the future. This time, those supporting Commissioners moved it to Rules.

Maddox told the T-G Wednesday, "I am encouraged to see the progress on the senior citizens' property tax freeze. I am optimistic that this will pass but we still need folks to reach out to their Commissioners-let them know they support it."

He added, "The citizens that this program will protect deserve the peace of mind, knowing that their property taxes will not go up, if there ever was a tax increase. Many of these folks are on fixed incomes and have already paid their fair share (and more) to this great County. It's past time that we do what's right and help them. It's simply the right thing to do."

Maddox said he will continue to educate the public, along with Blevins. One thing they make very clear to seniors over 65, this senior tax freeze does not forgo responsibility for their property taxes. It only helps with any future property increases they might encounter.

Qualifying homeowners continue to pay their established amount, but that amount is generally protected from future increases as long as they continue to meet the requirements.

For 2026, the standard income limit calculated for Bedford County is $43,780, while Tennessee law also allows a higher local-option limit of $63,470.

When the proposal returns to the agenda in December, Commissioners will again have to weigh all their options.



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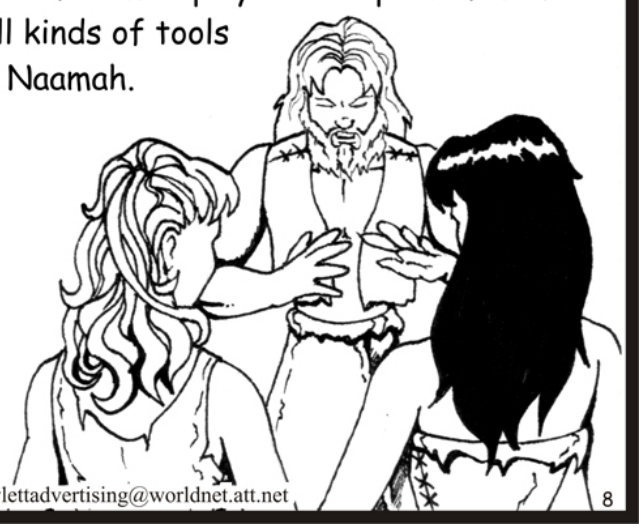
TRUTH IN SCRIPTURE



Cain's Descendants

In the land of Nod, Cain found a wife. The following is reported concerning Cain's descendants in Genesis 4: 17ff: Cain lay with his wife, and she became pregnant and gave birth to Enoch. Cain was then building a city, and he named it after his son Enoch. 18 To Enoch was born Irad, and Irad was the father of Mehujael, and Mehujael was the father of Methushael, and Methushael was the father of Lamech. 19 Lamech married two women, one named Adah and the other Zillah. 20 Adah gave birth to Jabal; he was the father of those who live in tents and raise livestock.

21 His brother's name was Jubal; he was the father of all who play the harp and flute.
22 Zillah also had a son, Tubal-Cain, who forged all kinds of tools out of [g] bronze and iron. Tubal-Cain's sister was Naamah.



23 Lamech said to his wives,
"Adah and Zillah, listen to me;
wives of Lamech, hear my words.
I have killed [h] a man for wounding me,
a young man for injuring me.
24 If Cain is avenged seven times,
then Lamech seventy-seven times."

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Obituaries

Rachel Marie Hazelwood



Rachel Marie Hazelwood, 62, of Shelbyville, Tennessee, passed away peacefully in the comfort of her home on October 18, 2026.

Born on May 27, 1964, to the late Cecil Harrell and Mary Farliss Harrell, Rachel was a devoted wife, loving mother, cherished grandmother, sister, and friend. She shared 34 wonderful years of marriage with the love of her life, David Lee Hazelwood. Together, they enjoyed dancing and making lasting memories with family and friends.

Rachel is survived by her sister, Kathy Mongeau (John); her brother, Danny Harrell (Glenda); her sons, Christopher Stewart and Michael Lee Harrell (Annah Claire Wisdom); her daughter, Melissa Warren (Chaz); and her beloved grandchildren, Ashton Harrell, Brayden Wisdom, Bentlee Harrell, Kaleigh Warren, Lyam Warren, Neo Warren, Atreus Warren, Mazzi Warren, and Val Stewart.

Rachel found joy in spending time with friends at the Senior Citizens Center, watching Law & Order, and embracing the simple pleasures of life. Her favorite hobbies included collecting butterflies, creating beautiful diamond paintings, playing bingo, and shopping with her sister.

Above all, she always looked forward to spending time with her children and grandchildren, who brought immense happiness and meaning to her life.

She will be remembered for her kind heart, warm smile, and unwavering love for her family.

Rachel's gentle spirit touched the lives of many, and she never missed an opportunity to share laughter, encouragement, and compassion with those she loved.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, October 23, 2026, at Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Chapel in Shelbyville, Tennessee. Visitation will begin at 11:00 a.m., with services following at 2:00 p.m.

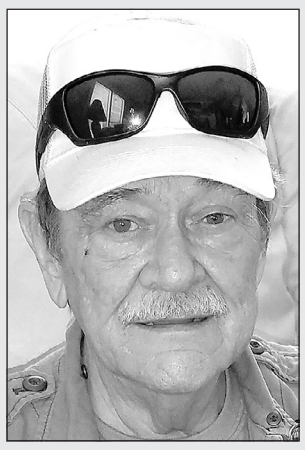
Interment will take place afterward at Logan Cemetery in Bradyville, Tennessee.

Rachel's greatest joy in life was her family. She treasured every moment spent with her children and grandchildren, creating memories that will be cherished forever. Though she will be deeply missed, her loving spirit, beautiful smile, and the countless lives she touched will forever remain in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Rachel Hazelwood Funeral Fund through Venmo, @Rachel-Hazelwood-10. Any contribution, no matter the amount, will be deeply appreciated and will help honor her memory. The family is grateful for the kindness, prayers, and support extended by friends and loved ones during this difficult time.

Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Chapel is honored to be serving the family of Rachel Marie Hazelwood.

Harold Randall Crowson



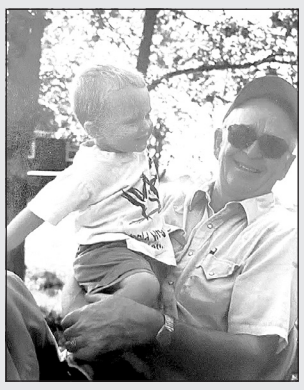
Harold Randall Crowson passed from this life on Sunday, June 7, 2026, just 12 days short of his 77th birthday. Randall was born in Madison, Tennessee and was the eldest son of Harold Benjamin Crowson and Hazel Ruth (Freeman) Crowson. After graduating from Central High School in Shelbyville, he joined the U.S. Army and served 20 years, retiring as a staff sergeant in the Signal Corps. During his service he had many assignments in the U.S., Germany and Korea. After retiring, he worked many years for GTE and ultimately General Dynamics in various stateside locations, but primarily in Cairo, Egypt.

Randall is survived by his wife, Florita, of the Philippines where he resided. He is also survived by a son, Tracy (Kelly) of North Carolina and a daughter Leadona of Ohio. He has five grandchildren, Morgan, Collin, Luna, Conner and Hailey. Randall is also survived by two brothers, Gary and David and a half-sister, Marilyn.

Randall was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Wyane, Philip and Terry.

Interment will be in the Philippines.

Boyd Elkins Melton



Boyd Elkins Melton, age 91, of Shelbyville, passed this life Wednesday, October 14, 2026. He was born August 19, 1935 in Woodbury, TN., to the late William and Alta Melton. He is also preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Johnson Melton; son, Steven Jay Melton; and brothers, Bratton Melton and W.J. Melton.

Boyd retired from Pepsi Cola and spent many years as a trainer for Walking Horses.

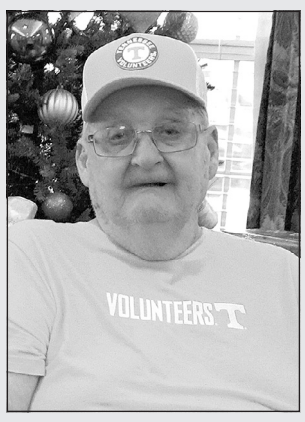
He proudly served his country in the United States Army. Boyd loved spending time with his family and friends but most especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. Before his illness, he also enjoyed attending horse shows.

He is survived by his son Jeffrey Melton; grandchildren, Sydney Melton (Kain White-Conley) and Reed Melton (Julie); and great-grandchildren, Kai White Conley, Kato White-Conley, and Blakly Melton.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. Tuesday, October 20th at Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Chapel. Graveside service with military honors will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 24th at Lebanon Laurel Hill Cemetery in Cleveland, TN., with Brother Eric Geren officiating.

Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Chapel is honored to be serving the family of Boyd Elkins Melton.

Billy Witt Watson



Billy Witt Watson 80 of Lynchburg, TN. died October 17, 2026.

Funeral Services will be held 2:00 P.M. Thursday, October 22nd, at Hillcrest Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Crowell's Chapel Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 12:00 P.M. prior to service.

He was born March 24, 1946, in Huntland, TN., to his parents, the late Adnes Watson and Helen Irene Dodson Alford. He was a retired truck driver for the City of Tullahoma and a member of the Baptist Church.

Billy was an avid U.T. Vols Fan. He loved music, especially playing the drums; four wheeling, fishing, hunting, gardening and loved going to the mountains where he was born. He was a beloved husband, father and grandfather who was happiest when he was enjoying being with his family.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Martha Elizabeth Neal Watson; a grandson, Cody Wayne Reed; sister, Nellie Sue Thompson; brothers, Richard Glenn Watson and Dennis Paul Watson.

Billy is survived by his children, Elizabeth "Bonnie" Crabtree (Jeff), Ellen Bailey and Billie Jo Pursley (James); sisters, Mattie Marie Prince, Sarah Irene Watson; brothers, Danny Lynn Watson, Roger Adnes Watson; six grandchildren, Tabitha Crosslin, Ashley Certain, Kirsten Stevens, Calah Stevens, Gage Throneberry, Jared Acklen and 15 great-grandchildren.

Hillcrest Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Death Notices

Ethan Woodson Adgent Patterson

Ethan Woodson Adgent Patterson passed away October 18, 2026, at the age of 21. Ethan is survived by his mother, Cayla Journey (Richard); father, Matt Patterson; grandparents, Steve Adgent (Rose), BoNanner and Pops, and Ethel Patterson. Lawrence Funeral Home in Chapel Hill is in charge of arrangements.

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Permit revocation discussed at Shelbyville cafe after repeat violation

Pope's Cafe scores 73; raw steak found stored on blueberries for a second time

An inspector discussed permit revocation with Pope's Cafe, 120 E. Public Square, after finding raw steak stored on top of a container of blueberries in a reach-in cooler for the second consecutive inspection. The restaurant scored 73, the lowest of eight Bedford County inspections during the week of October 6 through 12.

The steak was embargoed. According to the report, this is the second consecutive time the violation has been marked, and permit revocation was discussed with the establishment.

The inspector also observed a line cook fail to wash his hands before putting on gloves, which was corrected and discussed, and found no soap or towels at the kitchen hand sink. Chemical bottles were hanging on a shelf with clean dishes in the dish room, also corrected on site.

Other citations included multiple items in a cooler without proper date marking, frozen steaks thawing in a container of standing cold water, a large gap at the bottom of the back door, a torn reach-in door gasket, food splatter in the microwave, and walls, floors and ceiling in poor repair throughout the kitchen.

No other Bedford County establishment scored below 99 during the week.

Two establishments scored a perfect 100: Webb School Cafeteria, 319 Webb E. Rd., Bell Buckle, in a follow-up October 8, and the Tennessee Fire and Codes Academy, 2161 Unionville-Deason Rd., the same day.

La Guerrerense was inspected twice October 8. Its mobile unit at 3928 Hwy. 41-A North, Chapel Hill, scored 99 for no drain boards at the three-compartment sink, and its restaurant at 3378 US-41A, Unionville, scored 99 for uncovered sauces in a reach-in cooler.

Dolittle Brew, 365 Clardy Rd., Unionville, scored 99 October 7, and Koffee Beanz, 300 North Brittain, Suite C, Shelbyville, scored 99 October 6 for work aprons hanging with tie strings touching the ground. The Coffee Break, 121 South Side Square, cleared a follow-up at 99.

Inspection reports are public record. Complete reports for all Tennessee establishments are available at inspections.myhealthdepartment.com/tennessee.

This Week's Inspections at a Glance

Bedford County health inspections, October 6-12, 2026. Source: Tennessee Department of Health.

La Guerrerense (mobile unit) — 3928 Hwy. 41-A North, Chapel Hill. Food service, routine, October 8 — **Score: 99**

No drain boards at three-compartment sink.

Webb School Cafeteria — 319 Webb E. Rd., Bell Buckle. Food service, follow-up, October 8 — **Score: 100**

No violations noted.

La Guerrerense Restaurant — 3378 US-41A, Unionville. Food service, routine, October 8 — **Score: 99**

Sauces uncovered in reach-in cooler.

Tennessee Fire and Codes Academy — 2161 Unionville-Deason Rd., Bell Buckle. Food service, routine, October 8 — **Score: 100**

No violations noted.

Dolittle Brew — 365 Clardy Rd., Unionville. Food service, routine, October 7 — **Score: 99**

No thermometer in drive-thru refrigerator.

Koffee Beanz — 300 North Brittain, Suite C, Shelbyville. Food service, routine, October 6 — **Score: 99**

Work aprons hanging where tie strings are touching the ground.

The Coffee Break — 121 South Side Square, Shelbyville. Food service, follow-up, October 6 — **Score: 99**

Item marked out of compliance, no detail given: approved thawing methods used.

Classifieds

YARD SALES

Estate Sale
202 Blain Circle
Saturday, 10/24, 8-3
Sunday, 10/25, 12-4
Also joining in is
Morgan Springs Estate
Neighborhood Yard Sale

YARD SALE
1190 Horse Mountain Road
Thursday-Friday, 7-4
Saturday, 7-12
Too many items to list

Yard Sale all week until Sunday
549 Thompson Rd, Unionville
Lots of new tools, an electric mountain bike and miscellaneous items.

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NOTICES

ABANDONED VEHICLE NOTICE

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2012 Dodge Avenger-1C3CDZAG5CN255949

2010 Chevrolet Camaro-2G1FB1EV9A9191836

2012 Chevrolet Cruze-1G1PE5SC9C7173718

2001 Toyota Corolla-2T1BR12EX1C514524

1996 Honda Accord-1HGCD5638TA119513

2020 Nissan Versa-3N1CN8BV9LL866005

2004 Ford Explorer Sport Trac-1FMZU77KX4UB80061

2008 Toyota Highlander-JTEDS43A782005229

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Shelbyville Employees' Benefits Review Committee will meet on Tuesday, October 27, 2026 at 9:00 AM in Council Chambers, Building, Codes and Planning Department, 100 N. Cannon Blvd., Shelbyville, TN to discuss various benefits of the Employees of the City of Shelbyville.

Please refer to the City of Shelbyville's website (www.shelbyvilletn.org) for any meeting updates. A full Agenda with specific subject matter will be posted at least 48 hours prior to the meetings.

Lisa Smith, City Recorder

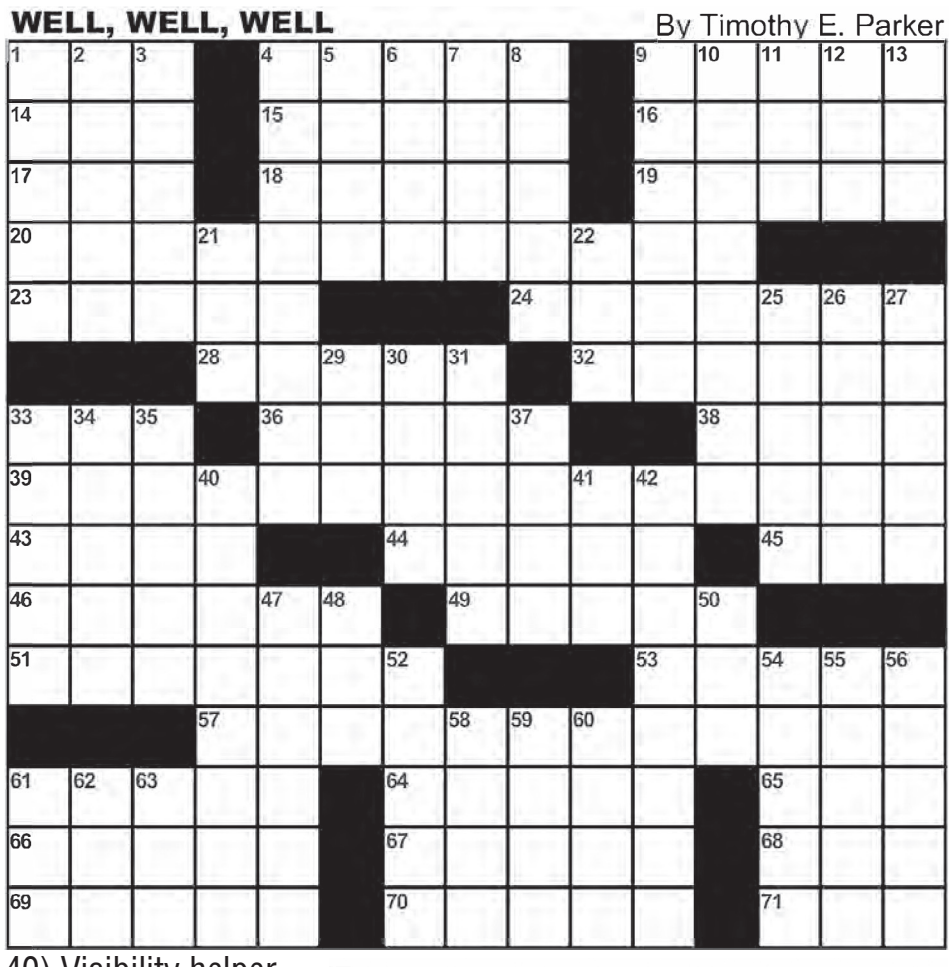
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CLUES ACROSS

1) Keg spigot
4) Window parts
9) Musical exercise
14) Valuable rock
15) Move very gradually
16) Huge ship
17) Major network
18) Crew member
19) Express audibly
20) Totally prepared
23) Crime committed with bad lighting?
24) Pizza fractions, often
28) Court figure, briefly
32) Honeybunch alternative
33) Parenthesis, essentially
36) Mixtures or medleys
38) Akin to
39) Apt end to a peaceful day
43) ___-bodied
44) Ogre's lack
45) Medicos, briefly
46) One who has your home covered?
49) Device in the beauty salon
51) Section of a lyric poem
53) Cheese chunk
57) Treat for a babysitter
61) Set straight, as tires
64) Comparatively sicker
65) Kiwi's extinct relative
66) Like Swiss cheese
67) Like some sugar units
68) Pothook shape
69) Bit of severe weather
70) Some freshwater ducks
71) "Just as I predicted!"

CLUES DOWN

1) Island nation east of Fiji
2) Ann___, Mich.
3) River to the Rio Grande
4) City in Pennsylvania
5) Clothes presser
6) Bawdy
7) Lecherous gaze
8) Bender
9) Gunk
10) It's tough to fight, it's said
11) Picnic pest
12) Director Spike
13) Human thing to do, it's said
21) Cuban couple
22) Word with "first" or "band"
25) Attempted
26) Boy Scout, at times
27) Oozes
29) Certain Ivy Leaguer
30) Approaching, poetically
31) ___ and aahed
33) Some culture mediums
34) Automaton
35) Amber, for one
37) Name on a billboard
40) Visibility helper
41) __ Lanka (Ceylon)
42) Shop VIPs
47) Item name derived from a person
48) P on a frat house
50) Gun, as an engine
52) Pronouncement
54) Some coins
55) Barnyard honker
56) Clear a blackboard
58) Down in the dumps
59) Isle of exile for Napoleon
60) Command to a dog
61) Sounds of understanding
62) Auction offering
63) U.N. workers protection gp.



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Sudoku

Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 thru 9.
If you use logic, you can solve the puzzle without guesswork.
Need a little help? The answers are below.

EASY

		9		6	5			
6			3		4		5	
5	7					1		3
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INTERMEDIATE

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			4		5			
	7					3		
	1	3				8	6	
	6			7	8	4		
					6			

NOVICE

3				8	5			7
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4		6				8	1	
				7	8			
	6	8				7	3	
			3	5				
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EASY

8	5	4	3	2	6	1	7	9
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INTERMEDIATE

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

NOVICE

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

INTERMEDIATE



NOVICE



SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

Sale at public auction will be on November 19, 2026 at 11:00AM local time, at the south door, Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Amber Stemple, to Yale Riley, Trustee, as trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") as nominee for Quicken Loans, Inc., its successors and assigns on November 1, 2018 at Book TD917, Page 831, Instrument No. 18007454; conducted by LLG Trustee TN LLC, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Bedford County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.

Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: Rocket Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns.

The real estate located in Bedford County, Tennessee, and described in the said Deed of Trust will be sold to the highest call bidder. The terms of the said Deed of Trust may be modified by other instruments appearing in the public record. Additional identifying information regarding the collateral property is below and is believed to be accurate, but no representation or warrant is intended.

Street Address: 203 Taylor Creek Lane, Chapel Hill, Tennessee 37034

Parcel Number: 025P A 010.00

Current Owner(s) of Property: Amber Stemple

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded Plat or Plan; any unpaid taxes and assessments; any restrictive covenants, easements or setback lines that may be applicable; rights of redemption, equity, statutory or otherwise, not otherwise waived in the Deed of Trust, including rights of redemption of any government agency, state or federal; and any and all prior deeds of trust, liens, dues, assessments, encumbrances, including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; any defects, adverse claims and other matters that may take priority over the Deed of Trust upon which this foreclosure sale is conducted or are not extinguished by this Foreclosure Sale; all claims or other matters, whether recorded or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: any judgment creditor or lien holder with an interest subordinate to the said Deed of Trust or any party claiming by, though, or under any of the foregoing. Such parties known to the Substitute Trustee may include: Bank of America.

Terms of Sale will be public auction, for cash, free and clear of rights of homestead, redemption and dower to the extent disclaimed or inapplicable, and the rights of Amber Stemple, and those claiming through him/her/it/them.

Any right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are waived in accord with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The right is reserved to postpone or adjourn the sale to another time certain or to another specified date, time, and location certain, without further newspaper publication upon announcement by posting with the third-party internet posting company and announcing on the date, time, and location of each sale set forth above or any subsequent postpone or adjourned date, time, and location of sale; provided, however if the sale is postponed or adjourned for less than five (5) days after the original sale, announcement by internet posting is not required.

If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to LOGS Legal Group LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy. The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title.

THE PROPERTY IS SOLD WITHOUT ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, RELATING TO TITLE, MARKETABILITY OF TITLE, POSSESSION, QUIET ENJOYMENT OR THE LIKE AND FITNESS FOR A GENERAL OR PARTICULAR USE OR PURPOSE. The title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

This Notice of Sale can be viewed online by Coast to Coast Posting at HTTPS://Coasttocoastposting.com

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File No. 26-127256 (10152tc)

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE`S SALE

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated February 10, 2025, executed by Charles Leeper, a single person, to Yale Riley as Trustee, for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for Rocket Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns, and appearing of record on February 14, 2025, in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, at Book TD1143, Page 613, and Instrument Number 25001037.

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to Rocket Mortgage, LLC, the party entitled to enforce said security interest; and having appointed Clear Recon LLC, the undersigned, as Substitute Trustee by instrument filed or being filed for record in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, with all of the rights, powers, and privileges of the original Trustee named in said Deed of Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable as provided in said Deed of Trust, and that the undersigned, Clear Recon LLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty, and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on December 8, 2026, at 11:00 AM, local time, at the main entrance of the Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, located in Shelbyville, Tennessee, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, paid at the conclusion of the sale, the following described property situated in Bedford County, to wit:

The land referred to herein below is situated in the County of Bedford, State of Tennessee, and is described as follows:

EXHIBIT A - LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Tax Id Number(s): 030 05300 000

Land situated in the County of Bedford in the State of TN

GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS A PARCEL OF REAL ESTATE SITUATED ON THE GROUND IN THE 5TH CIVIL DISTRICT OF BEDFORD COUNTY TENNESSEE SAID PARCEL IS GENERALLY, BOUND BY THE WALDRON PROPERTY ON THE WEST, BY THE BOWLING PROPERTY ON THE NORTH AND EAST, AND THE NORTH MARGIN OF UNIONVILLE-DEASON ROAD ON THE SOUTH, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

MAP 30, PARCEL 53.00 RECORDED IN THE REGISTERS OFFICE OF BEDFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE (R.O.B.C.,TN.) IN DEED BOOK 303, PAGE 929, AND IN PLAT CABINET A, PAGE 155 AS LOT 5 COMMENCING AT AN IRON PIPE FOUND, THENCE N 85° 45' 10" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 730.00' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; SAID POINT BEING AN IRON REBAR FOUND IN THE NORTH MARGIN OF UNIONVILLE DEASON ROAD, SAID REBAR HAVING COORDINATES OF NORTH 462970.56, EAST 1824636.60, AND BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF HEREN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; THENCE LEAVING SAID MARGIN, N 4° 14' 50"W, FOR A DISTANCE OF 340.00' TO AN IRON REBAR FOUND, BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; THENCE N 85° 45' 10" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 130.00' TO AN IRON REBAR FOUND WITH CAP STAMPED CAFFEY IN THE NORTH MARGIN OF SAID ROAD BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; THENCE S4°14' 50" E, FOR A DISTANCE OF 340.00' TO AN IRON REBAR FOUND WITH CAP STAMPED CAFFEY IN THE NORTH MARGIN OF SAID ROAD, BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; THENCE ALONG SAID MARGIN, S 85°45' 10" W, FOR A DISTANCE OF 130.00' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 1.01 ACRES, THIS ACCORDING TO A SURVEY BY SEC, INC. COMPLETED SEPTEMBER 17, 2021.

Commonly known as: 2477 Unionville Deason Rd, Bell Buckle, TN 37020-4556

THE PROPERTY ADDRESS AND TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER LISTED ARE PROVIDED SOLELY FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES

Being the same property conveyed to Charles Leeper, unmarried, by deed dated March 14, 2022 of record in Deed Book 372, Page392 Instrument/Case No. 22002405, in the County Clerk's Office.

Parcel ID: 030-053.00-000

Commonly known as 2477 Unionville Deason Rd Bell Buckle, TN 37020

The street address and parcel number(s) of the above described property are believed to be correct; however, such references are not a part of the legal description of the property sold herein, and, in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description herein shall control

This sale is subject to tenant(s)/occupant(s) rights in possession.

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory rights of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. In addition, the following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property: Charles Leeper, Estate/Heir(s) of Charles Leeper, Heather Leeper.

Notice of Sale Published On-line at HTTPS://BetterChoiceNotices.com

If the United States or the State of Tennessee have any liens or claimed lien(s) on the Property, and are named herein as interested parties, timely notice has been given to the applicable governmental entity, and the sale will be subject to any applicable rights of redemption held by the entity as required by 26 U.S.C. § 7425 and/or Tennessee Code § 67-1-1433.

All right and equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good; however, the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The transfer shall be AS IS, WHERE IS, AND WITH ALL FAULTS, and without warranties of any kind, express or implied, as to the condition of the Property and the improvements located thereon, including merchantability or fitness for particular purpose. Trustee shall make no covenant of seisin or warranty of title, express or implied, and will sell and convey the subject real property by Substitute Trustee's Deed only.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded by the Substitute Trustee at any time.

THIS OFFICE IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR AND IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Clear Recon LLC
Substitute Trustee
651 East 4th Street Suite 200
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37403
Phone: (877) 319-8840
File No: 1006-3006A
Newspaper: Shelbyville Times Gazette
Publication Dates: 10/22/2026, 10/29/2026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Robert Wayne Crowell, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on October 12, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Robert Wayne Crowell, who died 08/31/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 12th day of October 2026.

/s/ Meghan Brown, Executrix

/s/ Trisha L Henegar, Attorney

/s/ Angela Hayes, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (10222tp)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of William A. Woodall, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on October 6, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of William A. Woodall, who died 03/11/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 6th day of October 2026.

/s/Pamela Adams Woodall, Executrix

/s/ John T. Bobo, Bobo, Hunt & While, Attorney

/s/ Angela Hayes, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (10222tp)

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

Sale at public auction will be on December 8, 2026 at 11:00AM local time, at the south door, Bedford County Courthouse, 1 Public Square, Shelbyville, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Clinton W. Evans and Alicia B. Jones, to Glenn Balletto, Trustee, as trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation dba goodmortgage.com, its successors and assigns on January 13, 2021 at Book TD996, Page 590; conducted by LLG Trustee TN LLC, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Bedford County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.

Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: Rocket Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns.

The real estate located in Bedford County, Tennessee, and described in the said Deed of Trust will be sold to the highest call bidder. The terms of the said Deed of Trust may be modified by other instruments appearing in the public record. Additional identifying information regarding the collateral property is below and is believed to be accurate, but no representation or warrant is intended.

Street Address: 255 Fay Creek Road, Wartrace, Tennessee 37183

Parcel Number: 077 050.00

Current Owner(s) of Property: Clinton Wayne Evans

This sale is subject to all matters shown on any applicable recorded Plat or Plan; any unpaid taxes and assessments; any restrictive covenants, easements or setback lines that may be applicable; rights of redemption, equity, statutory or otherwise, not otherwise waived in the Deed of Trust, including rights of redemption of any government agency, state or federal; and any and all prior deeds of trust, liens, dues, assessments, encumbrances, including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; any defects, adverse claims and other matters that may take priority over the Deed of Trust upon which this foreclosure sale is conducted or are not extinguished by this Foreclosure Sale; all claims or other matters, whether recorded or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: any judgment creditor or lien holder with an interest subordinate to the said Deed of Trust or any party claiming by, though, or under any of the foregoing. Such parties known to the Substitute Trustee may include: Heritage South Community Credit Union.

Terms of Sale will be public auction, for cash, free and clear of rights of homestead, redemption and dower to the extent disclaimed or inapplicable, and the rights of Clinton W. Evans and Alicia B. Jones, and those claiming through him/her/it/them.

Any right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are waived in accord with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The right is reserved to postpone or adjourn the sale to another time certain or to another specified date, time, and location certain, without further newspaper publication upon announcement by posting with the third-party internet posting company and announcing on the date, time, and location of each sale set forth above or any subsequent postpone or adjourned date, time, and location of sale; provided, however if the sale is postponed or adjourned for less than five (5) days after the original sale, announcement by internet posting is not required.

If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to LOGS Legal Group LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy. The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title.

THE PROPERTY IS SOLD WITHOUT ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, RELATING TO TITLE, MARKETABILITY OF TITLE, POSSESSION, QUIET ENJOYMENT OR THE LIKE AND FITNESS FOR A GENERAL OR PARTICULAR USE OR PURPOSE. The title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

This Notice of Sale can be viewed online by Coast to Coast Posting at HTTPS://Coasttocoastposting.com

LLG Trustee TN LLC
Substitute Trustee
8520 Cliff Cameron Dr., Suite 330
Charlotte, NC 28269
Phone (704) 333-8107; Fax (704) 333-8156
File No. 26-127257 (10222tc)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Aaron W. Marsh, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that on October 7, of 2026 Letter of Administration in respect of the estate of Aaron W. Marsh, who died 08/07/2026, were issued to the undersigned by the Bedford County Chancery Court of Bedford County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and Non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 7th day of October 2026.

/s/Whitley E. Thompson, Administratrix

/s/ John T. Bobo, Bobo, Hunt & While, Attorney

/s/ Angela Hayes, Clerk and Master/Deputy Clerk (10222tp)

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SHELBYVILLE POWER,
WATER, AND SEWER BOARD
WILL MEET

October 27, 2026, AT 4:00 PM
AT THE SHELBYVILLE POWER
SYSTEM OFFICE,
308 SOUTH MAIN STREET.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO
ATTEND ANY AND ALL MEETINGS.

ANYONE DESIRING TO COMMENT TO
THE BOARD ON MATTERS GERMANE TO
THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA SHALL
CONTACT JASON REESE BY NOON ON
THE DAY BEFORE THE MEETING.

SHELBYVILLE POWER, WATER & SEWER BOARDS
931-684-7171

LEGAL NOTICE

The Shelbyville Housing Authority will hold a Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting on Wednesday, October 28 th , 2026 at 12:00 p.m. at the Tate Street Community Center in Shelbyville, Tennessee.

By: Jenni Feldhaus, Chairman

PUBLIC NOTICE:

The UT-TSU Extension Ag committee will meet on November 6th from noon to 1pm. The address is 2105 Midland Rd., Shelbyville, TN. For more information contact Matthew Deist at 931-684-5971 or by email at mdeist@utk.edu.

Ad Veritas: A Good Day to Be a Vol



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There are plenty of good ways to spend a Saturday afternoon, but having family over, eating a bowl of chili (or two) and watching Tennessee beat Alabama is pretty hard to improve upon.

My mother and brother came over to watch the game with us this year. After my recent experience standing for hours at the Texas game, watching this one from home had some advantages. Comfortable seating, good food and a considerably more satisfying outcome made for a great afternoon.

Tennessee's 26–10 victory was particularly enjoyable because of how the Vols earned it. This wasn't a last-second escape. Tennessee held Alabama scoreless in the second half and gradually took control of the game. It was fun watching our offensive and defensive lines push the Crimson Tide around instead of the other way around.

The numbers back that up. Alabama managed just 201 yards of total offense, including only 54 rushing yards. Tennessee recorded five sacks and forced four turnovers. Whatever reputation Alabama brought into Neyland Stadium, our defense was unimpressed by it.

On offense, DeSean Bishop carried the ball 32 times for 159 yards and two touchdowns. The drive that put the game away consumed nine minutes and 32 seconds of the fourth quarter—the longest drive of the Josh Heupel era. There is something deeply satisfying about watching your team keep moving the chains while the other team runs out of time to do anything about it.

I'll admit I had been a little jealous of the attention Alabama quarterback Keelon Russell was getting, even finding a place in the Heisman conversation. Meanwhile, our own young quarterback, Faizon Brandon, has been dealing with the shoulder injury he suffered against Texas. I'm still hoping to see Brandon healthy and playing like he did early in the season.

But Saturday was a reminder that an exciting quarterback is only part of a football team. Russell finished with 147 passing yards and two interceptions. I wouldn't write off a young player because of one bad afternoon, but I also wouldn't dismiss that performance as simply inexperience. Tennessee's defense deserves the credit for making his afternoon so difficult.

The historical perspective makes the win even sweeter. Tennessee has now beaten Alabama in three of their last five meetings, with all three victories coming in Knoxville. The last time the Vols won three consecutive home games against the Tide was in 1996, 1998 and 2000. Before that, you have to go back to 1956, 1958 and 1960 to find another such stretch.

Those victories in the late 1990s are part of the Tennessee football I grew up watching. The Vols actually won seven straight against Alabama from 1995 through 2001. As a kid, it was easy to believe that was simply how things were supposed to work. The 15 consecutive losses from 2007 through 2021 provided a rather unpleasant correction to that assumption.

That is why it meant something to have my own children watching this one. They got to see the version of this rivalry I remember so fondly, with Tennessee giving us plenty to celebrate. I hope some of these afternoons become the kinds of memories they carry into adulthood.

Of course, being a Tennessee fan, I couldn't quite let the weekend pass without finding something to complain about. The Vols moved up to No. 11 in the Associated Press poll. I had really been hoping for the top 10, but apparently I'll have to remain patient for at least another week.

Still, I'm not going to let one spot in the rankings spoil a Saturday like that. There will be plenty of time to debate where Tennessee belongs and worry about the next opponent. For now, I'm happy to enjoy a win that brought back good memories while giving our family a chance to make some new ones.

Lena's chili would have been good either way. It just tasted a little better with a win over Alabama.

THE ISSUES, IN WARTRACE, BY MAYOR BRIAN ROSS

Liquor by the Drink (LBD)

- LBD was first brought as an agenda item on our Economic Growth Committee's (EGC) agenda in the Fall of 2025, where it was discussed as an idea and in passing discussing the benefits, pros, and cons of LBD. It was also on the agenda several times this year. It was presented to the Board of Mayor & Alderman with a favorable recommendation and the Board voted unanimously to place it on this year's ballot after much consideration. We would like to clarify, it is not our intentions to have a package store within our Town limits, it is only for our local restaurants to have additional sales and to have an opportunity to thrive. One of the perks of LBD is the sales tax goes into the community and specifically goes to schools throughout the county. When it comes to this conversation, we take it very seriously and again, are not looking at just the profit, but also the cons. We have in place a Police Chief who is in Town 5 days a week, a 24/7 Volunteer Fire Department that is always there when needed and our partners with the Bedford County Sherrif's being present as well. When it comes to liquor license that are given out, that is not something that is not easily achieved, there are State requirements along with applications and vetting process that the State does to ensure they are giving out permits/license to responsible entities. And the next in place regulation is business owners who have a restaurant in their building that if an application does not meet their own standards along with having a credible reputation then that business may not have that opportunity. Again, we do understand that this is a big topic, but we are confident that we have enough safety measures within the Town that this can happen safely and successfully. And with the opportunity to partner with local businesses within Bedford and outside of Bedford to give our Town an opportunity to improve tourism, improve our Downtown business success, it is a great opportunity for all involved. We had a Public Town Hall regarding LBD with guest Speaker, Ryan French from Experience TN/South Central TN Tourism who was able to share facts and the benefits of LBD. We ask our residents to understand how and why this could be a great thing for our small but mighty Town of Wartrace.

Wartrace Mayor Status

- It was a tough decision to not run again. Having a full-time job and also being a Mayor as a 2nd job is a lot and balancing both can be a challenge. I believe I have the passion to do this job and a passion to help my town. To be Mayor here or anywhere, it is not just being present, it is a job and it requires your attention and requires passion. I do believe that within the last near 4 years, we as a Board, Committees, Staff, and Departments have accomplished a lot by working together and sharing a vision, bettering our Town. The Town of Wartrace has been asleep for a long time and I'm ecstatic about having been a part of us waking up and I'm looking forward to what comes next for our Town and the County. There is a zeitgeist of great things happening here and within the County and everyone involved has done an amazing job. In the last 4 years, we have received grants for our WVFD(Wartrace Volunteer Fire Department) to improve their buildings, a grant for a new SUV for our Police Chief, multiple grants to help our Water and Sewer System, an art mural to have our first Mural within the Town, a facade grant to help improve Downtown and 2 cybersecurity grants, one that we have completed and one that has yet to begin. We have cleaned up our buildings and this Town. Current Alderman, Shelia LeDere is running unopposed and she has been on the board for the last near 4 years. I am going to do my best to set her up for success and to help keep this momentum going. And for anyone who I have met and worked with, thank you for your help, support and patience as I figured out how to be a Mayor and lead a Town.

Reminder, Trunk or Treat is October 31, 2026 from 5pm-8pm and we are still accepting applications for those that want to be a Trunk.

Brian Ross
Mayor of Wartrace

Bedford County property transfers

The following property sales were recently recorded in the Bedford County Register of Deeds office.

File date: September 29

Location: Shelbyville and Lynchburg; Seller, Leonard E Lee; Buyer, Leonard Lee Revocable Family Trust; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 104 Deer Point Rd; Seller, Harriswood Investments LLC; Buyer, Amy T Morgan, Marshall L Morgan; Price, $340,000 (Deed).

Location: 128 Maupin Circle; Seller, Donald D Barnes, Cindy C Barnes, Donald D Barnes Jr; Buyer, Donald Dwight Barnes III, Brooke Barnes; Price, $82,000 (Deed).

File date: September 30

Location: 300 Fairway Green; Seller, Opendoor Property Trust I; Buyer, Cynthia A Rotter; Price, $235,000 (Deed).

Location: Walker Rd; Seller, Clay Shearon; Buyer, Clay Shearon, Leslie Shearon; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 309 Winners Circle; Seller, Charles Schudar, Candace Shudar; Buyer, Johnathan Charles Schudar, Charles Francis Schudar Income Only Trust, Candace Anne Schudar Income Only Trust; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 131 Brown Lane; Seller, Johnathan Schudar, Paula M Shudar; Buyer, Johnathan Charles Schudar, Paula Michelle Schudar, Johnathan Schudar Income Only Trust, Paula Michelle Schudar Income Only Trust; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 201 Longwood Dr; Seller, John Schudar, Paula Shudar; Buyer, Johnathan Charles Schudar, Paula Michelle Schudar, Johnathan Schudar Income Only Trust, Paula Michelle Schudar Income Only Trust; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 2137 Highway 130 West; Seller, Joseph E Motes; Buyer, Noah Joseph Lucas, Makayla Agnes Lucas; Price, $419,900 (Deed).

Location: Nashville Dirt Rd; Seller, Roberts Butts; Buyer, Greg Curl, Joey Curl; Price, $50,000 (Deed).

Location: 601 Plum Hill Dr; Seller, Leon Luke, Kiera Johnson; Buyer, Greg Curl, Joey Curl; Price, $50,000 (Deed).

File date: October 1

Location: 122 Millet St; Seller, Ole South Properties LLC; Buyer, Stacey McKee; Price, $322,900 (Deed).

Location: Unionville Deason Rd; Seller, Richard A Haynes, Susan Haynes; Buyer, Philip Nowick, Emma Norwick; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 2449 Warner Bridge Rd; Seller, Brian W Griffy, Beverly D Griffy; Buyer, Nicole Bradford, Chris Bradford; Price, $275,000 (Deed).

Location: 2402 Highway 64 East; Seller, Terilyn S Locke; Buyer, Cas Farms LLC; Price, $400,000 (Deed).

Seller, May Tory Homes LLC; Buyer, Debra Clark; Price, $430,000 (Deed).

Location: 678 Himesville Rd; Seller, John Benjamin Hall, Joan Morgan Hall; Buyer, John Benjamin Hall, Joan Morgan Hall, Eagle Rest Trust; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 311 Savage Hollow Rd; Seller, John Benjamin Hall, Joan Morgan Hall; Buyer, John Benjamin Hall, Joan Morgan Hall, Eagle Rest Trust; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 100 Ridgeview Dr; Seller, DRB Group Tennessee LLC; Buyer, Gavin Lane Wallace, Madelyn Grace Wallace; Price, $374,990 (Deed).

File date: October 2

Location: 398 Elbethel Rd; Seller, Robert A Boyce, Clara Boyce; Buyer, Gavin W Dickey; Price, $340,000 (Deed).

Location: 700 Thompson Creek Rd; Seller, Anthony R Steele, Penelope Tyree; Buyer, Truist Bank; Price, $31,193.16 (TRD).

Location: Hwy 41 A; Seller, Heather Whitaker Mitchell, George Marvin Whitaker; Buyer, Heather Whitaker Mitchell, Julia Hannah Mitchell; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: Squire Hall Rd; Seller, Brian Kilgore; Buyer, Stefin Reed; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 155 Thompson Lane; Seller, Royse Edward Vaughn, Chereta Yvonne Vaughn; Buyer, Jesse Card, Felicia Card; Price, $0 (QD).

Location: 228 Megan Circle; Seller, Geneva Smith, Rheatta Smith McKamey, Cynthia Smith Day; Buyer, Ashlie Fabera, John Fabera; Price, $360,000 (Deed).

Seller, Jessie Wireman, Anthony Reaxu; Buyer, William Hunter Calvert, Jacey Leigh Calvert; Price, $515,000 (Deed).

Seller, William Hunter Calvert, Jacey Leigh Calvert; Buyer, Anthony Reauz, Jessie Wireman; Price, $285,000 (Deed).

File date: October 5

Location: 108 Decatur St; Seller, Robert Keith, Lisa Harris; Buyer, Jovan Cruz; Price, $271,000 (Deed).

Location: 221 Sunset Blvd; Seller, Brenda Kay Floyd Bobo, Rubin Keith Floyd; Buyer, Greg T Curl, Joey Curl; Price, $280,000 (Deed).

Location: Henderson Rd; Seller, Michelle Calvert, Jessie Calvert, Hannah Calvert, Olivia Calvert, Jessica Calvert; Buyer, Jessica Calvert; Price, $0 (QD).

Seller, Cody W Berry, Paola Berry; Buyer, BWJPC Living Trust, Cody Berry; Price, $0 (Deed).

Seller, Zander Blaine Farrar, Micah Schiede, Micah Farrar; Buyer, James John Osborne, Jennifer Osborne; Price, $292,500 (Deed).

Seller, Connie Smith, Carolyn Miller, Kelley Miller Hall; Buyer, John Cody King, Kelli D King; Price, $40,000 (Deed).



Brown Jr.'s career-night fuels Blue Raider win at FIU

MIAMI, Fla. – Middle Tennessee football (4-3, 2-1 CUSA) won a pivotal matchup on the road Tuesday night, taking down Conference USA foe FIU (3-4, 1-2 CUSA) 26-23.

Terrence Brown Jr. led the way for the Blue Raiders in the win, with a career-high 158 rushing yards on 18 attempts. The senior back's big night included a 54-yard rush in the third quarter, putting MTSU in front for good.

Following an FIU touchdown paired with MTSU kicker Dominic Bourgeois' fourth field goal of the night, the Blue Raiders faced a 4th-and-10 from the FIU 40-yard line with 1:38 to play.

Quarterback Roman Gagliano dropped back and fired a dart down the middle to Cam'ron Lacy for a 25-yard completion. A 14-yard rush from Brown on the next play set the Blue Raiders to drain out the clock in victory formation, finishing off an all-around victory to put MTSU over .500.

The Blue Raider offense came to life in the first quarter, on the unit's second drive of the ballgame. Gagliano found tight end Brody Benke down the left side for a 30-yard score. This marked the first career reception and score for the redshirt sophomore Benke.

Bourgeois had a standout night for the Blue Raiders, going 4-for-4 including two kicks from 50 yards or farther. This marked the first time in school history a kicker made two or more kicks from 50-plus in a game.

On the defensive side of the ball, MTSU was once again led by cornerback Jackson Lowe. The Brentwood, Tennessee native had a team-high six tackles. The unit as a whole forced three turnovers, including an interception by defensive lineman Mathias Malaki-Donaldson.

By the Numbers:

183:Terrence Brown Jr.'s career night included 158 rushing yards on the group, but his impact was not limited there. Brown added 25 receiving yards for 183 all-purpose yards.

2: Dominic Bourgeois became the first Blue Raider to knock in two field goals from 50 yards or further in a single game. He now also owns the program record for made kicks from 50 yards in a season, with three.

5:Roman Gagliano is now up to five games this season without committing a turnover after a meticulous performance on Tuesday night.

MTSU Game Notes

• The Blue Raiders blocked a field goal attempt for the first time since November 12, 2022 when Decorian Patterson blocked a field goal against Charlotte. It marks the second game in a row where MTSU has blocked a kick, blocking an extra point attempt last week against Delaware.

• With win No. 4 on the year, head coach Derek Mason has set a new Blue Raider high for single season victories for himself.

• Mason has already matched his best single season conference win total, with five more games still to play in the campaign.

Offensive Player Notes

#3 | Cam'ron Lacy | WR | r-Jr.

• Continued his streak with at least one reception in 15-straight games.

• Led all receivers with 68 yards on 6 receptions on the night.

#9 | Terrence Brown Jr. | RB | r-Sr.

• Scored his second touchdown as a Blue Raider in the third quarter with a 54-yard rush to the end zone, marking the longest rushing touchdown of the season for the Blue Raiders.

• Achieved his first 100+ rushing yard game as a Blue Raider and set a career high with 158 rushing yards.

#16 | Roman Gagliano | QB | r-So.

• Has recorded back-to-back 200+ passing yard games in a row with 200 yds in Miami.



Photo courtesy of MT Athletics.

• Second-most rushing yards for the quarterback this season, gaining 41 yards on the ground.

#86 | Brody Benke | TE | r-So.

• Hauled in his first career reception and first career touchdown on a 30-yard connection with quarterback Roman Gagliano.

• Became the second tight end in as many games to record a touchdown.

Defensive Player Notes

#13 | Ashton Taylor | LB | r-Sr.

• Recorded the first blocked field goal attempt for MTSU since November 2022 in the third quarter, marking the first block of his career as well.

• Amassed second-most tackles of a Blue Raider on the night with five.

#31 | Mathias Malaki-Donaldson | OLB | r-Sr.

• Recorded his first career interception in the opening quarter, adding on a five-yard return after grabbing the ball.

Special Teams Player Notes

#91 | Dominic Bourgeois | K | Sr.

• Has hit three field goals this season from 50 or more yards, the most ever in a single season by an MTSU kicker. Two in the same game is also a new school single game record.

• First Blue Raider kicker to hit four field goals in a game since Zeke Rankin did so on December 24, 2024 in the Hawaii Bowl.

• His 14 points scored equals the sixth most in a single game in Blue Raider history.

Next up: The Blue Raiders will return home to Floyd Stadium, hosting Kennesaw State (1-5, 0-2 CUSA) for the Blue Raiders Weekday CUSA finale next Wednesday, Oct. 28.. Kickoff is slated for 6:00 p.m. CT from Floyd, with the game televised on CBS Sports Network and a radio broadcast on WGNS.

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Martin's Hat Trick Leads Cascade to District 9-A Title Over Community

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CHAPEL HILL, Tenn. – In the third edition of the 'Battle of Bedford' this season, No. 1 seed Cascade (12-1-2, 8-0) and No. 2 seed Community (7-5, 5-3) faced off for the District 9-A Title with the Lady Champions overcoming an early deficit to win 4-1 on Thursday.

The Viqueens took the early lead after winning the first set piece of the game. On Community's corner delivery, Kaylee Martin attempted to clear the ball away, but her touch sent the ball into the back of her own net to give the underdogs a surprising 1-0 advantage in the fifth minute.

Despite being stunned by the early shock, the Lady Champions settled into the game. In the 11th minute, Adalyn Nelms' effort from outside the box went just over the crossbar. As the first half went on, the Viqueens routinely grew comfortable with all 11 players behind the ball in their own half when Cascade held possession, and they were proving tough to break down.

In the 32nd minute, against the run of play, the Viqueens thought they had won a penalty in the Cascade box, but the referee ultimately determined that there was an inadvertent whistle and awarded Community with a drop ball just outside of the box.

Finally, right on the stroke of halftime, Kaylee Martin scored her eighth goal of the season to draw the favorites level at 1-1. Rylee Harris sent a ball into the box from the right wing, and with the ball bouncing around in the penalty area with a pair of Viqueens defending as well as Adalyn Nelms, it was Martin who pounced, sending her left-footed effort into the back of the net to send the Lady Champions into halftime level.

"That goal turned the momentum back in our favor," Cascade Head Coach Wendy Williams said, "We had full confidence that our girls would do that. One thing we talked to them about in the team meeting today was to come out and be calm and do what they know how to do."

Five minutes into the second half, Marissa Gulick nearly gave Cascade the lead, but her venomous attempt careened off the crossbar and out for a goal kick.

In the 58th minute, Community's Sara Flannagan looked like she had been set free into a 1-on-1 situation with the goalkeeper, but Sophia Mastrosimone's perfectly timed last-ditch effort from behind saved a certain goal.

"We count on them [Kenzie Bledsode and Sophia Mastrosimone] a lot, and we are super proud of them," said Williams, "They are just so consistent. They have such great ball control, and they are strong enough to get people off the ball. We're always proud of them, but tonight especially."

On the hour mark just two minutes later, Kyla Pulley launched a long throw into the Viqueens' box, and the ensuing flick-on found Nelms, who's spectacular touch allowed her to turn and fire home her 18th goal of the season from six yards out to go in front for good at 2-1.

"She [Nelms] has come out so strong all season," Williams said," I feel like she felt a little bit of pressure when Lexi [Comstock] went out like it was on her to score more, but she has handled it well. She fights for it, she's feisty up top, she never stops, and she just makes things happen."



After losing the district last year to Chapel Hill, the Cascade Lady Champions returned to the top as the 2026 District 9-A Champions. *Photo courtesy of David Smith.*

Flannagan nearly equalized less than a minute later, but she was turned away by a great save from Makenzie Fisher in goal.

In the 72nd minute as Cascade continued to knock at the Viqueens door, the Lady Champions finally busted through for the first of two insurance goals. Martin pounced on the end of a beautiful ball across from Gulick from the left wing, taking it first time to go up 3-1.

Then, five minutes later, Martin found some space at the top of the box, and she found the bottom-right corner of the Viqueens' goal to reach the final margin of 4-1.

"She [Martin] won the playmaker award," Williams said, "I think she makes a huge difference on the field wherever she is. She has such a high soccer IQ, she's always moving in the right place, and she's fast. She's a really dangerous player for us."

Kaylee Martin won the District 9-A Playmaker of the Year award in the postgame celebration after recording 10 goals and 10 assists in 16 games. Lexi Comstock was awarded the District 9-A MVP for her prolific campaign that featured 30 goals and six assists in 13 games for the standout junior. For Community, Sara Flannagan, Taylor Duff, and Emma Neill were named to the District 9-A All-Season team while Kenzie Bledsode, Claire Smithson, Sophia Mastrosimone, and Alayna Ormiston were the representatives from Cascade.

Cascade's 2026 Playoff Hopes Come to an End at Watertown

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Cascade's Nate Zimmerman (20) ran for a team-high 123 yards on 21 carries in Friday's loss at Watertown. *Photo courtesy of Fotos by Finch.*

WATERTOWN, Tenn. – After losing their top two wide receivers earlier in the week due to injury, and with Jared Carkuff serving a one-game suspension from last week's ejection, the Cascade Champions (3-5, 0-4) were unable to establish a threatening passing attack in Friday's do-or-die Region 4-AAA matchup at Watertown (4-4, 2-2) in a 25-10 defeat.

Braxtyn Burris, who exploded for 172 yards and one touchdown on eight receptions a week ago against Chapel Hill, apparently sustained a significant knee injury during the game, and was consequently ruled out for the remainder of his senior season. Lendon Gordon broke a bone in his hand, forcing him to wear a cast against the Purple Tigers which rendered him unable to reliably catch a football on offense.

Because of these deficiencies, Sam Bradley finished 5-for-18 with 52 yards and one interception through the air. 40 of those yards were courtesy of Xykaiah Dixon on four catches.

The Champions were able to run the ball effectively for much of the night with Nate Zimmerman finishing as the team's leading rusher with 123 yards on 21 attempts. Bradley tallied 121 yards and one touchdown on 24 carries.

For Watertown, Garrett Davis found the end zone once on the ground, Xy'Kurion Burns scored once, and Carmello Davis also reached paydirt on a 63-yard receiving touchdown in the fourth quarter.

To start, the Purple Tigers took the opening possession 60 yards while using up nearly half of the clock, settling for a short field goal to take a 3-0 lead with 6:04 to go in the opening period.

On Cascade's first possession, Sam Bradley was intercepted by Layne Kennedy, and the Watertown linebacker set his offense up in the red zone. The hosts promptly scored on a short Davis rushing touchdown to take a 10-0 lead with 3:56 left in the first quarter.

After a Cascade fumble led to a Watertown punt, the Champions took over pinned deep in their own territory at the five-yard line. Fortunately for the visitors, they were finally able to establish some offensive rhythm, orchestrating a beautiful 95-yard touchdown march that took 5:02 off the clock and culminated in a one-yard plunge in from Bradley. When Cascade converted on the swinging gate two-point conversion, the visitors trailed by just two points, 10-8, with 8:09 to go in the half.

They quickly got the ball back after a three-and-out from Watertown, and once again the Champions found success on the ground. They knocked on the door of the hosts' goal line, but the drive stalled in the red zone at the 15-yard line. However, the ensuing field goal attempt was wide left from 32-yards out with 94 seconds remaining in the first half, sending the Champions into the halftime locker room trailing by just two points.

Cascade picked up one first down to open the second half, but were then quickly forced to punt. Watertown turned the ball over on downs at the Cascade 36-yard line, but then the Champions returned the favor by failing to convert on fourth down at the Purple Tigers' 34-yard line.

Watertown took advantage, as Preston Whittington found Carmello Davis down the left sideline for a 63-yard catch-and-run touchdown to grow the lead to 17-8 with 2:34 left in the third quarter.

The visitors went three-and-out, and then the Purple Tigers went on a game-sealing touchdown march, taking more than eight minutes off the clock. After a successful two-point conversion, Watertown took a commanding 25-8 lead with 5:59 to go in the game.

Cascade was finally able to put together a drive to get deep into Watertown territory, but Zimmerman was stuffed at the one-inch line with 3:08 to play. However, a bad snap forced Garrett Davis to fall on the football in his own end zone, resulting in a safety to trim the lead to 25-10 with 3:02 to go.

However, the Champions were stopped on fourth down on their ensuing drive, bringing an end to their postseason hopes in a 15-point defeat.

Cascade falls to 3-5 overall. The Champions return home for senior night against unbeaten Marion County on Friday night at 7:00 p.m.

Lady Champs Punch Ticket to Sectional Round With Region 5-A Semifinal Win Over Richland

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BELL BUCKLE, Tenn. – The Cascade Lady Champions (14-1-2, 8-0) continued their march back to State with a resounding 5-0 victory over the District 10-A Runners-Up Richland Raiders (10-5, 9-1) on Tuesday night to advance to the Region 5-A Championship.

"It [returning to Sectionals] is huge, especially for our seniors," Cascade Head Coach Wendy Williams said postgame, "They've worked so hard these last four years, and we want to get back there [State] for them. All of our girls have worked really hard, and we just have to take it one game at a time."

Early on, Richland nearly nabbed a go-ahead goal in the first ten minutes, but the Lady Champions quickly settled into their possession-based attack shortly thereafter.

In the 22nd minute, Cascade very nearly took the lead when Adalyn Nelms' beautiful cross was whipped in waist-high from the right wing and found Kyla Pulley, but her attempt at goal trickled just wide.

Not to be deterred, the Lady Champions broke the seal three minutes later. In the 25th minute, Pulley was played in behind the Raiders' defense by Brinlee Collet through the right channel, and Pulley used her pace to accelerate into a one-on-one with the Richland keeper. Cascade's forward took aim and fired the ball to the keeper's right, hit with such venom that the net rippled as it flew into the goal untouched for a 1-0 lead.

10 minutes later, Kaylee Martin assisted Adalyn Nelms to double the Lady Champions' lead to 2-0. Martin dribbled to the byline before playing a centering pass, allowing Nelms to take a touch before roofing the ball into the underside of the net for a two-goal cushion heading into halftime.

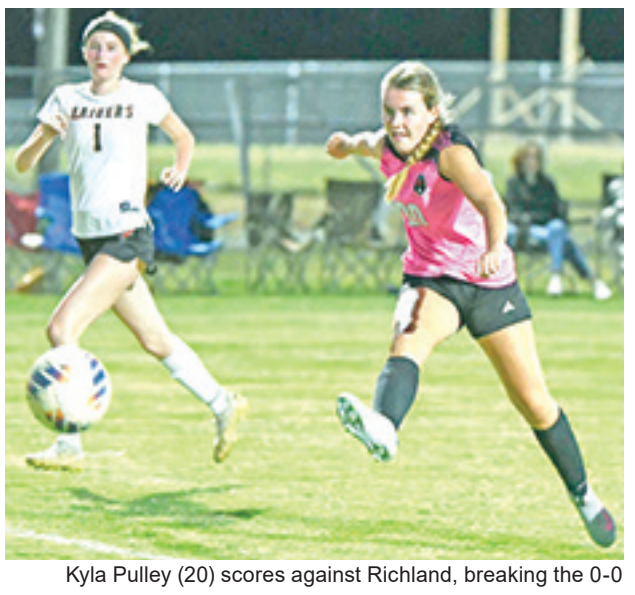
"I think our girls were moving to the ball and moving to the open spaces," Williams said, "I felt like they were reading things very well on the field. Richland is a very physical team, and our girls were really tough tonight."

In the 47th minute, Collet delivered her second assist of the night, this time finding Martin for her first goal of the evening to give Cascade a 3-0 advantage seven minutes into the second half.

12 minutes later, Nelms was taken down in the box for a penalty, and Olivia Winnett stepped up to slot home her seventh goal of the season to make it 4-0.

Finally, Martin scored her 13th goal of the season to secure her brace on the night in the 80th minute. As the seconds ticked down closer to the final whistle, Martin was able to convert a one-on-one opportunity to reach the final margin of 5-0.

For the third-consecutive game, the Lady Champions started Pulley up top with Martin at right back before dropping Pulley to right back and moving Martin up to the wing a little past the halfway point of the first half.



Kyla Pulley (20) scores against Richland, breaking the 0-0 deadlock in the 25th minute with her fifth goal of the season. *Photo courtesy of David Smith.*

"Both Kyla and Kaylee have so much speed," Williams said about two of her attacking options, "They can both take off and beat defenders with speed. Kyla, having played a lot of defense, it's kind of trained her to take on bigger and stronger people. She just always seems to make something happen. Kaylee is very similar in that way, but she also has so many moves on the ball to be able to get past defenders. They're both very fast and physical so we know we can trust them both up top at different times."

With the win, Cascade advances to the Region 5-A Championship. Culleoka came from behind to defeat Community on Tuesday, the Lady Champions are set to travel to the Warriors on Thursday with kickoff TBD.

Woman's Club treated to "Crimson & Gold: A Fall Fashion Affair"

Autumn colors cling to expressive styles, keeping with traditional autumn hues

By Dawn Hankins

The October meeting and Fall Fashion Show of the Shelbyville Woman's Club was held last Wednesday at Bell Buckle Banquet Hall. The fall fashion review demonstrated that Fall/Winter 2026-2027 is all about contrast, bold proportions, and self-expression.

Jennifer Thompson, owner of J Jordan Boutique on the square, and this year's SWC President, emceed: "Crimson & Gold: A Fall Fashion Affair." She provided the models who were adorned in a wardrobe of accentuating styles and colors.

Those previewed Fall and Winter colors on the runway indicated that the holidays are just around the corner.

As well, models demonstrated how the current season is marking a shift from understated dressing to expressive style. The fashion reviewers are finding that it's a time for clean, minimalist silhouettes with rich textures, colors and voluminous shapes.

Track pants are a top contender this year, styled with blazers or knits for a polished sporty look. To summarize, Fall 2026 is being referred to by major fashion moguls as "a time of reinvention." Women have the choice of mixing vintage inspiration and retro styles with modern tailoring, bold colors, and wearable luxury.

So, get ready for a warm and comfortable fashion season. Mustard and gold are headed to offices. Holiday plaids are gala-bound. And you might even see some ladies wearing satin to the grocery store, according to fashion forecasts.

Models for SWC Fashion Show were: Shontelli Allen, Pam Birtcil, Suzette McCrorey, Mary Frances Gordon, Marla Agee, Fressia Obenchain, Darlene Smotherman, Lisa Martin, Frances Baucom, Sydney Langford, Jessica Smith, Rosie Biggs, Brenda Ayers. Jennifer Thompson, owner of J Jordan Boutique on the square, was emcee and provided the models and clothes.



Lisa Martin



Shontelli Allen



JJordan models



Frances Baucom



Pam Birtcil



Brenda Ayers





CHURCH NEWS

TRUNK OR TREAT AT FPC

First Presbyterian Church in Shelbyville meets every Sunday for worship at 10:00 a.m. in the historic sanctuary at 600 N. Brittain Street (behind the US Post Office.) On Sunday, Oct. 25, from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m., FPC will host its annual Trunk or Treat. Children will enjoy candy, games, and hot dogs. On Wednesday, Oct. 28, FPC will host a Red Cross Blood Drive from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org/rapidpass and enter the code Shelbyville 19. FPC is on Facebook.

WORSHIP AT FUMC

Pastor Abe Zimmerman of **Shelbyville First United Methodist Church on the public square** will preach on Sunday, Oct. 25: "A Different Gospel?" from Galatians 1:6-10. "We will explore Paul's deep shock at how the Galatian Christians were quickly deserting God's grace for a "different gospel" and how this may affect us too," said Pastor Zimmerman.

Sunday School for all ages begins at 9 a.m., followed by the worship service at 10 a.m. Nursery and Children's Church are available during worship. For those unable to attend in person, FUMC-S offers a livestream on Facebook and YouTube and a broadcast on WLIJ 98.7 FM and AM 1580.

FISH FRY/YARD SALE AT SHILOH

SHILOH OUTREACH CHURCH, 2547 Highway 64 West, Wheel community/ Shelbyville, FISH FRY & YARD SALE Good and Fellowship • Free Games for Children; Everyone Welcome! Saturday, Oct. 24 • 5:00 — 7:00 p.m. fresh and hot fish dines with each plate including fried catfish, hush puppies, white beans and slaw, dessert, drink Hush Puppies • white beans and slaw • dessert • drink• child's meal includes chicken strips, French fries, dessert, and drink ----Adults $15, Children 4-12 $5, age 3 and under free• dine in or take out• proceeds support Shiloh Outreach Church building program. For tickets or more information, text: Nancy Lynn Greene at 931-993-3187.

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	MARSHA BLACKBURN (R)	JERRI GREEN (D)
1	**BOTH ARE CAREER POLITICIANS**	
	BLACKBURN: 37 years in party politics, 27 in elected office. Now leaving a six-year Senate term two years in.	**GREEN:** Ten years on government payrolls. Her boss gave her a taxpayer-paid county job while she was already running for governor.
2	**BOTH SUPPORT FLOCK CAMERAS**	
	BLACKBURN: Says license-plate readers are "very helpful" to police "in tracking criminals."	**GREEN:** Voted for 94 more license-plate readers on Memphis interstate ramps. Has never voted to remove one.
3	**BOTH SUPPORT DATA CENTERS**	
	BLACKBURN: Calls data centers "a good and important part" of growth. Took $121,352 from AI-company employees.	**GREEN:** Voted to sell 13 acres of city land to Elon Musk's xAI. Now she claims to want a statewide moratorium.
4	**BOTH TAKE SPECIAL-INTEREST MONEY — PAY-TO-PLAY**	
	BLACKBURN: PAC money from companies holding state contracts: CoreCivic, BlueCross, AT&T, Charter.	**GREEN:** $19,500 from the building-trades unions that live on government construction work.
5	**BOTH SUPPORTED RAISING TAXES AND FEES**	
	BLACKBURN: Voted for the 2013 budget deal that raised airline security fees.	**GREEN:** Her ordinance doubled the Memphis car-registration fee, $30 to $60. First increase in 40 years.
6	**BOTH ARE SOFT ON CRIME**	
	BLACKBURN: Voted to let 2,243 federal inmates out early, including 239 sex offenders. Called it "historic."	**GREEN:** A career public defender. Fought to keep the National Guard out of Memphis. Would abolish ICE.
7	**BOTH ARE FISCALLY IRRESPONSIBLE**	
	BLACKBURN: At least five votes to raise the debt limit. The last one took the ceiling to $41.1 trillion.	**GREEN:** Voted to raid Memphis budget reserves to cover $15 million in overtime pay.

THE QUESTION

DO WE WANT EITHER ONE OF THEM TO DO TO TENNESSEE WHAT THEY HAVE ALREADY DONE TO WASHINGTON AND TO MEMPHIS?

WHAT WASHINGTON LOOKS LIKE

Runaway spending and deficits. A $41.1 trillion debt.

Cost of living and inflation out of control.

A pay-to-play system where the connected get rich.

WHAT MEMPHIS LOOKS LIKE

The highest violent-crime rate in America in 2024.

Failing schools. 25.7% of students read on grade level; the state is 45%.

Shelby County lost more residents than any county in America in 2024.

THERE IS ANOTHER CHOICE. VOTE HATLEY FOR GOVERNOR TUESDAY, NOV. 3

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