

## **Fentress County Jail Sued For \$20 Million**

### "This was totally preventable – that's the key point."

### PETER CARINI

Editor The family of Jason Clark, who suffered a fractured skull while an inmate at the Fentress County Jail in April, has announced that they are suing the jail for \$20 million dollars for reckless conduct. Jason, who was arrested for misdemeanor possession, suffered a seizure while

incarcerated at the jail.

He was lying in the top

bunk of his cell when the seizure occurred and fell to the floor, hitting his head and fracturing his skull in the process. The family claims that jail staff knew about the condition, both from earlier encounters with him and from jail paperwork, which included medical notes specifically calling for no top bunking.

The law firm of Brazil Clark, PLLC, is representing the family. "He was never given seizure

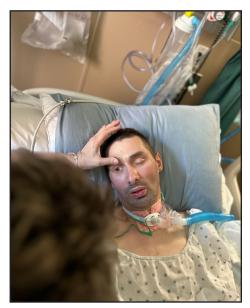
medication," attorney Paul Randolph said, "and they placed him on an elevated bunk that resulted in him suffering a traumatic brain injury."

Due to the injuries sustained. Jason is currently in intensive care on a respirator and is immobile.

The Courier reached out to the Fentress County Sheriff's office for comment. They stated they do not comment on cases.



**Massive Thunderstorms Create Chaos** 



## **Arrests Made In Murder Of Chad Hall**

PETER CARINI Editor

The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Fentress County Sheriff's Department executed warrants on July 19, requested by 8th Judicial District Attorney Jared Effler, in the death of Chad Hall. Hall, who was found deceased in the 3000 block of Buck Mountain Road on Monday, May 29,

2023, was 40 years old. Shellie Miller and Steven Reynolds were served in the Fentress County Jail on a warrant for criminal homicide. Both were already being held on unrelated charges.

Chad's mother stated, through her tears, "They ripped my heart out, when they took him, they just ripped my heart out. I can't get through this without Jesus."



#### PETER CARINI Editor

Fentress County was visited by severe thunderstorms and rain last Wednesday and Thursday, July 19 and 20. At 2:11 pm on Wednesday, the first flash flood warnings came through. At 8:26 am on Thursday, the Fentress County Emergency Operations Center issued a flash flood warning for the northwestern portion of Fentress County. By 2:14 pm, the warning was extended county wide and included a severe thunderstorm watch.

Emergency crews were on high alert as the lightning storm intensified and the rain continued to pour. Massive rivers of water made their way along ditch lines and down mountainsides, causing road damage and mudslides that cut off three of the main roads into and out of the county.

Just a few miles out of Jamestown, on Glenobey Road, which already had scheduled roadwork this summer, a torrent of water coming down the mountain cleared a path of trees, rock, and mud, eventually settling at the bottom, but not before it covered the road, making it impassable. On Highway 52, near the Overton County line and Cooper Chapel Church and Fellowship Hall, part of the road was washed away, and the water made it up to the church's windowsills. In addition, a 500 gallon propane tank was unmoored and swept down the road, carried by the fast moving current On Highway 62, near Boatland Road, severe damage was done to both the road and nearby property.





## **Routine Traffic Stop Results In** Large Drug Bust

Marcus Hughes, driving a white Chevy Tahoe was pulled over on Tuesday by a

member of the Putman County Sheriff's Office.

Upon a search of the vehicle, Hughes was placed in custody and charged with

various offenses which included manufacturing, delivering, and selling methamphetamines and the possession of a firearm while committing a

Montrell dangerous felony. s While foraging thru the vehicle, officers discovered that Hughes was respon-

sible for five ounces of cocaine, six ounces of methamphetamines, 12 grams of mari-

juana, multiple types of Schedule II narcotics, and \$2,515 in cash. The officer also seized multiple firearms from Hughes possession.

One truck was swept up in the fastmoving waters and came to rest down the hill.

When the rains were done, almost 5" had fallen. Roads in Manson, Pall Mall, and Wilder were also impassable during the storm.

Crews were out to clear the roads and restore power and water immediately and spent Thursday and Friday working to get everything back to normal. Lynn Delk, of the Fentress County Utility District, said his crews were out in the

county by 3:00 am Thursday morning and did not stop until 10:00 pm that night. A twelve-hour shift awaited them on Friday.

All roads are reopened, although further repairs will be needed for some of them. Thank you to the Rescue Squad, FC Fire Department, EMA, law enforcement, VEC, and TDOT for responding so quickly and working so diligently to get the county back up and running. Thankfully, no injuries were reported due to the storms.

## E-911 Pleads For Desperately Needed Funds

A meeting of the Fentress County Budget Committee was held on Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> in the ECD Room of the Courthouse, but was later moved to the Courtroom due to the number of attendees, approximately 40 people in all.

The June 2022 Meeting Minutes were approved by all.

Next Tyler Arms spoke about an agenda item - this was a vacant position for which payroll had been left out at the last meeting. Also, he spoke about a Fuel Line for employees that have a fuel card, he added that Fuel Line back in which had been left out. A motion was made for the county building, that was to put that line back in there and add a fuel line. This was seconded, voted on, and approved by all.

The next item discussed was to add \$2,000 Fuel Line for the park budget, this was also voted on and approved by all. The Fire Budget was up next which was approved by roll call vote. This was followed by Ambulance Service, the topic of discussion being Leann Beaty, she has received her billing coding certification and should be moved up in pay grade, this was approved by the board after roll call vote. The next item was to lower the equipment line \$4,000.00 which was approved by roll call vote.

Jacob, from the Chamber of Commerce spoke about their allocation in the budget, they are not requesting any additional funds. He stated that the Chamber is very thankful for the funds allocated and could not function without it. The Chamber Budget was approved by all. A Highway Insurance correction was voted on and approved.

What was probably the biggest topic discussed at the meeting was the E911 request for additional funds. The Chairman of that Board, Mr. Russell Tompkins, spoke on the desperate need for funds to bring E911 up to equal standing with the surrounding areas. The exchange became heated as the importance of the irreplaceable services they offer was detailed. After several persons spoke, a dollar raise was approved for General Fund Employees.

The Board shifted monies during the meeting but admitted that the budget is still in the red.

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Editor's Note: Court results are taken from court records. Persons in the community may have similar names. Every effort is taken to ensure accuracy and completeness.

### GENERAL SESSIONS Judge Todd Burnett July 18, 2023

**EDDIE BRANSTET-TER**, 125 Green Acres, Clarkrange, TN. Guilty Plea – Assault. Sentence, One Year Jail Time in the Fentress County Jail.

**DESTINY BEELER**, 304 Mark Twain Avenue, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Criminal Trespassing. Sentence, \$405.00 in Fines and Court Cost and 30 Days Probation.

JACKIE L. BROWN,

665 Richards Cemetery Road, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Driving on Revoked License and Violation of the Insurance Law. Sentence, \$586.00 in Fines and Court Cost, Driver License Revoked for One Year, and One Year Probation.

RHONDA FORDHAM, 1057 McGhee Road, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Allowing dogs to run at large. Sentence, \$405.00 in Fines and Court Cost, 30 Days Probation

OGMAN G. FUNES, 610 Castlegate Drive, Nashville, TN. Guilty Plea – Failure to Display a Driver License. Sentence, \$273.50 in Fines and Court Cost and 30 Days Probation. **BRITTANY L. GRA-HAM**, 1434 Pickett Park Highway, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Resisting Arrest and Evading Arrest. Sentence, One Year Jail Time in the Fentress County Jail.

ASHLEY HARDING, 141 Hemlock Drive, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Theft of Property. Sentence, \$597.21 in Fines and Court Cost and One Year Probation.

JEREMY S. HAR-RIS, 153 Northwood Drive, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Theft of Property. Sentence, \$1,033.47 in Fines and Court Cost and One Year Probation.

MICHAEL JEFFERS, 138 Smokey Ridge Road, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Sentence, One Year Jail Time in the Fentress County Jail.

**BRITTANY M. LLOYD**, 320 Wheeler Lane, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Aggravated Criminal Trespass. Sentence, \$480.00 in Fines and Court Cost and 13 Days Jail Time in the Fentress County Jail.

JAMES LETNER, Woodlawn Avenue, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Aggravated Criminal Trespass. Sentence, One Year Jail Time in the Fentress County Jail.

**LUIS FJ MIGUEL**, 15 Lancer Drive, Crossville, TN. Guilty Plea – Failure to Display a Driver License. Sentence, \$273.50 in Fines and Court Cost and 30 Days Probation.

WESLEY PHAYCHAN-PHENG, 199 Woods Road, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea – Driving on Revoked License. Sentence, \$423.50 in Fines and Court Cost, Driver License Revoked for One Year and Six Month's Probation.

WILLIAM R. RODRI-GUEZ, 902 Jackson Avenue, Monterey, TN. Guilty Plea – Failure to Display a Driver License. Sentence, \$273.50 in Fines and Court Cost and 30 Days Probation.

PAUL T. ZAPATA, 320 Wheeler Avenue, Jamestown, TN. Guilty Plea–Aggravated Criminal Trespass. Sentence, \$480.00 in Fines and Court Cost and One Year Probation.

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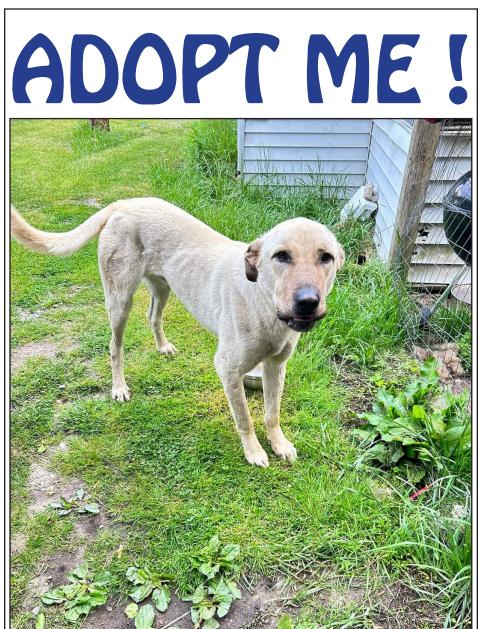
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## Fresh Start Bookkeeping Brings Lunch N Learn Series To Jamestown

### LAURA KING special to the Courier

Who has a burning talent just bursting to get on the local scene? Is fear, wonder, dread holding you back from starting the one and only business to showcase this talent?

Have no fear, Fresh Start Bookkeeping brings a \*FREE Lunch 'N Learn mini-series to Jamestown. Three local, vibrant, talented small business leaders of the community want to share their approach to success in business.

On August 10th, Dave Ramsey Financial Counselor and local tax preparation Expert Vanessa Springhart Herren brings forth practical money management to help create a solid financial basis for starting a small business.

Next, on August 17th, Quickbooks and bookkeeping professional Laura King takes record keeping to the next level by using objectives and key results as a guide to your financial goals.

Lastly, on August 24th, mesmerizing, renowned life - leadership - and executive Coach Amber Summer inspires and empowers entrepreneurs to build businesses with their authentic selves.

Join these women every Thursday, August

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This handsome fellow is Bear. He is an Anatolian Shepherd, is 2-3 years old and well over 100 lbs. He will need a fenced yard to run off his energy. Bear has a hearty appetite so must have a fat wallet in order to feed this big boy. Bear does not do well around farm animals. For more information about Bear, call us at Best Friends - 931-397- 4493

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AUGUST 5, 2023 JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY PARK JAMESTOWN, TN **3PM-9PM** FREE ADMISSION MUSIC, FOOD, CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT, BOUNCE HOUSES SPONSORED BY THE CITY OF JAMESTOWN IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 28<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL JAMESTOWN JAMBOREE

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## YAI ANNUAL TITLE I MEETING

All parents/guardians are invited to attend YAI's annual Title I meeting.

In order to meet ESSA guidelines, the meeting will inform parents/guardians of YAI's participation in the Title I program and the rights of parents to be involved.

Time: Tuesday, August 1st, @ 6:10 p.m. Where: YAI Library

### SOME GOOD NEWS ROMANS 8:11

But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

By Grace Phrough Faith

PO Box 412, Allardt, TN 38504





## **NEW BEGINNINGS Chapter 17**

RHONDA CALHOUN Staff Writer

After giving the guys a thorough once over, Jack seems satisfied that they are both fine, just banged up.

"Okay, looks like you guys will live for another decade or two at least," he tells them.

"Go clean up and get out of those nasty clothes," Jill chimes in. "You are leaving a dust trail behind you whenever you move."

"You don't have to tell me twice!" Jones says as he heads to his room.

"Me, either! Don't you dare use all the hot water!" Aidan yells taking off after him.

"No worries there, our hot water is good." Jack laughs. He walks over and sits down beside Dalton. "Now, how about you? How are you feeling now?" He asks quietly.

"I'm getting more alert now, I was fuzzy there for a while," Dalton replies.

"I'm Jack, as you have probably heard by now, we are part of Jacobson's team, and we are trying to unravel this mess and find our brother." Jack explains and shakes Dalton's hand. "I realized that you were looking for him as well, so we thought that if we all put our heads together, we might figure this out faster."

"Well, I'm all for figuring this mess out," Dalton replies. "I heard from Selena that there might be a womhostage used as leverage against Jacobson, but now we believe she might actually be the one behind all of this." Jack says. "It was her parents' house that you were being held in and where Jones and Aidan were nearly blown-up," he continues.

"And it's the same house where I was shot earlier today," Jill inserts into the conversation.

"None of her family were at the house this evening," Jack says. "Which is pretty convenient for them since the house blew up."

We all sit quietly while trying to make sense of the day's events. As I sit there deep in thought Aidan comes and sits beside me, he looks so much better, but still has cuts and bruises, and just looking at them makes me wince.

"I think I'm presentable now," Aidan says with a smile.

"You are always presentable, but you're not filthy now!" I tell him grinning. I reach over and lightly touch his cheek just below a cut. "You were very lucky," I say quietly. "You could have been killed."

"Ah, but that couldn't happen, I promised you I would be back, and I always keep my promises," he said as he held my hand and looked into my eyes. For just a moment I completely forgot the others in the room, but then I heard someone cough, and pulled my hand back.

whether she might be a my hand again. "Now, has anyone come up with a plan of action to continue this quest to find Jacobson and the guys that tried to kill us today?" He asks looking at Dalton and Jack.

"I'm still a little in the dark," Dalton admits, "Can you fill me in on what you know so far?"

Dalton walks over to the table and picks up a file. "This is Selena's work file. She pretty much keeps track of everything we talk about and tries to fit the puzzle pieces together. She's the one who found out about Felicity to begin with, so she should probably fill you in," Jack replies.

"I researched Jacobson's past and found his high school sweetheart, Felicity Wilson. They broke up when Jacobson joined the service." I begin. "At first when I started checking into her background, we thought that someone might have kidnapped her and be using her to control Jacobson."

"But you don't think that anymore?" Dalton asks.

"Well, after doing a little more digging we found that Felicity has quite a mean streak when she is crossed or thinks she has been wronged. That got us thinking that just maybe she is playing the part of the woman scorned and decided to take on Jacobson somehow and bring him down." I explain.

"But what "I'm just glad makes you think she is that you both are doing capable of attempting okay." I blush as every- murder?" Dalton asks, looking at the file. "The fact that a girl Jacobson went to dinner with after he broke up with Felicity disappeared and has never been seen again." I tell him dryly. "She went to the grocery store and just vanished off the face of the earth."

"Was Felicity questioned about her disappearance?" Dalton asks.

"She was, but her mother told the police she was home doing laundry that day, and she vouched for her." Jack replies.

"And it seems the mother may be up to her eveballs in whatever Felicity is up to now," I add. "When Jill and I were there today, she acted like nothing could possibly be wrong and Felicity was fine, just traveling around the world with her friend or whatever, but that makes no sense, any parent would be worried sick if they haven't actually spoken to their child in months, and just receives random texts saying everything is great and I'll show you pictures when I get back." I shake my head. "That just doesn't sound logical to me, especially knowing how protective of Felicity her mother is."

"When she was called after the shooting in her front yard, she acted like she hadn't heard a thing and didn't even know it happened," Jones tells Dalton with a disgusted look. "There is no way she wouldn't have known that a shooting was going on right outside of her front door."

"So does Jacobson know that Felicity is behind this, or does he think she is a victim?" "To find Dalton asks. him we need to figure out what he thinks, because that will determine

what he feels he needs work on finding any evito do to fix the situation. When we figure that out, we'll have more insight into what we can do to intercept him and stop him from acting like the Lone Ranger and trying to take this on alone."

"That is where we are now," Smith says. "We are playing out every scenario and looking for where she can be, and what she might be using to hold over his head."

"Where was Jacobson when the girl disappeared?" Dalton asks.

"What do you mean?" Jack asks, standing up.

"I mean could she be threatening to set Jacobson up for that?" Dalton replies unfazed by the outburst. "I know Jacobson too; I don't believe for a minute that he hurt that girl or was involved in any way. But if Felicity had something to do with it, could she be using her knowledge to convince Jacobson that she can frame him for it?"

"That's a possibility," Jack says as he sits back down. "We believe she is using something as leverage, we thought maybe convincing him that her life is in danger if he doesn't do as someone says, but that is just as good of a theory."

"The question becomes, what would Jacobson do if he thought she was trying to set him up?" Aidan asks.

"Ι think he would be trying to find evidence to prove what Felicity has done and what she is continuing to do would be the wisest course of action " I offer "Agreed," Jack said. "Jacobson would go back and try to trace the girl's steps; he would

**James 2:10** 

dence he could to find the perpetrator."

"Which is probably how a photo of him popped up near his old home, and what started the manhunt for him in the first place." I inject.

"And when you got involved, Felicity panicked. She wasn't expecting more people looking into things and she had you kidnapped," Aidan tells Dalton. "But when that didn't stop the rest of us from looking and asking questions, she hired some thugs to go to the office, take your files, ruin your computers, and hopefully scare you off the case." Aidan finished.

"But what was the endgame?" Jill asks. "Was she always intending on killing Dalton? Was blowing up her mother's house always in the plan? Is she in panic mode now and just acting before really thinking things out?"

"I don't know," Jack shakes his head. "I think things got away from her and she felt cornered. It could be that she decided she had to take out the guys when they showed up at her parent's home, and Dalton was going to be collateral damage. I mean, when you make the decision to kill once, how hard is it to kill three more times? Jill was shot twice this afternoon, so whether it was Felicity or her hired goons, they weren't playing around."

"Which brings us back to our main question. How do we find Jacobson and put an end to all of this with Felicity?" I ask. Watch next week for Chapter 18 The final chapter of **New Beginnings** 

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"Yeah, weren't sure at first

one laughs. "I'm fine, don't

worry," Aidan says as he reaches over and takes

### **METEOROLOGIST MARK**

The plateau consists of numerous microclimates. These are localized areas where temperatures and precipitation may be different from most of the rest of the plateau. Because of this, having a dense network of observations is desperately needed.

Chances are, you already know of microclimates within your own community. It seems everyone knows of places where storms tend to track, where more snow falls, where temperatures are either hotter or colder than anywhere else, or where frost develops when no one else has frost. Different localized areas of geography can have big impacts on your local weather.

One dramatic example of a microclimate impacting weather was a situation that developed in the hills of Crab Orchard in eastern Cumberland County several years ago. A cold rain was falling across the plateau, with temperatures hovering around 33-34 degrees. However, in the area where Interstate 40 passes through Crab Orchard, the tem-

perature fell to 32 degrees. The interstate became a skating rink, while everyone else on the plateau experienced cold rain.

Microclimates tend to show themselves in dramatic fashion in the winter months. We're in a geographic position on the plateau that often causes us to flirt with the freezing mark as various forms of wintry precip fall across the plateau. Knowing where temperatures have dropped to freezing can help communicate areas where people need to be especially careful.

That's not to say that weather observation data isn't useful in the summer, too. It's always interesting to see how rainfall is distributed across the plateau during rain events. For instance, there are still some areas on the plateau that are below normal on rainfall, while other areas have had more rain than they can handle this summer.

Last month, I announced on social media that I would be starting a Meteorologist Mark Weather Watcher program. More than 40 people have already signed up! The July 20th flood event was our first test run, though I hadn't planned on kicking it off that soon. Ma Nature had other plans for me, though!

Weather observers only need a thermometer and a rain gauge that are placed in appropriate areas. Guidelines published at MeteorologistMark.com can assist you with that. During a significant weather event, weather watchers can record their observations on an online spreadsheet. That information is then accessible, in real time, to the National Weather Service and interested county emergency managers.

Having weather watchers across the plateau could help in the early detection of flooding, winter weather, or severe weather throughout this region.

If you are interested in signing up, just go to MeteorologistMark.com. Your help is certainly needed, and anything you can offer would certainly be appreciated!

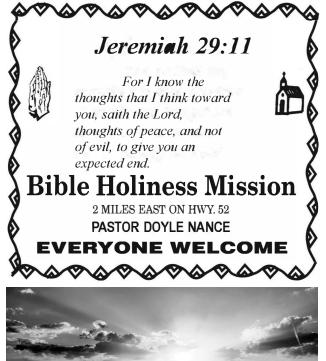


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# bituaries



### **Kenneth Harold Brown**

January 7, 1951 ~ July 16, 2023

Kenneth H. Brown, age 72 of Jamestown, passed away on Sunday, July 16, 2023, at the Signature Health Care of Fentress Co. He was born January 7. 1951. in Jamestown. He was a Nurse.

Kenneth is survived by his sister. Margie Ward; niece and nephews, Barbara Threet, Dwayne Wright, and Jeff Brown; and a host of other family, and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, Jack & Dora Brown; and sister. Julia Imogene Smith.

Graveside services were held on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at 2:00 PM at the Allardt Cemetery with James Brown officiating.

**Jennings Funeral Homes of Jamestown** was in charge of services for Kenneth H. Brown of Jamestown.

## **Clarkrange Drug Center**



Clarkrange, Tennessee Phone: 931-863-3779

HOURS: Mon. - Fri: 8:30-6:00 p.m. **CLOSED SATURDAY & SUNDAY** 





### **Richard Jesse Le Fever**

March 2, 1936 ~ July 17, 2023



Richard Le Mr. Fever, age 87 of Allardt, TN, passed away on Monday July 17, 2023, at the Cumberland Medical Center in Crossville, TN.

Mr. Le Fever is survived by his wife, Judi Le Fever; son, Greg Le Fever & wife Molly;

daughter, Dana Le Fever; sisters, Mildred Cochran, and Arlene Komstat: grandchildren, Richard Le Fever, Jesse Le Fever, Lydia Le Fever, Isabelle Le Fever, and Phoebe Le Fever.

Mr. Le Fever was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar Jesse & Laura Bigler Le Fever; and son, Scott Le Fever. The family has cho-

sen cremation with a memorial service to be held at a later date.

The Mundy Funeral Home in Jamestown was in charge of arrangements.

host of family & friends.

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She was preceded

services

### **Amanda Robin Matthews**

August 5, 1957 ~ July 16, 2023



Miss Robin Matthews, age 65 of Hendersonville, TN formerly of Jamestown, TN. Passed away on Sunday, July 16, 2023, at her home.

She is survived by a



### Anna L. Bowden Beaty

### September 2, 1927 ~ July 18, 2023



Anna L. Beaty of Jamestown, Tennessee passed peacefully into the arms of Jesus on Tuesday, July 18, 2023. Ann was born in Glenobey on September 2, 1927. She was 95 years old at the time of her death.

Ann and her family moved to Muncie, Indiana in 1967. When Bob, her husband of 63 years, retired in 1992 they returned to Jamestown, in part to help care for MaMa Beaty and to be closer to their grandchildren.

Ann was a long-time member of the Fairlawn Church of Christ in Muncie and of the Jamestown Church of Christ and was active in the church activities for as long as she was able.

Ann deeply loved her family, her church, and her many lifelong friends. She lived a life of service to all. She was very active in civic and community organizations all her

port Group of Upper Cumberland. Ann was very politically active and worked on many campaigns along with She and Bob Bob. were strong supporters of Habitat for Humanity. When she saw a need, she did her best to respond.

Ann is survived by her son Jeff Beaty (Boo), daughter Katie Armstrong, daughter Kim Farris (David), grandchildren Alyssa Farris Stetler (Travis), Alex Farris (Taylor), Morgan Armstrong and Abigail Armstrong, grandchildren great Finn Farris, Ayda, Monte, Callie and Malik; sisters-in-law Jo Wright (Chick), Shelby Lester, and a long list of loving nieces and nephews, as well as her beloved longtime caregivers Brenda Gray, Sharon Crockett, Austie Lowe, Gladys Smith and Jeanette Upchurch.

Ann is preceded in death by husband, Billy R. Beaty ("Bob"), parents Alma and Virgil Bowden, siblings Carl, Ovid, Elaine, Virgil Jr. ("Coffee"), Justine, and Elroy.

A memorial service was held in Ann's honor on Saturday, July 22 at the Jamestown





with burial following in the Taylor Place Cemetery. Bro. Tommy Duncan and Frank Mullinix officiated. The Mundy Funeral Home in Jamestown was in charge of arrangements.

William & Grace Matthews. Funeral were held on Sunday, July 23, 2023, at 2 P M at Mundy Funeral Home in Jamestown,

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	Thursday Worship Service - 6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Worship Service – 7:00 p.m.	
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# **Joints Of View**

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## **Dear Editor...**

This is in reply to the article of July 12, "In the Constitution, Congress Comes First." A preliminary reading, and one most people will know, reveals that the U.S. Consitution starts with, "We the People..." not, "we the Congress." In other words, "We the People, declare that the Constitution derives its power not from a king or a Congress, but from the people themselves.

Since the premise of the article was questionable, the rest was read in high alert. The author comments, "throughout our history Congress has made an effort to stay close to and understand its constituents. They still do." Really? If that were true, they would not have accepted the illegal electoral votes in the 2020 election. While media has much of the population thinking it was justified, the facts are that the Congress did NOT have to accept the votes, and our own representative Congressional John Rose has proven that when he voted AGAINST the electoral votes

The author seems to lament, "population shifts boost rural power in the Senate..." It is clear, again from the 2020 election, it is the URBAN areas that 'shift' voting counts. If we did not have a republic, the popular vote of urban areas- large citieswould rule the land.

Next, we see our poor Congress whose "strength has ebbed." Let's see. Congress has the law-making power. Just exactly how does it lose its power? Perhaps by not doing its job? One cannot lose power unless it is relinquished or conquered. The Constitution protects Congress from being conquered, so it has relinquished its power. This skewed observation then leads to the real complaint: the U.S.Supreme Court, SCO-TUS.

What this author really wants to complain about is the decisions coming from SCOTUS, and he makes mention of abortion in which "the Court does not reflect the thinking of a majority of Americans." Really? While polls can be manipulated, like statistics, it is clear that the majority of the U.S. population is CONSERVATIVE and conservatives are against abortion. Further, the rationale of this article is in question, and perhaps moot if one was following the U.S. Constitution, because the Constitution does not give SCOTUS the ability to make law, which is has been doing for decades. It's job is to rule on the 'constitutionality' of laws and actions. Abortion has nothing to do with our Constitution. What SCOTUS just did was direct the abortion issue back to the states where it properly resides.

Last, though not least, the author refers to our government as a "representative democracy." Professing ignorance, I had to look this up. In a round about way, one could use this phrase. However, it may be an end run to replace "constitutional republic" with democracy. We are NOT a democracy. The majority does not rule. The sooner and better we all study and understand we have a " constitutional republic" the better we will have capacity to fight as we are rapidly losing ground in what is a "head on" attack against our Constitution. As far as this writer is concerned, this author of the article has that specific agenda in mind.

**Anne Featherston** 

### VA Emergency Room VETERANS staff. **\* POST**

Veteran Suicide In A

### by Freddy Groves

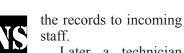
A veteran with a documented history of suicidal thoughts and attempts, as well as drug abuse and PTSD, committed suicide while being left unattended in a VA facility emergency room.

The Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General investigated, and they unearthed the facts .... which are not pretty. It's this:

The veteran showed up at the VA facility ER with bladder complaints and depression. He'd been there before, and it was noted in his file that he'd had admissions for substance abuse and suicidal thoughts.

The first medical person ("Nurse 1") did a triage, which is asking questions to decide how to classify the patient. Instead of using the computer to ask him specific questions (per policy) and record his answers, she did it from memory. Nurse 1 allegedly told the physician (who was resting in another room) there was a patient waiting. Another person, Nurse 2, did a bladder scan.

An hour later, no physician had shown up. An additional hour later, Nurse 1 left for the day and handed off



Later a technician found the veteran on the floor of the room, dead by suicide, still unseen by a doctor.

The OIG investigation revealed:

During the investigation, Nurse 1 could not recall from memory the risk assessment questions she supposedly asked the veteran. Nurse 1 also did not actually alert the physician that patients were waiting.

The physician did not respond to an alert from Nurse 2 either about patients waiting and did not get up until the boss came on shift.

The "Door to Doc" policy was severely violated. That performance policy states that the target is 25 minutes from the time a patient walks in the door to the time he's seen by a doctor -- not the two hours and 20 minutes this veteran languished by himself.

Information surfaced that showed facility admin sought to interfere with the OIG investigation, instructing in emails that "appropriate responses to direct questions are: yes, no, I don't know, and I don't remember."

To read the whole report, see WWW. va.gov/oig/pubs/ VAOIG-22-01540-146. pdf.

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Comments on Congress By Lee Hamilton

Now that it's settled down to just a low simmer, the revolt by members of the ultra-conservative Freedom Caucus in the US House of Representatives has mostly left the front pages. But it would be fair to say that it hasn't been resolved-merely cooled for the moment. Since it could flare up again at any time, it's worth taking a step back and looking at why, in the long run, the House might be better off because of it.

First, though, let's recap. As you

an accountability regime and a power sharing agreement," said one of the hardliners, Rep. Matt Gaetz. "We want to see House conservatives in a position to be able to enforce the agreements that we all make."

Democrats, of course, watched all this gleefully, and while some conservative commentators praised the rebels for insisting on steeper cuts to federal spending, others lamented the talking points the move handed to people who criticize the House GOP caucus for being unable to govern. "It...gives the usual media suspects grist for more rounds of 'Republican infighting/incompetence' stories," fumed the New York Post editorial board.

To me, however, what was most

designed by the architects of our republic to be the people's body, the most representative of our nation's diverse and ever-changing population. Over the country's history, it developed a robust committee system, rules for floor debate, and other procedures designed to give ordinary representatives a chance to do just that: represent the American people. The consolidation of so much power in leaders' hands has circumvented all that—and, arguably, made the House more prone to partisanship and more inclined toward the extremes, since the majority leadership cares mostly about pleasing its own base, not forging common ground across the aisle.

There are any number of issues on which I part company with the members of the Freedom Caucus. But on this front, I have considerable sympathyas do other observers who care about a House of Representatives that can function as its creators intended and as it did for much of its history. As former Democratic Rep. Dan Lipinski argues in a recent op-ed, "If the House does not change, its members will continue to fail in representing their constituents in the legislative process on most major issues." That's an issue we all should care about, regardless of party. Lee Hamilton is a Senior Advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government; a Distinguished Scholar at the IU Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies: and a Professor of Practice at the IUO'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years



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## The House GOP Caucus Revolt Isn't All Bad

may recall, the whole thing began when some of the House GOP caucus's most conservative members decided to use more than words to express their displeasure with the debt ceiling agreement struck between President Joe Biden and House Speaker Kevin McCarthy. In essence, they took their own party's agenda hostage, with 11 of them siding with Democrats on a procedural vote that halted progress on several Republican-sponsored bills. In the closely divided House, this was enough to produce a week of gridlock early in June, while McCarthy and the rebels huddled to try to come to terms.

They emerged with an agreement to allow the blocked bills and other measures to move forward—and a warning from the rebels that they could grind things to a halt again if they don't see progress on a "power-sharing" deal with McCarthy. "We want to work on noticeable about the whole affair was not the politics of the moment, but that it a major detour from the long march in the House toward what detractors call "the imperial speakership"-a handy shorthand for the decades-long trend, under both Democratic and Republican leaders, to consolidate power in the hands of just a few leaders.

There is no question that this has made for more efficiency in the House by keeping debate and amendments to a minimum and wrapping multiple pieces of legislation that ought to get their own votes into a single omnibus package that most members barely get a chance to read. The tradeoff, at least in the past, has been that the leadership protects members of their own party from politically touchy votes.

But the cost to American democracy has been high. The House—unlike any other institution in Washington-was

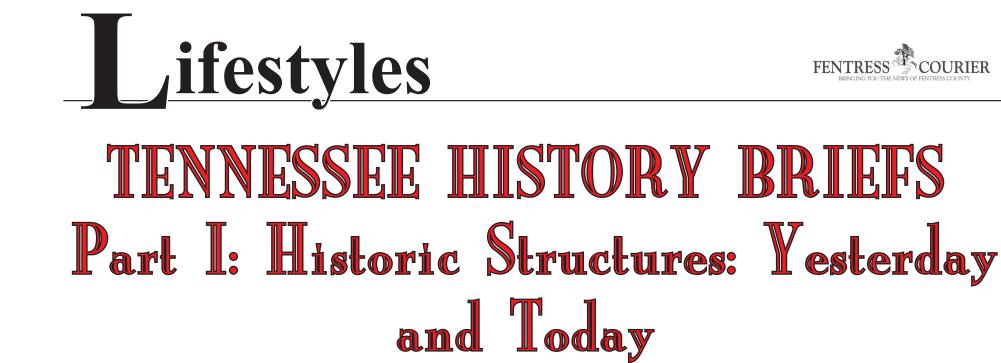
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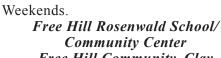
### **Mary Robbins**



Jackson, Clay, Overton and **Fentress County** 

### Cloyd Hotel/Thomas House Red Boiling Springs, Macon County

The Thomas House is one of three hotels built in Red Boiling Springs during the resort town "boom" of the mid 20s. All three—the Thomas House, the Donoho and Armour's Hotel and Spa—are on the National Register of Historic Places. All are located within walking distance of



### Free Hill Community, Clay County

Funded in part by a Sears, Roebuck & Company grant through the Rosenwald Fund which had established a rural school building program to build African American Schools and with the support and help of the citizens of Free Hills and Clay County, the Free Hills School was built in 1929-1930, becoming one of 354 such schools built in Tennessee. The National Trust placed these schools on its list of Most Endangered Historic Places. The Bernard Rosenwald School still serves the Free Hills as a Community Cen-



each other along a quiet street that Rosenwald Schools, titled "Building takes travelers past a park, the public library and a covered bridge over a sparkling, slow moving stream. Note: The Thomas House is said to be haunted; and, in recent years, has presented a series of Ghost Hunt

ter. Through a collaboration between the Center and the Smithsonian, the oral history and traditions of the community have been presented to a national audience through a variety of print and broadcast media. The Tennessee State Museum is currently hosting an exhibition on the history and legacy of the

a Bright Future: Black Communities and Rosenwald Schools in Tennessee". The exhibition opened this week (June 16) and will continue through February 24, 2024.

T. B. Sutton General Store

#### Granville, Jackson County

Constructed in 1880 and located at 169 Clover St. in Historic Granville, the T. B. Sutton General Store is the oldest remaining commercial building in the town. The store sat empty for three decades before Harold and Beverly Sutton purchased and restored it. They donated the restored building to Historic Granville, Inc. The organization continues to operate the building as a general store, restaurant and music venue. The Sutton Store has been recognized by Country Living and Taste of the South magazines as one of the "must see" general stores in the United States. It is on the National Register of Historic Places.

### The Historic Dr. Thomas Black House

McMinnville, Warren County

The Black House, located at301 W. Main Street, was built in 1825. From 1930 to 1849, it was owned by Samuel Hervey Laughlin, editor of the Nashville Banner and the Nashville Union. It was bought by Dr. Thomas Black, the mayor of McMinnville, in 1874; and remained in the Black family until the 1980s. Built in the Federal architectural style it is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Currently open for tours by appointment only, there are plans to reopen it on a regular schedule as well as to offer cultural programming and special events.



## The Tragic Death Of McCoy Oakley In 1931

noon by the Rev. J.G. Harper. Burial was in the



Folks who have always lived in Overton County may not have been personally acquainted with the late Millard Vaughn Oakley, but more than likely recognize his name and maybe know something about his contributions and generosity to his hometown of Livingston. His career was quite an outstanding one that began not long after he graduated from Livingston Academy in 1947. His obituary includes his many accomplishments and can be found on Speck Funeral Home's website. Although Mr. Oakley was well known and highly respected in this and other cities and towns throughout the south, not too much was ever publicized about his parents and siblings. The following tells of the tragic death of an older brother whose name was McCoy Rye Oakley:

Millard Vaughn was the youngest of seven children whose names in the order of their births are as follows: Turley; McCoy; Cornelia; Robert Louis; Sarah Jane; Evelyn; and Millard Vaughn, their parents were Thomas Millard Oakley and wife Cordia Vaughn Oakley. The Oakley property on the Monterey highway known as Hartsaw Cove was purchased by Millard Vaughn's grandfather, Robert L. (Bob) Vaughn in 1898 and has been in the family for more 125 years.

According to a report in a Nashville newspaper, on September 28, 1931, a Livingston Academy football star, age 16, was hurt in practice, but kept his injury a secret. He later died in Nashville. That football star was McCoy Rye Oakley, the second oldest of Millard Vaughn Oakley's siblings.

The Livingston Enterprise issue dated October 2, 1931, gives the details of McCoy Oakley's death. It reads as follows: "Football at Livingston Academy will be indefinitely suspended following the death Monday afternoon following the death of McCoy Oakley, 16, who died in a Nashville hospital following pneumonia developed after injuries sustained while practicing football here last week. A game scheduled with Cookeville High School to be played there has



Tragic Injury - McCoy Oakley died at age 16 following an injury received while practicing football.

been called off by Livingston Academy officials, the Enterprise has learned, and unless action taken by local citizens in condemning cancellation of future games, it is believed that none of the other games scheduled will be played. It was thought that young Oakley was hurt during football practice on Tuesday of last week. He reported for workouts Wednesday and Thursday, however, and collapsed Thursday night. He was rushed to St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville where pneumonia developed from a chest injury. It is not known how he was hurt. His team-mates the following day played Gainesboro without him. His position was that of left-end and he was one of the most promising players of the squad, being only a sophomore this year. The youth was the son of Mr. and Mrs. T.M. Oakley of this city and was popular in his circle and had many friends outside it. He was known as a young man of good mental and physical habits, and was one of the most excellent students in his class. His brother, Turley, was a team-mate on the football eleven. A shadow of gloom was cast upon Livingston Academy following his death and his loss is considered irreparable by his school. Funeral services were conducted at the Livingston Methodist church Tuesday after-

Good Hope Cemetery. Members of the football squad acted as active and honorary pallbearers. Active were Eron G. Mitchell; Milton Upton; Delphis Billings; Billie Bob Thedford; Hubert Kuykendall and Knoxie Pemberton. Honorary pallbearers were Lucian Copeland; Rubin Smith; Herman Smith; Claude Smith; Tilman Marcom; Lloyd Keisling; Leon Howard; Herman Qualls; Myers Qualls; Gradis Shumake; Eugene Keisling; Clinton Garrett; William Jernigan; Burchard Reneau; Clifford York; Thurston Reynolds; Earl Sells; Carson Ray; and Clarence Davis. Surviving besides his parents are three brothers, Turley, Robert, and Millard, and three sisters, Cornelia, Sarah, and Evelyn. The Enterprise wishes to express the heartfelt sympathy of everyone connected with the paper in the loss of this splendid young man."

McCov's death was in 1931, but almost 100 years later, another chapter to his life has unfolded. The details of how his portrait and a picture of the Livingston Academy football team he played on ended up in Sparta for many years is not known, however, antique dealer, Donna (Pennington) England was contacted by someone in Sparta and both pictures were brought to The Antique Market, her shop on the square in Livingston. No one knew who the young man in the portrait was or the names of anyone in the group picture of Livingston Academy's football team. Knowing Robbie and Terry Melton's son, Clint, has a display of old football pictures in his drug story, Donna called Robbie to inquire if she would be interested in buying the pictures. Robbie bought both pictures to add to Clint's display.

As fate sometimes plays a part in how things turn out, and many years later, Millard Vaughn Oakley came into Clint's drugstore and was quite surprised to see his older brother, McCoy's picture hanging on the wall over the entrance to the drug store. He explained to Clint that the young man in the picture was McCoy, his older brother, and asked if he might get a copy of the picture since he had never seen it before. And rather than making Millard a copy, Clint had a copy made for himself and gave the original to Millard. An excellent copy has been hung beside the photograph of the football team McCoy played on and can be viewed there today.

I'll end with a definition of fate I found after working on this story: "Fate - the events in life we never see coming, what is meant to be, even if we don't know why."

# ifestyles **New Principal**



Allardt Elementary Names New Principal – Mrs. Missie Cravens was named the new principal at Allardt Elementary. Alora Beth Lowe will be her assistant principal. Congratulations to both for the accomplishment and best wishes for the next school year!

## Masoníc Lodge Supports



Masonic Lodge Supports "Back-To-School Bash" - Pictured is Brother Randy Poe (left), Treasurer of Jamestown Lodge # 281, F. & A. M., presenting Seth Vaughn, of the Fentress County Chamber of Commerce, with a check for \$200.00 supporting the "Back to School Bash." One of the main tenets of Freemasonry is Charity. This principle has defined the Masonic Order as one of the most benevo-

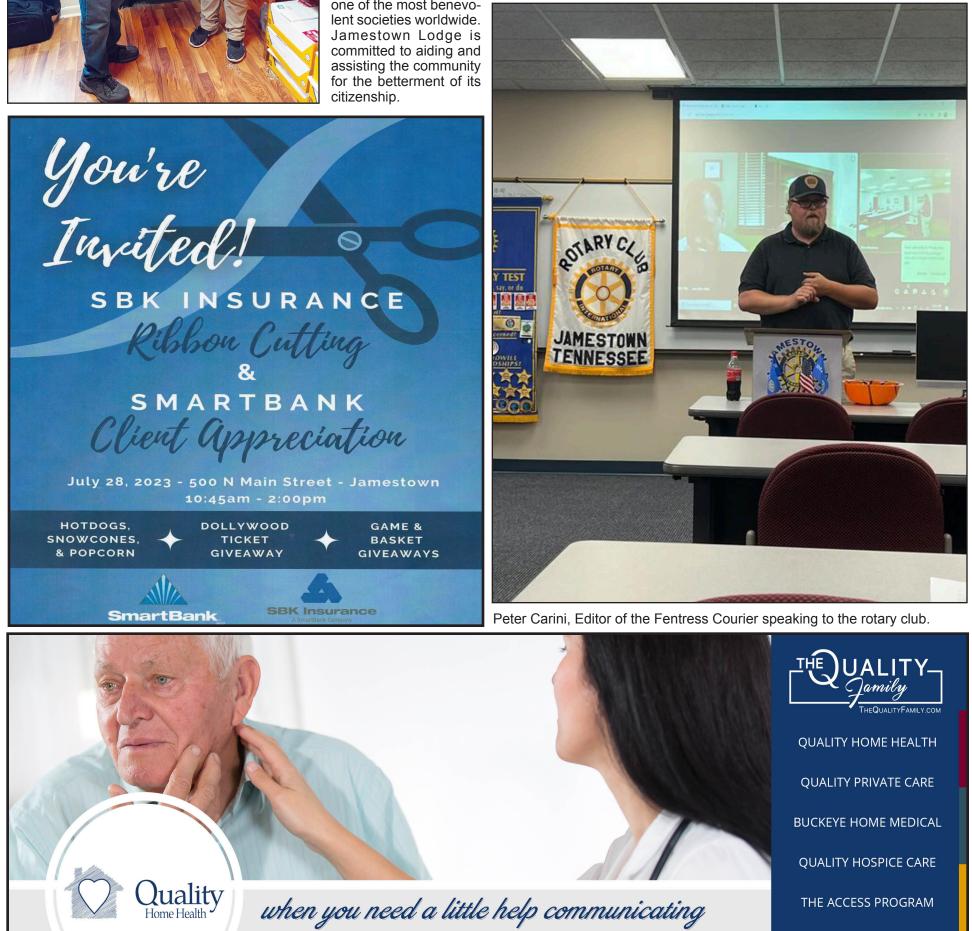
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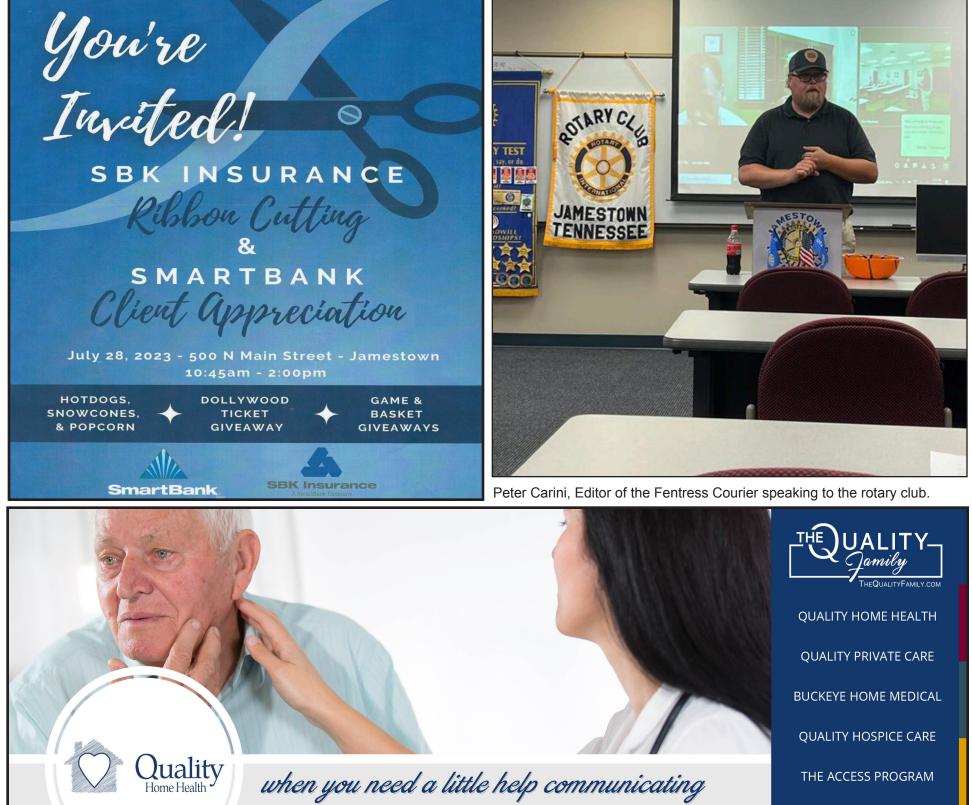
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Jamestown Rotary Club President, Haylee Martin presented the 2023 Outgoing President, Crystal Hinds Tompkins with her Outgoing pin and presented April Lee Conatser a pin for President Elect for 2024-2025. Haylee will serve as the Club President from July 2023 to June 2024.



Outgoing Jamestown Rotary Club President, Crystal Hinds Tompkins was presented a gavel by Incoming President, Haylee Martin.





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# Senior Salute



#### **NEKIA CLARK** Staff Writer

### **Bryson Bilbrey**, #9

Bryson Drew Bilbrey is an upcoming senior football player for the York Institute Dragons. Bryson is the son of Danielle Byrge and Zach Bilbrey. For many years now, twelve to be specific, Bryson has spent hours on the football field and basketball court working to better himself year after year. Although he did not spend all of his time in high school at York Institute, he was always a mustwatch player for Dragon fans. Bryson played on both Bulldogs and Crush

football teams growing up, where he learned the importance of teamwork and perseverance from a young age and got experience with many of the same guys he calls teammates now.

After high school, Bryson plans to work hard to grow his future business. As far as college goes, it's up in the air for him right now. "But if I did go to college, I would want to go to Appalachian State," he told us. Appalachian State University is located in Boone, North Carolina which is about 4 and <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours from Brysons soon to be Alma Mater high school. If he choose to attend the uni-

versity, we could only hope to see him on the field again amongst other stellar players to continue his football career for a few additional years at a division 1 school.

So far in high school, Bryson has achieved many amazing goals. He was named Boys-All UC second team for the 22-23 basketball season, received All District honors during the 22-23 district tournament, Dragons Player of the Game against Bledsoe County last year, and many many more. We are so proud of Bryson and all of his accomplishments and can't wait to cheer him on in the upcoming season!



## Tech Stadium Construction Outlined

#### THOMAS CORHERN TTU Sports Information

Tucker Stadium has stood tall on the Tennessee Tech campus since 1966 as countless student-athletes have taken to the Overall Field turf. The stories the facility could tell as it has hosted championships and special events, while it's been the home of the Golden Eagles for generations.

As University President Dr. Phil Oldham took the stage last week at the Tennessee Tech Football Alumni Reunion and Golf Classic, he said the words that excited the gathered alumni at the Leslie Town Centre: "We're building a



opments from lines on a blueprint into reality.

"It's really exciting to see everyone come together," Oldham said. "That's probably the greatest success of all. It usually starts off kind of slow and sluggish, and there's always some critics and naysayers that say 'I don't think you can do it.' It almost invariably picks up momentum and everyone gets excited about it. I think we're at that point right now."

For the nearly 60-year-old venue, it's a whole new lease on life - an opportunity to keep standing and create more legends, while offering something new for the program and its followers.

Sixty years at Tuck

new football stadium.

It was official confirmation following years of planning and fundraising, all set to give the aging facility a facelift.

"It's time to do something different with it," Oldham said. "We're excited about that. We're going to rebuild the west side of Tucker Stadium. I'll put it in football lingo - we're 1st-and-goal on the 10-yard line and we just have to get it across the goal line."

With the stated plan to begin demolition on the west side in December, the process will then begin to give the facility a well-deserved facelift and provide Tennessee Tech's supporters with new amenities to enhance the game day experience.

"Pardon the pun, but а game-changer," it's

Oldham said. "Fans are so vital to driving the success of an athletics program, especially football, and fans today have pretty high expectations for that fan experience at a game. They want nicer amenities, VIP-type seating, more options for concessions and that's what we intend to do."

The details Oldham delivered to the crowd included that the construction process will take approximately 18to-20 months and the design is in its final stages.

Updating and enhancing Tucker Stadium is just part of the equation, though. It will play a big part in driving fans to Cookeville and Tennessee Tech for events, but it also stretches be-

yond the campus' reach. "It has a great impact on the university as a whole as it creates more enthusiasm, excitement and school spirit," Oldham said. "It also impacts the community with a tremendous economic impact on the broader community of Cookeville and the Upper Cumberland."

The investment into Tucker Stadium is an important one and another piece to the evergrowing, ever-changing landscape of Tennessee Tech as new buildings continue to rise on campus and drive the campus ever forward the future.

"As a university, if you're not growing or better, you're getting dying," Oldham said.

"There's really not an alternative here. You have to keep pushing forward. Yes, these things are challenging, but you meet them, get the people around you to support you and make it happen."

While it's not the first improvement to Tucker Stadium, it is the first major construction project to the facility since nearly its inception in the mid-1960s and early 1970s. Artificial turf was added in 1970 and refreshes in 1980, 1994, 2007 and 2021 and a seating expansion took place in 1971 the year before the Golden Eagles stood as one of the top NCAA College Division teams in the country as the 1972 squad reached

the Grantland Rice Bowl. New lights were added in 2008 to bring the facility up to broadcast standards, the press box was updated in 2009, then a 100-by-50-foot Daktronics videoboard in 2018 – one of the largest in the Football Championship Subdivision - was added behind the South end zone.

Of course, it's not the only project in progress as the fundraising process continues for the Football Operations Center, planned to be behind Tech Softball Field by the Athletic Performance Center.

With those projects, the alumni and the community -- through donations and support – have helped make these devel-

er Stadium is a lot of history and a lot of you helped build that legacy, that history," Oldham said to the football alumni. He then shifted to the family of the late Ottis Phillips, a Tech football alumnus and community leader that helped spearhead the effort.

"Ottis and his family mean a lot to Athletics and the Tennessee Tech football family. Ottis stepped up early and was absolutely convinced we had everything in place and we could do this. We met multiple times and he was a great inspiration to me as I know he was to many of you. We owe it to him and everybody else to get these projects done and I appreciate all the help you all have done to make this happen."



1. Eden Park, Sky Stadium and Forsyth Barr Stadium are all soccer/rugby arenas located in what country?

2. What former Major League Baseball player went by the unusual nickname "Pronk"?

3. Soccer player

Andres Escobar, who was murdered in 1994 as retaliation for inadvertently deflecting the ball into his own net at the FIFA World Cup, played for what national team?

4. The National Softball Hall of Fame and Museum is located in what U.S. city?

5. Physician and Olympic decathlete Tom Waddell organized what sports event that first took place in San Francisco in 1982?

6. Name the NAS-CAR driver, winner of the 1992 Daytona 500, tures Syndicate, Inc.

who was killed in a helicopter crash in July 1993.

7. Larry David provided the voice of what real-life sports team owner in the TV comedy series "Seinfeld"?

Answers

- 1. New Zealand.
- 2. Travis Hafner.
- 3. Colombia.
- 4. Oklahoma City.

5. The Gay Games (founded as the Gay Olympics).

6. Davey Allison.

7. George Steinbrenner.

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Hall of Fame pitcher Gaylord Perry stated, "They'll put a man on the moon before I hit a home run." This was in 1963. Six years later, just hours after Neil Armstrong stepped onto the lunar surface, Perry hit the first and only home run of his career.

# **S**usiness

## **Choosing A Business Entity**

Selecting the optimal business entity is crucial for many reasons.

One of the most important factors is the business liability risk. If the business has a liability risk, a Limited Liability Company (LLC) and corporation provide liability protection for its owners.

Partnerships and sole proprietors fail to provide liability protection. All partners are at risk for a partnership's debts and are personally liable for any business obligations.

If the partnership is the best entity for tax purposes, an alternative Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) should be considered. Several variations of partnership ownership can be used to reduce the legal liability of the partners.

Depending on the jurisdiction, partners of an LLP are only liable for their own misconduct. They generally have insulation from partnership obligations and other liabilities, depending on the state of domicile law.

Another factor to consider is the transferability of ownership interests. A corporation can issue new shares, which makes it easy to bring in investors to raise capital. A corporation provides exit strategies for the owners of the corporation.

Generally, partners can transfer their partnership interests. However, a unanimous vote is usually required to bring in new partners. This restricts a partner's ability to exit the partnership to bring in a new partner by transferring their interest.

Tax implications are another factor to consider. C corporations have the disadvantage of double taxation. Owners of C corporations may try to reduce double taxation by paying out all the profit as payroll to the shareholders of the business. However, if the payroll is considered excessive by the IRS, they have the authority to reallocate profits paid as compensation as dividends instead.

An S corporation eliminates double taxation since it doesn't pay federal income tax. Additionally, S corporations provide the ability to reduce self-employment tax. S corporations have special rules that limit certain deductions. S corporations are required to pay out proportionate dividends, which may not be ideal for businesses with more than one owner. S corporations are also limited to one class of stock.

Income (QBI) deduction is an essential factor to consider when choosing an entity. The QBI can reduce the taxable income by 20%. Sole proprietors and pass-through entities may qualify for the QBI deduction.

For tax purposes, the optimal entity may change due to multiple factors. These factors include changes in business profitability, marriage, and having children. Forming an LLC can enable a sole proprietor to convert to being taxed as an S corporation by making an election with the IRS. The business can also convert from an S corporation to a single-member LLC and be taxed as a sole proprietor.

Businesses should also consider changing their entity by dissolving the current entity and creating a new entity The Qualified Business if it provides substantial tax

savings.

Determining the optimum entity can provide substantial tax savings. However, the process can be very complex. Hiring an expert can be crucial to a business's success.

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## **Small Business Showcase -**The Treasure Chest by Logan Bledsoe Lane!

NEKIA CLARK Staff Writer

Each week, the Fentress Courier will be picking a small business from within our own community to feature in the paper to encourage shoppers to stay local and give back to our economy. This week we chose The Treasure Chest by Logan Lane! You can

locate her business on return pallet. The first suit everyone in your Facebook in the public grouped named "The Treasure Chest - Logan Lane"

Logan started the Treasure Chest almost four years ago this upcoming November! It wasn't always a dream for her but one day her dad, a long time local buyer and seller, had the idea for the two to go in together and purchase an Amazon

few months to almost life! She offers school a year of the business was solely things that came off of the pallet at a discounted rate. During this time, their platform began to grow on Facebook. After her step into custom products, the demand for it encouraged her to buy a heat press. Now on Facebook, you can find a ness now, she de- her through various variety of t-shirts to

spirit shirts connected to our local teams, personalized gifts for your mom, grandmother, and even aunts, and is constantly accepting personal requests from her group members of what they would like to see on the shop.

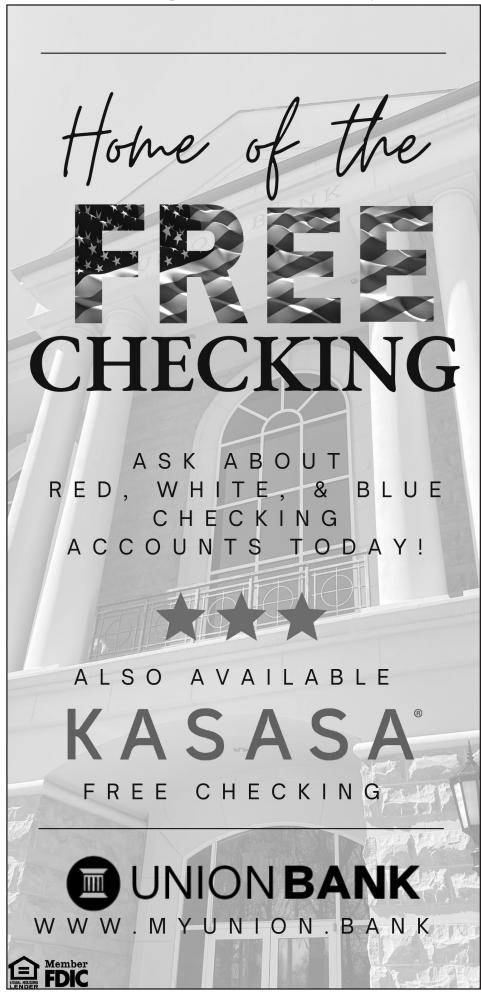
When Logan tells people about her busi-

scribes it as journey. At first "we didn't want to be called a boutique, we just wanted to provide small items to the community. And now, I found my love for making shirts so I guess we're a boutique who offers affordable clothing to the public." Logan is constantly giving back to the people who support

giveaways and showing support to local organizations and campaigns such as keeping the children safe.

We are so proud to have business like The Treasure Chest in our community! If you would like to show support to the business, you can join the Facebook group or message Logan to place an order!

**Highest Number Of Meals Distributed By Second** Harvest Food Bank



The fiscal year ending June 2023 marked a milestone year for Second Harvest Food Bank as we celebrated our 40th year of operations and distributed more than 24 million pounds of food to our East Tennessee neighbors. As the year progressed, the food bank began to see meal distribution numbers reach levels that exceeded pandemic numbers - largely due to inflation and a sharp rise in food and transportation costs.

Last year, the food bank worked in partnership with more than 630 food pantries, agency partners, and community organizations to provide more than 20 million meals in our 18-county service area – the highest number of meals in our organization's history. Nearly 70% of the total pounds distributed were "green" pounds, which is considered the highest nutritional value. In addition to the growing number of meals, the food bank's operational fleet logged more than 289,000 miles distributing food to neighbors experiencing food insecurity across our 8,000 square mile service area. The Food Rescue program, which picks up from area grocers and restaurants, rescued more than 10 million pounds of food from going to waste, and instead delivered it to those who need it most. Our community recorded a landmark 29,072 volunteer

hours of repackaging, sorting, and distributing food for our mission.

A few quick stats:

• \_24,581,939 - total pounds distributed

• \_20,484,949 - total meals distributed

• 17,178,813 - "green" pounds distributed (includes 5.7m lbs of produce)

• 10,149,061 - Food Rescue pounds distributed

• 289,854 - Fleet miles driven

• \_29,072 - Volunteer hours logged • 182,141 - # of people served each month on average

Second Harvest would like to thank our partners, donors, collaborators, and volunteers for helping to serve the more than 231,000 East Tennesseans experiencing food insecurity. If you or someone you know needs help, visit secondharvestetn.org for more information.

### **About Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee**

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee, a member of Feeding America, has worked to compassionately feed East Tennesseans experiencing hunger since 1982. Last year, Second Harvest distributed more than 24 million pounds of food across an 18-county service area through multiple feeding programs and 630+ community partners.





## Agriculture **Fire Ants On The Rise**

An Extension spe- reduce mounds by cialist with the University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture (UTIA) has observed a significant increase in fire ant colonies in West Tennessee, posing a threat to members of the community seeking to enjoy local lawns, school yards, parks, athletic fields and golf courses.

"Fire ants are more than just painful pests," said Kim Brown, turfand pesticide grass specialist Extension at the West Tennessee AgResearch and Education Center in Jackson. "These insects are easy to disturb and can be difficult to manage, causing serious stings and unsightly mounds in backyards and other outdoor areas."

Brown said the most effective way to manage fire ants is to control the queen by using industrystandard baits, which can

80% to 90% when used according to label

"Fire ant bait contains insecticide at low rates and has no residual activity. This makes it the perfect option for those with children and pets. It is not recommended to try home remedies such as grits, club soda, molasses, boiling water or flammable fluids. These methods can either be ineffective or potentially even dangerous," said Brown.

Bait should be applied when the ants are foraging, or actively leaving the mound in search of food. Brown said the preferred method of determining if ants are foraging is to put a small potato chip or hot dog near a mound. If the



On The Rise - A significant increase in fire ant colonies in West Tennessee has been observed, posing a threat to members of the community seeking to enjoy local lawns, school yards, parks, athletic fields and golf courses. Photo courtesy UTIA.

food attracts ants within 30 minutes, it is an ideal time to apply bait.

"All you have to do is sprinkle the bait as directed around the mound. The ants will carry the bait inside where the

queen will consume it, eliminating the colony from the inside. Some baits can take six to eight weeks to work while others can control the colony within three days. It is important to refer to the label for specific information," said Brown.

While individually treating mounds can be an effective way to exterminate above ground fire ant colonies, broadcast treatments using hand-powered а spreader can eliminate colonies that might not be visible at the time of application.

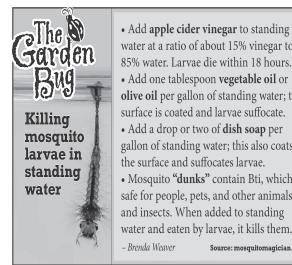
"By the time a mound is formed, the colony is already several weeks old and the population will only continue to increase," said Brown. "Broadcast

applicators allow you to administer bait across your entire yard in a very short time, eliminating colonies before they can expand. However, it is important to apply according to label and to not overapply, which is easy to do when using hand-powered spreaders.'

While a single sting is painful yet seldom life-threatening, allergic reactions and repeated stings have been known to cause doctor's visits and hospitalization. With mound populations continuing to grow across West Tennessee, Brown said it is increasingly important to stay proactive in managing these pests.

"Bait is effective, safe and easily purchased at your local lawn and garden store. Some popular brands include Amdro, Advion, Distance, Extinguish Plus, Extinguish Professional and Siesta Insecticide. A little prevention can truly go a long way," said Brown.

For more information on fire ant control, please visit fireants.tennessee.edu.



water at a ratio of about 15% vinegar to 85% water. Larvae die within 18 hours. • Add one tablespoon vegetable oil or olive oil per gallon of standing water; the surface is coated and larvae suffocate. • Add a drop or two of **dish soap** per gallon of standing water; this also coats the surface and suffocates larvae. • Mosquito "dunks" contain Bti, which is safe for people, pets, and other animals and insects. When added to standing water and eaten by larvae, it kills them. - Brenda Weaver Source: mosquitomagician.com



Weekly Tennessee Cattle	and Grain Summary	y	USDA Livestock	r, Poultry & Grain Market News
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At Market - Producers show off their wares at the Livingston Farmers Market.

### Collaboration At The Heart Of **Farmers Markets**

SANDRA RENNER Center for Rural Affairs

As farmers markets across the country begin to open in rural communities, there's a certain charm and nostalgia related to them.

The tradition of farmers, gardeners, artisans, and bakers bringing their wares to town to sell at the market has been around for hundreds, if not thousands, of years.

Farmers markets have always focused on selling fresh produce, meats, and baked goods. Over the years, vendor types have expanded to include food trucks, children's activities, student-led businesses, artists, and musicians.

During the pandemic, farmers markets had to shut down and then re-open with new guidelines and restrictions, and they did so in innovative ways that showcased rural resiliency.

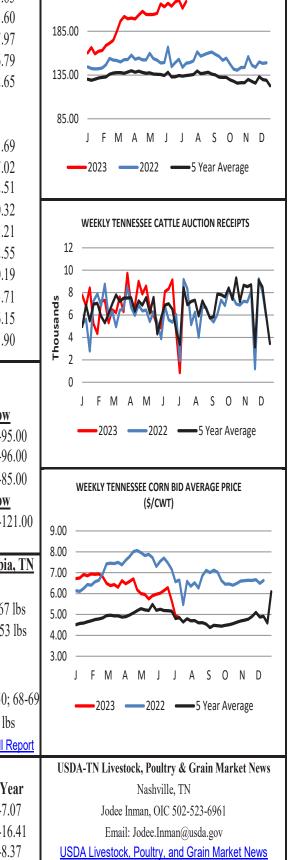
Community leaders, vendors, producers, and customers alike continue to come together in ways that honor that collaborative spirit by offering new ways to solve old issues like summer feeding programs for youths and seniors, serving as pickup sites for farm businesses, and providing a space for young farmers and entrepreneurs to get started.

Acceptance of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) has grown in markets and has led to Double Up Food Bucks being offered that reward customers for buying local produce, increase sales for producers, keep food dollars local, and welcome more traffic to the market. This is a win-winwin for rural markets, vendors, and customers.

Rural communities have also addressed barriers to visiting the markets, such as lack of advertising or language accessibility. More input from community members has increased the viability of these markets and created a destination in those communities on market days.

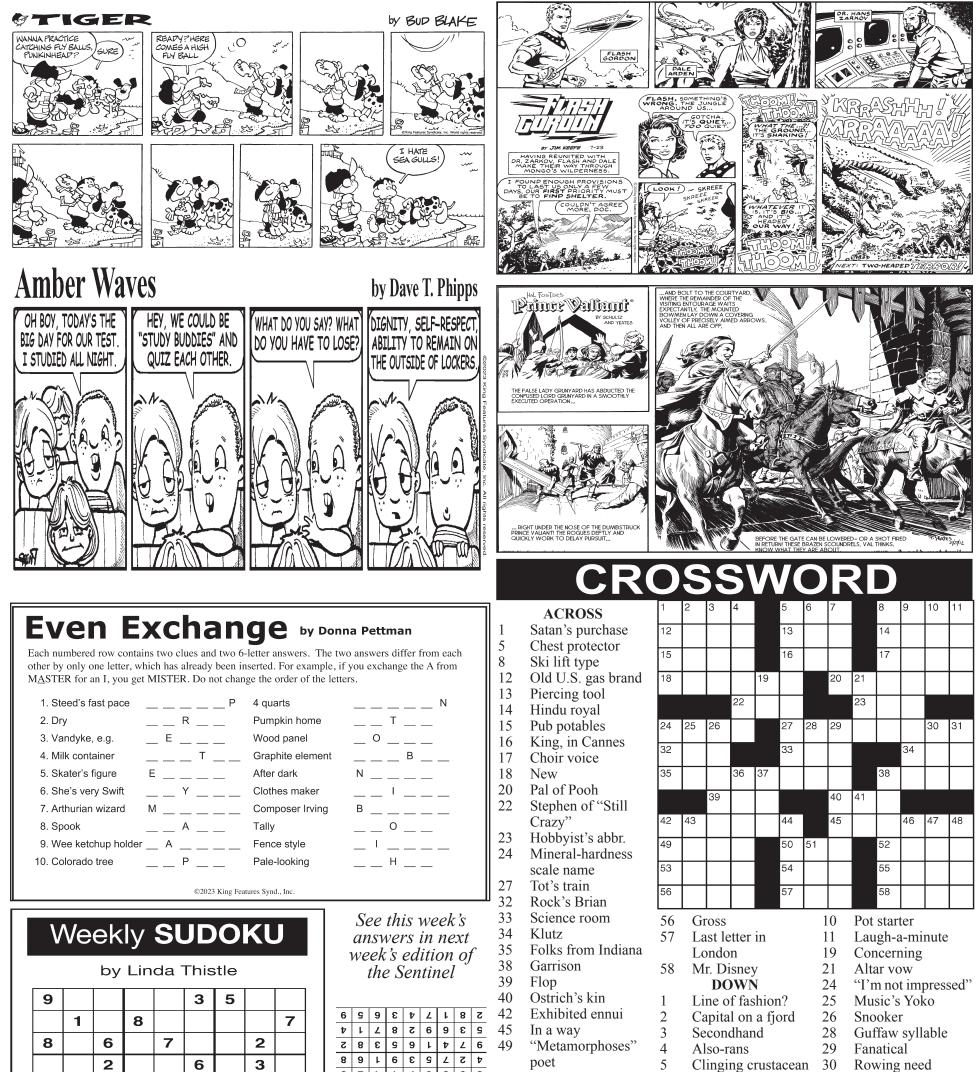
If you're interested in organizing or improving your local farmers market, find our resources online at cfra.org/farmersmarkets.

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### **REGIONAL TRIVIA** *Highway 127 Yard Sale*

- How many miles does the Highway 127 Yard Sale cover?
- How many states does it span?
- Name the states?
- Name three major vendor locations in each of the states along the Sale
- route?
- Where is the headquarters of the Sale?
- How many years has the Sale been held?
- Which year (according to sponsors and vendors) has been the most

profitable?

- What are six of the most popular items sold by vendors?
- How much revenue does the State of Tennessee estimate that the Sale generated last year (2022)?

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## awn & Garden FENTRESS COURIER **Plant Now For A Bountiful Fall Harvest**



by Melinda Myers

Boost your fall garden harvest with some midsummer plantings. Fill vacant spaces left in the vegetable garden after harvesting lettuce, spinach, and other early maturing crops. Expand your edible plantings to other vacant spots in flowerbeds, mixed borders, and containers.

Sow seeds of beans, cucumbers, carrots, beets, and other vegetables that will have time to reach maturity before the end of your growing season. Simply count the number of days from planting to the average first fall frost in your area. You'll find frost dates for your location on the internet, extension publications and other gardening resources. Next, check the back of the seed packet for the number of days needed from planting until harvest. As long as you have enough time for the seeds to sprout, grow and produce before the first frost, they can be added to the garden.

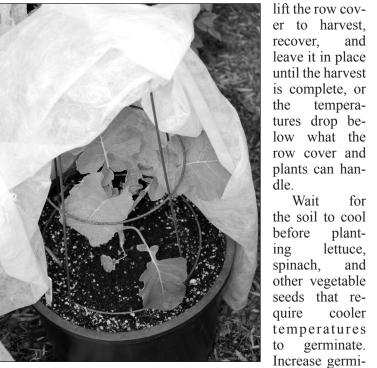
Some plants like collards, kale and broccoli tolerate, and even taste better, after a light freeze. This makes them great choices for a fall-harvested garden. Some garden centers sell transplants of these and other vegetables suitable for summer planting. Check the plant tags for the number of days needed for transplants to grow and start producing. Extend the

harvest season by providing frost protection in the fall. Cold frames and cloches that act like mini greenhouses for individual plants protect the plants from frost. Vent them on warm sunny days and close the lids when frost is in the forecast.

Use floating signed to let air,

light, and water through to the plants while protecting them from frost. You will find row covers available in various weights that provide different levels of cold weather protection. Select the one best suited to your climate and the vegetables you are growing.

Loosely cover the plants with the fabric and anchor the edges with stones, boards, or landscape pins. Just ity of your second planting by prepar- www.MelindaMyers.com.



row cover fab- Fall Harvest - Floating row cover fabrics rics for an even are a lower maintenance option, protectlower mainte- ing plants from frost while letting air, light, nance option. and water through. Photo courtesy of They are de- www.MelindaMyers.com.

covering and the row with a wooden lath to keep the soil cooler. Remove the lath as soon as the seeds sprout. Or start the plants indoors and move them into the garden as transplants. Then help keep the soil cool throughout the remainder of summer by mulching with leaves, evergreen needles, or other organic mulch.

Increase the health and productiv-

ing the soil before planting seeds and transplants. Mix an inch of quality compost into the top six inches of soil or fertilize with organically rich lownitrogen fertilizer.

Once your seeds and transplants are in the ground, be sure to water them properly. Keep the seedbed and roots of transplants moist for the first few weeks. Gradually reduce the watering frequency as seedlings sprout and grow, and transplants become established. Most plants need about an inch of water each week. Water thoroughly whenever the top few inches of soil are crumbly and slightly moist. Adjust your watering schedule based on your weekly rainfall, soil type, and air temperatures.

Harvest vegetables when they are at their peak of ripeness and early in the morning after the dew dries whenever possible. Regular picking avoids waste and results in a bigger harvest of flavorful and nutritious vegetables to enjoy throughout the fall.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition, and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and her website is

### **Dog's Aggression Is A Worry**



DEAR PAW'S COR-NER: I have a small, mixed-breed, mostly terrier named Cookie. He's a darling to me and my son, but to anyone else, he's a terror. He is a rescue, so I don't know what his early life was like or if he was properly socialized. But I'm worried about having company over because he will bark ferociously at any strangers. What can I do to stop this? -- Janice L., Trenton, New Jersey DEAR JANICE: A lack of socialization or an abusive home could be factors in Cookie's aggression. Genetics can also be at play: Some dog breeds were developed to be guard dogs or hunters and may be more aggressive if not trained well. However, Cookie has accepted you and your son as family, and that is a positive sign. Follow these tips as you begin the process of reducing his aggression.

Never force Cookie to meet new visitors or strangers on the street. Let him approach visitors on his own, with you supervising.

-- Ask visitors (and people on the street) not to approach Cookie or try to pet him.

-- Create a safe space where you can put Cookie when visitors arrive. A kennel cage with water, soft bed and favorite toys is ideal.

## **Crossville Hosting Gardeners' Festival**

The University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture is excited to provide information throughout the year to make gardening a success for many home gardeners. This year's Fall Gardeners' Festival is even bigger and better than before with 15 scheduled presentations. UT Gardens, Crossville, in collaboration with UT Extension Master Gardeners will host the day-long event at Plateau AgResearch and Education Center. The event is from 9 a.m. to 3



If Cookie is physically aggressive (charging or snapping), he must stay in his kennel when visitors come, and should always be leashed and wear a muzzle when walking outdoors.

Next, talk to Cookie's veterinarian about a combination of antianxiety medication along with a training routine. I recommend working with a trainer so you can implement effective training methods as quickly as possible. With love, training and care, Cookie can become a confident, less aggressive dog.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com. (c) 2023 King Features Synd., Inc.

p.m. CDT, with registration beginning at 8 a.m., for those not preregistered.

"We have more speakers, additional presentation space, and expect an even bigger crowd than ever before!" said Shalena Durkot, garden coordinator at the Plateau AgResearch and Education Center. "There will be something for everyone at this free community event. Whether your interest is in edibles, ornamentals, wildlife or sustainability, we've got it covered."

Featured at the event are a variety of presentations, educational workshops, exhibits, wagon tours, garden vendors and opportunities to Ask-the-Expert. Entomologists and plant pathologists will once again be available to answer questions. Mark Windham, UT professor emeritus of plant pathology, whose research heavily focuses on the rose rosette disease, will be on hand to discuss this most destructive ornamental disease in the U.S.

Ready For Fall - The Fall Gardeners' Festival features a variety of presentations, educational workshops, exhibits, wagon tours, garden vendors and opportunities to Ask-the-Expert. Photo courtesy UTIA.

The Fall Gardeners' Festival is free to attend, and food is available for purchase. The Plateau AgResearch and Education Center is located at 320 Experiment Station Road in Crossville, and vou can visit plateau.tennessee. edu to learn more about the center's work and field day events. Online registration for the event is encouraged but not required. To register, visit tiny.utk.edu/3olHE.

More information on the Fall Gardeners' Festival presentations will be available closer to the event date.

A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness; it teaches industry and thrift; above all it teaches entire trust.

> Gertrude Jekyll, British Horticulturist

## How To Keep Your Lawn Looking Green

Homeowners' fasciation with a lush, green lawn is something that has developed over time and is still "growing" strong. According to a 2019 survey conducted on behalf of the National Association of Landscape Professionals, 81 percent of all Americans had lawns and 79 percent said a lawn is an important feature when buying or renting a property.

Even though lush lawns are still coveted, due to drought, the financial climate and even invading insect populations, many people are taking inventory of their landscapes and deciding if a lawn is a priority,

even going so far as to reinvent their spaces with lawn alternatives. Still, there are ways to keep properties green no matter which route is taken. Here's a look at some environmentally friendly ways to address a landscape.

#### Irrigate from below

There are many ways to water landscapes, but homeowners may want to take their cues from the commercial farming industry. Drip irrigation systems utilize a network of valves, pipes and tubing close to the roots of plants or under the soil. Such systems are more efficient than surface irrigation options, helping to save water

and nutrients in the soil. Water early

Scotts Lawn Care suggests watering a lawn in the morning before 10 a.m. when it is cooler and winds tend to be calmer. This ensures water can be absorbed into the soil and grass roots before evaporation occurs. Watering midday may cause the water droplets on the lawn blades to heat up and actually scorch the lawn.

#### Plant a new grass type

Homeowners can experiment with eco-friendly grass seed blends that mix native grasses and may not require as much water nor ideal growing conditions.

#### Utilize green alternatives

Rather than focusing solely on grass, some homeowners are turning to alternatives like clover and even moss, particularly if their landscapes do not have the most pristine growing conditions. This may reduce the need for chemical fertilizers and herbicides. The result is still a green, inviting yard.

#### Watch the lawn height

Mowing too frequently or at too low a height may compromise the lawn's ability to thrive. Grass cut to the proper height develops a deep root system to better locate water and nutrients in the soil. That means homeowners may not

have to water as much or as frequently. Taller lawns also shade the soil and the roots, reducing some evaporation.

#### Compost

Leave the clippings on the lawn to break down and further feed nutrients to the lawn, helping it look greener and thrive. Furthermore, rely on supplementation with compost to reinforce the nutrient profile in the soil. The National Resources Defense Council says composting is the natural process of recycling organic matter, such as leaves and food scraps, into a valuable fertilizer. It doesn't take much to nurture compost in a yard.

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### **NOTICE TO** CREDITORS

(As required by T.C.A 30-2-306)

NO. P-23-38

ESTATE OF: Richard Wayne Akers, Late of Fentress County, TN

Notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of July, 2023, Letters Testamentary, in respect to the estate of Richard Wayne Akers, deceased, who died on the 25th day March, 2023 were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk & Master of the Chancery Court of Fentress County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or not, against the Estate are required to file the same with the Clerk and Master 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

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### 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);

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of this 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 first publication (or posting) as described in (1) (A); or

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

This the 13th day of July, 2023

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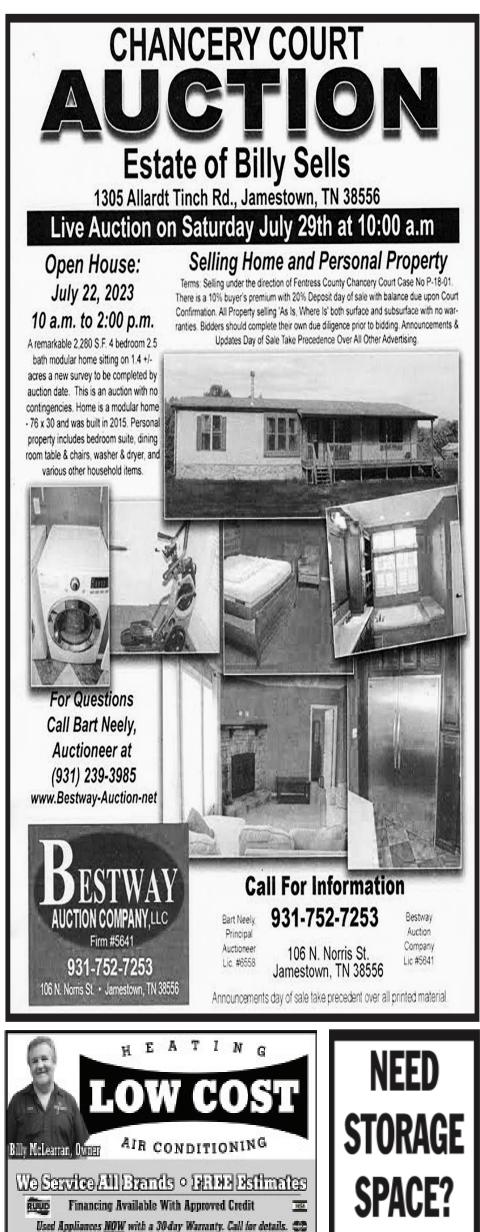
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### NOTICE **DALE PORTER** LYONS JR. **JENNIFER LYNN** PATTERSON

The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a Petition to Terminate Parental Rights as to Clyde Kennith Lyons. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you because your whereabouts are unknown. You are hereby ORDERED to serve upon Ruth Bunn, Attorney for the Tennessee Department of Children's Services. 600 Hearthwood Court, Tennessee Cookeville,



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### an Answer to the Petition to Terminate Parental Rights filed by the Tennessee Department of Children's Services, within thirty (30) days of the last day of publication of this notice, and pursuant to Rule 39(e) (1) of the Tenn. R. Juv. P. you must also appear in the Juvenile Court of Fentress County, Tennessee at Jamestown, Tennessee on the 11th day of September, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., for the Hearing on the Petition to Terminate Parental Rights by the State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services If you fail to do so, a default judgment will be taken against you pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-1-117(n) and Rule 55 of the Tenn. R. of Civ. P. for the relief demanded in the Petition. You may view and obtain a copy of the Petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents at the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office, Jamestown, Tennessee. 7-19, or to readvertise and sell 7-26, 8-2 & 8-9, 4TC

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#### **SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on Monday, August 7, 2023, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. at the front America with respect to entrance of the Fentress County Justice Center in Jamestown, Tennessee, the undersigned, as Substitute Trustee, under a America in order for the deed of trust executed by JASON T. JUNNIER and vertised not to be subject wife, KIMBERLY D. to such lien or claim of JUNNIER (the Debtors), lien of the United States dated August 10, 2020, of of America or filed by record at Book 322, page the State of Tennessee 330, et seq., Register's with respect to which the Office, Fentress County, provisions of Tennessee Tennessee, by reason of Code Annotated §67-1default in the payment 1433(b)(1) require notice of the obligation secured to be given to the State by said deed of trust and of Tennessee in order the performance of the for the sale of the land covenants therein contained, and at the express direction of the true and lawful holder and owner of said promissory note secured by said deed of trust, will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, or credit upon the indebtedness secured, at the option of the holder of the secured indebtedness if the holder is the successful bidder, the interest conveyed to said Trustee by virtue of said deed of trust, and the property therein described, which property lies in the FIRST CIVIL DISTRICT of Fentress County, Tennessee, and is more particularly de-

#### Map 052, Parcel 018.05, Fentress County, Tennessee

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For a complete legal description, see the Warranty Deed of record at Book 322, page 327, et seq., Register's Office, Fentress County, Tennessee.

Other interested parties are: None.

This sale will be made in bar of the equity and right of redemption without warranty as to title or encumbrances for the purpose of paying the debt obligation secured by said deed of trust. Said sale shall be subject to any restrictions, reservations, conditions and liens of record applicable to said property, and is further subject to any County real property taxes against said property. In the event the high bidder at the foreclosure sale should fail to comply with the submitted bid, the Trustee shall have the option to accept the next highest bid in which the bidder is able to comply at a later date.

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated §35-5-104, as of the date of this Notice, there were no unreleased tax liens filed by the United States of which the provisions of 26 U.S.C. §7425(b) require notice to be given to the United States of sale of the land thus adthus advertised not to be subject to such lien or claim of lien of the State of Tennessee, against the Debtors in the Register's Office of Cumberland County, Tennessee. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another date certain without further publication upon announcement at the time said above.

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day of June, 2023 JONATHAN R. HAMBY, SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE 7/19, 7/26, 8/1 3TC NOTICE TO CREDITORS (As required by T.C.A 30-2-306)

NO. P-23-42

Notice is Hereby Given that on the 19th day of July, 2023, Letters of Administration, in respect to the Estate of Jewell Smith deceased, were issued to the undersigned by the Clerk &

Master of the Probate Court of Fentress County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or not, 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 forever be barred:

(l) (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);

(b.) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of this 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 first publication (or posting) as described in (l) (m); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of' death.

This the 19th day of July 2023.

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July 2023. LINDA SMITH CLERK & MASTER 140 Justice Ctr. Dr., Ste. 110 Jamestown, TN 38556 **KIMBERLY DOSS** EXECUTRIX ESTATE OF CARLOS GENTRY REAGAN P.O. Box 1540 Jamestown, TN 38556 (7/26,8/2, 2TP)

The Fentress County Committee creditor received an ac- will meet on Friday July tual copy of this notice 28, 2023, at Noon. The to creditors at least sixty meeting will be held at (60) days before the date the Historic Fentress that is four (4) months County Courthouse in the

MEETINGS

The Fentress County Ambulance Committee will meet on Monday July 31, 2023, at 5:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Ambulance Service.

The Fentress County tee will meet on Tuesday August 01, 2023, at 4:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Historic Fen-(12) tress County courthouse months from the dece- in the ECD conference room.

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#### LEGAL NOTICE East Tennessee Natural Gas. LLC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Docket No. CP23-516-000

Notice is hereby given that on July 18, 2023, East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC (ETNG) submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) an Abbreviated Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Related Authorizations for its proposed Ridgeline Expansion Project in FERC Docket No. CP23-516-000 (Application). ETNG proposes to construct, install, own, operate and maintain the Ridgeline Expansion Project (Ridgeline), an expansion of Enbridge's existing ETNG system. Ridgeline is designed to provide transportation of natural gas to Tennessee Valley Authority's (TVA) Kingston Fossil Plant Site as the utility continues to transition to a lower-carbon future while providing affordable energy to homes and businesses. Specifically, ETNG proposes to perform the following activities:

- · Construction and installation of approximately 114 miles of 30-inch diameter pipeline through Trousdale, Smith, Jackson, Putnam, Overton, Fentress, and Morgan Counties, Tennessee;
- · Construction and installation of an approximately 8 miles of 24-inch diameter lateral pipeline in Morgan and Roane Counties, Tennessee with connection to TVA's Kingston Fossil Plant Site; and
- Construction of one electric-powered compressor station (coupled with natural gas turbines as backup to the electric-powered compressor station) with solar-power offsets in Trousdale County, Tennessee.

The majority of the proposed route for Ridgeline will be located within the existing ETNG system's right-of-way, where possible, to minimize impacts to landowners and the environment. The compressor station will be built south of Hartsville, Tennessee near Enbridge's existing Texas Eastern Transmission, LP and ETNG pipeline systems. Pending a positive final investment decision and the approval and receipt of all necessary permits, construction would begin in 2025 with a target in-service date of Fall 2026. Notice of the Application will be mailed to affected landowners, and municipal, state and federal involved in the idgeline project. A copy of the application and related re in the following public libraries and/or municipal and county offices: ETNG Ridgeline Library List-Trousdale County, Fred A. Vaught Memorial Library, 211 White Oak Street, Hartsville, TN 37074; Smith County, Smith County Public Library, 215 Main Street N, Carthage, TN 37030; Jackson County, Charles Ralph Holland Memorial Library, P.O. Box 647, 205 W Hull Ave, Gainesboro, TN 38562; Putnam County, Putnam County Library, 50 East Broad St., Cookeville, TN 38501; Overton County, Millard Oakley Public Library / Overton County Public Library, 107 E Main St., Livingston, TN 38570; Fentress County, Fentress County Public Library, 306 South Main St., Jamestown, TN 38556; Morgan County, Wartburg Public Library, P.O. Box 366, 514 Spring St., Wartburg, TN 37887; Roane County, Kingston Public Library, 1004 Bradford Way, Kingston, TN 37763. For further information on becoming an intervenor in the FERC process and/or to obtain FERC's pamphlet entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Pipeline on My Land? What Do I Need to Know?" visit FERC's website (www.ferc.gov) or contact FERC's Office of External Affairs at (202) 502-6088 or the toll free ETNG Ridgeline landowner hotline at 1-866-569-6267. For more information, please contact: Peter Cassan, Senior Right of Way and Lands Advisor, East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC, 1-866-569-6267. www.enbridge.com/ridgeline

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**Multi-Family** Yard Sale – 215 Industrial Drive, Jamestown, behind Taco Bell Home of Ed and Wilma Brady. Friday, July 28-Sat. Aug. 5th, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. ??? Out of Town/ State Vendors. \$5 fill a bag on select clothing items.

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### **BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR OT/PT SERVICES FOR 2023-2024**

The Fentress County Board of Education is seeking bids to provide Occupational Therapy and/or Physical Therapy for students for the 2023-2024 school year. The following specs are to be addressed:

1. The designated Staff will provide diagnostic evaluations including goals and objectives for student's Individual Education Plan (IEP), consultation at the IEP meetings, and direct therapy as deemed appropriate by the IEP team.

2. The designated Staff will provide and maintain required paperwork, including but not limited to Initial Evaluation, Re-evaluations, Quarterly Progress Reports, and record of service for each treatment session. It will also be the responsibility of the staff to sign a student log at the child's classroom that includes date of service and duration of service for each treatment session completed.

It will be the responsibility of the staff to notify the school, prior to scheduled service, of any change or cancellation in services if need should arise.

It will be the responsibility of the agency to bill applicable insurances of students as their policy allows and to comply with insurance regulations of monthl re-authorizations.

Bids must be presented at a flat service rate per visit. Any additional mileage will be paid for school to school trips only.

Send All Bids to Fentress County Finance, P.O. Box 800, 101 Main Street Jamestown, TN 38556

All Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "BOE OT/PT BID".

Bids will open on Monday, July 31, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at Fentress County Finance Office.

Fentress County Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids.





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## **Bandy Creek Pool To Reduce Hours In August**

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Daily use fees are free for 5 years old and under; \$2 for 6-12 years old; and \$3 for 13 and older. Fees may now be paid online through Pay.gov at this link: https://www. pay.gov/public/form/ start/1014029937. Just print or show a copy of your receipt ing (423) 286-8368.

from your phone at the campground entrance station to get your wristband(s) to access the pool.

The main pool is also available for afterhours rentals. The fee is \$150 for a minimum of two hours for up to 50 persons. Each additional hour is \$50. A special use permit is required, and the application must be submitted five business days in advance. The application can be downloaded online at www. nps.gov/biso/planyourvisit/bandy-creekswimming-pool.htm or one can be mailed/ emailed to you by call-

## Fentress ER Now Open

**BRIAN WILMOTH** Editor of the Livingston Enterprise

A new standalone ER in Jamestown has passed its state inspection and is ready to officially accept patients.

The new medical facility is a partnership between Fentress County and the University of Tennessee Medical Center. It was first announced in July 2020.

"One of our key strategic objectives is providing access to quality healthcare in rural communities, especially communities that are a long distance from major hospitals," said James Shamiyeh, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at UTMC. "UTMC is proud to be able to address rural healthcare disparities in Fentress County by open-

ing an emergency department in this community." Fentress County has

been without a hospital since 2019 when the Jamestown Regional Medical Center closed. Following that closure, residents had to travel around 30-45 minutes for medical care.

The new ER is opening in the Fentress Health Systems located at 208 Central Avenue West in Jamestown, which Fentress County purchased to host the UT-led department. It has six exam rooms to go along with a trauma room for major emergencies. Services will include CT, X-ray, and Ultrasound, along with an onsite lab for quicker test results.

According to officials, the facility hopes to employ around 25-30 people in the beginning. When the Jamestown hospital



closed in 2019, around 150 people lost their jobs.

Several officials have lauded the partnership between UT and Fentress County, calling the relationship as a model for improving rural healthcare. With hospitals in Gainesboro and Celina closing in recent decades, people in rural Middle Tennessee have fewer healthcare options. Following the 2019 hospital closure, the closest hospitals include facilities in Cookeville, Livingston, and Crossville.

Department will contribute to the continuum of care and range of medical services Fentress County residents need," a press release announcing the opening said. "Access to quality emergency healthcare in rural areas is critical when someone suffers a life-threatening emergency. The Emergency Department - Jamestown that UTMC is opening fills this void."

For more information about the new standalone ER, call 931-752-3220 or visit UTMedicalCenter.

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## **TCAT Technical Academy Year 3 For Students**

The TCAT Technical Academy for Fentress County students took place again this year. This two session academy focused on 3D Printing and block coding and was made possible by the Governor's GIVE Grant (Governor's Investment in Vocational Education). Priority is given to 7th grade students then open spots are filled with 8th graders and finally any positions left are filled with students who have completed the 6th grade. A total of 26 students participated from 8 am to 4 pm daily at Pine Haven Elementary.

The first session was held July 10-14 with the second session held July

ticipate in a Technical be trained for these jobs. Academy during summer to learn about opportunities available at Precision, the TCAT the TCAT centers, various technologies, and careers in local industries. The students have Little's Pharmacy and built and used 3D printers, coded robots, toured various businesses and industries in both Scott and Fentress Counties. Students have been excited and enjoyed the places we have had the opportunity to explore.

In Fentress County, students visited the Dairy Queen, Union Bank, PWP Greenhouse, the home of Alvin C. York, the E911 Dispatch Center, York Institute's Farm, and the new CTE lowing to say about the

In Scott County, students visited Takahata centers in Huntsville and Oneida, the Scott County Historic Jail, Great Dane. Classroom learning included building 3D printers, learning how to use Vectary for computer modeling, Astro Print for slicing 3D models, Contruct3 for creating apps, and block coding of Sphero bolt differentiating robots, between types of higher education, determining what "blue-collar" and "white-collar" means, and racing robots.

Students had the fol-Adrıand making new friends

ests as me. Also, I feel I might be interested in 3D modeling as either a hobby or career." Autumn Dishmon-This is my first year and I had a good time learning about all the technology. I especially like learning about all the jobs that I could do."Also, Jonathan Smith said-"Everything at the Academy was great! This is my second year and I wish I could come every summer."

This is the third year for the TCAT Academy in Fentress County. During 2021, 24 students built and flew drones. Year two, 2022, allowed students to race robots and then code them for real-life scenarios. None of this would have been possible without Governor Lee's GIVE grant and the cooperation between the TCAT's and

the Fentress County School System. The students and instructors, Sheri Stilts and Tracy Tompkins, would like to say a special thanks not only to those, but also to the industry tour guides, TCAT instructors and students who allowed us into their classrooms, the restaurants who fed us (Subway, DQ, Forbus Store), YAI teachers for the farm tour, PWP

Greenhouse (Mrs. Linda Washburn), the rangers at the Alvin C. York Park, WDEB (Austin Andrews), Mrs. Karen LIttle for allowing us to tour the new CTE building at CHS, Grant Johnson and Kara Brannon at the Union Bank, the ladies at the Fentress County Library, and Jeremiah Stilts for teaching 3D modeling and app design.

## **Annual Vulnerable** Adult Summit Held

per Cumberland Vulnerable Adult Summit social workers, ombudswill be held at The Edge men, conservators, adult Building of Life Church in Cookeville, from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23. Discussion topics include abuse, financial exploitation, mental health and homelessness, VA benefits, and other issues often concerning vulnerable adults in the Upper Cumberland reqgion. One of the presenters at this year's Summit will be AARP Tennessee State Director, Mia Mc-Neal. The Federal Trade Commission has reported major monetary losses for Tennessee's residents due to fraud and scams. McNeal's presentation will provide information about the work that AARP has done to be a wise friend and fierce defender in limiting these losses both on a Tennessee statewide as well as the national level. Participants will also be provided with tips and tools that can be used and shared with loved ones to ensure they're prepared and protected, especially with the emerging threat of artificial intelligence. Attendee registration is required by July 31; targeted attendees include attorneys, law en-

The 13th annual Up- forcement officers, medical staff, elected officials, protective services, district attorneys, financial institutions, post office employees, in-home service providers, senior centers, advocates, caregivers, and college students majoring in criminal justice, sociology, nursing, gerontology, etc. The cost to attend is \$30 or \$50 per person for those using the program to earn CEU and CLE credits. The registration fee includes lunch and break refreshments. Each participant will be entered into the drawing for door prizes. Visit www. ucdd.org for registration and contact information. The Upper Cumberland Adult Abuse Coalition hosts the conference in partnership with Alzheimer's Tennessee, BlueCare Tennessee, Quality Home Health, Senior Medicare Patrol, Federation Tennessee on Aging, TN Department of Human Services: Adult Protective Services, TN Department of Commerce and Insurance, and Volunteer Behavioral Health Care System. Contact Sara Martin at 931-476-4135 or smartin@ucdd.org for more information about the event.

17-21. Dwight Murphy, TCAT President, included the counties of Scott, Morgan, and Fentress in this grant. This was to allow students to par-

building at CHS. The academy/camp. students were able to onna Pendergrass-"I ensee both white collar and joyed coming and learnblue-collar careers at ing about the technology these locations and saw areas where they could that have similar inter-



WE WILL BE FULLY STOCKED WITH NEW AND USED CLOTHING from Under Armour, Nike, American Eagle, Aeropostale, Hollister, Pink, and much more. We will also have new and used shoes by Nike, Under Armour, Converse, Chacos, and more. We will have a large selection of Backpacks too. Our hours for Back to School/Tax Free Weekend are:

THESE	Thursday, July 27th 8	3a.m. – 6p.m.
DAYS	Friday, July 28th 8a.ı	m. – 6 p.m.
ARE	Saturday, July 29th.	8a.m. – 6 p.m.
TAX FREE	Sunday, July 30th	8a.m. – 6 p.m.

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