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May their days be merry and bright



Christmas looks brighter for a few families who were treated to Henderson and Chester County's annual "Shop with a Cop" Monday evening, Dec. 16. The program provides for local children who need a little extra Christmas cheer. See more on Page 2-A. Photos by Kara Crump and Holly Roeder, Independent

Senator Page Walley speaks on Lee's school voucher program

By Kara Crump Staff Writer

The Chester County Board of Education held a meeting at the Board of Education building meeting room on Tuesday, December 17. All board members were present at the meeting.

Tennessee Senator Page Walley was invited to be present for the meeting and addressed the board members to have a conversation about supporting and strengthening public education.

He discussed Governor Bill Lee's school voucher pilot program. "This pilot project hasn't worked, at least it hasn't worked yet. There is no data that I have been given that says as a result of this has

CCI announces holiday deadlines

The Chester County Independent will be closed Jan. 1 for New Year's.

Deadlines for the Jan. 2, 2025 edition will be 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26.

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Special Christmas section INSIDE THIS EDITION!



children showing academic improvement. The only data that was shown was parental satisfaction. That's not very persuasive with me. You're happy with it but that doesn't mean the kids are getting a better education and development. As you know last year there was an effort to "supersize" this project, make it apply to all 95 counties, I did not agree with it. I did not think it was in the best interest in Chester or the other seven counties of our district." said Senator Walley.

"We did not want to have our public school's funding (which was already tight) to be diverted in any way, shape, or form. The Governor has come back with a new proposal (looks similar to the other proposal), except now it has a \$2,000 "onetime" bonus for teacher's and faculty. It feels to me (not my words these are other people's words) like "hush" money. That might be an unfair way to characterize it, but I've heard that over and over and over again."

The School Coordinated and Family Resource Center Programs received a spotlight and celebration during the meeting.

Chester County School Coordinated Health District Director Mia McNeal and the Student Health Counsel students presented at the meeting. Their Coordinated School Health comprises of eight components—physical education, health education, health services, nutrition, healthy school environment, school

counseling, psychological and social services, student family and community

involvement and staff wellness. Family Resource Center Director Mari Bates had a PowerPoint presentation for the board members. The mission is to connect students, their families and the community with support resources and opportunities to overcome challenges and lead happier, healthier lives. Their services are free and open to all of the Chester County students, faculty staff and their families. Through grants they have been able to give food, school supplies, clothes and "blessing boxes" that are open to the public. These "blessing boxes" are stocked with food donations from members of the community. They also (partnered with Freed Hardeman University) have a food project that provides students with food who may not have enough food over the weekend.

Next on the agenda was the recommendation for the board of education to recognize specific 2024-2025 as "gifted students" according to CCBOE Policy 4.605. These are Senior students that have completed all their graduation requirements early and will graduate as of December 20, 2024. They will be walking the stage with the rest of their class in May of 2025. The next group of Seniors are students that have graduation requirements but are still enrolled in additional coursework for advancing their education. The third and largest group of Seniors are still yet to

complete their graduation requirements but have satisfied their ready graduate classification requirement. Those students due to other activities and opportunities, will be completing less than five course credits for the remainder of this school year to afford them other opportunities attending colleges, attending work-based learning or studies. It was unanimously approved.

Last on the agenda was the recommendation to the board to consider approving two resolutions to the 114th General Assembly. This specifically included TISA Funding for preschoolers with disabilities and public funds support public schools.

The first resolution is for preschoolers to identify with disabilities but there must be a minimum of 50% of non-disabilities to be present to classify as an inclusive classroom setting. The TISA funding will be helping with the funding and be able to be mandated. The amount is \$35,000 from the federal government and state. Originally, they had thought the specialed preschool program was the same as the preschool program, which it is not.

The second topic was what Senator Walley was discussing earlier in the meeting. Both motions were unanimously approved by the board members.

The next Chester County Board of Education meeting will be January 14, 2025, at East Chester Elementary School at 5 p.m.



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East Chester welcomes new principal in 2025



AMANDA BRASFIELD

Amanda Brasfield is currently serving her third year as East Chester Elementary Assistant Principal and previously served as a Chester County Middle School teacher for seven years. The Chester County School District is excited to welcome Brasfield as the East Chester Elementary School Principal starting in January

"The Chester County School District is excited to welcome Mrs. Amanda Brasfield as the East Chester Elementary School Principal starting in January 2025. Mrs. Brasfield is currently serving in her third school year as the East Chester Elementary Assistant Principal and previously served as a Chester County Middle School teacher for seven years. I have received many positive comments regarding the selection of Mrs. Brasfield for this leadership position from East Chester staff and school

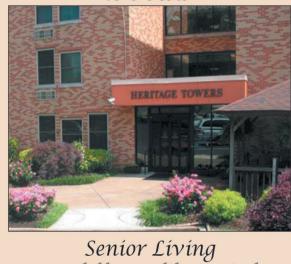
district leaders," Chester County Board of Education Director of Schools Troy Kilzer, II on Brasfield becoming East Chester's newest principal.

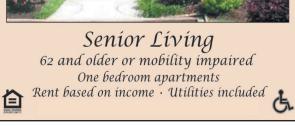
"I am incredibly blessed and excited to serve as the principal of East Chester Elementary School, where every day is an opportunity to inspire, grow, and celebrate our amazing

students and staff. Thank you to our East Chester families and everyone throughout the district for your unwavering support, it means the world to me. I look forward to serving in this role for many years to come, watching our students grow and achieve great things," said Brasfield on becoming principal in new year.

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Chester County receives \$12,700 in Utrust grants

Chester County School System has received three mini grants totaling \$12,700 from Utrust for activities related to recognition and appreciation of school system employees and students.

Kilzer, Superintendent of Chester County Schools, applied for and was awarded a \$10,700 grant to be

used to celebrate and show appreciation to all Chester County school employees. Kilzer wrote, "We believe we have the best employees of any school district in Tennessee,

and we want them to know that we value every one of them and deeply appreciate the hard work and effort of all staff to ensure high levels of learning for all Chester County students. We deeply appreciate Utrust making these funds available to our schools."

East Chester Elementary School received additional \$500 Utrust mini grant to support participation in the Utrust Appreciation Program which encourages students to express gratitude toward school staff. West Chester Elementary School has

received an additional \$1,500 Utrust mini grant for participating in both the Utrust Appreciation Program and the Culture Initiative. The Culture Initiative broadens the effort of the Appreciation Program to involve parents and community organizations and aims to foster a culture in the school community where everyone appreciates, and everyone is appreciated.

Dr. Dan Tollett, Utrust Administrator, highlighted the district's commitment: welcome opportunity to be a part of Chester County's efforts to promote appreciation. I hope that parents and other community members will make a special effort to express appreciation to employees for what they do every day as well as

students for the things that do well." Utrust is an organization

to express appreciation

that assists school systems in Tennessee with unemployment issues and in recognizing, supporting and appreciating school employees. It sponsors the Utrust Appreciation Program, a student leadership program that seeks to help students recognize and express appreciation to people who make their lives better each

Chester County is one of 51 school systems in Tennessee that will receive Utrust mini grants this month totaling more than \$1 million. Utrust has provided more than \$113,000 to Chester County

Pictured are members of the city of Henderson Police Department and the Chester County Sheriff's Office that attended "Shop with a Cop", held at Henderson Church of Christ on Monday, December 16. The event began with pizza and then moved to the parking lot where the children climbed into the officer's vehicles for a ride to Gene Record Park and back, with the children blaring the police sirens/audio P.A. systems. Special guest Santa surprised participants upon their return to the building, presenting gifts to open with the children, their family members, sheriff deputies and police officers.

FACULTY & STAFF OF THE MONTH

Jacks Creek Elementary



Melissa Greenway Third Grade Math

"Congratulations December Teacher of the Month, Mrs. Melissa Greenway! As the third-grade math teacher, Mrs. Melissa goes above and beyond to ensure her students have every opportunity to succeed, using every moment of the school day—even while students wait for buses —to support their learning. She excels at fostering critical thinking and comprehension by encouraging her students to explain their strategies and explore different methods to solve problems. Mrs. Melissa's dedication, creativity, and commitment to her students' growth make her an invaluable part of our school community."

~Todd Lewis, Principal

East Chester Elementary



Loretta Howell Secretary

"Loretta Howell is a valuable member of our East Chester family. She is always willing to help, even when pulled in many directions. She handles every challenge with a positive attitude and is dedicated to supporting both students and staff, making her an essential part of our team."

~Paden Buckley, Principal

West Chester Elemetary



Heather Bates Second Grade History

"I would like to recognize Heather Bates as December's educator of the month. Ms. Heather is a second grade teacher with 25 years of experience! She is a talented educator who engages her students every day. She loves history and keeps students on the edge of their seats when retelling stories. We are blessed to have Ms. Heather at West Chester!"

~Amy Wooley, Principal

Chester Co. Junior High



Dena Jarrelis **SPED/Assistant Eaglettes' Basketball Coach**

"Dena Jarrells is a special education teacher at Chester County Junior High. A native of West Virginia, Mrs. Jarrells is a first year teacher. She is also an assistant coach with the CCHS Eaglettes Basketball Team. "Mrs. Jarrells has been a positive addition to the CCJHS team. Her positive attitude and love for the students makes her a pleasure to work with."

~Deborah Lambert, **Assistant Principal**

Chester Co. **High School**



Counselor

"Dr. Hood joined the Chester County High School family last year. His wealth of knowledge and depth of experience have already benefited students and staff immensely. Dr. Hood is always willing to extend a helping hand, go the extra mile without being asked, and do whatever it takes to ensure that students get the individualized attention and assistance they need. We are so thankful for his dedication, work ethic, and passion for helping students and staff!"

~Angelia Haltom, Assistant Principal



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with GLORIA HOLIDAY

Greetings to the People of Chester County everywhere! This is a new week, and in a few days, we will have a new year! For this is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be

glad in it.

Today, I just want to say that I pray everyone will have a wonderful Blessed CHRIST-mas. Enjoy your family, loved ones and friends. While you all are together, just REMEMBER THE REASON FOR THE SEASON!

Continue to pray for our loved ones who are in the hospitals or sick in their homes, for our children, teachers and families and for the men and women that are serving our country. Remember to pray for our United States of America.

Do not forget to patronize with our local businesses here in town during this holiday season; let us try to support our own as much as we can. If you live in the City of Henderson and have news about your family, birthday, anniversary, announcements, and things happening in the City, I need to hear from you. Call or text me at 608-6132 and leave a message.

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS! LOVE YOU!

Fourteen FHU students inducted into the Alpha Chi National Honor Society

Fourteen Freed-Hardeman University students were officially inducted into the Tennessee Iota Chapter of the Alpha Chi National Honor Society Monday, Oct. 21, in Old Main Administration Building's Chapel Hall.

Membership in Alpha Chi is open to students who have earned a minimum GPA of 3.75 on 80 credit hours and who are in the top 10% of the junior and senior classes. This semester, all inductees have a minimum GPA of 3.92.

The following students were inducted into the organization: Hannah Ballentine, Molli Deere, Darden Goode, Mia Griffin, Aleia Klamm, Noah LaRue, Elizabeth McKeeby, Mia Morris, Kanvas Phelps, Brenley Ramey, Campbell Scott, Jensen Smith, Ben Wade and Brooke Webb.

During the austere ceremony, students were invited to bring their candles, symbolizing learning, to light from a central gold candle, symbolizing knowledge, before repeating a personal

pledge of membership: "I pledge myself to uphold the purposes of Alpha Chi, striving to make its ideals my ideals, in scholarship and in service."

Dr. John McLaughlin, Alpha Chi chapter sponsor, congratulated new members and reminded them of their responsibilities to themselves, to one another and to their school. "I charge you in making this solemn pledge of membership to guard with due diligence the scholarship of this university, the honesty and integrity of its scholars, and the moral and religious ideals of your alma mater," he said.

Griffin, junior a accounting and financial major planning from Rogersville, Alabama, considers it "a really big honor" to be invited to join such an esteemed organization on campus. She said she is most looking forward to participating in the service aspect of the club. "I think that even if you have the grades and the intellect, if you don't use that for good then you're not really fulfilling your purpose," Griffin shared.

Throughout the academic year, Alpha Chi members will have opportunities to become involved with service projects, apply for scholarships, present research original participate in the upcoming national convention which will be held virtually in 2025. Founded in 1922, Alpha Chi is a national academic honor society whose purpose is to recognize and promote academic excellence and character. The Tennessee Iota Chapter has existed at Freed-Hardeman since

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FHU Invites alumni and friends to experience "The Best of Eastern Canada" in the fall of 2025

Freed-Hardeman University's alumni travel program invites alumni and friends to embark on a journey through "The Best of Eastern Canada," October 10-18, 2025. Organized in partnership with Collette travel, this exclusive nine-day tour will be led by representatives from FHU's Office of Alumni Engagement, offering travelers a rich experience through some of Canada's most iconic destinations, including Niagara Falls, Ottawa, Quebec City and Montreal, while enjoying peak foliage season for this part of North America.

"We're excited to offer our alumni and friends another unforgettable travel experience through our travel program," said Chris Ramey, director of alumni engagement. "Eastern Canada offers an incredible blend of natural beauty, rich history and unique cultural experiences. Whether you're reconnecting with old friends or making new memories with family,

this trip is a wonderful opportunity to explore amazing destinations while strengthening the bonds of our Freed-Hardeman community."

Open to FHU alumni of all ages, as well as interested friends and family, the tour will consist of two days each in the cities of Toronto, Ottawa, Quebec City and Montreal. Highlights include visits to Niagara Falls and Niagara-on-the-Lake, Thousand Islands cruise, an Indigenous Heritage Farm experience, and an exploration of Quebec City by bus or a walking tour through Old Quebec City. Guests will also visit Montmorency Falls and a traditional maple sugar shack, offering an authentic taste of Canadian culture.

Following the recent relaunch of the FHU Office of Alumni Engagement travel program, this Canadian adventure marks the second travel opportunity scheduled for 2025. A 10-day sold-out tour of the Hawaiian Islands

is also taking place in the spring. Previous alumni trips have included such destinations as Colonial Williamsburg, New York City, New England, the Canadian Rockies and a western tour of U.S. National Parks.

More information about the trip, including cost and a full itinerary of activities, can be found at gateway.gocollette.com/link/1281145. Please send all inquiries to Chris Ramey at cramey@fhu.edu. Spots are limited, and enrollment is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Community Club Meeting Schedules

Deanburg	First Tuesday	7 p.m.
Enville	First Tuesday	6:30 p.m.
New Friendship	Third Friday	6 p.m.
Hickory Corner	Fourth Thursday	
Jacks Creek	Second Thursday	6-7 p.m.
Montezuma	First Monday	6 p.m.
Sweetlips	First Saturday in February	



New Alphi Chi members (from left) Hannah Ballentine, Molli Deere, Darden Goode, Mia Griffin, Aleia Klamm, Noah LaRue, Elizabeth McKeeby, Mia Morris, Brenley Ramey, Campbell Scott, Jensen Smith, Ben Wade and Brooke Webb (not pictured: Kanvas Phelps)





Christmas has come and gone, and now everyone will be focusing on New Year's Eve parties and setting resolutions for the New Year. Praying for great happenings in the coming year.

Congratulations to Amanda Brasfield fo becoming Principal fo East Chester Elementary!

We appreciate all our members at the center and would love for more of our community to get involved. With more help, we could plan more events for our community. Membership dues are \$25 after your first initial year of joining, and they are due for this current year. Membership dues need to be paid now to be considered an active member. We also take donations. Payments can be mailed to Edith Sills at 4475 Sunshine Rd, Henderson, TN 38340. Call Ann Moore at 608-2033 or myself if you have any new ideas for the center or wish to get involved. People who want to rent the community center should contact Betty Cooper at 879-9078 for booking. We ask those renting our facility to please follow our rules and show respect for the building. We try to keep it in the best order possible, and it takes everyone cooperating to make that happen. If you care about this community, please get

involved in what is taking place to continue to grow our county and make it a better place to live and raise a family. Get to know what is changing in our local government, schools, churches and communities through the news, friends, your church, teachers, etc., and if it matters to you, there are ways to help make things better.

Our local governmental meetings need more community support. If you care about Chester County, please pay attention to what is taking place in our county and come out and show your interest. Everyone should be mindful of what is going on in our country and care enough to help make a difference.

Montezuma sends out Happy Birthday wishes to Todd Naylor and Micah Cook on Dec. 26, Brandon Thomas, Marylin Davis and Dan Bergdahl on Dec. 27, Luke and Ian Fuqua on Dec. 28, Billy Joe VanCleve on Dec. 29 and Linda Jones on Jan. 1.

There is much spiritual warfare with society accepting things that go against who God is and what HIS laws are that we are to follow. Every day of life has its challenges, but if we look to God for the right path, it can be a good one. Enjoy what time you have with your

creator, your family and your friends. Please be in prayer for the our local and federal government, law enforcement, school staff, teachers and the listed individuals of Brenda Hannah, Donna Doyle, Mike Lott, Linda Hopper, Cindy Kilzer, Quinten Johnson, Jerry Fletcher, Curtis Morrison, Renee Ruby Hannah, Jordan. Donnie Brooks, Linda Plunk, Mike Tedford, Sherry Fletcher, Chuck Beacham, Sandra Lott, Faye Crouse, Janice Morris, Jeanette Walker, Paul Schilling, Nancy Crouse and others that are sick or healing. We especially want to remember the families of Rick Finley (Selmer Police Officer), Kim Tummins, Terry Melton, Martha Ross Bishop and other families that have recently lost loved ones. With new leadership taking the seat in January, we can pray that God's hand will be in decisions made about our country going forward. Pray for a better economy for sure.

I am always looking for noteworthy news to share in this column. Please send to gaylescox1977@gmail. com or text me at 608-2857.

As always, until next time, I am wishing a very blessed week to all you readers!





Hello to all from this little corner of the world. The sun was shining as I wrote this - YAY! The temperature was 45 degrees, and the skies were blue. Our birds are visiting. We will be enjoying a few days with no rain. The forecast for Christmas Day here is rain with a high of 58 degrees.

VICKIE ELLIS

Condolences to all who have lost loved ones. I know from experience the feeling of sadness and emptiness one feels this time of year after losing a loved one. The feeling never leaves, but dealing with loss improves over time, and each person is different, even within families, as each has a different relationship with the deceased.

Rachel Ellington along with Marla, Kevin and Kendyl Davidson, Kirk, Brooklyn and Ellie Walls traveled to Nashville to attend the graduation of Rachel's granddaughter Sarah Utley at Belmont College. She will be entering medical school next year with plans to be a doctor.

On Saturday, Dec. 14, Rachel along with Kevin Marla Davidson, Brooklynn, Kirk and Ellie Walls and Sherry, Greg and Sarah Utley of Scottsborough, Ala., attended the graduation at UT Martin to see Rachel's granddaughter Kendyl Davidson graduate with her master's degree.

Cissy Nichols is home after spending two weeks in Knoxville with her brother, Bubba, who is recuperating from surgery. Tracy McGhee of Chattanooga spent time with his mom, Margie McGhee, who is recuperating. Sarah Utley of Scottsborough, Ala., visited her grandmother Rachel Ellington over the weekend.

Happy birthday to Paula McKinney, 12-21; Nona Seaton, 12-24; Jimmy Priddy, 12-25; Molly Gelines and June Smith, 12-26; and Norris McCaskill, Mickey Dyer and Brooklyn Davidson, 12-27.

Happy anniversary to Sarah and Don McLemore, 12-22, and Amy and Chad Lofton, 12-27.

Prayer requests for Wesley Bates, Paula Berry, Judy Bray, Georgia Burkeen, J.T. and Jeanette Butler, Jackie Chambers, Rickey Clayton, Myra Davis, James Ellis, Joie Freeman, Joey Harris, LaDawn Hayes, Danny Hodges, Brenda Hopper, Kristen Hurley, Sue Lewis, Doris McKinney, Martha Mainord, Jeff Mays, Deana

Morris, Darryl Newsom, Newsom, Jim Parchman, Julia Parchman, James Parrish, Trudy Powers, Pam Priddy, Ray Pusser, Ridge Ray, Todd Rencher, Donald Rowlett, Mollie Russell, Brenda Seaton, Dyke Sells, Cathy Sisson, Penney Sparks, Jacob Thomas, Kevin Thurman, Tony Tucker, Cammi Walls, Charles Wray and Mike Young. Also, remember our first responders, military, firefighters and enforcement officers.

Yum Yum Cake: Take one cup flour, 1/2 cup butter and 1/2 cup chopped pecans. Melt butter, mix all together and press down into a 9x13 dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 min. Next, mix one large chocolate pudding as directed and pour it onto the cooled crust. Then, mix eight ounces cream cheese, one cup sugar and eight ounces cool whip. Add this as the last layer. Top with toasted coconut and nuts as desired. Enjoy!

I pray you all have a wonderful week and may it be filled with love, joy, peace and blessings. Remember: if you have news, please email me mimmiepots@gmail. com. I would truly appreciate any news. People from here and those who have moved from our area but still want to keep in touch through the newspaper are hungry for news from home. Until next week, Happy Trails to You.

Tennessee is the fifth least expensive market in the nation

Gas prices across the state moved three cents lower, on average, over last week.The Tennessee Gas Price average is now \$2.64 which is six cents less expensive than one month ago and 12 cents less than one year ago.

"While we may see our prices fluctuate over the next two weeks, it's very likely that Tennesseans taking a road trip over the holidays will be met with slightly cheaper gas prices than they paid last year," said Megan Cooper, spokeswoman, AAA - The Auto Club Group. "Right now, the state gas price average is 14 cents cheaper than the state gas price average over the last two weeks last year."

Holiday Gas Price Outlook

Gas prices are expected to be cheaper than last year's levels. During the last two weeks of 2023, Tennessee gas prices averaged \$2.78 per gallon. During that time, the state average ranged from \$2.75 per gallon to a high of \$2.82/g. Currently, Tennessee drivers are currently paying \$2.64 per gallon. To view updated national, state, and metro area gas price averages, visit GasPrices.AAA.com. Near-Record

Numbers Expected in Tennessee for Year-End Holidays

Tennesseans expected to travel in nearrecord numbers for the yearend holiday period (from Saturday, December 21 to Wednesday, January 1). AAA predicts 2.7 million Tennesseans will travel 50 miles or more from home. That's over 62,000 more travelers than last year and 62,000 travelers shy of the record high, set in 2019.

Road travel is expected to be the second-highest on record in Tennessee. More than 2.5 million Tennesseans are forecast to take a road trip. That's 52,000 more Tennessee road trippers than last year. 93% of holiday travelers will drive to their destinations, making it the most popular way to travel.

To view the full Year-Holiday End Travel Forecast, click here.

National Gas Prices

Going nowhere fast is an apt description of the national average for a gallon of gas, which rose just a penny since last week to reach \$3.02. It has been close to the \$3 level for five weeks yet faces stubborn resistance.

According to new data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gasoline demand rose just a bit from 8.73 million b/d last week to 8.81, about 50,000 b/d lower than the same week in 2023. Meanwhile, total domestic gasoline stocks rose from 214.6 million barrels to 219.7, while gasoline production increased last week. averaging 10.0 million barrels daily.

Today's national average for a gallon of gas is \$3.02, five cents less than a month ago and five cents less than a vear ago.

National Oil Market **Dynamics**

At the close of Wednesday's formal trading session, WTI rose \$1.70 to settle at \$70.29 a barrel. The EIA reports that crude oil inventories decreased by 1.4 million barrels from the previous week. At 422.0 million barrels, U.S. crude oil inventories are about 6% below the five-year average for this time of year.

Tennessee Regional

Most expensive metro markets - Johnson City (\$2.71), Jackson (\$2.71), Memphis (\$2.70)

Least expensive metro Clarksville markets (\$2.54).Chattanooga (\$2.55), Knoxville (\$2.59)



Lifeline Blood Drive Dec. 30

Lifeline Blood Services will hold a blood drive from 1-6 p.m. Dec. 30 at the Henderson church of Christ.

FHU adds four new schools to dual enrollment program

create an expanded community of Christian learning, Freed-Hardeman University has joined with four new partnering Christian high schools Tennessee and across Ezell-Harding Alabama. Christian School, Christian Winchester Academy, Mars Hill Bible School and Jefferson Christian Academy have joined FHU this academic year as new dual enrollment partners.

"I'm very excited to partner with each of these schools through FHU's dual enrollment program," Dr. Jared Gott, assistant dean of emerging and innovative programs, said. "Each of these schools has a special relationship Freed-Hardeman University, and we look forward to watching these relationships grow even further."

Ezell-Harding Christian School, located in Antioch, Tennessee, was one of FHU's first dual enrollment partners when the program was in its earliest stages. Now, both schools are looking forward to working together once again. Approximately 18 EHCS students are enrolled in FHU classes, including English Composition I, American History I and college algebra, with plans to offer English Composition II and American History II in the

"This partnership offers our students a valuable opportunity to begin their college journey while still in high school," said Eric Carroll, guidance counselor

School. "By enrolling in these courses, they can complete essential general education requirements ahead of time, all at no additional cost, thanks to the TN Dual Enrollment Grant. It's a significant advantage that prepares them for the next step in their academic careers while easing the financial burden of higher education."

Winchester Christian Academy, in Winchester, Tennessee, has been steadily adding grade levels and expanding its academic offerings over the past few years. This year, eight students from the school's first junior class will take advantage of FHU English Composition I in the fall and English Composition II in the spring. They anticipate celebrating the graduation of their inaugural senior class in 2025-26.

Mars Hill Bible School, out of Florence, Alabama, has a long history of connections with Freed-Hardeman, and numerous MHBS alumni have made their way to FHU over the years. Now, the connections will extend to the high school as approximately 30 of their students will be taking General Biology II in the spring semester.

"We are very proud to enter into this agreement that we believe will be mutually beneficial," Matt Burgess, academic dean for Mars Hill Bible School, said. "Through FHU, our students will network with a university that shares the same values of Christian education as we do at MHBS. We're

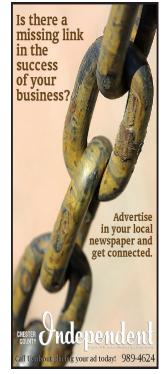
In its continued effort for Ezell-Harding Christian excited that the academic and technology aspects of the class will be studentcentered. Our on-campus teacher, Scott Goodwin, has over 30 years of experience in education and we hope this partnership will continue to grow for years to come."

> Finally, Jefferson Christian Academy has a rich history with over 50 years of Christian education in Birmingham, Alabama. This fall, 23 of their students are enrolled in English Composition I and world literature through FHU, and there are plans to offer English Composition II as well as speech communication in the spring.

> With the addition of these schools, FHU now partners with a total of 17 high schools in its dual enrollment program while also serving many homeschooled families through online dual enrollment courses. For more information about the program, please visit fhu.edu/admissions-aid/ undergrad/dual-enrollment, or contact Chris Gann at cgann@fhu.edu.

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Intelligent.com ranks multiple Freed-Hardeman University programs among best in U.S. for 2025

Intelligent.com, respected source for higher education rankings and research, has recognized multiple programs at Freed-University Hardeman in its 2025 rankings. The university has been awarded top honors across several disciplines, reinforcing its status as a leader in higher education.

Using a data-driven methodology, Intelligent. com evaluated programs across a broad range of criteria, including academic quality, graduation rates, cost and return on investment (ROI), and student resources. Each program was scored on a proprietary scale of 0 to 100, drawing on trusted sources like the U.S. Department of Education's College Scorecard, U.S. News & World Report and the Bureau of Labor Statistics. This rigorous evaluation ensures that only institutions and programs with a proven track record of academic excellence and strong student outcomes receive recognition.

The following Freed-Hardeman University programs have been ranked among the best in the U.S. Intelligent.com for 2025:

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Writing to Santa is a highlight of the holidays for many children around the world. Letters are carefully crafted with a personal note for the man in red along with specific details of what each child wants, for whom, and a declaration of good behavior or not so good behavior, but a promise to do better.

Santa was kind enough to share some local children's letters with the **Chester County Independent**. We have included those here, and in the special section inside this edition, along with artwork from some of their letters.





Dear Santa,

I want a robot claw and a drum set, and remot car and vr head set. I want you to gev Owen a vr head set. From, Tate Neisler

Dear Santa, Can you bring my brother Liam a bayby swing? I want a horse rhing you. From, Layla



Dear Santa,

I want a makup and some rings.

From, Addilyn

Dear Santa,

Thank you for giving me presents. I now it is hard wrkking. I whant you to give my next door nader to have the best chremas what I what for chresmes is a noow tv.

From, Kennedi Faith Vann

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the big nerf gun Santa. I relly would like for you to bring my sister a realistik cat. One thing I want is a big toy shark. From, Elaine

Dear Santa, Thank you for the x box. Can you give someone a ps5? Can I have a sligh? From, Liam

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my toy car. Pleas brange a mag for my mom. I want a football. From, Levi

Dear Santa, Thank you for giving me that barby playhouse. This year can you bring my dad a side by side. Santa this year can you bring my some monster hi dolls. Thank you Santa.

From, Vivienne M.





Dear Santa,

Thank you for the hammock that you gave me last year. Can you please bring my dad some perfume, basketball pictures, and my love? I want 3 things, press on nails, stitch and angel stickers, and a big teddy bear for my room.

From, Elliana and my heart

Dear Santa,

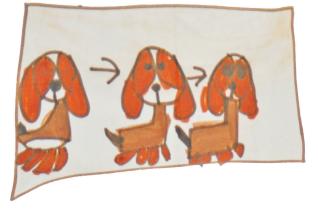
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Dear Santa,

I realy love my getar. It was the best present. I whant you to bring tate nisler a drum set pleas. I want a dirt bike and full face helmet. From, Owen Shorter

Dear Santa,

Thank you for giving me gift. I want to bring my sister a lego set. I want robux gift card and lanky box. From, Titus



Dear Santa,

I loved my ipad I got last year. One thing I want them to get a truck. I whant some beets from Santa. From, Rae'Lynn

Dear Santa,

Thank you for bringing my nentendo swith. I want titus to get some boxing gloves. I want a new bike. From, Alex Terry

Dear Santa,

I want for crismes is a venby and stlany. Can you get my sister a miny stlany? I wunt for crismes is a blaket rily soft.

From, Harper

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my bike so dearly. One thing I want to bring my mom peace for Christmas. For Christmas I want a little live pet bird a hatchamle.

From, Jupiter Rayne Oster-







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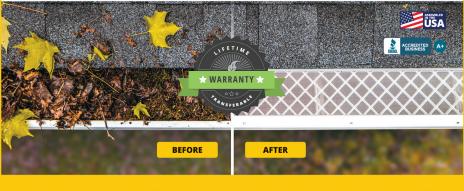
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Moses

While the descendants of Jacob, also called Israel, were in Egypt, they multiplied and were mighty. A new king who did not know Joseph, came to power. He feared the Israelite people and set taskmasters over them to afflict them as they worked building cities for

As the descendants of Israel continued to multiply, the Egyptians made their lives bitter with hard bondage.

The Egyptian king ordered the midwives to kill all the male Israelite children as they were born. The midwives feared God, disobeyed the king and saved the male children. The Israelite people continued to multiply.

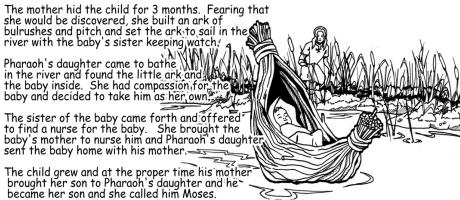
During this persecution a family of Levi's descendants were blessed with a son who was saved from death.

bulrushes and pitch and set the ark to sail in the river with the baby's sister keeping watch! Pharaoh's daughter came to bathe in the river and found the little ark and the baby inside. She had compassion for the baby and decided to take him as her own.

The sister of the baby came forth and offered to find a nurse for the baby. She brought the baby's mother to nurse him and Pharaoh's daughte sent the baby home with his mother.

The child grew and at the proper time his mother brought her son to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son and she called him Moses.

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Owner(s) Current GREG LIPFORD Property: described property is believed to be 328 Morning View Cove, Henderson, TN 38340, but such

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Pursuant to The Tennessee

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108 and Tennessee Rules,

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Clean Water Act requires

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This notice is intended to

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mitigation bank. ANTIDEGRADATION t r e a m s In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06), the Division has preliminary made determination that the proposed activities will result in no significant degradation in waterbody with unavailable parameters for habitat because the proposed activities will not result in an appreciable permanent loss of resource values. etlands In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06), the Division has the preliminary made determination that the proposed activities will Parkway, 9 th Floor not result in an appreciable If it is hard for you to permanent loss of resource read, speak, or understand 6 1 5 - 8 5 4 - 3 7 9 3 values and will result in English, TDEC can provide 3 7 2 4 3 - 1 1 0 2

no more than de minimis degradation of waters with available parameters without mitigation. FACTORS CONSIDERED In deciding whether to issue or deny this permit, the Division will consider all comments of record and the requirements applicable federal The and state laws. division will consider the nature, scale and effects of proposed impacts. The Division will consider practicable alternatives to the alteration, loss of habitat, waters or diminishment biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impacts to unique, high quality, or impaired waters. HOW TO COMMENT TDEC is requesting public comment on this proposed permit action. Obtaining a broad range of facts and opinions on Agency actions is one of the to best ensure ways decisions. appropriate Persons wishing comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the Division Written comments must be received within thirty days following distribution of the approved public notice materials (including signage newspaper ad). Comments will become part of the record and will considered he in the final decision. The

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YOUR RIGHT TO KNOW...

City of Henderson **Police Department December 13, 2024**

Garrett Hamm, 21, Selmer, was arrested and charged with simple possession of a schedule VI controlled substance. He was released from the Chester County Jail on his own recognizance.

City of Henderson Fire Department December 18, 2024

2:05 p.m. - 423 Second St., false alarm, food on stove, confined to container.

December 19, 2024 1:36 a.m. – 183 E. St., Freed-University University, Hardeman Associates Science Center, false alarm, unknown

Chester County Sheriff's Department

Letters to the Editor Policy

The Chester County Independent encourages letters to the editor, especially those that are deal with local issues and topics in a timely manner. In order to be considered for publication the following criteria must be met:

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December 16, 2024 Rivers, Antraven

Henderson, was arrested and charged with contempt of court. He was released from the Chester County Jail on his own recognizance.

December 17, 2024 Derek Williams, 39, Humboldt, was arrested and charged with violation of Community Corrections – Felony. He is held in the Chester County Jail without bond.

December 18, 2024 Candice Eanes, 39, Corinth, Mississippi, was arrested and charged with contempt of court and driving on a canceled/ revoked or suspended license. She was released the Chester from County Jail on her own recognizance.

Hunter Haley, 21, Henderson, was arrested and charged with driving on a canceled/revoked or suspended license with priors. He is held in the



Chester County Jail in lieu of a \$20,000 bond.

December 19, 2024 Joshua White, 49, Jackson, was arrested and charged with contempt of court. He is held in the Chester County Jail in lieu of a \$3,000 cash only bond.

Brad Smith, Stantonville, was arrested and charged with contempt of court. He is held in the Chester County Jail in lieu of a \$250 cash bond or a \$1,500 bond.

Chester County Fire Department No reports.

Chester County Circuit Court No reports.

All information included in Your Right to Know is provided by law enforcement, emergency service agencies and the Chester County Court System, and reflects reports, bonds, charges, jail status and court disposition at the time the report is received.

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NOTICE

CHESTER COUNTY, TENNESSEE Plaintiff

Vs.

DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS AS SHOWN ON THE 2021 REAL PROPERTY DELINQUENT TAX RECORDS OF CHESTER COUNTY, TN, AS MORE FULLY SET OUT IN EXHIBIT A ANNEXED HERETO, **Defendants**

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF **CHESTER COUNTY, TENNESSEE DOCKET NO. 2023-ĆV-1409**

COMES NOW the Petitioner, Chester County, Tennessee, by and through its attorney of record, John E. Talbott, and hereby gives notice that a hearing on a Motion for Default Judgement on the above-referenced casue of action has been set and will come on the be heard on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. before this court. This Motion for Default Judgement was filed on October 23, 2024. You have the right to be present and to be heard in this matter.

John E. Talbott Attorney for Petitioner 117 East Main Street, P.O. Box 126 Henderson, Tennessee 38340 Telephone: (731) 989-0485

EXHIBIT A

Owner	Property Address	Map & Parcel	Deed Book/Pg.	Base Tax
Barnes, Richard etux. Debra S.	Baughn Street 334	06-033N-D-033N-017.06-000	86/72	\$153.00
Britton, Lowell P. etux.	Short Farrow Road 1950	03-057-057-015.01-000	61/17	\$62.00
c/o Christine Jones				
Cox, Sylvia c/o Diane Epstein	Henson Road	10-092-092-018.00-000	48/375	\$374.00
Cox, Sylvia c/o Diane Epstein	Henson Road	10-092-092-019.00-000	48/375	\$33.00
Edge, Carla	North Road 365	01-062-062-023.00-000	324/776	\$213.00
Epstein, Diane etal. Philip Cox	Peach Orchard Road	12-092-092-004.00-000	270/596	\$220.00
First American Title Insurance	Sanford Street	06-046C-A-046G-030.01-000	324/13	\$5.00
Company				
Johnson, Eric W.	Fish Pond Road 410	10-092-092-024.02-000	249/130	\$183.00
Johnson, Freeman	Third Street E. 343	06-033M-E-033M-010.00-000	132/486	\$180.00
Jone, Carlton L. etux.	Campground Lane	13-039-039-023.01-000	305/801	\$694.00
Darren Johnson				
Moore, Angie etvir, Chad Moore	Crook Avenue 481	06-033L-N-033L-021.01-000	465/330	\$472.00
Newman, Donald L. etux Olivia	Woods Drive 472	06-033N-A-033N-011.00-000	71/454	\$371.00
Patterson, Scott D. etux.	State route 22A S 4645	11-042-042-016.00-000	327/349	\$505.00
Michelle M.				
Pettigrew, Gladys K. etal.	Clifford Road	05-010-010-033.00-000	474/198	\$105.00
Palestine Howie				
Pickett, Shirley Life Estate	Old Naylor road 1250	07-077-077-034.00-000	444/742	\$467.00
Ross, Dylan	State Route 100E 11015	02-023-023-016.14-000	404/402	\$170.00
Sells, John Randy	Herman Arnold Road 75	05-010-010-002.01-000	321/296	\$392.00
Shields, Melinga Jean, etvir.	Silerton Road 4600	08-083-083-010.00-000	462/102	\$1,183.00
Raines Collin Xavier				
Smith Irene S., etal.	Tulip Street 222	06-033L-E-033L-026.00-000	233/533	\$479.00
Snell, Sandy	State Route 22A S 3450	11-043-043-004.01-000	445/389	\$687.00
South, Sandra B. c/o Patsy	Woods Drive	06-033O-A-033N-032.00-000	72/588	\$43.00
Lewellyn				
Tores, Ray Lamar, etux. Monette	Old Jacks Creek Road 1300	06-034-034-067.00-000	174/636	\$38.00
Trice, Benjamin	Luray Avenue 670	06-034H-C-034I-011.02-000	188/287	\$55.00
Trice, Benjamin & Lawyers	Luray Avenue 670	06-034H-C-034I-011.00-000	319/552	\$55.00
Title Insurance Co.				
Trice, Ronald & Shawna Lewis	Smith Road	04-017-017-043.11-000	423/774	\$280.00
Trice, Tina Denise Williams	Clarks Creek Road 1470	04-025-025-014.07-000	419/768	\$411.00
Williams, Trent L.	Old Finger Road	07-056-056-016.01-000	398/177	\$85.00
Braziel, Joan				
Wimberly, Carol Jean L/E	Big Rock Trail	08-083-083-009.02-000	462/639	\$181.00
Austin, Bobby etux. Barbara				

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Vs.

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Defendants

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF CHESTER COUNTY, TENNESSEE DOCKET NO. 2024-CV-1482

COMES NOW the Petitioner, Chester County, Tennessee, by and through its attorney of record, John E. Talbott, and hereby gives notice that a hearing on a Motion of Default Judgment on the above-referenced cause of action has been set and will come on the be heard on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. before this court. This Motion for Default Judgement was filed on October 23, 2024. You have the right to be present and to be heard in this matter.

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Center Point Road 470

13-021-021-021.01-000

257/404 \$78.00

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Armstrong, Mary A.	Franklin Avenue N. 253	06-033N-D-033N-012.01.000	428/601	\$360.0
Barnes Richard, etux. Debra S.	Baughn Street 334	06-033N-D-033N-017.06-000	86/72	\$206.0
Britton, Lowell P. etux.	Short Farrow Road 1950	03-057-057-015.01-000	61/17	\$36.00
o Christine Jones				
Chester County Dixie Youth	State Route 100 E	06-034-034-065.00-000	440/449	\$94.00
Elenney, Jerry, Irrevocable Trust	Crook Ave. Ext. 45	01-063J-B-063J-011.00-000	349/512	\$119.0
Clenney, Lukas	Highland Avenue 135	01-063J-B-063J-009.00-000	434/13	\$29.00
Cox, Sylvia L. c/o Diane Epstein	Henson Road	10-092-092-018.00-000	48/375	\$344.0
Cox, Sylvia L. c/o Diane Epstein	Henson Road	10-092-092-019.00-000	48/375	\$32.00
Cox, Ural H. c/o Kim Barton	Glendale road 820	04-025-025-022.18-000	399/344	\$182.0
pstein, Diane, etal. Philip Cox	Peach Orchard Road	12-092-092-004.00-000	270/596	\$210.0
irst American Title Insurance Company	Sanford Street	06-046C-A-046G-030.01-000	487/324	\$4.00
Galloway, Lynn C. Etux. Etal. Diane Galloway	Sanford Street 598	06-046C-B-046C-017.01-000	489/472	\$95.00
Graeser, Charles Paul, Jr. etu.	Carroll Road 2145	11-038-38-019.02-000	410/358	\$273.0
Gutgsell, Corey	Clifford road	05-010-010-033.00-000	474/198	\$86.00
Hawkes, Weldon, etux. Brenda	Caroline Avenue N.	6-045C-E-046C-002.00-000	455/430	\$15.00
Iernandez, Francisco Javier tux. Claudia Salvador	Beechwood Street 448	06-034I-B-034I-016.00-000	406/252	\$70.00
Iolder, Christopher etux.	Johnson Crossroads Road	02-023-023-003.04-000	483/560	\$545.0
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	Shae Lane 375	05-010-010-038.20-000	230/263	\$298.0
lughes, Brandon Shae	Hughes Road 1785	08-054-054-039.00-000	375/119	\$156.0
ohnson, Eric W.	Fish Pond Road 410	10-092-092-024.02-000	249/130	\$245.0
ohnson, Freeman	Third Street E. 343	06-033M-E-033M-0110.00-000	132/486	\$199.0
ones, Carlton L. etux. Parren Johnson	Campground Lane	13-039-039-023.01-000	305/801	\$576.0
utterman, Raymond & Danny oehm, Jr.	White Avenue 722	06-033F-B-033E-001.00-000	384/298	\$842.0
Massengill, Anthony	Old Jacks Creek Road 1300	06-034-034-067.00-000	490/364	\$42.00
IcDaniel, James A., etux.	Carl Magil Road	06-032-032-002.12-000	263/410	\$64.00
Oonna S. IcDaniel, James A., etux.	Carl Magil Road	06-032-032-002.13-000	263/410	\$90.00
Oonna A. Melton, Kevin W.	Geneva Lane 500	04-035-035-036.19-000	359/157	\$848.0
Melton, Trey V.				\$544.0
,	Old Finger Road 2555	07-067-067-024.04-000	444/332	
Mickens, Eddie C.	Fourth Street 403	06-033L-B-034I-003.00-000	51/598	\$395.0
Moore, Angie etvir. Chad Moore	Crook Avenue 481	06-033L-N-033L-021.01-000	465/330	\$520.0
Mosier, Anthony	Hurst Road 1275	10-084-084-004.04-000	229/600	\$67.00
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Vatkins, Billy Daryl	Garland Road 3965	06-012-012-015.00-000	358/162	\$74.00
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Veaver, Ruth J. etal. Ethan Levi Veaver	Sweetlips Road 7230	03-064-064-001.04-000	485/70	\$521.0
Velsh, Stephanie etal.	State Route 225 (E of)	12-088-088-002.01-000	482/662	\$106.0
Vilbanks, Lisa Ann	Old Friendship Road 580	07-077-024.01-000	470/453	\$232.0
Villiams, Trent L.	Old Friendship Road 380 Old Finger Road	07-077-074.01-000	398/177	\$69.00
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CCHS takes two from Scotts Hill

By Caneisha Turner Sports Writer

The ever-improving Chester County Lady Eagles picked up their first win of the season against Scotts Hill, defeating them 44-41 in a close one.

Scotts Hill came out of the gate scoring nine on consecutive three pointers. The Lady Eagles were limited to five points and were down 12-5 at the end of the first.

The Eaglettes settled down in the second quarter, scoring 14 points and controlling the boards to keep the ball away from Scotts Hill. The Eaglettes led by one at the half 19-18.

Chester County added to its lead in the third quarter 32-23.

The Lady Eagles fought for everything on offense and defense in the fourth and came out on top 44-41.

Leading scorers for the game were: JuJu Prather with 21; Kloe Taylor with 12; Hannah Cherry with seven and Karley Heinsohn with three.

The boy's game was even more of a nail biter with the Eagles pulling out a two-point win 67-65 after trailing most of the game.

Chester County was trailing 4-11 in the first quarter, trailing by seven.

The margin grew in the second quarter with the Eagles trailing by 12 at halftime 25-37.

The Eagles added 22

third, but Scotts Hill continued to dominate, leading 58-47 at the end of the quarter.

points to its score in the had a lot to prove in the final quarter. Their shooting and rebounding were much improved, and they methodically worked to close Down 11 the Eagles the scoring gap. The Ea-

gles took the lead with 10 seconds on the clock and pulled out the squeaker.

Leading scorers for the Eagles were: Aiden Welch with 21; Christian Swift

with 14: Christian Halford with 11; Jayden Williams with 10; Isiah Stafford and Jayce Goff both with three; and Lane Estes with two.

The Eagles were on

point from the three-point line. Swift had four, Halford three, Goff and Stafford had one each.



JuJu Prather fights for a shot in Thursday night's game against Scotts Hill. She scored 21 points in the Eaglettes first win of the sea-

Photo by Caneisha Turner



Aiden Welch with the easy layup, led Chester County with 21 points against Scotts Hill Thursday night. The Eagles won 67-65.

Photo by Caneisha Turner

Eagles/Eaglettes lose pair to TCA

By Caneisha Turner Sports Writer

The Trinitiy Christian School Trojans came to Chester County last Tuesday night and swept two from the Chester County Eagles and Eaglettes.

The girls were defeated 48-23 and the boys lost 64-

Leading scorers for the Lady Eagles were JuJu Prather with 11; Savannah Williams and Karley Heinsohn with four each; and Ester Osburn and Georganna Pickens with two points each.

The leading scorers for the Eagles were Jayden Williams with 10; Aiden Welch with six; Isiah Stafford and Christian Halford with four each and Markel Fulton with three.



Georganna Pickens shoots for two against Trinity Christian Academy. The Lady Eagles were defeated

Photo by Kendall Patterson

Football team honored at awards banquet

County High School Eagle Football Team was honored last week at its annual Football Awards Banquet.

The Eagles are coming off the best season in recent school history, finishing the regular season 8-2 and taking the top slot in Region 6. They advanced to the second round of the state playoffs, losing to reigning state champ Pearl Cohn Entertainment Magnet High School from Nashville.

Four Eagle players received top Region 6 awards. They include Peyton Barham - Player of the Year; Kalvin Meadows - Offensive Lineman of the Year; Blake Thompson - Defensive Lineman of the Year; and

of the Year.

Players selected to the All-Region team include: Ethan Burks – First Team Offense; Colton Trice

- First Team Offense; Jerome Thomas - First Team Offense; Jameson Rowland - Second Team Offense; Aiden Welch -Second Team Offense; Gabe Singleton - Second Team Offense; Landon Lewis - First Team Defense; Jeremiah Gardner - First Team Defense; Jayden Williams - First Team Defense; Jaylen Edgeston - Second Team Defense; Cayden Talley - Second Team Defense; and Chase Crouse - Sec-

ond Team Defense. The top team awards went to: Peyton Barham - Most Valuable Player;

2024 Chester Linkin Phillips - Kicker Ethan Burks - Offensive Player of the Year; Landon Lewis - Defensive Player of the Year; Jerome Thomas/Jayden Williams - Most Improved; Dean Estes - Platinum Eagle (Highest GPA); Colton Trice - Big Eagle Award (Coaches); Jordan Hunt -Blue Eagle Award (Scout Team); and Blake Thompson – Toughest Eagle.

Players and cheerleaders named to the All-Academic Team (3.0 GPA or above) were: Jaylen Edgeston, Aiden Welch, Dean Estes, Colton Trice, Colt James, Landyn Boehm, Gabriel Singleton, Jameson Rowland, Aniyah Croom, Emily Weekley, and Karley Heinsohn.



Aiden Welch positions himself for an open shot against Trinity Christian Academy last week. Welch scored six points but the Eagles fell 64-28.

Photo by Kendall Patterson



CCJHS hosts Best of the West Tourney; **Eaglettes** take runner-up slot

Chester County Junior High School was the host school this year for the annual Best of the West Tournament.

The Lady Eagles defeat-

ed Lexington in the opening round 33-6 but lost the championship game to Hardin County, placing second in the tournament. The boy's team was defeated by Lexington in the opening round 45-24 and also lost to Decatur County

in the consolation game to place fourth in the tournament.



The Chester County Junior High School Lady Eagles came in second at the Annual Best of the West Tournament held here last week.

Photo by Kendall Patterson



Stella Pickens puts up a two-pointer against Lexington in the Best of the West Tournament last week. She led the team in scoring with eight points.



Coach Bobby Helton gives final instructions to his players prior to taking the court last week in the Best of the West Tournament. The Junior Eagles lost to Lexington 24-45.

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Four in double figures as Lions win 14th

Though the first meeting required two overtimes to determine a winner, Tuesday's meeting between the No. 3 Freed-Hardeman Lions and the No. 13 Central Baptist (Ark.) College Mustangs was another thriller. Though it was determined in regulation, the Lions claimed their second victory over CBC this season with an 89-84 win.

Peyton Law continued his strong play for the Lions (14-1) by knocking down the first two layups of the game. The Lions were never able to take a comfortable lead, but the Mustangs were unable to take a lead in the first five minutes until a jumper at 13:35 gave CBC a 12-10 lead. The Lions were able to take back over a few minutes later when Jayson Nixon drained a 3-pointer to take an 18-16 lead. Law then scored five straight points before Geraldo Lane's layup gave the Lions their largest lead of the half at seven with a 25-18 edge with 9:04 remaining. As the did in the first game in Henderson, the Mustangs stayed close with 3-pointers with one a 1:17 giving the Mustangs a lead. Lane would sink a layup in the final seconds to end the first half in a 40-40 stalemate.

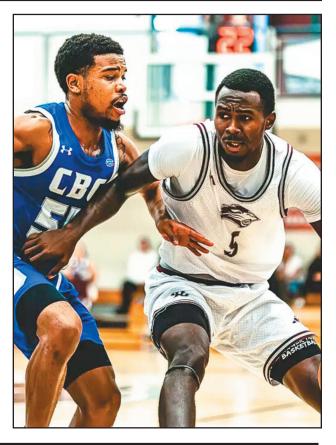
Nixon swung momentum to FHU's bench when he opened the half with a

3-pointer. A pair of triples from Central Baptist (11-3) kept the game within one possession until Ryley McClaran scored a layup and a 3-pointer to open up an 11-0 run to give the Lions a double-figure lead at 68-57 with 9:41 remaining in the game. Jordan Stephens and Blake Dean joined McClaran with timely 3-pointers before Law's layup at 4:33 gave the Lions their largest lead at 14 with an 81-67 lead. That proved to be the last basket from the floor for the Lions with the last eight FHU points coming from the charity stripe to secure the 89-84 victory.

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ries were close, with the Lions out-rebounding the Mustangs 44-39. FHU's bench again paid off with 38 bench points to CBC's 10. Additionally, FHU's size helped lead them to 52 points in the paint to the Mustangs' 34.

Ryley McClaran led the Lion offense with 16 points followed by Peyton Law's 15-point effort in the win. Phil Horton and Jordan Stephens teamed up to score 12 points each. Makai Vassell joined Horton for the team's lead with eight rebounds while Geraldo Lane led with four assists.





Lion golf picks up Chad Joyner

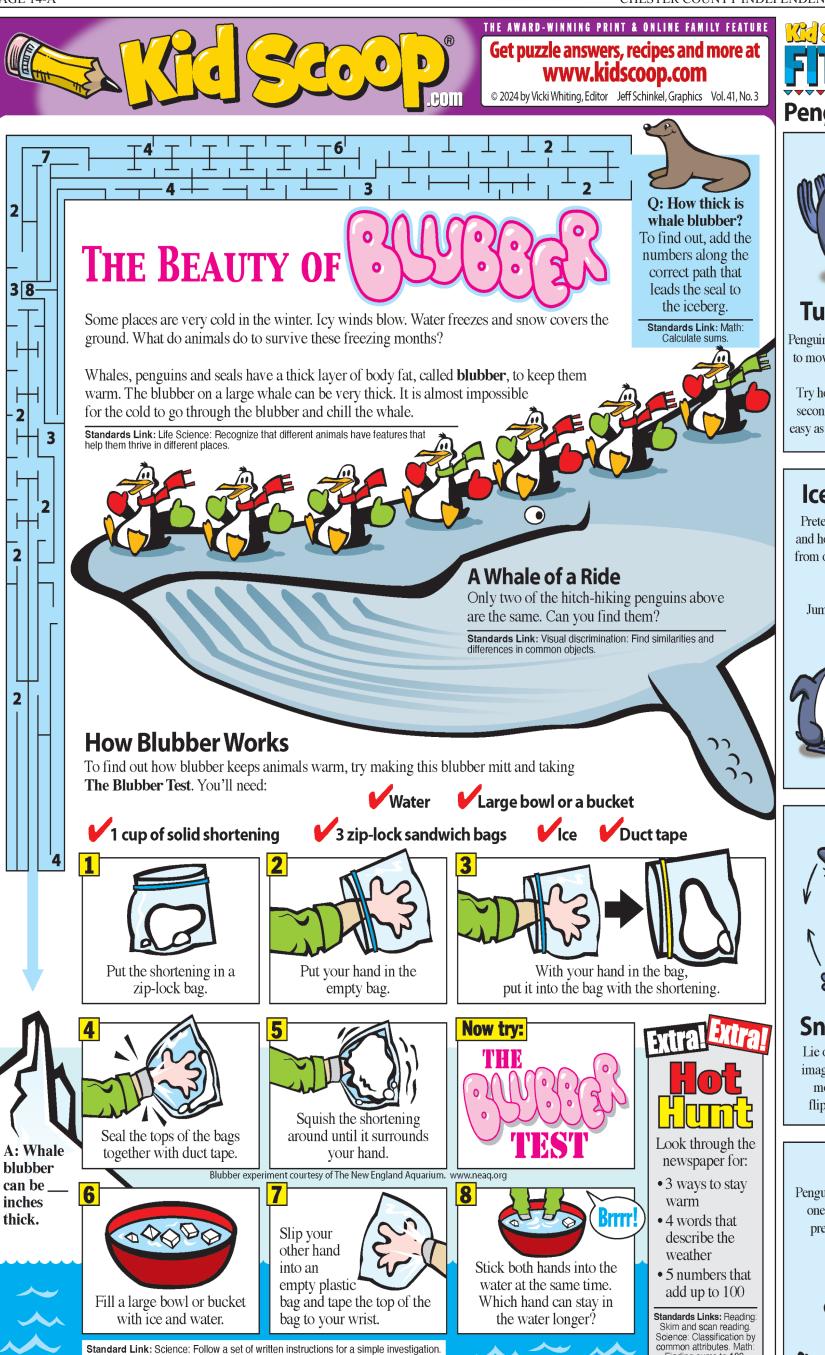
Coach Randall Rhodes continues to add to his roster with the addition of Madison Academic High School's Chad Joyner.

Joyner helped lead the Mustangs to a trips to the TSSAA Class A Boys' Golf championships in 2024 while qualifying as an individual in 2023. In the 2024 regional tournament, Joyner carded a 66 while being crowned champion of the 2024 Sneds Tour's stop at the Humboldt Golf

and Country Club.

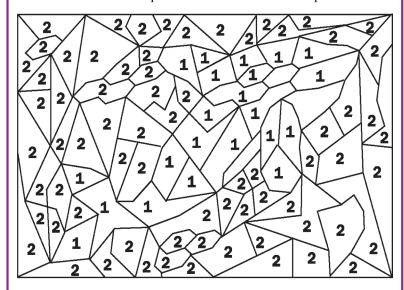
"Chad's enthusiasm to be a Lion has been extremely high from the moment we met," said Rhodes. "His high engagement and excitement to get to work are key traits we are looking for. In addition, Chad's love for the game of golf and his experience in tournament golf also make him a great fit for our team. I can't wait to see the successes and the positive impact that Chad will have in his college golf career."

Joyner's excitement mirrors his new coach's, saying, "I'm excited to go to FHU because of all the chemistry I already have with some of the people there. I find team bonding important to the success of winning. I'm looking forward to getting to know everyone and building special connections. It's great to have a fresh start on a new chapter in life."



I'm found in oceans all over the world, but especially in the coldest ones. To find out what I am, color each space that has a 1 in it black and each 2 space blue. Leave the blank spaces white.

Standard Link: Science: Follow a set of written instructions for a simple investigation.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

WHALE SQUISH BODY SLIP PENGUINS SEAL CHILL COLD THICK MITT FREEZES WATER

WARM

EMPTY

BLUBBER

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

Finding sums to 100.

A L E M P T Y C H C H B M I T T C O L F WILGUHELYR ASQUISHDAE TEULBNOMWE EALTTBLIAZ RLWHALETRE MSTHICKRMS IPENGUINSE

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Penguin Fitness



Tummy Time

Penguins slide on their tummies to move across snow and ice.

Try holding this pose for 10 seconds at a time. It's not as easy as penguins make it seem!

Iceberg Hop

Pretend you are a penguin and hop like a penguin does from one chunk of (pretend) ice to another.

Jump back and forth 20 times.





Snow Angels

Lie on the floor and make imaginary snow angels by moving your feet and flippers-er, um, arms!

Balance

Penguins don't stand on just one foot very often, but pretend penguins can!



Standards Link: Physical Education: Use a variety of basic and advanced movement forms.



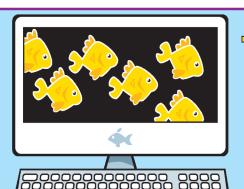
letters in the word WHALES in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.



Hot and Cold

Students can work in pairs to play this game. Have one partner secretly select a picture in the newspaper. The other player then asks questions that can be answered "Yes" or "No" to determine the secret picture.

Standards Link: Cooperative Learning: Make predictions based on patterns of listening and observation.



caught in the internet!

ANSWER: They don't want to get

Wonderful Wiggly Walrus

Alliteration is when you use the same letter to start every word in a sentence. Write your own alliterations.