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## Warren City Council honors current city employee

By JOANNA POOLE  
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The Warren City Council met for their monthly meeting on Monday, April 8 to discuss different issues. The minutes from the previous month's meeting were presented and the council motioned to accept the minutes. All were in favor. The City Clerk's report was then presented. Administrative expenses were \$103,942.74. Law enforcement expenses were \$537,344.73. Fire expenses were \$360,189.26. Sanitation expenses were \$232,338.31. Building code expenses were \$5,701.72. District court expenses were \$25,959.85. Municipal building expenses were \$1,900.72. Recreation expenses were \$44,274.91. Cultural center expenses were \$699.84. Armory expenses were \$4260.41. Shooting range expenses were \$12,148.98. Senior citizen's center expenses were

\$166.79. Other expenses were \$5,678.00. Airport expenses were \$17,063.10. Economic development expenses were \$5,100.00. Street expenses were \$110,124.23. All of these expenses are year-to-date. The council motioned to accept the city clerk's report, and all were in favor. The city sales tax for the month was \$85,467.70. The county tax was \$58,067.82. It was reported that both amounts were up for the month. Mayor Gregg Reep reported that revenues continued to be very strong.

Reep then presented his report saying that the council has decided to start honoring city employees quarterly.

"We value all of our employees, and we want to show them that we appreciate them," Alderman Angela Marshall said.

Warren Police Chief Shaun Hildreth recognized Police Officer Alexander Carlos as the honored city employee.

"On behalf of the city, we appreciate what you do for us and the work you've done," Reep said to Carlos. "Congratulations!"

"Every day when I get up and put my uniform on, I want to do everything I can to the best of my ability to make Warren a safe community," Carlos said. "I'm here for you guys."

Everyone expressed their appreciation to Officer Carlos.

The next order of business was the re-appointment of Terry Goldman and the appointment of Patsy Plair to the Civil Service Commission. The council voted in favor of both. The council also voted in favor of the re-appointment of Terri Callo-way and Jennifer Rodriguez to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals and the appointment of Bill Taylor to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals as well.

Seth Wyatt, a graduate student from The Clinton School then spoke to the council about



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Alexander Carlos was honored at the monthly city council meeting. He and his family are pictured with Police Chief Shaun Hildreth, Mayor Gregg Reep, and members of the city council.

how using the Esri Business Analyst software would possibly bring more business to the city of Warren. Wyatt has been coming to Warren every other week for the past few months to meet with Reep and present data that he has been finding using the software. The Esri soft-

ware uses census and business analytic data to give the user details about the area. Examples are how many people commute to and from Warren, the number of people who walk to work, and what people spend most of their money on. Wyatt reported that the zip code that Warren is

in has a lot of market potential for fast food. Wyatt will compile all of his findings in a report that will be accessible to the council.

The council then heard the police, fire, sanitation, and road reports.

The next meeting will be on Monday, May 13.

## SISTERS VIEW 2024 SOLAR ECLIPSE RESPONSIBLY



Photo courtesy of Rebecca York

Bradley County experienced a solar eclipse on Monday, April 8. Most people could be found outside looking up trying to catch a glimpse of the rare sight through thick cloud coverage. Patsy Turner and Jean Byars, who are sisters, put their eclipse glasses on to safely view the event.

## LADY JACKS SCORE A VICTORY OVER FORDYCE

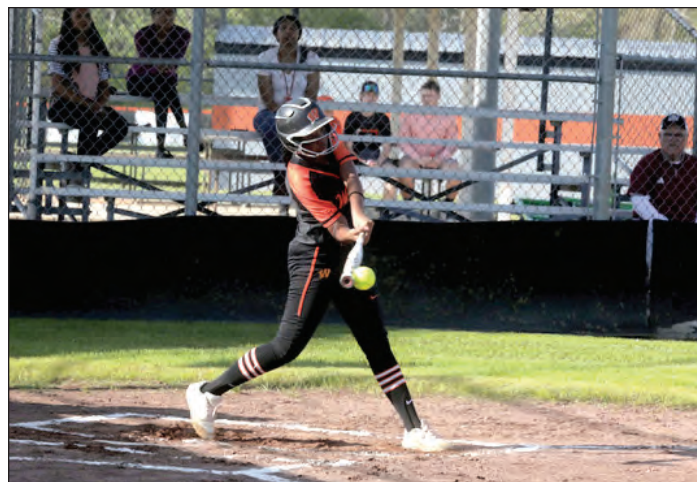


Photo by Robert Camp

Lady Jacks entertained Fordyce Tuesday afternoon in Warren. Breise Fellows started off the Warren onslaught with a hit eventually scoring the first run. She would also mark up a second hit later in the inning as Warren bats through the lineup scoring 11 runs in the opening inning. Warren later added four additional runs in the second to arrive at their final score 15-0.

## Property Planning Committee discusses future plans for empty lot

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

The Property Planning Committee (PPC), which was designed to coordinate the efforts to repurpose the property purchased by the County in 2023, met on April 3, 2024 to confer with Glenn Lockeby and Ken King of Lockeby and Associates, Inc. to discuss the results of the amenities survey recently conducted by the EAST lab students participating on the committee. The focus of the discussion was the development of preliminary layout drawings for the future infrastructure to be located on the lot once occupied by the condemned buildings south of the courthouse. The majority of participants in the survey expressed the desire for an entertainment venue to



Photo courtesy of Dana Harvey

Shown, from left to right, (standing) Payton Reep, East Lab instructor; (seated) Jennifer Rodriguez, Former Mayor Denisa Pennington, East Lab students Jolie Trussell, Anna Grace Mitchell, and Aaron Barajas; (back of table) Cathy Richardson and East Lab student Ashlyn Crawford; Gwen Bullard, Ken King, Glenn Lockeby, and Dana Harvey. (Not pictured) Jimmy Sledge and East Lab student Sarah Forrest.

be constructed with permanent amenities such as a stage, shade, and seating. The new space will serve multiple pur-

poses and the intent is for the space to be utilized throughout the year and not just during the Pink Tomato Festival. The PPC

began meeting during the summer of 2023 and were joined by the East Lab students in September of 2023.

## SOUTH ARKANSAS PET CREMATIONS OPENS FOR BUSINESS




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South Arkansas Pet Cremations held a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, April 4. "At South Arkansas Pet Cremations, we strive to provide high-quality care for each pet and family we serve. We understand that pets are more than just animals. They become part of the family and deserve a proper farewell. As pet lovers ourselves, we recognize the need for a pet cremation service in our area. We understand that your beloved pet will not always pass during normal business hours; we are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for pet removals. Please call ahead at 870-500-0419 if you plan to bring your pet to our location. We are here to serve all of South Arkansas."

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## Passin' the Faith Along

By REV. JIM BALES  
Pastor - First Assembly of God  
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**"BUT GOD"**

These two words "but God" occur at least 252 times in the Bible. I have selected four references. They suggest four things every man needs.

"But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us." Ephesians 2:4

"But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good." Genesis 50:20

"But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body." 1 Corinthians 15:38

"But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days." Daniel 2:28

**First**, he needs salvation.  
**Second**, he needs divine

providence.

**Third**, he needs an answer to what lies beyond the grave.

**Fourth**, he needs to know what is going on in this turbulent world.

Those four answers will take care of you. They will see you through.

**First** a man must be sure his relationship is right with God. He must know that he is saved from something to something. The greatest knowledge in this world is to know that you have been saved from sin and consequences.

You can't avoid God. This is the most stubborn fact of the universe. Who placed a tiny flower the digitalis we extract for sick hearts? Who wrapped this earth

with an inexhaustible envelope of air only 50 miles deep and of exactly the right density to support human life? Who spins the earth at a given speed so that we have day and night? Who tilts it so we get seasons?

God is our refuge. He gives existence meaning. He gives eternal life.

**Second**, only God can provide the comfort I need in a world that men have mismanaged so badly. So often it seems the good suffer and the evil prosper. Is it worth trying to go on in the midst of malice, jealousy, back biting and hatred?

It is then that we come to the second Scripture references. "But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good." Without God, life reduces itself to a jungle, to pagan darkness.

**Third**, disillusionment turns the lights out. Only animal passions can drive you. You seek darkness. You waste yourself in reckless living. You take advantage of others before they can take advantage of you.

Listen once more to these

words, "and to every seed his own body." You can't live one way in this world - godless, sinful, pleasure seeking, living for self alone and then expect to be something different in the life beyond. A God who offers you mercy, grace and redemption on this side will offer you justice on the other side.

**Last**, what about this world? Are bad men and rebels going to get away with it? In our final Scripture reference Nebuchadnezzar wanted to know who was boss. Daniel told him, "But there is a God in heaven..."

The knowledge of God is everywhere. It secures my should. Ask yourself who showed a voice how to fly through the air on radio waves; and how does a picture leave an antenna, move through the air and come into millions of homes?

Ask yourself who created the sugar thermostat below the human pancreas? How does it maintain a level of sugar in the human blood sufficient for every? Without it, all of us would fall into a coma and die. **"But God"**

# LEGALS

## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EDITH HODGES PEEBLES, DECEASED NO. 06PR-24-17-2

**NOTICE**

Last known address of decedent: 410 Hwy, 160 West  
Hermitage, AR 71647

Date of Death: November 24, 2023  
An instrument dated October 23, 2018, was on March 13, 2024, admitted to probate as the Last Will of the above named decedent, and the undersigned have been appointed Co-Executors thereunder. A contest of the probate of the will can be effected only by filing a petition within the time provided by law.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate. Provided, that claims for injury or death caused by the negligence of the decedent shall be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of the notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in such estate.

This notice first published on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

/s/ Robert Jefferson Peebles Robert Jefferson Peebles, Co-Executor c/o Richard L. Roper Bar Identification No. 79246 Attorney At Law Barton & Roper, PLLC Post Office Box 1236 Warren, Arkansas 71671 (870) 466-4214 Attorney for the Estate	/s/ James Lawrence Peebles Robert Jefferson Peebles, Co-Executor c/o Richard L. Roper Bar Identification No. 79246 Attorney At Law Barton & Roper, PLLC Post Office Box 1236 Warren, Arkansas 71671 (870) 466-4214 Attorney for the Estate
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### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

**FRIDAY, APRIL 12**

**Free Tree Fridays**  
Celebrate Arbor day by planting a seedling. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Warren city Park you can get up to five seedlings per person. Species will vary based on availability, but will include some mix of Bald Cypress, Shumard Oak, Cherrybark Oak, Red Mulberry, river Birch, and/or Sycamore.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14**

**Cemetery Association Meeting**  
Moseley Cemetery Association, located on Bradley 8 N. in Warren, will hold it's annual cemetery meeting at 1:30 p.m. in the Moseley Chapel.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27**  
**2024 Great American Cleanup**  
Re-New-ing Edinburg is participating in the 2024 Great American Cleanup in April to prepare for the New Edinburg All School Reunion which will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

at the New Edinburg Community Center on Saturday, April 27. Local residents are requested to pick up trash in their local areas and report the number of trash bags collected, the road, and number of miles picked up to Patricia McClellan at (901) 606-4162 (leave a message). A limited number of free t-shirts and trash bags are available upon request.

**SATURDAY, MAY 4**  
**Reunion of Former Burlington Employees**

The reunion of Burlington employees will be held at the Sadie Johnson Building from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 4.

**ONGOING**

**AA Meetings**  
Warren has AA meetings every Monday at 7 p.m. and every Wednesday at 12 p.m. All meetings are held at First Methodist Church of Warren, located at 111 W. Church St. All meetings are open.

### REZONING NOTICE

Name of Owner(s): Wayne White

Request has been made for a change of zoning classification from Residential to Commercial of the following property: 1110 Fox St.

Property Description  
Part of Lot 12, the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 12 South, Range 10 West, in Bradley County, Arkansas, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point 2.68-1/2 chains East and 9.66 chains North of the Southwest Corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 36, Township 12 South, Range 10 West, and running North 3.17 chains, thence East 3.16-1/2 chains, thence South 3.17 chains, thence West 3.16-1/2 chains to Point of Beginning, containing 1 acre, more or less.

Reason for Change: To Store Materials  
Meeting 4/29 at 5:30 4/10

### THOMASON REACHES 100 BOOKS

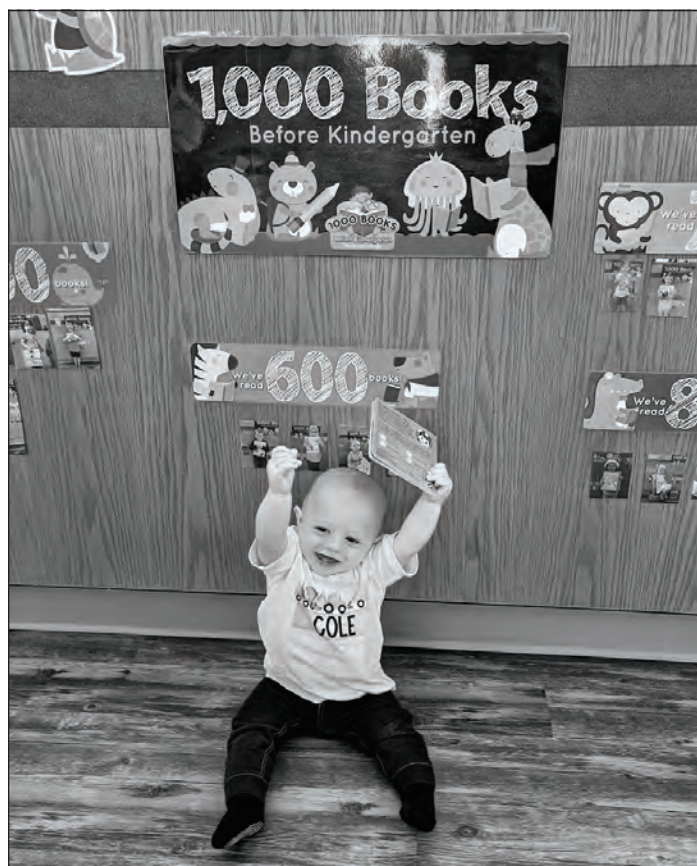


Photo courtesy of Jessica Thomason

Congratulations to Cole Thomason on reaching 100 books in the 1000 books before kindergarten program at the Warren Branch Library.

# UAM Pre-Vet Club to host petting zoo

**SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE**

The UAM Pre-Vet Club will host a petting zoo at the University of Arkansas at Monticello

(UAM) on Saturday, April 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The cost is \$10 per participant. Parents enter for free with their

children. Admittance includes the petting zoo, animal feed, one horse ride and cotton candy. Additional horse rides will be available for \$5 each. Face painting will be available for \$5.

The event will be held across the street from the Alvy Early Softball Field. Petting zoo attendees are also invited to attend UAM Softball's game against Northwestern Oklahoma State University at 2 p.m. for free.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Monticello 2nd Chance Fur Dogs, a dog rescue organization located in Monticello, Arkansas.

For more information, contact Rocky Lindsey at lindseyr@uamont.edu or (870)460-1214.

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# South Arkansas College inducts students into honor society

**SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE**

A ceremony for students being inducted to the South Arkansas College chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa academic honor society was held on Thursday, April 4 at the Mahony Family Library Auditorium.

The Alpha Gamma Iota Chapter spring 2024 inductees are:

- Hermitage: Britney Johnson
- Warren: Ashley Pascual-Cortez, Ana Romero
- Jersey: Diana Sullivan

**Willoughby Cemetery**  
**NOTICE OF CEMETERY DUES - \$20 PER LOT**

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Johnnie McClain, 172 Bradley 16, Warren, AR 71671  
or Sherry White, 1419 W Pine, Warren, AR 71671.

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# Brunson Elementary third nine weeks honor roll

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

**4th Grade All A's:** Noelle Anderson, Evie Capps, Obed Castillo, Annali Escobedo, Nevaeh Frazier, Austen Glosup, Arabella Hernandez, Bennett Hogue, Marlowe Jackson, Cash Johnson, Maddox Moring, Emily Payne, Easton Reynolds, Robby Riedel, Kandice Rodriguez, Maggie Tillman, and Knox Watson.

**5th Grade All A's:** Daniel Almarez, MaKailynn Broughton, Yaneli Canuto, Juda Castillo, Joycelyn Corker, Logan

Curry, Zoe Greenwood, Eli Lynch, Erick Mills, Joseph Murphy, Mariah Partman, Khloe Rochell, Cooper Waggon, and Sierra Weeks

**4th Grade A's & B's:** Braden Anderson, Simply Cobb, Owen Davis, Lana Harper, Journie Hartley, Hayden Herrington, Jayceon Johnson, Kaiser Jones, Callie Jordan, Korbin Lewis, Britain Lucas, Macy Martin, Brock Morgan, Natasha Nelson, Addison Perez Wilder, McKynzie Pillstrom, Calijah Sanders, Zeke Sloan, Ciona Williams, LaKyla

Williams

**5th Grade A's & B's:** Jasmyn Adams, Cy Bryant, Rudy Carroll, Amy Castillo, Karson Danley, Andrea DeLeon, Karson Edwards, Matt Fajardo-Martinez, Adalynn Huddleston, Ayce Lynn James, Kamia Lewis, Alyssa Martinez, Geraldina Melara, Elijah Morris, Azul Pedroza, Sergio Rodriguez, Roselin Salinas, Vivian Stucks, Allie Taylor, Andi Jo Wardlaw, A'Sheuna Williams, Holt Williams, LaKaree Williams

# Applications for BCMC's Mini M\*A\*S\*H Camp now open

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

The dates have been set for the 2024 version of the Bradley County Medical Center Mini M\*A\*S\*H (Medical Applications of Science for Health) Camp with it set to take place from June 24-28. The application process is entirely online, and applications are due by Tuesday, April 30.

This event is a one-week summer enrichment program for students who have completed 10th or 11th grades and are interested in pursuing a medical career. Students must possess a minimum GPA of 2.75, have completed Biology, and are committed to attending the full one-week camp to apply for this program. Many students will apply, but only 12 spots are available. Students are chosen based on academics, extra-curricular activities, community involvement, teacher recommendations, personal essay, and work ethic.

The campers will take part in a number of activities during the week. These include CPR training, suturing, heart dissection, splinting, hospital tour, shadowing medical professionals, education materials, and much more.

The link to apply online can be found here: <https://regionalcampuses.uams.edu/health-careers/high-school-students/mash/locations/mash-bradley-county-medical-center/>.

For more information regarding the camp, please con-

tact M\*A\*S\*H Director Krissy Morrison at 870-226-4512 or by email at [kmorrison@bcmc-med.org](mailto:kmorrison@bcmc-med.org).

For the latest news and updates regarding BCMC please like the Bradley County Medical Center Facebook page or follow us on Instagram (BCMWarren) or X, formerly Twitter (@BCMC Warren). To keep up with the most recent news and updates for the BCMC Rural Health Clinic, please like the BCMC Rural Health Clinic page on Facebook.

# Rotary hears from future president

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

The Rotary Club of Warren met for the first time in a few weeks on Tuesday, April 2 at First Methodist Church. Rotarian and President-Elect Dana Harvey spoke to the crowd on a couple of topics. First, Harvey touched on Mid-America PETS (President Elect Training Seminar), which she had to attend as she prepares to take over as President of the club in July. She stated that it was a wonderful experience and all of the speakers were excellent. It also gave her a chance to connect with other President-Elects, which included districts from Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Kansas. Harvey then transitioned to what the Southeast Arkansas Human Development Center, where she as Assistant Superintendent, was doing to prepare for the upcoming eclipse. Much of Arkansas is scheduled to be in totality of the solar eclipse on Monday, April 8 so the state is expecting a large increase in tourists in Arkansas. While Warren is not in the path of totality, there are concerns that the state's roads and infrastructure could be congested. HDC has plans in place to ensure all of its residents are safe and can access emergency services if needed. Harvey answered a few questions about each topic to round out the meeting.



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# Editorial

## Arkansas House Report

Jeff Wardlaw  
Ark. State Representative



The 2024 Fiscal Session of the General Assembly will commence on April 10, 2024, at noon. Following the House's initial convening, there will be a brief recess before a Joint Session with the Senate to hear the Governor's address.

Amendment 86 stipulates that the General Assembly will focus solely on the budget, with any discussion on legislation beyond the budget requiring a 2/3 majority agreement in both chambers.

The most recent revenue report showed March Net Available revenue at \$34.4 million or 8.2 percent greater than last year and \$67.2 million or 17.5 percent above forecast. Net Available revenue results last month were above forecast in Individual Income Tax, Corporate Income Tax, and Sales Tax.

Year-to-date net available revenue is below last year's levels but exceeds the forecast by 1.6 percent.

The Department of Finance and Administration presented the Governor's balanced budget proposal during Pre-Fiscal Session hearings.

The proposed budget calls for a 1.76 percent spending increase. The budget prioritizes education, with increases proposed for the public school fund, career and technical education, and Educational Freedom Accounts. Additional funding is allocated for the University of Arkansas-Pine Bluff and Arkansas State Police trooper school.

More than 70 appropriation bills have already been filed in preparation for the session.

Fiscal Sessions cannot extend beyond 30 days without a 3/4 vote from both chambers, with a maximum extension of 15 days.

We will continue to update you as the session continues. Legislative proceedings, including the Governor's address, can be viewed at arkansashouse.org.

## Arkansas History Minute

by Dr. Kenneth Bridges



In the years after the first segregation laws were passed in Arkansas and across the South, the effects of the daily humiliations and abrogations of civil liberties were steadily increasing. Civil rights activists steadily fought these inequalities in court but needed more scientific evidence and statistics to prove beyond a shadow of a doubt what the effects of segregation really were to even the most obstinate judges. One Arkansas psychologist, Dr. Mamie Clark, helped provide the key scientific evidence used to defeat segregation in the federal courts once and for all.

Clark was born Mamie Phipps in Hot Springs in 1917. Her father, Dr. Harold Phipps, was an accomplished physician who immigrated to the United States from the Caribbean some years earlier. She also had a younger brother who eventually became a dentist. Segregation had been an established fact for decades by this point in Arkansas, and Phipps grew up attending segregated schools.

Her father's success and how both parents encouraged education helped her push forward in her own education. In 1934, she enrolled in the prestigious Howard University in Washington, DC, where she initially majored in physics and mathematics. While pursuing her degree, she met Kenneth Clark, a psychology graduate student, who inspired her to change her major to psychology. The two married in 1937, and Mamie Clark earned her psychology degree the next year.

She soon began her own work toward a masters degree. Her interests became focused on the emotional development of children. She and her husband began using white and black dolls to see how young children developed ideas of race and awareness of their own racial identity, especially in segregated communities. The Clarks expanded this study as she began her doctoral work at Columbia University in New York. By the time she earned her doctorate in 1943, she had given birth to her own two children and become the first African-American woman to earn a doctorate from Columbia.

In 1946, she founded the Northside Center for Child Development, which at the time was the only children's mental health and counseling center in Harlem, a majority African-American borough of New York City. For decades, it helped hundreds of children and families with a variety of issues. Perhaps its most notable work was in the field of education. At the time, many New York schools attempted to push African-American children into remedial programs or even programs for students with severe mental disabilities even though there was no evidence. Clark's Northside Center provided intelligence tests and diagnostic tests to help parents prove to the schools that there was nothing wrong with their children and that they deserved a full education.

While Drs. Mamie and Kenneth Clark both had impressive achievements of their own in their long careers, together they broke important new ground in psychology. Their studies of thousands of African-American children showed that as early as age three they were aware of their race and had already developed negative attitudes about their black skin. In their experiments, they saw repeatedly how black children preferred to play with white dolls instead of black and preferred illustrations of lighter-colored children. The studies that the Clarks conducted showed without a doubt that segregation was twisting the minds of children and teaching millions of children to subconsciously hate themselves because the government decided that they must be separated from others simply because of skin color.

The NAACP used the studies completed by the Clarks as evidence in a series of federal court cases in the late 1940s and early 1950s aimed at dismantling segregation. The Clarks testified as expert witnesses in the 1951 Briggs v. Elliott case in South Carolina, arguing that the damage done by the unequal and segregated school system was unconstitutional. This case and others were combined into the Brown v. Board of Education case before the U. S. Supreme Court in 1954. As the Brown case was being decided at the Supreme Court, the Clarks wrote to the justices explaining the results they had uncovered. In the end, the Supreme Court ruled that the "separate but equal" doctrine was inherently unequal and unconstitutional. The state had no right to damage children psychologically.

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Senate Week in Review from Ben Gilmore Senator

Parents can now apply to the state Education Division for Education Freedom Accounts for next year.

The application period began the first day of April. This school year about 5,000 students are benefitting from the accounts, and more children will be eligible next year.

Eligible families may receive up to 90 percent of the amount of per student foundation funding for last year. In the 2024-25 school year, that amount will be about \$6,856 per Education Freedom Account (EFA).

An education official estimated that 14,000 students would take advantage of EFAs next school year. Families can apply

online at [efas.ade.arkansas.gov](https://efas.ade.arkansas.gov). Expect to be notified of approvals in June.

The governor and the legislature created the accounts last year in Act 237, also known as the LEARNS Act.

The families of students who qualify receive financial help paying for schools of their choice. This year about 100 private schools have been approved to participate. The schools send invoices to the families, then the family uploads it to the student's Education Freedom Account and an account manager sends funding to the school.

This year eligible students include first-time kindergarteners, students coming from schools that last year got an "F" on school report cards and students from districts in Level 5 of the state's accountability process for gauging academic distress.

Also eligible this year are students from the Succeed Scholarship Program, which existed before the LEARNS Act was

created last year. Children of active duty military personnel also qualify this year.

For the 2024-2025 school year, the criteria will be expanded to include students from a school that got a "D" on school report cards. The children of military veterans and the children of emergency responders.

This year homeschooling expenses are not allowable under the Education Freedom Accounts program. However they will become allowable beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, when instructional and curriculum materials can be paid for through EFAs.

Homeschooled students will have to take the same national standardized tests that private school students take, and the results must be reported to the state Education Division. The expenses of taking the tests can be paid for through EFAs.

In the third year of the LEARNS Act, the 2025-2026 school year, all Arkansas stu-

dents are eligible to apply for Education Freedom Accounts.

Revenue Report

Legislators return to the Capitol April 10 for the fiscal session. They will approve a state government budget for Fiscal Year 2025, which begins on July 1, 2024.

The state is in healthy financial shape, according to the most recent revenue report for March. Net general revenues were 17.5 percent above forecast. The solid performance was in all three of the major sources of tax revenue for state government – individual income taxes, corporate income taxes and sales taxes.

The governor has proposed a state general revenue budget of \$6.31 billion, with most of the increases in spending dedicated to education. Forecasters predict that the state will end Fiscal Year 2024 with a budget surplus of \$240.5 million and that Fiscal Year 2025 will end with a surplus of \$376.6 million.



Investments by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) in Arkansas are helping promote growth and progress that improve quality of life across our state. Already this year, grants to educate healthcare professionals in Newport, water infrastructure improvements in Trumann and tornado recovery efforts in Jonesboro have been awarded. I'm proud to advocate for these projects and enhancements to EDA so it can continue to boost economic success in Natural State communities.

The EDA has helped support a wide range of economic development projects since it was created in 1965, yet it's been nearly 20 years since Congress reauthorized EDA. We must use this opportunity to update the agency's programs and ensure it has the tools and resources to achieve its mission. I'm championing a legislative initiative to modernize and strengthen the vital services it provides.

My colleagues on the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee and I recently advanced the Economic Development Reauthorization Act of 2024. This legislation would

reform some of the agency's programs and authorize activities such as workforce development and disaster assistance.

I'm pleased this legislation includes a measure I advocated to specify EDA's role in economic recovery for communities impacted by natural disasters.

Arkansans are too familiar with the devastation caused by Mother Nature. Each time our state has been impacted by weather events, the EDA's leadership has been crucial to repairing, restoring and rebuilding in the aftermath. That's why we need to formally designate an Office of Disaster Recovering and Resilience within the EDA, which would enable us to harness the institutional knowledge that can help expedite resources on the ground where the need is urgent.

Clearly defining its role in disasters will improve the federal response and long-term economic outcome for communities, families and businesses picking up the pieces.

The bipartisan legislation was created with stakeholder input from across the country. In his testimony to members

of the EPW Committee last year, Little Rock Port Authority Executive Director Bryan Day shared how infrastructure investments made with EDA funds over the past two decades have attracted businesses to the port and directly resulted in more than \$2.5 billion in capital investment in addition to the creation of more than 5,000 jobs.

We want more communities to compete for these funds and experience the same positive results. In order to accomplish this, we need to make the application process less tedious. Small, rural towns often struggle with the lack of expertise and manpower to dedicate the significant time needed to complete the paperwork. Keeping the process simple will help remedy that issue and increase

participation.

That feedback is why this bill includes updates to the application process as well as affords technical assistance to applicants. These commonsense measures will open the door to more communities seeking funding for workforce training and infrastructure enhancements.

It's time we reauthorize this program and modernize how the agency operates so we can strengthen its ability to respond to evolving challenges, meet changing economic conditions and continue to deliver critical resources to improve local economies. I look forward to applauding future grant announcements and congratulating Arkansas communities for their success in attracting these economic investments.

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## HISTORY

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and school segregation was ordered to end. The psychological damage caused by segregation and state-sanctioned bigotry was intolerable, the

justices decided, and a free society could not tolerate the abuse of its citizens by the government.

Clark continued to work with children and with civil rights causes. She became a respected figure in New York and was eventually

named to the board of directors of such organizations at the New York Public Library, the Museum of Modern Art, and Mount Sinai Medical Center. Clark retired in 1980 as her health started to decline. She died of cancer in 1983.

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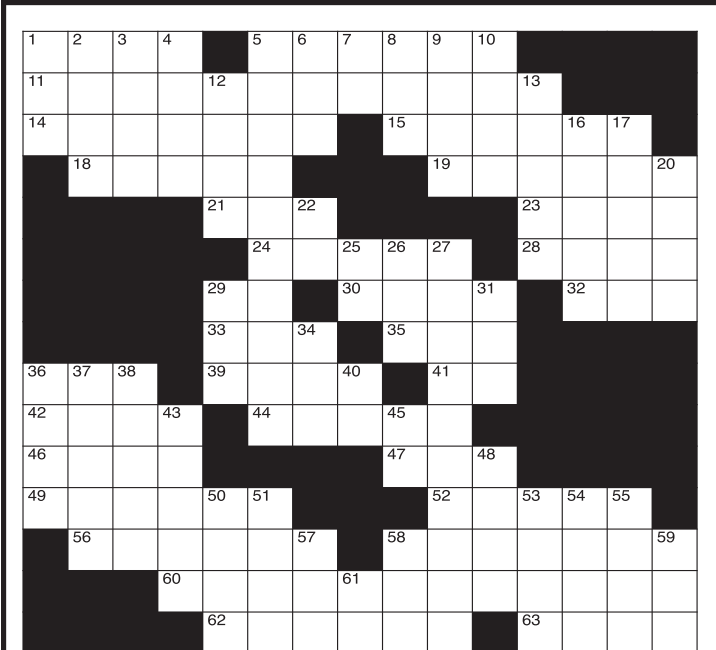
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### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. A minute amount (British)
- 5. Mystical or magical
- 11. Shortening
- 14. More satisfying
- 15. Other side
- 18. Philippine island
- 19. More unnatural
- 21. Mutual savings bank
- 23. Famed designer Chanel
- 24. Makes less wild
- 28. At some prior time
- 29. The cops who investigate the cops
- 30. Immune system response
- 32. Distress signal
- 33. Engine additive
- 35. "No Scrubs" trio
- 36. Very fast airplane
- 39. A reward (archaic)
- 41. Commercial
- 42. Spots where golfers start
- 44. Polite form of address (Indian)
- 46. French river
- 47. Reduce the light
- 49. Blood-sucking fly
- 52. A way to categorize
- 56. Procrastinates
- 58. Tall slender tower
- 60. Where researchers work
- 62. Office of the Pope
- 63. Office furnishing

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Possesses
- 2. American Board of Orthopedic Surgery
- 3. Ancient Syrian city
- 4. Clip
- 5. In a way, misleads
- 6. Human gene
- 7. The Golden State (abbr.)
- 8. Lizard genus
- 9. Parasites that invade the skin
- 10. Took apart
- 12. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
- 13. S. California town
- 16. Suffix plural
- 17. Painting technique
- 20. Small Eurasian deer
- 22. Mr. T character
- 25. Microsoft
- 26. Shock therapy
- 27. Able to be sold
- 29. A doctrine
- 31. These three follow A
- 34. Pulse
- 36. Quantitative fact
- 37. Doctor \_\_\_: children's book author
- 38. Hebrew calendar month
- 40. Designated hitter
- 43. Norther Poland village
- 45. A passport is one form
- 48. Hand (Spanish)
- 50. Hit with the open hand
- 51. Actor Idris
- 53. Shakespeare's nickname "The \_\_\_"
- 54. Northern U.S. lake
- 55. Marvin and Horsley are two
- 57. Soak
- 58. Partner to cheese
- 59. Expression of disappointment
- 61. College dorm employee

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On lazy weekend mornings or when entertaining a crowd, it may be more fitting to serve brunch rather than breakfast or lunch. Brunch enables guests or family members to sleep in a little later. Plus the filling combination of menu items can keep people satisfied until dinner later on in the evening.

The recipes for "Farmhouse Skillet" from "Lord Honey Traditional Southern Recipes with a Country Bling Twist" (Pelican Publishing) by Chef Jason Smith, puts

together a blend of savory ingredients into an egg casserole that can be a winner on any brunch table.

### Farmhouse Skillet Ingredients (Serves 8-10)

- 1 pound bacon, diced
- 2 cups cubed cooked ham
- 1/2 pound breakfast sausage, cooked and crumbled
- 1 small purple onion, diced
- 1/2 red bell pepper, diced
- 1/2 yellow bell pepper diced

- 10 eggs, beaten
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1 20-ounce package frozen shredded hash browns, or tater tots, thawed
- Salt and ground black pepper to taste
- 1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 F. In a very large cast-iron skillet (12-inch or larger), over medium heat, cook the bacon until crispy.

Then add the ham and sausage and stir.

Add the onions and peppers, and sauté for 5 minutes, always stirring.

In a small bowl, whisk the eggs and heavy cream.

Stir the hash browns into the skillet, and add salt and pepper to taste. Cook for 5 to 8 minutes, until hash browns start to brown. Remove from heat. Add the egg mixture, top with cheese, and bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until bubbly and cheese is melted.

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# Obituaries

## James Gary Cooper, Sr.

James Gary Cooper, Sr., 88, of Warren, went to be with his Lord and Savior Friday, March 29, 2024, at his home. He was born May 11, 1935, in Paragould, to the late James Roger Cooper and Elaine Allmond Cooper.

Gary was retired from the United States Postal Service and was a very active member and Deacon of First Baptist Church in Warren.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded by his loving wife, Jonnie Elle Dearman Cooper. Gary and his wife enjoyed their retirement camping and following their grandson Tripp in professional swimming activities all over the country. He served in the United States Army National Guard during the Korean War and was a 32nd Degree Mason of the Scottish Rite.

He is survived by a son, Jim Cooper (Dorothy) of The Woodlands, Texas; a daughter, Cindy Cooper of Fort Smith; grandson, Tripp Cooper of The Woodlands, Texas; a sister, Rita Kay Cooper of Little Rock; a sister-in-law, Mary Heffner of Cabot; niece and nephews, Chris Reighard, Tommy Heffner, Charles F. "Chuck" Dearman, Jr. and David Dearman; and step-grandchildren, David and Brandon Dunaway, Alexis, Nick and Klayton Dunaway, Katelynn Ashcraft and Fallon Ashley.

There was a private family graveside service at Oakland Cemetery in Monticello. A visitation was held from 12-4 p.m. Monday, April 1, 2024, at Stephenson-Dearman Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

**Mark Rhoden Halley**  
Mark Rhoden Halley, age 67, of Rison, went to be with his Lord on March 19, 2024. He was born April 7, 1956, in Bradley County to the late Ann Rhoden Halley and Bernie Clyde Halley. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter Sarah Elizabeth Halley. He was a faithful Shepherd Hill Baptist Church member and a jack of all trades. He loved being able to share his handy work and talents with others. Mark

loved going full speed ahead, and whether it had two wheels, four wheels, or no wheels, fast was his second name.

He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years Kathy Halley, a son and daughter-in-law Brian and Miranda Halley of White Hall, and two beautiful granddaughters, Kennedy Bennett-Halley and Anna Halley. Siblings Steve Halley (Sandra) of Monticello, Michael Halley (Kathy) of Natchez, MS, Sharon West (Eddie) of Warren, Carita Ryburn (Benji) of Monticello, and many other family and friends.

Visitation was Friday, March 22, 2024, at Buie Funeral Home in Rison.

Funeral services were Saturday, March 23, 2023, at Buie Funeral Home in Rison with Bro. Patrick Mead and Bro. Charles Woolley officiating. Interment followed in Rowell Cemetery.

Please sign online obituary [www.buiefuneralhome.com](http://www.buiefuneralhome.com)

Arrangements by Buie Funeral Home of Rison (870) 325-6216. (Paid obituary)

## David Wayne Reaves

David Wayne Reaves, aged 78, of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, passed away on April 2, 2024 in Star City, Ark. Born on January 20, 1946, in Warren, Arkansas, David was known for his playful banter, constant sense of humor, and sound wisdom. Under his senior photo in his high school yearbook is written "Red hair, ready wit, our David will always be a hit!" He was a dedicated reader and thinker and had a

heart for people who were often overlooked. He knew himself well and navigated things on his own terms. He enjoyed a vibrant life filled with grandchildren, hard work, family, and church activities. He was a deeply committed Razorback fan and wouldn't miss watching or listening to Arkansas football, baseball or basketball.

David worked in industrial management in both Arkansas and South Carolina. He was an active member of the Macedonian Missionary Service Builders. He helped to build churches in Washington, Nevada, and

Colorado. In retirement he worked for South Central Arkansas Transit, driving people who could not drive themselves. He has been a participating member of Second Baptist Church of Arkadelphia since 2013. In his younger years he loved to spend time deer hunting with friends. In retirement he enjoyed fishing on Lake DeGray, spending time with his wife Pam, watching his grandsons play baseball and seeing his granddaughters cheer. He adored his grandchildren. He often said that he didn't deserve his family. He loved them dearly. His only child, Amy, became his full-time care-giver during his illness and the two of them spent a sweet last year together.

David is survived by his wife of 23 years, Pam Reynolds Reaves; daughter, Amy Reaves Harmon; son-in-law, Brady Harmon both of Star City; grandchildren, Sam Reed, Mary Claire Reed, Olivia Reed, and Ben Harmon; and sister, Ruth Reaves Rodgers (David) of Fayetteville. He was preceded in death by his father, Allen Wayne Reaves; mother, Mary Dorine Garner Reaves; and sisters, Brenda Faye Reaves and Mary Lynn Reaves.

David's burial will be held at the Oakland Cemetery on Friday, April 12, 2024 at 3 p.m. in Warren, Arkansas, with graveside service arranged by Frazer's Funeral Home. All who call him friend or family are welcome to attend. David's legacy of kindness, humor, and dedication to his community will be cherished by all who knew him.

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## Linda Taylor

Linda was the 6th and youngest child born on March 14, 1949 at Warren, to the late J.Q. and Dean Powers Richardson. She left this old world to join Jesus, her family and her true love, Carey in Heaven on April 5, 2024 at the age of 75. Preceding her in

death are her two brothers Joe Richardson and Rex Richardson and sisters Betty Jacks, Macel Ashcraft, and Louise Jacks and also her husband Carey "Red" Taylor who passed away on November 5, 2023 who was the love of her life, her rock and her best friend.

Linda graduated an honor student in 1967 from Woodlawn High School and attended business school in Little Rock and was employed by several businesses such as Harlow Sanders Cotton, Simmons Bank, England Packing and retired from Arkansas Department of Human Services. She was a lifetime member of Bethel No. 2 Missionary Baptist Church where she played the piano for many years, a member of the Ladies Auxiliary and helped in Vacation Bible School.

Her favorite activities were hunting, shopping with her girls, taking trips with Carey, square dancing and camping, making her famous buttermilk biscuits and banana pudding. Her favorite hobby was going to yard sales along with other places collecting Coca Cola items and anything with Santa on it. Her favorite time was Christmas and displaying her beautiful decorations. She was a lady that was mild and meek and always had a big beautiful smile and a kind word in which she tried to instill in her girls right along with the phrase "pretty is as pretty does".

She is survived by two daughters Stacey Hankins (Scott), and Devin Kearney (Joe) of Woodlawn, grandchildren are Zach Blevins, Lindsey Blevins, Luke Hankins, Miles Hargrave and Emmitt Hargrave and one great granddaughter Audrey Lynn Mounts.

There was a visitation on Sunday April 7, 2024 from 2-3 p.m. with funeral services at 3 p.m. at Bethel No. 2 Missionary Baptist Church with burial to follow at Prosperity Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Scott Hankins, Joe Kearney, Zack Blevins, Luke Hankins, Miles Hargrave, and Emmitt Hargrave

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## Patricia Sherman Williams

Patricia Sherman Williams, 79 Patricia (Pat) Sherman Williams, age 79 of Warren, Ark., passed away on Monday, April 1, 2024, at Jefferson Regional Medical Center in Pine Bluff, Ark.. She was born April 8, 1944, in Banks, Ark., a daughter of the late Doyle Sherman and Margaret Bell Sherman. Also preceding her in death was her beloved husband of 38 years Robert M. Williams whom she married June 9, 1962, a brother Doyle Kenneth Sherman, and a special friend Billy Charles "Bill" Cargile. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Warren, Ark.

Pat enjoyed bird watching, spending time in her flower gardens, mowing the lawn with her Massey Ferguson tractor, and shopping with her grandchildren. She never met a stranger

## and enjoyed socializing with everyone, especially on the phone.

Survivors include her children: Mike Williams (Sandra) of Warren, Ark.; Ladonna Williams Hammons (Joe) of Warren, Ark.; and Kristel Williams Ashcraft (Craig) of Rye, Ark.; grandchildren: Jaclyn Hammons and Austin Hammons of Warren, Ark., Emily Ashcraft and Katie Ashcraft of Rye, Ark.; great-grandchild: Jaxson Hammons of Warren, Ark. and a host of friends and distant family members.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 5 at Frazer's Chapel. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery by Frazer Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

## Dorothy Ann Brown

Dorothy Ann Brown, 61, of Warren, died March 30, 2024. Born September 1, 1962, to Richard Brown and Dorothy Ederington.

Survivors: Brothers – Stephen Nealon (Dora), Jerry Ederington Nieces – Nakasha Nealon,

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Godson – Brandon Dismute Graveside service was April 6, St. Paul Cemetery, Warren. Hammons Funeral Home

## Frankie Lou Means

Frankie Lou Means, 89 of Hampton died April 6, 2024 at Ouachita County Medical Center in Camden. Born February 24, 1935 in Calhoun County to the late Frank and Mary Frances Wisinger.

Funeral 10 a.m. April 10, 2024 at Antioch Baptist Church. Burial in Means Cemetery by Frazer's Funeral Home.

## Shari Watts Trammell

Shari Watts Trammell, age 61 gained her angel wings on April 1, 2024. She was born August 18, 1962, in Warren to the late Freddie Lloyd Watts and Dora Brown Watts.

A home going celebration will be held at 10:00 a.m. April 13, 2024, at First Assembly of God Church.

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