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BCMC Wound Care Clinic earns Center of Excellence Award

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

Bradley County Medical Center is honored to announce that the BCMC Wound Care Clinic is a recipient of Restorix-Health's highest achievement, the Wound Center of Excellence Award. Recipients of this prestigious award meet or exceed national wound care quality benchmarks over a set period of time.

The Wound Center of Excellence Award recognizes wound centers that have demonstrated exceptional success by meeting or exceeding clinical, operational, and patient satisfaction benchmarks. This is the second time in three years for BCMC to claim this honor after earning this recognition wound care, RestorixHealth is in 2022.

Clinic is dedicated to optimizing outcomes and preventing lower limb loss in patients From developing and operat-

approach to wound care is aggressive and comprehensive, coordinating traditional and advanced therapies and techniques that are proven to reduce healing time and improve healing rates.

The center is staffed with clinicians with advanced training in wound care. Integrating a team of wound care professionals optimizes patient care, while offering the most advanced healing options.

The BCMC Wound Care Clinic is located inside Bradlev County Medical Center and is available on Tuesdays. For more information, please call 877-295-2273.

Committed to excellence in the wound care solutions com-The BCMC Wound Care pany providing programs, services, products, and education across the care continuum. with non-healing wounds. The ing wound centers in partnership with hospitals, through delivering professional wound care in nursing facilities and in-home settings, to supporting patients through the coordination of wound supplies, RestorixHealth's solutions increase access to care, reduce hospital admissions and most importantly, improve patient outcomes and quality of life. For more information, visit www.RestorixHealth.com.

For the latest news and updates regarding BCMC please like the Bradley County Medical Center Facebook page or follow us on Instagram (BC-MCWarren) 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.



Museum will hold annual hamburger supper



Joanna Poole/Eagle Democrat

Special to the Eagle

Bradley County Historical Museum board members announced the date for its annual Hamburger Supper, set for Friday, September 27, 2024.

Take-out meals will consist of grilled hamburgers, with all the trimmings, the popular baked beans, chips, and homemade brownies. The hamburger meals may be picked up at the museum at 200 West Ash Street from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, September 27.

Tickets will be pre-sold for \$10 each and may be purchased from the museum's board members. The members include Kim Cathey, Mark Deal, Deborah Gannaway, Bridgette Harding, Mike Jolley, JeNelle Lipton, La-Donna Marsh, Liz McKinstry, Marlin Raines, Misti Reynolds, Andrew Tolbert, Missy Wardlaw, and Judy Wynne.

The annual hamburger supper is a major fundraiser for the museum. Proceeds assists in preservation of the historic Martin House and help to fund the museum's operation.

Board members appreciate the community's support in making the event successful each year. For more information or to purchase tickets, you may call 870-226-5457.

Burn ban in effect

By JOANNA POOLE reporter@theeagledemocrat.com

Burn bans have been enacted for the cities of Warren and Hermitage to combat the dry conditions. The bans which went into effect on Monday, August 26 will be in effect until further notice. Officials are urging residents to comply to prevent potential disasters.

The decision to implement

the burn bans comes in response to dry conditions which elevates the probability of fire danger. Persistent high temperatures and lack of rain have left vegetation particularly dry and susceptible to ignition.

The burn ban prohibits a range of activities including:

- Open fires- campfires, bonfires, and outdoor burning for recreational purposes.

- Burning of yard waste-



leaves, branches, or other yard debris.

Fire departments are closely monitoring the situation and will provide updates as necessary.

A Hometown Hero can be found on Page 10



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Passin' the Faith **Along**

By REV. JIM BALES Pastor - First Assembly of God

HOW TALL IS GOD?

God has dwindled in the to save us. How desperately minds of modern men. He has become pygmy rattler rather than Prometheus, gnome rather than giant. Too deaf to hear our pleadings, too blind to see our misery, a God without heart big enough to live us or arms long enough to reach out

does this age need a new understanding of the greatness of

I want you to ask yourself, "How big, how tall is God?"

How large does He loom in your life? What place are you giving to God? Has God such a small part in your life and schedule that you can squeeze Him into a few minutes of your time on an occasional Sunday morning? God is also taller than time.

Time is an invention of man. There are no hours or days or years with God. He winds no clocks at bedtime. With Him there is no such thing as past and future. The past and future are all in the eternal now. His name is "I am." He isn't the "I was" or the "I am going to be." He is my very present help (Psalm 46:1). All His love and power and salvation are for me

God is taller than humanity. He is taller than the worst of men, whether it be the Caesar know he was on the range with leading his legions, or Hitler goose-stepping to his intended throne. He is taller than the mobs that crucified Him or the friends and loved ones that stood at the foot of the cross. He is taller than the best of men, the saints and sages of the centuries.

It was not mere chance that on the cross He was lifted high above friend and foe. He still looks down upon all of us. He is above our petty bickering and our careful calculations.

God is taller than our restlessness.

A certain Wyoming cowboy once remarked that he always sang to his cattle to let them them. He wanted them to know of his presence to keep them from stampeding when it thundered or when shots might be

May I say in this hour, neighbor, I believe there is a bigger Hand riding this old worldrange of ours, always busy herding lonely folk. Whenever you and I listen real closely we can hear Him singing through the dark hours to keep us from getting too frightened and restless. Yes sir, I believe that!

Finally, God is taller than our judgments.

Human justice so often goes astray. I want you to feel in tis moment that you can rest your case with God. He is big enough to do the right thing by

If God's justice were no taller than man's, pity this wicked old world! But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting, and it is in His mercy that we anchor

God is taller than the dreams we dream, than the hunger of our souls, than our homesickness for something out of this world, than our longing for life everlasting. God is taller than our heartaches, taller than our sins.

"Is not God in heaven? Does he not look down on the topmost star?" (Job 22:12).

Oldtimer's Notebook

The publishers of The Eagle Democrat have chosen to publish articles from the past Oldtimer's Notebook in memory of Robert L. Newton. This article was first published Jan. 12, 2005.

My valued friend, Tommy Smith, knocked on the door the other day and handed me a 1950 Warren 'phone directory.

Seems our friend, Wesley Johns, found it among some of the things of his late grandfather, J.A. Johns (the late Mr. Johns' phone number was 754-J, by the way).

Tommy was good enough to fly to Bowling Green, Ky., two years ago with one of my great principal benefactors, the onetime mayor of the city, who had volunteered to come up there and haul us (including our 13-year-old Schnauzer, Schnapps) home after I had that warning stroke.

Old Tommy drove our van

Took him longer than usual. We accused him of stopping at Tunica.

He took the Fifth Amendment.

The phone book had many

fewer listings than you'll find in the book for 2004.

For one thing, it listed three liquor stores: Raymond Dunn's establishment (where the late Bill Wells practiced law on East Cedar); Ed's Liquor Store (a drive-in operation across the street where customers might furtively get a half-print without the public knowing it); and Charlie Hoyle's establishment, roughly where the late Clint Huey practiced law for many years.

Bradley County was voted "dry" in 1954.

It finally went "dry" in 1956. (It is not yet as dry as the Sahara Desert with legal watering places situated here and there).

You'd find a huge number of grocery stores in Warren back

Here's a listing of those with telephone (most offered free delivery to your house): Adams and Green, Adams Real Market, Blackwood Grocery, Blankin-ship Grocery, Burns Grocery, Carmical Brothers, Copeland Grocery, Corner Grocery, Cunningham Grocery, D&C Grocery, Freer's Grocery, Sidney Good Cash Grocery, Green's Grocery, Hartsell Grocery, Jones Grocery, Kelley Grocery, Lanier Grocery and Service Station, E. Mills Grocery, Aubert Moseley Grocery, Rufus Moseley Grocery, Neely and Moseley Grocery (they advertised "prompt delivery"), Bennie G. Nichols Grocery, Jim J. Phillips Grocery, Poole Grocery, Aubert Reynolds Grocery ("Reliable, Reasonable"), Shumway's Grocery, Phinies Sligh Grocery, Stone Brothers Grocery and Hardware, Wheeler Grocery ("Quality Meats - We Deliver"), Marvin Williams Grocery, R. E. Williams Grocery, and Joe Wil-

son's Grocery. That's 31 grocery stores. Who survives?

(You got it: none of 'em).

Most of these stores, practically ALL of them, ran "charge accounts" for customers.

I can remember the late Meek Waites, Anna Lee Hay's father, coming into Adams and Green's establishment to pay his bill every Saturday night (I was a teenage bike-riding delivery boy).

This was over 60 years ago.

Another one who was there faithfully every Saturday night was U.S. Colen, father of the accomplished Colen clan.

Now, all of a sudden, Warren is the largest town in South Arkansas WITHOUT a franchised car dealership.

Not so in 1950.

Just listen to this bunch:

Haynie Chevrolet Company, Hargis Brothers Sales and Service for Chrysler and Plymouth; B. S. Hargis & Sons Motor Company for Dodge and Plymouth, Blankinship Motor Company for Ford, Hurley Equipment Company for Oldsmobile, Julian Pontiac Company, and Reynolds Sales and Service for Studebaker.

Seven car dealers.

Now there are none.

Five lawyers were practicing their legal arts in the city: D. A. Bradham, DuVal L. Purkins, Tom Haley, Burness Ball, and Aubert Martin. Mr. Haley survives and is of counsel with Haley, Claycomb, Roper, and Anderson here in town.

Six physicians were listed: Doctors M. T. Crow and his son Merl, Hogan A. (Jack) Dew, James Estes, R. E. Grene, W. J. Hunt, and J. A. White. Dr. White being the county's last minority

physician, following H. H. Rhinehart and the father of the late Thomas Brunson.

S. B. Fullerton served as president of the Bradley Lumber Company of Arkansas, still rebuilding after the tornado of the year before. Vernon E. Brooks served as his secretary.

There were ten 'phone numbers to Bradley, including a private line to Vice President Joe L. Reaves, Jr., who had been in engineering school at Fayetteville with A. E. Haegler, who married the elder daughter of Dr. Charles Nicklin Martin, Miss Alma.

His younger daughter, Miss Dorothea Martin, long presided over the Warren Primary School.

Mr. Baker Fullerton was a fine old gentleman who loved laughter, friendships, sports, his family, his company, above all his beautiful wife Mary, whose hand he'd won in a whirlwind romance.

Last time I saw Mr. Baker, he was fretting about his beloved Mary and some therapy she was receiving. "They're hurting her," he mused.

Mr. Baker and the late George Cole, once Warren High's coach, helped set up the football scholarship program at Fayetteville.

Southern Lumber Company had only a single 'phone number, t'was "900."

W. R. Warner was manager (he literally SAVED the concern, single-handedly).

Joe Deering was chief accountant. (His son, Joe Bill, was a teammate at Camden, later, of Travis Creed, Jr., son of the legendary Travis "Pete" Creed of Hermitage. Joe Bill graduated from Harvard; his sister is married to Nelson Brooks, son of Mrs. Whit Brooks of Warren).

Well, enuff about old 'phone books. Thanx to my friend Smith and Wesley Johns.

It's good in the mornings to hear the hymns from our church. They're played at nine from a device that honored the late Marilyn Derby, a wonderful lady who died in late 2003.

Registration for fall Walk Across Arkansas now open

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

Walk Across Arkansas is back for its fall event from September 9-November 3. The eight-week exercise program is organized each spring and fall by the Cooperative Extension Service, part of the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture, with the goal of helping Arkansans trol and can improve mood and improve their health. Participation is free, and registration opened on August 26 online at walk.uada.edu.

Last spring, 346 Arkansans statewide participated in the spring 2024 Walk Across Arkansas, logging 986,622 physical activity minutes. There were 65 participating teams across the state. Many of those participants reported they had more energy, slept better, controlled stress, strengthened relationships, lost weight or inches, and improved their blood panels and blood pressure.

This event focuses on physical activity minutes and helping participants increase their phys-

ical activity. Physical activity can lower the risk of early death, coronary heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, Type 2 diabetes, metabolic syndrome, and some cancers, according to the Centers for Disease Control. Exercise also helps with weight loss and weight conenergy levels. Adults should get at least 150 minutes of exercise per week, and youth need at least 60 minutes of exercise daily.

To participate, find a few friends to form a team and register at walk.uada.edu. Then, from September 9-November 3, record the amount of time you spend walking or getting any other form of exercise.

Minutes can be logged online, or vou can contact vour local county extension agent for paper forms to track minutes until they can be logged online. For more information: Contact your local county extension agent at 870-226-8410 or pvance@uada.edu.

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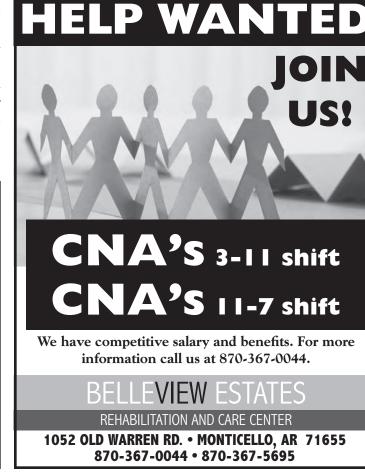
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In accordance with Arkansas Election Laws, the Bradley County Election Commission will conduct a drawing for ballot positions for the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot on Monday, August 26, 2024 at 2:30 PM at the Bradley County Courthouse in the office of the County Clerk.

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Arkansas black bear populations are on the rise ... slowly

Special to the Eagle

Black bear populations are slowly rising in the bottom land hardwood forest of southern and eastern Arkansas according to wildlife expert, Don White, Jr.

Population modeling results from a recent study led by White indicate that the population density of black bears in the West Gulf Coastal Plain-WG-CP-of southeastern Arkansas is approximately one black bear for every five square miles. The black bear population in the area is growing at approximately four percent per year.

As the bear population has expanded in the WGCP over recent years, interest in hunting bears in the area has increased as well. However, establishing and maintaining sustainable harvest levels requires reliable information on the population

Game and Fish Commission, or AGFC, with setting harvest levels, White led a population study using hair snares across the re-

"To establish and maintain sustainable harvest levels for black bears, AGFC biologists need to know the number of bears that occur in the region and the growth rate of the population," said White.

During two summers within the past five years, White and his field crews placed 360 hair snares throughout the WGCP, including the Felsenthal and White River National Wildlife Refuges and the Trusten Holder Wildlife Management Area.

"A hair snare is nothing more than two strands of barbed wire stretched tightly around three to five trees," said White. "Attrac-

status. To assist the Arkansas tants such as candy flavorings and fish were then hung from a rope located at the center of each enclosure. As a bear is attracted to the scent, the bear crawls under or steps over the barbed wires. As they do, the bears get their hair snagged by the barbs. From these hair samples, DNA is extracted and used to identify each bear."

Because the DNA of bears in southeastern Arkansas is slightly different from the DNA of bears in the Ouachita and Ozark Mountains, DNA can also be used to better understand the movement of bears between different areas of the state.

"Bears from the Ouachita Mountains in western Arkansas may be dispersing and moving south and southeast. My AGFC colleagues and I are using our bear genetics data to better understand bear dispersal and map the locations of bear movement corridors. This is important work because genetically-connected bear populations are healthier bear populations. Connected populations do not suffer the consequences of limited genetic variability like isolated populations do," said White.

Throughout each nine-week collection period, field crews checked each hair snare every seven days. These crews consisted mostly of undergraduate wildlife conservation and management students in the College of Forestry, Agriculture, and Natural Resources at the University of Arkansas at Monticel-

"Opportunities to get paid to work on research projects provide students with valuable educational and professional opportunities," said White.

White is a wildlife ecologist for the Arkansas Forest Resources Center of the University is also a James White Endowed of Arkansas System Division of Professor of Wildlife with UAM.

Agriculture housed at UAM and has studied black bears of Arkansas for almost 20 years. He



Shopping smart saves at the grocery store

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

Those of us that regularly shop for groceries are aware of the rising costs of food. We can't change cost increases, but we can work on shopping smarter to stretch our food dollars.

Here are some tips to buy budget-friendly and healthy options for each food group from myplate.gov/eat-healthy/ healthy-eating-budget/shop-

Fruits and Vegetables:

- Buy "in-season" produce which often costs less and is at peak flavor. Buy only what you think you will use before spoil-
- Choose fruits canned in 100% fruit juice and vegetables with "low-sodium" or "no salt-added" on the label. Canned products are just as nutritious and often cost less.
- If you have freezer space, stock up on frozen vegetables without added sauces or butter. Frozen vegetables are as good

for you as fresh and may cost include beans, peas, and len-

· Canned and frozen fruits and vegetables last much longer than fresh. They can be a quick way to add fruits and vegetables to your meal.

Grains:

- Make half your grains whole grains. Types of whole grains include whole wheat, brown rice, bulgur, buckwheat, oatmeal, whole-grain cornmeal, whole oats, and whole rye.
- · While shopping, check ingredient lists and pick the items that have a whole grain listed
- · Rice and pasta are budget-friendly grain options.
- Choose hot cereals like plain oatmeal or whole-grain dry ce-
- Try new whole-grain snack ideas, like switching to wholewheat crackers or popping your own popcorn.

Protein Foods:

• Some low-cost protein foods

tils such as kidney beans, lima beans, split peas, and garbanzo beans (chickpeas).

- · Beans, peas, and lentils cost less than a similar amount of other protein foods.
- · To lower meat costs, buy the family-sized or value pack and freeze what you don't use.
- · Choose lean meats like chicken or turkey. When choosing ground beef, make sure it's lean (at least 93% lean/fat-free) ground beef.
- Seafood doesn't have to cost a lot. Try buying canned tuna, salmon, or sardines. These items store well and are a lowcost option.
- Don't forget about eggs! They're a great low-cost option that's easy to make.

Dairy Foods:

· Choose low-fat or fat-free milk. These have just as much calcium, but fewer calories than whole and 2% milk.

See **SHOPPING** Page 5

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DYANN MCMASTER, DECEASED NO. 60PR-23-592

Name of Decedent: Dyann McMaster **Last Known Address:**

1201 Carolyn St. Jacksonville, AR 72076

NOTICE

Date of Death: August 5, 2022

On March 20, 2023, an affidavit for collection of small estate by distributee was filed with respect to the estate of Dvann McMaster. deceased, with the clerk of the probate division of the circuit court of Pulaski County, Arkansas, under Ark. Code Ann. § 28-41-101. The legal description of the real property listed in the affidavit is as follows: 1701 Carolyn St. Jacksonville, AR 72076, Lot 8 Block 4 Sub-Keaton WW Addn. All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, properly verified, to the distributee or his or her attorney within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit of the estate. The name, mailing address, and telephone number of the distributee or distributee's attorney is: Hollie McMaster, 42 Byrd Ln Cabot, AR 72023. This notice first published the 28TH day of March, 2023. DR2T-

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Editorial

Arkansas House Report

Jeff Wardlaw Ark. State Representative



This week, the House and Senate Education Committee convened to continue important work on the Educational Adequacy Study, a crucial study aimed at ensuring that every student in Arkansas has access to a high-quality education. One area of focus has been teacher recruitment and retention—an essential component in providing a stable and effective learning environment for our students.

Historically, Arkansas has taken significant steps in educational funding following landmark legal cases such as the 2002 Lake View case. At the heart of our funding strategy is the foundation funding model established in 2003, which outlines the essential resources needed for an adequate education. This funding matrix, while largely unchanged in its composition, has seen adjustments in funding amounts over the years. For 2023, the per-pupil foundation funding stood at \$7,413, reflecting our ongoing commitment to supporting our schools.

In recent years, we have seen positive trends in teacher qualifications and experience. The percentage of teachers holding bachelor's, master's, and advanced degrees has risen, along with an increase in fully certified teachers. From 2021 to 2023, the average years of teacher experience grew from 10.5 to 11.8 years, showcasing a more experienced workforce in our classrooms. Currently, 92 percent of teachers have at least one year of experience, and 3 percent are nationally board-certified, indicating a dedicated and skilled teaching staff.

While our average teacher retention rate stands at 74 percent, we will always strive for improvement.

Under the LEARNS Act, we raised starting teacher salaries to \$50,000/year. It is clear that investing in our teachers is paramount. We must continue to explore ways to ensure they feel valued and supported in their vital roles.

The final Educational Adequacy Report must be completed by November 1. You can find copies of the presentations at the committee meetings at arkansashouse.org.

Reflections on the swift passage of time

By Joanna Poole reporter@theeagledemocrat.com

Time goes by too fast. On this, we can all agree. I know this all too well because the rate at which my children have and are growing is ridiculous. I remember the day we brought my oldest home from the hospital. It happened yesterday, after all. Okay, maybe that last sentence isn't true.

As his twenty-first birthday approaches, it makes me think about the last two decades. During that time, I've lived in five different houses. I brought home three more babies, drove countless miles, celebrated many birthdays, and prayed endless prayers; all in the blink of an eye. We all have heard, "The days are long, but the years are short." It's 100 percent true.

If you re wondering what brought on these feelings of nostalgia, I'll tell you. As I was checking my work emails today, I came across a line in an obituary that simply read, "Her only regret was not spending more time with her grandchildren."

My initial feeling was sadness. Then questions followed. How many people have laid on their deathbed thinking the same thing? Perhaps not specifically concerning grandchildren, but rather about family in general.

My kids have grandparents who live out of town and aren't always able to be at important events. For the record, they do try. But sadly, there have been things that they missed. Unfortunately, my kids have grown accustomed to the fact that they'll probably have one set of grandparents who aren't there.

Why am I saying all of this? The sad fact is that most families don't spend enough time together. Growing up, we ate supper at the kitchen/dining room table just about every night except Wednesday and Sunday nights. Those nights were spent in church and usually, our meal was quick. I've tried to do the same with my family, but as my kids have gotten older, their schedules have gotten busier and it's not easy.

I also heard someone say that if you only see your kids or grandkids once a year and you only live 10 more years, then you'll only see them 10 more times. That puts a whole new perspective on things.

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Arkansas History Minute



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by Dr. Kenneth Bridges

Arkansas native Charlie Rich was one of the most popular and unforgettable performers of the mid-1970s. Legendary Sun Records founder Sam Phillips said of Rich, "It is all so effortless, the way he moves from rock to country to blues to jazz." His romantic sounds endeared him to millions of listeners.

He was born in December 1932 in Colt, then a small community of less than 300 in St. Francis County. His parents were cotton farmers and devout churchgoers who sang in a church quartet. His love of music filled his whole life.

Rich enjoyed jazz and blues as a youth. He played saxophone in his high school marching band, where he met his future wife, Margaret Ann Greene, whom he married in 1952 and ultimately had four children together. Rich enrolled at the University of Arkansas and played in the university marching band. In 1953, after one year of college, he quit and joined the United States Air Force. He was stationed in Oklahoma, and his wife joined him, and the two sang in clubs in the area.

After Rich's discharge in 1956, he returned to Arkansas and took up farming near West Memphis, not far from his boyhood home. Rich struggled as a farmer while his real passion stayed with music. He began performing in clubs in and around Memphis, even after long,



Senate
Week in
Review
from
Ben
Gilmore
Senator

The Senate and House Education Committees are close to finalizing next year's school funding formula.

They have worked all year on the formula, in order to comply with the mandate in the Arkansas Constitution that requires the state to provide all children with an adequate and equitable education.

Committee members have gone over hundreds of pages of data to prepare an adequacy report. Their recommendations will be an essential starting point when the entire legislature convenes in regular session in January and considers a budget for the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 2025.

School districts in Arkansas

get about \$7 billion a year from federal, state and local sources. In 2023 Arkansas schools spent about \$2 billion to pay classroom teachers.

Last year the legislature approved the governor's proposal to increase the minimum teacher salary to \$50,000. According to a study by researchers at the University of Arkansas, the increase went a long way toward narrowing the salary disparities between prosperous schools and schools in poor, rural areas.

The state provided all the funding for the salary increase, about \$181 million. The majority of that new funding went to poor, rural areas because that is where teacher salaries generally are lowest.

Statewide, the average retention rate for teachers was 74 percent. In rural areas it was 76 percent and in urban schools it was 70 percent.

The retention rate was lower in poor areas, as measured by the number of students who qualify for free lunches. It also was lower in schools that got an "F" on school report cards.

There are about 33,000 teachers in Arkansas and about 5,000, or roughly 15 percent of the total, completed a survey by legislators about recruitment and retention. Also, 807 principals completed the survey and they represent 77 percent of the state's principals.

There are 12 teacher education programs at state colleges and universities, and the majority of new teachers go through them.

People also can become teachers by an alternative route, if they already have a bachelor's degree and are knowledgeable in the area in which they want to teach.

Research indicates that turnover is higher among those who have taken the alternative route to become teachers. That may be due to less preparation for the challenges of teaching. However, it also may be due to the fact that those teachers are often hired for the hardest to fill vacancies with the most challenging conditions for a new teacher.

Salaries and health insurance help retain teachers. So do strong training and preparation, along with the presence of veteran teachers who actively mentor younger teachers. It helps more when the mentor teaches the same subject as the new teacher, and when they share time planning lessons.

Last year, the average length of experience for Arkansas teachers was 11.8 years. About 49 percent have a bachelor's degree only and 42 percent have earned a master's degree.

Statewide, three percent of teachers have emergency or provisional credentials, which means they are still working on certification in the subject or grade level they teach.

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Poultry is the largest agricultural industry in Arkansas, representing almost 40 percent of production and accounting for one in four agriculture jobs in the state

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Whether its broilers, turkeys, cattle, dairy, or hogs, Arkansas producers have long prioritized animal health and have a strong track record of preventing and responding to emerging animal disease threats, such as avian influenza.

As the head Republican on the Senate Agriculture Committee, I am committed to ensuring America continues to lead the way in responding to current and future animal diseases. It is critical that we in Congress

put the right tools in place to bolster animal health programs. We have a golden opportunity to do that with the next farm bill.

We must meet this moment and modernize the risk management tools our farmers and ranchers rely upon and key programs that support producers facing weather and animal disease challenges.

For livestock producers, animal disease outbreaks are among the biggest risks they face.

That is why robust investments in animal health programs are included in the farm bill framework my Senate Republican colleagues and I have put forward.

Our framework doubles funding for the "three-legged stool" programs the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) administers to combat animal disease outbreaks. We will help ensure USDA's disease response can be successful by supporting our animal health labs, establishing cooperative agreements with states and other partners and investing in our vaccine bank.

We also aim to improve assistance for poultry growers impacted by avian influenza and ensure producers' ability to export their products when there is not an animal health concern.

I remain confident that both the House and Senate can come together to pass a strong farm bill that prioritizes these investments in animal health programs. While we work toward accomplishing that goal, we cannot ignore the ongoing avian influenza outbreak we are seeing in both dairy cattle and poultry.

While I am encouraged by the careful response, we need to ensure the administration continues to rely on the animal health expertise of USDA to lead the efforts and that the agency leans heavily on our state agriculture commissioners and veterinarians, who have boots-on-the-ground experience working with producers.

It is of upmost importance that we do not penalize producers who are dealing with an outbreak on their operation. Rather, we must seek to incentivize them to implement strong biosecurity measures on the front end and, when impacted, work with experts and veterinarians to address the outbreak.

Finally, we must ensure the

administration proactively engages with our trading partners to minimize the impact on exports. Too often our trading partners use animal diseases as a scapegoat for blocking U.S. goods at their shores. We must ensure unfair trade barriers are not put in place against American meat, poultry and dairy products and hold our trading partners accountable for science-based trade policies.

My colleagues and I agree that a long-term plan for responding to avian influenza in both poultry and dairy cattle must be established and communicated by the administration.

Congress stands ready to help support that effort and continue to ensure our nation leads the way in animal health innovation, surveillance and response, and science-based policy to deal with emerging animal disease threats.

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Last known address of decedent: 318 Shelby Street, Warren, AR 71671 Date of Death: June 20, 2023

The undersigned was appointed Special Administrator of the Estate of James Michael Brumley, deceased, on July 19, 2024.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned attorney for the estate 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.

This notice first published the 21st day of August, 2024.

/s/Kelly Ashcraft Kelly Ashcraft, Administrator 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 8/21, 8/28

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EDITORIAL

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Another thing that I found to be true after my kids hit double digits is that daily life is hard when they're toddlers because you constantly have to watch them but it only gets harder as they get older. When they first start walking, you have to make sure they stay safe because they don't know that they shouldn't walk out into the road or that the oven is hot. I had three under the age of five at one point and tired was an understatement. But then

they start driving and going out with friends. That's when as parents and you get to experience a completely different kind of worry. You watch the clock and pray until they pull into the driveway.

I proudly identify as a Xennial. Xennials were born between the years 1977 and 1983. We're the generation that grew up both without and with the technology that exists today. When I was 18, I lived with my parents in Hammond, Louisiana. But I attended church in Metairie, Louisiana. Getting there required me to drive across part of Lake Ponchatrain on a long bridge...

with no cell phone. There was no Life360. I had pocket change that I put into a payphone when I reached my destination. Kids, go ask your parents about payphones. I try to imagine myself letting my kids do the same and it freaks me out on a whole other level. That particular bridge is 33.7 miles long.

Again, it feels like only yesterday that I made that long drive.

But now my oldest is married and serving in the military. My second oldest just started his freshman year of college. My third is a junior in high school, and my youngest is about to be

eleven. Excuse me...what?

Dear lovely readers, cherish the time you have with your families. Make an effort to spend time together even if you'd rather be doing anything else. Grandparents, go pick your grandchildren up and take them bowling. Parents of toddlers, appreciate every single moment you have with the babies that need you so much. I know it sounds crazy, but even when they have meltdowns because you didn't put the juice in the right color cup, appreciate it. Soon it will only be a memory that you look back on as you tell the story of "that one crazy time."

HISTORY

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hard days working on the farm. As his wife commented years later, "As a farmer, Charlie was a pretty good piano player."

It would be his wife that set him on the road to fame. Recognizing the success that Elvis Presley had at Sun Records in Memphis inspired her to take one of her husband's tapes to Memphis herself, unbeknownst at the time to Rich. Sun producer Bill Justis and founder Sam Phillips were impressed with the recordings but recommended that Rich move into songwriting instead. Initially, country music was not a direction that he wanted to take with his career. Circumstances, however, made him change his mind. As Rich once said in an interview, "At first, I didn't dig country. We put it down because we wanted to be jazz pickers. I had to make a drastic change at Sun Records, and I didn't really appreciate country music until I went there."

By 1958, Sun offered Rich a contract, and he began work as a songwriter and staff musician, working with the legendary acts that Sun produced. He wrote "I'll Make It All Up to You" for Jerry Lee Lewis and "Ways of a Woman in Love" for fellow Arkansas native Johnny Cash. Rich began releasing his own music as well. "Lonely Weekends" was his first hit single, hitting number 22 on the pop charts in 1959.

He released eight albums in the 1960s, with a handful of singles reaching some modest success. By the early 1970s, Rich hit the peak of his fame, releasing albums that sealed his reputation among fans. In 1973, he released his most popular album, Behind Closed Doors, remembered for the title single "Behind Closed Doors" and "The Most Beautiful Girl." It won Album of the Year from the Country Music Association as well as a Grammy. Songs from the album have since appeared in dozens of movies and television shows. He followed up in 1974 with the chart-topping album A Very Special Love

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Song, which also won the CMA Album of the Year. Though in his early 40s, his mane of white hair earned him the nickname "the Silver Fox," which became the title of a popular 1975 album. Rich had eleven top-ten singles between 1972 and 1978, including six that hit number-one on the country music charts.

By the mid-1970s, however, alcohol was starting to cause problems in his life. In one notorious incident at the 1975 CMA Awards, a visibly intoxicated Rich came on stage to present an award, read the name of the award winner to himself, and then set the envelope on fire before finally calling out the name.

Rich released a dozen more albums between 1976 and 1980. Southern Edutation, he sto

He made brief appearances in two movies, Every Which Way But Loose with Clint Eastwood in 1978 and Take This Job and Shove It in 1981.

In the 1980s, he largely retreated from new music. He stopped drinking and concentrated on time with his family. His last album, Pictures and Paintings, was released in 1992. In the meantime, his two sons went into music themselves. In July 1995, Rich and his wife were driving home from Florida after watching one of his sons perform in concert. He fell ill on the drive, and after seeing a doctor in southern Louisiana, he stopped at a hotel for the night. He died

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Saul learned of a medium in Endor. He visited her in disguise, but she recognized him. She brought up Samuel as requested. Saul bowed before Samuel and told him of his distress. He confessed that the Philistines were fighting him and God had turned away from him and would no longer answer him.

Samuel told Saul that the Lord was doing what He had predicted through him. "The Lord has torn the kingdom from your hands and given it to one of your neighborsto David. ...tomorrow you and your sons will be with me"

Saul was weak with hunger and filled with fear. The medium prepared a meal for Saul and his men and they ate and returned to their men.

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Obituaries

Rita Janette Fudge **Johnson**

Rita Janette Fudge Johnson, born on July 27, 1949, in Evening Shade, Arkansas, was a beloved member of the Evening Shade community, where she cherished her roots. As the oldest granddaughter of two large families, the Fudge and Sharp families, she was cher-



ished by everyone. The eldest daughter of Tom Joyce and Sharp Fudge, she graduated from Warren High School

in 1967. Two years prior, Sam Johnson of Jersey Arkansas spotted her at the local Dairy Queen and was instantly smitten. He wrote her a letter and asked her on a date. In 1967 they married and were life partners for the next 57 years.

Rita supported Sam through his college years and his time in the Air Force. Together, they moved with their two sons, Jeff and Joe, to various Air Force bases all around the country, embodying the spirit of a true military family. Rita's dedication was evident in her active role in the military community, where she supported military personnel and their families throughout her 27 years of service. Her infectious smile greeted many returning from combat missions. She consoled family members who were lonely and/or were grieving and her contributions were so valued that some believed she deserved the rank of Colonel as much as Sam.

In addition to her military role, Rita had a distinguished 35-year career in the mortgage industry. Her adventurous spirit was evident in her experiences with the Thunder- of 22 years, Nancy Smothers of

birds, parachuting, firefighting with the Jersey Fire Department, serving as an Auxiliary Police member in Flower Mound, Texas, and excelling as a skilled deer hunter. Her fearless nature and ability to drive a five-speed vehicle across any terrain were among her many achievements.

Rita's greatest joy was her family. She is survived by her husband, Sam Johnson; her sons, Jeffrey (Linda) and Joey (Stephanie) and seven grandchildren: Seth, Mari, Stephen, Savannah, Sean, Sam, and Molly; her sisters, Gwen Shankle and Kay Carraway. Rita's only regret was not having more time with her grandchil-

A loving, generous, and loyal friend, Rita Johnson inspired everyone who knew her with her warmth of spirit, big eyes, and a smile that lit up a room. She will be deeply missed.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Three Oaks Hospice, 331 Melrose Drive, number 230, Richardson, Texas 75080.

A memorial service will be held on September 7, 2024 at 12 p.m. at Smith North Little Rock Funeral Home with a visitation starting at 11 a.m. She will be interred at North Little Rock Veterans Cemetery on September 9, 2024 at 9 a.m. (Paid obituary)

Floyd Archie Smoth-

Floyd Archie Smothers of Kingsland, Ark., a kind and gentle soul, passed away on Monday morning August 19, 2024 at the age of 55, while on his way to work. He was born on August 1, 1969 in Leslie, Arkansas and lived a life of selfless dedication to his loved

Floyd is survived by his wife

Pocahontas, Ark.; his father, self. John Smothers of Clinton, Ark.; two sisters, Trina Marie Watts (Kenny) of Clinton, Ark., and Samantha Reed of Fordyce, Ark.; one son, Thomas LaRay Smothers of Smackover, Ark.; two step daughters, Brianna Stafford and Jennifer Golden of Heber Springs, Ark.; and one step son, Samuel Hicks of Pocahontas, Ark.; and five cherished grandchildren, Mackenzie, Preston and Christa Smothers of Wynona, Mo., Kylie Naveah Smothers of Smackover, Ark., and Aria Golden of Heber Springs, Ark. He is also survived by his nephew, Colton Watts (Lillian); and great-nieces, Beverly Michelle and Montana Grace, and great-nephew, Elijah Wayne Watts, all of Clinton, Ark.

Preceding him in death was his mother, Catherine Smith and two brothers of Kingsland,

Floyd's life was marked by his incredible kindness, generosity, and gentle nature. He found joy in helping his family, shooting guns, and fishing. He worked tirelessly from dusk till dawn, never complaining, and always put others before him-

Floyd may be gone, but he will finally rest and have no more worries. He has earned his eternal peace. His family takes comfort in knowing that he will no longer have to work another day, and his legacy of love and kindness will live on through them.

Rest in peace, Floyd Archie Smothers. Your endless generosity and love will never be forgotten.

Memorial services were August 26, 2024 at the Benton Funeral Home Chapel. Arrangements are by Benton Funeral Home of Fordyce. To sign the online register visit www. bentonfuneralhome.net.

(Paid obituary)

Bill Taylor

Billy Fred "Bill" Taylor, 82 of Warren died August 22, 2024. Born February 20, 1942 in Warren to the late Thomas and Gladys Taylor.

Survivors: wife, Jennifer Taylor; sons, Randall Scott Taylor and Michael Shay Tay-

Funeral was August 25 at Frazer's Funeral Home. Burial was in Oakland Cemetery.

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Market on Main

Market on Main returns September 21st. Where: Cypress St., Warren. Time: 9-2 p.m. Awards: 1 p.m. Food trucks, vendors, truck/car show, free activities. For more information contact Nancy (870) 818-9065 or Estephany (870) 820-8743. Sponsored by the Bradley County Chamber of Commerce.

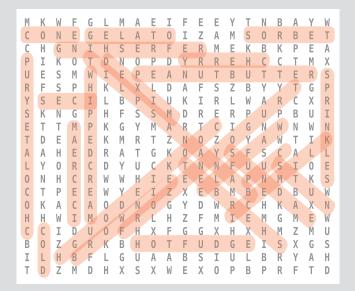
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AA Meetings

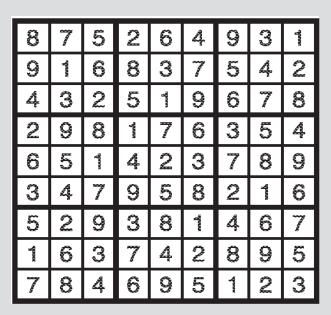
Warren has AA meetings every Monday at 7 p.m. and every Wednesday at 12 p.m. All meetings are held at First Methodist Church of Warren, located at 111 W. Church St. All meetings are open.



Puzzle answers



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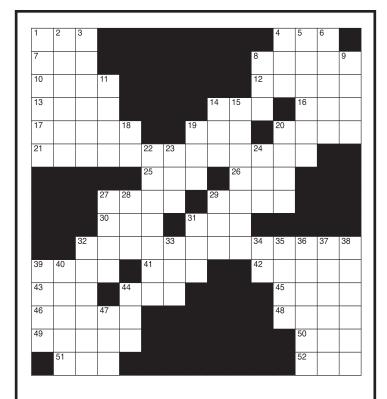
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Microgram
- 4. After B
- 7. Everything
- 8. An unfortunate development
- 10. Coat with sticky substance 12. Cylinder of tobacco for
- smoking
- 13. Minimum interval take off
- 14. Yuck! 16. NBA sensation Jeremy
- 17. Where some rockers work
- 19. Midway between northeast and east
- 20. Snake-like fishes
- 21. Groups of homes
- 25. Swiss river 26. Useful towel
- 27. "The Wire" character "Moreland"

- 29. Oafish creature
- 30. A major division of geological
- 31. Bird-like Chinese dinosaur
- 32. Sporting events
- 39. Body part 41. Clerical vestment
- 42. Shows data
- 43. Some are "special"
- 44. Expression of disappointment 45. Students' rights document (abbr.)
- 46. Vacation locale Costa
- 48. Pop singer
- 49. Distract outside a city
- 50. Mark Wahlberg comedy 51. Coniferous tree
- 52. Midway between south and southeast

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Lunatic
- 2. Actress Danes
- 3. Buttock muscles
- 4. The 22nd letter of the Greek alphabet
- 5. Popular 70s rockers 6. Electronic communication
- 8. Trigraph
- 9. Sea eagles
- 11. Low-pitched, resonant sound
- 14. Northeastern US university
- 15. Home of the Bulldogs
- 18. Exclamation of surprise 19. Make a mistake
- 20. Advantage
- 22. Monkeys love them
- 23. Wood
- 24. Paddle
- 27. Past participle of be
- 28. Tall, rounded vase 29. Device manufacturers
- 31. Financial institution (abbr.)
- 32. Paper product
- 33. A type
- 34. Atomic #43
- 35. Red Hot Chili Peppers' drummer
- 36. Behaviors 37. Decays
- 38. Walked confidently
- 39. Voice (Italian) 40. Class of adhesives
- 44. Bar bill
- 47. One-time aerospace firm

FROZEN DESSERT WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

BANANA SPLIT BROWNIE CHERRY CHOCOLATE SYRUP COLD CONE COOKIE DOUGH CUP FROZEN YOGURT **GELATO** HOT FUDGE ICE CREAM ICE MILK **ICES** MIXED **NUTS** PEANUT BUTTER REFRESHING SHERBET **SORBET SPRINKLES** SUNDAE

WAFFLE

WHIPPED CREAM

Recipe: Make the most of your garden's bounty

Summer's bounty knows no bounds. Home gardeners often discover there are a number of crops they can harvest during the waning days of summer, with tomatoes, blueberries, zucchini, and other squashes among the offerings.

It pays to have various ways to prepare these ingredients when a garden starts to overflow. "Blueberry Zucchini Bread" is a moist recipe that is both sweet and subtly tangy. This recipe, courtesy of Eating Well and Pam Lolley, can be either an easy breakfast or a light dessert. It also happens to be vegetarian, nut- and soy-free.

Blueberry Zucchini Bread

Makes 1 loaf

Baking spray with flour 1 cup shredded zucchini 1/2 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup packed light brown sugar 1/2 cup unsalted butter (1

stick), melted

3 large eggs 1 tablespoon lime juice

11/2 cups whole-wheat pastry flour, plus 1 tablespoon, divided 1/2 teaspoon baking powder



1/2 teaspoon baking soda 1/2 teaspoon salt 1 cup fresh blueberries

Directions:

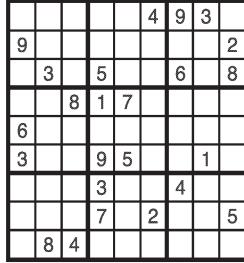
Preheat oven to 350 F. Coat an 8-by-4-inch loaf pan with baking spray. Place shredded zucchini on two layers of paper towels; top with 2 more layers of

paper towels and press gently to remove excess moisture. Whisk granulated sugar, brown sugar, melted butter, eggs, and lime juice in a large bowl. Stir in the zucchini. Whisk 11/2 cups flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt in a medium bowl.

Add the flour mixture to the

the remaining 1 tablespoon flour; gently fold into the batter. Spoon the batter into the prepared pan. Bake until a wooden pick inserted in the center comes out clean, 45 to 50 minutes. Let the bread cool in the pan for 10 minutes. Run an offset spatula around the edges of the pan and carefully zucchini mixture; stir until well remove the bread to a wire rack combined. Toss blueberries with to cool completely, about 1 hour.

Answers can be found on Page 8



Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

B. swirl

C. topping

Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

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

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to ice cream. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 12 = N)

20 15 5 16 10 12

Clue: Cold and solid

В. 18 25 26 15 23

Clue: Twisted together

8 5 19 19 26 12 17 C.

Clue: Ice cream addition

13 5 12 10 D.

Clue: Ice cream holder

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to ice cream.

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dung: Junsuf

Guess Who?

I am an actress born in New York on August 29, 1986. I began as a child star on the Broadway stage, and starred with fellow musical theater icon Jonathan Groff on Broadway as well. Fans probably know me best for my role on a TV show about a glee club.

Answer: Lea Michele



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Hometown hero: Betsy Anderson

By JOANNA POOLE

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Each May the families, organizations, and volunteers who work in and with the foster care system are recognized during National Foster Care Month. Our Hometown Hero for August knows first-hand how the foster care system works. Betsy Anderson, the director of TheCALL in Southeast Arkansas, has a passion and dedication for everything related to foster care.

Betsy is originally from Memphis, Tennessee, but when she was in middle school, she and her family moved to Kansas, and while in high school, she met her now-husband Michael. At 16 and 15, they started dating, and then in 2008, they were married. I think it's safe to say they are true high school sweethearts.

While in Kansas, the Andersons began the process of opening their home to be foster parents, all while in full-time ministry and education. During that time, they learned what houseparents were. According to the website www.houseparent.com, a houseparent is a live-in care provider at a residential school or group facility. Betsy found a website that listed places where people can go and be houseparents and together, she and Michael chose Monticello.

"I had lived in Arkansas as a child for a brief time," Anderson said. "We came and visited Monticello and the rest is history." In 2011 they became houseparents at Vera Lloyd, serving teenage girls for a few years. But soon after, Betsy stepped into an administration role and Micheal returned to education.

"God made that happen because that's not something we were looking to do," Anderson said. "It was definitely His story that He was writing because we moved here thinking it was indefinite because we were just going to be here to serve these kids full time."

Even though Betsy and Michael had their plans, God had His. Her time in administration at Vera Lloyd provided Betsy with opportunities for various types of professional training, which she has utilized even to this day.

Even though their professions were in Monticello, The Andersons ended up in Warren due to their need to buy a house.

"The housing market was better in Warren," Anderson said. "Now we're fully invested in Warren as our home. All of our kids are Lumberjacks."

When asked if she has always wanted to foster or adopt, Betsy said that adoption has been in her heart from the time she was a child. Before they were married, she and Michael loved the idea of fostering children. Throughout college, Betsy took part in ministry internships where she was able to interact

with children in foster care.
All of that previous experience along with her time at Vera Lloyd prepared her heart for

what she considers her calling and she gives God all of the credit for everything that has happened in her life.

"Starting with Vera Lloyd really paved the way for us to foster in our own home," Anderson explained. "There's no way we could've sat down and written our story the way that it has happened. But God was perfectly writing it; every chapter has been linked to the next one, but we could only see what was in front of us. We just kept saying yes to the next step. I'm so glad God wrote it the way He did."

In 2014, a small group of volunteers which included Michael and Betsy met in the living room of William and Deborah West. They wanted to see if there was a way to bring TheCALL to Drew County. Deborah acted as the director for a time, but a little over a year ago, she decided to step down.

"When I stepped down, Betsy was my sole recommendation to TheCALL's statewide staff to fill the position," Deborah West said. "Betsy's love for the Lord and heart for families is unmatched. Her personal and professional experiences have uniquely equipped her to stand in the gap to advocate for children in foster care, their biological families, and the foster families that serve them. Just in her first year, Betsy's vision, passion, and creativity have already taken the ministry places that our original team would have never imagined! Betsy was



always the only choice as the next County Coordinator!"

The Andersons have three children, one of whom is biological and two whom they have adopted through fostering. They attend Immanuel Baptist Church in Warren where Micheal is a deacon. Both are involved in the children's ministry. Betsy has been able to do some trauma-informed training with other volunteers at Immanuel, which has been useful due to children who have been adopted or in foster care attending.

"Our church family has been a rock for us through everything," Anderson said. "We don't have family nearby, but we do have fill-in grandparents, aunts and uncles, and friends who just wrap around us and understand extra challenges, so that's an extra blessing."

Betsy is also working on establishing support centers for TheCALL in Bradley and Desha Counties. She explained that Entergy recently granted The-CALL \$10,000 for the Southeast Arkansas Reunification Project.

"We are currently looking for space in those locations," Anderson said.

As I talked with Betsy about her life, her passion for fostering and adoption shone through. "The CALL became one of the dearest things in my life," Anderson thoughtfully said. "It's still a part of my story."

The world needs more people like Betsy Anderson. People who are kind, compassionate, understanding, and willing to give grace. She understands that there are bigger things than only what she sees. She gives her heart and puts everything that she has into making people's lives better. That's why she is this month's Hometown Hero. Well done, Betsy!



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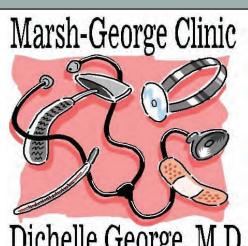
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