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HERMITAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT HOSTS SPOOKTACULAR COMMUNITY EVENT



Joanna Poole/Eagle Democrat

The Hermitage School district held its annual school fall festival and invited the community to come out for fun, fellowship, and free candy. Booths from businesses, law enforcement, churches, military, and city officials lined the football field. Everyone that came was invited to play games at the many booths, slide down the large inflatable bounce slide, and enter in drawings for door prizes.

A HOWL FOR HALLOWEEN SUCCESS



Warren held its annual Tent or Treat event Saturday, October 26 on Main Street. Different colored tents lined Main Street on both sides as visitors walked up and down holding out buckets and bags while waiting for candy. There were games and refreshments. Children and adults alike came out to enjoy the

BRADLEY COUNTY CHAMBER HOLDS RIBBON CUTTING FOR I.T.M.



The Bradley County Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for its new Interactive Teller Machine (ITM) on Thursday, October 24. ITMs are a combination of video technology and touch screens that allow customers to interact with a live teller virtually. "We proud to open this new facility." said Dave Dickson, president of Union Bank & Trust Co. "With this machine, we can expand our hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Friday and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays." Dixon also explained that the machines are capable of doing almost everything that a teller can do. "We appreciate the community support," said Patricia Wilkinson, Vice President and branch manager at Union Bank in Warren.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING OF C&R WINDOW TINTING AND DETAILING



The Bradley County Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting on Thursday, October 24 to celebrate the grand opening of C&R Window Tinting and Detailing. C&R Window Tinting and Auto Detailing is located at 1204 S. Myrtle Street in Warren. Owners Ronnie and Calvin Miller offer various services to ensure that your vehicle looks and smells nice. To ask questions or make appointments you can call 870-820-6516 or 870-820-4059.

Lumberjacks chop down Ricebirds in a featherweight showdown

By THE EAGLE STAFF reporter@theeagledemocrat.com

Under the bright lights of the stadium, the Warren Lumberjacks faced off against the Stuttgart Ricebirds. With the coin toss won by Warren, the stage was set for an intense match up.

Stuttgart started their drive at their own 12-yard line. On first down, Josiah Steen made the stop. On second down, the quarterback attempted a pass, but it fell incomplete. Facing a third and long, the Ricebirds struggled to connect, leading to a fourth down. With 11:16 left in the first quarter and the score still o-o, Stuttgart decided to go for a field goal from the Lumberjack 16-yard line. The kick soared toward the uprights but fell short, landing at the 47-yard line.

Warren took over with an excellent field position on Stuttgart's side of the field. Cam Burks quickly established the pace of the game. On first down, he connected with Tramond Miller for a solid gain. Moments later, DeAndre Thomas took a handoff and sprinted into the end zone, putting the Lumberjacks on the board. With 10:58 left in the quarter, the score was 6-o. Marquez's extra point sailed through the uprights, extending the lead to 7-0.

The Lumberjacks were relentless. They moved the ball swiftly, and after a series of strong plays, they found themselves at the 29yard line. With a crucial third down and long yardage, they needed a big play. Burks connected with Thomas again for a touchdown, making the score 13-0. The extra point attempt was missed, but Warren didn't let that dampen their spirits.

As the quarter progressed, Stuttgart struggled to find their rhythm. They lost significant yardage on their next possession, and a flag on the play left them reeling. The Lumberjacks took full advantage of the situation. Cam Burks continued to showcase his talent, delivering precise passes and guiding his team to another touchdown, this time from Antonio Jordan. The score ballooned to 21-0 after a successful two-point conversion.

Stuttgart was on the ropes, desperately trying to respond, but their efforts were thwarted by Warren's defense. The Lumberjacks' relentless energy left Stuttgart at a disadvantage as they ended the first quarter down 28-0.

The second quarter began with Warren in full control. They continued to execute their game plan flawlessly, scoring another touchdown early on to push the lead to 35-o. Stuttgart finally managed to find the end zone, scoring their first touchdown, but the momentum was firmly in Warren's favor.

As the clock ticked down, Warren scored again, extending their lead to 49-7. Stuttgart managed a final score before the end of the half, bringing the score to 49-14 as the teams headed to the locker

With the mercy rule in effect, the second half saw the Lumberjacks maintaining their lead while allowing some younger players to shine. Stuttgart showed some fight and managed to score again, but Warren's defense held strong, preventing any further damage.

In the final minutes of the game, Warren's offense continued to push forward. A final touchdown brought the score to 55-20, sealing the victory for the Lumberjacks. The crowd erupted in cheers as the clock wound down to zero.

The Warren Lumberjacks showcased a dominant performance, demonstrating their skill, teamwork, and resilience throughout the game. With their victory secured, the team celebrated, knowing they had made a strong statement in the season, ready to tackle the challenges that lay ahead.



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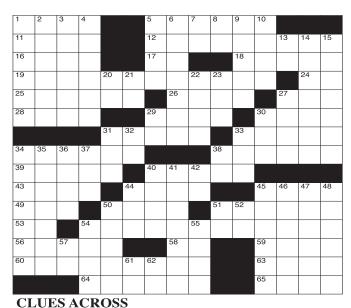


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By REV. JIM BALES Pastor - First Assembly of God

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- 5. Highly impressed 11. Pronoun to identify something 40. Bears first overall pick Williams
- 12. Uttered in an impassioned way 44. Clothing for sale has them
- 16. Outfits 17. "Westworld" actor Harris
- 18. Stewed game casserole 19. Indignities inflicted on others
- 24. Blood type 25. Says beneath one's breath
- 27. Transmits genetic information 58. Partner to "Pa" from DNA to the cytoplasm
- 28. NFL great Randy 29. Where college students live
- 30. Brief Yankees sensation Kevin 64. The Lannisters and Starks fought
- 31. Condiment
- 33. -frutti
- 34. Polish city

26. Taxis

CLUES DOWN 1. Open-roofed entrance

- 2. Japanese religion 3. Dancer's garments
- 4. Distributes 5. Yemeni port
- 6. Spanish doctors
- 7. It cools your house 8. Engine variant
- 9. Makes more manageable
- 10. Days (Spanish) 13. Milliliter
- 14. Spread out from 15. With two replaceable
- hydrogen atoms 20. Respectful title for a man
- 21. Equally
- 22. Scarlett's home 23. Big Blue
- 27. Subway dwellers
- 31. Distress signal 32. Expression of sympathy

- 29. One-tenth of a liter
- 30. Central European river

- 46. Form of humor 47. Taken without permission
- 48. Go over again 50. Auto parts manufacturer
- 51. Detective's source

38. Astronomy unit of distance

39. Romanian village

50. Farm building

53. Detective

56. Nursemaids

63. Compound

for one

33. Bar bill

45. One-time world power

51. Organize thoughtfully

59. World's longest river

54. One who reduces

60. Commemorates

65. Email function

35. Dance music

36. Russian river

38. Gym class

40. Autos

45. Planet

34. Football equipment

37. Mary , cosmetics

in ancient Rome

42. Defeats (abbr.)

44. A way to color

41. Fourth and honorable name

49. When you anticipate arriving

- 52. Home of the Flyers 54. Short official note
- 55. Emit coherent radiation
- 57. In the year of Our Lord
- 61. Atomic #18

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sort clutter and store be- ronment. If your thoughts longings. Online stores and big concrete buildings are devoted to boxes and bins and sorters that will end you mess and create a peaceful environment.

But what about internal CHAOS? Chaos can begin in your heart and mind and then spread to your enviare cluttered with schedules, assignments, due dates and other anxieties, you can't see how to get through the maze. The mayhem piles higher and higher inside making so much noise you can't hear yourself think. Your spirit cannot find rest. Pretty soon life overwhelms

you with pressures that God and concentrating on your bear. That's a signal that you from the inside out. you've lost your center.

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never intended for you to immovable God balances

The palmist declared in Psalm 46:10 "Be still and know that I am God." Step off the treadmill daily and lift your eyes heavenward to someone greater than clarity. Getting away from yourself whose name is the Prince of Peace.

> Bradlev County Medical Center has named Julia James from First Station as the Employee of the Month for October. Congratulations to Julia

> Julia's nomination stated: "Julia is a wonderful nurse to work with! She is a team player, always offering to help her coworkers no matter the task. Julia is always willing to explain a topic or procedure to new nurses and will not stop until she is sure they understand! Julia is not only an advocate for her

> patients but also for her fellow

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to BCMC."

Warren School District

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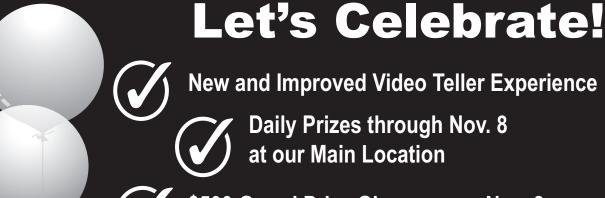
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Warren Police Department arrest report

Daniel J. Brazeel, 63, of Little Rock was arrested on October 25 for driving while intoxicontainer, drinking on the highway.

Genero R. Silva, 35, was arrested on October 25 for driving while intoxicated, running multiple signs, fleeing, leaving the scene of an accident, no driver's license, and no seatbelt.

ROTARY HOLDS CEREMONY TO SPREAD AWARENESS FOR POLIO



The Warren Rotary Club gathered on Thursday, October 24 on the lawn of the Bradley County Courthouse to raise awareness for Polio. The event was opened with a moment of silence after which Rotary President, Dana Harvey spoke about Polio statistics and facts. "Today is World Polio Day," said Harvey. "There are 672 cases spread across 39 countries. Polio primarily affects children five and under. Polio spreads through contaminated food and water. Our dollars matter because they help provide vaccines. We pray that one day, polio is eradicated." Harvey then closed the ceremony by saying that anything that affects other countries is only a plane ride away from the United States.

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Arkansas House Report

Jeff Wardlaw Ark. State Representative



As Breast Cancer Awareness Month continues during the month of October, it is important to reflect on the progress that has been made in the fight against breast cancer in Arkansas. The Breast Cancer Act of 1997 was a crucial step in providing women with access to life-saving screenings through the BreastCare program. Since then, over 141,850 women have been enrolled in the program, receiving free breast and cervical cancer screenings.

Despite these efforts, breast cancer continues to be a significant health concern in Arkansas. Nearly 400 women lose their lives to breast cancer each year, and over 2680 women are diagnosed with the disease. According to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, one in eight women will develop breast cancer. Breast cancer is the most common cancer for women in Arkansas and the second leading cause of cancer death for women both in Arkansas and in the United

Early detection is key in improving survival rates, which is why regular screenings are important.

The passage of Act 553 in 2021 further emphasized the importance of screening mammography for women at higher risk of breast cancer. By ensuring that insurers offer screening mammograms as an essential health benefit, regardless of age, we are taking steps to improve early detection and treatment outcomes for women in Arkan-

Early detection can save lives, and the BreastCare program is here to help. For more information on eligibility and finding a provider, visit www.ARBreastCare.com (http://www.ARBreastCare.com) or call 1-833-693-2942.

As we close out Breast Cancer Awareness Month, let us remember that the fight against this disease is ongoing. By spreading awareness, supporting those affected, and advocating for research, we can work towards a future where breast cancer is no longer a threat.

Arkansas History **Minute**

by Dr. Kenneth Bridges



Herman Davis went from deep poverty in a remote corner of Arkansas and became the most decorated Arkansan of World War I. He was born just outside what is now Manila in Mississippi County in 1888. The family lived in a small shack outside the town near Big Lake and ran a small store. The family was desperately poor. He had to quit school after fourth grade in order to go to work to help the family, mostly as a hunter and developed a reputation in the community as an expert shot, which would serve him in the war.

When World War I erupted in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson urged the nation to remain neutral. However, the horrors of the war were far removed from Davis's struggles to scratch out a living with a wife and young daughter. By 1917, continuing German provocations drove the US into the war and a draft was unveiled for only the second time in American history. Davis was called up, and at 5'3", he barely qualified for the army.

Davis was sent to France with the other members of the American Expeditionary Force in June 1918. Davis was a modest soldier and won the respect of his company for his integrity, daring, and marksmanship. On one occasion, he took out five German troops at a thousand yards with his bolt-action rifle, a distance Davis reportedly dismissed as "good shooting distance." On October 10, Davis single-handedly charged into a German machine gun nest, capturing the gun and killing the German gun crew. For this act, he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, an award second only to the Congressional Medal of Honor. The French awarded him their two highest awards, the Military Medal and the Croix de Guerre.

In the predawn hours of November 11, 1918, Allied and German generals agreed to a cease-fire that would go into effect at 11 AM that morning, ending the Great War once and for all. The armistice

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Oldtimers 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 April 22, 1998.

Forty-six years ago this coming December, we climbed into my mother's 1949 Plymouth and drove the 250 miles down two-lane blacktop to the Mississippi county seat town of Osceola. There we were graciously received by Sam M. Hodges, Jr., publisher of The Osceola Times, who gave me my first newspaper job as news editor of his publication. I was stipend \$50 a week. I stayed there a full year, learning for one thing that life in the Arkansas flatlands, is, well, different. For another, by watching Sam Hodges, I learned how a gentleman not only does business but conducts business and makes a profit.

After that year, which amounted to a highly valued internship, I came back to Warren to The Eagle Democrat and stayed here forever

Perceptively, Sam Hodges sold his paper at Osceola and bought a weekly in Benton, then a sleepy hamlet between Malvern and Little Rock. Benton didn't remain a sleepy hamlet, of course, and Sam Hodges' Benton Courier became the Daily Courier, an elegant money machine he sold a number of months ago to one of these national

Sam is about 80 now. His health isn't as robust as it was when he worked for the legendary daily in Louisville, Ky., under the hand of the Binghams. But Sam and his attractive wife, Carolyn, came to town last weekend for the retirement party that the folks at The Eagle graciously hosted for us at the Presbyterian Church. Well, Sam and Carolyn and a whole lot of other people, including our longtime son of the spirit, Maylon Rice, helped us celebrate. Maylon drove down and back in one day from Fayetteville, where he works for the Northwest Arkansas Times. The whole thing was a mountaintop experience for us, for which we thank our successors, the Cooks, and their

"Better'n goin' to your own funeral," a friend quipped Monday at the bank.

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Senate Week in Review from Ben Gilmore Senator

The Arkansas tourism industry continues to flourish and is soon to surpass \$10 billion in economic impact, according to the most recent report from the state Parks, Heritage and Tourism Department.

The department closely monitors the effectiveness of promotion campaigns paid for with revenue from the state 2 percent tourism tax, which last year generated \$25.8 million. That was a 5 percent increase over the previous vear.

Advertising campaigns funded by the tax were expanded into 15 new media markets, mainly in western states and Illinois and North Carolina, according to the department director.

Traditional markets include Texas and other adjacent states. Now, California is one of our top ten markets. So is Iowa.

The marketing campaigns emphasize that the Arkansas outdoors can be enjoyed all year, regardless of the season.

Marketing efforts target three major categories. One is directed at people who like to hunt and fish. The second category is closely related. It focuses on people who like outdoor activities such as hiking, riding bicycles, bird watching, camping, floating rivers and boating in waterways.

The third category is known as the "travel-lifestyle" market. In contrast to emphasizing outdoor activities, it advertises the availability of art galleries, food, dining, historical and cultural events.

The "lifestyle" market includes people who plan trips around motorcycle rallies, blues music and barbecue. Those people are

interested in historical locations in state taxes and \$232 million such as Civil War battlefields and the sites of famous events in the civil rights movement.

The Arkansas tourism industry slumped during the pandemic, but has recovered strongly. The 2 percent tourism tax is an accurate gauge of the strength of the tourism sector. From 2019 to 2020 revenue dropped from \$17.9 million to \$14.2 million. However, since then it has increased steadily to more than \$25 million. It is levied on hotels and tourist attractions.

Visitor spending in 2023 was about \$9.9 billion, an increase of 7.5 percent over spending in 2022. Spending categories include transportation, retail, lodging, food and beverages and entertainment. Arkansas tourism supported more than 70,000 jobs last year, an increase of 2.8 percent over 2022.

In addition to revenue from the 2 percent tourism tax, visitor spending generated \$574 million in local taxes. Those figures represent increases of about 7 percent over the previous year.

State parks had 8.4 million visitors and national parks registered 4.3 million visitors last year. The state operates Welcome Centers on the major highways near the state's borders. Those centers had almost 1.2 million visitors last year, a 5.6 percent increase over 2022.

The state spent \$20.7 million on marketing campaigns last year. Digital advertising continues to grow in importance, and last year helped prompt 4.6 million online searches for information about Arkansas hotels. Those searches led to 311,000 actual bookings.

Arkansas tourism officials say that they want to expand marketing campaigns nationally and internationally, so that people consider visiting the state in every season.

JOHN BOOZMAN

Mister Rogers once encouraged his young viewers, during difficult times, to look for the "helpers" - because seeing others step forward to offer aid as well as hope was certain to lift their own spirits.

That's advice we can all take to heart. It is a useful exercise to help us see past the daily barrage of negative stories and drown out the loudest voices that amplify them.

The good news is that "good news" isn't extinct. In fact, it's far more commonplace than we have grown to expect in modern times.

Here in The Natural State, which has maintained its small town feel even as the world gets increasingly disconnected, we don't have to look far to find examples of neighbors - or even strangers - helping one another in times of need. Acts of kindness and humanity unfold daily.

Many times we even export them to support others around our country or across the globe.

Recent natural disasters have given rise to examples of Arkansans volunteering their time and expertise on behalf of those experiencing hardships.

Hurricanes Milton and Helene, which unleashed extreme damage on states across the South, prompted dozens of our families, friends and neighbors to leap into action and find ways to assist the recovery efforts.

Our linemen descended on Florida to help restore power, with two Arkansans even saving a man nearly swept away in floodwaters. Arkansas Southern Baptists mobilized to provide disaster relief aid in Georgia. Mercy Hospital nurses from Northwest Arkansas volunteered to help provide medical care in North Carolina. Firefighters from around the state joined Arkansas National Guardsmen to help perform search and rescue missions while other Natural State Guardsmen prepared a large shipment of "Meals, Ready to Eat" (MREs) for victims.

The Red Cross of Arkansas also sent dozens of members to help displaced survivors find shelter in addition to working around the clock to serve hot meals, deliver clean-up supplies and offer emotional support.

We've also lived through severe weather at home bringing out the best in Arkansans.

When heavy rains recently made roads impassable and stranded a couple at their home in Flippin, a local first responder took to horseback to deliver their vital medication. In the wake of devastating tornadoes earlier this year, countless individuals and organizations took action to help their neighbors clear debris and start to rebuild their lives, homes and businesses.

All year long, there is never a shortage of selflessness and heroism among members of law enforcement and the communities they serve. In the last few months, police officers in Hoxie, Conway and Lawrence County, as well as an Arkansas State Trooper, have all been recognized for life-saving actions they took while on duty.

Another consistent source of exciting and welcome stories comes from our students. This summer, two Bryant High School juniors took home the top national honors at the 2024 SkillsUSA competition in the audio and radio production category, while Russellville High School's Quiz Bowl team brought home a national championship.

Generosity and empathy are staples in Arkansas. Perhaps the best recent example was seen when a 40-year veteran of Baptist Health's team retired. She'd struggled to secure reliable transportation, so her coworkers raised money to purchase her a car, which she received on her last day.

There really is no place like this state and, in large part, that is thanks to our people. We are the helpers and should always watch for that to play out every day, through big and small gestures, and take the opportunity to appreciate it.



Sharon Davis

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Obituaries

Martha Lue Briant

Martha "Bobbie" Lue Briant, age 94, of New Edinburg,



passed away Monday, October 21, 2024 Chapel Woods Nurs-Home. February 26, 1930, in Cleveland

County, she was the daughter of the late Albert G. Barnett and Virgie A. Williams Barnett. She was a retired cafeteria worker for the New Edinburg School

District, a homemaker, a talented seamstress, and a loving mother of five children. Martha was a member of Macedonia Freewill Baptist Church of New Edinburg.

Preceding her in death was her loving husband of 71 years, James W. Briant; one daughter, Bobbie Jean Saunders; sons-in-law, Glynn Saunders, Joe Bryant, and Frank Martin; great-grandson, Nicolas Alexander Perry; six sisters, Bessie McClellan, Ida McClellan, Dorothy Briant, Francis Harville, Margaret Myers, and Sue Doggett; and one brother, Drice

Survivors include a son, Larry (Becky) Briant of New Edinburg; three daughters, Rita

Martin of New Edinburg, Linda (Paul) Cameron of Parker's Chapel, and Terry (Freddy) Bryant Gullett of New Edinburg; eight grandchildren; eighteen great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. A graveside service held at

Moseley Cemetery in Warren, on Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 11 a.m. by Frazer's Funeral Home. Pallbearers; Dustin and Jeremy Briant, Daniel Bryant, Jacob Cameron, Shane Perry, Trent Saunders, Brian Williams, Mike Harvell, and Ryan Weeks. Honorary pallbearers, her great-grandsons; Brock Briant, Jack and Nate Bryant, Evan

Etue, Aidan Harvell, Bridger and Jager Perry, Tristan Saunders, Noah Weeks, and Tanner and Taylor Williams.

(Paid obituary)

Christy Cross

Christy Cross, 39, of Warren, died October 17, 2024. Born May 18, 1985, to Christopher Sr. and Melody Cross.

Survivors: Husband – Wayne; Children - Jayshun, Alexia; Parents - Christopher Sr., Melody; Siblings - Chrishane, Christopher Jr., Elijah, Khrishadd, Sananah

Funeral service was October 26 at Holy Deliverance COG-IC, Warren. Hammons Funeral Home.

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would hold, and the diplomats and politicians would go about the business of trying to repair the damage the war had caused, and millions of veterans slowly returned home.

Of the nearly 200,000 Arkansas men who registered for the wartime draft, some 71,000 served. But 2,183 of those men died, half from diseases picked up in camps.

Davis would make it back to Arkansas by summer 1919 and remarry soon afterward. He would observe the first Armistice

Day on November 11, 1919, after President Wilson proclaimed it a national holiday and the nation paused to remember the sacrifices and service of American troops in the war. Across the nation, memorials were being planned and built to honor the Doughboys and for individual heroes of the war. At the same time, Britain, Canada, Australia, and other Allies would call the day Remembrance Day.

But Davis was content to work at the Big Lake Hunting Club. He would not talk about his experiences, and stored his medals in his tackle box. When Gen. John J. Pershing, widely respected among the troops, was asked by the War Department to publish a list of the most distinguished soldiers of the war, Davis was included. Word leaked out around Manila, and Davis slowly acknowledged his exploits during the war.

Poison gas had been widely used by the Germans during the war, killing tens of thousands. Many more were injured, including Davis. Not long after his return from France, Davis developed a crippling case of tuberculosis, caused by the gas. He could not afford a doctor, and what veterans services were available were too expensive. He found some manual labor jobs in the swamps, which

only worsened his health. Area veterans tried to help him with his money situation by arranging paid speeches, but Davis refused. Finally, in October 1922, his friends put together the \$48 needed to take him to the veterans hospital in Memphis and have him admitted. They petitioned the government for the \$1,800 in back pay owed to him. Davis's health collapsed, and he died on January 5, 1923. Two weeks later, his back pay arrived.

Arkansans raised \$5,000 to build a memorial to him, also raising money for his family. Dedicated in 1925 as Herman Davis State Park, the memorial still stands in Manila.

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We are and have been richly blessed.

Miss Martha Meek died in Little Rock the other day. She was one of the three daughters and one son, of John Rufus Starr Meeks. "Uncle Buddy" was the teller at the Warren Bank when we were young. His brother, the regal S.B. Meek, was president.

Miss Martha Meek was a distinguished, fine lady. We first remember her as our church organist, of course, and we also remember playing at Grandma's house at Martin and Pine and seeing Miss Martha tripping off to work at the Southern Office in dangerously-high heels. They must have hurt, but Miss Martha wanted to "look good." Later, she worked for Derby Insurance, then located upstairs over Warren Bank. Even later, she moved to Richmond, Virginia, working there for years in the Presbyterian School of Christian Education. In retirement, she resided for years at Lamar Apartments. By then, she had abandoned those "dangerously high heels," but she was always neatly-attired and always in her place at First Presbyterian.

By request of Dr. Rogers, they sang, "In the Garden of My Heart," with Miss Meek was at the piano.

Z.K. Thomas has been dead almost 60 years.

The passing of Martha Meek marks another change in Warren life, a lessening of the beloved connections to the past.

Martha Meek filled her place in life very well indeed.

Just an indication of how far Miss Martha went back in Warren life: the Rev. Dr. W.F. Rogers left First Presbyterian in 1931 for a pulpit at Clarksville. He was honored at the Rotary Club one day all those 67 years ago. Z.K. Thomas, manager of the Southern Lumber Company, sang.

There are times in the year

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in which the bullet must be bitten down to the very core. Two of the main ones are the times one faces switchin' clothes back and forth for summer and winter use. We are counseled that garments that have not been worn for two years should be either put in a rummage sale, discarded, or best of all, given to a benevolent group like First Baptist's Clothes Closet.

We delayed for years giving away a suit of clothes in which we had gotten married: it just, frankly wouldn't button anymore. We were 30 pounds lighter when the ceremony took place those 18 years ago this coming June . . . and we're not going to get back to 175 any time soon (probably never).

Folks at First Baptist will be glad to have your stuff. Jo Ann Myers of the church staff will tell you exactly where to bring the discarded threads, and when. May Day approaches! Time to make a move!

Warren lost two distinguished educators in the past week: Mrs. Velma O. Dantzler and Mrs. Thelma Booker.

Mrs. Booker was only 62. She had been substituting with great regularity following her retirement but became the victim of a paralytic stroke.

Mrs. Dantzler died, full of

years, at 85. We were invited to her funeral and happily attend-Velma Dantzler wrote the

"Around the Town" column in our newspaper for years.

Her weekly copy was always typewritten to the very last.

It's a little custom at our house to take our aged convertible out for a spin on summer evenings. We always liked to go by Mrs. Dantzler's home on South Myrtle. She'd usually be on the porch and we got to wave

Mrs. Dantzler's obituary said she had two sons, and she surely did. Actually, she had scores of sons and daughters who sat at her feet while she taught for years and years at Westside and other points. Didn't she teach in the 'fifties, at the tiny school they used to have at Broad? Velma Dantzler was dignified, cordial, and gracious just like the Monroe County preacher's daughter she was in the years preceding World War I. She set a mighty fine example for lots of people.

It was good to see Bill and Sue Hoffman coming out of the Haley and Claycomb law office the other afternoon. Their son, now deceased (and young, too) was a special favorite of ours.

The Hoffmans made their home at far-away Forrest City for years and years but "came home" like Bradley Countians have a tendency to do.

She was a daughter of Mr. Bob Hoyle, longtime Warren lawman. Who remembers Mrs. Hoyle running a boarding house diagonally across from Jim Massey's place? Us oldtimers, of

Marty Hoyle, Sue's brother who died recently, as was the great basketball player, Charlie.

Finally, wasn't Mr. Bob Hoyle's dad a physician and a State Representative once? I need to get all this written down.

We found some papers someplace at The Eagle office about the mother of longtime

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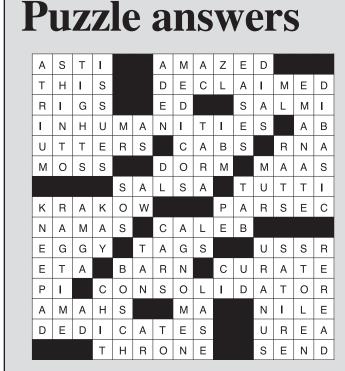
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II Samuel 14

king David would not see him.

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In all Israel there was not a man so highly praised for his handsome appearance as Absalom. From the top of his head to the sole of his foot there was no blemish in him. Whenever he cut the hair of his head, he used to cut his hair from time to time when it became too heavy for him, he would weigh it, and its weight was two hundred shekels by the royal standard.

Three sons and a daughter were born to Absalom. The daughter's name was Tamar, and she became a beautiful woman.

After two years Absalom was invited to come before his father and the king welcomed him with a kiss.

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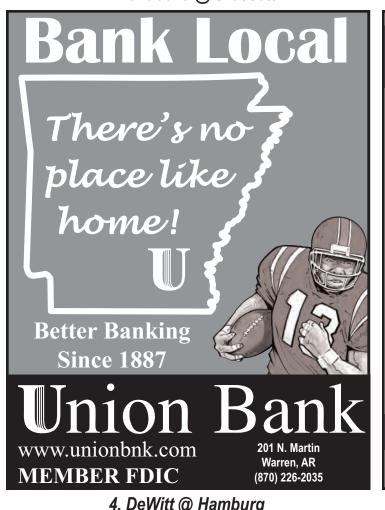
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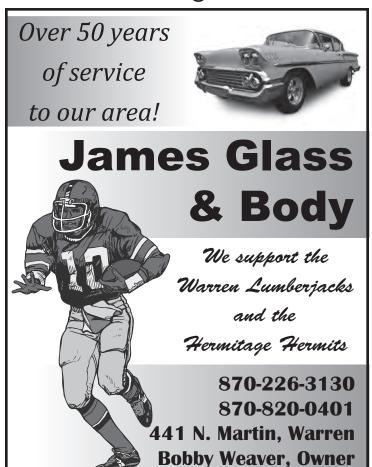
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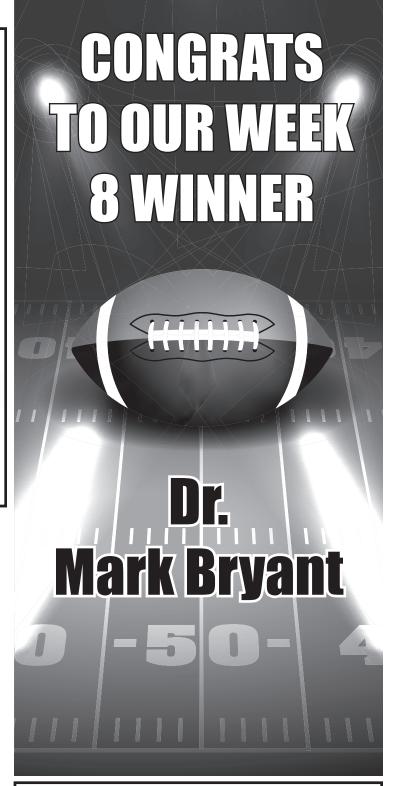
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Oct. 21st - Oct. 25th EARLY VOTES DATES & TIMES: M-F: 8:00am - 6:00pm Sat: Oct. 26th 10:00am - 4:00pm **M-F:** Oct. 28th - Nov. 1st 8:00am - 6:00pm

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> > November 5th

November 5th

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ELECTION DAY VOTING: Election Date: November 5, 2024 Hours: 7:30am - 7:30pm **Ballots Assigned to Poll Location of Poll: Warren Housing Authority** 801 W. Central St. Warren, AR Vote Center / All Ballots

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Michael Pakko Libertarian State Senate District 01

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Supreme Court Justice Rhonda Wood

5:00pm to Completion

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Issue no. 2 (Popular Name)

that Lottery Proceeds May Be Used approval in a countywide special election for certain new casino licenses and repealing authority to issue a casino license in Pope County, Arkansas.

WARREN SCHOOL TAX

41.50 Mills Warren School Tax The total rate proposed above includes the uniform rate of tax 25.00 mills (the "Statewide Uniform Rate") to be collected on all taxable property in the State and remitted to the State Treasurer pursuant to Amendment No. 74 to the Arkansas Constitution to be used solely for maintenance and operation of schools in the State. As provided in Amendment No. 74, the Statewide Uniform Rate replaces a portion of the existing rate of tax levied by this School District and available for maintenance and operation of schools in this District. The total proposed school tax levy of 41.50 mills includes 25.00 mills specifically voted for general maintenance and operation and 16.50 mills voted for debt service previously voted as a continuing levy pledged for the retirement of existing bonded indebtedness. The surplus revenues produced each year by the debt service millage may be used by the District for other school purposes.

The total proposed school tax levy of 41.50 mills represents the same rate presently being collected. This publication was provided and paid for by the Bradley County Clerk in Bradley County, Arkansas. The amount paid for this publication is \$356.32

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF **BRADLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS** TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CIVIL DIVISION 3RD NO. 06CV-24-75

ATLANTA OIL COMPANY

PLAINTIFF

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MARY BECKMAN, ALICE SLOMAN, VERA WHITE ZEPEDA, HEIRS, RUTH MARRABLE, DOROTHY WHITLOCK, ILA WEESE SHANNON, MELINDA THORSEN, FRANCISCO ZEPEDA DE PEREGRINA, DOUGLAS GEORGE BROOKS, JACOB BROOKS, JOSHUA BROOKS, STEVEN JAMES GRAY, STACY GRAY, HIS WIFE, JULIA JOHNSTON BERRY MARKLE, RUSSELL RYAN MARKLE, HER HUSBAND, REBECCA RUTH BERRY SCOTT, CLIFTON SHANE SCOTT, HER HUSBAND, MARY ANN CORSON, MIKE CORSON, HER HUSBAND, THOMAS SWEENEY, PATRICK SWEENEY, KATHY SCOTT, LUCILLE CAMPBELL BROWN, HELEN M. ALTMAN, DONNA JEAN SWAZE SILVERTOOTH, MARK SILVERTOOTH, HER HUSBAND, TERRY E. SWAZE ALFANO, JANE ANTHONY LEWIS, EMMA LECROY, HEIRS, JUNE DAVIDSON BRADHAM, ADA BRADHAM BUTLER, WILLIAM BUTLER, HER HUSBAND, DAVID ALEXANDER BRADHAM, III, PATRICIA BRADHAM, HIS WIFE, MARQIERITE BAIRD, HEIRS, TODD SHANER AND ALL UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, SUCCESSORS, TRUSTEES, ASSIGNS, STOCKHOLDERS AND RECEIVERS, IF ANY, AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN. **DEFENDANTS**

WARNING ORDER

The Defendants as named above and the names and whereabouts of all unknown spouses, heirs, successors, trustees, assigns, stockholders and receivers, if any, being unknown to the Plaintiff, and TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, are hereby warned to appear in the Circuit Court of Bradley County, Arkansas, within thirty (30) days and answer the Complaint of ATLANTA OIL COMPANY, concerning the following described properties in Bradley County, Arkansas:

TRACT 28-16-12-1

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL as said Circuit Clerk of Bradley County, Arkansas, this 15th day of October, 2024.

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PARCEL STRATEGIES, LLC, **PLAINTIFF CASE NUMBER 06CV-24-58-3** SHANE HALL, ET. AL **DEFENDANTS**

WARNING ORDER IN REM

The Defendant(s), SHANE HALL, SPOUSE, HEIRS AND ASSIGNS; LBFP PROPERTIES, LLC, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS; and, any person, entity, or organization, claiming any right, title, interest or ownership or claim in and to the property/properties that are the subject of this action are hereby warned to appear in this Court within thirty (30) days and answer the Complaint of the Plaintiff, PARCEL STRATEGIES, LLC; and, upon failure of Defendants to do so, the Complaint filed herein will be deemed to be

WITNESS my hand and seal as Clerk of the Circuit Court of Bradley County, Arkansas, this 18th day of October, 2024.

/s/ Cindy Wagnon Circuit Clerk Stephen E. Whitwell, Esq. HURLEY & WHITWELL, PLLC 2900 Percy Machin Drive North Little Rock, AR 72114 (501) 801-1111 - Office (501)801-8888-Facsimile AR Bar No. 78-166

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Community State Bank, 208 West Fourth Street, Bradley, Lafayette County, Arkansas 71826 intends to make application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for approval to operate a branch banking facility at 127 Arkansas Blvd., Texarkana, Miller County, Arkansas 71854.

Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the regional director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at the appropriate FDIC office at 600 North Pearl Street, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75201, not later than November 14, 2024. The non-confidential portions of the application are on file in the appropriate FDIC office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application will be made available upon request. 10/30

NOTEBOOK

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Hazen Publisher Bill Woods, with whom we started the first grade in "Miss Dot's School" in

Bill's mother was a daughter of Dr. Gannaway by his first marriage. Miss Charline Goodwin was a daughter by the second, if memory serves (sometimes it doesn't do that anymore).

Bill Woods was one of Stewart Simmons' predecessors as postmaster at Hazen. He also married a good-lookin' woman and published the Herald in that city. One of the pallbearers

for our neighbor and old friend Lewis Thompson was his first cousin, Major Bill Givens who resides west of town. Lewis's mother was a Ritchey, as was Bill's. So was the mother of the beautiful Norma Jean Williams Raney, who died several years ago. Her Mom was county welfare director at one time.

Major Givens was in the WHS Class of '47 . . . that aged and dwindlin' group.

The Ritcheys were a distinguished old Bradley County family. One of their descendants was Ritchey Lee Durham, Bradley county's first graduate of Anna Polis. Ensign Durham died in a car wreck while he was stationed at San Diego back there in the 'twenties. He rests under an elaborate naval tombstone with his parents, the Luther Durhams, at Oakland Cemetery.

Wasn't Miss Mary Neely who was the mother of Everette Herbert, Clyde, and the rest a Ritchey?

Seems like the fire ants ever grow in population here in Bradley County. We understand the first ones got here on a boat from South America that had docked at Mobile almost 50 years ago. Wish they'd stayed home. We keep puttin' out stuff that's supposed to kill'em but nothin' happens, seems like.

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Castleberry advances in United States Marine Corps

SPECIAL TO THE EAGLE

Beau Castleberry, formerly from Warren, has completed all the requirements and training to earn his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. Castleberry was one of several valedictorians of his 2020 Warren High School graduating class and went on to graduate magna cum laude in 2023 from the University of Arkansas at Monticello: earning his bachelor's degree in criminal justice. In January of 2024 Castleberry attended



CASTLEBERRY

Officer Candidate School in Lejeune.

Quantico, Virginia for 10 weeks and earned his title as a United States Marine. He then began his 26-week extensive training at The Basic School. While there, Castleberry earned the coveted expert badge in both rifles and pistols. After graduating on October 10, 2024, he and his wife Sydney, formally of Crossett, moved to North Carolina where he will assume his command in the Second Intelligence Battalion at Camp







Hometown hero: Kenneth Saunders

By JOANNA POOLE

reporter@theeagledemocrat.com

If you've ever helped another person, you know that you feel good in the end. While volunteering helps the intended individual, the volunteer benefits as well. That's the case for this month's Hometown Hero.

Kenneth Saunders is a Bradley County native. He attended and graduated from the Warren School District. He and his wife, Beverly, recently celebrated their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary surrounded by their children, in-laws, and grandchildren. They have three children: Karen, Kenna, and Kyle.

Saunders has always been quick to volunteer, but he never expected anything out of it.

"I just did it 'cause I wanted to help," Saunders said.

He said one of his favorite things was when he was able to help Bubba Johnson repair the Christmas lights on the court-

"I was a little disappointed when he didn't ask me again the next year," Saunders said while laughing.

In 1980, he became involved with the rural fire department. "The first school they had, I

went to," Saunders said. Saunders worked for the telephone company for 37 years, but he said that every once-in-awhile, he would sneak off from his job and go to fires.

In 2003, at the age of 55, he retired but he knew he wanted to do something else. That's

when the youth minister from First Baptist Church talked Saunders into getting his Commercial Driver's License, or C.D.L. They wanted him to help out by driving the church bus.

"I went and got the kids for bible school and things like that," Saunders said. "I also picked them up for Wednesday nights. I had fun doing that."

Saunders also said he was the driver for Marvelous Mondays.

"That's when the kids get to go to the park or the zoo or things like that," Saunders said when asked what Marvelous Mondays were.

Another thing he talked about fondly was driving senior citizens from the church to places like Vicksburg and Branson. He even recalled a time when he drove the group to Canton, Texas which is home to the world's

largest flea market. "It was a lot of fun," Saunders said. "I had a good time. It's not all for them. I got something out of it too."

"My wife was usually there with me," Saunders said with a smile. "When I picked up the kids for bible school and things like that, she was with me."

However, over time, Saunders experienced hearing loss and was unable to drive the church

But something else he has done to help is going on mission trips to Florida, Mississippi, and other places.

'It gave me something to look forward to," Saunders said. "It's good to be busy.'

That's exactly what Saunders does. Even though no longer a firefighter, Saunders still goes over to the fire department to see if there are things that need to be done.

"If the bathroom needs to be cleaned, I clean the bathroom," Saunders said.

There have been times when firefighters are at a fire and need a truck. Saunders will take the truck to them.

In the beginning, Kenneth didn't know that volunteering would have the impact on him that it has.

This year, at the 2024 Bradley County Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Saunders received the award for Volunteer of the Year.

"When I first started, I thought it was just going to be a job that needed to be done," Saunders said. "But I ended up really enjoying it."

But his volunteering didn't only make an impact on him. Saunders's children are also active in the community and can be found volunteering.

That just goes to show that helping others isn't only that. It's being an example to the community, friends, and family. While Kenneth Saunders's actions helped others, what he has done will continue to echo throughout time. He passed along a good work ethic and showed how goodness multi-





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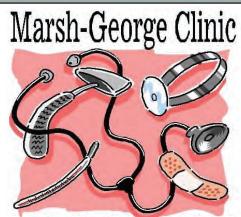
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