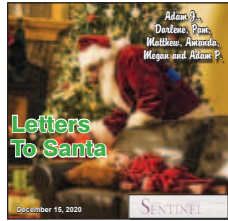


## HOLIDAY HOURS



Due to the Christmas Holiday, our office will be closed Thursday, Dec. 24 through Friday, Dec. 25. The deadline for ad material and content for the Dec. 29 edition is Wednesday Dec. 23 at 4 p.m. We will reopen Monday, Dec. 28.

## LETTERS TO SANTA



Be Sure to check out our Letters To Santa special in this edition of the *Sentinel*

## COVID-19 UPDATE

This snapshot was made available on: Dec. 13  
As of Dec. 6 Jackson County is in the Red Zone.  
Total Active: 96  
Total Recovered: 719  
Hospitalizations: 25  
Deaths: 17  
Positivity Rate: 25.0 %



# JACKSON COUNTY SENTINEL



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## Leaders Fail To Address Audit Findings

The Tennessee Comptroller's Office has released its audit of Jackson County government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. The audit report includes 10 findings, seven of which were also noted in last year's report.

The findings detail deficiencies, weaknesses, or noncompliance within the Office of County Mayor and Office of County Clerk. Repeated findings show that management has been unable or unwilling to correct issues that were noted in the previous year's audit report.

The findings in the Office of County Mayor included several problems with the office's purchasing procedures including purchase order deficiencies; paying invoices without documentation that goods or services had been rendered; and not coding purchases to the proper accounts.

Auditors also had to make material adjustments to the county's financial statements to ensure accuracy. This is a strong indicator that the county has ineffective controls over the maintenance of its accounting records.

The findings in the Office of County Clerk note that a \$40,514.23 cash

shortage existed in the Office on June 30, 2020. This shortage primarily occurred during the tenure of former Jackson County Clerk Amanda Stafford. On May 28, 2020, Amanda Stafford pled guilty to two counts of theft over \$2,500 after a Comptroller's Office investigation revealed her misappropriation. The Clerk's Office received a check from its insurance company in September 2020 to eliminate the cash shortage.

The clerk's office must also take steps to address repeat findings that include failing to document changes and deletions to receipts; not depositing funds within three days of collection; not segregating duties adequately; not reviewing its audit software logs; and failing to restrict access to its accounting software.

"I encourage the County Mayor and new County Clerk to take the necessary steps to address all of these audit findings," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "It is especially important that county leaders fix problems that have continued across multiple years. The county's audit committee should meet regularly to ensure corrective action is taken."

## Town Officials Close City Hall

MEGAN REAGAN  
staff writer

Gainesboro officials announced last week that city offices would be closed due to the rise in COVID-19 case numbers; however, business will continue.

City Hall employees informed the public last week that due to the continuous rise in COVID-19 cases, offices would be closed indefinitely, but their new drive-thru window will be open for business.

"The new drive-thru could not have come at a better time," Brenda Spivey said. "The drive-thru just opened, and it has been a real blessing to us and the community at this time."

The Gainesboro City Hall drive-thru will be

open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. and all regular business can be conducted through the window.

While some may think it is an inconvenience, Spivey informed that many residents have applauded the addition of the drive-thru window.

"It has really made it easier on some of our more elderly residents," she said. "I wouldn't think of it as an inconvenience at all."



**City Hall Drive-Thru Opened** – The drive-thru will be opened 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday for regular business.

## You're A Mean One Mr. Grinch



SENTINEL Photo / Darlene Dean

**You're A Mean One, Mr. Grinch** - The Grinch made an appearance in the Granville Christmas parade. He must have been confused. That is definitely not his dog Max.

## Hark The Herald Angels Sing



SENTINEL Photos / Adam Parks

**Merry Christmas** – Pictured above are members of HipCTV of Cookeville singing Christmas Carols outside of the courthouse in Gainesboro on Thursday.

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# Court

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**Jackson County General Sessions Court Docket Dec. 10, 2020**  
**Judge Tiffany Gentry Gipson Presiding**  
Delontay B. Cleveland – Public intoxication and criminal impersonation.  
Evan T. Libbey – Evading arrest risk of death or injury/vehicle involved, reckless endangerment/vehicle, reckless driving, driving on the right and drivers to exercise due care.  
Kathleen L. McGinnis – DUI first offense, unlicensed owner to permit driver operator contributing to law, contributing to

delinquency to a child.  
Nicholas G. Writtenberry – Underage driving while impaired/18-20, implied consent and open container.  
Chasity Gail Bennett – Driving while license suspended, vehicle registration/improper use, driving unregistered vehicle on highway, financial responsibility law and driving on roadways laned for traffic.  
Elisha Maria Bishop – Two counts of simple possession/casual exchange.  
Lucas Boles – Aggravated assault.  
James H. Brassell Jr. – Criminal impersonation, simple possession/casual exchange and possession unlawful drug paraphernalia uses and activities.  
Jamie D. Hensley – DUI second offense, Schedule IV drugs/man-

ufacture/delivery/sell/possess, simple possession/casual exchange and possession unlawful drug paraphernalia uses and activities.  
Amanda Henson – Three counts of contraband in penal facility.  
Justin B. Hurt – Driving without license, financial responsibility law and driving unregistered vehicle on highway.  
Jennifer Brown Johnson – Meth/possess or casual exchange, Schedule III drugs/manufacture/delivery/sell/possess and possession unlawful drug paraphernalia uses and activities.  
Joshua C. Jones – Meth/manufacture/deliver/sale/possess with intent, simple possession/casual exchange, driving while license suspended/non-resident and light law/motor vehicle.

Hannah Martin – Simple possession/casual exchange and possession unlawful drug paraphernalia uses and activities.  
David A. Martinez – Driving while license suspended.  
Joseph David Pack – DUI first offense.  
Sherman E. Perham – Probation violation.  
Eddie Russell Rich Jr. – Domestic assault.  
Anothony E. Roberts – Allowing dog to run at large.  
Andrea Rodriguez – Driving on roadways laned for traffic.  
Roy W. Silvers II – DUI first offense, reckless endangerment/deadly weapon involved, possession of handgun while under influence and drivers to exercise due care.

manufacture/deliver/sell/possess, two counts of Schedule IV drugs/manufacture/deliver/sell/possess, tampering with evidence, possession unlawful drug paraphernalia, possession weapon/convicted felon, driving while in possession of methamphetamine, simple possession/casual exchange/marijuana less than ½ ounce and driving while license suspended/second or subsequent.  
Kyle S. Race – Theft up to \$1,000.  
Brian D. Stevens – Domestic assault.

possession Schedule V, driving on revoked/suspended license and driving while in possession of methamphetamine.  
On Dec. 5, Norman Ray Boles was arrested on warrants for manufacture delivery sale or possession of methamphetamine and failure to appear.  
On Dec. 7, Norman Ray Boles was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear.  
On Dec. 7, Charles Craig Dial was arrested on warrants for evading arrest, unlawful drug paraphernalia, simple possession/casual exchange and tampering with of fabrication evidence.  
On Dec. 7, Kathleen Loretta McGinnis was arrested on warrants for driving under the influence, driving under the influence by allowance and contributing to a minor.  
On Dec. 7, Nicholas Gage Writtenberry was arrested on warrants for underage driving while impaired and implied consent.  
On Dec. 8, Terry W. Phillips was arrested on warrants for contraband in penal institution, driving while suspended or revoked and possession of methamphetamine.  
On Dec. 9, Amanda Dawn Adams was arrested on a warrant for violation of probation.  
On Dec. 9, Wardery Ray Smith was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear.

*Editor's Note: The Jackson County Sheriff's report is obtained from the Jackson County Sheriff's Department and is a matter of public record. The Sentinel appreciates the cooperation from the Jackson County Sheriff's Department in providing the report and we hope the printing of this report helps as a deterrent in criminal activity. All subjects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

D a k o t a  
Leigh Spicer – Domestic assault.  
Adam C. Stafford - Probation violation.  
Darrell Stewart – Two counts of assault/threat of bodily injury.  
William Sullivan – DUI second offense and driving while license suspended.  
Lindsey D. Woodard-Stewart - Two counts of assault/threat of bodily injury.  
Anthony D. Anderson – Disorderly conduct.  
Maria D. Antle - Meth/possess or casual exchange, driving while in possession of methamphetamine, Schedule III drugs/manufacture/deliver/sell/possess, Schedule V drugs/ manufacture/deliver/sell/possess, possession unlawful drug paraphernalia uses and activities, driving while license suspended/non-resident and driving on roadways laned for traffic.  
Norman Boles – Three counts of meth/possess or casual exchange, possession unlawful drug paraphernalia uses and activities, prohibited weapons/switchblades/knuckles/other and driving on roadways laned for traffic.  
Charles C. Dial – Meth/possess or casual exchange, possession unlawful drug paraphernalia uses and activities, evading arrest and tampering with evidence.  
John Thomas Edwards – Aggravated assault/domestic.  
Jason S. Haney - Meth/manufacture/deliver/sale/possess with intent, Schedule III drugs/

*Sheriff's Report*  
On Dec. 3, Anthony Dwight Anderson was arrested on a warrant for violation of probation.  
On Dec. 3, John Thomas Edwards was arrested on a warrant for aggravated assault.  
On Dec. 3, Jason Scott Haney was arrested on warrants for driving while in possession methamphetamine, unlawful drug paraphernalia, manufacture delivery sale or possession of Schedule III class D felony, driving while license canceled suspended or revoked third offense, tampering with or fabricating evidence class C felony, simple possession or casual exchange of marijuana, unlawful carrying or possession of a weapon class E felony, manufacture delivery sale or possession of Schedule IV, manufacture delivery sale of possession of methamphetamine and manufacture delivery sale or possession of Schedule IV.

On Dec. 5, Marie Diane Antle was arrested on warrants for drug/manufacture/delivery/sale/possession Schedule III, manufacture delivery sale or possession of methamphetamine, unlawful drug paraphernalia, drug/manufacture/delivery/sales/

possession Schedule IV, driving on revoked/suspended license and driving while in possession of methamphetamine.

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## The Lost Sheep

In Luke 15 Jesus is criticized for receiving sinners and eating with them. Jesus was not spending time with sinners so He could sin with them; instead, He was teaching them through word and deed. Jesus responded to these critics with three parables that all teach the same lesson. The lost son purposefully turns his back on God, but when he returns to God, there is rejoicing. The lost coin is someone who is lost but does not know it; when they are found and returned to God, there is rejoicing. The lost sheep became lost without realizing it and now does not know how to get home.


All three of these parables are beautiful. Combined, they teach a wonderful message, that God cares for all the lost. Each parable is different in the details. One interesting detail in the parable of the lost sheep is the conclusion. The man finds his lost sheep and carries it home. Once home, he calls together his friends to rejoice over his good fortune. The interesting part is the last verse of the parable.

Luke 15:7: "I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.

It is interesting that Jesus tells us that God is happier over the one who returns than the many who remained. This is said to emphasize the importance of the one, not to diminish the importance of the many. What makes this interesting is that it is unexpected. When people make mistakes, they feel shame. This shame can help them decide to do better, or it can make them feel worthless. If someone feels worthless, then they might give up and live a worthless life. These critics of Jesus are saying that He is spending time with worthless people. Jesus's defense is that they aren't worthless just because they have made mistakes.

You are not worthless just because you have made mistakes. Remember that the lost sheep wasn't celebrated because it was lost, but it was a cause of immense celebration when it was found. If you have lost your way, you need to get back on the right path, and with God's help, you can. In Acts 2 a sermon is taught to an audience of people who had called for the crucifixion of Jesus. They cried out to the preacher and asked what they needed to do to make things right. A worse sin cannot be imagined, but the response to their cry was simple. Acts 2:38: "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins..." If you do the same, you will also be forgiven, and there will be much more rejoicing in heaven.

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## Calendar

**SCV Myers-Zollicoffer Meeting**  
SCV Myers-Zollicoffer 1990 meets 7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 17, at American Legion Post 004, 121 S Church St, Livingston 38570. Guest speaker Bryan Green to discuss the Confederate States Navy. Doors open at 6 p.m.. Questions: (931) 783-3767.

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# Obituaries



**Shawn Jack Penley**  
Shawn Jack Penley, 45, of Gainesboro passed away Dec. 9 at Cookeville Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Dec. 13 at **Anderson Upper**

**Cumberland Funeral**. Bro. Jimmy Anderson officiated. Interment followed in the Allentown Cemetery in the New Salem Community. He was born Sept. 15, 1975 in Somerset, Ky. He worked in construction and was of the Baptist faith. He was preceded in death by: father, Herman Jack Penley; sister, Patty Penley Fellows; grandmother, Merle

Hawkins Horton and great-grandmother, Delia T. Elrod. Surviving relatives include: son, Brayden Webster of Indiana; daughter, Ashton Penley (Brandon) Brown

Scott and niece, Kyra Christian. Surviving relatives include: sons, Payton Christian of Crossville, Cole and AJ Christian and Shawn Crabtree all of Gainesboro; daughter, Kristin Christian of Cookeville and Kaitlin Christian of Crossville; parents, Kenneth Christian, Sr. and Glenda Scott

of Sparta; mother, Suzy Elrod (Dave) Johnson of Gainesboro; brother, Kristofer Hollis Penley of Gainesboro; sisters, Megan (Brandon) Smallwood Henson of Nashville and Tamara

Penley Howard of Dayton, Ohio; step-sisters, Crystal (Mark) Hensley and Amanda (Charlie King) Johnson all of Gainesboro and grandchild, Mallory Brown of Sparta.

**Angie Amanda Christian**  
Angie Amanda Christian, 43, of Gainesboro passed away Dec. 3 at her residence. Funeral services were held Dec. 9 at **Anderson Upper**

**land Funeral Home**. Bro. Jimmy Anderson officiated. Interment followed in the Turkeytown Cemetery in Clay County. She was born Aug. 18, 1977 in Jackson County. She was a homemaker. Coinsville community. Bro. Mike Fox officiated. She was born April 18, 1944 in Jackson County. She was a factory worker. She was preceded in death by: parents, Jim F. Mathis and Lillie Mae

Stafford Mathis; sister, Judy Johnson; sister in law, Lassie Mathis; and brother in law, Bobby Johnson. Surviving relatives include: brothers, Harold Mathis and Jackie (Shirley) Mathis, all of Gaines-

boro; sisters, Lena Mai Davis of Gainesboro and Janice Cole of Cookeville; and other relatives and many friends. **Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home** was in charge of arrangements.

ters, Kristin Christian of Cookeville and Kaitlin Christian of Crossville; parents, Kenneth Christian, Sr. and Glenda Scott

Christian of Gainesboro; grandchildren, Jace and Jaylen of Cookeville and brother: Kenneth Christian of Gainesboro.

**Richard Morgan Scott**  
Richard Morgan Scott, 77, of Gainesboro passed away Dec. 4 at Cookeville Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Dec. 7 at **Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral**

**Home**. Bro. Danny Scott officiated. Interment followed in the Fairview Cemetery in the Fairview Community. He was born Oct. 28, 1943 in Jackson County. He was a farmer and a member of the Harmony Church of Christ. Overton County. He was born Aug. 9, 1935 in Detroit, Mich. He retired from the U.S. Navy in August 1978 and attended the Cookeville Freewill Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by: parents, Floyd Harrison and Mildred

He was preceded in death by: parents, Morgan Scott and Mamie Scott; brothers, Andy Scott, Jerry Scott, Hamp Scott, Walton Scott and Curtis Scott; sisters, Mary Pound, Sally Masters, Myrtle Phillips and Matilda Stewart and special friend, Mary Key. Surviving relatives include: brother, Odell (Marie) Scott of Cookeville; sisters, Carolyn Burris of Gainesboro and Cathy Stafford of Algood; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

step-sons, Richard Loftis, Ronnie Loftis and Randy Loftis; special step-daughter, Regina Harris; brother, Glenn Stockton of Cookeville; sister, Linda Flatt of Cookeville; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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**Carrol Wanda Powell Carter**  
Carrol Wanda Powell Carter, 82, of Baxter passed away Dec. 10 at her residence. Graveside services were held Dec. 12 at Smith County Memorial Gardens in Smith

County. Bro. David Lipe officiated. She was an office worker and was the Valedictorian of her high school class. She was preceded in death by: parents, Bernie Powell and Viola Bushor Powell; and

brothers, Monroe, Fred, Bud and Don Powell. Surviving relatives include: husband, Edward Earl Carter of Baxter; brother Paul Powell of Las Vegas, Nev.; sister-in-law, Frances Kemp of Carthage; special neph-

ew, Craig (Cindy) Powell of Ortonville, Mich.; and special friends and caregivers, Anthony and Phyllis Spark of Baxter.

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**Kirby Pipkin "Kip" Walker, III**  
Kirby Pipkin "Kip" Walker III, 62 passed away Nov. 12 in Memphis. A private, family, graveside service was held Dec. 11 at the Rob Draper Memorial Cemetery with Ray Notgrass officiating. He was born in Hono-

lulu, Hawaii. He attended the University of Mississippi for a Business Bachelor of Arts degree. He worked at Flex, Inc. in Memphis. He also was a volunteer reading instructor for Memphis Literacy Council and Shelby County Schools. He was an avid blues fan and collected regional folk art.

He was preceded in death by: grandparents, Kirby Pipkin Walker, Sr. and Francis Settle Walker and Willis G. Fuqua and Elise Raggio Fuqua. Surviving relatives include: parents, Kirby Pipkin Walker Jr. and Patricia Fuqua Walker of Gainesboro; brother,

William Dominic Walker (Mary) of Knoxville; nephew, Willis Reeder Walker of Panama City Beach, Fla.; and niece, Susan Elise Walker of Knoxville. **Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home** was in charge of arrangements.

**Jackie "Jack" Stafford**  
Jackie "Jack" Stafford, 63, of Gainesboro passed away Dec. 11 in Red Boiling Springs. Funeral services were held Dec. 14 at **Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home**. Jonah Russell officiated. Interment followed in the John Young Cemetery in the Shiloh Community. He was born Oct. 29, 1957 in Jackson County. He worked in construction and also farmed.

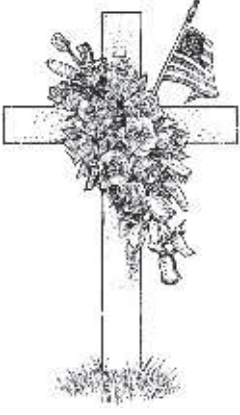
He was preceded in death by: parents, Ralph Stafford and Notie Stafford; brothers, Terry Stafford and David Stafford and sister, Betty Ann Hamlet. Surviving relatives include: brothers, Ed Stafford of Gainesboro and Tim (Tina) Stafford of Red Boiling Springs; sisters, Judy Montgomery of Gainesboro and Kathy "Kat" (Jim) Tinsley of Gainesboro; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



**Frances Scott Leonard Vanderpool**  
Frances Scott Leonard Vanderpool, 82, of Nashville passed away Dec. 9. A Celebration of Life was held Dec. 13 at **West Harpeth Funeral Home** with Hubert Cunningham officiating. She was born Nov. 11, 1938 in Gainesboro. She graduated from Jackson County High School in 1956. She moved to Nashville soon after graduation to attend St. Thomas Nursing School.

She was preceded in death by: parents, Alfred and Ethel Scott; first husband, William (Pee Wee) Leonard and brother, Bobby Scott.

Surviving relatives include: husband, Eddie Vanderpool; children, Tim (Judie) Leonard, Sherri (Larry) Martin, and Sheila (Robert) Brown; six grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and sister, Joy Scott.



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# Tips For Baking Better Christmas Cookies

Cookies and other baked treats are everywhere come the holiday season. It's not uncommon to give cookies as gifts or arrive at holiday gatherings with cakes and other decadent desserts.

Cookies are a classic holiday treat, and some families even build entire traditions around baking Christmas cookies.

Novice bakers making cookies for the first time may be a little overwhelmed when perusing recipes. Baking is a science, and sometimes it takes practice to get the results just right. However, there are some tips that can help yield better, buttery bounties.

### Handle Butter With Care

Butter can make or break a cookie recipe, as butter is often the glue

that holds the cookie together. Therefore, it is key to follow the directions carefully regarding how to handle butter. Smithsonian.com says to leave butter at room temperature for 30 to 60 minutes to properly soften it. This takes patience, but fiddling with butter too much can damage its delectable integrity. While purists may say butter is best, margarine may be acceptable if it has a high fat content; otherwise, cookies may spread out and flatten.

When it comes time to cream the butter with sugar, be sure to do so thoroughly to incorporate air into the butter and remove the grainy texture of the sugar.

### Measure Flour Properly

Measuring flour the

right way can ensure cookies come out right. The Cooking Channel says to spoon the flour lightly into a dry measuring cup, then level it off with a knife. Do not dip the measuring cup into the flour or tap the knife against the cup. This will pack too much flour into the measuring cup and result in dry, tough cookies.

### Slow Down The Eggs

Add eggs one at a time to make sure each will emulsify properly with the fat in the butter. Adding eggs en masse may cause the emulsification to fail.

### Chill Out

Follow recipes that call for chilling cookie dough carefully. This process is important for making sliced and shaped cookies. By chilling, the

dough becomes more malleable for rolling and even slicing.

### Use A Bottom Rack

Too much heat may compromise cookie integrity. The food experts at Delish say to try mov-

ing cookies onto a lower rack in the oven if they aren't retaining their shape when baked. Put an empty cookie sheet on the top rack. That will block the cookies from the most intense heat that rises to

the top of the oven. Mastering cookies takes a little patience and some trial and error. Once bakers get their feet wet, Christmas-cookie-baking becomes even more special.



**Holiday Baking** – Mastering cookies takes a little patience and some trial and error. Once bakers get their feet wet, Christmas-cookie-baking becomes even more special.




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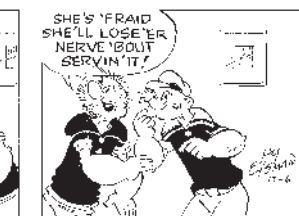
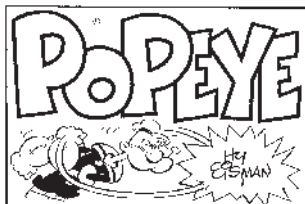
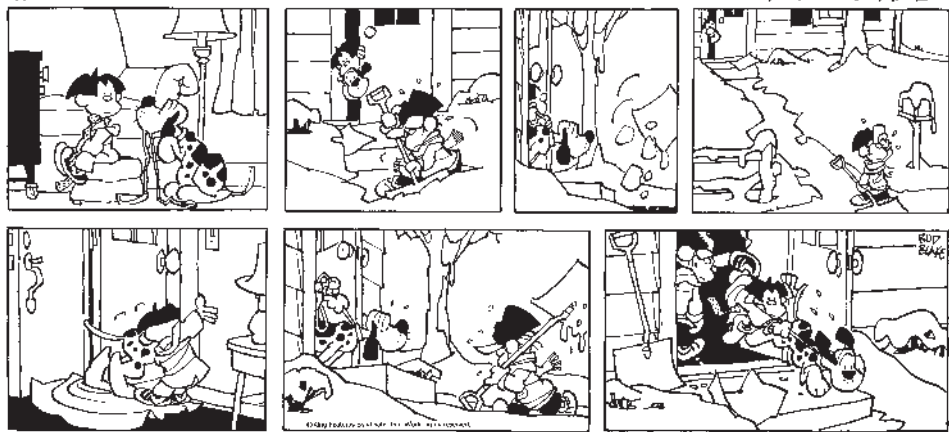
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# HOROSCOPES

**ARIES**  
**Mar 21/Apr 20**  
It is time to make some new connections, Aries. Invite someone you trust to take the lead for a change instead of you running the show. You may enjoy the break.

**TAURUS**  
**Apr 21/May 21**  
Taurus, you may find yourself taking more risks and acting more boldly. Don't be afraid to give other things a try. Try public speaking or ask to helm a new project.

**GEMINI**  
**May 22/June 21**  
Reality will not be nearly as exciting as you hope it to be this week, Gemini. You may have to offset things a bit by watching movies or reading books for a great escape.

**CANCER**  
**June 22/July 22**  
Cancer, messages from friends or family members could reach you this week. Expect some exciting news about a reunion of sorts. It's a good time for communi-

cation.  
**LEO**  
**July 23/Aug 23**  
You might be tempted to break up with someone or put a friendship on ice, Leo. Maybe your feelings were hurt or there was a misunderstanding. Think before acting.

**VIRGO**  
**Aug 24/Sept 22**  
Virgo, when one door closes another opens, and you will find this to be true this week. A cycle comes to a close and something entirely new will come your way.

**LIBRA**  
**Sept 23/Oct 23**  
Libra, your empathy for others is ramped up this week as you make a concerted effort to help the less fortunate. Consider all ways you can provide assistance.

**SCORPIO**  
**Oct 24/Nov 22**  
Remember the people who have helped you along the way, Scorpio. Give thanks to everyone who has supported you in any and all endeavors.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
**Nov 23/Dec 21**  
It can be challenging for you to be as productive as you want to be, Sagittarius. For some reason your focus keeps being drawn elsewhere. Hunker down and concentrate.

**CAPRICORN**  
**Dec 22/Jan 20**  
Capricorn, a reason to throw an intimate party will present itself in the days ahead. Keep it small and write up a guest list of those closest to you.

**AQUARIUS**  
**Jan 21/Feb 18**  
This week you learn a new skill or something relating to electronics commands your attention, Aquarius. This can put you in good spirits as you figure out ways to apply what you learn.

**PISCES**  
**Feb 19/Mar 20**  
Pisces, you may find that you are mixing business with pleasure. Just be careful to follow the rules if you're thinking of a workplace romance.

## Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1. Catwalk girl        | ___ D ___ | Traveler's lodging | ___ T ___ |
| 2. Winding staircase   | ___ R ___ | Of the backbone    | ___ N ___ |
| 3. Tenant              | ___ T ___ | Melt down fat      | ___ D ___ |
| 4. Greasy dirt         | ___ M ___ | Complain           | ___ P ___ |
| 5. Within the vicinity | ___ C ___ | Steadfast          | ___ Y ___ |
| 6. Papa                | ___ D ___ | Fine and           | ___ N ___ |
| 7. Parisian country    | F ___     | Walk lively        | P ___     |
| 8. Multitude of people | ___ D ___ | Queen's headwear   | ___ N ___ |
| 9. Flambeau            | ___ R ___ | ___ and go; iffy   | ___ U ___ |
| 10. Gas pump rating    | ___ N ___ | Musical interval   | ___ V ___ |

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦**

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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See this week's answers in next week's edition of the Sentinel

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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1. Cooper, Cooper	6. Squid, Squid
2. Minor, Minor	7. Be Ion, Be Ion
3. G-d, G-d	8. Crime, Crime
4. Tense, Tense	9. Level, Level
5. Answer, Answer	10. Hunch, Hunch

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5 Before  
8 Dull sound of impact  
12 Enticement  
13 Blend  
14 Abundant  
15 Opera showstopper  
16 U.K. broadcaster  
17 Black, in verse  
18 Fight  
20 Like a lot  
22 Solid ground  
26 Entire  
29 Smack  
30 Zilch  
31 Bees' home  
32 Parsons or Gaffigan  
33 Slangy negative  
34 -- out a living  
35 One of the Brady Bunch

- 36 Grown-up bug  
37 Brownish orange  
40 Warmonger  
41 Barbershop tools  
45 First victim  
47 Luau bowlful  
49 "American --"  
50 Ring out  
51 Barn bird  
52 Alaskan metropolis  
53 Vortex  
54 -- Aviv  
55 Get larger

### DOWN

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2 Emanation  
3 Determination  
4 Birthplace of Starbucks  
5 Fireplace bit  
6 Cage component  
7 Cry out  
8 Italian fountain site  
9 Ireland  
10 Venusian vessel?  
11 Lair  
19 Appomattox surrenderer  
21 Frequently  
23 Serengeti beast  
24 Chinese dynasty  
25 Choir member  
26 Sharpen  
27 Raise  
28 Above  
32 Lotto win  
33 Incredible  
35 Mandible  
36 Call -- day  
38 Make a comeback  
39 Warble  
42 Bloodhound's clue  
43 Quarterback Tony  
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# Lifestyles



## Budget Planning For The Holiday Season



**Rebekah Melton**  
*Family and Consumer Science Extension Agent*

Holiday shopping can get you into the spirit of the season, but it is often accompanied by a feeling that you're overspending. Listening to that nagging voice in your head may be the best thing for your budget. Those individuals who spend for the holidays without a plan generally do overspend and many Americans suffer from financial stress during the holiday season. One common mistake is to

plan only for gifts. There are many expenses that come with the holiday season. Some of these include travel expenses, clothing, extra groceries, home decoration, gifts and after-holiday sales. Here are five ideas to help save this holiday season:

**Travel**  
This is a year traveling for the holidays should be done with caution. Consider reducing the number of people traveling to your home from locations with high COVID-19 case counts. According to the Center for Disease Control website, even small family gatherings can spread COVID-19. Assure guests who choose not to risk attending the gathering that you support their

decision.

**Clothing**  
Holiday clothing can be very expensive. If you plan to wear special clothing be sure to put them into your budget. These items give immediate satisfaction, but do not help you reach your financial goals.

**Groceries**  
Holiday entertaining can swell your grocery budget. It's important to plan for more than what's budgeted for routine family meals. Be sure to make a list before you go to the store and stick to that list, which will save you time and money.

**Home Decorations**  
Don't be tempted to have new home decorations each year. New decorative items are on display early during the holiday season and can easily break your budget. Be savvy with your money and keep in mind that it is not necessary to overspend on decorations.

**Gifts/After Holiday Sales**  
Use a budget to help guide your spending. Set spending limits, don't spend more than you can

afford, and always shop with a list. A list will remind you of items that you need and can serve as a signal to avoid unnecessary spending.

Spending sprees after the holidays can add to post holiday stress. Practicing self-controlled spending can be developed by forming wise shopping habits. It is a daunting task

to arrive in January with a jingle still in your pocket, but by following these five ideas you can save money, time, and reduce holiday stress.


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**The Town Grows**

The town was laid out on forty acres of land given by David Cox. Its streets were made to vary twelve degrees from cardinal points of the compass to better suit the location of the town. Under the authority given by the law, the Commissioners advertised the sale of lots the highest bidder in the Carthage Gazette and the Knoxville Register. From the proceeds of the sale, a courthouse and jail were built.

The courthouse was a square brick structure with a diagonal roof and a fish-shaped weather vane on top. It was situated where the present courthouse now stands and served the purpose for which it was erected until it burned on the night of August 14, 1872. Another courthouse was erected for the county by David Linnoeus Dow in 1874. This courthouse was used until 1903 when the court decided it was unsafe.

In order to procure money to erect the courthouse, the quarterly court was authorized and empowered by the General Assembly in April of 1903, to issue bonds of the county, not to exceed the amount of \$17,500, to bear interest of six percent per annum. These bonds were issued in denominations of \$250 each, and were numbered in order of their issuance.

The new courthouse was erected on the foundation of the old one. On Nov. 5, 1926, fire destroyed this building. The present courthouse was built in 1927.

## State Pushes For Reemployment

Tennessee Governor Bill Lee and Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Jeff McCord announced a new campaign, "Let's Get to Work Tennessee," to help Tennesseans find and obtain meaningful employment. As COVID-19 has caused significant disruptions to employment and the economy across the state, and with federal unemployment programs expiring soon, the new campaign encourages Tennesseans to join the workforce and secure one of the thousands of jobs currently available. The ad is airing across the state on broadcast TV, cable, radio, outdoor and digital media.

"We have said since the beginning of the pandemic that COVID-19 has caused an economic crisis as well as a health crisis," said Gov. Lee. "As we enter the new year, and federal unemployment benefits expire, we want to encourage Tennesseans to seek employment through one of the many opportunities across the state and get our economy moving

again."

Jobs4TN.gov currently has more than 240,000 active job postings of all skill levels. Tennessee has an integrated unemployment and workforce development system ready to assist Tennesseans in finding employment. With the expiration of federal unemployment programs quickly approaching, the state encourages claimants to continue searching for work so they can secure employment before their benefits end.

Governor Lee also signed Executive Order 69, which reconstitutes the State Workforce Development Board. The Board works to increase the competitive position of Tennessee business and attract new business through the development of a highly skilled workforce.

Weekly unemployment payments Tennesseans receive through programs funded by the CARES Act will end soon. The last day to claim benefits through two federal programs is Dec. 26, 2020. According

to federal program rules for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), payments will stop before that date if a claimant reaches their maximum of 39 weeks of benefits.

If someone started receiving PUA the week ending March 15, 2020, Saturday, Dec. 12, marks their 39th week in the program. Current federal law will not allow them to certify for benefits after that date.

The federal Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) program provides eligible claimants up to 13 weeks of additional benefits. This program also ends Dec. 26.

If the Department of Labor and Workforce Development determines the eligibility of a claim after Dec. 26, if approved, the claimant will retroactively receive applicable payments for all weeks with a completed certification through the program's ending date.

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# Gainesboro Christmas Parade Held



**Wildwood Resort** – Wildwood Resort was in this year's parade trying to help get everyone in the holiday spirit by having Santa on a boat.



**Grinch** – The Grinch was spotted in Gainesboro during the parade. Beware: he was overheard saying he was going to keep Christmas from coming.



**Pryor** – Pryor's trying to get everyone in the holiday spirit by having their truck decked out in lights.



**JCMS 8th Grade Homecoming Court** – Pictured is Karly Anderson trying to get everyone in the Christmas spirit.



**Johnson's Towing** – Johnson's Towing trying to get everyone in the holiday spirit.



**Rudolph** – Pictured is Rudolph taking part in the Christmas parade before he has to help Santa on Christmas Eve.



**Middle 10 Jeeps** – Middle 10 Jeeps was once again a part of the parade with their Jeeps all decked out for the holiday.



**Poke Sallet Annie** – Poke Sallet Annie takes part in the annual Gainesboro Christmas parade.

# Granville Christmas Parade Held



**Sheriff Taylor** – You couldn't have a parade in Granville's Mayberry town without Sheriff Andy Taylor and Deputy Fife.



**Grand Marshalls** - Wildwood Resort and Marina's own John and Natasha Deane were this year's Grand Marshalls.



**Co-Grand Marshalls** – Jackson County Mayor Randy Heady was honored to be Co-Grand Marshall with the Deanes.



**Lucy Ricardo** – Sutton General Stores own Lucy Ricardo. From the play "I Love Lucy."



**Ginger Bread House** – A lifesize ginger bread house provided by Wilson Bank and Trust.



**Santa Claus** – Santa got a ride from Engine 31. His reindeer were resting up and getting ready for their big trip on Christmas Eve.




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**Snoopy** – Snoopy is all dressed up for the holidays.



**Reindeer** – A light display of Santa’s sleigh being pulled by reindeer.

## Jennifer Brogdon To Replace Retiring UCEMC General Manager/CEO

The Upper Cumberland Electric Membership Corporation (UCEMC) has selected Jennifer Brogdon as the new CEO and General Manager, effective January 4, 2021. Brogdon will be taking over for Jimmy Gregory, who has been serving as GM since 2009 and is retiring in January 2021.

“Jennifer brings more than 28 years of experience in the electric utility industry”, said Board President Morris “Moose” Tyree. “Her technical background plus her extensive leadership experience positions her well to lead us into the future.”

Before joining

UCEMC, Brogdon held leadership roles at Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) in marketing, innovation, and regulatory areas. Recently, she served as TVA’s director of regulatory assurance, providing regulatory oversight of 153 local power companies that distribute TVA power. She has strong partnerships with municipal and cooperative power companies and statewide associations. TVA is the operator of the nation’s most extensive public power system and power supplier to a population of approximately 10 million people.

“UCEMC makes a real difference in the

quality of life for the Upper Cumberland region,” Brogdon said. “I look forward to working with leadership and staff to provide our members with the best service possible.”

Brogdon is a Knoxville native but has strong local ties. She graduated from Tennessee Technological University (TTU) with a B.S. in Civil Engineering. She also completed a leadership program at Vanderbilt University. Jennifer’s two young adult children, Adam (B.S. Business 2019) and Gracie (a junior) are also TTU Golden Eagles.

Ken Holmes’s executive search team fa-



**Jennifer Brogdon**

cilitated the UCEMC Board’s search for the new CEO.

Brogdon plans to spend this month getting to know the staff in each UCEMC district and will be relocating to Carthage from her current home in Chattanooga.



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