

SPORTS



Blue Devils split games against the RBS Bulldogs.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Courthouse will be closed
Monday, Jan. 18 for Martin
Luther King Jr. Day.
ALL DUMPSITES WILL BE OPEN.**

COVID-19 UPDATE

This snapshot was made available on: Jan.10.
As of Dec. 27 Jackson County is in the Red Zone.
Total Active: 103
Total Recovered: 1,017
Hospitalizations: 26
Deaths: 20
Positivity Rate: 19.3 %



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Medicaid Block Grant Waiver Approved

After more than a year of discussions and negotiations with the federal government, Tennessee's Medicaid "Block Grant" waiver amendment received approval last week by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Tennessee is the first state in the nation to be granted approval for this type of block grant arrangement, which will result in an innovative, alternative financing arrangement for its Medicaid program and provide additional flexibilities relative to its administration.

TennCare submitted Amendment 42 to CMS in November 2019 in accordance with legislation adopted by the Tennessee General Assembly during the 2019 legislative session. The legislation directed the governor to submit the waiver for federal approval.

The negotiated agreement includes the major components and principles outlined in TennCare's original proposal to CMS, building upon Tennessee's history of effective management of its Medicaid program and providing opportunities for additional federal funding for the purpose of improving the health of TennCare members and communities throughout the state.

"Today's agreement represents a continuation of Tennessee's commitment to innovate, lead and improve," said Governor Bill Lee. "We have sought to fundamentally change an outdated and ineffective Medicaid financing system that incentivizes states to spend more taxpayer dollars rather than rewarding states for value, quality and efficiency. Our approved plan will create an unprecedented opportunity for Tennessee to be rewarded for its successful administration of TennCare and further improve the health of TennCare members and Tennessee communities with that reward."

"We approached our negotiations with CMS and the ultimate agreement with one overriding question and directive from Governor Lee – Will this plan benefit Tennessee, our TennCare program and the people we serve," said Stephen Smith, TennCare Director. "We are convinced the answer is yes. This gives Tennessee the real

opportunity to enhance the services we provide to Tennesseans."

Senate Commerce and Labor Committee Chairman Paul Bailey (R-Sparta) praised the approval of Tennessee's Medicaid Block Grant Waiver Amendment that will allow the state to lead the way in an innovative approach to health care reform. Bailey was the prime sponsor of legislation in the Tennessee General Assembly which called for a waiver request to be submitted to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The approval of the waiver, the first of its kind in the U.S., was announced by Governor Bill Lee.

"I applaud the approval of this waiver by CMS. This will give Tennessee the regulatory flexibility we need in order to better serve our citizens and increase quality and access to patient-centered health care in our state. I thank Governor Lee and our TennCare officials for a job well done in negotiating this waiver. They have done an excellent job in bringing us a waiver amendment that can be tailored to Tennessee and that will improve health outcomes for our citizens. I also want to thank our bill co-sponsors and legislative staff who worked hard on this legislation. I look forward to working with my colleagues to secure the votes needed for final legislative approval."

Pursuant to Public Chapter 481, from 2019, implementation of the waiver agreement must be authorized by the Tennessee General Assembly.

The approved waiver amendment is available on the Division of TennCare's website at <https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/policy-guidelines/tenncare-1115-demonstration.html>.

About TennCare

TennCare is the state of Tennessee's Medicaid program which provides health insurance to approximately 1.5 million low-income Tennesseans including pregnant women, children, caretaker relatives of dependent children and older adults, and adults with disabilities. With a satisfaction rating above 90 percent since 2009 TennCare provides health insurance, including long-term services and supports, through the use of managed care.

City And Store Owner Reach A Compromise

MEGAN REAGAN
staff writer

The Town of Gainesboro Board of Mayor and Alderman met in regular session last Thursday and disputed allegations made against a local business owner.

As previously reported in the *Sentinel*, the board discussed putting into place a property ordinance that would enforce the de-cluttering of a local storefront—which was targeting a specific business, but would be enforced for all businesses.

The targeted thrift store owners, Steve Hamlet and Dustin Click disputed the allegations made.

According to Hamlet, the statements that were publicly made about his store were false.

"Some of the comments that were made were untruthful," Hamlet said. "Mr. Click has been harassed by some of his adjoining neighbors since he has been in business."

He went on to add that the dispute has nothing to do with their store, but instead the parking lot.

Hamlet explained that the restaurant neighboring his business is a dine-in establishment with very little parking, so diners of the establishment park in a flower shop's parking spaces, which is also neighboring Hamlet's storefront.

"That is our fault according to the ladies at the flower shop," Hamlet said.

Hamlet added that allegations told about him vary.

"We keep it as neat as possible," he said. "We bring a 16-foot trailer in at a time and we sell trailer loads at a time. I don't understand the comments that are being made that we're hurting another business just by being there."

"Sometimes, I go by there, and I don't think that, what I think personally, the effort made to keep it clean and looking presentable has been made," Agee said. "Sometimes I go by, there is not hardly anything out there. All I am asking is just keep it as clean as possible."

Hamlet said trailers of merchandise come in daily from different distances, so unloading and organizing the items can be difficult.

"[Click] has worked extremely hard trying to make a decent business in this town with people

warning him not to," Hamlet said. "He cares about this town... They made opinions based on driving by one day and we may have just loaded or just unloaded... You could have stopped by and asked at anytime. He could explain it to you. He could show you."

As previously reported in the *Sentinel*, it was stated that the store owners have been asked multiple times by the city to fix the problems, to no resolve; however, Hamlet informed the board that the only time the city had contacted them to fix the issue over the parking was over a year ago.

"That is the only time we ever heard from anybody," Hamlet said.

As a compromise, Hamlet said trailers and unloaded merchandise will now be placed behind the building.

In other business, Richard Garcia requested a street closure for a remembrance ceremony for

the burning of Old Columbus Civil War Trail.

Garcia stated that he wants to plan a remembrance program that will coincide with the city's bicentennial events.

The board also approved a \$2,500 expenditure for the Chamber of Commerce to install handrails in city park.

In unrelated business, Alderman Ricky Head informed that the county's Solid Waste Committee met and agreed that they see no problem with the proposal made at last month's meeting.

Head's proposal is that the city would conduct the trash pick up and use the county's dumpsites for drop-off.

The other aldermen stated that they need to know if the county is going to charge for usage of the dumpsites before they can agree to be on board with the proposal.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.



SENTINEL Photo / Darlene Dean

Real Deal Thrift Store – Pictured is the store front at the heart of the allegations.

TDOE Announces A New Reading Initiative

Recently, the Tennessee Department of Education released details on a new \$100 million statewide initiative, "Reading 360," to ensure Tennessee districts, teachers, and families are equipped with tools and resources to help students read on grade level by third grade.

To help support literacy development in Tennessee, the state will leverage approximately \$60 million of one-time federal COVID-19 relief funding and \$40 million in federal grant funding to immediately launch Reading 360 and invest in optional reading resources and supports at no cost to the state or districts.

Reading 360 will provide optional grants and

resources to help more Tennessee students develop strong phonics-based reading skills by supporting districts, teachers, and families.

"When our students succeed our entire state prospers, and we know that reading on grade level is foundational to the success of every student, both in and out of the classroom," said Tennessee Governor Bill Lee. "Reading 360 will give critical supports to districts and educators so we can address this challenge urgently and put Tennessee's students on the right track to grow and thrive."

"In the last decade, Tennessee has done remarkable work to increase expectations for student learning and to improve

outcomes for our kids. Now, we are uniquely positioned to tackle literacy with urgency and can do so from all sides," said Commissioner Penny Schwinn. "Our state has a golden opportunity to lead the nation in literacy, and most importantly, accelerate progress for our students."

Reading is the foundation to all learning and reading proficiently by third grade is a critical milestone for every student. Before the pandemic, only one third of third graders in Tennessee had met expectations in English Language Arts (ELA), the best standardized proxy for reading achievement. Our state has not yet comprehensively and effectively

addressed this challenge, and after a year disrupted by COVID-19, school building closures and virtual learning, the stakes are higher than ever for our students.

Through optional grants to districts, students and families will have access to tutoring and online supports to help develop foundational skills in literacy. Tennessee educators will have access to free training and professional development, phonics kits and materials to use in their classrooms, and stipends for training. Districts will have access to a suite of tools and resources to support their

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Court

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Jackson County General Sessions Court Docket Jan. 7, 2021
Judge Tiffany Gentry Gipson Presiding

Lora Janet Rose Bouton – Meth/manufacture/deliver/sale/possess with intent, possession unlawful drug paraphernalia uses and activities, registration certificate must be carried, financial responsibility law and driving on roadways laned for traffic.

Brian Carlton – Meth/manufacture/deliver/sale/possess with intent.

Adam D. Creasy – Probation violation.

Timothy J. Key – Assault/threat of bodily injury.

Tina Parks – Probation violation.

Roger Lee Robinette III

–Theftofproperty/\$10,000 to \$60,000.

Daniel A. Shivers – Assault/threat of bodily injury.

William C. Sliger – Meth/manufacture/deliver/sale/possess with intent and possession unlawful drug paraphernalia/felony.

Robert S. Spurlin – Probation violation.

Misty Still – Theft of merchandise/shoplifting.

Emilie J. Yates – Joyriding/unauthorized use auto/other vehicles.

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.

Sheriff's Report

On Dec. 23, Kyle Blake Buck was arrested on a warrant for violation of probation.

On Dec. 23, James Ardin Bussell was arrested on warrants for assault/domestic related and resisting stop/arrest.

On Dec. 27, Tanner Nichols Dodson was arrested on warrants for disorderly conduct and unlawful drug paraphernalia.

On Dec. 27, Richard Ronald Toepper was arrested on a warrant for domestic assault.

On Dec. 28, John Thomas Edwards was arrested on a warrant for aggravated assault.

On Dec. 28, Henry Raphael Valenzuela was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear.

On Dec. 29, Michael Anthony Campbell was arrested on warrants for public intoxication and misuse of 911.

On Dec. 29, Chasity Julia Dawn Lamb was arrested on a warrant for probation violation.

On Dec. 30, Adam Dylan Creasy was arrested on warrants for admended violation of probation and violation of probation.

On Dec. 31, Misty Ann Still was arrested on a warrant for shoplifting/theft of property.

On Jan. 1, Ronnie Keith Dailey was arrested on a warrant for driving on revoked driver licenses/second offense.

On Jan. 1, Jack Martin Woods Jr. was arrested on a warrant for assault/domestic related.

On Jan. 1, Emilie Julie

Yates was arrested on a warrant for unauthorized use of automobiles and other vehicles joyriding.

On Jan. 2, Tina Earlene Parks was arrested on a warrant for violation of probation.

On Jan. 2, George Jeffery Pigg was arrested on warrants for disorderly conduct and assault.

On Jan. 2, Mary Jo White was arrested on warrants for assault/aggravated and disorderly conduct.

On Jan. 3, David Tyrell

Lynn was arrested on a warrant for disorderly conduct.

On Jan. 3, Maybeth Nicole Lynn was arrested on a warrant for disorderly conduct.

On Jan. 3, Robert Scott Spurlin was arrested on a warrant for violation of probation.

On Jan. 5, Lora Janette Rose Bouton was arrested on warrants for unlawful drug paraphernalia and possession of methamphetamine.

On Jan. 5, Roger Lee

Robinette III was arrested on a warrant for theft of property/over \$10,000.

On Jan. 5, William Charles Sliger was arrested on warrants for manufacturing/delivery/sale or possession of methamphetamine and unlawful drug paraphernalia.

On Jan. 6, Brian Carlton Jr. was arrested on a warrant for possession of methamphetamine.

On Jan. 7, Amanda Dawn Adams was arrested on a warrant for failure to appear.

January Is National Radon Awareness Month

Rebekah Melton



Family and Consumer Science Extension Agent

What is radon? Radon is an invisible, odorless, colorless, tasteless radioactive gas produced by the natural breakdown of uranium in soil. It has been found in every state in the U.S. and can build up to dangerous levels inside any home; this means new and old homes, well-sealed and drafty homes and homes with or without a basement. It typically moves up through the ground to the air and enters your home through cracks and other holes in the foundation. It can enter through cracks in solid floors and cracks in walls,

construction joints, gaps in suspended floors, gaps around service pipes, cavities inside walls, and the water supply. The only way to know if your home has radon is to test it.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, radon is the number one cause of lung cancer among people who do not smoke. It is the second leading cause of lung cancer for people who do. EPA estimates that radon causes more than 20,000 deaths from lung cancer each year in the U.S. If you smoke and your home has a high radon level, your risk of lung cancer can increase even more.

Testing your home for radon is easy. If your house has a radon problem, it can be fixed. A simple test will tell you if your home has a high radon level. Most radon tests last between two and seven days. It's easy

as opening a package and putting the test kit in the right place. After sending the test kit back to the address in the package, the company will send your radon test results in about two weeks.

Radon test kits are available at your County Extension office for \$9 or you can buy a test kit at most hardware stores.

For more information contact, Rebekah Melton, FCS Extension Agent at UT Extension-Jackson county 931-268-9437.

Programs in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H youth development, family and consumer sciences and resource development. University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture and county governments cooperating. UT Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.

RECIPES of the WEEK

Galley Potato Chowder

2 pounds potatoes
6 strips bacon, diced
1/2 cup hopped onion
3/4 cud diced celery
2 carrots, diced
1 1/2 cups water
1 bouillon cube
1 1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/8 teaspoon cayenne

1/4 teaspoon thyme
3 cups milk
2 tablespoons flour
2 tablespoons soft butter

Peel and dice potatoes. Saute bacon with onion in large kettle. Add potatoes, celery, carrots, water, bouillon and seasonings. Cover and cook gently until vegetables

are tender. Add milk and heat through. Combine flour and butter. Add to chowder. Cook, stirring occasionally, until chowder thickens slightly. Makes about 2 quarts.

Seafood Chowder: Add shucked clams or oysters, firm fish cut in chunks or canned minced clams or oysters.

Italian Spaghetti

3/4 lbs. Ground beef
1/3 cup chopped onion
1 small green pepper
2 T. spaghetti seasoning
1 T. Worcestershire sauce
1 T. Salt
1 T. chili powder
1 small can tomato sauce with mushrooms

1 small can tomato sauce with cheese
1 small can tomato puree
1 8 oz. Package spaghetti

Brown ground beef, add onions, pepper, Worcestershire sauce, spaghetti seasoning, salt and chili powder. Simmer for ten minutes, stirring occasion-

ally. Then add the cheese sauce and mushrooms sauce, tomato puree. Simmer for 15 minutes.

Cook the spaghetti as directed and then spoon the sauce over spaghetti and serve immediately. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese over top. Delicious with French bread and tossed salad

Public Service Announcement

If you are looking for science-based information on the different vaccines and the vaccine roll-out, I encourage you to register for this online course from the TMA and TDH. It is approved for physician continuing medical education (CME) credits but this is one time where interested lay people and docs are in the same boat as far as getting factual information. If you are or you know a licensed health care professional who would like to claim CME credits, share the link. You can download a certificate of attendance at the conclusion (provided you pass the test at the end.)

Facts Over Fear: Preparing for the COVID Vaccines Across

Tennessee is a 1.5 hour online course developed by the TDH and the TMA to educate health professionals on the science of SARS Cov2 vaccine. Health professionals, including physicians, may earn CME credit.

It is free and open to anyone interested in understanding the science behind vaccine development.

You can register at this link: <https://rlink.re/1/599aa6f1/1481/4b64/ad56/5de657cd9799>

After registering, you will be sent an email invitation with a link. After you login you will be able to access the materials.

I will be posting the Upper Cumberland's collective progress in attaining herd immunity at

UCMS-TMA.org.

If vaccine roll-out continues at the same pace as it has for the past 17 days we will be "back to normal" by June, 2022. Obviously, we need to step-up the pace and EVERYONE needs to be wearing masks in public to save lives. All of our hospitals are full and closed to elective surgery. All-cause mortality will go up until the case-load is reduced. It is already very conclusively demonstrated that the vaccines are infinitely safer immune stimulant than the SARS CoV2 virus.

James C. Gray MD, Secretary Upper Cumberland Medical Society

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Obituaries

Charles Leonard Pippin

Charles Leonard Pippin, 79, of the Union Hill community of Jackson County, passed away Jan. 6 at Cookeville Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Jan. 9 at the Union Hill Church of Christ with Bro. Mike Fox, Bro. Steve Bowman and Bro. Kenneth Anderson officiating. Interment followed in the Union Hill-Flatt Cemetery on Shepardsville

Rd. He was born May 5, 1941, in Detroit, MI. He was a farmer and a member of the Union Hill Church of Christ, where he served as deacon and treasurer. He was a founding member of the Jackson County Special Assistance and former President of the Jackson County Cattleman's Association.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Leonard Pippin and Bessie

Pippin; brother, Herman C. Pippin; father in law and mother in law, Herman and Olar V. Fox; brother in law, Lewis Wheeler; and sister in law, Judy Jones.

Surviving relatives include: wife, Sue Fox Pippin of the Union Hill community; son, Alan (Tanda) Pippin of the Double Springs community; daughter, Sherrie Pippin (Brad) Loftis of Gainesboro; grandchildren: Emily and Barry

Sneed, Westley and Samantha Osborne, Sarah and Eddie Morrow, Andrew and Kendall Pippin and Alana Pippin; great grandchildren, Vincent, Cason, Ean, Skylar, Novalee, Knox and Charles Boone; brother, Raymond and Gail Pippin of Algood; sister, Diane and Dennis Fox of Bloomington Springs; sister in law, Joyce Pippin of the Union Hill community of Jackson County; brothers and

sisters in law, Raymond and Bonnie Fox, Roger and Ruby Anderson, Roslyn and Adriel Stout, Audrey and Kenneth Anderson, Ray Jones and Rosie and Jerrell Killian; aunt, Lucille Suggs Flatt of Cookeville; uncle, Ray Pippin of Gallatin; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Bobby S. Hix

Bobby S. Hix, better known as "H.I.", 76, of the Dodson Branch community, passed away Jan. 3 at Cookeville Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Jan.

6 at **Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home** with Bro. Ronnie Dunn officiating. Interment followed in the Dodson Branch Cemetery.

He was born April 20, 1944 in Jackson County.

He worked with sheet metal and guttering in home repair.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Grover Hix and Nora Irene Mabery Chasteen; brother, Joe Hix; and sisters, Bonnie

Hix and Doris Fugate.

Surviving relatives include: wife, Rita Hix of Cookeville; daughter, Tiffany Meadows of Cookeville; sisters, Dimple Mounts of Cookeville and Mary Cantrell of

California; and grandchildren, Sydney Meadows and Conner Meadows.



Jimmy Greenwood

Jimmy Greenwood, 76, of Gainesboro, passed away Jan. 6 at Cookeville Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Jan. 9 at **Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home** with Bro. Sterl Paramore officiat-

ing. Interment followed in the Lynn Cemetery.

He was born June 27, 1944 in Jackson County. He worked for the Nashville Fire Department for 32 years and was a member of the Tennessee Association of Wood Turners.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Oplis Greenwood and Dimple Olene Barlow Greenwood; and brothers, Hugh Greenwood and Bobby Joe Greenwood.

Surviving relatives include: wife, Hazel Smith Greenwood of Cookev-

ille; son: Ray (Terri) Greenwood of Lebanon; daughter: Tina (Frank) Daniels of Old Hickory; brothers: Mack Greenwood of Gainesboro, Charles Greenwood of Lebanon and George Greenwood of Clarks-ville; sister: Mary Heady

of Cookeville; grandchildren: Charlie Daniels, Leevie (Nick) Hood, Ivie Greenwood and Landon Greenwood; and great grandchildren: Oakley Hood and Beckham Hood.



Eldon Loyd Moss

Eldon Loyd Moss, 71, passed away Dec. 13, 2020 at Erlanger Medical Center. The family has chosen cremation and no further arrangements are made at this time.

He was born Feb. 24,

1949 in Gainesboro. He graduated from Jackson County High School in 1968.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Arville and Lella (Fugua) Moss; and niece, Michelle Moss.

Surviving relatives include: sons, Eldon Loyd Moss, Jr. and wife, Lisa (McClain) and daughter Marisa, all of Atoka and Johnny Paul Moss and wife, Robin (Lane) and sons, Jacob and Ethan, all of

Cookeville; siblings, Tommy Moss formerly of Florida, Nola Phy recently of White County, Bobby Moss, Danny Moss and Linda Harris, all of Gainesboro; and other nieces and nephews.



Carolyn Sue Way Farran

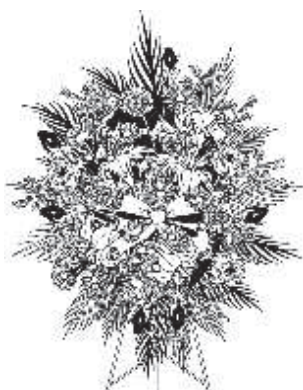
Carolyn Sue Way Farran, 69, passed away Dec. 29, 2020 at Signature Health Care in Algood. Graveside services were held Jan. 2 at Union Hill Flatt Cemetery on Shepardsville Hwy with Bro. Steven Bowman officiating.

She was born Nov. 14, 1951 in Jackson County. She was a vocational school teacher and a member of the Union Hill Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by: parents, Hubert and Eula Bussell Way; and paternal grandparents, Hiram and Ollie Fox Way.

Surviving relatives include: son, Johnny Farran of Cookeville; father of Johnny, Hany J. Farran of California; and brothers, Doyle (Margaret) Way of Cookeville and Arlon (Jane) Way of Crossville.

Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Pigs Benefit From Soy Protein

U.S. Soy has a large market in animal feed because of its rich nutritional value and its contribution to animal performance. Although alternatives exist, such as corn protein, and a growing supply of synthetic amino acids, research consistently shows that when compared to these alternatives, soy outperforms.

Dr. Hans H. Stein, a professor of Animal Science at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, conducts research in the area of intestinal physiology and feed ingredient evaluation. In October, he did an in-depth presentation based on relevant studies on the essential amino acids necessary for a healthy pig, and how different protein meals, such as soybean and corn, meet those requirements.

The main conclusion from Stein's presentation is that soy protein not only provides most of the essential amino acids required to maintain a healthy pig, but it has other notable benefits as well.

In the presentation, Stein outlined four key takeaways:

Soybean meal is more than amino acids.

Soy protein may support the immune system.

Corn protein is high in the branched chained AA leucine.

Excess leucine results in degradation of valine, isoleucine and trypto-

phan.

The following chart, provided by Stein, outlines the amino acid levels required for optimal pig health, and how soy protein, corn protein, and combined soy and corn protein meet those requirements.

When soy protein is combined with corn protein, every amino acid level requirement is met. Therefore, combining soy and corn protein for pig meal is a general practice.

Several studies indicate that soy protein is essential to a healthy pig. For starters, soybean meal provides more nutritional benefits than just amino acids, as outlined in Stein's first takeaway.

"Some studies have focused on other compounds that soybean meal provides, and they have indicated that yes, there are some other compounds in soybean meal that may be important in particular for pigs that are immune challenged," Stein said.

There is still more research to be done to discover other benefits soy has, Stein said.

He shared research from a study comparing the difference in soy protein and synthetic amino acid levels in pig feed. Although lower amounts of soybean meal can support a similar average daily weight gain in pigs to the same degree as a higher soybean meal diet, the way the pigs synthesize

the protein is different.

However, when specifically looking at Nitrogen-retention (N-retention), there is a significant difference between the higher and lower soybean meal. Stein explained this indicates that the pigs didn't synthesize as much protein and didn't produce as much muscle protein as the pigs fed the diet with the higher concentration of soybean meal. The average daily gain is similar because in the lower soybean meal, some of the ADG gain went to fat as opposed to protein. As a result, it is not possible to get the same performance of these pigs on a lower soybean meal diet and synthetic amino acids because they did not have the same N-retention.

When it comes to ensuring pigs get the levels of amino acids required, the balance needs to be right. For example, Stein explained that when pigs are given corn protein mixed with synthetic amino acids, there is a risk of pigs having excess amino acid leucine. As noted in Stein's third takeaway, corn protein has high levels of the branched chained AA leucine. Too much leucine can lead to degradation of isoleucine and valine and reduced utilization of tryptophan, which may result in reduced feed intake.

Through technological advancement, demand for synthetic amino acids — intended to be a less-

expensive alternative to soybean meal — has been growing dramatically, according to Stein.

"The only reason why producers would not use soybean meal is if they can use something else that is less expensive," Stein said. "That is the main reason for using synthetic amino acids instead of soybean meal."

Despite the immediate cost-benefit of utilizing synthetic amino acids or corn protein as opposed to soy, this research proves that pigs do better, and are healthier, overall when fed soybean meal.

Stein's presented this material as part of the "Animal Feed" portion of USSEC's Southeast Asia Technical Training conference. This topic aimed to deconstruct animal feed practices and formulations to show the optimum nutrient values of soy and its contribution to animal performance, illustrating the overall nutritional bundle of soy toward increasing production efficiency and profitability in both poultry and pig feed formulation.

Looking ahead, USSEC will continue to promote the benefits of using soy in animal feed, differentiating U.S. Soy, highlighting the U.S. Soy Advantage, and supplying end users with a trusted, consistent high-quality source of nutrients. Dare to Compare Soy Nutrients here.

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teachers and schools in implementing strong reading instruction for all students.

Tennessee has led the nation in academic gains for students over the past decade, and most recently in the K-12 crisis response to COVID-19. Tennessee is now poised not just to protect students, teachers, and schools in the face of an unprecedented global pandemic, but to accelerate student learning further and faster than ever before.

Calendar

Relative Caregiver Program to Hold Support Group Meeting

Are you raising a relative child or need housing assistance? For more information on assistance and support, please contact Melissa Allison at the Upper Cumberland Development District toll free at 1-877-275-8233. A support group meeting will be held for relatives that are caring for relative children during the month of January 2021. Please contact Melissa Allison at (931) 476-4127 if you are interested in attending this meeting. For housing assistance while caring for minor child contact Myra Walker at 931-432-4111.

Gipson Avenue Church of Christ Annual Fourth Sunday Singing Canceled

The Gipson Avenue Church of Christ in Gainesboro, Tennessee has decided to cancel the annual fourth Sunday singing, which should have been held on January 24, 2021 at their building, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.



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If You Received A Bargain Hunt Store Receipt That Showed More Than The Last 5 Digits Of Your Credit/Debit Card Number, Your Rights May Be Affected By A Class Action Settlement.

What is this lawsuit about? The lawsuit alleges that customers who used a credit or debit card at Bargain Hunt stores were provided with electronically-printed customer receipts which had more than the last five digits of their card number printed on the receipt. Bargain Hunt denies any wrongdoing but is settling the claims in this lawsuit.

Who is included in the Settlement? You are included in the Settlement if you used your personal credit or debit card at any Bargain Hunt store and you were provided with an electronically-printed customer receipt between August 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017 that shows more than the last 5 digits of your card number.

What are my rights? Submit A Claim - You can get up to \$100 from the Settlement. To be eligible for any money, you must submit a Claim Form by March 22, 2021 along with: (1) An original or copy of a receipt from any Bargain Hunt store between August 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017 showing more than the last 5 digits of your credit/debit card number; or (2) An original or copy of your credit/debit card statement showing your first and last name, and a purchase from any Bargain Hunt store between August 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

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Do Nothing - If you do nothing, you will remain in the Settlement, but you will not receive any money from the Settlement, and you will be bound by the orders and judgment of the Court and give up your rights to sue for the claims resolved by this Settlement. **Object -** You can stay in the Settlement and object to the Settlement. Your objection must be mailed to the Settlement Administrator on or before February 5, 2021. **Exclude Yourself -** If you do not want to be legally bound by the Settlement and you want to preserve your right to sue about the claims released by this Settlement, you must request to be excluded on or before February 5, 2021. If you exclude yourself you will not receive any money from this Settlement.

The parties will request a Fairness Hearing before the Honorable Judge Andy Prather, Division 2, on April 1, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. to decide whether to approve the settlement and to award attorneys' fees and expenses to the Settlement Class Counsel appointed by the Court, plus Settlement Class Representative incentive awards. If the hearing date/location changes, the updated information will be posted on the settlement website. Applicable pleadings will be posted on the website below after they are filed. You may attend this hearing, but you do not have to. If you want to be represented by your own lawyer, you may hire one at your own expense, but you do not have to.

This is a summary notice only. For more information about the Settlement, including the Long Form Notice and Claim Form, please visit FactaReceiptSettlement.com or write Bargain Hunt Settlement, P.O. Box 42546, Philadelphia, PA 19101-2546 or call 1-833-913-4213.

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Safety First When Power Washing Your Home This Spring

Spring cleaning is a great way for homeowners to clear their homes of clutter. As people spend extra time indoors in winter, items can quickly pile up around the house. Spring is a great time to clean up such clutter, but interior spaces are not the only areas of a home that can benefit from some extra attention once the weather warms up.

Harsh winters can take a toll on home exteriors. Dirt and grime can build up on exterior home surfaces over the course of the winter, affecting the appearance of the siding of a home as well as outdoor entertaining areas.

Power washing is a great way to give a home a fresh, clean look in spring. But there's more to power than simply renting the right equipment and getting to work.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notes that there are many risks associated with using power washers. For instance, the CDC says strong spray from power washers can cause serious wounds that initially seem minor. However, such wounds can lead to infection or disability if left untreated. In addition, if manufacturer safety instructions are not followed, electric shock can occur due to improper use.

Homeowners who are intending to power wash their own homes this spring should first determine if they're physically capable of doing so. Power washers can be difficult for some people to control, so it's imperative that homeowners honestly assess their physical abilities before

renting a unit. The CDC urges homeowners who determine they can safely handle power washers to take these additional safety steps to make sure the process of cleaning their home exteriors goes smoothly.

Never point a pressure washer at yourself or others; Do not attempt to push or move objects with spray from the washer. If anything is in your way, turn the power washer off and then move the obstruction; Never use a gasoline powered washer in an enclosed space, which can increase the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning; Always test the ground fault circuit interrupter (circuit breaker or outlet) before using a pressure washer; Always plug a properly grounded pressure washer into a properly grounded recep-

tacle; If an extension cord must be used, keep the pressure washer's power cord connection out of and away from any standing water, and use a heavy duty extension cord with components rated for use in wet locations. Keep both the power cord and extension cord connections as far away as possible from the item being washed and away from any water runoff. While power washing, periodically take note of the location of the extension cord connections to ensure they are not in a puddle; Wear rubber-soled shoes that provide some insulation when using the pressure washer; Never cut or splice the pressure washer's power cord or extension cords; Never remove the grounding prong from the pressure washer's power cord plug or the

extension cord; Pause the project if a circuit breaker is tripped. Always have a qualified electrician check the pressure washer for electrical problems after it has tripped a circuit breaker; Never allow children to operate a pressure washer. Keep children at a safe distance

when an adult is using a pressure washer.

Power washing can give a home a whole new look after a winter's worth of dirt and grime builds up on the home's exterior. Safety must remain the utmost priority when operating a power washer on your own.



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SAMSON, THE SON OF MANOAH, OF THE TRIBE OF DAN, IS ONE OF THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL DURING THE PERIOD OF DOMINATION BY THE PHILISTINES, HOLDING THIS OFFICE FOR TWENTY YEARS (JUDGES 13:5). HIS AUTHORITY SEEMS TO HAVE EXTENDED ONLY OVER HIS OWN TRIBE AND HIS ACTION AS A DELIVERER OF ISRAEL FROM THE PHILISTINE BONDAGE DOES NOT GO BEYOND A FEW DESULTORY ATTACKS UPON THE PHILISTINES.

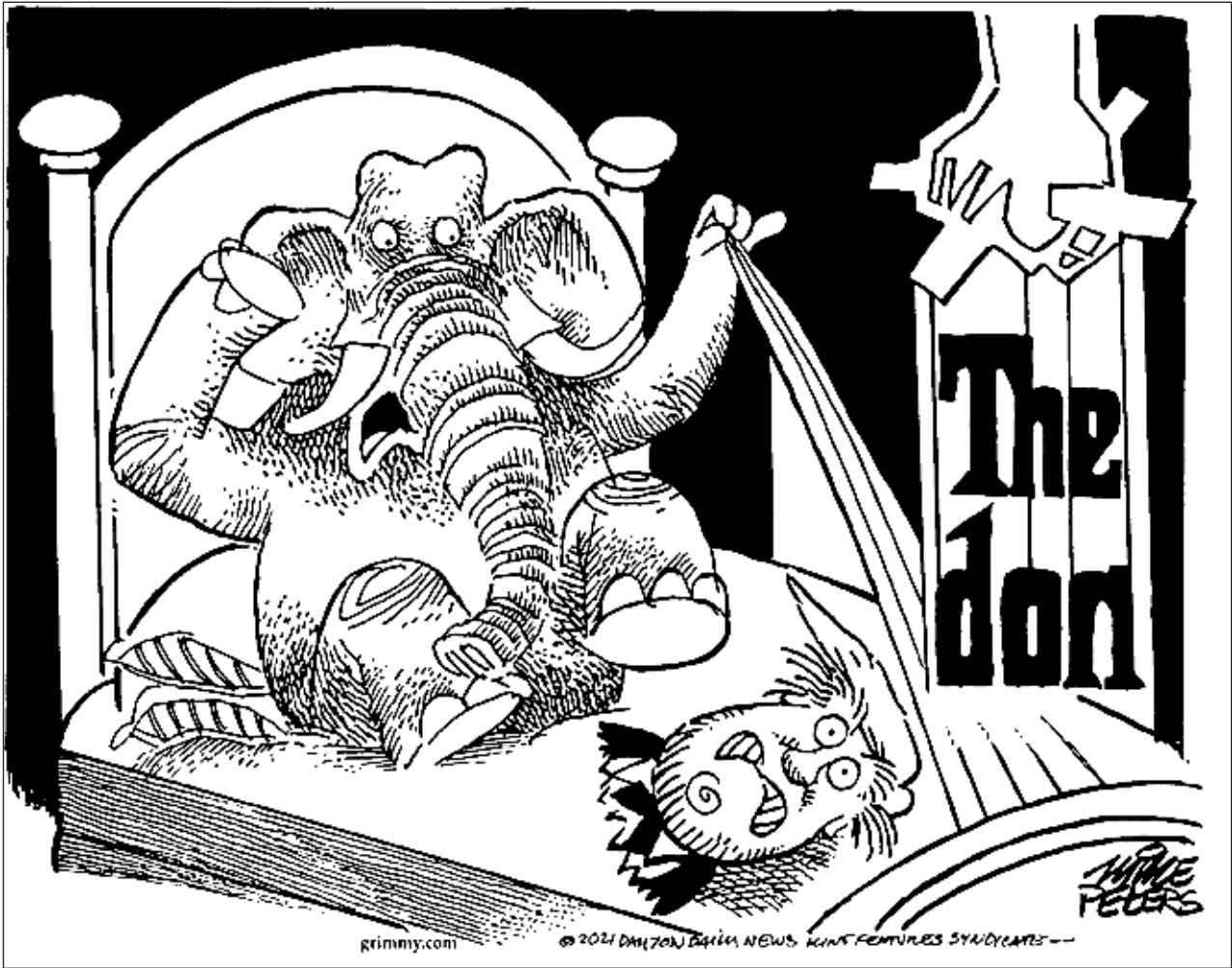
DEDICATED TO THE SERVICE OF GOD AS A NAZARITE BY HIS MOTHER FROM TIME OF BIRTH, SAMSON'S HISTORY SHOWS HIM A FUN-LOVING FELLOW WHOSE LIFE STYLE WAS BOISTEROUS INDULGENCES AMONG THE PHILISTINES, THEMSELVES. HIS MARRIAGE TO A PHILISTINE WOMAN AND LOVE FOR RIDDLES AND PRACTICAL JOES ONLY LED TO DISASTER FOR HIS WIFE AND HER FAMILY. HIS GREAT STRENGTH SEEMS TO BE THE ONLY THING THAT SAVED HIM ON THE NUMEROUS OCCASIONS WHEN HIS PENCHANT FOR DANGEROUS LIVING GOT HIM INTO TROUBLE. SUCH A MANNER OF LIVING COULD ONLY END DISASTEROUSLY, AS IT DID FOR SAMSON, WHEN, BLINDED AND USED AS A SLAVE BY HIS ENEMIES, HE EXERTED HIS GREAT STRENGTH IN AN ACT OF PERSONAL REVENGE UPON HIS TORMENTORS BY CAUSING THE COLLAPSE OF A TEMPLE IN WHICH THE PHILISTINES WERE FEASTING TO THEIR GOD, DAGON. IT IS NOTED THAT WITH SAMSON'S DEATH THREE THOUSAND PHILISTINES WERE ALSO DESTROYED - BUT ONE WONDERS HOW MUCH MORE SAMSON MIGHT HAVE ACHIEVED IN HIS LIFE HAD HE CONFINED HIS AGILE THINKING AND ENORMOUS STRENGTH TO THE DEDICATED LIFE OF A TRUE NAZARITE INSTEAD OF "A-WHORING AFTER THE DAUGHTERS OF THE PHILISTINES".

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Opinion



The Storm Of The Red Hats

B.B. Henderson
special to the *Sentinel*

“I love the country but I can’t stand the scene.” This Leonard Cohen lyric best resonates with how I feel about the riots that took place last Wednesday on our nation’s capitol.

What a scene: a violent mob of extremist Trump supporters wearing hats and shirts displaying the tired old mantra “Make America Great Again” while attacking the United States Capitol—busting windows, raiding and looting offices, disrupting the business of Congress—causing lawmakers to take shelter and evacuate the building.

The irony is unbelievable.

Taking down the American flag to fly a Trump flag in its place is not only unpatriotic but disgustingly disgraceful.

I had a deep fear that our country (and our friends and allies watching from across the pond) would witness something so devastatingly disappointing as what happened on Capitol Hill.

While different measures could have been taken to help prevent the riots from taking place, and much investigation needs to be conducted to reveal how the mob was able to easily overwhelm law enforcement, I argue that President Trump incited the chaos with careless rhetoric. Before the

riots, Trump addressed the mob saying, “We’re going to walk down to the Capitol. And we’re going to cheer on our brave senators and congressmen and women. And we’re probably not going to be cheering so much for some of them because you’ll never take back our country with weakness. You have to show strength.”

The keywords to note here in his address are *weakness* and *strength*. What does weakness look like? What does strength look like? Is a peaceful protest too weak? While Trump did not explicitly express how his supporters should show strength, it seems the supporters interpreted *strength* as synonymous with *violence*. And in a mob of likeminded people where emotions are heightened, it only takes a few people to act before others follow suit.

The above address from Trump is only one instance of his carelessness with words.

It is a frightening thought that the leader of the free world (thankfully not for much longer now) uses anti-American and cult-like rhetoric such as “We will never concede” and “We love you. You’re very special.” But Trump had been using this sort of language and spouting misinformation before voting had even begun.

And when Trump continuously touts that

the big, bad media “is not free. It’s not fair... It’s become the enemy of the people,” his followers engrave that idea into their minds. Crying “fake news” became the easy way for followers to discredit anything that may have put Trump in a bad light.

I even came across a comment on social media by a die-hard supporter who was apparently there during the attack and claimed that the protest was peaceful and the media made the rioters look more violent than they were. But the thing is, we don’t need the media or press to tell us about what happened last Wednesday. The ignoramuses who took pictures of themselves stealing podiums or sitting in House Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s desk showed us what happened. Some rioters even live streamed

themselves breaking into the Capitol. Sorry, there’s no crying fake news this time.

While Trump did incite the attack, he isn’t solely to blame. Those who have supported or entertained President’s Trump false claims share responsibility in the matter, too. While some republican house members and senators decided not to object to certifying electoral college counts after the attack on the Capitol, though they initially intended to do so, some of those republicans helped stoke the fire by being complicit with Trump’s charades.

With all said, January 6 was a sad day in our nation, but we will move forward from here. To quote Vice President Mike Pence, “Violence never wins. Freedom wins. And this is still the people’s house.”

Americanisms

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— Martin Luther King Jr.

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The COVID Vaccine Is Coming for Vets



by Freddy Groves

The COVID vaccine is currently being distributed to 37 VA locations around the country. The logistics to move 300 million doses to where they need to be (Operation Warp Speed) are overwhelming, but the Department of Veterans Affairs has plans in hand for us.

The first thing to remember is that you likely won’t be first in line to get the vaccine. Until you get the two shots (spaced weeks apart), your job is to stay healthy. Just because you get the first shot doesn’t mean you’re in the clear. And depending how things are going in your area, you’ll likely need to keep wearing a mask and doing social distancing, even after you’ve had both doses.

The order of vaccination is still being organized, but it will likely start with medical staff and residents of long-term care facilities, and

those with high-risk medical conditions.

Once they move down the list, the vaccines will be available to all veterans who get VA health care. The fine print says they’ll contact you when it’s available, but it can’t hurt to check with your health team to make sure they have your info. If you’re not signed up for VA health care, you can apply online with VA form 10-10EZ.

Other tidbits:

If they come out with multiple vaccines, no, you won’t be able to pick which one you get, at least not initially when there are shortages.

If you haven’t had a flu shot but plan to get one, do it now. You likely will not be able to take the COVID vaccine too soon after getting a flu shot. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is still deciding about this.

For more info on the vaccines and VA, go to www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine. Scroll down for lots of information and resources.

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VSCC Fall 2020 Dean’s List Announced

The following students have been named to the Fall 2020 Dean’s List at Volunteer State Community College. The Dean’s List recognition is awarded to students that have completed a minimum of twelve collegiate-level hours with at least a 3.750 GPA during the awarding term.

James Aldridge Jr of Cookeville; Linsey Anderson of Gainesboro; Isaac Bordewyk of Hilham; Connor Bry-

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VSCC Fall 2020 Dean’s List and Honor Roll

The following are stu-dents have been named to the Fall 2020 Dean’s List with Honor Roll at Vol-unteer State Community College. In order to be awarded both the Dean’s List and Honor Roll rec-ognition, students must have accumulated a mini-mum of eighteen overall collegiate-level hours and complete a minimum of twelve collegiate-level hours with at least a 3.750 GPA during the awarding term.

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A Week In Jackson County History

January 22, 1970

Government Drops Box On Bathtubs For Census

The federal govern-ment still wants to know if you family has its own bathtub but it no longer gives a hoot whether you go in for communal showering.

As the census bureau prepares to take its 10 year head count of Amer-icans, the controversy that boiled up two years ago over the nature of the questions to be asked has all but died out.

Minimum Wage To Change Feb. 1

The Fair Labor Stan-dards Act, as amended in 1966, provides dif-ferent minimum wage standards for employ-ment, effective February 1, 1970, according to a reminder today from the U.S. Department of La-bor’s Wage and Hour Di-vision.

Employers are re-minded that employees in employment brought

under the law by the 1966 amendments will be enti-tled to not less than \$1.45 an hour effective Febru-ary 1. The rate for these workers is currently at least \$1.30 an hour.

School Water Being Restored

Work began last Thursday morning, Jan-uary 15, to repair the main water line across the Cumberland River Bridge. The line froze and burst leaving resi-dents of the Stone Com-munity and Jackson County High School without water. The broken water main resulted in the temporary closing of all county schools.

Supt. Ed Meadows Smith said engineers advised him Monday they needed two more full days of work on the water main to finish the repairs which continued throughout last weekend. Work had to be stopped Tuesday when more snow, plunging tempera-

tures and ice conditions hit the area.

Fox Cagers Down Moss

Last week the three teams from Fox El-ementary School took to the hardwood after a long holiday. They did it in a big fashion as they crushed Hermitage Springs for three victo-ries Thursday night and they came back the next night to take three more games from Moss.

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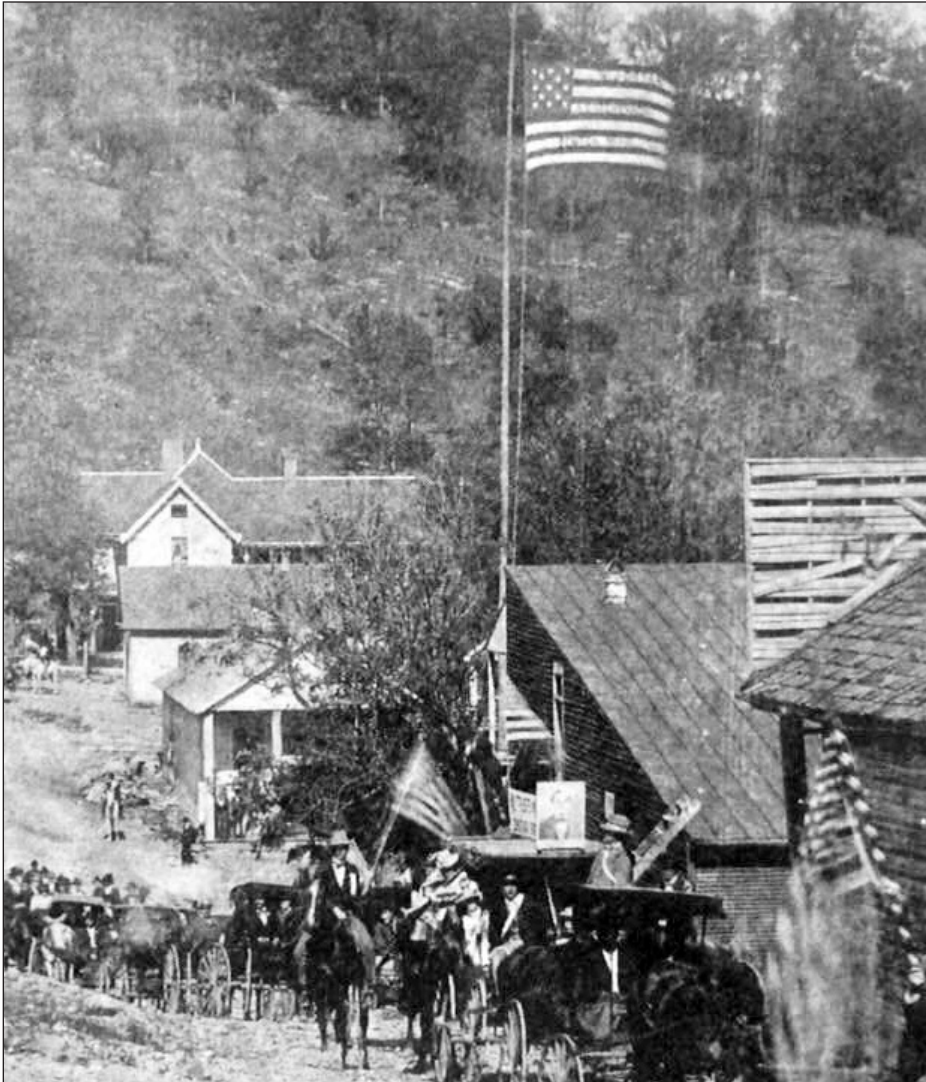
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Blue Devils Split Games Against The RBS Bulldogs

MATTHEW STAFFORD
staff writer

The Blue Devils basketball teams of Jackson County High School (JCHS) took the court to face Van Buren County on Monday, Jan 4.

The Lady Blue Devils lost to the Lady Eagles 48-35.

Leading in the scoring for the lady Blue Devils was Jacklyn Agee with eight points.

Scoring for the girls against Van Buren County were: Ericka Davidson with two, Lilly Chaffin with two, Rebecca Harris with two, Emma Chaffin with four, Carlee Bean with three, Riley Thomas with four, Rylee Anderson with three, Erin Davidson with three and Rachel Harris with four.

“We played well throughout most of the first half. We were behind 21-18 with about two minutes to play and we let them finish the half on a 8-0 run. Then we just could not buy a basket in the third quarter. We only scored two points in the third and it just put us in a hole. We got a big lift from our bench in the fourth quarter. I was really proud of how

our second group played. Hopefully the COVID quarantines are behind us and we can get a routine of playing,” Coach Jim Brown said.

The JCHS Blue Devils won against the Van Buren County Eagles 65-51. Leading in the scoring for the Blue Devils was Ramon Cuevas with 26 points.

Scoring for the boys against Van Buren County were: Hayden Stacy with eight, Jordan Arroyo with 11, Eli Burris with 12, Chris Pigg with three and Braden Jones with five.

“Good win on the road for our team tonight. Our boys really played with a lot of heart tonight. Van Buren puts slot of pressure on you defensively with the way they can shoot the three,” Coach Kevin Thomas said.

Following the game against Van Buren County was a game against Clay County on Tuesday, Jan. 5.

The Lady Blue Devils lost to the Lady Bulldogs 70-38. Leading in the scoring for the Lady Blue Devils was Lilly Chaffin with 12 points.

Scoring for the girls against Clay County

were: Ericka Davidson with two, Nikki Ragland with two, Emma Stepp with three, Carlee Bean with two, Emma Chaffin with six, Emma Crockett with nine and Erin Davidson with two.

“We seem to be in this recurring pattern where we play pretty well in the first half but fail to show up in the second half. They dominated us on the boards. We have to continue to improve and do a better job of rebounding and taking care of the ball. I thought Lilly Chaffin had a good game for us. She was more aggressive offensively,” Coach Brown said.

The JCHS Blue Devils lost to the Bulldogs 58-49. Leading in the scoring for the Blue Devils was Ramon Cuevas with 16 points.

Scoring for the boys against Clay County were: Hayden Stacy with two, Jordan Arroyo with four, Eli Burris with 12, Chris Pigg with eight, Kendrick Brown with five, Drew Clinard with one and Braden Jones with one.

“Tough district loss for our team tonight. I thought our boys played well. We just missed four

big layups in the first half that could have put us up ten points at halftime, but we were only up two points and dominated the game except for the scoreboard. We were tied at the end of the third quarter but in the fourth we were only two of eight from the free throw line. As a team we were 11 of 24 for the game. We have to be better at the free throw line to win big games against good teams,” Coach Thomas said.

Following the game against Clay County was a game against Red Boiling Springs on Friday, Jan. 8

The Lady Blue Devils lost to the Lady Bulldogs 46-32. Leading in the scoring for the Lady Devils was Jacklyn Agee with 13 points.

Scoring for the girls against Red Boiling Springs were: Ericka Davidson with one, Lilly Chaffin with seven, Emma Chaffin with two, Emma Crockett with six and Emma Stepp with three.

The Blue Devils got out to a fast start on Friday night against the Red Boiling Springs Bulldogs and at the end of the 1st

quarter they lead 26-13 and never looked back as they went on to beat the Bulldogs 70-36. Leading in the scoring for the Blue Devils was Jordan Arroyo and Ramon Cuevas with 14 points.

Scoring for the boys against Red Boiling Springs were: Hayden Stacy with two, Eli Burris with 13, Chris Pigg with nine, Kendrick Brown with six, Drew Clinard with two, Braden Jones with six and John Shelton with four.

“We came out and played hard tonight. It’s always good to see every kid get to play that dressed tonight. I thought our younger kids got to get some nerves out tonight playing for the first time,” Coach Thomas said.

Following the game against Red Boiling Springs was a game against Cascade on Saturday, Jan. 8.

The Lady Blue Devils beat the Lady Champions 55-52. Leading in the scoring for the Lady Blue Devils was Ericka Davidson with 25 points.

Scoring for the girls against Cascade were: Nikki Ragland with 15, Lilly Chaffin with four,

Riley Thomas with eight and Emma Chaffin with three.

“It was good to get a win. The girls battled hard. Ercika Davidson had a big game for us and came through down the stretch. Nikki Ragland had the hot hand hitting five 3-pointers and Riley Thomas made some big free throws at the end. I hope we can build on this win and it will give us some confidence,” Coach Brown said.

The JCHS Blue Devils lost to the Champions 54-44. Leading in the scoring for the Blue Devils was Jordan Arroyo with 11 points.

Scoring for the boys against Cascade were: Hayden Stacy with three, Ramon Cueves with 10, Eli Burris with six, Chris Pigg with six and Kendrick Brown with eight.

“Not a good shooting night for our team. We shot 28% from the field to Cascade 44%. You just can’t win with that kind of shooting,” Coach Thomas said.

The Blue Devils will take the court again Monday, Jan. 11 at Clarkrange and Friday, Jan. 15 at Trousdale County. Game times are 6 p.m.



Move It Or Lose It – Lilly Chaffin trying to get by a Lady Bulldog defender during their game Friday night.



A Little Help Please – Emma Chaffin tries to find a open team mate to pass the ball to.




Free Throw – Jordan Arroyo gets ready to try a free throw.



Out Of The Way – Hayden Stacy tries to find a lane to the basket.

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UT Gardens’ January 2021 Plant of the Month Named

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There are several regions of the world where you can see the very narrow variation of Italian Cypress (Cupressus sempervirens ‘Stricta’ Zone (7)8-10) in cultivation. They thrive in warm Mediterranean climates as their common name suggests. I’ve also seen very nice specimens in places like Charleston, South Carolina. However, I know several people across Tennessee who have tried with little success to grow this plant, perhaps due to the double whammy of wet-coldish winters and humidity. If you have seen the Italian Cypress and love its form and structure in the garden, there is a plant that comes very close to mimicking these attributes and can withstand Tennessee’s climate.

‘Taylor’ juniper, Juniperus virginiana, is named after the village of Taylor,

Nebraska (population 186), a windswept prairie town in the heart of the Great Plains. Allen Wilke, a nurseryman from Columbus, Nebraska, found the plant in 1978, growing on land belonging to Marlin Britton west of Taylor. The parent plant was 25 feet tall and 3 feet wide. It was from this tree Wilke took his original cuttings.

When designing gardens, I certainly like to combine formal elements with more natural features. Often, we think of formal elements in the garden as high maintenance. This can include clipped hedges or very straight lines that need to be maintained. Perhaps ‘Taylor’s best feature is maintaining a tight formal appearance with little to no pruning. The size of the parent plant described above is what you can expect in the garden—just 3 feet wide but towering 25 feet high.

‘Taylor’ will do well

planted in full sun and will be tolerant of almost any soil (except for soggy) you plant it in. However, I caution against overly amended, overly moist or nutrient rich soils. This can cause ‘Taylor’ to grow too fast and its form cannot be guaranteed. Think of the best spot in the garden for this plant as full sun in less than ideal soil.

Overall, you will be impressed with the growth rate of ‘Taylor’. It is not as quick as some of the very common screening evergreens you might encounter. However, it only takes a few years to have a noticeable plant in the landscape. This plant is of course a cultivar of the very common Eastern Redcedar you see growing throughout Tennessee. It is tough, resilient and can make a great addition to your landscape.

‘Taylor’ junipers can be viewed at each UT Gardens location, in Knoxville, Crossville and Jackson.



Plant Of The Month –The Taylor Juniper, seen here in Knoxville, is a great addition to Tennessee landscapes. The plant mimics many characteristics of the Italian Cypress. Photo by A. Pulte, courtesy UTIA.

Tennessee Tech Fall 2020 Dean’s And Graduate’s List Announced

More than 4,160 students have earned top academic performance honors, being named to Tennessee Tech University’s Fall 2020 dean’s list.

The dean’s list recognizes academic performers across the university’s eight academic colleges and schools. To be included on the list, a student must attend the university full time and earn a grade-point average of at least 3.1 on the 4.0 scale.

These students come to Tech from all 95 counties in Tennessee, several other states and various countries throughout the world.

More than 700 degrees were awarded in December to women and men who came to Tech from 95 counties throughout Tennessee, as well as several other states and countries. Those earning undergraduate degrees represent 41 fields of study, and those receiving graduate degrees represent 28 fields of study.

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