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### Enterprise Office Closed Friday

The Livingston Enterprise office will be closed on Friday, Dec. 31. Normal office hours will resume on Monday, Jan. 3.

### Sobriety Checkpoints

The Overton County Sheriff's Dept. will be conducting Sobriety Check Points and Saturations Dec. 31. We would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy New Year. If you choose to drink do so responsibly get a sober ride home.

### Reviews Begin in Federal Declaration

TEMA, FEMA, and local officials in 18 Tennessee counties have begun Preliminary Damage Assessments to determine the state's eligibility for additional federal assistance to support recovery efforts from the deadly tornado outbreak on Dec. 10, and Dec. 11.

"The joint local, state, and FEMA teams will review data to determine the state's eligibility for a Major Disaster Declaration and the federal Individual Assistance (IA) program, with a first priority of taking care of the immediate needs of survivors first," TEMA Director Patrick Sheehan said. "Next week, the teams will review information on the impacts to county facilities, roads, and utilities to determine the state's eligibility for the federal Public Assistance (PA) program."

The west and middle Tennessee counties where the joint PDAs will take place this week include: Cheatham, Clay, Davidson, Decatur, Dickson, Dyer, Gibson, Henderson, Henry, Lake, Madison, Obion, Shelby, Smith Stewart, Sumner, Weakley, and Wilson.

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# City Considering Crosswalk Upgrades

BRIAN WILMOTH  
editor

The City of Livingston is exploring options to upgrade two crosswalks near Livingston Regional Hospital.

Mayor Curtis Hayes said the upgrades would be helpful to people trying to cross Oak Street to access the facility.

"It would have the flashers and also would have what I'm calling the safety humps-the speed humps-where when patients or employees want to go across the street," Hayes said. "There would be two locations, one would on First Street, at the intersection of First Street and Oak. There would also be one directly in



Photo / LRH Social Media

**Upgrades Coming** – Crosswalk changes may soon be coming to two intersections near Livingston Regional Hospital. The City of Livingston is considering the hospital's request for the safety upgrades.

front of the hospital on Oak Street."

Hayes said LRH CEO Tim McGill said the hospital is willing to share the cost of the upgrades with the city.

Hayes said similar improvements have already been made in town

near A.H. Roberts Elementary School.

"They're more than just crosswalks," Hayes said. "What he is looking at installing is exactly what we have got over on Zachary St. where we got the grant, the Safe Route to School

Grant."

Hayes said that change was made to improve safety for students to cross the road to access the soccer fields near the Board of Education building.

Hayes said Police Chief Greg Etheredge helped do a traffic study on Oak Street near the hospital, where the speed limit is 25 mph.

"The police department went over and put their electronic speed detector down, and the average speed I think... was 35 mph on Oak Street," Hayes said. "But the hospital wanted to move forward calling it a safety measure."

Hayes said if the project is going to be done, it

needs to be done right.

"If Mr. McGill wants to do what we've talked about with him, then I need to get it engineered and make sure it is done properly and correct," Hayes said. "Because as we all know, Oak Street is used a lot."

The issue is before the city council because they have the ultimate say in changes to the city streets.

"It would be altering a city street," Hayes said. "And the only folks that can do that is the board."

The issue was tabled during the city's Dec. 6 meeting. Hayes said the issue would likely be addressed next at its February meeting.

# Unemployment Remains Low

BRIAN WILMOTH  
editor

The unemployment rate in Overton County continues to outpace the rates in surrounding counties.

Overton County's unemployment rate fell to 2.6-percent in November, which is down 0.3 percentage points from October.

Putnam County, the only other surrounding county under three percent, fell from 3.1-percent in October to 2.9-percent in November.

Clay County had the highest unemployment of surrounding counties last month at 4.4-percent, down from 4.6 in the previous month.

The unemployment rate for November in the other surrounding counties include 3.1-percent in Pickett County, 3.2-percent in Fentress County, and 3.4-percent in Jackson County.

Across the state, 85 counties recorded lower unemployment rates in November, while five counties saw no movement with their rates, and the remaining five counties experienced a slight increase in unemployment.

Williamson County continued to have the state's lowest level of unemployment at 2.1-percent, down 0.1 of a percentage point when compared to October. Cheatham County had the second-lowest rate in the state, moving from 2.5-percent to 2.2-percent in November.

At 5.1-percent, Perry County had the highest rate of unemployment in Tennessee. That figure represented a 0.2 percentage point drop from its October rate. Maury, Cocke, and Lewis counties each had a November rate of 4.7-percent.

Statewide, Tennessee experienced lower unemployment for the sixth consecutive month. With a November seasonally adjusted rate of 4-percent, down 0.2-percent from October, the state matched its pre-pandemic unemployment levels. In March 2020, the state's rate was 4-percent and then spiked to an all-time high of 15.8-percent the next month.

Nationally, unemployment also improved in November. The seasonally adjusted rate for the month was 4.2-percent, down 0.4-percent from the October rate of 4.6-percent.

When Barbara Fenlon graduated Dec. 17, she had experienced Tennessee Tech as a mother of a student, as an employee of the university, and now finally as a graduating student herself.

Fenlon first came to Tech in 1973 to start a degree in pre-nursing. She wasn't very far into her studies before she realized nursing was not for her. She changed her

major to business administration, but even then she struggled to adjust to college life.

"I was majoring in parties and sleeping," Fenlon said with a laugh. "After two years, I had a 2.0 grade average. I decided I was just wasting my parents' money. I moved back home and worked for a year in a bank in downtown Nashville."

After that, she be-

came a legal secretary for a while and then managed rental property for 12 years in Cookeville. When her own son, Drake, decided to attend Tech, Fenlon got a job as an administrative assistant in Tech's Electrical and Computer Engineering Department.

"Academia rubbed off on me," she said. "Towards the end of the spring 2014 semester, I decided

I wanted to learn math. I applied for admission, was accepted, and had my first meeting with Tammy Keylon, then an advisor at the College of Interdisciplinary Studies. She was very encouraging and said I could take any course I wanted, but why not work towards finishing my degree."

Fenlon focused on two topics: exercise science and business manage-

ment. She had worked as an administrative assistant for various businesses and now at Tech, but also was interested in exercise and taught local fitness classes in her free time.

She got to work, sometimes taking two classes a semester, sometimes taking only one, and sometimes not taking any at all

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# Toy Drive A Success



Photo / Submitted

**Toy Drive** – The Overton County Sheriffs Department would like to thank all the citizens and merchants of Overton County that helped in any way on our Annual Toy Drive this year. The outpouring of support was huge. Without the help of the community and the ladies in the office it wouldn't be possible. Tonia Butler, Lisa Ledbetter, and Susan Robbins are the backbone of making sure the Toy Drive runs smoothly. Pictured in the photo are (left-to-right) Sheriff John Garrett, Chief Tim Poore, and LT. Mike Tharp

# Graduate Wore Many Hats

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# Obituaries

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**Bobbie Sue Hurst**  
Bobbie Sue Hurst, 86, of Allons, passed away Dec. 22 at the Celina Health and Rehabilitation. Funeral services were held Dec. 27 from the Chapel of the Hall Funeral Home of Livingston with Bro. Walt Phillips officiating. Interment followed in the Fitzgerald Hamilton Addition located in Celina.

She was born Dec. 29, 1932 in Celina. She worked hard for her fam-

**Betty F. Smith**  
Betty F. Smith, 83, of Livingston, passed away Dec. 20 from her residence. Private graveside were held. Interment followed in the Overton County Memorial Gardens.

She was born Feb. 26, 1938 in Overton County.

She was preceded in death by: parents, Johnny and Jesse Mullins Fletcher; brothers, Willie Fletcher, Charlie Fletcher and Wylie "Bud" Fletcher; and four nephews.

Surviving relatives include: husband, James P. Smith of Livingston; daughters, Diane Col-

**Robert Neal Miller Sr.**  
Robert Neal Miller, Sr., 85, passed away Dec. 25. There will be a Celebration of Life service in Colorado on July 16, 2022.

He was born May 13, 1936 in Minneapolis, MN. He served in the Army for 21 years in both the Korean and Vietnam wars and was a Purple Heart recipient. He earned a Doctor of Theology. His interested included carpentry, woodworking and he was able to fix about anything. He was extremely proud of his American Indian heritage, coming from the Cherokee Nation.

He was preceded in death by: parents; three

ily and loved them very much.

She was preceded in death by: parents, Ralph and Esther (Spears) Meadows; husband, Bob Hurst; son, John Hurst; twin sister, Billie Craft; and step son, Bob Hurst, Jr.

Surviving relatives include; daughter, Barb Davis and husband, Carl; step daughter, Sandy Gilbertson and husband, Larry; grandson, Matt Davis and wife, Mindy; step grandson, Greg Gilbertson; and great grandchildren, Briar, Dalton, Emma and Brooklyn Davis.

Pallbearers were Jimmy Nevins, Joe Sullivan, Orville Johnson, Bruce Smith, Stacey Smith and Toby Craft.

**Hall Funeral Home of Livingston** was in charge of arrangements.

lins and husband, Jack of Livingston, Kim Matthews and husband, Mark of Livingston and Karen Peek and husband, Michael of Rickman; son, Steve Smith and wife, Marla of Livingston; grandchildren, Brandon White, Courtney Brady, Brittany White, Cristin Hargis, Kelli Smith, Mac-ey Matthews, Jonathan Peek, Alex Smith and Cameron Smith; seven great grandchildren; and brother, Johnny Fletcher, Jr. and wife, Juanita of Cookeville.

**Speck Funeral Home** was in charge of arrangements.

brothers; and a daughter.

Surviving relatives include: wife, Deborah (Debi) Miller; sons, Erik Miller (Sarah) of Calhan, CO, Robert N. Miller, Jr. (Cynthia), Michael Miller (Robine), Mark Miller (Melissa), Phillip Miller (Chenelle) and John Miller; daughters, Kim Watts (Alvin), Wendy Miller, Gerri Miller, April Wing (Eric), Angelic Miller, Veronica Lacy. Colette Miller, Chanel Miller and Janese Flim; sisters, Onamia Bryant and Kathy Miller; and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, cousins, nieces and nephews.

**Speck Funeral Home** was in charge of arrangements.



**Jerry Lee Sr.**  
Jerry Lee Sr., 77, of Ringgold, GA, passed away Dec. 21. Funeral services were held Dec. 23 in the chapel of Heritage Chattanooga Funeral Home with Pastor Mitch McClure officiating. Interment was held Dec. 27 at Duggan-Smith Cemetery in Livingston.

He worked at East Ridge Barber Shop for

**Charlotte Jane Foster**

Charlotte Jane Foster, 79, of Allons, passed away Dec. 23 from Vanderbilt Medical Center. Funeral services were held Dec. 27 from East Clay Community Church with Bro. Morris McMasters officiating. Interment followed in St. Johns Cemetery.

She was born Nov. 3, 1942 in Clay County. She loved gardening and canning fresh produce. She knew how to sew and loved quilting.

She was preceded in death by: parents, Eddie and Martha Cherry Hummel; husband, J.T. Foster; son, Junior Foster; daughter, Melinda Qualls; sister, Connie Taylor; and brothers, Willie Ray Hummel, M.B. Hummel and Junior Hummel.

Surviving relatives

60 years and was on the Catoosa County Water Board for 18 years. He loved fishing, corvettes and was of the Baptist faith.

He was preceded in by: wife, Martha Lee; parents, John Ottis and Callie Lee; brother, Bobby Lee; and sisters, Frances Polly Franklin and Grace Garner.

Surviving relatives include: son, Jerry (Heather) Lee Jr.; brother, Keith Lee; sisters, Thelma Dearing and Claudine Lee; grandchildren, Mariah Lee (and her mother, Jerresia Atkins), Wesley Ownbey; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

**Heritage Chattanooga Funeral Home** was in charge of arrangements.

include: son, Joey Foster and wife, Dianna of Allons; daughters, Etter Mae Staggs and husband, Mike of Allons and Velena Walker and husband, Clifford of Hardys Chapel; grandchildren, Brian Staggs and wife, Brittney, Brandon Staggs and wife, Kaylie, Cody Foster and wife, Arianna, Joshua Foster, Shawn Foster, Nick Foster and wife, Aleta, Korie Foster, Jacob Walker and Elijah Walker; great grandchild, Adaline "Addy" Staggs' brothers, Gene Hummel and wife, Betty of Indiana, Razell Hummel of Indian and R.D. Hummel of Allons; son in law, Gary Qualls; daughter in law, Kim Foster; and several nieces and nephews.

**Speck Funeral Home** was in charge of arrangements.



**Carl C. Hammock**

Carl C. Hammock, 83, of Livingston, passed away Dec. 24 at his residence. Funeral services were held Dec. 28 from the Chapel of the Hall Funeral Home of Livingston with Bro. Alex Jackson officiating. Interment followed in the Carter Bilbrey Cemetery in the Highland Community.

He was born Jan. 16, 1938 in Livingston. He was a retired truck driver for Robert Orr Sysco and a Beaty Swamp Community Church.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Jeff Lee and Myrtle (Gore) Hammock; sisters, Johnny (Hammock) Walker, Anna Moore and Dean Hagins; and brothers, Carmon B. Hammock,

Carol Douglas Hammock and Carlos Hammock.

Surviving relatives include: daughter, Sharon Nelson and husband Roger of Allons; sons, Stan Hammock (Dawn Voss) of Livingston, Terry Hammock and wife, Melissa of Rickman; grandchildren, Chris (Megan) Nelson, Kayla Nelson, Abby King all of Allons, Trista (Jon) Farmer, Chelsea (Logan) Beaty of Hilham, Matthew (Alli) Hammock, Abby Hammock, Maddie Hammock, Brooke Hammock all of Rickman; Payton Hammock, Kyra Bilbrey, Katie Ray and Johnathon Bilbrey all of Livingston; great grandchildren, Liam, Laniney Nelson, Waylon, Lavada Farmer, Bo, Livvy Beaty; sister; Carlene Poston and husband, Junior; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Pallbearers were Stan Hammock, Terry Hammock, Roger Nelson, Chris Nelson, Matthew Hammock and Logan Beaty.

**Hall Funeral Home of Livingston** was in charge of arrangements.



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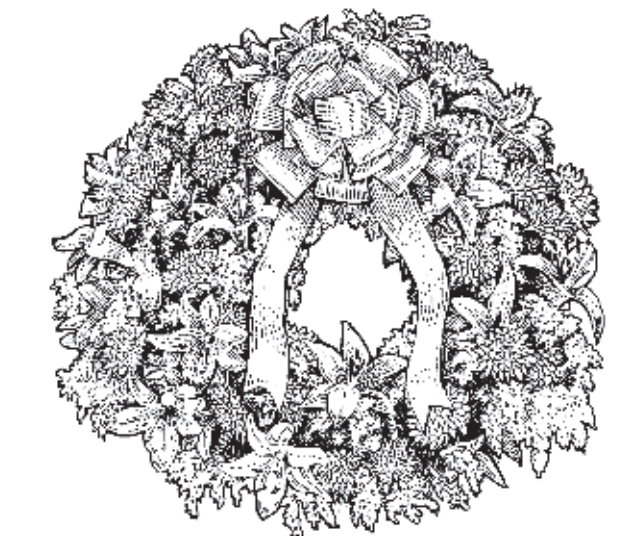
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# Card Of Thanks

Thanks to all the churches for your prayers and calls due to the death of my son, Ricky Sells.  
Thanks to Dr. Dawn Barlow and hospice.  
Also, a special thank you to James and Venita Lightsey.  
Thaks to Dr. Meyer and her staff for helping to save Frank's thumb due to an accident.

Sincerely,  
Helen M. McIlvain



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# Education

## Tennessee Tech Celebrates Commencement

Tennessee Tech University celebrated its fall commencement ceremonies on Friday, Dec. 17, in the Hooper Eblen Center.

“You are native Cookevillians and adopted residents,” said Tech President Philip Oldham. “Either way, this will always be your home. You belong to this community and campus. You cared for those suffering and in need, and you put your lives on hold to serve others.

“When you were asked to adapt, you did. When you were told to be patient, you were. When you were encouraged to finish strong, you did. When the pandemic changed your world, you changed me with what you did – you showed me the strength of youth in action.”

More than 800 degrees were awarded to women and men who came to Tech from 71 counties throughout Tennessee, 15 states and 13

other countries. Those earning undergraduate degrees represent 38 fields of study, and those receiving graduate degrees represent 28 fields of study.

The birth dates of students from the class of 2021 ranged from 1955 to 2001, evidence that an education at Tech can be for everyone, regardless of age.

“As Tech’s stature and reputation grow, so does the value of your degree,” said Oldham. “In just a few minutes, you will have a degree from one of the top ranked universities in the nation, and a university that gives you the highest average starting salary among public universities in Tennessee.”

Oldham continued, “Here’s the bottom line, and what I want you to take away from today. You are set to get a great return on investment because you have what the world wants and desperately needs: talent plus



**Commencement** – Tennessee Tech students celebrate graduation at the school’s commencement ceremonies Dec. 17. Over 800 degrees were awarded at the two events.

tenacity. You have clearly demonstrated those high value characteristics that are embodied within the degree you receive today. You are and forever will be bold, fearless and confident Golden Eagles.”

Retired professor Wayne Leimer was honored to serve as the official macebearer for both ceremonies. Leimer recently retired from teaching in 2021 after 50 years

of service. He taught in the department of Earth sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences.

The fall commencement ceremonies also featured several addresses to the graduates including remarks from Tennessee Tech Board of Trustee member Tom Jones and student member Hannah Willis, as well as remarks by the new Vice President for

Student Affairs Cynthia Polk-Johnson.

A special address was given by one of the graduating class’s own – senior communications student Morgan Lee.

Lee said, “I think it’s safe to say that we have had a very unique and challenging college experience, and no one can sum it up better than someone who went through it with you all.

It is an absolute honor to sit beside the 2021 December graduates today. This class has exhibited the Tennessee Tech values of being bold, fearless, confident and kind like no other.

“We entered our time at Tech boldly with ambition and promise for an amazing future,” she continued. “We entered a global pandemic and all of the precautions that come with it fearlessly. We continued to treat each other with such kindness as we all adapted to our new lives. And now, we enter a new chapter in each of our lives with the confidence that our time at Tennessee Tech has prepared us for any of life’s obstacles.”

Tech also recognized five students commissioned to serve in the armed forces as second lieutenants: Alan Burns, Sarah Crawford, Tucker Griffith, Joshua Walkup and Harmon Wattenbarger.

## CFMT Seeks Scholarship Applicants

The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee, a charitable organization connecting generosity with need in 40 Middle Tennessee counties and beyond, announces its annual scholarship application process is now open and invites students to apply by Feb. 1 at 11:59 p.m. Central Time.

The Foundation administers more than 150 scholarship funds, established by individuals, companies and civic groups in 40 Middle Tennessee counties as well as in Christian, Todd and Trigg counties in Kentucky. Students may be eligible for multiple scholarships and need only to submit one application.

Whether a student is studying law or horticulture, aviation or cosmetology, planning a career in criminal justice or teaching, or studying at a technical school or four-year university, The Community Foundation’s scholarship program supports individuals from various backgrounds and communities seeking funding for educational opportunities.

Scholarships also are available for students in Middle Tennessee who are legally blind or are survivors of cancer.

“There are many wonderful ways to give back, but seeing members of our community give to ensure students across Middle Tennessee can access education is, in my opinion, one of the best,” said Kelly Pietkiewicz, CFMT’s Scholarship Coordinator. “Education is the true key to so many successes in life, and our donors are making it possible for students from all walks of life.”

The deadline for scholarship applications is several weeks earlier than in previous years.

“Just as we pride ourselves in listening to and



executing our donors’ wishes, we also value student and counselor feedback,” Pietkiewicz said. “In taking all of these things into consideration, we are excited to move our application timeline up to better parallel national scholarships and financial aid processes. By closing the application on Feb. 1, we will be able to get students’ decisions on their applications prior to the National College Decision deadline of May 1 so they can factor their awards into their educational decisions.”

In 2021, a total of \$745,000 was awarded from The Community Foundation’s scholarship funds.

The students are attending 151 unique colleges and universities from 31 states, with three international students from Canada.

For a complete list of scholarships and the online application, visit The Community Foundation’s website at [www.cfmt.org/scholarships](http://www.cfmt.org/scholarships). Applications must be submitted by Feb. 1, 2022, at 11:59 p.m. Central Time. Applicants will be notified of results in mid-April.

## What Students Need To Know About Checking Account Fees

Students interested in opening a checking account should first research the fees they may be charged by a financial institution. Understanding when service fees may be can help students choose the option that best suits them and could save them hundreds of dollars a year, according to KHEAA.

Establishing good financial practices early is essential for students as they build their financial futures. One way to do this is to open their first checking account, being careful to avoid costly fees.

Fees vary by institution. The most common are maintenance and overdraft fees. To avoid maintenance fees, you may be required to maintain a minimum daily or an average daily balance. To avoid the monthly fee, you have to deposit enough money into your account to meet the minimum balance requirement.

Overdraft or non-sufficient funds fees occur when a transaction costs



more than you have in your account. These fees can be expensive, so try to avoid them. Most institutions offer overdraft protection that will cover the transaction, but you’ll have to pay a fee each time.

ATM fees are another cost factor to consider. Financial institutions charge a fee when you use ATMs that aren’t part of their network. In addition, you’ll be charged a separate fee by the ATM owner. It’s important to take these fees into consideration when making withdrawals from other banks’ ATMs.

KHEAA a public, non-profit agency established in 1966 to improve students’ access to college. It provides information about financial aid and financial literacy at no cost to students and parents.

## SCORE Identifies 2022 Education Priorities

Tennessee K-12 and higher education should prioritize accelerating learning, closing college completion gaps, expanding high-quality charter schools, and preparing students for careers in the coming year, the State Collaborative on Reforming Education (SCORE) says in a new report.

In Seizing The Moment: 2022 State Of Education In Tennessee, its 12th annual report, SCORE calls for priorities and policies that will accelerate and reimagine student learning as the state continues to help students and the education system recover from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

During the release event today, Sen. Bill Frist, MD, former US Senate Majority Leader and founder of SCORE, shared a call to action with audience members.

“There is no time to wait,” Frist said. “We

believe that Tennesseans can seize this moment to advance innovative, student-centered reforms to push back against the great disruption of COVID-19 and chart a path forward toward a bright future for every student.”

The 2022 State Of Education In Tennessee report outlines four priority areas for 2022:

- Accelerate student learning. Given the adverse impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on student learning — evidenced by drops in math and reading proficiency on 2021 TCAP results — the report urges action to accelerate student learning and put students on a path to college and career success.

- Close Tennessee’s college completion gaps. Acknowledging Tennessee’s national leadership in student-focused higher education policy, the report also notes that the state still has a college

completion problem. Just one in two students who enroll in a Tennessee public college or university goes on to complete a credential within six years, with lower rates of completion in the state’s community colleges.

- Increase high-quality charter school opportunities. The report points to research showing that high-quality public charter schools show better student outcomes for Black, Hispanic, and low-income students compared to many traditional public schools. The report recommends expanding opportunities for students to attend high-quality nonprofit public charter schools by incentivizing charter operators to launch, expand, and replicate schools in the state.

- Support students to be ready for careers. With more than half of the state’s jobs requiring a postsecondary credential — and too few Ten-

nesseans reaching that education milestone — the report cites a need for K-12 and higher education systems to provide coursework and learning opportunities that prepare students for careers.

To achieve this, the report recommends leveraging K-12, college, and workforce data to guide policy decisions and practices. In addition, the report urges that Tennessee strengthen career and technical education and work-based learning opportunities while increasing partnerships across K-12, postsecondary education, and industry to ensure more opportunities for students to earn high-quality credentials in innovative ways.

SCORE presented the report findings to educators, policymakers, and community and civic leaders during an event at the Tennessee State Museum in Nashville.

## Still Time To Enter Scholarship Giveaway

In the spirit of the season, the TNStars® College Savings 529 Program is giving one Tennessee child a \$5,000 scholarship awarded into a TNStars account, and there’s still time to enter!

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To enter the scholarship giveaway or to get more information on the program, visit [TNStars.com](http://TNStars.com).

All contest entries and winners are subject to the Official Rules of the TNStars Holiday Scholarship Giveaway.



# Ice Storm Wreaks Havoc

MEGAN REAGAN  
editor

Although the ice and snow are beautiful in sight, they both have proven to be dangerous and troublesome after last week's back-to-back winter storms—leaving thousands powerless in the frigid temperatures.

After the start of the storm early last Monday morning, ice began to accumulate up to nearly two inches in some areas in the Upper Cumberland and it began weighing down powerlines and trees—causing many to snap.

Overton and Jackson Counties had outages summing up to nearly 4,300 combined on Tuesday evening and outages continued off and on throughout both counties, many continuing through the weekend.

UCEMC officials reported ice is far more dreaded than snow because of its weight. Ice doesn't "shed" itself off their equipment like snow does until it eventually thaws.

"This unusual ice



ENTERPRISE Photos / Megan Reagan

**Winter Storms** - The winter storms that took place last week wreaked havoc by knocking out power for thousands.



storm had a disastrous effect on our system because the ice accumulations we received exceeded our design standard set by the Rural Utilities Services and the National Electrical Safety Code," a press release stated.

Good news came on Sunday evening as temperatures throughout the day increased, allowing for a regional thaw.

"Unfortunately, we can probably expect a few more days of tree limbs breaking and falling. The thaw will also produce wet soil, further weakening some tree's roots, causing them to fall. But now, the news we've all been waiting for: more often than not, repairs made to the main lines will stick, and we will be able to restore other members served by feeder lines from there," the release stated.

On Sunday evening, Overton County was still leading in the number of outages—a total of 800 still needing repair.

Jackson County had

made a significant progress over the weekend leaving only a total of 49 powerless.

Although the storm was unusual, as usual community members stepped up and extended helping hands for their neighbors. Many went out of their way to volunteer to cut trees and limbs out of driveways, offered their homes for warmth, food and showers, and selfless people cooked meals for the hardworking and cold linemen who had been working non-stop since the start of the storm.

Several area churches also offered their facilities as shelters for those needing a warm night's rest.

Jackson County officials and individuals secured generators for those who are bed ridden and in need of medical assistance and attached to medical devices.

Jackson County Mayor Randy Heady also provided updates daily, sometimes multiple times a day, to

keep his constituents informed on the situation as issues arose and were resolved.

Clay County opened some of their Fire and Rescue buildings as shelters to house the cold and without power as well.

As stated earlier in the article, the ice and snow can be quite beautiful, but to some it has been tragic—with one Overton County man passing away while trying to seek warmth.

A 70-year-old Tennessee man died amid power outages trying to get to his neighbor's house.

County leaders used this time as an opportunity to remind people to check on our neighbors around us, especially during critical times such as these.

In addition to one known death, in Overton County numerous house fires had started as a result of the use of alternative heating sources, down powerlines and blown transformers.

## LPD Under Investigation

MEGAN REAGAN  
editor

The Town of Livingston's Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session last night and heard about a recent malfeasance from the Livingston Police Department (LPD).

City Attorney John Meadows informed the board the funds were noticed to have gone missing from the LPD; however, according to Meadows, Police Chief Greg Etheredge reported the missing funds as soon as he noticed something was wrong.

"The police chief himself notified the district attorney to this fact," Meadows said.

At the time of press, it is unknown how much or what is actually missing.

According to Meadows, 13th Judicial District Attorney General Bryant C. Dunaway has been alerted along with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Comptroller's Office.

Meadows stated this is purely informational to make the board aware that the investigation is taking place.

In other business, the board approved entering into a contract with Water Leak Relief in order to make up for lost revenue from customer water leakages, while also providing customers with financial relief from high bills caused by water leaks—despite prior skepticism from some board members.

Alderman Kelly Coleman explained that after further research, he supports the city entering into a contract for this program.

"My opinions change and I support it...based on the fact the State of Tennessee will not allow the City of Livingston or a municipality to conduct a program like this in-house. We have to have a third party."

Beginning July 1, all water custom-

ers within the Livingston Utility District will automatically be enrolled into the program unless they call and opt out.

As previously reported in the Livingston Enterprise, customers will have \$2.45 added to their water bill for up to \$2,000 in coverage. Customers will have until Aug. 1 to opt out and will continue to be able to opt out any time.

In related business, the board approved entering into a contract with an artist for the Arts Build Communities Grant program.

Livingston-Overton County Chamber of Commerce Director Shannon Cantrell introduced the chosen artist, Manuel Fuentes, 27, of Celina to the board and informed work is slated to begin within the next week—dependent upon the weather.

The first mural will be erected on the build owned by Linda Terry, which houses AC2 Bakery.

In related business, Livingston Downtown Revitalization Committee chairman Ray Evans provided several updates concerning ongoing projects.

Evans brought special attention to the railing that has been erected on North Church Street in order to meet ADA compliance.

He commended fellow committee member Arno Proctor for overseeing the project, TCAT for forging the railing and city crews for their installation.

Additionally, he informed that the final construction plans have been approved for the TDOT Multi-Modal Access Grant or "sidewalk project," and will be submitted to the state for final approval before the construction process begins.

Evans said the hope is to begin bidding out the work in June or July.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

## Livingston Mural Completion Celebrated



ENTERPRISE Photo / Megan Reagan

Dozens of people gathered on the Livingston Courthouse Square on Saturday to celebrate the completion of the two public art pieces painted by artist Manuel Fuentes. The pieces were made possible with grant funding through the Art Builds Communities grant.

## Formal Flag Raising



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**Formal Flag Raising** – The Overton County Veterans' Honor Guard raised the flags for the first time at the new Millard Oakley County Services Building on Saturday. They raised both the State of Tennessee and the American Flags.





# Flood Leaves Roads Impassable



ENTERPRISE Photo / Matt Murphy

Heavy rains over the weekend left some roads impassable.

Pictured above are vehicles trying to pass a flooded roadway on Highway 84 in the Dry Hollow area.

To the right are signs warning of the impassability on Tower Hill Road.



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## OCBOE Approves Stadium Plans

MEGAN REAGAN  
editor

The Overton County Board of Education met in regular session last Tuesday and approved finalized plans for a reconstructed football stadium at Livingston Academy. TTL Engineer Don Collins said this was the last approval needed to move forward with the project.

Collins said the main change that was made to the plan since the board's last meeting held earlier this month was parking. In total, 59 parking spaces and three bus spaces are included in the site plan. Engineer Chelsea Hannan said ADA parking was moved from the field house to fit a 40-spot parking lot. The five ADA spaces would be adjacent to the parking area.

Hannan said pavement was also expanded behind the visiting side bleachers for bus parking.

"There was also some talk about congestion of the road during the games," Hannan said. "So, we added some parallel parking along this access road. It will be making it wider to add

paving and keep parking off the road."

Another addition to the stadium will consist of a two-storied building: the first floor would be used for concessions and bathrooms and the second floor will have an event space.

Four feet was added to each floor to accommodate for better access.

Ann additional ticket booth will also be added to the facility.

The visitor and home bleachers will switch sides and have a capacity of about 3,500 with 2,500 seats on the home side.

A previous estimated time line of the project has the renovations starting mid-July. Due to the facility being out of commission, Livingston Academy will play this football season at Tennessee Tech's Tucker Stadium.

Collins informed a land survey had been completed for up to a 20-acre purchase of the Mason Farm for future expansion.

Collins recommended purchasing at least 17 acres from Dr. Larry Mason for a future track and

soccer field and another three acres for dirt to use for grade work.

"We've surveyed the entire property," Collins said. "Not just the Mason property, but also, the Livingston Academy property. It is our intent to combine both of these parcels in a single parcel at the end, so we can do that by deed."

"That plan has got an updated site plan, as well as an overall plan with a proposed property line for a purchase from the Mason family as well as, architectural designs," Collins said.

The Board of Education agreed to allow Interim Director of Schools Donnie Holman and Board Member Mike Hayes to pursue the property purchase.

In other business, the Board approved a five-year strategic plan that details facility improvements, classroom expansions and technology advancements.

Board Chairman Jarman Hicks said the board envisions establishing a Technology Department and a Financial Reporting Plan.

According to the strategic plan, the director of schools will develop the actions to meet these goals and report progress to the board.

In other business, the board received Letters of Retirement from the following:

Vickie Eldridge, Gail McCormick, Vickie Moore, Lisa Langford, Billy Maynard, Earl Phillips, Ben Oakley, Joann Simpson, Gary Boles, Kay Killmon, Terry Morgan, Cindy Robbins, Vivian Sells and Barbara Vaughn.

As previously reported in the Livingston Enterprise, the OCBOE approved a buyout for employees who were nearing retirement to help the system as well as the individual financially.

Of the 17 eligible, 14 listed above took the offer.

The OCBOE also recognized individuals who were responsible and dedicated in putting together this year's Special Olympics that were held in May.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

## Frank Martin Remembered

BRIAN WILMOTH  
editor

Long-time Overton County Commissioner Frank Martin will be remembered as a friend to his community.

That's according to Overton County Executive Ben Danner. He said everything Martin tried to do was in order to help.

"Frank was a businessman," Danner said. "He tried to help his employees with their payroll and benefits. As a commissioner, he wanted to find ways to help without raising taxes."

Martin passed away August 12 at the age of 87. He was currently serving as a First District Commissioner, but he also previously served a term as Livingston's mayor.

"He was honest and would tell you what he thought," Danner said. "He wouldn't sugar coat anything. That usually doesn't work in politics."

Originally elected to the commission in 1998, Martin served for almost 23 years. Danner said Martin was an important voice for the body.

"He served on almost all the committees," Danner said. "He liked to try to teach the other commissioners."

Before his election to County Executive, Danner served with Martin on the commission from 2002 until 2014. Danner said he would miss Martin's sense of humor and good nature.

"He once told me, 'You weren't a very good county commissioner, but you're a great county executive,' or something like that," Danner said. "He used more words, but that's pretty close."

"He was more like a dad or a grandpa," Danner said. "After he retired, he would call and ask how he could help. I'm really going to miss him."



# Fun At The Fair



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**Beginner's Roping** – The beginner's roping event was held last Friday at the Overton County Fair.

**Rides** – Easton Ray enjoyed the carnival rides.

# LRH Joining New Company

BRIAN WILMOTH  
editor

Livingston Regional Hospital will soon be under a new ownership group.

Current owner, HighPoint Health System, made that announcement on Oct. 26. After HighPoint's planned acquisition of Louisville-based Kindred Healthcare is complete, LRH, along with 18 other of LifePoint's hospitals and healthcare facilities, will become part of a new company, ScionHealth.

David Cox, Director of Physicians Relations and Recruitment at



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LRH, said the hospital is looking forward to the change.

"Our team is excited about the hospital's future as part of ScionHealth, which will focus on the operations and sustained growth of facilities like Livingston that have unique operating models," Cox said. "As part of

ScionHealth, Livingston will benefit from highly tailored plans for growth, clinician recruitment and service line development."

Currently, HighPoint Health and Livingston Regional are part of LifePoint Health.

According to a press release announcing the changes, Livingston Regional's leadership will not change at the local level. In addition all employees will transition into the new company when everything is finalized and very little should change in the day-to-day operations of the hos-

pital.

According to Cox, the change could be finalized soon.

"The launch of ScionHealth is anticipated by the end of the year," Cox said, "pending regulatory review and satisfaction of customary closing conditions, and our transition will be effective at that time."

LifePoint's current Executive Vice President of Integrated Operations Rob Jay will serve as ScionHealth's CEO, and the new company will be based in Louisville, Ky.

"I am excited at the prospect of welcoming

Livingston Regional Hospital to ScionHealth," Jay said in the release. "I look forward to working with its employees and physicians to explore new ways that we can improve the health of people across north central Tennessee."

LifePoint announced they were planning to acquire Kindred Healthcare in June. At that time, they also announced they plan to invest \$1.5 billion into the two companies.

When the deal is finalized, ScionHealth will have 79 hospital campuses and long-term acute care hospitals.

# Election Commission Sets Precincts

BRIAN WILMOTH  
editor

The Overton County Election Commission has finalized the precinct lines for elections beginning next year.

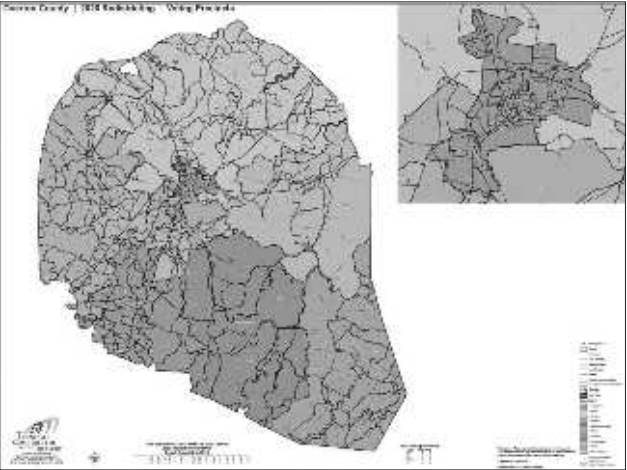
The decisions were one of the final steps in the redistricting process in the wake of the 2020 census.

Administrator of Elections Craig Story said that less than 1,000 residents were affected by the moves. However, Story said he wants to inform the public about the changes before the state legislature signs off on the final redistricting plan because the first day to pick up petitions for the May 2022 elections is Dec. 20.

"If you're going to run for an office, you need to know what district you're going to be in," Story said. "The same thing goes if you're going to sign somebody's petition. There's going to be some of those folks that got moved."

Story said as far as he knows, none of the current Overton County Commissioners were affected by any of the changes.

If any potential candidate has a question about what district they belong in, Story said they can come by the Election Commission's office to look at the map, or they can check the commission's web-



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site.

"I've got the new map on our website," Story said. "It's on the home page of our website. If someone wants to go to our website there's a link you can click to get it brought up so you can actually see the roads."

Story cautioned that the state's website, go-votetn.com, has not been updated with the new information and probably would not be updated soon.

Even before the process started, it was clear that some areas of Overton County had seen significant population increases in the last decade.

"Rickman, of course, grew faster than any other part of the county," Story said. "That means that Rickman had to be smaller, and some of these other areas had to get bigger. In particular, District 2, which is the Monroe and Allons area, had to

the election office to vote at Poteet. Those people will now vote at the fairgrounds on election day.

According to Story, sometimes district boundaries appear unusual, but that is often because they are part of a census block.

"Sometimes some of these lines don't make sense," Story said. "You cannot split a census block."

A census block is the smallest geographic unit used by the United States Census Bureau. Blocks are typically bounded by roads and highways, town/city/county/state boundaries, creeks and rivers, and the like.

Even though around a thousand residents are affected by redistricting, Story said the actual number of voters impacted is much smaller.

"Voter wise, I'm going to say, two-thirds of our population," Story said. "We have 14,000 and change on voters and we have 22,500 in population. Two-thirds of a thousand, you're probably looking at 500 or 600 that are maybe registered to vote."

Story said cards would be sent out to all registered voters notifying them of any changes when the legislature finalizes the process in January.

# Hayes To Receive NAACP Award

BRIAN WILMOTH  
editor



Hayes

Livingston Mayor Curtis Hayes will be recognized with the Diversity Award at the Cookeville NAACP's Freedom Fund Award Program Oct. 23.

A life-long resident of Livingston, Hayes has been the town's mayor for 15 years after serving six years on the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. He said the honor is one he never expected.

"I never would have thought in a million years, first of all, that I would be in a position where I am currently," Hayes said. "I am honored, flattered and humbled to win an award from an organization like the NAACP."

Hayes is a graduate of Livingston Academy and the University of Tennessee Municipal Management Academy. He is married to Julie Hill Hayes. They have two sons, William Creed Hayes and Carter Brian Hayes, and one granddaughter, Londyn Marie Hayes.

He said he would like to say he grew up with the dream of working in public service, but Hayes said the desire built up over time, beginning while he was working for the cable company.

"I would film all the public meetings," Hayes said. "I would film all

the pageants and things like that. Then I worked for the parks, and I became a police officer. I guess, over time, it was a process that got me to where I am."

Hayes said there were many things he was proud of helping to accomplish during his time as Mayor of Livingston, acknowledging that most of them weren't flashy projects.

"One of the things I'm really proud of is a \$16 million dollar water project six or seven years ago," Hayes said. "It was a project to bring a permanent rural water supply to Livingston."

Other projects Hayes mentioned included updating the pay scale for city employees, extending the runway at the Livingston Municipal Airport, and building a public park in the heart of the city.

"Central Park may be the biggest cornerstone for this administration, as far as the eye test," Hayes said.



# Lifestyles

## Please Remember Me

*Looking  
Backward  
By Phoebejane  
(Emily Sells)*

Do you ever think about how you will be remembered once you’ve departed this life?

I read a story a few years ago written by John Rice Irwin, the founder of the Museum of Appalachia in Norris, Tennessee, who wrote about his Granny Irwin. It’s an excellent example of how simple things can make a lasting impression by someone who has departed this life. Granny Irwin came from a family of eleven children, and never had time for what her grandson referred to as frilly, artsy things. She worked hard growing up helping her mother do the “woman’s” work for her nine brothers and her father. Her much older sister had married and left home when Granny Irwin was still very young. Many years after Granny Irwin had died, John Rice Irwin became aware of a Christmas quilt Granny had made, and after inspecting her work, he saw how she had stitched the name of some of her relatives on the quilt along with the Lord’s Prayer that was placed in the center portion. Since she had raised chickens all her life, and eggs were her only source of income,



**Memory Quilt** - This photograph of an antique quilt is probably similar to the one made by John Rice Irwin’s Granny on which the words “Remember Me” was carefully handstitched.

she had included chickens, ducks, and a strutting rooster on her beloved quilt. She dearly loved music, and she had depicted musical instruments, including a fiddle and a Jew’s harp. John Rice Irwin had often heard his Granny

loved riding sidesaddle in her youth, so it was not surprising to see a horse as part of the collage. But the most dramatic feature on the quilt consisted of only two words, and when Mr. Rice read them, he told how he was over-

come with emotion. Those two words were simply: “Remember Me.”

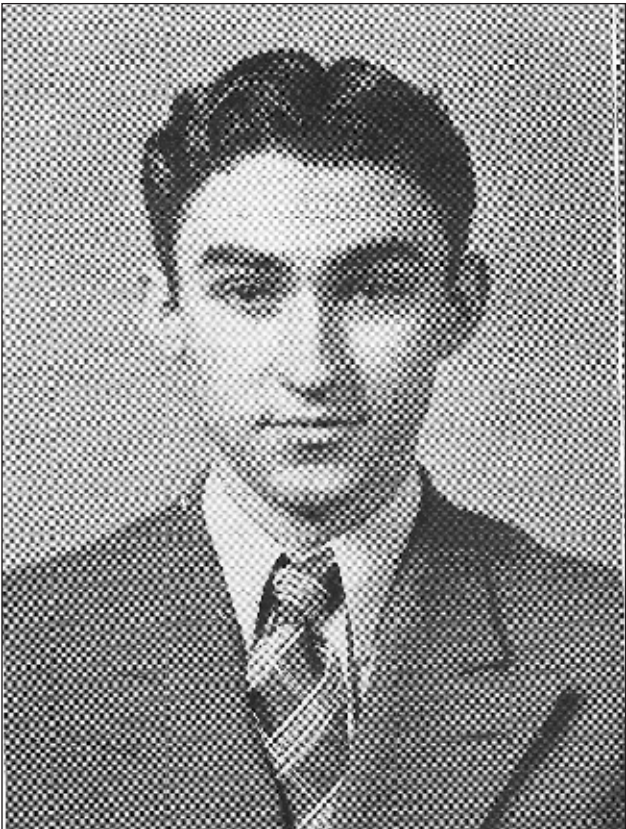
Mr. Irwin described the women of his Granny Irwin’s day as having little identity of their own. They were always known as Mr. So and So’s daughter, or Mr. So and So’s wife, but never as the individual persons that they were. Although his Granny was happy and content to love and work for others, she, like the other women of her day, would leave little for which they could be remembered. Had it not been for the Christmas quilt, there would have been nothing personal and physical to indicate that Granny had ever lived. He felt that perhaps his Granny sensed this and unknowingly left the two-word message so that she would not be quickly and totally forgotten.

I believe people like Granny Irwin will definitely be among those people who are first in line to receive recognition for a life well lived. With just those two simple words, “Remember Me,” she made a more profound and lasting impression that touched the hearts of many, myself included, who never even had the opportunity to meet her in person but came to know about her through her handmade quilt. To me, that’s what it’s all about. I can only hope some small deed I’ve done or will do in the future will stay in the hearts my grandchildren like that of Granny Irwin, and will serve as a loving memory to carry with them all their lives. I don’t think there could be a better or longer lasting tribute than to be remembered in that way.

### Livingston Civic and Garden Club Celebrates 100 Years

The Livingston Civic and Garden Club is celebrating 100 years as a civic club in the county. Originally called The Women’s Club of Livingston, it was organized in 1921 and at once took up the work of beautifying the Courthouse grounds. Numerous improvements were made to the Courthouse grounds, including the Ladies’ Rest Room. In 1924, the club was reorganized and called The Women’s Club. Many accomplishments were made during this time, including improvements for the Grammer School. The Club has at all times been for progressive movements in the county. At some time during this ear, the name was changed to the Livingston Civic and Garden Club. Presently it has the responsibility for the upkeep of the A.H. Roberts Law Office as their main project. They also give a scholarship to a L.A. Senior, send girls to Girl’s State, conduct the Pet Show at the county fair, and head up the brick project around the court square. The club continually works for community-wide improvements when needed. Information for this article was taken from a history of the Livingston Civic and Garden compiled by Mrs. R.L. Eldridge and Mrs. Frank Puckett.

### PICTURES FROM THE PAST



**Pictures From The Past** - Clyde McDonald was chosen as Livingston Academy’s Bachelor of Ugliness from the Class of 1943.

## Start Seeds Outdoors with Winter Sowing

MELINDA MYERS  
special to the *Enterprise*

Save money and indoor space used for starting seeds indoors with winter sowing. This easy technique allows you to start transplants from seeds outdoors without a greenhouse or cold frame. Growing your own transplants from seeds can save you money and is often the only option for new, unique, and other hard to find plants. Not everyone has the time, equipment, and dedication to watering that’s needed to start plants indoors. All you need are flower and vegetable seeds, milk jugs or two-liter soda bottles, duct tape and a quality potting mix. Check the seed packet for information on planting details and timing. Winter sowing dates vary with the growing climate, individual gardener, and seed variety you are planting. Try starting hardy perennials and self-seeding annuals sometime winter through early spring. Other flowers and vegetables seeds are typically winter sown about the same time you would plant them indoors or a month or two before the



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**Early Start** - Winter sowing allows gardeners to start transplants from seeds outdoors by repurposing milk jugs or two-liter soda bottles.

transplants get moved into the garden. Keep a record of your planting dates and results to help you fine tune your planting schedule and increase future success. Drill four to 12 small holes in the bottom of the jug for drainage. One winter sower fills the container with water and pops it into the freezer or outside in below freezing temperatures. Once frozen solid, he drills the holes into the container. The ice prevents the plastic container from collapsing during the process. Next, partially cut the jug to create a hinged lid. Make your cut about three to four inches

above the bottom, leaving the area by the handle attached so it forms a hinge. The bottom of the milk jug handle is usually a good guide. Fill the bottom with moist potting mix. Plant seeds according to the package directions. Gently water until the excess runs out the bottom of the container. Fellow gardener, Patricia, uses rolled newspaper or the cardboard tubes from toilet paper to help space and eventually transplant her winter sown seedlings. She makes newspaper pots by wrapping 22 ½” x 5” strips of newspaper around a 2½” diameter x 4” tall jar. She folds

the end to create the bottom for a 3 ½” tall pot. Secured with staples, she sets the pots or toilet paper rolls in the milk jug, fills with potting mix, tops them off with about half an inch of seed starting mix and then plants her seeds. Label the inside and outside of the jug with a permanent marker. Close the lid and seal it shut with duct tape. Remove the cap before setting your milk jugs in a sunny location outdoors where rain and snow can reach it. Keep them handy to prevent waterlogged soil during extremely wet weather. Water your outdoor seed starting chambers during snow-free and dry weather. This will be much less often than those seedlings growing indoors under artificial lights. Your plants will be ready to move into the garden at the normal planting time. Just open the lids, harden off the plants and move them into the garden.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *The Midwest Gardener’s Handbook* and *Small Space Gardening*. Her web site is [www.melindamyers.com](http://www.melindamyers.com).

## Good Housekeeping

### Baked Chocolate Pudding

This easy, yet impressive, dessert can be made in advance and heated when you’re ready to serve it, making it the perfect choice when you’re hosting a large group. The splash of framboise in the pudding adds an elegant touch.

- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, melted and cooled, plus more for greasing
- ¾ cup good-quality cocoa powder
- ½ cup all-purpose flour
- 4 extra-large eggs, at room temperature
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 vanilla bean, split, seeds scraped
- 1 tablespoon framboise liqueur (optional)
- Vanilla ice cream, for serving

1. Preheat oven to 325 F. Lightly butter 2-quart shallow oval baking dish.

- 2. Into medium bowl, sift together cocoa powder and flour. In large bowl, with mixer on medium-high speed, beat eggs and sugar 5 to 10 minutes or until very thick and light yellow.
- 3. Reduce speed to low; add vanilla seeds, framboise (if using) and cocoa mixture. Mix just until combined. Slowly pour in butter; mix just until combined.
- 4. Pour mixture into prepared dish set in larger baking pan. Add hot tap water to pan to come halfway up side of dish.
- 5. Bake exactly 1 hour. A toothpick inserted 2 inches from side will come out clean. Center will appear very under-baked. Cool completely.
- 6. Serve with ice cream. Serves 12.

TIP: To make ahead, wrap; refrigerate up to 3 days. To serve, bring to room temperature.

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# Active Seniors Can Lower Their Injury Risk

Physical activity is one of the key components of a healthy lifestyle. Though physical activity benefits people of all ages, it can be especially helpful for seniors by making it easier for them to overcome some of the obstacles associated with aging.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, physical activity supports daily living activities and independence. That's a significant benefit for seniors who are worried that age-related physical and mental decline might one day compromise their ability to live independently. The CDC also notes that physical activity lowers the risk for early death, heart The CDC reports that physical activity is generally safe for fit individuals who are 65 and older and have no existing conditions. Despite that, it's best for any se-

nior to consult his or her physician prior to beginning a new exercise regimen. Once doctors give seniors the go-ahead to begin a new workout routine, seniors can take the following steps to reduce their risk for injury.

Warm up before working out. Seniors may think they don't need to warm up before exercising because their workouts are not as high-intensity as they might have been when they were younger. But Harvard Medical School notes that warming up pumps nutrient-rich, oxygenated blood to the muscles and helps increase heart rate. The American Council on Exercise reports that warming up helps reduce workout-related injury risk by improving tissue elasticity. So prior to beginning a workout, regardless of how moderate- or low-intensity that regimen will be, seniors



should warm up for five to 10 minutes.

Start with a routine that's commensurate with your abilities. Seniors excited by the prospect of working out must temper that excitement if they're not accustomed to physical activity. Such individuals should consider working with a personal trainer. Personal trainers

design exercise regimens based on each individual client's fitness levels and goals. As clients make progress and their bodies become acclimated to routine physical activity, personal trainers can then tweak regimens to make them more challenging. Seniors can take on these responsibilities themselves, but are urged to

begin slowly and gradually build up their exercise tolerance.

Don't skip strength training. Seniors may think lifting weights is for young people who want to look buff, but the AARP notes that muscle-strengthening activities protect the joints, reducing seniors' risk for injury as a result. The

Department of Health & Human Services recommends seniors who have been cleared to exercise engage in strength training at least twice per week.

Stretch after your workout. Harvard Medical School reports that efforts to cool down after a workout, including stretching, can prevent muscle cramps and dizziness and lengthen muscles throughout the body, which improves range of motion. Harvard Medical School recommends holding each stretch for 10 to 30 seconds, as the longer a stretch can be held the more flexible individuals' muscles will be.

Physical activity is an essential component of a healthy lifestyle for seniors. Active seniors can take various steps to reduce their injury risk so they can continue to reap the rewards of exercising for years to come.

# Healthy Homemade Soup For The New Year

(StatePoint) When sweater weather arrives, there's nothing quite as comforting as a pot of something savory and delicious simmering on the stove.

As you turn to hearty soups this winter, having the right seasonal staples means you'll be well on your way to having piping hot meals on the table, quickly and hassle-free.

Keep your pantry and fridge stocked with essential ingredients like onions, carrots and celery, along with a collection of earthy, zesty spices and versatile, all-purpose seasonings. You'll also need a rich and all-natural stock handy, such as Kitchen Basics Unsalted Chicken Stock. Simmered all day with chicken, vegetables and McCormick

herbs and spices, this deeply flavored stock can bring a burst of savory warmth to countless dishes. It's low on sodium so it's a good-for-you start to many delicious meals beyond soup, like rice, sauces, and more.

To help you embrace the colder weather, try a recipe for a hearty classic loaded with tender veggies, chicken, egg noodles and robust flavor that puts this stock -- aka "liquid gold" -- front and-center. Yep, you guessed it, Savory Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup. Nostalgic and nourishing, all you need is 10 minutes of prep time and 20 minutes cooking on your stovetop.

Ingredients:  
• 2 tablespoons vegetable oil

- 1 cup chopped yellow onion
  - 1 cup chopped carrots
  - 1 cup chopped celery
  - 2 tablespoons McCormick Garlic, Herb and Black Pepper and Sea Salt All Purpose Seasoning
  - 1/2 teaspoon McCormick Ground Turmeric
  - 1 pound boneless skinless chicken breast
  - 2 cartons (32 ounces each) Kitchen Basics Unsalted Chicken Stock
  - 2 cups uncooked medium egg noodles
  - 1/2 cup frozen peas
- Instructions:  
1. Heat oil in large saucepan on medium heat until shimmering. Add onion, carrots and celery; cook and stir 3

minutes or until softened. Stir in seasoning and turmeric; cook 30 seconds until fragrant. Add chicken and stock. Bring to boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, 15 to 20 minutes until chicken is cooked through and tender.

2. Transfer chicken to medium bowl; shred using two forks. Set aside. Stir noodles into broth; cook 6 minutes or until tender. Return shredded chicken to saucepan. Gently stir in peas. Sprinkle with parsley to serve, if desired.

For more great ways to warm up this season, visit [mccormick.com/kitchen-basics](http://mccormick.com/kitchen-basics).

During the short, dark days of winter, healthy soups like this will feed your body and warm your soul.



## Factors To Consider Before Buying Real Estate

The appreciation of real estate over time has long made owning a home or an investment property a sound financial strategy.

Prospective home buyers spend considerable time looking for a property they're hoping to call home. Various factors, including property taxes and the reputation of local schools, may be considered as homeowners decide where to look for a new home. That vetting process is equally important, albeit slightly different, when buyers are consider investing in properties they don't intend to live in.

Real estate can be a great way to diversify an investment portfolio and earn extra income. Before shopping for an investment property, novice investors may want to consider certain factors to determine if real estate is the best investment vehicle for them.

### Rental Potential And The Local Labor Force

Location is a significant factor to consider when investing in real estate, but recent shifts in how and where people work could change the real estate investment landscape. A 2020 Gartner, Inc., survey of more than 300 financial executives and leaders in the finance industry found that roughly 25 percent will move at least one out of every five of their on-site workers to permanently remote positions in the years ahead. Economists note that this shift to remote working could be among the more lasting trends to emerge from the pandemic. Before investing in real estate, prospective investors should examine local trends to see if more and more locals are working remotely, and whether or not that's affecting the market for rentals.

### To Flip Or Not To Flip

Flipping properties gained popularity in the second decade of this century, but figures from the property database curator ATTOM Data Solutions indicates that returns on investments in flipped properties declined for the third straight year in 2020. Though flipping can still yield a strong return, investors may not realize the returns on flipped properties that they might have realized as recently as five years ago. Potential investors should conduct some research regarding real estate market trends, including flipping data where available, to make the most informed decision possible.

### Condition Of The Property

Product shortages were another trend to emerge during the pandemic, and disruptions to the supply chain will not necessarily go away anytime soon. In addition, the cost of various products associated with home improvements, including lumber, skyrocketed during the pandemic. The National Association of Home Builders noted that while lumber prices declined in 2021, the price of lumber packages quoted to builders remained high. That means real estate investors who invest in properties that will need work could be forced to pay a lot to fix these properties.

## "Grad"

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because of her hectic schedule. However even when completion of her degree seemed a long way off, her colleagues kept urging her not to give up. She especially thanks Satish M. Mahajan, the director of Tech's Center for Energy Systems Research, where she now works, for pushing her toward her degree.

"I've had a lot of cheerleaders while working with electrical and computer engineering professors," Fenlon said. "As soon as they found out I had gone back to college, they asked me about my classes all the time. Working on this campus encouraged me and kept me in it."

She also thanks her son, Drake, who helped her master the technology she needed to use when classes temporarily went digital in 2020 due to COVID-19. Even though he had already graduated and moved away by then, he spent a lot of time making sure she was successful as well.

"There were many times I'd video chat him on my phone, prop it up on a shelf behind me so he could see my computer, and then have him walk me through what to do," she said.

Her fellow students have been a big support to her as well. Instead

of shunning her because of their age difference, they embraced her presence and enjoyed working alongside her. In her speech class, Fenlon presented a persuasive speech titled "Why You Should Stay in College."

"I told them, 'I didn't finish college obviously, because here I am in a speech class with you 19 and 20-year-olds. Dropping out then didn't stop me from being successful, but nowadays you cannot be successful without a college degree.' I told them all about my early college adventures, but then I said, 'I told you all that to tell you this: don't be the 60-year-old in your speech class,'" Fenlon laughed. "We had so much fun in that class. My group won the speech contest, and I was the speech student of the year."

Fenlon's family and friends are looking forward to celebrating with Fenlon at a reception at her church as well. And this time instead of a 2.0, her grade average is a 4.0.

"I'm so glad I finished my degree," Fenlon said. "I didn't need it for my job. I don't need it for another job. I don't plan on going anywhere else. But it's just good to know that even though I dropped out the first time -- I finally finished."



**New Grad** - Barbara Fenlon recently completed her degree at Tennessee Tech University. Originally entering the school in 1973, Fenlon has been a student, parent, and employee of the university before becoming a graduate at the Dec. 17 commencement.



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High School Basketball  
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Last Week's Games

Livingston Academy	77
Loudon High School	22

Livingston Academy	69
Meigs County High School	34

Coming Up

Livingston Academy vs Gwynedd Mercy (PA)  
Carolina Inventional in Charleston, S.C. Dec. 28

Livingston Academy at Dekalb County Jan. 4

District 7-4AAA Standings

	District	Overall
Cumberland County	2-0	6-6
White County	2-0	10-2
Livingston Academy	1-0	11-1
Stone Memorial	1-1	6-7
Upperman	0-1	10-1
Dekalb County	0-2	7-5
Macon County	0-2	1-12

Livingston Academy Boys  
Last Week's Games

Livingston Academy	57
Loudon High School	49

Meigs County High School	87
Livingston Academy	35

Coming Up

Livingston Academy vs Trousdale County Dec. 28  
Livingston Academy vs Eagleville Dec. 30  
Aflac Christmas Classic at Watertown, Watertown, Tenn.

Livingston Academy at Dekalb Co. Jan. 4

District 7-4AAA Standings

	District	Overall
White County	2-0	8-2
Livingston Academy	1-0	5-6
Cumberland County	1-1	3-8
Dekalb County	1-1	7-4
Stone Memorial	1-1	5-6
Upperman	0-1	5-5
Macon County	0-2	3-6

Parks Ring In New Year With  
First Day Hikes

Tennessee State Parks invite all Tennesseans to enjoy guided First Day Hikes at parks across the state to ring in the New Year. All hikes are on Jan. 1 with the exception of hikes on Dec. 31 at David Crockett Birthplace, Harrison Bay and Radnor Lake state parks.

The hikes are designed for all ages and abilities. They are an opportunity to begin a New Year's resolution for good health, continue an ongoing commitment to hiking, or simply enjoy the beauty of nature in the state parks.

Hikers are urged to prepare for the weather, have sturdy footwear, and bring water and snacks.

The First Day Hikes begin the parks' annual Signature Hikes series throughout the year, featuring such events as the Spring Hike and National



ENTERPRISE Photo / Brian Wilmoth

**New Year Hike** – Every state park across Tennessee will host a First Day Hike on Jan. 1. Standing Stone State Park's hike will begin at 9 a.m. from the park office. The hike will be a moderately difficult 1.25-mile hike, on uneven terrain, narrow trail, and with a couple of elevation changes.

Trails Day Hike. The First Day Hikes are part of America's State Parks First Day Hikes initiative in all 50 states.

While everyone is encouraged to participate in the First Day Hikes, visitors are reminded that the parks are open 365 days a year and are

great places anytime to improve mental and physical well-being. Tennessee State Parks have more than 1,000 miles of trails.

Tennesseans may also want to support the state parks' Trail Pack program with donations to support maintenance and

development of trails in the parks. Each \$25 Trail Pack donation provides direct funding to the Tennessee State Parks trails program. For more information, visit this link.

For general information about Tennessee State Parks, go to [tnstateparks.com](http://tnstateparks.com).

Tech Falls At Cincinnati

MIKE LEHMAN  
TTU Sports Information

The Tennessee Tech men's basketball team fought ferociously, but ultimately fell in its final non-conference contest of the 2021-22 season at Cincinnati Tuesday evening, 76-67.

First-half advantages on the glass and in the turnover department by the Bearcats proved the ultimate difference-maker on the night, as the home squad took a 37-26 advantage into the locker room. Cincinnati hauled in 21 boards over the opening 20 minutes, including eight on the offensive glass, to Tech's 15. Tech also was forced into 11 turnovers in the opening stanza, while forcing seven by the Bearcats.

The Golden Eagles stayed resilient in the second half, out-rebounding Cincy 16-15 and making just five turnovers. Tech



Photo courtesy of Cincinnati Athletics

**Tough Loss** – Tennessee Tech's Kenny White, Jr., drives to the basket in the Golden Eagles' 76-67 loss to Cincinnati last Tuesday. White had 10 points in his first start as a Golden Eagle.

delivered a resurgent effort on offense over the closing 20 minutes, outscoring the Bearcats 76-67.

The Cookeville crew shot 53.8 percent from the floor on 14-of-26 attempts and a red-hot 55.6

percent from distance with five makes on nine tries.

After spending four seasons at Cincinnati, transfer forward Mamoudou Diarra enjoyed a homecoming of sorts in his return to Ohio, lead-

ing the purple and gold with 15 points and a pair of blocks. The big man hit three attempts from downtown while also hauling in four boards.

One game after pouring in a career-high 24 points, returning freshman Kenny White Jr. chipped in 10 points in his first start of the season, all in the second half. He hit 4-of-6 tries from the field. Both Jr. Clay and Daniel Ramsey added eight points to the mix, with Clay also contributing four assists, four boards, and three steals.

The Golden Eagles will have a nine-day hiatus from the hardwood before returning to action on Thursday, Dec. 30. Tech will continue its four-game road swing with an in-state match-up at Tennessee State, opening Ohio Valley Conference play with a 7:30 p.m. CT contest.

Tech Basketball  
Broadcasting On  
Campus Radio

Tennessee Tech's student radio station WTTU 88.5 FM -- "The Nest" -- will begin broadcasting Golden Eagle women's and men's basketball games beginning on January 20th.

The games will feature play-by-play and analyst commentary from some of the station's student broadcasters.

This will be in addition to the existing broadcasts on 106.1 The Eagle and streaming video on ESPN+ (subscription required).

The games that will be carried by the station include:

Thursday, 1/20: SIUE; 4 and 6 p.m.

Thursday, 1/27: Murray State; 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, 1/29: Austin Peay; 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.



Saturday, 2/5: Belmont; 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, 2/17: Southeast Missouri; 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, 2/24: Tennessee State; 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

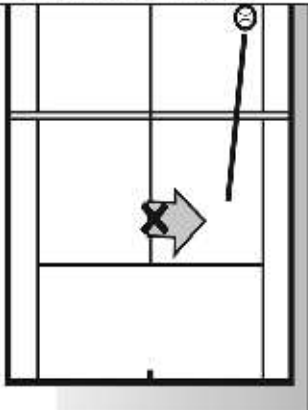
Saturday, 2/26: UT Martin; 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The games will be available to listen on the air at 88.5 FM, on the station's website -- [www.tntech.edu/wttu](http://www.tntech.edu/wttu) -- or in the residence halls through a partnership with Residential Life.

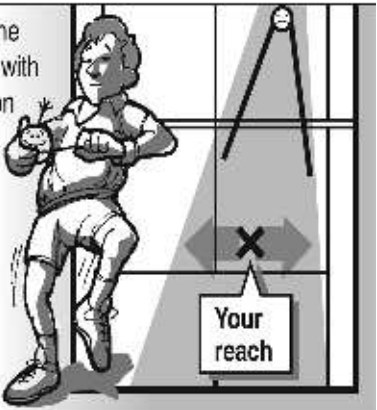
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At the net, you often need to stand a little bit more toward the sideline than the middle of the court. For instance, when you hit your volley into a corner, move with the ball, slightly toward the side your volley landed on.




Think about moving at the net like you are dancing with the ball, moving in unison with it. So when the ball lands on the right side, you move slightly to the right, etc. Moving with the ball cuts down on the room the opponent has to pass you down the line.



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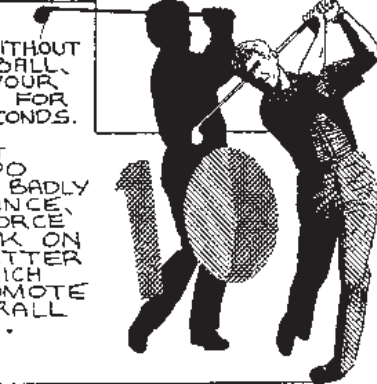
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1. How many points did Ernie Nevers score in the Chicago Cardinals' 40-6 victory over the Chicago Bears in November 1929?

2. After refusing a

trade to the Philadelphia Phillies, what St. Louis Cardinals outfielder filed a lawsuit against Major League Baseball that was decided by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1972?

3. What Hockey Hall of Fame goaltender, who won two Stanley Cups for the Montreal Canadiens from 1910-25, had his career — and eventually his life — cut short by tuberculosis?

4. What West German tennis player stunned

Martina Navratilova in the 1982 Avon Championships WTA finals match at New York City's Madison Square Garden?

5. In 1985, Lynette Woodard became the first female player in the history of what famous basketball team?

6. In how many consecutive matches did Leicester City striker Jamie Vardy score to set the English Premier League record during the 2015-16 season?

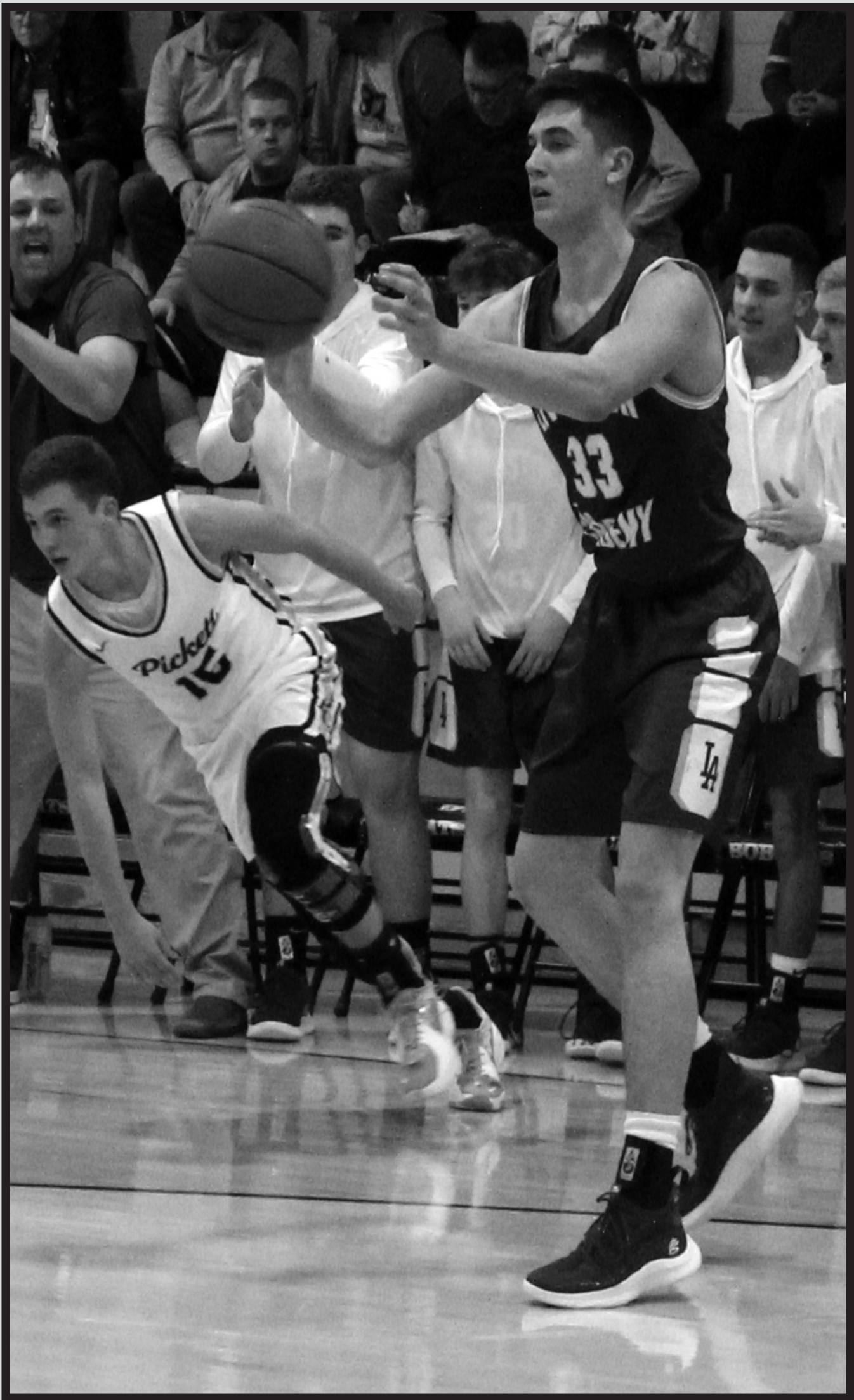
7. A football trick play in which the quarterback fakes a pass while handing the ball off to a runner is named after what national landmark?

- Answers
- 40.
  - Curt Flood.
  - Georges Vezina.
  - Sylvia Hanika.
  - The Harlem Globetrotters.
  - 11.
  - The Statue of Liberty.





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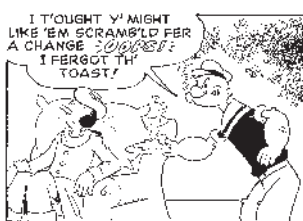
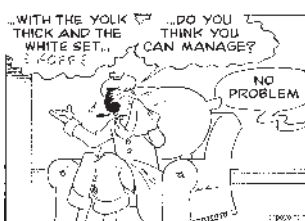
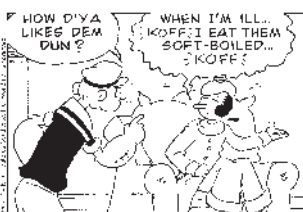
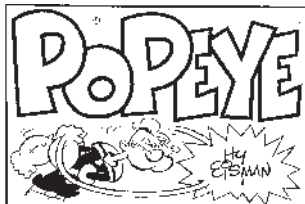
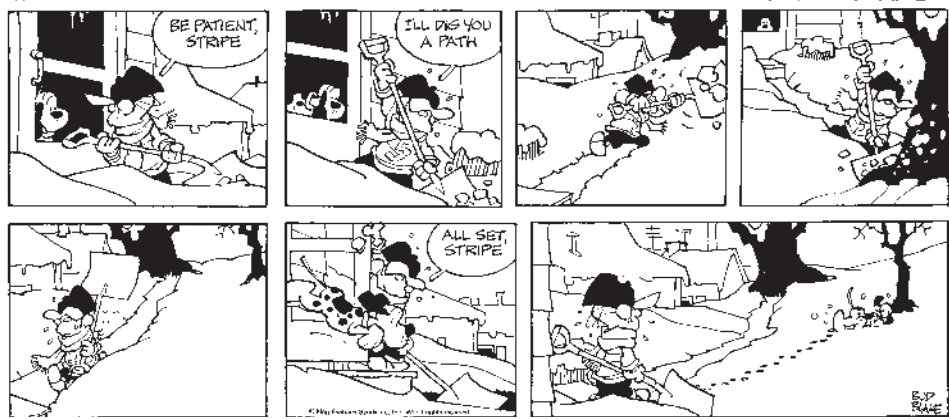
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# HOROSCOPES

**ARIES**  
Mar 21/Apr 20  
Aries, group dynamics could be tricky this week. Emotions are tense and putting too many people together may lead to friction. Make a concerted effort to stay calm.

**TAURUS**  
Apr 21/May 21  
Taurus, individuals often are judged by the company they keeps. Surround yourself with honest, supportive and accomplished people as much as you can.

**GEMINI**  
May 22/Jun 21  
It is tempting to want to help in every situation, Gemini. But this week you may need to observe from the sidelines and let others work things out on their own.

**CANCER**  
Jun 22/Jul 22  
Always get the facts before you react, Cancer. Friends may be pulling you in different directions and want you to be on their sides. Decide what is best for you.

**LEO**  
Jul 23/Aug 23  
Leo, if you butt heads with a colleague or your boss, the confrontation will not get out of control. Things will blow over very shortly.

**VIRGO**  
Aug 24/Sept 22  
Virgo, if your workload gets out of control, don't feel that you have to go it alone. Ask for help and it will be there. This will ensure all projects are completed on time.

**LIBRA**  
Sept 23/Oct 23  
Libra, before you dive full speed ahead into a new relationship, it is better to do your research as much as possible. This is especially true when entering a business agreement.

**SCORPIO**  
Oct 24/Nov 22  
Your energy levels may be all over the place this week, Scorpio. Build some free time into your schedule to accommodate for when you may need to play catch

**SAGITTARIUS**  
Nov 23/Dec 21  
There is no need to let emotions get the best of you. Sagittarius. Your confidence will diffuse many situations as long as you are tactful and respectful.

**CAPRICORN**  
Dec 22/Jan 20  
Capricorn, your commitment to doing things the right way is admirable and has not gone unnoticed. Others look to you for inspiration, and this will benefit your career.

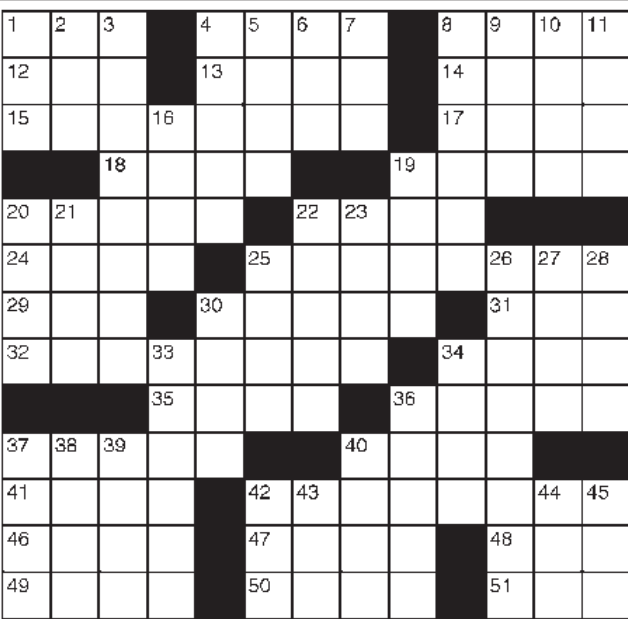
**AQUARIUS**  
Jan 21/Feb 18  
Aquarius, you are on a mission this week to stand out from the crowd. Make sure the light is shining on you for all the right reasons. Remain humble when praise comes your way.

**PISCES**  
Feb 19/Mar 20  
Figure out how to deliver information in an empowering way, Pisces. A positive, empowering message is likely to be well-received.

# CROSSWORD

## ACROSS

- Steal from
- Highlander
- Streamlet
- Historic period
- String
- Tom Joad, for one
- Bridgetown's island
- "It's -- real!"
- Intends
- Tropical fruit
- Jazz genre
- Piece of work
- Priests' garments
- "Excellent work!"
- Espionage org.
- Spectrum creator
- Ms. Thurman
- Wavering
- Twain hero
- Sharp tooth
- Clearheaded
- Cream-filled pastries
- Arrive
- Jai --
- Chocolatey frozen treat
- Give up
- Carry on
- Citrus drink
- Crystal gazer
- Eye part



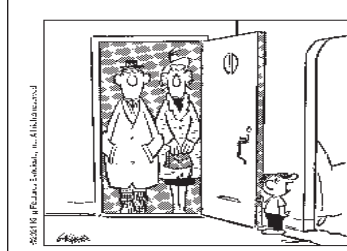
- DOWN**
- Civil War soldier
  - Man-mouse link
  - Whom Pilate pardoned
  - Rascal
  - Atlantic catches
  - Granada gold
  - QB stats
  - Hearty
  - Furniture brand
  - Actor Schreiber

- Sultry Horne
- Life stories
- Site of Apra Harbor
- "Coffee Cantata" composer
- Writer Wiesel
- Rubber gasket
- Nuisance
- Mom's mom
- Place to get a fruit smoothie
- Hotel chain
- Combo
- School orgs.
- Not as certain
- Seethe
- Theater boxes
- Campaign-funding gps.
- Fonda's beekeeper role
- Lose color
- 406, in Roman numerals
- Calendar abbr.
- Eg. and Syr., once
- Oklahoma city
- Ump

# STICKELERS

Alison is older than Maggie and  
Corin. Corin is older than Richard. Eli  
is younger than Maggie but older than  
Richard. Eli is younger than Corin.  
Alison is younger than Mindy.  
Who is the second-oldest person in the  
group?

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## SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Later  
**TERAF**

Fervent  
**RANTED**

Blanket  
**EARLY**

Temple  
**SHINER**

**TODAY'S WORD**

# Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

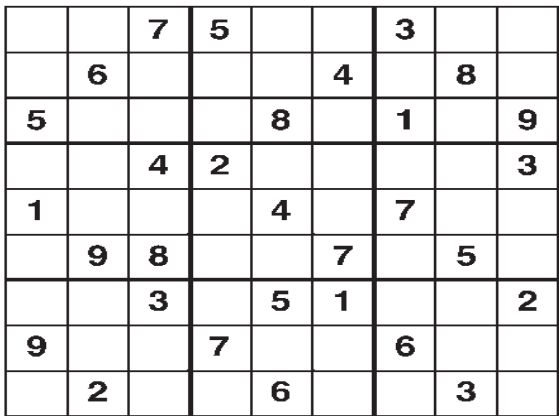
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

- |                      |     |                        |     |
|----------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|
| 1. Sanctify          | E   | Nirvana                | I   |
| 2. Wisconsin player  | ___ | Tiny ketchup container | ___ |
| 3. Clamor            | ___ | Like Odin or Thor      | ___ |
| 4. Group of longhorn | T   | Palace                 | S   |
| 5. Frighten          | C   | Gaze into space        | T   |
| 6. Intermediate      | I   | Jumble, confuse        | U   |
| 7. Semi or pick-up   | U   | Runner's course        | A   |
| 8. Endowment         | R   | Titan                  | I   |
| 9. Spaceship         | R   | Electrical outlet      | S   |
| 10. Loom user        | V   | Not as strong          | K   |

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



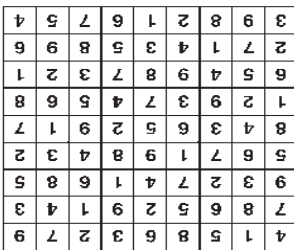
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

## DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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See this week's  
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Answer  
Weekly SUDOKU



- Even Exchange**
1. Cream, Chan  
2. L. Stern, Libson  
3. Fable, "Abbie"  
4. David, David  
5. Herper, Hermer  
6. Fable, "Abbie"  
7. Mouse, Mouse  
8. Tackle, Tackle  
9. Fray, Fray  
10. Fable, "Abbie"

# CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: K equals R

QAA LFW KWQJT-LV-JKPME  
XKVJYHLD PM LFPD DYXWKRQKEWL  
HVRW PM NVLLAWD VMAT.  
PL'D DV YM-HQMMT.

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somebody by airmail, I guess  
you could say it's been sent  
flying.

**Sticklers Answer**  
The word is "misrepresentations."

**SCRAMBLERS**  
solution  
1. Earth 2. Hustle;  
3. Equal; 4. Romp  
Today's Word  
**HOUSE**



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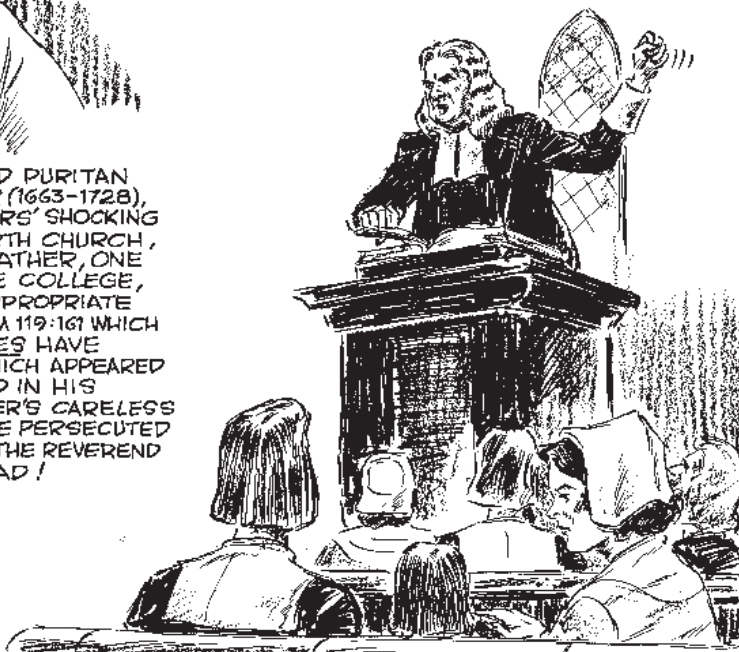
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**MURDERERS' BIBLES**

THE BIBLE IS, AND PROBABLY ALWAYS WILL BE, THE WORLD'S BEST-SELLER! WITH SO MANY MULTIPLE PRINTINGS OVER THE YEARS, IT WAS ALMOST INEVITABLE THAT TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS SHOULD OCCUR!



TWO DIFFERENT EDITIONS ARE NICK-NAMED THE MURDERER'S BIBLE. IN ONE, WHAT SHOULD HAVE READ "LET THE CHILDREN FIRST BE FILLED" (MARK 7:27) WAS MISPRINTED TO READ "...LET THE CHILDREN BE KILLED." IN THE OTHER, THE ADMONITION THAT MURDERERS WERE TO BE PUT TO DEATH (NUMBERS 35:18) SCRAMBLED THE LINE TO READ "MURDERERS SHALL BE PUT TOGETHER."

IN 1702, THE OUTRAGED PURITAN MINISTER, COTTON MATHER (1663-1728), PREACHED AGAINST PRINTERS' SHOCKING MISTAKES IN BOSTON'S NORTH CHURCH, WHERE HE WAS PASTOR. MATHER, ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF YALE COLLEGE, THUNDERED OUT A VERY APPROPRIATE TEXTUAL MISPRINT—PSALM 119:161 WHICH SHOULD HAVE READ, "PRINCES HAVE PERSECUTED ME..." BUT WHICH APPEARED IN THE BIBLE MATHER HELD IN HIS HAND, BECAUSE OF A PRINTER'S CARELESS WORK, AS "PRINTERS HAVE PERSECUTED ME..." AND ACCORDING TO THE REVEREND MATHER, INDEED THEY HAD!**NEXT WEEK: THE DEVIL TREMBLES!**

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## Relative Caregiver Program 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 this month. 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.

## Homeless Advocacy

Homeless Advocacy for Rural TN (HART) has a homeless/homeless prevention referral line for 18 counties that include the Upper Cumberland. HART has funding available to

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## Head Start Closures

The L.B.J. & C. Development Corporation Head Start Centers will be closed through January 3, 2022. Children will return to the Head Start Centers on January 4, 2022. Staff

will return for in-service training on Jan 3, 2022.

The L.B.J. & C. Development Corporation Head Start Central Office will be closed December 23, 24, 27, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

## Convenience Centers Closed

All Overton County Solid Waste Convenience Centers will also be closed Saturday, Jan. 1. Regular business hours will resume Monday, Jan. 3.

## Livingston Mayor and Aldermen

The regular meeting of the Livingston Mayor and Board of Alderman will be

held on Thursday, Jan. 6 at 6 p.m. at Livingston City Hall.

## Legion Dance

The Quittin' Tyme band will be returning to Livingston for a New Year's Eve. Bring a snack to share and join the us for a fun-filled evening of dancing, country music and yummy snacks on Friday December 31st from 8pm until midnight at the American Legion Post in Livingston located at 121 S. Church St. Note the special hours for this dance only. All dances are family friendly and open to the public, membership

not necessary. Concessions are available.

## Coffee With A Veteran

Livingston's American Legion Post 4 and Auxiliary Unit 4 will not be hosting "Coffee with a Veteran" during the month of January.

## Legion Meeting

The Livingston American Legion and Auxiliary will hold their monthly meetings on Tuesday, January 4th at post headquarters located at 121 S. Church St. The Auxiliary meets at 5:30pm and the Legion meeting begins at 6:00pm.

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Sealed bids are invited on the Livingston Academy Football Stadium, located at 120 Melvin Johnson Drive, Livingston, TN 38570.

Bids will be received at **Overton County Board of Education, 302 Zachary Street, Livingston, TN 38570 on or before 2:00 pm, Local Time, January 25, 2022**, at which time said bids will be publicly opened and read aloud and the Contract awarded as soon thereafter as practicable.

Qualified Bidders (General Contractors) shall obtain electronic copies of Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents at no charge by emailing Haley McManigal at hmcmanigal@copearchitect.com beginning on **Monday, December 27, 2021**.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at **1:00 pm local time, January 11, 2022** at the job site. Bidders must be present at the mandatory pre-bid meeting for their bid to be considered.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid deemed most favorable to the interest of the Owner.

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