

Obituaries

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Ricky C. Sherrell

Funeral services for Mr. Ricky Curtis Sherrell were held Friday, Nov. 19 at 12 p.m. at Willow Ave. Church of Christ. Interment followed at Boiling Springs Cemetery. Bro. Clarence Deloach officiated.

His family received friends Thursday from 4 p.m. Until 7 p.m. and again Friday from 11 a.m. service time at the church.

Ricky Curtis Sherrell passed away peacefully at home after living fully for 57 years. Although he contended with multiple myeloma for over 5 years, he did not let the illness

dampen his positive spirit or determination to enjoy life. He was born July 6, 1964 in Cookeville, TN to Nell Goff Sherrell Vinson and the late Curtis D. Sherrell. He was a graduate of Cookeville High School.

Ricky was born with an entrepreneurial spirit, never met a stranger and thought the world of his friends. He was highly optimistic, quick-witted and always willing to share his honest opinion. He was a man of integrity and principal who honored a handshake deal and believed that a successful business relationship meant that both parties must benefit. His work ethic was unwavering and he was committed to building a successful business. Ricky often dreamed about business dilemmas and woke up ready to engineer or implement a solution to any problem.

In 1984, while cruising around the Cookeville

mall in his convertible, Ricky was lucky enough to meet the love of his life, Tammy Ramsey. They married in 1987, and she was his lifelong companion, best friend, and devoted and selfless caregiver throughout his illness. She supported all of his endeavors and was behind the scenes helping to facilitate and encourage his ideas.

When Ricky was not working, he was attending auctions for equipment- where he consistently came home with something pre-owned and discarded by others and promptly repaired it to working condition. Ricky was constantly rebuilding computers, servers, or large machinery- from a technology and equipment standpoint, he was never intimidated, always learning, and continually looking for a new challenge. He took pride in bringing his only child, Samantha, to work and took advantage of every

opportunity to teach her about business.

Over the years, Ricky became passionate about the Wounded Warrior Project and loved taking these friends on yearly hunting trips. As a licensed private pilot, he truly enjoyed any time spent in the air. Ricky's younger years were consumed by work and he lived next door to the business when it began. During his later years, he made time for the activities he loved, like hunting, fishing, flying, and spending his weekends with his lake family at Sligo Marina on Center Hill Lake. An avid supporter of many local organizations, Ricky also enjoyed being a member of noonday Rotary until his health prevented his attendance. He was an organizer/founder and served on the board of directors of Putnam First Mercantile bank. Ricky was a member at Willow Avenue Church of Christ

and recently watched the services online but often spoke about his hopes of being back in church in person.

Over the past years, Ricky and his family have felt so loved by all of the friends who constantly prayed, texted, called, and sent cards and food. He was so grateful for all the care he received from the wonderful nurses and doctors throughout his journey. He was determined to meet his granddaughter, Demi Rae, and was so joyful when he met that goal in late September. Ricky appreciated each day he was given and was still optimistic and planning for the future until his last day.

In addition to his father, Curtis D. Sherrell, he was preceded in death by a brother in law, Doug Harris.

Ricky is survived by his mother Nell Vinson and step father Dallas Vinson, his wife of 35 years, Tammy Ramsey Sherrell;

daughter and son in law, Samantha and Dexter Cross of Brush Creek, TN; granddaughter, Demi Rae Cross; sister, Cindy Harris of Cookeville; step-brother Jerry Vinson (Debbie) of Baxter; and by brother in laws, Mark Ramsey (Delisa) and Joe Ramsey (Janet).

Pallbearers were Perry Delaney, Greg Graham, Barry Howard, Terry Kendall, Jacob Ramsey, Jonathan Ramsey, Joshua Ramsey, and Brad Wood. Honorary Pallbearers were The Team at Encompass Manufacturing, his beloved Sligo B-Pier Family, and Upper Cumberland Regional Airport flying friends.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Hooper Huddleston & Horner Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (931) 526-6111. Share memories and condolences at www.hhhfunerals.com.

David Charles Poston

David Charles Poston, 67, passed away peacefully on Friday, Nov. 19, 2021, at his home surrounded by his family.

David was a loving son, brother, husband, father and Pa David.

David was selfless, strong and made an impact on everyone he met. He loved life and was one of the most positive, kind people on earth. He will be greatly missed. David was an auctioneer for 37 years at Manheim Nashville Auto Auction. He also auctioned at Car Max Auctions and was co-owner and auctioneer at Cookeville Auto Auction.

He is survived by his wife, Pat Poston, daughter, Rebekah and Shawn Hughes, son, Scott and Tonia Wilson, grandchildren, Madisyn Sims, Makynlee Sims, Abby and Jesse Thornton; brothers, Ward, Jr. and

Sandy Poston and Tommy and Michelle Poston; sister in law, Jo Ann Bowman and brother in law, Bill Burgess, six nieces, one nephew, several great nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and special cousin CD Webb.

David was preceded in death by his parents, Ward Poston, Sr. and Jo Webb Poston, sisters in law, Kathy Burgess and Melissa Bowman.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, which he was very passionate about, Sarah Cannon Research Institute, or the American Cancer Society in memory of David Poston.

To sigh the online guest book and to send the family a message please visit www.crest-lawnmemoiral.com.

Arrangements entrusted to **Crest Lawn Funeral Home-Cremation Center**.

Roger Dawyne Dial

Roger Dawyne Dial, 42, of Rickman, passed away Nov. 14 at his residence. Funeral services were held Nov. 17 from the Chapel of the Hall Funeral Home of Livingston with Bro. Eugene McCowan officiating. Interment followed in the Zion Hill Cemetery in Rickman.

He was born Dec. 15, 1978 in Cookeville. He loved getting cards in the mail from people, especially on his birthday and Christmas and he loved to see friends and family come to visit

him.

He was preceded in death by: father, Roger Dale Dial; and grandparents, Fred and Auda Dial and Claude and Beulah Cooper.

Surviving relatives include: mother, Judy Dial of Rickman; along with special aunts, uncles, cousins, other family and friends.

Pallbearers were Brandon Presley, Benny Presley, Jim Kollmorgen, Tim Lane, Bobby Beaty and John Garrett.

Hall Funeral Home of Livingston was in charge of arrangements.

Donald D. Pierwola

Donald D. Pierwola, 79, of Alpine, passed away Nov. 16 at Overton County Health and Rehab. Funeral services were held Nov. 20 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Cookeville. Interment followed in the Crest Lawn Memorial Cemetery.

He was born Dec. 8, 1941 in Bridgeport, CT. He served as an E-5 in the Coast Guard and after his service he was employed with Perkin-Elmer for over 15 years. His hobbies were playing guitar in a band, fishing, hiking and hunting. He was Fairfield Prep Valedictorian and Knights of Columbus Council 6645a.

He was preceded in death by: parents, John and Sophie (Angeki) Pierwola; and brother, John Pierwola.

Surviving relatives include: wife, Pamela J. Pierwola of Cookeville; daughter and son in law, Kimberly Pierwola and husband, David Rugar, of Stratford, Conn.; brothers, Stanley Pierwola of Oxford, Conn. and Henry Pierwola of Wakeforest, N.C.; several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Crest Lawn Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Melvin Spencer

Melvin Spencer, 83, of Livingston, passed away Nov. 17 from Cookeville Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Nov. 20 from the Holly Springs Church of Christ with Bro. Bruce Mullinix officiating. Interment followed in the Holly Springs Cemetery.

He was born Sept. 29, 1938 in Beattyville, Ky. He loved his family, going fishing, gardening and farming. He always enjoyed being outdoors, going to flea markets and spending time with his grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Zephren and Clara Johnson Spencer; wife, Edith Mae Spencer; and several brothers.

Surviving relatives include: sons, Michael Spencer of Arizona City, Ariz. and Jerry Spencer and wife, Cindy of Plymouth, Ind.; daughters, Debbie Payne and husband, Arthur of Hudson, Mich., Kathy Spencer of Livingston and Joyce Goad and husband, Timothy of Allardt; 13 grandchildren; several great grandchildren; two great, great grandchildren; and sisters, Arthella Newton of Ky. and Gail Spencer of Ohio.

Pallbearers were John Maxfield, Justin Payne, Ryan Payne, Artie Payne, Hector Payne and Gaven Brown.

Speck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Junior Beechboard

Junior Beechboard, 89, of Allons, passed away Nov. 17 from his residence. Funeral services were held Nov. 19 from the chapel of Speck Funeral Home with Bro. John Keith officiating. Interment followed in the Fellowship Cemetery.

He was born Dec. 23, 1931 in Jackson County. He loved his family, gardening and farming. He always enjoyed going to church and spending time with his caregivers, Faye and Allen Shelton.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Bedford and Erma Lynn Beechboard; wife, Onia

Beechboard; sisters, Ruby Gore and Virginia Killmon; and brothers, Woodrow Beechboard and Leo Beechboard.

Surviving relatives include: sisters, Georgia Gray and husband, Grady of Allons and Betty Joe Thompson and husband, Andy of Dickson; brothers Tommy Beechboard and wife, Debbie of Allons, Bill Beechboard of Hilham and Kenneth Beechboard and wife, Carol of Allons; several nieces and nephews; and special caregivers, Faye and Allen Shelton.

Speck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



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Education

Exploring Struggles Between ‘Sacred’ And ‘Profane’ In Country Music

The struggle between good and evil has inspired some of the most well-known country music classics of all time. While Randal Williams’ fascination with these topics inspired his recent Ph.D. work, he has never been one to let struggles or limitations stand in his way.

He completed his Ph.D. at Tennessee Technological University this past May at the age of 63. It is the fourth degree that he has earned, even though he fights an ongoing battle with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

“I’ve never been one to believe in limitations,” he said. “If you want to do something, do it.”

He recalls a newspaper column he read years ago that drove home his desire to do what he loves, despite the struggles. In it, a man had written in to the paper, asking advice about starting a new career late in life. This man had always wanted to be a doctor; however, life circumstances had prevented it. Now that he had the opportunity, he worried he was too old.

“This man wrote in and said, ‘By the time I finish medical school, I’d be 75 years old. What should I do?’” Williams recalled. “And this woman replied with, ‘Well, how old would you be then if you didn’t go to medical school? The same age.’ I thought that was so profound.”

Williams is in the process of expanding his recently finished dissertation into a book proposal. The topic focuses on the religious themes prevalent in country music between 1921 and 1957, especially the struggle between doing good or doing evil.

For example, musician Frank Hutchinson wrote a song titled “Hell



Nontraditional – Randall Williams completed his Ph.D from Tennessee Tech in May at the age of 63. His area of study is religious themes in country music between 1921 and 1957.

Bound Train,” where he talks about the devil running a train filled with things like “a boiler loaded with whiskey and beer.” Hutchinson’s song proclaims his belief that “Jesus saves,” however the musician later died of an alcohol-related liver disease.

“It’s the tension between the sacred and the profane,” Williams said. “This idea was especially important to early country music and its evangelical Christian foundation. It’s a conflict that still guides southerners today.”

Williams also studied the quest for

went through the lyrics of approximately 200 songs from Uncle Dave Macon, The Carter Family, Jimmie Rodgers and Hank Williams to look for recurring themes such as redemption, salvation and longing. He constructed charts and graphs detailing how often these ideas and key words appeared in the songs.

“This is the first in-depth study of this type of subject,” said Williams’ mentor, James Akenson, professor of curriculum and instruction at Tech.

During Williams’ two summers of independent studies, his mentor assigned various smaller papers on individual topics. These made up the building blocks of what eventually would become his dissertation, “The Dichotomy of the Sacred and the Profane in Early Country Music” – and what he hopes will become a published book in the near future.

“I’ve had an enormous amount of support from the people at Tech,” Williams said. “Nobody gets a Ph.D. all by themselves. For a long time I thought I knew pretty much everything, but when I found out that in the overall scheme of things I didn’t know very much, that’s when I really started to learn.”

According to Akenson, one advantage of the Tech Ph.D. program is its ability to be flexible with the student’s interests.

“It’s not everywhere you can come in as an education major and say ‘I want to do my dissertation on country music,’” said Akenson. “But we worked with what he wanted to do, and the result has been a dissertation that is elegant, powerful and readable.”

As another part of his research, he



Students Can Save Money By Cooking For Themselves

College students looking to stretch their dollars can do so by cooking meals for themselves instead of dining out, according to KHEAA.

Eating right is a necessity, but it doesn’t have to be an expensive one. Students who don’t take advantage of campus food plans can cut their food costs by smart shopping and making their own meals.

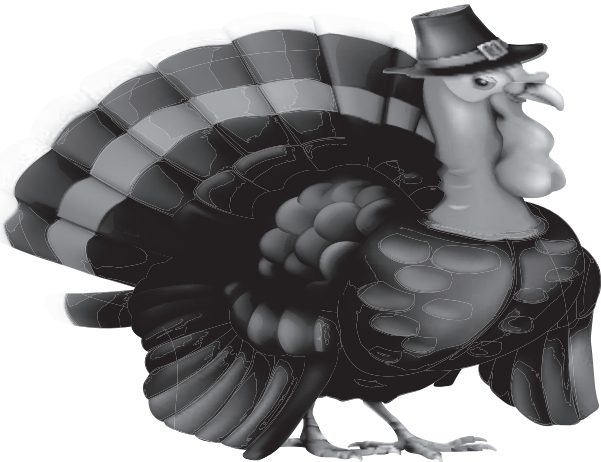
Instead of buying meals at restaurants, students can save quite a bit of money by fixing most of their meals at home. According to <https://www.moneyunder30.com>, the average price for a restaurant meal is about \$13, more than three times the cost for the average meal prepared at home. A web search for “recipes for college students” will bring up a list of many sites to help students make healthy, inexpensive meals on their own.

Someone who dines out four times a week can save nearly \$1,000 a year by cutting back to two restaurant meals. That money can be deposited into a savings or investment account, which allows it to earn interest.

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.

The agency also helps colleges manage their student loan default rates and verify information submitted on the FAFSA. For more information about those services, visit www.kheaa.com.

In addition, KHEAA disburses private Advantage Education Loans on behalf of its sister agency, KHESLC. For more information, visit www.advantageeducationloan.com.



Tech Homecoming Food Pantry Campaign Raises \$54,000

Each year, Tennessee Tech student organizations compete in a series of events during Homecoming week. This year a crowdfunding drive to support the Tech food pantry was among the events.

The Golden Eagle community raised \$54, 091, well over the initial goal of \$10,000.

“The student organizations involved in the crowdfunding drive for the food pantry went far above expectations to help their fellow students and the campus community with their donations,” said Jerry Keeton, coordinator for student activities and campus life. “I am proud to be able to work with incredible student organizations and what they were able to accomplish for the Tennessee Tech Food Pantry.”

The Sigma Chi and Phi Mu team raised the most money over three days, \$16,430. While they were the winners of the competition, the true winners are the students and their families who will not have to worry about affording their next meal. The support of the Golden Eagle community continues to help Tech in its mission to eliminate hidden hunger.

“I was in shock. The food pantry manager messaged me about raising \$54,000, and I was certain there was a glitch in the system,” said Michelle Huddleston, associate director of student affairs service-learning center. “Keeton and I sat on the phone with no words to say, our students exceeded expectations!”

Huddleston says the funds raised through the campaign will allow the pantry to better accommodate dietary restrictions and will allow them to continue to provide more healthy options each week. Since the food pantry was created in 2012, they have served more than 1,000 members of the campus community. Huddleston says they consistently serve about 25 people a week now and have served up to 40 people during some weeks.

“Tech has always had a rich tradition of serving others, and I feel like this is something we instill in our students early on,” she said.

To learn more about Tech’s food pantry, to schedule a donation or to receive food, visit <https://www.tntech.edu/volunteer/pantry.php>.

Deadline Approaching For MTSU Scholarships

Middle Tennessee State University awards an array of guaranteed scholarships to qualifying first-time, incoming freshmen, but an important deadline to take advantage is quickly approaching.

Students must have a complete application on file with the MTSU Admissions Office by Wednesday, Dec. 1, to be considered for an academic merit guaranteed scholarship, ranging from \$2,000 to \$6,000 based on ACT scores and GPA, for the 2022-23 academic year.

This fall, during daily campus tours, True Blue Tour events, MTSU recruiters’ visits to schools and other outreach, the message has been clear: Apply by Dec. 1 — or lose those potential guaranteed scholarship dollars that can help ease the burden of paying for col-



MTSU photo by Cat Curtis Murphy

Admission Questions - A trio of MTSU Admissions staff members answer questions from prospective students and their parents recently during the second fall True Blue Preview day held on the MTSU campus in the Student Union Building. To qualify for guaranteed scholarships, students must apply by Dec. 1.

lege.

“To be safe, I tell students and parents to apply immediately,” said Deb Sells, vice president for Student Affairs and vice provost for Enrollment and Academic Services.

“With December 1 fast approaching, students will need to act quickly to

request transcripts, finalize other details and go ahead and complete the process in order to meet the deadline,” Sells added.

Prospective students can apply by going to <https://mtsu.edu/how-to-apply/index.php> and following the prompts.

Guaranteed scholarships for qualifying students include:

- National Merit/Achievement/Hispanic semifinalist — \$6,000 per year.
- Trustee Scholarship (30 to 36 ACT/1,300 SAT/3.5 or higher GPA) — \$5,000 per year.
- Presidential Scholarship (25 to 29 ACT/1,200 SAT/3.5 or higher GPA) — \$4,500 per year.
- True Blue Scholarship (23 to 24 ACT/1,130 SAT/3.5 or higher GPA) — \$2,000 per year.

Students who qualify must accept the scholarship by May 1, Sells said.

The deadline for transfer students to apply to potentially receive guaranteed scholarships is Feb. 15.

For questions about admissions, financial aid and more, call 615-898-2111 or visit the MTSU One Stop.

“Hunters”
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by encouraging hunters to harvest an over-populated deer herd.”

Right now, hunters can drop off a whole deer donation at no cost to them. Each year, Hunters for the Hungry covers tens of thousands of dollars in processing fees for donations. If deer donations surpass available funding for this season, hunters

can pay a reduced, \$60 processing fee or redeem a Deer Coin, which can be purchased through the Tennessee Wildlife Federation by visiting tnwf.org/HuntersForTheHungry.

A complete list of food banks distributing venison for Hunters for the Hungry includes:

West Tennessee – Mid-South Food Bank at (901) 527-0841

Middle Tennessee – Second Harvest of Middle Tennessee at (615) 329-3491

Northeast Tennessee – Second Harvest of North East Tennessee at (423) 279-0430

Southeast Tennessee – Chattanooga Food Bank at (423) 622-1800

East Tennessee – Second Harvest of East Tennessee at (865) 243-8242

WCTE Presents Bob Ross Event

Join WCTE PBS on Sunday, Dec. 5, at 2:00 p.m. to paint “happy little trees” with Bob Ross Certified Instructor, Bobbi Cosby.

Tickets are now available for the two-hour event.

Cosby, a Canadian resident, has over 14 years of instructing experience. The paint-a-long will feature a winter painting, just in time for the holiday season.

There are four ticket options for this event. All options include the virtual class with the Bob Ross

Certified Instructor.

The in-person event will be held at The Biz Foundry located at 114 N Cedar Ave in Cookeville. This ticket is \$50 and includes the official Bob Ross Paint Kit, light refreshments, and admission to The Biz Foundry.

For \$40, there is a virtual ticket that includes the official Bob Ross Paint Kit. The kit will be available for pickup, by appointment, at WCTE’s office located at 229 E Broad Street in Cookeville prior to the event.

The \$25 ticket includes virtual access to the painting class without the paint kit.

If you are coming with a friend, there is an \$80 option for two people to enjoy the in-person event.

Proceeds from the event will help WCTE PBS to continue to provide the Upper Cumberland region with enriching and fulfilling engagement activities.

For tickets and more information, visit wcte.org/bob-ross or call 931-528-2222.

Grants To Help Expand Child Care Capacity

A \$5 million grant program to establish and expand childcare in Tennessee is now available.

As part of their continued partnership, ChildcareTennessee, an initiative of The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee, and the Tennessee Department of Human Services (TDHS) have a new addition – administering Establishment and Expansion Grants across Tennessee.

Two-thirds of parents in the state say they struggle to find childcare at all, according to a 2019 study by Tennesseans for Quality Early Education. The same study reported that 48 percent of Tennesseans live in a childcare desert.

While the coronavirus pandemic cast a spotlight on the importance of childcare, the need to create more accessible childcare has been an issue for decades.

“Since 1994, The Foundation has worked diligently with organizations to create and expand child care access in Tennessee,” said Ellen

Lehman, president of The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee. “These grants are an important investment in child care providers and Tennessee’s children and have been needed in all the intervening years.”

New and existing providers will be able to apply for furniture, equipment, supplies, curriculum and other items and services associated with opening a new child care agency or expanding licensed capacity at an existing agency.

“These grants will enable prospective child care providers to open or expand programs creating increased access to child care for families across Tennessee,” said Cassandra Brown, ChildcareTennessee senior grant manager.

Each grant allows providers to apply for up to \$1,000 per licensed childcare slot, up to a maximum of \$100,000 per program.

“This grant process is establishing the tone that providers are valued through pre-licensure

criteria, training and support,” Brown said. “That sets the tone for professionalism and the importance of child care. Paired with business management resources on ChildcareTennessee.com, this partnership is positioning providers for success right from the beginning.”

The ChildcareTennessee/TDHS partnership also provides other services. An administrative website, ChildcareTennessee.com, features more than 2,000 resources to assist child care directors with administrative tasks, from human resources to staying compliant with federal and state regulations. These resources alleviate some of the administrative load so directors can focus on what matters most — more than 162,000 of Tennessee’s children.

By logging onto ChildcareTennessee.com, child-care directors also can browse multiple local and national businesses offering discounts that provide cost savings in child care administration.

Sheriff’s Toy Drive Seeking Donations

Plans are underway for the Overton County Sheriff’s Department Annual Toy Drive.

We are asking the community to partner with us to help provide toys for children whose families are experiencing a financial hardship.

You can contribute by donating a new toy or sending a monetary donation to: 2021 Toy Drive/OCSD, 1010 John T. Poindexter Drive, Livingston, Tn 38570.

Toys may be dropped off at the following locations: The Overton Coun-

ty Sheriff’s Department, Winingham Hardware, Walgreens, Dollar General Market, Hardees, and Livingston church of Christ.

You may sign up for assistance if your family is experiencing a financial hardship.

You must be a resident of Overton County and not receiving assistance from another non-profit or charity to participate.

To sign up send the following information to 2021 Toy Drive/OCSD, 1010 John T. Poindexter Drive, Livingston, TN 38570:

Child’s age, Girl or Boy, and the Child’s Christmas List

Letters must be submitted by the parent or guardian, signed, and a phone number included to be considered.

Letters with incomplete information will not be considered.

Participants will be contacted by a representative from the Sheriff’s Department once eligibility is determined. You must live in Overton County to be eligible.

The deadline to be considered is Nov. 30.

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Exploring Weather Folklore

*Looking
Backward
By Phoebejane*

(Emily Sells)

Here are some interesting weather folklore related to the Appalachian area that says the following:

If a fire makes a sound like someone walking, or if the smoke travels down the side of the chimney and clings to the ground, it will soon snow.

If a wooly worm has more brown fur instead of black, we will have a mild winter.

When cows bunch together in a huddle, it's going to storm.

If hornets build their nest in the lower branches of a tree, we are in for a bad winter.

If an owl hoots on the east side of the mountain, bad weather is on the way.

When ants are observed traveling in a straight line, it will rain soon. If they scatter out, fair weather will arrive soon.

When the wind blows leaves on trees so that their backs show, it will storm soon.

If ant hills are high in July, winter will be snowy.

Three morning frosts and a rain means snow in winter.

When leaves fall early, the fall and winter will be mild; when the leaves fall late, the winter will be severe.

A warm October means a cold February.

A warm November means a bad winter coming.

A green Christmas means a white Easter.

A full moon in October without frost means no frost until November's full



Woolly Bully - The color of wooly worms is believed to be a way to predict the winter weather.

moon.

Here are some other folklore beliefs:

Don't go barefoot or without your longhandles before May 10.

Planting potatoes on the full moon will cause them to grow closer to the top of the ground and be sunburned. Planting them on the dark of the moon will cause them to grow deep roots and make it almost impossible to dig.

A woman should not have food during her monthly cycle. Anything she eats will spoil.

Don't swim in a river during "Dog Days" of summer. This one doesn't explain what will happen if you do swim in a river during "Dog Days."

To make it rain, kill a snake and turn it belly up.

The following is some information about the year 1816 being designated as "The Year Without A Summer." The article tells how record heavy snows fell in New England between June 6 and 11th, 1816, and an exceptionally cold summer featuring frosts in July

and August occurred. There was also a drought during early fall that culminated in a killing frost well before the end of September. Crop failures were widespread, not only in New England, but also across Canada and Western Europe. The apparent cause of this wintry anomaly was the eruption of the Tambora Volcano half a world away in Indonesia in 1815. A tremendous cloud of fine ash and dust was ejected into the stratosphere where it reduced the heat and light of the sun, causing 40 degree temperatures in Georgia in July."

Another story is told that by taking seeds out of some persimmons and then slicing the seeds open, the shape that shows up inside the seed will indicate what kind of winter to expect. There are three shapes to look for: A knife shape means there will be a cold, icy winter, as in the wind will slice right through you like a knife. A spoon shape means there will be plenty of snow to shovel. A fork shape means there will be a mild winter.

Instructions on the internet say to

randomly select at least 10 seeds from different pieces of the fruit and then slice open each seed.

The following are some other natural signs of a rough winter that have been collected over the years.

* Very thick onion skins or corn husks.

* Woodpeckers sharing a tree.

* Early arrival of crickets on the hearth

* Lots of acorns.

* Trees are laden with green leaves late in the fall.

* Hickory nuts having heavy shells.

* Tree bark is heaviest on the north side of the tree.

* Crickets are in the chimney.

* Hoot owls call late into the fall.

* Raccoons have thick tails and bright bands.

* Squirrels gathering nuts early in the year.

* Pigs gathering sticks.

* Frequent halos/rings around the sun or moon.

* Heavy and numerous fogs in August.

There is also a folktale about the state of California being the healthiest state in the union. And the reason this was told is because an old fellow who lived there all his life was said to be more than two hundred years old. The old man got awfully tired of living after a while, but couldn't seem to sicken and die. Finally, his relatives tactfully suggested he try traveling away from California, and sure enough, it worked. He took sick and died not long after leaving. Since it was his last request to be buried in California, his family had his body shipped home. But wouldn't you know it, as soon as he crossed the border into California, the old man revived and rose right out of his coffin, as spry as ever. His family suggested more travel, but the old man decided to stick it out until his time came. The story goes he's still waiting to meet his Maker.

Gift Spring Blooms For The Holiday

Melinda Myers
special to the *Enterprise*

Give the gift of spring this winter to gardeners and non-gardeners alike. A pot of tulips, daffodils or other spring flowering bulbs is sure to brighten a dreary winter day and elevate the recipient's mood.

Spring flowering bulbs need 12 to 15 weeks of temperatures between 35 and 45 degrees to initiate flowering. This happens naturally in areas with cold winters. Bulbs are planted in the fall, receive the chill they need, and add welcome color to the spring garden.

Those in warmer climates, typically zones 8, 9 and 10, need a different

approach. In those areas, low chill bulbs that don't need as long a cold period or pre-cooled bulbs are grown. The pre-cooled bulbs also sold as pre-chilled, have received the needed cold period and can be grown like annuals.

No matter where you garden, spring flowering bulbs can be chilled in a spare refrigerator. Keep bulbs away from apples and pears. These fruits give off ethylene gas, a natural hormone that does not harm people, but can hasten ripening and interfere with flowering when bulbs are stored in the same refrigerator compartment. Check the pots occasionally and wa-

ter when needed to keep the soil slightly moist, but not soggy wet.

Some friends and family may appreciate a DIY bulb forcing kit as their gift. Spring flowering bulbs, potting mix, and a container with drainage holes are all that is needed. Provide directions for assembly, suggestions for providing the cold treatment if needed and proper care.

Others may prefer a gift that requires minimal care like Gardener's Supply Company's Months of Bloom. Order once and these pre-planted bulb gardens are delivered to the recipient monthly for 3, 6 or 12 months. Just water when the potting mix starts to dry and enjoy watching the spring flowering bulbs sprout, grow and flower.

Keep spring flowering bulb gardens in a cool, bright location to extend their bloom time. Once the plants are done blooming, you can add them to the compost pile.

For those that prefer to enjoy them a second season and beyond, provide some post-flowering care. Remove the faded flowers and move the container to a sunny window. Keep watering thoroughly whenever the top few inches of soil begin to dry. Pour off any excess water that collects in the saucer to prevent root rot and apply a dilute solution of any flowering houseplant fertilizer.

Once the leaves turn yellow and die or the soil in the garden warms and the danger of frost has passed, you can move them into the garden.

Tulips and hyacinths perform best in sunny areas with well-drained soils. These two bulbs tend to flourish for a year or two and then produce few or no flowers. Keep that in mind as you plan for the future.

Daffodils and grape hyacinths will grow in sun or shade and a variety of soil types. These tend

to be long lived as they grow and spread over time.

It may be two years before you have flowers but it's a great way to extend the enjoyment of a holiday gift.

Melinda Myers is the author of more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great*

Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Gardener's Supply for her expertise to write this article. Her web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.



Photo courtesy of Gardener's Supply Company/gardeners.com

Gift Idea - Give a gift of Months of Bloom, pre-planted bulbs to brighten up the recipient's home during the winter months or all year long.

Pictures From The Past



Pictures From The Past - Huston Vaughn's photograph as a youngster was included in Livingston Academy's 1963 yearbook.

Danner Completes State Program

At Your Library

by:
Librarian
Cynthia
Julian-
Simmons



Upcoming Events at the library:
11/25-27 The Library will be closed for Thanksgiving
New items added to the library:
Adult Fiction
Everyone is Beautiful by Katherine Center
Mr. Nice Guy by Jennifer Miller
Yours Cheerfully by A. J. Pearce
The Further Observations of Lady Whistledown by Julia Quinn
Audiobook Fiction
Missing Pieces by Heather Gudenkauf
Chasing the Night by Iris Johansen
Dirty Work by Stuart Woods
Inspirational Fiction
Love's Mountain quest by Misty M. Beller
A Gilded Lady by Elizabeth Camden
Dawn at Emberwilde by Sarah E. Ladd
Non-Fiction
Peterson's Scholar-



Trustee Program - Library Director Cynthia Julian-Simmons presents Library Board member Thelma Danner her certificate for completing the TN State Library & Archives Trustee Program.

ships, Grants, & Prizes 2021	Galaxy Girls: 50	Chieftain 1935
Amazing Stories of Women in Space by Libby Jackson	Westerns	Chieftain 1943
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		Juvenile Fiction
		Doctor's Helper by Sheila Sweeny Higginson
		Juvenile Non-Fiction
		The Kane Chronicles Survival Guide by M. J. Knight
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Are You Scared, Darth Vader? by Adam Rex
Children's Fiction
Too Tall Alice by Susie Sims Irvin
Light the Lights: A Story About Celebrating Hanukkah & Christmas by Margaret Moorman
Before Morning by Joyce Sidman
Juvenile Board Books
Colorful World: Construction Site: Find What's Different! By Nastja Holtfreter
Colorful World: Pre-historic by Nastja Holtfreter
Young Adult Fiction
Hide with Me by Sorboni Banerjee
Looking for Alaska John Green
Blood & Honey by Shelby Mahurin
Young Adult Manga
Tsubasa: Reservoir Chronicle, Vol. 21-23
DVD's
Cloverfield
Deepwater Horizon
Dreamer: Inspired by a True Story
Selma
Rectify: Season One
Gunsmoke: The Twelfth Season, Vol. Two

SCV Induction



New Member - At the November meeting of Myers-Zollicoffer Camp 1990 in Livingston, Rush Rich (right) of Celina was welcomed into the bonds of fraternal brotherhood by Chaplain Tommy Phillips (left). Rush was elected a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans upon the service record of his 2nd great-grandfather, Private John Thomas Smith of Company G, 8 (Smith's) Tennessee Cavalry.

Recovery Court



Graduate - The Overton county recovery court recently celebrated the graduation of its 29th graduate Levi Raines. The recovery court would like to thank all of the family member and community members that attended graduation. Pictured above are Daryl Colson, Overton County Recovery presiding Judge, and Levi Raines and his family.

Family History Day Nov. 27

Learn how to uncover your family stories from expert researchers at the Tennessee State Library & Archives' free Family History Day on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, Nov. 27, starting at 9:30 a.m. with research assistance available all day.

The Library & Archives' Family History Day has something to offer anyone wanting to research their family history, from beginners to seasoned genealogists. The event kicks off with two presentations, an introduction to the Library & Archives' genealogical research collections led by Director of Public Services Gordon Belt, followed by a Genetic Genealogy presentation with Library & Archives staff members Lauren Hamric and Lindsay Hager.

During the Genetic Genealogy presentation, guests will learn how to use DNA test results to expand their family tree, confirm family stories or solve family mysteries. The presenters will compare testing companies and show guests how to analyze test results using real-life case studies.

"The upcoming holiday season is a great time to reconnect with our loved ones and share stories," said Secretary of State Tre Hargett. "This event is a great opportunity for families to spend time together and learn how to explore their history utilizing the vast resources of the Library & Archives."

As Tennessee's premier research facility for history and genealogy, the Library & Archives provides a wealth of materials, including census records, newspapers, city directories, wills, marriages, vital records, military service records and many other sources.

After the Family History Day presentations, the Library & Archives Reading Room will be open with staff and volunteers from the Friends of the Tennessee State Library & Archives on hand to assist visitors as they begin to trace their family history. Attendees are encouraged to bring whatever information they have, including names, dates and places, to get started.

Although the Family History Day event is free, reservations are required due to limited seating. The Library & Archives will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 25, and Friday, Nov. 26, for the Thanksgiving holiday, so guests are encouraged to make reservations early.

"Since moving to our beautiful new facility, we are able to accommodate more guests at this year's Family History Day than ever before," said Chuck Sherrill, Tennessee State Librarian and Archivist. "Each year our staff looks forward to helping patrons uncover new family stories, and this year with the state-of-the-art technologies we have in place, our collections are even more accessible."

The Library & Archives is located at 1001 Rep. John Lewis Way North on the northeast corner of Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park, across from the Tennessee State Museum. Parking is available for guests in the Library & Archives garage on Jackson Street/Junior Gilliam Way.

The Library & Archives is open for research throughout the year, Tuesday to Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The interactive exhibit lobby, featuring displays highlighting the state's most precious historical documents, is open to the public Monday through Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

To reserve your spot to attend Family History Day, visit bit.ly/TNFHD21. To learn more about the Library & Archives or schedule a research visit, call 615-741-2764, email ask@tsla.libanswers.com or visit sos.tn.gov/tsla/plan-your-visit.

WCTE Holiday Cooking Special



Holiday Special - "Live Green Tennessee" returns this holiday season with "Live Green Tennessee: 'Tis the Season with Guest Chefs." The program will premiere on Thursday, Nov. 25 at 7 p.m. on WCTE PBS, YouTube TV, WCTE PBS App and Facebook. Dishes include tried and tested family recipes as well as international fare from Latin America. Melinda Keifer serves as the host, featuring foodies and local home chefs, Dr. Carl Owens, Yadira Araujo and Ellie Aliday Alanis.

Wanting What You Can't Quite Have

Human nature is such that most of us aren't seduced by what is completely beyond our reach, but by the thing that is just out of reach. Employees who pilfer from their companies are often just trying to live a slightly more lavish lifestyle than they can afford. We see the same thing in matters of romance. Most of us know that the beauty queen or the captain of the football team is "out of our league"?? and we don't even try for them, but we are drawn to the attractive boy or girl who sits next to us in class and who kindly helps us with our homework, even if we know she's not interested in us. Wanting what we can't quite have isn't necessarily a bad thing. It's good to aim high in life, but desiring things we can't have is also a source of considerable pain and frustration. Keeping up with the Jones's and pining after someone who isn't interested in you is unsatisfying in the short run and in the long run it can lead to a sense of deep disappointment and even resentment. We start to have a sense that life is unfair and we envy those who appear to have the things we want, and moreover appear to have achieved those things so effortlessly. Appearances can be deceiving, however, and you might be surprised to find that Mr. Jones down the street isn't so happy with his big house or his beautiful wife. Strive to be content with what you have, and thank God every day for the blessings he has bestowed on you.

- Christopher Simon

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

1 Timothy 6:6-8

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Board Approves LA Stadium Bleachers

BRIAN WILMOTH
editor

The Overton County School Board has approved \$1.1 million for the purchase of bleachers at the new Livingston Academy football stadium.

The capacity of the new stadium is expected to be 2,703. The home side will include 1776 bench seats, 202 reserve seats, and 18 wheel chair spots. The visitor's side will seat 707 people.

Board chairman Mike Hayes said it was important to approve the pur-

chase now to ensure the delivery and construction before the next football season in August.

"There's a six-month lead time on bleachers," Hayes said, "and another month of installation time, so that's why we need to make a move now."

The board is purchasing the bleachers from Minnesota-based Sourcewell, a cooperative purchasing vendor. Hayes said using Sourcewell will help save valuable time.

"Sourcewell is a state approved company," Hayes said. "They have



Stadium Talk – Board Chairman Mike Hayes (middle) discusses plans for the new Livingston Academy football stadium at the board's meeting Nov. 9.

vendors listed under them, those out as long as we use the approved vendors under Sourcewell from the state of Tennessee.

"Without having to go through and bid that out," Hayes continued, "it saves tremendous amount of time as far as getting that here."

The cost for the bleachers includes a four-room press box on the home side bleachers. The \$1.1 million price tag is around \$84,000 over the original budget for seating. The county has around \$200,000 in grant money to pay for the bleachers.

The life expectancy of the bleachers is around 30 years.

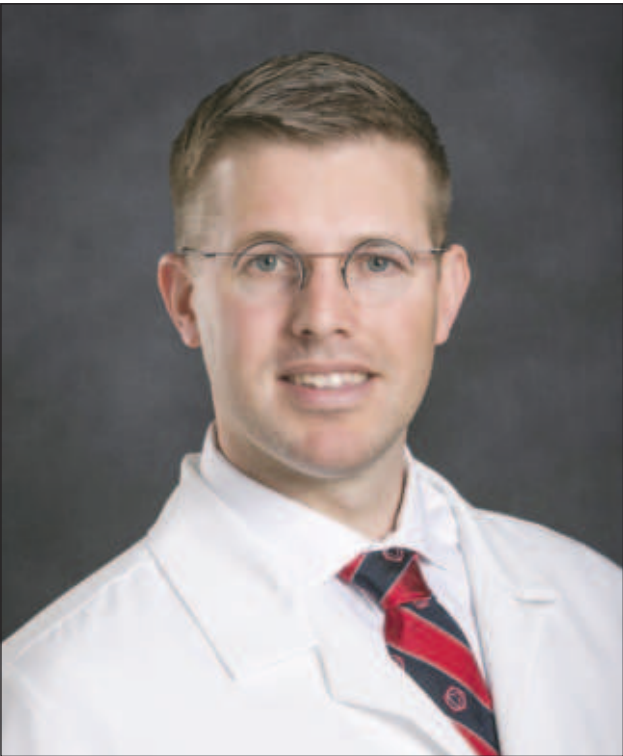
Sywak Named Fellow Of The American College Of Surgeons

Vascular surgeon Dr. Michael Sywak is one of 2,350 surgeons from around the world who were recently inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

This year's class of inductees was among one of the largest ever admitted into the college.

"It is an honor to be named as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons," said Sywak. "Since joining the medical staff here at Cookeville Regional Medical Center in August 2019, I've seen the vascular program come a long way, becoming director of the vascular lab where we open up blood vessels in the body. We also enrolled in a national quality system that monitors our progress and we just come to term on our first award for vascular quality. We received our first gold star, but there is always room for improvement, but getting everyone on board to provide the highest quality of care here at the hospital is a great thing."

Sywak earned his



Dr. Michael Sywak

medical degree in 2011 from St. George's University in Granada, West Indies, in 2011. In 2019, he earned board certification from the American Board of Surgeons in general surgery, followed by becoming board certified in vascular surgery in 2021. He has a strong professional interest in endovascular and vascular surgery and holds membership in

other professional societies, including the Society of Vascular Surgery.

Other local surgeons named as Fellows include general surgeons Drs. Scott Copeland, Brian Gerndt and Charles Huddleston and cardiothoracic surgeon Dr. Timothy Powell.

CRMC CEO Paul Korth is proud of the strides the program has made.

"Dr. Sywak has brought so much to this facility and now adding the FACS to his name brings an even higher quality to the vascular program," he said.

The American College of Surgeons is a scientific and educational organization of surgeons that was founded in 1913 to raise the standards of surgical practice and to improve the quality of care for the surgical patient. There are more than 84,000 members and is the largest organization of surgeons in the world.

An applicant for Fellowship must be a graduate of an approved medical school, completed advanced training in one of the 14 surgical specialties recognized by the College, have certification by an American surgical specialty board or appropriate certification by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and must have been in practice for at least one year at the time of his or her application.

For more information, visit www.facs.org.

Birdwell Indicted On Multiple Counts

BRIAN WILMOTH
editor

Clay County Circuit Court Clerk Susan Birdwell has been indicted on 11 counts of forgery, tampering with governmental records, and official misconduct by a Davidson County Grand Jury.

Birdwell was arrested last Tuesday on the indictment handed down on Nov. 10. She was released after posting a \$5,000 bond.

According to the indictment, nine of the eleven counts regard forging or falsifying documents to order the expungement of criminal offender records.

Counts one through six allege that Birdwell passed or forged documents on June 10, July 12, Aug. 4, Sept. 14, Oct. 7, and Dec. 29 of 2020.

Counts seven through nine allege that Birdwell presented documents "with knowledge of their falsity and with the intent that they would be taken as genuine government records in violation" of Tennessee law on Feb. 25, March 8, and April 12 of 2021.

The final two counts allege that Birdwell "while at all times relevant a public servant, did unlawfully, knowingly, and with the intent to harm the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, violate a law relating to her office".

The dates on the indictment indicate that Birdwell's alleged misconduct occurred between June 10 and Dec. 29, 2020 on Count 10 and Feb. 25 and April 12, 2021, both of which match the dates on the other counts.

Tennessee Comptroller Director of Communications John Dunn said the office couldn't make statements until after they have issued a public investigative report.

"We are prohibited by judicial rules from making statements about cases involving indicted individuals unless those statements are in the 'public record'", Dunn said. "We consider our report to be the public record, and without it, I am not allowed to make any statements about the details of this case."

Statewide Unemployment Rate Inches Lower

Tennessee's employment situation improved again in October as the statewide jobless rate dropped for the fifth consecutive month. According to the latest data from the Department of Labor and Workforce Development (TDLWD), the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate came in at 4.2% for the month.

October's rate is 0.2 of a percentage point lower than the previous month's rate. Looking back one year, Tennessee's unemployment rate was 7.8%, which is 3.6 percentage points higher than the current rate.

This is the lowest unemployment has been in the state since March 2020, which was the last month before COVID-19 business closures impacted Tennessee's economy. Then, the rate was 4%, just 0.2 of a percentage point lower than the state's latest statistic.

Tennessee employers added 6,800 nonfarm jobs across the state between September and October. The manufacturing sector experienced the largest increase in jobs, followed by the professional and business services sector and the mining, logging, and construction sector.

Between Oct. 2020 and Oct. 2021, the number of nonfarm jobs across the state increased by 80,700. The leisure and hospitality sector accounted for the largest number of new jobs. The professional and business services sector saw the next highest increase, followed by the trade, transportation, and utilities sector.

The nation's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate also dropped by 0.2 of a percentage point in October to 4.6%. That number is 2.3 percentage points lower than it was in Oct. 2020.

The TDLWD WIRED division has produced a complete economic analysis of October's unemployment data. You can find statistics, including details on specific industry sectors, here.

While the state's unemployment numbers continue to improve, many Tennesseans are still searching for meaningful employment. TDLWD offers a variety of services that can help job seekers land their next gig. From the more than 100 American Job Centers across the state to Jobs4TN.gov with its 420,000 job postings, that assistance is available online or in person.

Christmas in Graville



Tennessee's Mayberry Town opened the 2021 Christmas Season entitled Holiday Magic on November 12 as it developed its annual Christmas Characters on Parade like a Hallmark Movie Town. The town has had 225 hand painted Christmas Characters and scenes done to decorate the streets of Granville. The town has thousands of lights as well as the turn has the Christmas Magic thru out the town. Christmas Characters on Parade is great to view during the day as well as night.

Granville is celebrating the Christmas Season with their annual Festival of Trees with some 25 beautiful decorated Christmas Trees in Exhibition Center of Granville Museum, Christmas Tours of the Historic 1880 Sutton Home, Antique Toy Show, Christmas in the Country at Farm to Table Museum, Pioneer Christmas at 1820 Log Cabin, Special Christmas Celebration at Mayberry Lucy Museum and Decanter Museum, great holiday southern cooking at Sutton General Store and unique shopping at all shops.

A town tour ticket entitles you to celebrate Holiday Magic in Tennessee's Mayberry Town. Granville is open Wednesday

thru Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Sutton Ole Time Music Hour has Christmas Bluegrass Dinner Shows beginning on November 27 by reservation.

The 22nd Annual Granville Country Christmas will occur on Dec. 11 from

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with Christmas Musicals, Craft Booths, Children Events, Children Rides, Holiday Tours, Craftsmen and a Parade at 3 p.m. followed by visits with Santa. The Granville Event Center will be transformed into Holiday Magic stations for Children's Activities

from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Children may make an ornament to take home or prepare as a gift, participate in Christmas stories and songs, make Reindeer food to sprinkle in your yard on Christmas Eve, get a glitter tattoo and enjoy magic shows by Magician Roger Reeves.

TDOT Halts Lane Closures

Thanksgiving travelers will not be delayed by construction on Tennessee roads during this holiday. TDOT will halt all lane closure activity on interstates and state highways in anticipation of higher traffic volumes across the state. All construction-related lane closures will be stopped beginning at noon on Wednesday, November 24, 2021, through midnight on Sunday, November 28, 2021.

"Thanksgiving is typi-

cally the most traveled holiday of the year," said TDOT Commissioner Joe Galbato. "Halting road work during this time will provide maximum capacity on our highways and help alleviate congestion, especially during the predicted peak travel days of Wednesday and Sunday. TDOT's regional HELP Trucks will also be working throughout the holiday weekend to assist with incidents that may occur along the interstates."

While all lane closure activity will be stopped, workers may be on-site in some construction zones. Long-term lane closures will also remain in place on some construction projects for motorists' safety. Motorists are reminded to drive safely and obey the posted speeds, especially in work zones. Drivers convicted of speeding in work zones where workers are present face a fine of up to \$500, plus court fees.

High School Basketball

Livingston Academy Girls

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High School Football

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Cumberland County
DeKalb County
Macon County
Upperman

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Class 4-A State Tournament
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Greenville High School	7

Tallahoma High School	21
Pearl Cohn High School	7

Haywood High School	35
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Next Week's Games
Class 4-A State Tournament
Semifinals

Upperman High School at
Elizabethtown High School

Haywood High School at
Tallahoma High School



1. Which Ismail brother had more NFL career receiving yards: Raghib "The Rocket" or Qadry "The Missile"?
2. In what U.S. city would you find the historic Blue Horizon boxing venue?
3. Georgia Bulldogs Heisman Trophy winner Herschel Walker played for what USFL team from 1983-85?
4. "Bad As I Wanna Be" is a 1996 autobiography by what five-time NBA champion?

5. The Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup is presented to the women's singles champion of what tennis tournament?
 6. Name the standout wide receiver for the University of Richmond Spiders and 1986 NFL draft pick by the Detroit Lions who flew two missions onboard Space Shuttle Atlantis?
 7. A metatarsophalangeal joint sprain is an athletic injury commonly known as what?
- Answers
1. Raghib with 5,295 yards (Qadry had 5,137).
 2. Philadelphia.
 3. The New Jersey Generals.
 4. Dennis Rodman.
 5. The Australian Open.
 6. Leland D. Melvin.
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County Creating
Elementary Wrestling Team

BRIAN WILMOTH
editor

The Overton County School Board given its approval to start an elementary-level wrestling team.

The board made that decision at its monthly meeting Nov. 9.

Board chairman Mike Hayes said the program would help bolster Livingston Academy's wres-

tlng program.

"Coach (Cody) Newman had approached (Director of Schools) Dr. (Donnie) Holman about it," Hayes said. "He does the high school team. There's currently not a middle school program to feed into the high school."

Holman said the county had seen students

leaving the county to take advantage of wrestling programs elsewhere.

"I was told we had several students that are going out-of-county at that age bracket," Holman said. "I was assured that those that are going out-of-county would come back to us. That will just help us in the long run."

The board allocated \$1,000 per year for the program, along with a coaching supplement of \$1,000 or \$750 for a non-teaching coaching supplement.

Holman said he would have to check whether the grade range for the program is fifth-through-eighth or just seventh-and-eighth.

Golden Eagles Wrap Up Season

THOMAS COHERN
TTU Sports Information

As the final whistle blew on Saturday, it was the end of one of the longest stretches of competition for the Tennessee Tech football team. In the span of nine months, two seasons were completed, 18 games played.

It was a gauntlet, a grueling one at that as the Golden Eagles had to battle injuries, illnesses but between February and Saturday's November afternoon, they got 18 games in. It was certainly a feat to do it that took a lot of monumental efforts to get there.

As the Golden Eagles took to the field on Saturday, those injuries and illnesses had taken their toll. With a few pieces missing from the lineup, the depleted Tech squad squared up with an Austin Peay squad that had been right in the mix for the Ohio Valley Conference race, including a narrow one-point loss to league champion UT Martin.

Tech came out on Saturday determined to finish 2021 on a high note. The first two quarters, the Golden Eagles rallied from an early deficit to make it a one-possession game just before halftime, but Drae McCray's monster night pushed Austin Peay out of reach, the Governors winning 48-20.

"The guys played hard," said head coach Dewayne Alexander. "They have all year. We played hard, but we made mistakes. We had a lot of guys out and had to put a lot of guys in, give them some experience and a chance to play. I'm proud of our seniors - they



End Of The Line - The Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles finished off the 2021 campaign with a 48-20 loss to Austin Peay.

fought their way through and they battled.

"Austin Peay has a very talented football team. At the end of the day, we had opportunities and wasn't able to take advantage of them. There's really not much room for error."

The freshman receiver caught four touchdown passes out of his seven haul-ins for 237 total yards, just yards short of tying a single-game school record that has held since 1969. Draylen Ellis showed his arm as well, completing 16 of his 27 passes for 345 yards. Ahmaad Tanner rounded out the scoring for the Governors with two touchdown runs among his 13 carries for 93 yards.

Austin Peay closes out its final season in the OVC with a 6-5 mark, 4-2 in the conference.

Maddux Trujillo put the Gobs up 3-0 on the first drive, then a 73-yard connection from Ellis to McCray put APSU up 10-0 early in the second quarter. Tech broke up the shutout on its next drive as Hayden Olsen hit a 23-yard field goal, but Peay used just three plays on the next drive to move the ball 64 yards, ending as

Tanner scored the first of his two touchdowns.

The Golden Eagles responded as Davis Shanley completed a pass to Quinton Cross, who then outraced the Peay defenders on a 47-yard dash to the end zone. Olsen's PAT made it 17-10, then the freshman kicker added a 29-yard field goal with 57 seconds remaining before the half, making it a 17-13 game.

Peay wasn't done yet. In 46 seconds, the Governors moved the ball 68 yards, ending the scoring drive with a 22-yard connection from Ellis to McCray for their second touchdown of the day and the first six of 18 unanswered points for McCray.

The receiver also had a 36-yard touchdown catch with 1:38 left in the third quarter, then a 47-yard score with 14:09 remaining in the contest following an interception for his final TD on the day.

Trujillo hit a 26-yard field goal, then, after a Tech turnover on downs, Tanner ended the final Peay scoring drive with a 57-yard rush.

Tech was able to score once more as the clock

wound down as Lem Wash threw an 18-yard touchdown pass to Ashton Maples with 10 seconds remaining in the contest. Olsen was true with his 42nd consecutive PAT in his career.

The Golden Eagles ended the game with 405 yards of offense to Peay's 478 as Tech ran for 149 yards and passed for 256. Davis Shanley was 22-for-36 with a touchdown pass and 231 yards, while Wash was 2-for-3 for 25 yards.

Maples had a fantastic game, collecting his first career 100-plus-yard game with 108 yards and a touchdown on nine catches.

"He made some big plays for us and I'm really, really proud of him," Alexander said. "Davis stepped in once we found out Willie (Miller) wouldn't be available and had a great effort. Lem Wash played well late in the game."

Jalal Dean had 51 yards on three catches, while Cross had the 47-yard touchdown catch to his ledger.

On the ground, David Gist ran for 72 yards on 17 carries.

Defensively, Jack Warwick led the Golden Eagles with nine tackles, while Seth Carlisle had six and Josh Reliford, Trace Danley and Nyquan Washington each had four.

For Austin Peay, Koby Perry had 11 tackles, Kory Chapman had 10 and Shamari Simmons had both interceptions.

The Golden Eagles finish the 2021 campaign with a 3-8 record, 1-5 in the OVC.

Gun Hunting Season Opens

Tennessee's statewide gun hunting season for deer opened Saturday. During gun season, sportsmen may also use muzzleloader or archery equipment. The season will continue through Jan. 2.

"This is the most exciting time of year to be in the woods. We hope everyone will get out and enjoy the tradition of hunting in Tennessee and this year be sure take someone with you to continue the tradition," said Bobby Wilson, executive director, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.

Anyone born on or after January 1, 1969 is required to carry proof of satisfactory completion of a hunter education class or be in possession of the Apprentice Hunting License (along with other required licenses) while



hunting any species in Tennessee. Hunter education can be completed online for free.

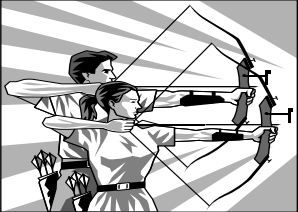
For more information about Tennessee's 2021-22 deer hunting seasons, refer to the 2021-22 Tennessee Hunting and Trapping Guide available online at <https://www.eregulations.com/tennessee/hunting/> or the TWRA App. Physical copies can be picked up at a license agent or agency

office.

The statewide bag limit for antlered bucks is two. No more than one antlered deer may be taken per day. Hunters are allowed the following antlerless bag limits: Unit L-3 per day, Unit A-2 per season, Unit B-1 per season, and Unit C-1 per season (Nov. 20-Dec. 5 only), and Unit D-1-per season (Nov. 20-26 only).

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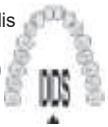
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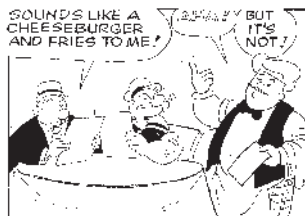
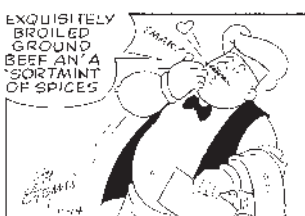
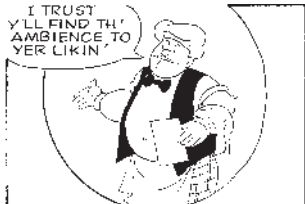
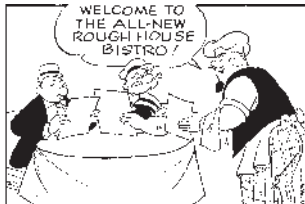
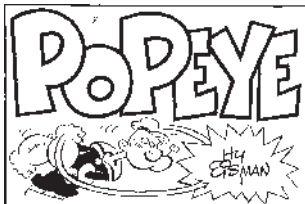
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ARIES
Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, family tops your list of priorities. You are likely to spend considerable time with loved ones in the days to come. Relish in all the opportunities to enjoy one another.

TAURUS
Apr 21/May 21
You may feel uneasy or worried for unknown reasons, Taurus. Trust your gut in this instance and steer clear of trouble should it try to find you.

GEMINI
May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, focus on keeping your cool even if others are trying to provoke you. Be the bigger person in all of your interactions. You have great control of your emotions.

CANCER
Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, you have been working very hard lately and this may result in an overactive and tired mind. You should factor in a break so you can recharge your

body and spirit.
LEO
Jul 23/Aug 23
The conditions are right for finishing important tasks, Leo. You will be able to come up with wonderful ideas that have true staying power. Pursue your options.

VIRGO
Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, your energy will remain high this week, enabling you to get many things done. Additionally, you may have a big change coming, like buying property or landing a new job.

LIBRA
Sept 23/Oct 23
Be confident and listen to your instincts, Libra. Do so before undertaking any important tasks that turn up in the days or weeks ahead.

SCORPIO
Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, it may be tempting to shirk your responsibilities right now, but resist that temptation. Keep your head down and keep working. It will all soon prove worth it.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, you may have to reset your priorities, as new information has come to the surface. Prioritize responsibilities so major issues are taken care of first.

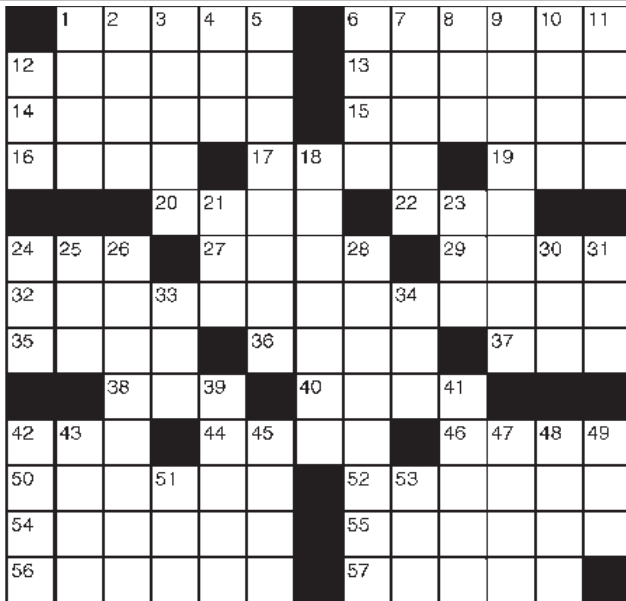
CAPRICORN
Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, unavoidable situations may cross your path and it is important that you stay the course. Committing to tackling things head is the most productive approach.

AQUARIUS
Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you treasure friends and family, and this week calls for an important decision that could affect them all. It may be tough but you will make the right call.

PISCES
Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, minor obstacles are in your path and it's easy to get frustrated. Once you clear the hurdles it will be smooth sailing before long.

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Paid (up)
 - 6 Tennis star Graf
 - 12 False
 - 13 Sounded content
 - 14 Warm, as leftovers
 - 15 Not certain
 - 16 Cruise stop
 - 17 Farm unit
 - 19 Garten of Food Network
 - 20 Austen novel
 - 22 Perched
 - 24 Recede
 - 27 Force
 - 29 Pleasing
 - 32 Symbolic first step toward getting hired
 - 35 Cab
 - 36 British noble
 - 37 Eggy quaff
 - 38 Existed
 - 40 Squabble
 - 42 Past
 - 44 Furnace fuel
 - 46 Volcanic flow
 - 50 Cheered (for)
 - 52 Ogled
 - 54 Topical antiseptic
 - 55 Builds
 - 56 Strong points
 - 57 "Midnight Cowboy"

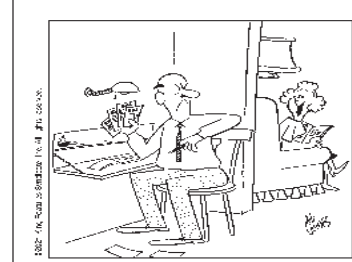


- DOWN**
- 1 Grieg's "-- Death"
 - 2 Actress Patricia
 - 3 Private pupil
 - 4 Sch. URL ender
 - 5 "Feel-good" brain chemical
 - 6 Incite
 - 7 Jukebox picks
 - 8 Hosp. areas
 - 9 Fulfillment
 - 10 Office plant
 - 11 Notion
 - 12 Greek consonant
 - 18 Bach's "Coffee --"
 - 21 1501, in Roman numerals
 - 23 Moreover
 - 24 Newt
 - 25 Large snake
 - 26 Ornamental garden trees
 - 28 Best-selling Michael Jackson album
 - 30 Bill's partner
 - 31 Work unit
 - 33 Spanish aunt
 - 34 Sprite
 - 39 Potpourri output
 - 41 Swift
 - 42 Met melody
 - 43 Sticky substances
 - 45 Praiseful pieces
 - 47 Curved lines
 - 48 Presidential power
 - 49 TV spots
 - 51 Dead heat
 - 53 Epoch

STICKELERS

There are six states bordering South Dakota. Starting with North Dakota to the north and going clockwise, can you name the other five states?

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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!

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TODAY'S WORD

Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

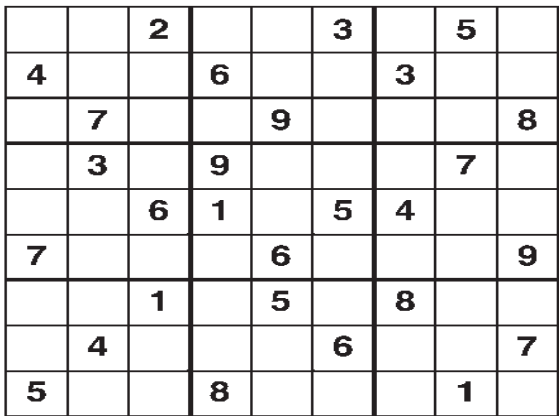
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

- | | | | |
|----------------------|---|-----------------|---|
| 1. Cereal box feline | G | Rome's river | B |
| 2. Guy | E | Pursue | O |
| 3. Cash | M | Beehive product | H |
| 4. Math function | D | Celestial | N |
| 5. Pry bar | L | Certainly not | N |
| 6. Fast trot | P | Four quarts | N |
| 7. Mrs. Flintstone | M | Author Cather | L |
| 8. Look into the sun | N | Ketchup measure | R |
| 9. The funny side | H | Gossip | R |
| 10. Domicile | L | Cease-fire | E |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



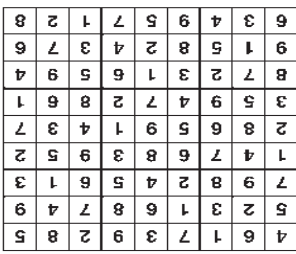
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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



Answer
Weekly SUDOKU



- Even Exchange**
1. The man, Thyme
2. Cloth, clove
3. Artery, artery
4. Omen, Omen
5. Stirring, Stirring
6. Warming, Warming
7. Quiet, Quiet
8. Plait, Plait
9. Budge, Budge
10. Parish, Parish

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: X equals M

XZ UVB RL CBOVCKYQQZ JIOBCYO
KJB XVRPNOPVPUO. R'QQ VLM NSO
XOUSVPRU NJ USOUM RN VN SRL
JRQROLN UJPIOPROPVO.

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CryptoQuip

The answer is mathematics.

SCRAMBLERS

1. Trade; 2. Reward; 3. Retain; 4. Kind

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Food Safety Tips For The Holidays

Rebekah Melton

Family and Consumer Science Extension Agent



The holidays are quickly approaching and we all need to be reminded of important food safety tips. To have a happy and healthy holiday season practice these safe food tips.

When buying a Turkey

Frozen – Allow 1 pound per person. Buy anytime but keep frozen until ready to thaw.

Fresh – Allow 1 pound per person. Buy 1 to 2 days before cooking. Do not buy fresh pre-stuffed turkeys. Purchase only frozen pre-stuffed turkeys with the USDA or state marks of inspection.

Safely handle your turkey

Raw poultry can contaminate anything it touches with harmful bacteria.

Clean your hands and surfaces often

Wash hands for 20 seconds with soap and water before, during, and after preparing food and before eating.

Wash your utensils, cutting boards, and countertops with hot, soapy water.

Separate raw turkey and the juices from other foods.

Use separate cutting boards and plates for raw meat, poultry, and seafood

Keep raw turkey and juices away from other foods when shopping and in the refrigerator

Transfer raw turkey from packaging to the pan

Do not wash your turkey or other raw meats – washing will spread bacteria in your kitchen and on you.

Thawing your Turkey

The safest method for thawing turkey is in the refrigerator. This method takes time, so allow one day for each 4-5 pounds of weight. If your turkey weighs 16 pounds, it will take about four days to thaw. Once thawed, the turkey is safe for another two days, so you can start thawing it six days before Thanksgiving.

Thaw in a container or pan to prevent the juices from dripping on other foods.

Thawing time in the refrigerator at 40 °F or below

Approximately 24 hours per 5 pounds (whole turkeys)

5 to 12 pounds 1 to 3 days

12 to 16 pounds 3 to 4 days

16 to 20 pounds 4 to 5 days

20 to 24 pounds 5 to 6 days

The other two methods (cold water and microwave) must be done immediately before you start cooking the turkey, so you'll have to wait until the day it will be cooked.

Cold Water Method

For this method, leave the turkey in its original wrapping and submerge it in a sink or container full of cold water. This will prevent cross-contamination and keep the turkey from absorbing water. It is important that the water be cold so that the turkey stays at a safe temperature. You should change the water every 30 minutes. Empty out the water and replace it with fresh cold water.

Approximately 30 minutes per pound

(whole turkey)

4 to 12 pounds 2 to 6 hours

12 to 16 pounds 6 to 8 hours

16 to 20 pounds 8 to 10 hours

20 to 24 pounds 10 to 12 hours

Thawed turkey by the cold-water method should be cooked immediately.

Microwave Method

Check the manufacturer's instructions for the size of the turkey that will fit into your oven, the minutes per pound and the power level to use when thawing a turkey. Remove all outside wrapping and place on a microwave-safe dish. Use the defrost function based on weight. As a general rule, allow 6 minutes per pound when thawing a turkey in the microwave. Be sure to rotate it several times, and even flip it, during the thawing process. Cook immediately after thawing.

Safely Stuff Your Turkey

Cooking the stuffing separately from the turkey in a casserole dish makes it less risky and it will make sure it is thoroughly cooked. If you do cook them together, stuff the turkey loosely and do so just before cooking. Use a food thermometer to make sure the turkey and stuffing's center reaches 165 °F. Wait 20 minutes after removing the bird from the oven before removing the stuffing from the turkey's cavity; This time allows the turkey and stuffing to remain at 165 degrees or more for enough time to kill harmful bacteria.

Safely Cook Your Turkey

Set the oven temperature to at least 325 °F. Place the thawed turkey

with the breast side up in a roasting pan that is 2 to 2 ½ inches deep. To make sure the turkey has reached a safe internal temperature of 165 °F, insert a food thermometer into the center of the stuffing and the thickest portions of the breast, thigh, and wing joint. Let the turkey stand 20 minutes before removing all the stuffing from the cavity and carving the meat.

Storing leftovers

Debone turkey and refrigerate all leftovers into shallow containers within 2 hours of cooking.

Use leftover cooked turkey, stuffing, and gravy within 3 to 4 days.

Boil leftover gravy before serving.

If freezing leftovers, use within two to six months for best quality.

Reheating your Turkey

Cooked turkey may be eaten cold or reheated. Reheat turkey, stuffing and gravy thoroughly to an internal temperature of 165 °F.

If you choose to buy a frozen stuffed turkey, look for the USDA mark of inspection. USDA does not recommend buying stuffed turkeys prepared at store or restaurant. If not prepared and handled carefully, the stuffing can be a source of bacteria.

For more information about food safety, contact Rebekah Melton, FCS Extension agent at 931-268-9437 or email tmelton9@utk.edu

Meat and Poultry safety questions also may be directed to the USDA's Meat and Poultry Hotline: 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854).

Source: Janie Burney, Professor, Department of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Cattle Report

Smith County Commission Livestock Weighted Average Report for 11/19/2021 - Final AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported	Last Year
	11/19/2021		
Total Receipts:	526	643	1,011

Feeder Cattle: 398 (74.3%) 478(78.8%) 793(79.5.7%)
Slaughter Cattle:103(14.6%) 94(13.6%) 151(12.2%)
Replacement Cattle: 25(11.0%) 71(6.6%) 67(8.4%)

Compared to last week, Feeder Steers/Bulls 2.00-5.00 higher; Feeder Heifers 4.00-10.00 higher; Slaughter Cows steady to 2.00 higher; Slaughter Bulls mostly steady. Supply included: 76% Feeder Cattle (20% Steers, 43% Heifers, 37% Bulls); 20% Slaughter Cattle (83% Cows, 17% Bulls); 5% Replacement Cattle (100% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 32%.

STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)					
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
1	235	235	165.00	165.00	
7	300	300	150-159.00	156.46	
9	420-445	423	146-154.00	146.94	
1	475	475	146.00	146.00	
26	500-525	519	145-155.00	152.18	
38	570-598	587	136-143.00	140.86	
4	649	649	133.00	133.00	
45	660-698	671	135-142.25	140.47	
13	720-736	729	129-140.00	134.02	
6	770-785	778	131-137.00	133.97	
1	820	820	120.00	120.00	
3	840	840	128.00	128.00	
4	856	856	128.00	128.00	

STEERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)					
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
1	420	420	133.00	133.00	
2	635	635	121-124.00	122.50	

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)					
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
1	245	245	133.00	133.00	
7	314	314	141.00	141.00	
23	350-376	369	125-137.00	135.13	
70	450-493	466	128-140.00	134.42	
4	454	454	141.00	141.00	
53	524-532	527	125-133.00	129.83	
80	559-592	583	126.50-133.00	128.93	
13	624-633	627	120-129.00	126.20	
10	615	615	131.00	131.00	
35	650-686	666	115-127.00	125.02	
4	730-740	733	115.00	115.00	
7	716	716	124.00	124.00	
1	760	760	115.00	115.00	
12	795	795	122.50	122.50	
3	862	862	105.00	105.00	

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)					
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
3	605-610	607	115.00	115.00	

BULLS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)					
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
17	375-378	376	145-156.00	153.40	
36	458-473	461	140-149.00	146.95	
42	513-525	524	134-146.50	145.92	
28	576-590	579	129-137.00	135.25	
28	655-665	663	127-130.50	129.88	
23	753-764	763	106-112.00	111.23	
6	863	863	91.00	91.00	

BULLS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)					
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
8	443	443	133.00	133.00	
2	470	470	125.00	125.00	
7	500-510	501	120.00	120.00	
10	561-563	561	113-114.00	113.80	
6	650-680	660	108-113.00	111.28	

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)						
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
21	1185-1680	1404	64.00-75.00	69.94	Average	
1	1305	1305	77.00	77.00	High	

COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)						
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
39	940-1400	1145	62.00-73.00	66.94	Average	
2	1270-1285	1278	76.00-79.00	77.49	High	
1	1305	1305	61.00	61.00	Low	

COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)						
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
35	825-1335	1035	54.00-65.00	59.54	Average	
4	865-1085	1000	67.00-69.00	68.25	High	
4	790-1015	901	50.00-53.00	51.45	Low	

Please Note:
The above USDA LPGMN price report is reflective of the majority of classes and grades of livestock offered for sale. There may be instances where some sales do not fit within reporting guidelines and therefore will not be included in the report. Prices are reported on an FOB basis, unless otherwise noted.

Shop Early And Shop With A Budget

The 2021 holiday season is set to be different from previous years and will present unique challenges when compared to past holidays. To assist consumers, University of Tennessee Extension consumer economics specialist Christopher Sneed provides tips and ideas to remove the hassle from the holiday shopping.

“By this point in the pandemic, we’re all familiar with empty store shelves, delayed arrivals of online orders and higher prices due to a mismatch between supply and demand,” states Sneed. “But the key is to avoid panic. With a little planning and a head start, you and your family will be all set to ring in the most festive time of year, but the time to start those holiday preparations is now.”

Sneed comments that much of the holiday shopping crunch is due to the ongoing challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, including a reduced workforce unable to meet the production, shipping and stocking demands of consumers. But consumers, fresh out of a long period of lockdown, have greater demand and in some cases more money to spend as the pandemic led to reduced travel costs and other decreased

expenses.

“Altogether, it’s a perfect storm of mismatched supply and demand, with unmet expectations at every turn,” adds Sneed.

As bleak as this situation may sound, there are several steps consumers can take right now to enter into the pandemic holiday season ready to celebrate fully.

Plan

It is imperative that consumers start their holiday shopping and shipping now. Waiting could mean a lack of choices as the peak holiday season nears or delays in those packages arriving at their final destination in time for celebrations.

Make a Budget (and stick to it)

Strain between high consumer demand and low or unavailable stock has led to significant price increases, and consumers should keep this in mind as they shop and mark items off their list. Sticking to a budget may mean adjusting purchases, and going into debt in order to buy gifts should be avoided.

Get Creative

Gift giving does not always mean a trip to the store or purchases from large online merchants. Instead, some of the best gifts can be those that you create yourself. Consider

surprising loved ones with homemade gifts and treats. Involving children or other family members in the creative process can help create both gifts and treasured holiday memories.

Shop Small and Local

Supporting small and local businesses is always in season. You may find that perfect and unique gift waiting at your local store. Shopping small

and local is an especially good idea this year as these purchases avoid the dreaded question of estimated shipping time and potential delays.

Be realistic

The holidays of 2020 are past. Don’t try to make up for last year’s missed family time or altered holiday plans by spending more or purchasing more elaborate gifts this year.



Shop Smart – Holiday shopping may feel a bit different this year amid supply chain issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic. UT Extension consumer economics specialist Christopher T. Sneed gives ideas and tips to take the stress out of shopping. Image courtesy Unsplash.

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Community Calendar

Narcotics Anonymous Meetings
Every Friday beginning at 7 p.m.; every Sunday at 5 p.m.; second Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. All held at the Overton County Library. The program is not sponsored by the library. For more information call (931) 303-2132.

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.

The Stephens Center Parent-Child Connection
Fall 2021, Series II: Wednesdays 1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Sessions

are held at the Stephens Center, located at 616 North Church St., Livingston. Certificates will be awarded to parents attending eight sessions within the series. There is no charge for PCC sessions. November 24: "Self-Esteem" For more information, call 823-6432.

Head Start Closure
The L.B.J.&C. Development Corporation Head Start Central Office and Head Start Centers will be closed November 25th and 26th in observance of Thanksgiving.

Convenience Centers Closed
All Overton County Convenience Centers will be closed Nov. 25-26 for Thanksgiving.

Livingston Trash Routes

Garbage routes in the Town of Livingston will temporarily change in order for the City to observe Thanksgiving. Trash will not be picked up on Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26. Thursday's trash route will be picked up on Wednesday, November 24. Friday's trash route will be picked up on Monday, November 29.

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 - Removal of approximately 330 ft of 10 ft chain link fence
 - Installation of approximately 330 ft of 10 ft chain link fence
- A. H. Roberts Elementary**
 - Installation of approximately 178 ft of 4 ft chain link fencing with one 4 ft walk gate, one 8ft double drive gate, and one 12 ft double drive gate.
- Hilham Elementary**
 - Relocate one 4 ft walk gate and replace area with chain link fence
- Rickman Elementary**
 - Replace two line posts and retie approximately 400 ft of 5 ft chain link fencing

All bids must include labor for installation.

Bids received:
Provide full address for delivery At:
Overton County Board of Education
302 Zachary Street
Livingston, TN 38570
931-823-1287

Until: 3:00 PM local time Tuesday, November 30, 2021
Additional Spec Information: **Steve Mosley**
931-823-1993

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