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Overton County Passes Budget

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BRIEFLY 4th Of July **Hours**

The offices of the Livingston Enterprise will be closed Monday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. The deadline of all news and advertising content will be Friday, July 1 at 10:30 a.m.

New **Hotline For Road** Issues

The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) is launching a new hotline for drivers to report potholes and other maintenance issues that may be considered roadway safety hazards.

"We all know it's been a terrible year for potholes and here at TDOT we are always looking for ways to improve our customer service," said Commissioner Butch Eley. "For the citizens, this hotline will give them another convenient way to report maintenance problems on our interstates and state routes. For TDOT, this centralized way of receiving, processing, and tracking information will enhance our operations." The new hotline number is 833-TDOT-FIX (836-8349). The virtual call center operates Monday – Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. If someone calls on holidays, weekends, or after hours they can leave a message or call back during business hours. TDOT must collect as much relevant information as possible about a maintenance work request. The call center agent will ask the driver a series of questions and submit that information through TDOT's online maintenance work request form. Drivers should remember Tennessee's Hands-Free Law when calling the hotline.

BRIAN WILMOTH Editor

Seventh Consecutive Year Without Tax Increase The Overton County Commission has passed its 2022-23 budget with no tax increase for the seventh straight year.

The commission approved the new budget at a good time to raise taxes, its June meeting Monday night. The tax rate remains at 1.9706 and is expected to raise an estimated \$8.1 million in property taxes for the coming year. County Executive Ben Danner said that by being fiscally responsible, it has been able Originally financed on a 12to remain at the same tax year note, by paying it off rate for multiple years.

be conservative with the

Editor

said. "Ihope it doesn't work from the federal govern- off to new building, the Fund and offset property the economy tanks every ten years or so, and we hope it doesn't happen, but if it does, we're setting the county up to where it can withstand that, and we won't have to raise taxes on the citizens, especially in a time like that. There's never but especially when there's an economic downturn.

One of the highlights of the new budget is that it includes funding to pay off the remaining money owed on the Millard V. Oakley County Services Building. early, the county can save "We've been trying to around \$373,000 in interest.

"We're using COVID public's money," Danner money that we're getting

that way, but historically ment," Danner said. "You county is on track to be debt can't use it for debts, but free by 2024. we can use it to buy things like patrol cars and regular citizens about that is we governmental expenses. put 11-cents of property Then we use that money to tax every year into the Debt pay off debt. We're paying Service Fund," Danner it off tomorrow ten years said. "So, when we have no early."

"The good news for the

more payments, we can put Danner said by paying that money into the General

taxes, and we shouldn't have to raise property taxes for a long time."

Lifestyles 6

The late Millard Vaughn Oakley donated \$2 million and land for the eponymous building.

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Damage Done – Downed trees lay atop a carport on a Livingston house following a storm Saturday. Numerous downed trees led to property damage and power outages throughout Livingston and Overton County.

City Responds To Storm

MAYOR CURTIS HAYES special to the Enterprise

speeds in microbursts of Livingston suffered Late Saturday eve- can reach up to 100 mph, tree damage with several ning a storm cell struck or even higher, which is suffering damage to their Overton County with the equivalent to and EF-1 homes, and power and tornado! Winds this high can cause major damage to homes and other structures and level hundreds of trees. It is very important that you take Severe Thunderstorm Warnings just as seriously as Tornado Warnings! Red Cross has been activated for anyone that has had to leave their homes due to storm damage. The Red Cross phone number is {800) 733-2767. There are no injuries to storm damage debris on or equal to 2.5 miles in report at this time. There is an estimated amount of Micro bursts can over 2 million dollars in damage to private businesses and residents. Many residents and

be life-threating. Wind businesses in the Town

Unemployment Ticks Up in May **BRIAN WILMOTH** from 2.6% in April. Jack-

Unemployment rates in the area rose slightly in May, mirroring the slight increase that was seen in statewide numbers released last week.

Clay County continues to have the largest unemployment rate in the region according to the numbers released by the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development. However,

son and Pickett counties also saw 0.4 percentage point increases in May, with Jackson move to 3.6% and Pickett to 3.5%. Two counties saw their

rate go up by a half of a percent. Cumberland went from 3.6% to 4.1% and Fentress went from 3.2% to 3.7%.

The data released on Thursday showed unemployment rates increased slightly during May in each of the state's 95 counties. Even with the minimal increases, 93 of Tennessee's 95 counties maintained rates lower than 5% for the month. Williamson County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the state for May. At 2.3%, its rate increased 0.3 percentage points from

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from April-to-May, the 0.3% increase was the lowest in the area.

Overton and Putnam counties each had the highest increase at 0.6%. with Overton moving from 2.6% to 3.2% and Putnam going from 2.8% to 3.4%.

Macon County continues to have the lowest unemployment rate in the area at 3%, which was up

Ricky Dodson has in-

formed the Livingston Enter-

prise that he is a candidate for

the Overton County School

like to take this opportunity

to announce my candidacy

for re-election as School

Board member of the 4th

ents are the late Dewy and

Betty (Webb) Dodson. My

wife, Paige, is the daughter of

Peggy (Bean) Reid and Gary Phipps of Rickman. We have

two sons, Adam and wife

Sara, and Austin and fiancé

a farm and landscaping busi-

ness. We are also active in

My family and I operate

Caitlinn Franklin.

cattle production.

I am a life-long resident of Overton County. My par-

District.

I, Ricky Dodson, would

Board in the 4th District:

Dodson Seeks

Another Term

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It has been an honor to

have served on the school

board for the past eleven-

and-a-half years and help

comprise decision concern-

ing our children's educational future. It has been a

continue to strive to make

decisions that will be in

the best interest of Overton

County students and schools. This would include maintain-

ing all grades at their present

I would be honored to

Paid for by the candi-

When re-elected, I will

privilage to do so.

location.

date.

have your vote.

primary damage being in the Town of Livingston.

According to the National Weather Service, the cell created what is known as a "Micro Burst", began north of Livingston in the Little Eagle Creek area and traveled south-south/ west into Livingston with winds in excess of 80 MPH. A microburst is a localized column of sinking air (downdraft) within a thunderstorm and is usually less than diameter.

cause extensive damage at the surface, and in some instances, can

water to many homes was interrupted due to downed trees and power lines.

I have consulted with the Office of Emergency Management, and due to the large amount of damage and debris, I have elected to place the Town of Livingston in a State of Emergency in order to allow the Town of Livingston to accept and burn debris from residents.

Please place your the City right of way. We are working diligently to get all of the debris cleaned up quickly as possible. Thank you for your patience.

Simulation Lab Opens



ENTERPRISE Photo / Brian Wilmoth

Training For The Future – Adminstrators from Livingston Regional Hospital joining with administrators and students from Vol State to officially open a new simulation lab near LRH on Fist Street in Livingston. The simulation lab will help train the next generation of Nurses and prepare them for a future working in the healthcare field.



New 2022 Chevrolet Blazer in stock and ready for delivery! **\$1000 REBATE!**



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The Supreme Court's Evolution

LEE H. HAMILTON special to the Enterprise

In the wake of the leaked draft opinion by Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito overturnbeen a tidal wave of commentary on the Court's politicization. Much of first time that the Court's it recently argues that the Court has fallen prey to the same partisanship and polarization that have marked American politics in recent decades.

alarm over the Court's drift is simply a measure of the scrutiny its deci-Over the course of my chance to name a new career I've seen rising justice. public interest in what the Court does and how it af- that the Court is more po-

tices have rendered con- the end, largely a reflectroversial decisions that tion of the polarization touch on the most intimate aspects of Americans' lives and on the workings ing Roe v. Wade, there's of American politics in a divided age.

Still, this is hardly the politicization has become a hot topic. It's come up repeatedly during our history—all the way back to 1801, when John Adams and the Federalists passed It's possible that this a law shrinking the Court upon the next vacancy so as to keep Thomas Jefferson, who succeeded sions have come in for. Adams, from getting the

It seems inarguable

political life, as the jus- decades ago. This is, in lost among Americans at of the Senate. In the past, presidents often sought to nominate justices who could command the broad center of that institution: people like John Paul Stevens, who was a liberal Republican, or Lewis Powell, a conservative Democrat. But those days are over, at least for now.

> I've never bought into the idea that the Court is above and beyond politics. Justices can't help but have their political biases. I think that, at least in the past, they worked hard to put them aside, but doing so completely is an impossible task.

Can the Court regain of the U.S. House of Repfects American social and larized than it was a few some of the respect it's resentatives for 34 years.

large? A lot will depend on the justices' behavior. They have to be good listeners. They have to possess enough humility to recognize that they don't have the answer to every question. Obviously, they should have a deep respect for the law and for precedence. And, I would suggest, they need to balance the framers' points of view with the experiences of the ordinary Americans whose lives will inevitably be affected by every decision they make.

Lee Hamilton is a Senior Advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government. He was a member

OIG Finds Lax Security at VA Mail **Pharmacies**



The Department of

Veterans Affairs Office

of Inspector General

performed IT security

inspections at two out-

patient VA mail-order

pharmacies to see if they

were meeting federal

security guidance. Being

mail pharmacies (preparing and dispensing outpa-

tient refills of drugs), they

computers were past their

"sell by" dates, meaning

they were no longer get-

ting vendor updates and

support. When it came

to IT security, there were

22 critical vulnerabilities

on 62 computers and 34

high-risk vulnerabilities

an eye-opener. The sys-

tem was deficient in de-

vice lock (which prevents

access to systems when

users are away from their

authentication of users

(knowing who is typing

in what), multiple users

sharing one high-level

account, open computers

with no one around in a

warehouse, access logs

(erased) in 20 minutes

and not saved anywhere

... and more. Inspectors

even found 98 more com-

Access controls were

on 328 computers.

rely heavily on IT.

puters onsite than the facility thought it had. That Texas facility

alone processed over 19 million prescriptions in one year, servicing VA medical sites in six states.

It didn't even get parking security right. VA rules say there can't be parking right next to a facility in case of a vehicle attack. The VA medical center police department had even issued a report about there being no physical barriers. When asked, facility managers told the OIG The Texas facility that parking wasn't an IT issue.

At an Arizona facility, the OIG found a similar set of deficiencies: an inaccurate inventory list of computers, multiple vulnerabilities on hundreds of computers, missing software update patches, use of default (fresh out of the package) passwords for security camera systems, with half of the systems not generating audit logs.

The facility filled 24 workstations), ID and million prescriptions in one year, servicing VA facilities in 12 states.

At least the Arizona facility didn't have vehicle barrier problems, with a hefty metal fence all around it -- although that were overwritten a check of the facility on Google maps showed the gates swinging wide open.

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A Fix For A Looming

TOM RYAN special to the Enterprise

by about 70%. Many older Americans -- three in four, according to an AARP survey -- want to live out their golden years at home. They won't be able to, absent action to shore up our nation's homecare infrastructure. Fortunately, Congress is beginning to recognize as much. In February, a bipartisan coalition in the House introduced legislation that would raise pay for the homecare providers who furnish seniors with oxygen, wheelchairs, ventilators, and other

receive care at home. This pay hike not only

Within the next 40 will ensure that seniors Now, wheelchairs are on back in 2015 that's been years, the number of peo- have access to homecare months-long back orders. locked in ever since. ple over the age of 65 in in the years to come. It this country will increase will also generate savings and reduce pressure on other parts of the healthcare system.

wait for delivery of new ing to a reimbursement stock was a few days. schedule set by Medicare Sleep apnea machines and oxygen tanks are in short supply. When items are available, costs have soared. Home medical equipment providers have reported price increases of more than 30%. On top of that, they're paying shipping and handling surcharges. Then there are pandemic-related expenditures for personal protective equipment for staff, which can total \$15,000 a year per location. Operating under these conditions would be challenging for any industry. But homecare providers cannot pass these higher costs along. That's because they're paid accord-

Crisis

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Long-standing demand for critical homecare has surged during the pandemic.

Aging Americans want to avoid group facilities where the risk of contracting COVID-19 is high. Hospitals are turning to home care for follow-up services that might previously have required a return trip to the clinic.

This surge in demand and Americans in need has collided with severe shortages of everything from hospital beds medical equipment that to walkers. Before the enables them to safely pandemic, the average

Many home medical equipment providers have found the strain too much to bear. More than onethird have gone out of business or stopped accepting Medicare patients.

The need to act is urgent.

Medicare has twice failed to hold a new bidding round that would bring rates into alignment with market reality. Instead, Medicare has offered a 5% increase, citing the overall inflation rate. That's hardly adequate.

Preserving America's homecare infrastructure will benefit not just the pa-

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Leslie Everett Winningham

Leslie Everett Winningham, age 81, passed away Sunday, June 19, 2022. He was born on July 3, 1940, in Byrdstown, Tennessee to the late Ward Porter Winningham and Mary Lou (Mitchell) Winningham. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville for many vears before moving to Cookeville and attending the First United Methodist Church of Cookeville.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife Peggy Jean (Pickens) Winningham, sister Elese (Winningham) Richardson, and grandparents Walter Harrison and Hattie Jane (Young) Winningham and Benton McMillan and Euma Elizabeth (Parris) Mitchell.

He is survived by daughters Carrie Scott and husband Chris of Richmond, Virginia, Allison Goolsby and husband Andrew of Rickman, Tennessee, Shannon Railling and husband Michael, of Cookeville, Tennessee, Jennifer Owens and husband Shon of Charlotte, North Carolina, and Sarah ried Peggy Pickens Win-Keith and husband Joey of Knoxville, Tennessee, grandchildren Sophie and Sam Jared, Trevor Scott and wife Miranda, Bran-

don Scott, Dylan and Drew Goolsby, and Cole and Anna Cate Railling. Sister Glenna Allen,

Brothers Donald Winningham and wife Yoshiko, Roger Winningham and wife Meg, Ward Winningham and wife Patsy, and Doug Winningham and wife Ann along with many nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

Born in Pickett County to Mary Lou Mitchell Winningham and Ward Winningham, he was the fourth of seven children. Losing his father when he was only 11 years old, Winningham was raised by a mother who instilled in him Christian living and the value of hard work.

Winningham was educated in Pickett County Schools. Les and his siblings were known around Byrdstown for being dedicated Bobcats Basketball players.

His dedication to education was evident when he hitchhiked from Byrdstown, Tennessee to Swannanoa, North Carolina to attend college at Warren Wilson College where he graduated with a A.A. in Forestry in 1961 while lettering in both basketball and baseball. He then went on to further his education at Tennessee Technological University where he earned his B.S. in Education in 1964 and M.A. in Education in 1967.

Winningham marningham in 1967, and they raised five daughters, Carrie Winningham Scott, Allison Winningham Goolsby, Shannon

Raymond Louis Eads

80, of Livingston Tn.

passed away on June 7 at

his residence. Funeral ser-

vices were held June 10 at

Hall Funeral Home of Ce-

Raymond Louis Eads,



mittee.

Winningham Jennifer Owens, and Sarah Winningham Keith. Les and Peggy raised their children in the First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville, Tennessee and passed on the importance of education. Winningham was the proud "Pa" of eight grandchildren, Sophie and Sam Jared, Brandon and Trevor Scott, Dylan and Drew Goolsby, Cole and Anna Cate Railling.

Winningham became the youngest ever elected school superintendent when he was elected as Pickett County's Superintendent in 1968.

He created a professional life that in every step focused on improving the lives of children in Tennessee. From coaching countless high school basketball players, to classroom teaching, assistant principal and principal positions, his goal was to help every student reach their potential and succeed. Under his leadership as Principal, Scott High School was named a Governor's Great School of Tennessee in 1987.

In 1984, Winningham was elected to the Tennessee Legislature to represent the 38th district. Over a prestigious 26-year career in the legislature he represented counties including Clay, Jackson, Macon, Pickett, Scott, and part of Anderson.

Winningham served as Chair of the House Education Committee for 10 years and as the Chair of the Joint Select Oversight Committee on Edu-

1942 in Celina Tn. He was

a child of God. He made

a living as a long haul

truck driver and he loved

his family very much and

loved spending time with

them and meeting and

Railling, cation. He also served on believe he was serious, Winningham the Education Oversight Committee, House Fi-Committee, House Calendar and Rules Committee, House Higher Education Subcommittee, House Transportation Committee, House Public Safety and Rural Roads Subcommittee, the Joint Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation Committee, Joint Lottery Scholarship Committee, and Joint Lottery Oversight Com-

> Winningham sponsored or was instrumental in passing legislation that has made an immeasurable positive impact on millions of Tennessee children, teachers, and families- including the Tennessee Coordinated School Health Improvement Act of 2000 and its statewide expansion in 2006, the Meth Free Tennessee Act of 2005, the Jason Flatt Act of 2007, the Tennessee Clean Energy Future Act of 2009,

> as well as playing a key role in the establishment of lottery scholarships for Tennessee students to attend college, the establishment of Pre-K classrooms in Tennessee, and ensuring rural roads remained a priority of the Transportation Committee.

> Many of those who served with him in the legislature would say he never raised his voice, but if you talk to any of his basketball players, they might disagree! He had a sharp, dry wit with a deadpan delivery that often left the listener unsure whether to laugh or

ton Ray and Mary Rhea (Thrasher) Eads; brothers, John Eads, Ray Eads, and Sam Eads; sister, Thelma Smothers.

Surviving relatives include: wife, Janice Lee (O'Dell) Eads of 60 years;

much to his amusement.

During his career, nance, Ways, and Means Winningham has been recognized by many state and local organizations including being named Legislator of the Year by the Tennessee Development District Association, Legislator of the Year by the Tennessee Human Resource Agency, receiving the Leadership Award from the Tennessee Adult Education Task Force, recognition for outstanding contributions to the Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network, recipient of the Tennessee Education Association Presidential Merit Award, and was inducted into the Scott County Hall of Fame.

> His community involvement and organizations include the National Education Association, the Tennessee Education Association, the Appalachian Arts Council Board of Directors, Scott Appalachian Industries Board of Directors, and the Putnam County Impact Club.

> During retirement Winningham has enjoyed volunteering with the Cookeville First United Methodist Church Food Pantry and watching his grandchildren play sports.

> He has been referred to by many as "Mr. Public Education" in Tennessee and as "an educator in the hills, the halls, and the House." Many of his colleagues have commented on his modesty. He was fair and willing to work across party lines to do what was best for

arran (Billy); grandsons, Chris McLearran, Brian Eads and Dylan Eads; granddaughters, great Kaylee Asberry, Aubry McLearran and Bella Mc-Clearran; Special grandchildren that he loved like they were his own; sister, Gena Clark (Jack) and a

the people he served. He has been called one of the greatest statesmen in Tennessee, but for those who knew him well, he will be remembered as a good and faithful servant of Christ.

Say "Thank You" with a Card

of Thanks in The Enterprise. Deadline 12 p.m. Mondays.

The family received friends for visitation on Friday, June 24, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church in Cookeville from 4-8pm. Visitation was also be held on Saturday, June 25th, from 10am until time for funeral service at 1 o'clock with Rev. Rob Wheeler officiating. Eulogy will be provided by Representative John Mark Windle with special remarks by L. Mayfield Brown. Burial will follow at the Smyrna Cemetery in Byrdstown, Tennessee.

Pallbearers will be his nephews: Jimmy Richardson, Tom Allen, Jeff Winningham, Jason Winningham, Brian Winningham, Robert Richardson, and Brad Richardson.

Honorary Pallbearers will be his sons-in-law - Chris Scott, Andrew Goolsby, Michael Railling, Shon Owens, and Joey Keith and nephews Johnny Richardson, Jason Winningham, Daniel Winningham, George Winningham, and Greg Winningham.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the following:

First Presbyterian Church of Huntsville, TN

First United Methodist Church of Cookeville Food Pantry

The Jason Foundation Funeral Brown Home was in charge of arrangements.

host of family and friends also survive.

Pallbearers: Joseph Phillips, Danny Rich, Jason Rich, David Rich, John Davis and Taylor Rich.

Hall Funeral Home

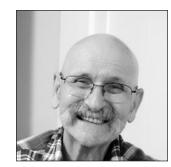


lina. Interment followed in the McCoggen Cemetery. He was born Feb. 26,

Lake. This was the begin-

talking to people. He was preceded in death by: parents, Es-

son, Rudy Eads (Cherie); daughter, Kathy McLeof Celina was in charge of arrangements.



Brent N. Taft

Brent N Taft, 79, of Allons, ran into the arms of Jesus on June 8, 2022. Surrounded by his family, at his home.

Born on August 10, 1942, in Salt Lake City Utah, to Robert E. and Ester Marie Taft. The third of four boys. Brent started working at the age of eight selling newspapers in Salt his wife began a new life

ning of his strong work ethic, which remained until his illness. Brent served in the Utah National Guard for 6 years and went on to work at Kennecott Copper Smelter as a boilermaker welder for 33 years, where he worked with his younger brother, Glenn. There Brent forged many lasting friendships and would often speak fondly of the

men he'd known there. Brent married the love of his life, Vickie, on October 25th 1966, in Ely, Nevada. They had 3 children. Upon retirement, in August 1998, he and

in Tennessee, where he eventually started a new career as a deputy sheriff. He was one of the oldest graduates from the police academy at 63. He served as a deputy sheriff and an SRO.

Brent was fun loving, with a great sense of humor and a smile that would light up the room. He had a laugh that came right from his belly, and a talent to make up funny songs on a whim. He loved history, especially World War II, and talking politics. He had the gift for gab and made friends easily. He worked hard to provide for his family, who never went without.

He retired just 5 years ago and spent the remainder of his years working his property and playing with Cash, his German Shepard. He loved his family, animals and good music, especially the oldies and hymns.

Brent spent much of his time daily reading the Word of God and received the news of his illness with much grace. He never once complained or asked, "Why me?"

He is survived by his loving wife of nearly 57 years, Vickie. Children: Christin Driscoll (Allen), St. John's, Arizona- Christopher Taft (Season), Monterey, Tennessee- Candace Britton (John) Corydon, Indiana, six grandchildren, and four great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Vernon, and sister in law Millie.

The family wishes to extent their gratitude to Brent and Vickie's church family at Agape Worship Center, who have given their prayers, love and support through this difficult time. A special thanks to Pastor Scott and Sabrina Sittloh. Jeremiah, Lynda and Julianna LaCoax, who have become family by choice. Also the compassionate hospice nurses of Avalon Hospice, who

took such good care of Brent towards the end of his illness. Special thanks to Kayla, his nurses aid, who served him with such tender care. Lastly, but certainly not least, the many friends and family, and neighbors who have reached out with their continuous love and support. We are forever grateful.

Celebration of life was June 18, at Agape Worship Center, in Livingston at 1 PM.

This isn't goodbye but, see you later Dad. "Yep!"

Hall Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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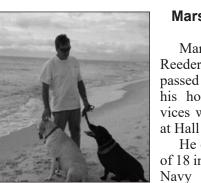
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Marshall Waymon Reeder Marshall Waymon Reeder, 72, of Bellevue passed away June 19 at his home. Funeral services were held June 25

at Hall Funeral Home. He enlisted at the age of 18 in the United States and completed

Mediterranean three Cruise Tours on the USS Suribachi (AE-21). Following discharge, he returned to his home town in Overton County and subsequently moved to Nashville where he entered his long career as a Pipefitter. He was a lifelong lover of dogs and a

avid sports fan. He was a member of the Pasquo Church of Christ in Bellevue.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Clarvis Reeder and Nellie (Kyle) Reeder; brothers, Fred Reeder, Mayford Reeder and Shirlie Reeder.

Surviving relatives

include: wife, Rita (Boswell) Reeder; son, Effrin Reeder of Hermitage; sisters, Charlene Sisco (Jim) of Madison, Betty Bowman of Livingston; brothers, John Reeder of Knoxville and Billy Reeder of Houston Tx.

ens, 70, of Hilham passed away June 24 at the Mabry Healthcare. Funeral services were held June 27 at Hall Funeral Home. Interment followed in the West Cem-

and she will be greatly

missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by: parents, William A. and Clara D. (Lee) Maberry.

Surviving relatives include: daughter, Yoland Long; son, Gawaine Long and a host of other family and friends also survive.

Pallbearers: Family

Hall Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Darrel Smith Darrel Smith, 68,

of Livingston passed away June 28 at his residence. Funeral services were held June 22 at Hall Funeral Home with Brother Lucian Finch officiating. Interment followed in the Cash Cemetery.

He was born Sept. 19, 1953 in Overton County. He was of the Baptist Faith. He enjoyed traveling and was a talented artist, above

all else he loved spending time with family and friends. His best friend was his furbaby Willie Chase. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Joseph Dudley and Norma Estell (Garrett) Smith.

Surviving relatives include: wife, Melissia Smith; sons, Quentin Darrell Smith and Tanisha Shay Smith; sister, Joyce Worley; 13 grandchildren and great grandchildren 5 and a host of other family and friends also survive.

Pallbearers: Bennie Phillips, Josh Flowers, Skyler Benson, J.R. Hargis, Jared McWhirter and Bo McWhirter.

Hall Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, **Evelyn Joyce Owens** Evelyn Joyce Ow-

etery in Putnam County.

She was born May 22, 1952 in Gainesboro. She worked at Russell Stovers Candy for many years. She loved her family very much

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No Tuition Increase For Tennessee Tech

Thanks to exceptional funding from the State of Tennessee, Tennessee Tech will have no increase in tuition and mandatory fees for the upcoming year.

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"I'd like to acknowledge a very important decision that will benefit Tech students and families this upcoming year. Tennessee Tech will have a zero increase in tuition and fees next year for all students," Board of Trustees Chair Trudy Harper said.

"As a Board, we are delighted to have the support of the Tennessee legislature and governor who understand meeting the needs of students. A zero tuition increase helps students and families keep their budgets in check. At the same time, the state understood the tain and improve Tech's ability to serve students, and it provided generous support for our efforts," Harper concluded.

The board approved a new Bachelor of Science in Studio Arts degree program, which will be housed in the School of Art, Craft and Design in the College of Fine Arts. The new degree program is designed to serve students who wish to pursue an art degree, but not the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

"This degree expands offerings in Fine Arts while also capitalizing on the strong technological programming already in place at Tennessee Tech University," said Provost dents entering with significant dual-enrollment dents who want to earn a degree in the field of art



Board Meeting - Tennessee Tech President Phil Oldham speaks to the university's Board of Trustees at the Board's June 2022 meeting.

Studies degrees, along

Interim Vice Presi-

Halfway through the

"Increased enrollment

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Enrollment

but prefer a Bachelor of to Bruce. The new offer-Science degree instead of ings include the new Aniour existing Bachelor of mal Science and Design Fine Arts degree."

According to Bruce, with certificate programs, funding required to main- it is typical for a BFA concentrations, minors Brayden Copeland, a program to have long se- and revised degree proquences of courses which grams. can present challenges for students who want to dent transfer into Tennessee Management and Career itive Goldwater Scholar-Tech from a community Placement Karen Lykins ship. He is only the third college or another uni- shared an initial report Tech student ever to reversity and still have a on this fall's expected entimely completion for rollment. graduation. The new studio arts degree program summer orientation prois designed for students gram, Lykins said that who want to major in Tech is looking at havart and have more flex- ing more than 2,000 new ible graduation pathways. freshmen this fall, mark-This flexibility will allow ing the highest first-timethese students to combine freshmen other disciplines – such since 2013. as computer science, engineering, or business – reflects the efforts of a lot with art. These combina- of people at the university tions can lead to a greater who put their energy and variety of potential career knowledge into an enrollopportunities.

Lori Mann Bruce. "The al from the Tennessee Scholars program, one members, and learned of new degree program is Higher Education Com- that guaranteed students designed to serve our mission this summer, stu- scholarships for academstudent population as we dents will be able to en- ic achievement, launched experience an increase roll in the new studio arts us into an exciting time new six-year contract for of transfer students, stu- degree program as early that changed the way we President Phil Oldham, as this fall. credits earned while still ic year, Tech revised or versity." in high school, and stu- added 33 new academic programs in colleges show increases in African across campus, according American and Hispanic

students.

Savannah Griffin, senior, was selected as the new student trustee, replacing Hannah Willis, effective July 1. Griffin, from Seymour, Tennessee, served as the Student Government Association's senator from the College of Education during the 2019-2020 school year. In 2020-2021, she served as the SGA Secretary of External Affairs and was elected as the SGA Executive Treasurer in 2021-2022. She has also been the vice president of programming and risk management for Tech's Panhellenic Executive Council, served as a Student Success Coordinator for Tech's Flight Path program, and was a Student Orientation Assistant.

The board heard from sophomore from Rickman, Tennessee, who recently won the prestigious and highly competceive it, and the first since 1999.

The board recognized Winston Morris, professor of tuba, for his more than 50 years of service to students. He is retiring after 55 years teaching at Tech, where he founded enrollment the internationally acclaimed Tennessee Tech Tuba Ensemble.

The board approved the university's proposed 2022-2023 budget of \$192.45 million.

The board approved Pending final approv- said. "Tech's Presidential tenure for 10 faculty promotion for 29 faculty members.

> The board approved a ademic year.

Students Should Learn About Credit **Scores**

Being familiar with how credit scores work is important information for students, according to KHEAA.

Your credit score is a three-digit number that has a long-lasting effect rowing limit. on your buying power. You want to build a good credit score so you can tap into resources to buy a car or house, or if you have another expensive need. A good credit score can open doors, but a bad one can make all transactions or loans more difficult and expensive. That's why it's important to learn how credit scores work and how they can affect your lifestyle.

Although there are several scoring methods, the most widely accepted one comes from FICO. Your FICO score ranges from 300 to 850. These items make up your FICO score:

* 35 percent is based on your payment history. Early payments will have a higher number than on-time payments, which will have a higher score than late payments.

* 30 percent is based on outstanding debt. This outstanding debt is how much you owe on loans, mortgages, credit cards, etc. Having a lot of credit cards can hurt your score, especially if you're near your bor-



* 15 percent is based on the length of time you have had credit. The longer you have been borrowing and making payments on time, the better your score.

* 10 percent is based on new credit. Opening several new accounts will have a negative effect on your score. Also, the more inquiries you have on your credit report in a year, the lower your score will be.

* 10 percent is based on the types of credit you currently have. It helps to have a mix of loan types. If you have a credit card, an installment loan will even out the credit.

KHEAA is 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.

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

Sells Named To **Dean's List At** LMU

recruit, market and com- carrying him through the Over the last academ- municate about the uni- end of the 2027-2028 ac-

Preliminary data also

Key Earns Degree

of Science in Computer academic year. Networks and Cybersepus.

Dakota Key of Liv- ritories, earned UMGC de- ter's, and doctoral degree ingston earned a Bachelor grees during the 2021-22

curity from University of anniversary, University of face-to-face Maryland Global Cam- Maryland Global Campus and specializations. (UMGC) was established Worldwide, more than in 1947 to serve adults history of innovation in 13,600 graduates from all in the workforce. Today, reaching students where 50 states and the District UMGC enrolls some they are, including as a of Columbia, as well as 90,000 students annually, pioneer of internet in-32 countries and U.S. ter- offering bachelor's, mas-

programs, as well as certificates in more than 125 Celebrating its 75th fully online, hybrid and programs

UMGC has a long struction.

The board approved the next capital request to the state for 2023-2024: a new academic classroom building on the site of the current Matthews/ Daniel Hall, which will be demolished. Crawford Hall will be renovated and connected to the new building. The projected cost for this project is \$55.39 million. This new building, renovation and demolition project is dependent on state funding for 2023-2024.

The board's next meeting is Oct. 6, 2022.

William Sells, of Rickman, was recognized for high academic performance during the spring semester at Lincoln Memorial University and was placed on Spring 2022 Dean's List.

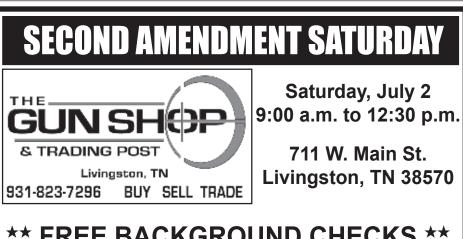
Sells was one of over 500 students recognized. To be placed on the Dean's List, the student must be a full-time undergraduate student and have a 3.5, or higher, grade point average for the semester.

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eral arts and protessional studies. The main campus is located in Harrogate, Tennessee. For more information about the undergraduate and graduate programs available at LMU, contact the Office of Admissions at 423.869.6280 or email at admissions@ LMUnet.edu.





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'May" Continued From Page 1

April's revised rate of 2%. Moore County had the second-lowest rate at 2.5%, a 0.4 percentage point increase when compared to the previous month.

'Crisis" Continued From Page 2

the rest of our healthcare system.

High-quality, homebased care reduces overall healthcare costs by keeping patients out of high-cost environments like hospitals and nursing homes. That can help preserve scarce medical

Budget" Continued From Page 1

Throughout the budget process, Danner has smoothly it has gone this year, especially when it comes to working with the school system.

rector (Crystal Nelson) and the new Director of man) have been really good to work with," Danner said. "We've worked with several since I've been in office, and they're the best that we've had to to work together. We're

est in the state. That represented a 0.4% increase rate in May. Tennessee's from April's rate of 5.1%. jobless number inched up Bledsoe County had the to 3.3% in May, just 0.1 of second-highest rate in a percentage point higher May at 5.1%, also a 0.4 percentage point increase low rate of 3.2%. for the month.

Perry County's rate unemployment followed county and statewide un-

resources for more acute cases.

tients who count on it but larization, it's rare to find an idea that commands the support of Republicans providers keeps up with and Democrats. But both rising equipment and opparties can support Americans who wish to age in place, in the comfort of pandemic has brought and CEO of the American their own homes.

kids and we're working system has been really, really good to work with."

Danner said Nelson praised officials on how and county budget director Connie York communicate well together, and Holman is more attentive from that for the public and attends more county "The new Budget Di- meetings than previous directors.

Schools (Dr. Donnie Hol- erything to help the school a deputy come out, you children, and they are, want them to be trained, too," Danner said. "The and we've been a training 2014, we had \$3 million school system is in really good shape right now."

said he was pleased with working for the school for county employees.

came in at 5.5%, the high- the slight uptick in the employment rates differ-

The Bureau of Labor The increase in county Statistics (BLS) calculates

6641, the DMEPOS Relief Act of 2022. This bill In an era of intense po- would raise pay and ensure that Medicare reimbursement for homecare erational costs.

The COVID-19 our nation's ability to Lawmakers can trans- provide care outside of late that support into ac- hospitals and nursing tion by advancing H.R. facilities into focus. Our

"We've done the pay for the public, and the scale \$2-an-hour acrossthe-board to every county employee," Danner said. "Now we're minimum as if the pay raise is a re-\$13-an-hour, plus we pay all the single employees insurance. The benefit is when you call 911 and have a paramedic come out, or you call the Sher-"We're trying to do ev- iff's Department and have best financial shape it has ground to other counties. They come here, go to Another thing Danner school, and then they go to another county and make work with. We all have in the new budget is an more money. We're trying across-the-board pay raise to get the pay up to where it needs to be. We'll never

statewide unemployment ently. It does not factor in seasonal impacts on data when determining county unemployment rates, while it does seasonthan the state's all-time ally adjust the statewide unemployment number.

Nationally, May's unemployment rate mirrored April's rate of 3.6%.

nation's growing population of seniors adds even more urgency to the need to invest in home-based care. Passing The DME-POS Relief Act of 2022 is an important step in that direction.

Tom Ryan is president Association for Homecare (aahomecare.org). *This piece originally ran* in the Detroit News.

be able to get it up to what they are worth, because they're worth a lot."

Danner said he feels ally big step to getting the county to a place where it can attract and retain good workers for all of the county's departments. He said he believes Overton County is in some of the ever been in.

"When I took office in Fund Balance," Danner said. "With this budget, we have over \$6 million in the Fund Balance. So, the county, financially, is in better shape than we've ever been and that will only help if times do turn, and we can make do for a few years and not have to raise taxes and put that on the taxpayers."

TVA Fuel Cost Adjustment To Double

Upper Cumberland Electric Membership Corporation alerts residential and commercial members to expect higher electric bills due to record-setting temperatures and an increase in Tennessee Valley Authority's Fuel Cost Adjustment (FCA). On July 1, TVA's FCA will cost 2 cents per kilowatt-hour more than last July. Families who use 1,000 kilowatts each month will see an average increase of \$20.73 on their electric bill compared to July 2021.

TVA Fuel Cost refers to the variable cost of the fuels TVA uses to power coal plants, natural gas, and nuclear facilities that generate electricity. Upper Cumberland EMC is a distribution cooperative that buys power for its members from TVA. UCEMC does not retain any portion of this rate. 100% of the FCA goes to TVA. The FCA has remained steady for several years, but supply chain issues and inflation have caused the price to climb since this Spring. TVA's Scott Brooks says the higher fuel rate is due to higher commodity prices. "Recently, there has been persistent upward and volatile movement in worldwide natural gas markets," says Brooks. "The monthly fuel cost will likely remain elevated for upcoming months."

Usage is one of the biggest drivers of electric bills. To help save, TVA recommends raising the thermostat and not using heat-generating appliances such as ovens, stoves, and clothes dryers during the hottest hours of the day between 12 p.m. and 8. p.m.

"We're advising our members to conserve power to keep their costs down," says Jennifer Brogdon, General Manager and CEO of Upper Cumberland EMC. "You pay for only what you use, and members who use less than average in this heat wave will see the savings on their monthly bill. For the third year in a row, UCEMC's Board recently approved a rate reduction to pass along TVA's pandemic recovery wholesale bill credit to help offer relief to our members during this challenging time.'

This month has seen record-breaking days for the TVA system, the 7th highest June peak in TVA history. UCEMC's residential rates are among the lowest in the nation, falling 25% below the national average. UCEMC is owned by those it serves with more than 51,000 cooperative members and more than 4,600 miles of power lines running through service areas in Smith, Putnam, Jackson, and Overton counties and fringe areas of DeKalb, Macon, Wilson, White, Clay, Fentress, and Pickett counties.



Health Dept. Urges Heat Caution

Extreme heat continues to impact the state and the Tennessee Department of Health is urging Tennesseans to follow important safety tips to avoid heatrelated illnesses.

great time to be outdoors, careful when you're out in

Heat-related Illness includes heat exhaustion which causes heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, weakness and nausea or vomiting. The most serious heat-related illness "Summer is usually a is heat stroke. Heat stroke symptoms include red, dry and it is important to be skin, rapid pulse, dizziness, nausea and confusion.

· Seeking medical attention if experiencing symptoms

Look Before You Lock Child safety is another concern with hot weather. Do not leave a child in a hot car where they can quickly become overheated risking serious injury or death. As a reminder :

• Always double check

• Consider placing a

the backseat every time

when leaving your vehicle.

the sun, especially in recent high temperatures occurring across the state," said Tennessee Health Commissioner Morgan McDonald, MD, FACP, FAAP." To carbonated drinks avoid heat-related illness it's important to drink plenty of water and avoid being outside during the hottest part fitting clothing of the day."

Steps to avoid heatrelated illness include:

• Staying hydrated by drinking plenty of water

• Avoiding alcohol and

- Taking plenty of breaks
- Moving to a cool place
- Wearing light, loose

• Using sunscreen

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• Drink plenty of water • Use sunscreen

• Wear light, loose fitting

clothing • Schedule outdoor ac-

tivities carefully to avoid being in the sun during the hottest part of the day.

• Camp staff should look for signs of heat-related illness and make sure participants are taking appropriate precautions

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Looking Backward By Phoebejane (Emily Sells)

The late Ms. Orpha Halsell, a longtime and faithful member of the Bethlehem Methodist church, complied a history of the church from which I have taken some of the following information.

Orpha's book about Bethlehem indicates that more than 1200 acres of property in what is referred to as the Hartsaw Cove was once owned by the Gilbert Christian family. The land for the church was donated by the Christian family. The first structure was a small log building that stood just down the hill from the site of the present church building. The little log church also served the community as a subscription school. By researching the internet, I learned that subscription schools provided a way for the pioneers to educate their children, since there were no public monies available for education at that time. Some settlers, having strong religious beliefs, wanted to ensure their children were taught by the church. When there were enough pupils interested in the subscription school to be viable, a teacher would be sought out. "Subscriptions" or tuition payments were expected for each pupil. Payment was also agreed upon, and could consist of money, as well as farm goods, farm stock, furs, fabric and any other item the parties could be obliged to barter.

A young lady by the name of Mary Katherine Sproul, who went by the name Miss Molly, taught in the log building at Bethlehem. A book entitled "A Civil War Diary" was written by Miss Molly, and after reading only a few pages of the diary, it is quite obvious she was an extremely well-educated young woman, and one who was not afraid to stand up and voice her political beliefs during a time when that sort of thing was unheard of.

Sproul book: Bailey Owen Bowden eyes. She possessed something more for was the youngest of eight children women in those days, a college educawhose parents were Elias Bowden and tion. Her brother, William Henry Harwife Mary (Owen) Bowden of Fentress County. Named for his grandfather, Bailey Owen Bowden was born in 1834 near Boatland. He worked on the farm with his father until he was twenty-two. At that age, he entered Mount Cumberland Academy which was located in Poplar Cove of Fentress County where he attended three sessions. He then enrolled in Hiwassee College, walking to the F.F.V.'s (first families of Virgineighty-five miles to reach the school, ia).



Historic Graveyard - The cemetery at the Bethlehem church has several Confederate graves.

and later taught Latin there. He had completed two years and six months at this college when the Civil War broke out. He enlisted in the Federal army and served until the close of the war, taking part in the battles of Nashville, Franklin, and others. Following the war, he became the first Clerk and Master of Fentress County, receiving the appointment in 1865.

It is believed that when the Sproul family first came to Overton County, Mary Catherine, her parents and younger brother lived somewhere in the Hartsaw Cove or Copeland Cove area of Overton County. Miss Molly taught school at Bethlehem prior to the war in a little log building that was used as both school and church.

Being an outspoken Union sympathizer in a county that favored the Confederates, life was difficult during the war years. Most families eventually withdrew their children from her school, and she was forced to close it for lack of funds. In 1867, Bailey Owen Bowden, who also taught at Alpine Institute, married Mary Katherine Sproul.

In the foreword of Mary Katherine's book, a granddaughter, Helen Roberts-Gayden, wrote this about her grandmother on January 16, 1944: "My grandmother, Mary Katherine Sproul, better known as Molly, was a small Here is some information from the woman with beautiful red hair and blue rison Sproul, sent her through school at The Female Institute in Maryville, Tennessee. She was known to be very spirited and independent. Her brothers (2), father and mother lived at Jonesville, Virginia, where she was born. Her father's name was James Sproul, her mother was a Barker before her marriage. She always boasted of belonging

"While she was away at school, she had a very sad love affair. The young man to whom she was engaged was forced to marry another girl in order to clear her name. Broken hearted, Mary Katherine, along with her father, mother, and younger brother, John, moved to Livingston, Tennessee, in Overton County, where she was to open a school. It was while she was teaching there that the Civil War broke out. After the war, she married Bailey Owen Bowden. He When the new wooden structure was completed, the little log building was torn down. Then in 1918, this wooden building burned to the ground on the night following the burial of the wife of Jube Collins, who served as sheriff of Overton County at that time. Although no one knows for sure, the fire was believed to have been accidently started by some hunters who may have stopped in to warm themselves.

The Henard School had been built by this time, and the land on which it sat was donated by Issac Lafayette McCormick who, at that time, owned and lived on property that later became the Overton County Fairgrounds. The church held services in the Henard School until the new building could be completed. Orpha's book indicates that rebuilding took about four years, a process that became a community affair. Louis Swafford gave lumber and logs to be used. Joe Terry hauled lumber from Jamestown. The bricks were hauled by wagon from Algood by Ernest (Bill Coon) Ledbetter, Hobson Dale, Bedford Halsell, (Orpha's father), and others. The church was bricked by Bill Windle, father of Jerry Windle. The building was finally completed in 1922 and is described as a twelve-corner church. Mrs. Ellen Terry and Fave McCormick (who later became Mrs. Faye Cooper, (mother of the late Betty Cooper Dale) led the singing for awhile. Orpha's history of the Bethlehem church also



Henard School - This building is believed to be the old Henard School that once stood where the Overton County fairgrounds is now. The property for the school was donated by Issac Lafayette (Uncle Fate) Mc-Cormick who lived nearby. (Photo courtesy of Ronald Dishman, County

Pictures From The Past



Pictures From The Past - Lucille Arney, on left, Nancy Melton, in the middle, and Janice Arney were photographed at their father's garage once located in the Taylors Crossroads community. Lucille and Janice were sisters and Nancy was a cousin.

Historian)

also favored the Union and fought with includes a list of former pastors who the Federal Army, oddly enough against served up through the year 1976. six brothers who were in the Confederate Army.

"He too completed a college education. Having so much in common contributed to a very happy marriage between Mary Katherine and Bailey Owen Bowden. She was 35 when she Pamela Woods and Barbara Parsons, married, and at 36, gave birth to a little girl. Nora Deane Bowden was to grow up and marry Albert Houston Roberts, who became a teacher, lawyer, and judge. Nora Deane was a brilliant child of brilliant parents and was also a talented pianist. Mary Katherine "Molly" Sproul Bowden was a very fine artist. Her house contained paintings in every available space. She destroyed these when she became old, and her mind had failed. She was a very colorful and impressive character up through her last days."

Around 1900, Mary Katherine Sproul Bowden and Bailey Owen Bowden built the large white house still Nashville. Sam is buried in the Bethlestanding on the corner of East Main and hem cemetery just outside Livingston, Roberts Streets directly across from the in an area where Sam and his family sanctuary of First Methodist Church. The house was originally built to face area where the Overton County Fair-East Main Street, but since has been grounds sits once belonged to Sam turned around to face Roberts Street. For a few years, the Bowden daughter, also a family story that at one time Nora Deane and husband, Albert Houston Roberts, lived in the home with group of men and the KKK came to her parents. At that time, Albert Houston Roberts was a practicing attorney in Livingston, and later in 1919, went the Livingston area, attended the hison to become Governor of the State of Tennessee.

Mary Katherine Sproul Bowden are is a retired college professor, Dr. Alburied in Good Hope Cemetery in Liv- thea Armstrong, who lives in Detroit, ingston. A grandchild, Albert H. Rob- Michigan. erts, Jr., is buried beside them.

Bethlehem states that a deed from A. interesting history that can be found Christian and A. Cullom was made to at Bethlehem. There are many other the following Trustees of the Bethlehem graves of confederate soldiers, and church: Jesse Allen, John H. Lea and I. another of those buried there is a son L. (Issac Lafayette) McCormick, known of Big Joe Copeland, one of the first as "Uncle Fate," my great-grandfather. settlers in Overton County.

The cemetery at Bethlehem is quite historical. Among the graves is one for Private Sam Cullom, a black confederate soldier. According to an article found on the internet titled The Crossville Chronicle written by Sam Cullom was a slave of the Cullom family of Overton County. He went to war with his owner's son, Jim Cullom. They were among the first unit to leave for Confederate duty from Overton County. They fought together in numerous campaigns until Jim Cullom was killed in the battles of the Atlanta campaign. Sam Cullom buried Jim and continued to fight with the unit until the end of the war, when he returned to Overton County. Sam Cullom's application for a Tennessee Black Confederate pension was approved in three days of its arrival at the Confederate Pension Board in were major landowners. Land in the Cullom, Black Confederate. There is Sam Cullom was threatened by a rescue him. Four granddaughters of Sam Cullom, three of whom live in toric grave marking held to honor his service to the Confederate States of Both Bailey Owen Bowden and America. The fourth granddaughter

A walk through the cemetery is Orpha Halsell's information about a good way to look back at the very

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Christina Swallows



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Call our office, 931means to put 10% of their fixed and necessary flex- ing Overton County Fair limit their choices. You 823-2735, to register for 6:00 pm. Where we will income into savings. I ible areas established on July 24th and possibly can give them a choice of these upcoming Classes. present the new 4-H agent.

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Tee-shirt quilt top at the Joe L. Evens Community Center free (bring own supplies)-

Pickling Canning Class- July 6th at 1:00 pm, free at the Community Center

Salsa Canning Class-July 7th at 1:00 pm, free at the Community Center

Tee-shirt quilt top Vines Ridge Church

Additionally, we will Agricultural Committee meeting on July 11th at

Sons Of Union Veterans



Library Celebrating Dairy Month

At Your Library



The Millard Oakley Public Library Summer Reading program continues this week with story time on Wednesday and Thursday at 10:30.

This week, Overton County Farm Bureau has asked us to help celebrate Dairy Month. They will be here on this summer.

Our last Oceans of be on Thursday, July 14. Club meets every Tues-While the Summer Reading Program will end, we will continue on with our Preschool Story Time on Thursdays at 10:30. We hope that the young readers will continue to read and fill out their green logs for the 100 Days of Hill, given by Steve Dan-Reading Challenge. Even iels. though our programming will end in July, reading made in memory of Rose

school system, and es- will meet on Tuesday, pecially Fran, who have July 19 at 4:30. The been feeding our readers Friends of Millard Oakley Public Library will meet on Thursday, July Possibilities program will 21 at 11:30. Our Crafters day at 9:00.

> A donation has been made in memory of Argyle Goore, given by Onita, Chip, & John Mark Windle.

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New Members - Pictured from left, Chaplian Tommy Phillips and Past Camp Commander Bill Heard, swear in Brian Burroughs and Norman Osborn as new members of the Army of the Tennesse Camp 64. Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The camp meets the fourth Thursday of each month at the Monterey Depot Museum. Photo: Dale Welch

Thursday to talk about the importance of dairy and have promised a special treat for all children who attend.

Overton County Schools will be taking the July 4 week off but will continue to provide lunch through July. We would like to thank the

Dinner

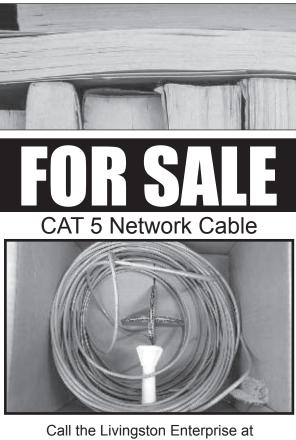
til September 1, so there Beth Walters. is still time to win prizes and get their name entered into the drawing for J. Peerenboom, given by our big prizes. Our readers have read more than 15,903 minutes so far this summer!

The calendar at the library has several important dates on it. The library, and all county offices will be closed on Monday, July 4. The Book Club will meet on reading comes just by Tuesday, July 5 at 11:00. There will be a job fair at the library on Wednesday, July 13 from 10:00 until 2:00. The Millard Oakley Library Board

Donations have been made in memory of Peter the Friends of the Overton County Library & the Staff of Millard Oakley Public Library, and Mary J Miller.

A donation has been made in memory of Sherrie Marie Thrasher, given by Frank & Beth Walters.

"Sometimes the best accident. Someone talks about a book, or you're just wandering the stacks in the library, and you find a book that you love." Elizabeth Berg



931•823•1274 for more information.



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





Section B

Title IX Trailblazer: Lesley Smith Riddle

<u>Sports</u>

TSSAA NEWS special to the Enterprise

Lesley Smith Riddle was born in 1971, a year before Title IX was passed, in Livingston Tennessee.

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Riddle was always interested in sports, playing youth minor league baseball with the boys in the neighborhood as a preteen with her friend Elizabeth Maxwell "Max", who explained that she and Lesley "were the only two girls in the league." Sometimes they were not respected as players, but that never stopped them from playing the game.

In Riddle's teenage years, she got involved with softball and basketball and continued her passion of playing basketball into her high school years at Livingston Academy. Riddle also played and won two national championships for the East Tennessee Stars (AAU). Riddle led Livingston Academy to win the 1990 TSSAA Girls' Basketball State Championship, finishing her high school career with 1665 points. She remained humble about her achievements but demonstrated to younger female athletes that they can accomplish anything with hard work and dedication.

After high school, Riddle signed a basketball scholarship with Vanderbilt University, where she majored in mathematics and secondary education. As a Commodore, she advanced to the NCAA Final Four in 1993. After graduating from Vanderbilt in the spring of 1994, Riddle took her first teaching and coaching position at Oneida City High School. During her three years at Oneida, she coached the girls' basketball team to two state semifinal appearances and one substate match-up. For the 1997-1998 school-year, Riddle accepted a teaching and head coaching position at Farragut High School in Knoxville. During her four years at Farragut, she also earned her Masters and



Educational Doctorate (EDS) degrees. reer. Swallows expressed that, "Riddle In 2001, she returned to her alma-mater to take up the coaching reins at Livingston Academy.

Riddle was the first female to fill the head coach position for Girls' Basketball at Livingston Academy. She had previously applied for the position and been turned down in favor of a male candidate, but reapplied and took the job the next time it opened. After six and a half years in the classroom at Livingston Academy, Riddle became assistant principal, serving in that capacity for two and a half years. In the fall of 2009, she was hired as principal and remained in that position until the spring of 2018. She continued to serve as the head girls' basketball coach throughout her career at Livingston Academy. Grant Swallows, Director of Schools in Warren County and a fellow Livingston Academy graduate, shared that he started as an assistant principal at the same time as Lesley Riddle. "Lesley was a little older than I was, but she was a legend with her being a former champion in 1990 with the Lady Wildcats and continuing their wins to this day."

Riddle has had a very successful program throughout her coaching ca-



bled blue and white, she stayed true and loyal through the tough times, and never stopped displaying resilience for her team and school." To date, Riddle's girls' basketball teams have earned seven state tournament appearances, winning the state championship in 2004 and earning the runners-up trophy in 2009. Her childhood friend and teammate, and current Livingston Academy Athletic Director, Elizabeth Maxwell, explains that, "Lesley epitomizes the female role model. She has garnered many accolades in her career, from a 1990 State Champion at Livingston Academy, to the coach for Livingston Academy girls' basketball with the most wins with 500." Riddle also has the distinction of being the first female to win the state championship as both a player 1995 and as a coach at the same school.

The Lady Wildcats team and the community have always been supportive of Riddle, especially after she was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma in July of 2013. Livingston Academy hosted cancer awareness games and many other awareness rallies. During her chemo and radiation treatments, Riddle only missed two games due to sickness and led her team to the state tournament in 2014. Riddle has been cancer-free since 2018.

Lesley Riddle has 28 years of coaching experience with an overall record of 637-303. She has been at Livingston Academy for 21 years, and just this February earned her 500th career win with the program. The passage of Title IX when Riddle was a toddler allowed her to grow up with the opportunity to tribulations, especially beating cancer be included in team sports. However, herself. She is the epitome of Title IX." she still had to overcome challenges to We salute Lesley Smith Riddle as this be respected and admired as a female week's Title IX Trailblazer.

role model. Riddle never stopped being a supportive team player, and she even has a customized Tennessee license plate that writes out "TEAMWRK" to advocate for it. She is present to lend a hand, or even a shoulder to cry on, for the girls that she coaches over the years. Riddle always puts the team first, and her athletes and their families always support each other as one.

While her life is very busy during the school year, Riddle still manages to enjoy boating, skiing, hiking, and many outdoor adventures with her husband, Tim. She never let the hard times keep her down and she always found positivity in the little things life has to offer. Currently, Riddle works with the Overton County Board of Education (OC-BOE) as the Federal Grant Administrator and is still living the dream as head coach at Livingston Academy.

Riddle's coaching accomplishments:

* Overall coaching record: 637-303

* Livingston Academy coaching record: 501-222 (*All time win record for a girls' basketball coach at the school)

* State Tournament appearances: Oneida: 1995, 1996; Livingston Academy: 2003, 2004, 2007, 2009, 2012, 2013, 2014

* State Championships: 1990 (as a player), 2004

* State Runners-Up: 2009

* East Tennessee Coach of Year: 1995

* TACA Class A Coach of Year:

* District 7AA Coach of Year: 2002-2003, 2003-2004, 2007-2008, 2008-2009

* District 8AA Coach of Year: 2010-2011, 2014-2015

Her hard work and dedication is recognized by these well-deserved awards and accomplishments, but what made her career worthwhile and meaningful for Riddle was the many young athletes she had the opportunity to lead and positively impact. Riddle was always a strong female coach in the male-dominated sport of basketball. She never let the other coaches interfere with the goals she set for the female teams she led. Maxwell goes on to say: "Riddle has molded countless young ladies at Livingston Academy into strong young women through her own trials and

Above - Riddle was a member of the 1990 state tournament winning Livingston Academy Lady Wildcats.

Below - Riddle coached the Lady Wildcats to another gold ball 14 years later, winning the tournament in 2004.

Run The Cumberlands Ends This Month

The Run the Cumber- participation details. lands Race Series will end with the final race of the series at the Summer Splash 5k on June 25. Run the Cumberlands is a partnership among established races held in ille the Upper Cumberland region of Tennessee that October, raise funds for charitable causes. The goal of Run the Cumberlands is to vember, Cookeville encourage residents to improve health by being ning events in our area.

Run the Cumberlands begins in July and ends the following June. To receive a Run the Cumberlands medal, participants must complete any four of the below races within the annual time and email Foundation@crmchealth.org with race

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Run-4-Don 5k &15k September, Gainesboro tain State Park Triathlon Haunted Half Marathon - October, Cookev-

Golden Helix 5k -Tennessee Tech Campus Turkey Trot 5k – No-

Cummins Falls State Park Marathon, Half active and attending run- Marathon, 10k, 5k - February Jackson County

Frozen Head State Fiddler 5k - July, Park Mountain Laurel 5K – May, Wartburg

Cumberland Moun-– July, Crossville

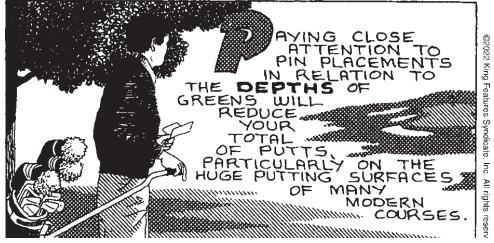
Summer Splash 5k -July, Cookeville

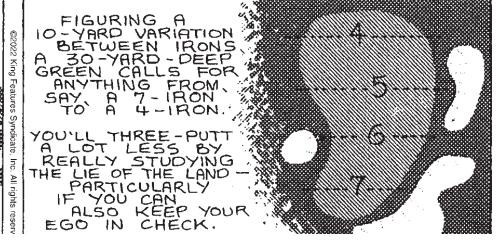
Medals will be dis-Cookeville tributed in August/ September for the 2021-2022 Run the Cumberlands Medal Series.

> Additional details are at www.RunThe-Cumberlands.org

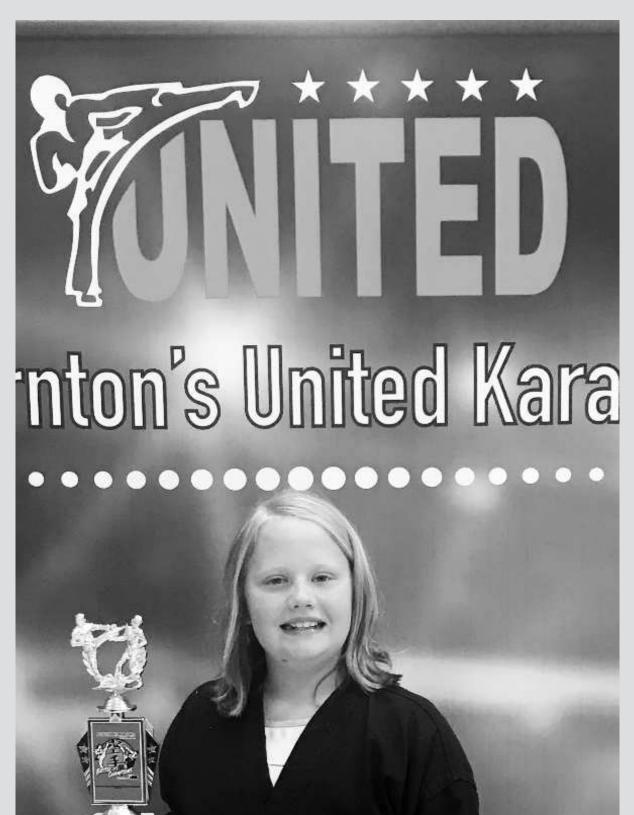


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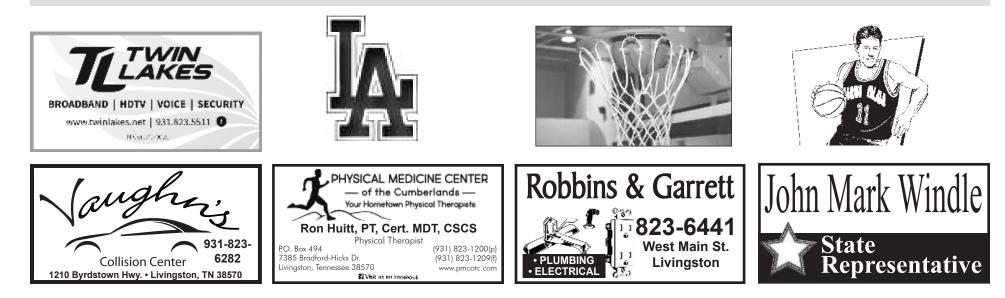


Team Hunter Karate





Team Hunter student Elsie Sells, 9 yr old daughter of Wayne and Kim Sells of Livingston, won 3rd place in green belt sparring, at the Battle of Champions in Ringgold, GA, June 11.



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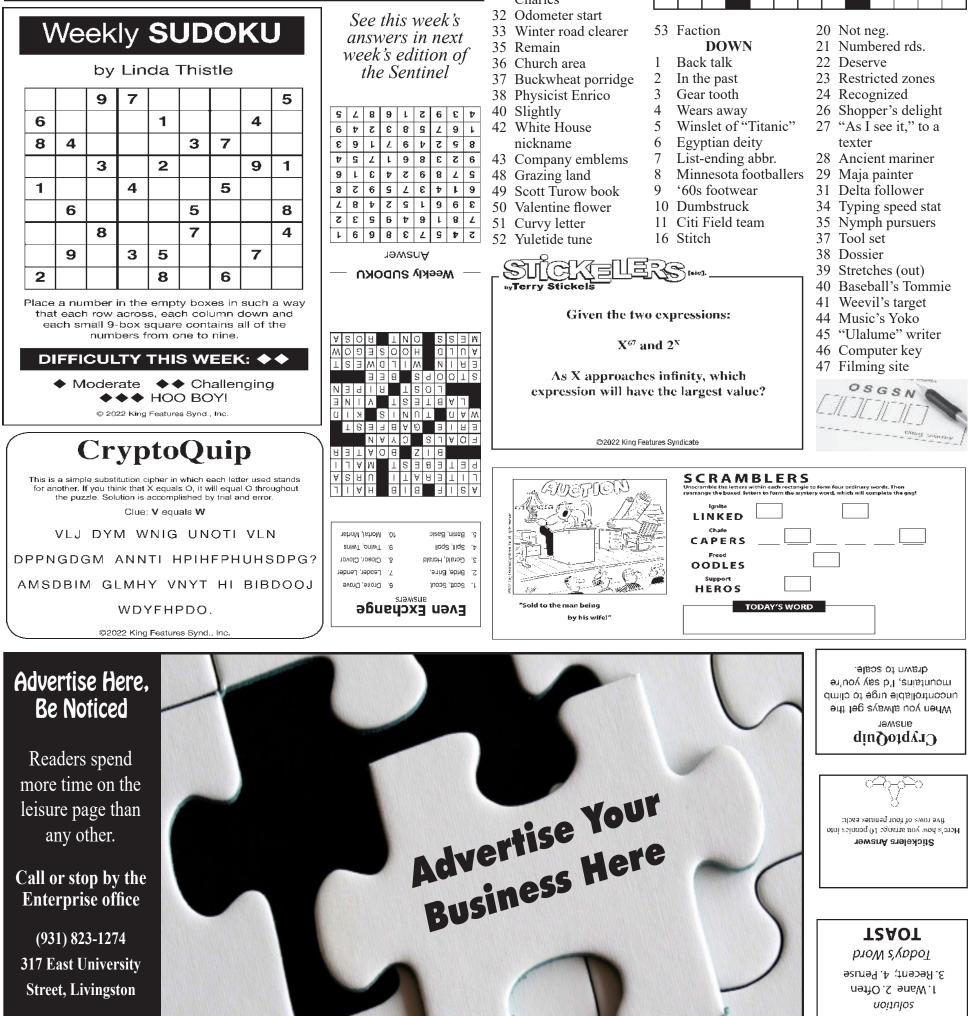
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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

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

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3. Semi or pickup	C _	Chest	N
4. Prying tool	R	Flat	L
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ARIES Mar 21/Apr 20

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Aries, you are on fire lately. There's seemingly nothing you touch that won't turn to gold afterward. This trend will continue, but try not to let it go to your head.

TAURUS Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, unless you take swift action, you could be heading for a financial free-fall. Start to pull back spending for a while and see if the situation will right itself.

GEMINI May 22/Jun 21

It's time to make amends with someone who did you wrong, Gemini. Life is too short to hold grudges, and this person has mended his or her ways since.

CANCER Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, when plans change on a dime, you are ready to roll with the new situation. Higher-ups could get a peek at your quick thinking, which can land you a promotion.

LEO Jul 23/Aug 23

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Make the most of every opportunity that comes your way this week, Leo. You may not get many chances to prove your worth in the weeks to come, so it's important to act now.

VIRGO Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, it is important to remember that your online presence never goes away. Watch what you post and say in social media groups, as it could come back to bite you.

LIBRA Sept 23/Oct 23

Something that started out as a part-time venture could turn into much more, Libra. Figure out if this is the path you see yourself going and then jump on it.

SCORPIO Oct 24/Nov 22

Let loose and have fun for a change, Scorpio. Don't delay when others want to invite you out for a night on tł

portunities. **SAGITTARIUS** Nov 23/Dec 21

There's a lot going on right now and it may have your head spinning, Sagittarius. Delegate some of your workload if you can. Don't be too hard on yourself.

CAPRICORN Dec 22/Jan 20

Family matters come to the forefront this week, Capricorn. You must dig in deep to address them. There are two sides to every story, so try to get all the facts first.

AQUARIUS Jan 21/Feb 18

Just when you started to lose hope, that new horizon you were seeking comes into view, Aquarius. It is well-deserved and there will be smiles for the weeks ahead.

PISCES Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, if you find yourself with too much extra time on your hands, why not

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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.

Convenience Centers

All Overton County Solid Waste Convenience Centers will be closed on Monday, July 4 in observance of Inde-

business hours will resume on Tuesday, July 5.

Decoration

Decoration will by July 3 at the Oakley Cemetery on Highland Mountain Road. It will start at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

Legion Dance

SlickNickel The band will be with us for a fun filled evening of dancing and country music on Friday July 1 from 7 until 10 p.m. at the American Legion

pendence Day. Regular Post in Livingston located at 121 S. Church St. All dances are family friendly and open to the public, membership not necessary. Concessions are available.

Monthly Meeting

The Livingston American Legion and Auxiliary will hold their monthly meetings on Tuesday, July 5 at post headquarters located at 121 S. Church St. The Auxiliary meets at 5:30 p.m. and the Legion meeting begins at 6 p.m.

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 July 2022. **Parkinson's Support**

The next Parkinson's support group meeting will be Tuesday July 5 at 10 a.m. We won't have a speaker. We will socialize at a barbecue lunch. We meet at Caney Fork Baptist Church 2404 Hwy 70 E , Cookeville. Call Peggy at (931) 854-5799

to let us know you're coming.

Little Patriots Parade

The Little Patriots Parade will by July 4 beginning at 9 a.m. in Livingston. Children can meet in the Chamber of Commerce parking lot and start lining up at 8:45. At least one parent must walk with child.

Head Start Closed

The LBJ.&C. Development Corporation Central Office will be closed Monday, July 4, in observance of the

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Fourth of July holiday. Ag Committee

The Overton County UT Agricultural Committee will meet in regular session July 11 at 6 p.m. at the Joe L Evins Community Center.

Garbage Routes

Garbage routes in the Town of Livingston will temporarily change in order for the City to observe the 4th of July. Trash will not be picked up on Monday, July 4. Monday's trash route will be picked up on Tuesday, July 5.

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CHANCERY **COURT, PROBATE** DIVISION NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

ESTATE OF: Tony Bennett (deceased) CASE NO. 21-PR-89

given that on the 10th the creditor received day of June, 2022, an actual copy of this Letters Testamentary, in notice to creditors if respect to the estate of the creditor received Tony Bennett, deceased the copy of the notice who died on May 17, less than sixty (60) 2021, were issued to days prior to the date the undersigned Lana that is four (4) months Reagan by the Chancery from the date of first Court/Probate Division publication (or posting) of Overton County, as described in (1) (a); Tennessee.

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(b.) Sixty (60)Notice is hereby days from the date

> (2)Twelve (12)from the decedent's date of death.

> This the 13th day of June, 2022.

> Lana Reagan Executrix for said Estate of: Tony Bennett Dorothy B. Stanton,

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Clerk & Master Chancery Court/ **Probate Division** Post Office Box 127 Livingston, Tennessee 38570 (931) 823-2536 Willard Landon Mullins Attorney for the Estate 606 East Spring Street, Suite A Cookeville, Tennessee 38501 (931) 559-8985 6-21, 6-28 2TP

NOTICE **JESSE LEON** CROUCH

The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a petition against you seeking to declare your child to be dependent and neglected. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you because your whereabouts are unknown. You are hereby **ORDERED** to serve upon Tracy Hetzel, Attorney for the Tennessee Department of Children Services, 600 Hearthwood Court, Cookeville, Tennessee 38506, (931) 239-0597, an Answer to the Petition filed by the Tennessee Department of Children Services, within thirty (30) days of the last day of publication of this notice, and pursuant to Rule 103(c)(3) of the Tenn. R. Juv. P. you must also appear Juvenile in the Putnam Court of Tennessee County, at Cookeville, Tennessee on the 8th day of September, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. for the Preliminary

Hearing on the Petition

filed by the State of

of Children's Services If you fail to do so, a default judgment will be taken against you DIRECTV STREAM pursuant to Rule 55 of the Tenn. R. of Civ. P. for the relief demanded in the Petition. You may view and obtain a copy of the Petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents at the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office, Cookeville, Tennessee. 6-7, 6-14, 6-21, 6-28 4TP

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Public Hearing

The Town of Livingston will have a public hearing on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 5:55 p.m. at Livingston City Hall on Ordinance 2022-6-1 (Rezoning Paranyoto Properties located on Church Street, East 4th Street and Oakland Park from R-1 (Low Density Residential) and C-1 (Local Commercial) to L-T (Light Industrial)

Regular Meeting

The Mayor and Board of Alderman will hold their regular meeting on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Livingston City Hall. Mayor Curtis Hayes







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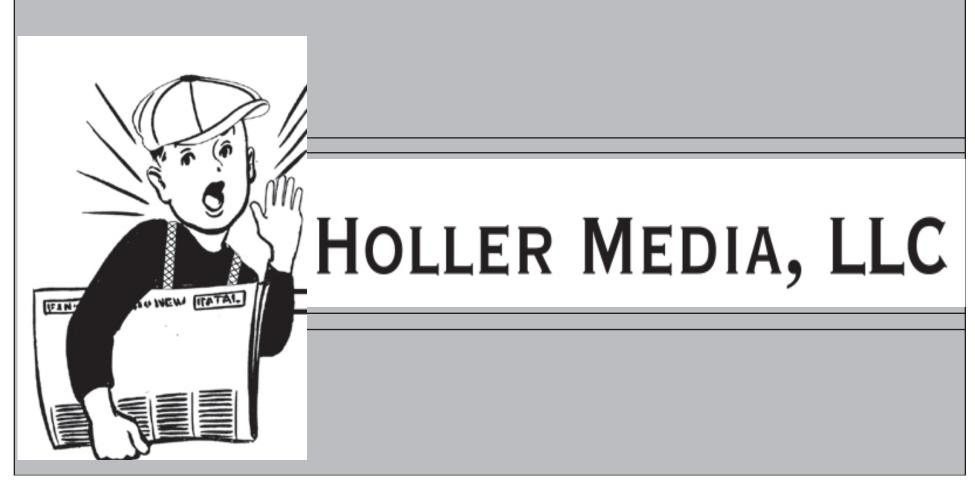
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