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Problems Found In School Audit

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Severe **Weather Possible** This Week

Meteorologists are urging residents across the South to remain weather aware early this week as confidence increases in an outbreak of severe weather and tornadoes -- perhaps one of the most volatile events so far in 2022. Forecasters say this particular setup has the potential to produce strong and long-lived tornadoes, some of which can occur under the cover of darkness.

A large storm is forecast to unfold during the first days of spring that will cover nearly the entire country with a variety of impacts ranging from a widespread damaging thunderstorm and tornado risk, flash flooding and even blizzard conditions, forecasters say.

The National Weather Service's Storm Prediction Center (SPC) has already put nearly 2 million people under a "moderate" risk for severe weather on Tuesday and Tuesday night. Under this risk category, widespread severe storms, which can be intense and long-lived, are likely. The storm, which arrived on the Pacific coast Saturday, will take nearly all of this week to travel from the Rockies and Plains to the Atlantic coast, resulting in significant ground travel, shipping and airline delays. Residents from Oklahoma and Texas to Mississippi and Alabama are encouraged to review safety steps and make sure they have a sturdy shelter identified ahead of time in the event of a tornado warning or damaging straight-line wind event.

BRIAN WILMOTH Editor In what the state comptroller's office is calling

"serious problems", Overton County's yearly audit uncovered 10 findings within the Overton County School's Central Office.

The audit for the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2021, was released late last week. It also found two problems in the County Clerk's Office.

According to a release from the Tennessee Comptroller's Office, the findings, which grew from two in 2020 to 10 in the current audit, "indicate material weaknesses, deficiencies, and areas of noncompliance in the school department".

Holman Response To State Audit

"When I began as had numerous staff meet- school system. aware of issues that needed attention. I worked in a timely manner to efficiently address those concerns as they were was evident that in order brought to my attention. to correct areas of con-Each time I sought legal counsel pertaining to the be made. issue at hand.

at the Overton County necessary transfers that Board of Education, I I felt would benefit our

findings include inaccu- eral flash drives that went Schools. Former Director rate financial statements, missing from the central accounting deficiencies, office. expenditures exceeding budgeted appropriations, an improperly issued loan, turnover in the leader-Many of the audit and a laptop and sev- ship of Overton County

director in mid-Janurary ings where I expressed my last year, I soon became expectations with great sible for the deficiencies clarity. It was my goal to within the comptroller's give everyone the benefit audit are no longer emof the doubt. As time progressed, it

cern, changes needed to the appropriate individu-

In June of (2021), after Soon after I arrived much thought, I made the

> The fiscal year ending on June 30 saw significant

The people responployed in the Central Office.

I have taken the necessary steps to employ als who can efficiently perform all the duties

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of School's Dr. Mark Winningham was dismissed by the school board in Jan. 2021 and former Budget Director Heather Melton was transferred from that

position on July 1. They were replaced by Dr. Donnie Holman and Crystal Nelson respectively.

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In his Corrective Action Plans for the findings, Holman often cites the management changes when addressing how the problems will be solved.

One of the findings include concerned the department paid compensatory time without proper documentation. The compensation, totaling \$19,177, was allegedly paid to Melton with only 997.25 supported with documentation.

We reviewed time sheets for the former director and were unable

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Allons Man Facing **Multiple Charges**

BRIAN WILMOTH Editor

An Allons man is facing a number of drug, and drug-related, charges following a traffic stop on Friday.

Matthew Will Smith, 26, is charged with Manufacturing, Sale, Delivery, or Possession of Controlled Subtance, Possession of a Schedule Falsification of a Drug smoked what he had." Test, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. pulled over Smith's beige Nissan Altima just after 3:30 p.m. Friday on Fisk nervous and kept reaching Road after noticing the down as if he was trying Smith was not wearing a to reach under the driver's seatbelt and the car's tag seat and I asked him what was not secured properly. the start said that as he again leaned forward and approached the car, he reached down with both noticed the smell of can- hands," the report said. "I nabis coming from inside. opened his driver's door



Matthew Smith

III Narcotic, Possession it up'," Boyer's report prescribed to him and he of a firearm during the said. "I asked him if he stated it was not," Boyer commission of a felony, had anything on him or said. "I asked him where Possession of Synthetic in the vehicle once again Urine for Purposes of and he stated again he just

vised him that due to the odor of cannabis coming from the vehicle I was going to do a search of the vehicle, but I was going to first check his person for weapons or anything else illegal."

Upon searching Smith, Boyer found a pill that Smith admitted was Buprenorphine.

"I asked Matt if it was he got it and he stated he did not want to tell me as he felt it would be dangerous for him to tell me." As he searched the vecontaining 33.56 grams of what he determined was cannabis, a black Walther handgun with two magazines and \$418 in cash. In a magnetic case on the safe, Boyer found a sandwich bag of 14.71 grams of cannabis. On the passenger side floorboard there was a food saver bag with 34.22 grams of cannabis, along with empty sandwich bags.

Masters Seeking Clerk's Office

Natalie Masters has informed the Livingston Enterprise that she is a candidate for the office of Overton County Clerk:

To the residents of Overton County, my name is Natalie Eldridge Masters and I am seeking the office of County Clerk.

I reside in Rickman ven, and Callie. I am the of Monterey, Ted, and Michele (Maynord) Kotwo brothers, Brent Key of Monterey, and Blake Key of Muddy Pond. My husband is a 19-year veteran of the Putnam County Sheriff's Department. He was also raised here and graduated from Livingston Academy. His parents are Ray and Joan (Thrasher) Masters



with my husband of 16 is a graduate of Livingsyears, Brandon, and our ton Academy and cur-3 children, Logan, Ha- rently attends Tennessee Tech University. The daughter of Randall and girls attend Rickman El-Nancy (Reed) Eldridge ementary and Livingston Academy. I've had the privilege cher of Cookeville. My of working in public very special uncle, the service a majority of my late Jim Edd Eldridge career. My experience of Rickman, would be includes working in both my biggest supporter city and county governif he were here. I have ment. In 2004 I decided to follow my dream of being a police officer and applied with the Monterey Police Department. I got the job and attended the law enforcement training academy then worked as a patrol officer . Later I was hired as a

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had cannabis on him or I walked him to the back in the vehicle and he of the vehicle and showed stated he had some but him the license plate and 'just finished smoking how loose it was. I ad-

Boyer said Smith seemed agitated and kept Deputy Mark Boyer trying to reach something hicle, Boyer found a safe under his seat.

'He was acting very he was reaching for and Boyer's report on he stated he wasn't, but he "I asked Matt if he and asked him to step out.

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Unemployment Up Again

BRIAN WILMOTH Editor

in January.

In Overton County, the rate remains below that of counties also showed most counties in the area, growth in unemployment. but it did see an increase Jackson County was at of almost 1% as the new 3.8% up from 3.5%, Fenyear dawned, moving up tress went up 0.6% to from 2.6% to 3.5%

Overton in January, as its from December. rate only went up 0.3%

to 3.2%.

Clay County still re-Unemployment rates mains the county with the were up in counties across highest unemployment the second straight month rate in the area, up to 5.3%from 4.6% in December.

Other surrounding 3.9% unemployment, and In addition, Putnam Pickett County moved to County moved in front of 4.1%, a 0.9% increase

The end of seasonal

contributing factors that led to higher county un-Tennessee in January. While statewide unemployment numbers are but less than 10%. adjusted to consider the rates are not adjusted.

Each of Tennessee's 95 to new data released by the County and a 0.2 of a

work at the start of the Department of Labor and percentage point increase new year was one of the Workforce Development (TDLWD). Eighty-five counties reported rates employment rates across less than 5%, while the remaining ten counties had the highest unemployhad rates of 5% or greater,

of Livingston. Our oldest

Williamson and Moore impacts of seasonal labor, counties had the state's county unemployment lowest unemployment for the month. Both counties recorded rates of 2.2% in counties experienced an January. That represented increase in unemployment a 0.3 of a percentage point during January, according increase for Williamson

for Moore County, when compared to their revised December 2021 rates.

At 9.2%, Perry County ment rate in the state. Its January number increased by 2 percentage points when compared to the revised December rate. Cocke County had Tennessee's second-highest rate for the month. The new figure of 7.1% marked a 2.3 percentage point increase from December.



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Ukrainian And American Pain

DR. GLENN MOLLETTE special to the Enterprise

buying energy or vodka from Russia. Russians can no longer buy a Mc-Donald's hamburger. They can't pay for their gasoline with a Visa, Mastercard or even an American Express card. One thousand Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants have ceased operations in Russia. How tough can life become?

For a better picture of a tough life watch some of the news clips played daily on most television stations. See what the Russians are doing each day to Ukraine. Hospitals are bombed. Babies are murdered. Cities no longer exist. Tens of thousands have been killed by the Russian army.

Speculations continue to be expressed among politicians and journalists that Russia may be guilty of war crimes. This seems like a bad joke. Russia has been guilty of war crimes from day one. They don't care who they kill or how they kill the innocent people of Ukraine. They will use any kind of bomb or chemical to accomplish President Vladimir Putin's evil whim to bring Ukraine under Russian rule. They will even accept weapons from China. Hopefully we will never buy another thing from Russia. In the meantime, the remnant still battling the Russian Army needs the full support of NATO in weapons, money and humanitarian aid. Sadly, for the thousands who have already been killed it's too little too late. While we are unplugging trade with Russia

toward China. China is not computers. America is no longer our friend. Just like Russia. we have made China rich what happens to us when with billions of dollars Russia and China comin trade each year. Plus, bine their efforts toward America is in debt, over a the United States? Are we trillion dollars, to China. able to withstand an attack Stores across America from Russia and China? must put American busi- It's more than we want to nesses back to work by comprehend today. This buying as many American is why we must become made products as possible. energy independent. Why China has been eyeing Tai- not use our gas, oil and wan the same way Russia coal until we have the inhas been eyeing Ukraine. If frastructure in place to run Russia successfully takes Ukraine and can survive the aftermath look for of 250,000 people, I do China to invade Taiwan. not know of one electric every weekday morning China will then control car charging station. Local EST at 8:56 on XM radio

we must act accordingly runs our cars, phones and two to three years before

The next scenario is electric cars?

In my local community most of the chips made that car dealers say it will be 131

they will have electric cars to sell. Most American communities are the same and we need time for the infrastructure to catch up. In the meantime, we should use the resources we have to run our country independently.

Gasoline prices and inflation are hurting America but consider what Russia is doing to Ukraine. Americans will survive the pain at the pump if America will go back to our own sources to supply our needs.

Hear Glenn Mollette

Grants Help Agricultural Producers Grow

KALEE OLSON special to the Enterprise

On March 1, the U.S. a 10% match, as opposed ity of \$19.75 million in may apply to either or other considerations. (VAPG) program. develop new products \$250,000 to cover marwhich value is being product viability. added.

located to the program. and socially disadvan-These grant funds require taged producers. Additionally, extra points will Department of Agricul- to the dollar-for-dollar be awarded for addressture Rural Development match required for regu- ing community recovery announced the availabil- lar funding. Applicants from COVID-19, among This year, applicants will be required to register for a government identification number (UEI-Unique Entity Identifier). This can take two to five weeks to activate, so applicants are encouraged to register early.

Compounded **Drugs Can be Rx** for Greed



are potentially dangerous, especially when the participants aren't thinking first of patient safety.

A couple years ago,

by Freddy Groves

The Department of Justice nabbed a doctor who was licensed in both Texas and Oklahoma for writing drug prescripkickbacks. The drugs in question were compounded, which are expensive because they are either multiple drugs mixed together, pills made into liquid or drugs made without dyes in them.

In this case. the doctor ordered the drugs after a compounding company solicited him, and paid a hefty bribe, to write prescriptions that would be filled by that company's pharmacy. Footing the bill for these pricey drugs was Medicare, TRICARE, CHAMPVA and the Federal Employees Com-

pensation Act Program. The doctor ran pain clinics in both states, which is a good place to hide specialty drugs. He pleaded guilty and \$1.5 million. However, part of his plea deal is that he serves 36 months of supervised probation, with no jail time.

One hopes that the judge doesn't accept that plea. Compounded drugs

the major players in another compounding company were caught up in a deadly scheme that caused a nationwide meningitis outtions in exchange for break, the biggest ever seen by a pharmaceutical drug. They cut corners, shipped in bulk without individual prescriptions, ignored patient safety, misbranded drugs, didn't await sterility test results, let mold and bacteria into their cleanroom facility and created drugs with expired ingredients. Almost 800 patients across the country came down with a fungal infection after

getting injections of those drugs. Of those, over 100 patients have died.

They also tried, and failed, to hide their activities. They weren't too bright, apparently, shipping drugs to patients named Bud Weiser, Fat Albert, Samuel Adams and others.

All the participants could face paying back received average prison sentences ... until a federal appeals court decided that the original judge was wrong. One by one the criminals are being resentenced with extra time added on.

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total funding for projects both funding sources; as part of the Value- however, separate bud-Added Producer Grants gets are required for each.

Two separate grants Individual farmers are available. Planning and ranchers, as well as grants of up to \$75,000 agricultural businesses help pay for feasibiliand producer groups, ty studies and business may apply for the grants, planning. Working Capwhich must be used to ital grants fund up to or expand existing mar- keting and product dekets for value-added velopment costs. Projproducts. The applicant ects requesting more than must produce at least \$50,000 require a previ-50 percent of the raw ous feasibility study and agricultural product to business plan to verify

Priority is given to In addition to regular projects that increase opfunding, applicants may portunities for small and specifically apply for mid-sized farms, and/or policy associate for the COVID-relief funds al- for beginning, veteran, Center for Rural Affairs

Contact your state USDA Rural Development office for application materials and assistance. Online applications will be accepted until April 25 through grants.gov and paper applications must be postmarked by May 2.

Kalee Olson is a

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Earl Ray Stewart

Earl Ray Stewart, 81, of Cookeville, passed away March 18. Funeral services will be held March 23 at Collegeside Church of Christ, Cookeville with Minister John Nichols officiating. Interment will follow in the Rob Draper Memorial Cemetery.

He was born Nov. 9, 1940 in Livingston. He retired from the Chrysler Corporation in Detroit, Mich. He served in the U.S. Army and in the Tennessee National Guard. He was a member of the Collegeside Church of Christ. He enjoyed life gardening, scenic drives (enhanced by vintage country music) and seasonal beauty. His greatest enjoyment was his family.

Gary Allen

Gary Glen Allen, 58, of Hilham, passed away March 17 at his residence. Funeral services were held March 20 from the chapel of Speck Funeral Home with Bro. John Mabrey officiating. Interment followed in the Allens Chapel Cemetery.

He was born June 30, 1963 in Trenton, Mich. A member of the Church of Christ, he was known for his expert mechanic work on big and small engines. His enjoyment was working on older cars and trucks, fishing, country music and rid-

ing his motorcycle. He was preceded

He was preceded in death by: parents, Claude Cleveland Stewart and son, known to many as Maggie Matthews Stewart; wife, Dora Hollifield Stewart; infant daughter, from her residence. Ser-Debra Lynn Stewart; sis- vices will be announced ter, Dorothy Stewart Lu- at a later date. cent; and brother, Billy Ross Crowley.

Surviving include: wife, Nan Sadler working at the Clark Stewart; children, Mary House with her sister. Beth Stewart (Greg) She loved catering and Shirley of Cookeville, Rhonda Lee (Kelly the Clark House, where O'Callaghan) Stewart of she never met a stranger. St. Clair Shores, Mich. and Robert Ray (Eliza- death by: parents, Luther beth) Stewart of Chattanooga; granddaughters, Mary Landress Stewart, Grace Gilman Stewart and Elizabeth Wells son, 71 of Hilham, passed Stewart, all of Chattanooga; grandsons, Trent Livingston Gregory Shirley, Grant Hospital. Funeral servic-Alan Shirley and Stewart Lee Shirley, all of Cookeville; and host Funeral Home with Bro. of nieces and nephews, extended family and friends.

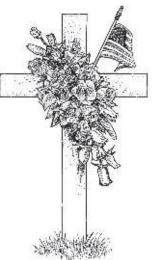
Pallbearers are grandsons and family members.

and Horner Funeral dening, flowers and her Home was in charge of arrangements.

len of Hilham; sisters, Carolyn Hargis and Kim Thrasher, both of Rickman; special cousin, Tammy Lee Monroe, passed away and husband, Odie of March 18 from Livings-Hilham; nieces, Wendi ton Regional Hospital. Copeland and Angela Funeral services were Sullivan; and nephew, held March 21 from the Steven Allen.

Pallbearers Darrell Farris, Holden Ray officiating. Inter-Hargis, len, Travis Lee, Doug Green Hill Cemetery. Ledbetter and Timmy Farris. Honorary pall- 20, 1948 in Overton bearers were Cameron County. She loved Bates, Rod Edmonds spending time with famand Bruce Allen.

Speck Home was in charge of cards. arrangements.



Patty Thompson

Patricia Ann Thomp-Patty, 72, of Livingston, passed away March 15

She was born July 3, 1949 in Dayton, Ohio. relatives Her favorite job was meeting new people at

She was preceded in

Willene C. Thompson

Willene C. Thompaway March 15 from the Regional es were held March 18 from the chapel of Speck Mike Ayers officiating. Interment followed in the Maxwell Chapel Cemetery.

She was born March 22, 1950 in Jackson Hooper Huddleston County. She enjoyed garwiener dogs, Missy and Buckie. She was Christian in Faith and loved her family.

Ann Crabtree

Ann Crabtree, 73, of chapel of Speck Funeral were Home with Bro. Timmy Kenny Al- ment followed in the

> She was born May ily and grandchildren, Funeral gardening and playing

She was preceded in death by: parents, Harmon and Velva Cooper Smith; husband, Robert Edward and Jessie Lee Goad Strong; and brother, Michael Strong.

bituaries

Brad of Saratoga, Calif.; ficiating. grandchildren, Aiden and Ava Matthews; sisters, 1931 in Overton County. of Cookeville.

Speck arrangements.

death by: parents, Mayhue and Effie Phillips to church and singing. Masters; husband, Danbrother, Mark Masters.

of Hilham and Juanita law, Jack Reed. Daws husband, and Emanuel of Hilham; and grandchildren, Joshua, Eli and Gracie.

Pallbearers were Joshua King, Eli King and Andy Naff.

Speck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

tree, Daniel Hill, Emily Hill and John Hill; brother, Howard Smith and wife, Reda of Alpine; sisters, Hallie Armstrong of Maryland, Ruth cooper of Indiana, Betty Story and husband, Leon of Alpine and Judy Choate and husband, Carlis of King Mountain; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and special friends.

Pallbearers were Scott Choate, Tommy Cooper, Shawn Crabtree, Mike Smith, Tom Hargis and Jeff Smith, Honorary pallbearers were Daniel Hill, John Hill and Dawson Crab-

Gerene Matthews

Gerene Matthews, 90, of Rickman, passed Surviving relatives in- away March 15 from her clude: husband, Charles residence. Funeral ser-F. Thompson of Livings- vices were held March ton; son, Kelly Thomp- 17 from the chapel of son and wife, Monica of Speck Funeral Home Mt. Juliet; daughter, Kim with Bro. Rick Lacy and Matthews and husband, Bro Troy Pennington of-

She was born Nov. 27, Carol Ledford of Liv- She was a member of the ingston and Linda Mort Oak Hill Church. She made beautiful works of Funeral art with her needle and Home was in charge of thread, she was know for her green thumb and cooking for family and She was preceded in friends. One of her favorite things was going

She was preceded in ny Ray Thompson; and death by: parents, Ervin and Dee Ledbetter Hill; Surviving relatives husband, Robert Ray include: daughter, Angie Matthews; brothers, Er-Thompson King and hus- nest Hill and Enloe Hill; band, Jimmy of Hilham; sisters, Deloy Brown and sisters, Susie Masters Zola Ferrill; and son in

include: son, Bob Matthews and wife, Sandra of Rickman; daughter, Sandra Reed of Rickman; grandchildren, Robbie Matthews and wife, Rae Ann, Melissa Hammock and husband, Terry, Jason Reed and wife, Jessica and Levada Reed and Mitchell Smith; great grandchildren, Andy Howard, Abby, Maddie and Brooke Hammock and Kelsey Smith; and sister, Margaret Roberson of Algood.

Say "Thank You" with a Card

of Thanks in The Enterprise.

Deadline 12 p.m. Mondays.

Pallbearers were Robbie Matthews, Jason Reed, Andy Howard, Terry Hammock, Mitchell Smith and Ronnie Smith.

Honorary Pallbearers were Levada Reed, Melissa Hammock, Abby Hammock, Maddie Hammock, Brooke Hammock and her granddaughters and great granddaughter.

Speck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Surviving relatives

Celebration Of Life

life for Charles Vaughn (Charlie) will be held at the Fellowship Baptist

A celebration of Church Life Center, 2810 Willow Grove Hwy., Allons, TN on Sunday March 27 at 2 p.m.



in death by: parents, Hilmon and Mary Emma Carr Allen.

Surviving relatives include: lifelong partner, Robine Allen of Hilham; children, David, Kelsey and Steven; brothers, Bruce Allen and wife, Debbie of Hardy's Chapel, Kenneth Allen of Melvindale, Mich. and Richard Dale Al-

Crabtree; brothers, Bill Smith and wife, Bonita, Arilin Smith and wife, Margaret, Bobby Smith and Bates Smith; and brothers in law, Jim Armstrong and Lester Cooper.

Surviving relatives include: son, Jamie Crabtree of Monroe; daughter, Nancy Hill and husband, Danny of Monroe; Dawson Crab-

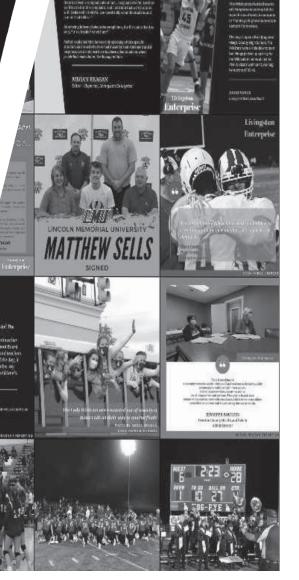
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Free Online AP Classes **Available**

AP Access for ALL, а the Tennessee Department of Education and the Niswonger Foundation, announced its enrollment numbers for the 2021-22 school year, with over 1,800 students from 192 high schools statewide now enrolled in AP Access for ALL classes- helping students prepare for college, skip introductory classes, and earn college credit while still in high school. Additionally, students are encouraged to register for fall 2022 AP Access for ALL classes, which open on March 1.

Before the launch of AP Access for ALL in June 2021, only 50% of students had access to an AP class at their school. Now, 86% of all public high schools (110 school districts) have partnered with AP Access for All to give their students access to college level courses.

"In Tennessee, we partnership between recognize the importance a program developed of ensuring our high and supported by the school students are given Tennessee Department the same opportunity to of Education and the earn college credit be- Niswonger Foundation, fore graduation," said Dr. gives students free access Jean Luna-Vedder, Chief to 15 online advanced of Student Readiness, placement courses and Tennessee Department of pays final exam fees. The Education. "AP Access for ALL is fulfilling an free advanced placement essential need to provide access to rigorous college preparation classes so our students are set up for aged to sign up for AP postsecondary and workforce success, regardless of where they live."

"We are thrilled that so many students are taking advantage of rigorous, college preparatory classes for free online," said Gina Pavlovich, AP Tennessee high school Access for ALL Program Director. "It's so important that our students are "AP classes compliment introduced to college lev- our Dual Enrollment proel work before they begin grams, allowing students college level classes. This to start preparing for colprogram allows students lege early and potentially to start preparing as early earning college credit." as ninth grade."

AP Access for ALL, program also provides training for Tennessee teachers.

Students are encour-Access for ALL courses through their high school counselors. Registration for the fall 2022 semester begins March 1.

"AP Access for ALL is providing great opportunities for Fentress County students," said Mike Jones, Superintendent of Fentress County Schools.

All AP Access for ALL forall.org.

courses are taught by certified and trained Tennessee teachers. In order to provide the online coursework, AP Access for ALL has provided scholarships to 119 teachers to receive College Board certification. This summer, the program will once again offer free College Board training and certification to nearly 700 Tennessee teachers.

In addition to college credit, students enrolled in AP Access for ALL courses also gain vital skills that will set them apart from their peers in the college admissions process.

Funding for AP Access for ALL is provided through the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) and Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funds.

For a full list of participating counties, courses offered, and more information, visit tnapaccess-

Student Loan Borrowers Must Complete Entrance Counseling

Students who are borrowing their first federal student loans for the coming academic year must complete entrance counseling, according to KHEAA.

Many students take out loans to help them pay for higher education. Entrance counseling helps them understand the responsibility that goes along and have a plan for repaying the loans.

The U.S. Department of Education requires borrowers to complete entrance counseling before they can receive loan funds.

The department offers online counseling at studentaid.gov under the Complete Aid Process tab. The counseling should take between 20 their college to see if the com.

federal counseling session is accepted as some schools have alternate counseling program requirements.

KHEAA is a pubwith borrowing money lic, 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 FAF-SA.

For more informato 30 minutes. Borrow- tion about those serers should check with vices, visit www.kheaa.

Tennessee Tech Hosts Special **Themed Campus Visits**

Tennessee Tech continues to offer special themed visit days to prospective high school students and their families.

This spring, students can choose from a list of special themed visit days, which allow them to spend more in-depth time with their academic program to see how it aligns with their interests and career goals. Themes set for the spring include women in engineering on for later in April. VIP to offer them again. Stu- full-time. campus tours are still dents get to explore their available year-round. To academic program, meet special visit days, oneregister, students can visit faculty from the departtntech.edu/visit. Students ment and talk with curshould check back often rent students. This really to see if new themes are lets the student see a difadded. Spring is such a of the university." beautiful time to be on



Director of Admissions sonalized experience for Steve Keller. "We had students to focus on their such a great response to majors and start making March 21, education on our themed visit days last those connections before April 6 and student life fall that we knew we had they are even on campus

bers, and this new group offers personal, oneon-one campus tours to prospective students and their families, while also fostering genuine connections between current Trailblazer students and future Golden Eagles.

Tennessee Tech is ranked as a "Best National University" by U.S. News & World Report. The university offers more than 200-plus programs of study, and Tech grads leave with the least debt of all public universities in the

History Will Come Alive At Camp

Tennessee State Library & Archives is excited to host a full-day summer camp, Historians in Training: Junior Archivist, for rising 4th to 8th-grade students on June 13 - 17 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The camp, presented by the Library & Archives Education Outreach team, takes place at the new Library & Archives, located on the northeast corner of Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park at 1001 Rep. John Lewis Way N., in Nashville. The cost to attend is \$125 per camper, with an additional charge if before or after care is needed.

During the week-long adventure, campers will explore historical topics and people while learning how archivists care for and protect historical documents for the future. As junior archivists and historians, campers will learn how history is preserved

ferent, more intimate side Trailblazers

Tech's campus," said is to create a more per- than 70 student mem- tech.edu/visit.

In addition to these on-one VIP campus tours are offered year-round in conjunction with the Tennessee Tech Trailblazers. officially formed its inaugural class Keller said the goal last year with now more

state. In fact, based on total cost and alumni earnings, Tech provides students with the highest return on investment for any public university in Tennessee, according to PayScale.

Find out more at tn-

Datacasting Initiative Kicks off At PBS

In Tennessee, hundreds of thousands of children and their families lack access to affordable broadband internet. As schools incorporate more and more online content, this means that these students are limited in their ability to keep up with schoolwork when at home.

The Tennessee PBS Datacasting Initiative is designed to bridge the digital divide in our state



students who do not have broadband internet at home. With datacasting, students can connect with the same online learning platforms used by teachby providing access to ers and students with in- students. Several school org.

ternet access. "Datacast- districts, from counties ing is one of the ways we including Carter, Putcan make education more nam, Wilson, Overton, equitable, allowing all and Jackson are considstudents to have access ering this initiative and to the same resources, may become leaders in and making it easier for our state for this project. teachers and students to succeed," commented Dr. equipment are FREE for Cephas Ablakwa, leader K-12 Students. of the Tennessee PBS

Datacasting Initiative. your local PBS station Datacasting to seamlessly transmit management team at educational content to tennesseepbs@wcte.

Participation and

Visit Tennesseepbs. org for more informa-This technology uses tion, or contact the project through hands-on activities, games and field trips to other local historical sites.

"We are looking forward to hosting our first summer camp at the beautiful new Tennessee State Library & Archives building," said Secretary of State Tre Hargett. "The Education Outreach team has a jam-packed schedule planned that will appeal to any students who are interested in history and historical preservation."

The Library & Archives, a division of the Department of State, collects and preserves books, journals, maps, photographs, records and other documents of historical and reference value focusing on Tennessee and Tennesseans. The Library & Archives is home to many irreplaceable historical documents, including Tennessee's three Constitutions.

The Historians in Training: Junior Archivist Summer Camp is funded in part by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

To learn more about the Library & Archives visit, sos.tn.gov/tsla. To register for the Historians in Training: Junior Archivist Summer Camp, visit sos. tn.gov/tsla/summercamp.



Reasons to Consider a Home Healthcare Career

fers many rewarding career paths.

"A growing number of families and medical professionals are discovering that home healthcare is a great scope of care and services that can be delivered at home option -- and not just for seniors. Home healthcare can has greatly expanded. There are more diverse care needs be used to treat medical needs across a full continuum of care," says Jennifer Sheets, president and chief executive officer of Interim Healthcare Inc., which is actively recruiting caregivers nationwide.

home healthcare caregivers are in such high demand today:

1. It's a safe alternative: The pandemic shifted the

(StatePoint) Those graduating in the spring of 2022 spotlight to home healthcare as a means to keep loved in the home healthcare industry and these positions are perts say that not only are home healthcare caregivers ing hospital burnout by keeping acute care patients at for new graduates. Here are just a few: needed more now than ever before, but this industry of- home, allowing hospital staff to focus on the most critical patients.

> 2. The role of home caregivers has expanded: The today, requiring a diverse set of caregivers to fill those needs, including ventilator care, speech therapy, palliative care and more.

3. It can fill a necessary gap: The physical, mental and According to Sheets, here are three of the top reasons emotional demands of caring for family members can be overwhelming, and with the healthcare worker shortage, family caregivers need additional help at home.

It is an employees' market when it comes to working

and other job seekers should take note -- industry ex- ones safe. What's more, at-home caregivers are support- very desirable for a number of other reasons, especially

With on-the-job

training available, a helping career such as a home care aide is emotionally rewarding, and home healthcare provides that same opportunity to make a difference in other people's lives, albeit in a less hectic, more personal environment. Even for current licensed medical professionals, 74% say they have considered a career shift to home healthcare at one point in their medical career, according to an Interim Healthcare study. The COVID-19 pandemic only intensified these considerations for professionals, many of whom in the same survey say home healthcare would be a way to reconnect with why they got into healthcare in the first place.

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March Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

nosed with colorectal cancer this year, a slight increase from last year.

March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Colorectal cancer is a disease of the colon or rectum and is often treatable when detected through screenings. Each year, about 150,000 Americans are diagnosed with this disease and more than 50,000 die.

"Colon cancer is one of the only preventable cancers we have," said Dr. Nicole Pisapia, gastroenterologist at Cookeville Regional Medical Center. "We're seeing more and more younger people with colon cancer, which is why the recommendation now is to start screenings at 45.'

Prevention and screening has been proven to dramatically reduce fatalities from colorectal cancer when it's found at its earliest stages.

Cookeville Regional has a program called open

Masters" Continued From Page 1

Deputy for the Overton County Sheriff's Department. I was assigned as a School Resource Officer and had the pleasure of working with the amazing faculty and staff in

our local school system. for this county. As your I must say being with the clerk, I promise to serve kids was the highlight of my career.

It would be an ab- first. If elected, I want to solute pleasure to serve evaluate ways to make the the residents of Overton County. I have deep roots for all of you. I would be here and a great love open to any suggestions

Charges" Continued From Page 1

On the driver's side door, Boyer found a zip lock bag with residue in it and a pipe that had the odor of cannabis. In the center console, Boyer located a bottle of synthetic urine

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expected of them.

We clearly expect that the audit for next year, we

'Audit" Continued From Page

to support the hours claimed," the report said. "However, during this review, we noted that the former director was accumulating compensatory time for hours, which do not appear to qualify. Part of the time claimed was for attending board of education meetings; however, she received payment of \$1,745 for attending the meetings and acting as the board secretary. Also, the finance director accumulated compensatory hours for working on snow days and when the school department was closed for COVID-19; however, she received her scheduled pay during those closures, so she appears to be claiming compensatory time for regular workdays. This deficiency is the result of management's failure to maintain adequate payroll and leave records." In his action plan, Holman said changes have already been made to correct such oversights. "Former management did not effectively monitor and verify compensatory hours of the former budget director in past years to prevent deficient and inaccurate timekeeping," Holman said. "Upon new management, timekeeping records were requested to be turned in accurately and in a timely manner. In the future, all compensatory hours shall be approved by management in advance of acquisition and shall be clearly reflected on timekeeping records. Compensatory hours shall not be paid to any employee unless proper procedures are followed, and hours are explicitly documented." Other findings also include the General Purpose School Fund needing to be adjusted by \$1,057,425, which can indicate the department's financial reporting system did not prevent, detect or correct potential misstatements in the accounting records, accounting recorders were

and a cigarette box with that he smokes 'pot' to two cannabis butts and a keep himself calm and metal canister with can- that I just happened to

nabis shavings in it. "I went back to my patrol vehicle and Matt had He stated he does not his head down," Boyer deal cannabis. He stated said. "I asked him if he he just bought the safe. knows what I found and He stated a friend gave he said 'yeah'. He stated him the gun and the cash

expect it to be very different, a vast improvement.

It has always been my goal to be a good steward of the school

recommended that Overnot closed by Aug. 31, federal project funds had a ton County as a whole adopt a centralized system deficit in unassigned fund for accounting, budgeting, balance, accounting deficiencies, deficiencies in budget operations, access to accounting software was not properly restricted, and duties not being adequately segregated.

In addressing the missing laptop and flash drives, Holman said new precautions have been put in place.

"Management person- school department indinel made several attempts cate that something needs to recover missing equip- to change. I believe the ment and flash drives from time is right for a cen-(the) former budget direc- tral system in Overton tor," Holman said. "Man- County." agement acknowledges the imperative urgency of the County Clerk's office security and immediately initiated procedures to prevent security deficiencies in the future."

It's estimated that 151,030 Americans will be diag- access colonoscopy, which makes getting the screen- the one-night prep." ing easy.

> This program is designed to allow healthy, ageappropriate patients to have a screening colonoscopy without an office visit.

"It cuts down on wait time," Pisapia said.

Patients fill out a questionnaire which is then sent to the gastroenterology office. If the patient is a candidate for open access colonoscopy, the patient will then be scheduled for the study. If not, an appointment will be set up with one of the gastroenterologists before scheduling the colonoscopy.

Scheduling a screening is not hard, but preparing for the screening is another story.

"A lot of people shy away from getting the colonoscopy because of the prep," Pisapia said.

"Don't delay getting a colonoscopy because of that. I tell my patients that chemo is a lot worse than

with integrity and put

the needs of our citizens

office more convenient

stop him as he was com-

ing back from restocking.

in making that happen. I respectfully ask for your vote in the upcoming Republican primary on May 3rd. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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came from 'the bank'. I asked him what the synthetic urine was for and he stated he was applying for a driver job and had to do a drug test."

Boyer said Smith was transported to the Overton County Justice Center without incident.

ent and not hide anything from anyone, and continually keep the students in mind when making all decisions."

Overton County Clerk Victoria Looper said in her Corrective Action Plan. "Since this was brought to our attention by state auditors, no deposits have went over

and purchasing to help oversee all county, highway, and school funds. three days." "In our experience, when counties adopt a centralized financial department, they vastly improve their fiscal responsibility," said Comptroller Mumpower. "These poor

But thanks to advancements in technology, the prep is now available in a pill form.

"One of those things that people didn't like and sort of shied away from with colonoscopy was that they had to drink the prep," Pisapia said. "Now we have the ability to just take pills and drink water instead of having to drink the "salt water" that everyone is always so grossed out by."

"There's no reason to delay in getting this screening," said Paul Korth, Cookeville Regional CEO. "It can save your life."

Cookeville Regional's gastroenterology providers bring a lot of innovation to the field. All of those will be covered throughout the month on social media and the website, crmchealth.org.

To learn more about Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, visit ccalliance.org.

STATISTICS:

According to the Colorectal Cancer Alliance, the survival rate of colorectal cancer is 90 percent with early detection.

The average lifetime risk for men is 1 in 23. The average lifetime risk for women is 1 in 25.

It is the third most commonly diagnosed cancer in men and women combined in the U.S. and is the second leading cause of cancer death in men and women combined in the U.S.

The rates for people aged 65 or over dropped by 3.3 percent from 2007 to 2016 while rates for people under 50 increased 2.2 percent each year.

The median age of diagnosis for both ages is 66.

The median age of women diagnosed with colorectal cancer is 69 and is 66 for men.

Colorectal cancer incidence rates were 20 percent higher for African Americans while the death rates were 40 percent higher for African Americans.



system's money, and to be transparent with all the stakeholders. I want everyone to know that

I'm trying to be transpar-

audit results within the

One of the findings in involved some funds not being deposited within three days.

"We are and have been The report strongly making deposits daily,"

LIVE AUCTION - SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 10:00 AM 145 ACRE FARM IN THE FINEST PART OF BENTON COUNTY, TN SELLING MR. JERRY H. DEATON ESTATE FOR MRS. DIVIE DEATO LOCATION: 10701 BIRDSONG ROAD, HOLLADAY, TN DIRECTIONS: FROM NASHVILLE OR MEMPHIS, TAKE 140 TO XIT 133 SOUTH ON HWY 191/BIRDSONG RD, SALE ON LEFT FEATURES A RUNNING CREEK, MATURE TIMBER, CUSTOM BUILT 3600 SQUARE FT HOME, A SHOP WITH LIVING QUARTERS, TRUCKS, TRACTORS, TOOLS, CONTENTS AND MOREI WWW.RIDGELYAUCTIONCO.COM FOR DETAILS RIDGEENY ADDITION & REALTY 1716 Perfect Status and Additional Addita Additional Addition provided herein is believ Ictus know if you police Section and the **Tru**green Get the most out of your lawn this spring. SCHEDULE YOUR 1-844-477-0645 "Dequares purchase of annual plan. Special price is for first Lawin app new residential East-Pay or PricPay castometes only. Valid at participate vary by geography. Not to be combined with the rused in companishen with may apply. Companies inspectively for all sales tax. Uninchase of annu-lishing contention of the same of the sales tax. emed at the first visit. "Guarantee applies to annual p wen Limited Partnership. All rights reserved. In Comp



We will be discussing current events including our upcoming county election. Everyone is invited to attend this informative meeting including candidates who would like to speak.

The OCP is a non-partisan group that keeps Overton and surrounding counties informed as to what is going on in the community. Come and see what the Overton County Patriots are all about. Follow us on Facebook!

Everyone is invited to attend.

SHANE BARLOW SHERIFF



We are all aware there is a significant drug problem in our county; we all have been affected by it one way or the other. Whether it be by our personal property stolen, your house broken into, or someone wandering around your property, It's easy to connect the dots between drugs and theft. Drug addicts will go through great lengths to find their next fix, no matter the consequences. Drug dealers don't care what was done to get the money or who the property was stolen from, just so long as they can profit from the exchange. My intention as Sheriff is to pursue the dealers and the thieves and addicts who are breaking the law. Thank you for your vote and support in the Republican Primary on May 3rd.

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TN HEALTHY HARDWOODS FIELD DAYS

April 23 - Pickett State Forest 4266 Pickett Park Highway, Jamestown, TN (Fentress Co.)

April 30 - UT Forest Resources AgResearch & Education Center 623 UT Farm Road, Tullahoma, TN (Franklin Co.)

Please Register Soon!! 615-883-3832 Indicate the location you will be attending Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. & Field Day starts 8:00 a.m. Event concludes following lunch (lunch provided)



Forest Landowners you are cordially invited Please visit TFA's website at to attend the Tennessee Healthy Hardwoods Field Days. These events will focus on "Cost Share Practices."

REGISTRATION

There is no fee associated with attending Tennessee Healthy Hardwood Field Days, however please register in advance for meal purposes. Please note registration is limited.

To register, call Tennessee Forestry Association office at (615) 883-3832. www.tnforestry.com/about-field-days for a downloadable brochure with the agenda and directions.

These events will occur regardless of weather.

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Parrott's Tourist Camp

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Looking Backward By Phoebejane (Emily Sells)

Several years ago, I wrote the following story from information provided by Cindy (Linehan) Trulock and Kathy (Linehan) Jaffe, granddaughters of the late Alard and Inez Parrott,. The Parrotts once owned a thriving business near Sunset Dock known as Parrott's Tourist Camp. Here is a look back at their story.

Traveling Highway 111 from Livingston to Byrdstown nowadays is a breeze compared to the winding, curvy old Highway 42 that we used to have to travel. And sometimes it's fun just to get back on what remains here and there of Old 42 to see if anything looks familiar. Most of the time it doesn't. Time changes everything. However, part of an interesting landmark still remains on that old highway, standing silently by, and probably unnoticed, or in some cases just totally forgotten about, as busy traffic goes whizzing along on Highway 111. Most folks who are younger than 40 don't even know about Parrott's Tourist Camp, and that it was quite a place in its day and time.

Alard G. Parrott, born in 1897, and wife Inez Bell (Keisling) Parrott were the owners of a business that consisted of ten cabins and a restaurant. Each cabin had a sink and commode in the room, but no bathtub or shower. Two bath houses had been built separately from the cabins, one for men, and one for women. Alard and Inez also owned and lived in the home once known as Southern Porches Bed and Breakfast. The Parrotts returned to the Boom Community after living for a while in California where Alard worked in the oil fields. They were the parents of two daughters, Nell Corinne and Lura Jean. The death of their six-year-old daughter, Lura Jean, brought them back from served home grown vegetables from



Camp Memories - Alard and Inez Parrott were photographed by the restaurant they operated with their business known as Parrott's Tourist Camp once located on Highway 42 near Sunset Dock.

at the time of her sister's death.

After returning to Tennessee, Alard began farming. Inez maintained their home and used her egg money to help with the expenses of Corinne's high school education. Corinne attended Livingston Academy, and during the week, she stayed with a cousin who lived in Livingston. In the early 1940's, Parrott's Tourist Camp along with a restaurant was established. Inez did most of the cooking for the restaurant and

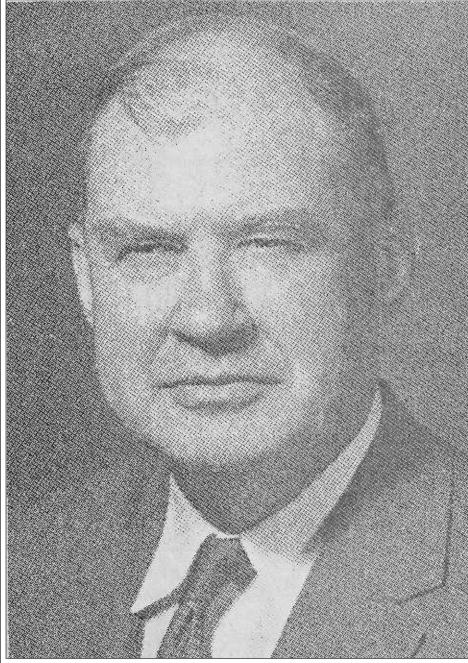
California. Corinne was nine years old their farm that were offered on their menu. The different types of meats cooked at the restaurant came from the rant building stand as silent reminders farm too. She seasoned most everything she cooked with lard. Inez is described by her granddaughter, Cindy (Linehan) Trulock, as an incredibly wonderful cook. The camp was open from early spring through the fall of each year, and the majority of people who stayed there were groups of fishermen. Occasionally, someone just passing through grateful to find such a nice place to would stop for the night. Lots of local stay, woke up the next morning refolks came to eat at the restaurant on freshed and ready for another day's weekends. Norma Rich Kerbaugh told travels, especially after enjoying a me the very first hamburger she ever ate bountiful breakfast with fresh coun-

in the restaurant. For a time, the Parrotts employed someone to help in the kitchen, a black man whose first name was Lewis. Lewis played peek-a-boo with Cindy when she was small and would sneak candy from the restaurant to her when no one was looking.

Kathy has a lot of good memories about the summers spent with their grandparents at the camp. She and Cindy referred to them as Mammie and Papa. Kathy remembers how hard her Mammie worked in the kitchen, and that the place she could be found when she churned butter was at the back door of the restaurant to catch a bit of breeze as she worked. Kathy and Cindy would sit on the steps and talk to her while she churned. Papa and his buddies spent a lot of time sitting in ladder back chairs with cane bottoms. They would sit with the chairs leaned back against the building laughing and talking, whittling and spittin'. Another chore Kathy remembers her grandmother doing was washing the motel sheets out in an old cauldron. They were hung out on a clothesline to dry, and when her grandmother brought them in after drying in the sunshine all day, she would always iron them before putting them back on the beds. Kathy said, "When we would visit, the very best thing was to climb in those sweet-smelling sheets at night and lay there and listen to the crickets."

With the addition of new highways, the landscape continually changes, and sometimes homes and business get caught right in the middle of these improvements. That was the case with the Parrott's Tourist Camp. The new highway came right down the middle of the Parrott's property, and not too many years after the highway was completed, that business closed. The four remaining cabins and restauof a time when they were quite an attraction in that area. Fishermen who traveled from long distances to stay there probably went to sleep lots of nights in one of those cabins dreaming of the big one that wouldn't get away the next time. Weary travelers who stopped for the night, probably came from their restaurant. She said try eggs and homemade biscuits all she has never forgotten how good that prepared by Inez. That restaurant was probably a place many families The Parrott's daughter, Corinne, met headed for right after church each and later married John Edward Linehan Sunday. Life goes on, and changes while attending Tennessee Tech. John take place almost daily in our lives, Edward Linehan was originally from but it's always fun to look back and New York. He and Corinne share the remember the way things were, like same birth date, June 4, 1921, some- the days Parrott's Tourist Camp was thing their daughter, Cindy, thinks is in operation. It was a place that not very romantic. For a time, the Linehan only provided fishermen who travfamily lived in Rome, Georgia, but the eled to fish on Dale Hollow Lake a distance did not keep them away, and good place to stay, but was also very every other weekend, they drove up to accommodating for overnight guests, help with the camp. One of Cindy's fa- and where a good home cooked meal

Pictures From Jhe Past



Pictures From The Past - Baxter Smith was once a prominent business owner in Livingston and will be remembered as operating the Western Auto business on the square.

hamburger was.

vorite memories is getting to help serve could always be enjoyed.

Good Housekeeping

Almond Thins

2 cups all-purpose flour 3/4 cup cold butter or margarine (1 1/2 sticks), cut up

- 1/3 cup plus 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 large egg, separated
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup sliced natural almonds

1. Preheat oven to 375 F. In food processor, with knife blade attached, blend flour, butter and 1/3 cup sugar just until mixture forms coarse crumbs. Add egg yolk, almond extract and 2 tablespoons water, and blend until mixture just begins to form a ball (do not overmix).

2. With hand, press dough onto bottom of 15 1/2-by-10 1/2-inch jelly-roll pan. For easier spreading, place sheet of plastic wrap over dough and smooth dough evenly over bottom of pan. (To help make an even layer, use bottom of 8- or 9-inch square pan to press dough.) Discard plastic wrap.

3. In cup, with fork, beat egg white and salt; brush some over dough. Top dough with almonds; sprinkle with remaining 2 tablespoons sugar.

4. With knife, gently cut dough lengthwise into 6 strips, then cut each strip crosswise into 8 bars.

5. Bake cookies about 20 minutes or until golden. Transfer cookies in pan to wire rack to cool 5 minutes. While

cookies are still warm, cut cookies again following cut marks. Cool cookies completely in pan. Makes 4 dozen cookies.

* Each cookie: About 65 calories, 1 g protein, 6 g carbohydrate, 4 g total fat (2 g saturated), 0 g fiber, 13 mg cholesterol, 40 mg sodium.

For thousands of triple-tested recipes, visit our website at www.goodhousekeeping.com/food-recipes/.

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Library Book Sale April 8 & 9

At Your Library



The Friends of Overton County Public Library will be hosting their book sale on Friday, April 8, from 9:00 until 5:00, and Saturday, April 9 from 9:00 until 2:00. All funds raised in this book sale will go to help support the library. Please come out and help support the Friends.

of the Millard Oakley Medicare", an important Mary Miller, who has

The Crafters Club will be meeting every Tuesday, starting at 9:00 in is held every Thursday starting at 10:30 a.m. The Book Club meets on the first Tuesday of cleaned and waxed. the month at 11:00 a.m. The Friends of the Millard Oakley Public Library meet on the third Thursday of the month day of the month at 6:00 p.m. Binney Stumpf will be here on April 13 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00

The meeting room to present "Welcome to

Public Library has sev- program to help guide been with the Millard eral events scheduled. people who are reaching the time when they need to sign up for Medicare.

The Millard Oakley the morning. Story Time Library will be closed on Good Friday, April 15, and Saturday, April 16, so we can have our floors

> New items in the library this week include "God Bless Our Bedtime Prayers" by Hannah Hall,

"How Far is Faith" by at 11:30. The Beekeepers Amy Parker, "Love and meet on the third Thurs- Other Words" by Christina Lauren, and "The ancient Celtic Festivals" by Clare Walker Leslie.

This week's staff spotlight introduces

Oakley Public Library for more than five years. In those five years, Mary has seen many changes at the library. While not all changes have been successful, most have improved the services to the public. One of Mary's favorite part of her job is helping to get new books out. All new books get cataloged, then Mary is responsible for covering any books that need covers. There have been several new books in recently, keeping Mary busy. She invites everyone to come by the library and see what's new!

Newly Formed Women's Group Supporting Ukraine

The newly formed Republican Women of the Upper Cumberland met in the Putnam County Courthouse Tuesday night and turned their attention to the crisis in Ukraine. The group made and distributed blue and yellow ribbons for club members to share in the community as a symbol of support for Ukrainians suffering at the hands of Russian forces and Vladimir Putin.

"We are heartbroken by the horrors taking place in Ukraine," said RWUC Vice President Chelsea Rose. "We formed this group to activate women in this area to become involved in the policies and issues that so many of us care about. Right now, Ukraine is at the top of that list. If that country can be invaded and overrun, it could happen anywhere and we are not content to allow that to be the new norm.'



Republican Women - The newly formed Republican Women of the Upper Cumberland met recently in the Putnam County Courthouse to show support for the Ukraine and gather supplies for NextStep, a local nonprofit.

in prayer focusing on The group collected and of the Upper Cumberland the innocent people who donated items to benefit is scheduled for Tueshave lost their lives as the work of NextStep, day, April 19 at 5:30 p.m. a result of the atrocities which is a program that on the third floor of the taking place due to an helps transition adults Putnam County Courtunprovoked attack by the from a number of chal- house. Those interested Russian military.

cussion and prayer around recovering from addic-Ukraine, the group also tion and rejoining society Tennessee Federation of heard from Diane Roland after prison. and Shirley Bailey with

backgrounds lenging In addition to the dis- including breaking and

in joining the club are encouraged to attend. The RWUC is a chapter of the Republican Women and



Relief Donations - Cookeville Regional Medical Center recently gathered five pallets of supplies to donate to relief efforts in Ukraine.

CRMC Answers The Call To Help

When the Tennessee Hospital Association, Gov. Bill Lee, former Gov. Bill Haslam and former Senator Bill Frist issued a request for hospitals across the state to gather medical supplies to help Ukrainian refugees, Cookeville Regional Medical Center answered the call.

On Friday, March 11, Cookeville Regional's departments gathered five pallets full of needed supplies from the nursing floors, pharmacy, imaging, primary care, labor and delivery, wound care, the operating room and anesthesia.

"We have the third largest donation in the state behind Vanderbilt and HCA," said Melinda Poston, Cookeville Regional's director of materials management. "That's impressive to be in that ranking."

She got the request Friday morning, sent out a mass email to directors and had four pallets secured by Friday afternoon.

"It was a really quick turn around," she said. "We all see what's going on through the news coverage, and especially seeing the aftermath of the maternity hospital getting hit really encouraged everyone to help get supplies together."

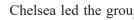
Poston got the message out to directors to gather any supplies before 11 a.m. on Friday and by 6:30 that evening, supplies were gathered and ready to go

By Monday morning, another pallet of supplies was added, making it five.

"I'm proud of what we did today and I know you all are, too," said Poston in an email to department directors sent out Friday evening. "Thank you all so much for taking time out of your day today to search for the supplies and get to us."

Monday afternoon, a crew from the Tennessee National Guard came to pick up the supplies to load onto a C130 to take to Poland.

"This is one of many ways Cookeville Regional helps those in need, no matter where the help is needed," said Paul Korth, Cookeville Regional CEO. "We are happy and eager to come together



Chelsea led the group local nonprofit NextStep. the Republican Women of Republican Women.



* On March 24, 1603, after 44 years of rule, had repealed pro-Catholic legislation, established a permanent Protestant Church of England and encouraged voyages of discovery.

* On March 21, 1871, Stanley begins his famous search through Africa for the missing Brit-

THE HISTORY CHANNEL "Dr. Livingstone, I pre- cherry trees on the northsume?"

Queen Elizabeth I of the first women's col- Memorial. The event was England dies. Elizabeth lege basketball game is held in celebration of a played at Smith College gift, by the Japanese govin Northampton, Massa- ernment, of 3,020 cherry chusetts. Each made bas- trees to the U.S. governket counted as one point ment. with the game lasting two 15-minute halves. The Pakistan's governor Ayub during filming of the telegame had been invented Khan gives first lady Jacjournalist Henry Morton in 1891 by Dr. James Na- queline Kennedy a horse 25," Diana Ross, forismith, with rules for men she nicknamed Black merly of the Supremes, and women the same.

ish explorer Dr. David in Washington, D.C., first emonial riderless horse had to be edited out. Livingstone. When Stan- lady Helen Taft and the during Pres. John Ken-

ley found him on Oct. 27, Viscountess Chinda, wife nedy's funeral. he stepped forward and of the Japanese ambasstretched out his hand: sador, plant two Yoshina ever on a witch hunt, Sen. ern bank of the Potomac Johns Hopkins Univer-* On March 22, 1893, River, near the Jefferson

* On March 23, 1962, Jack. Jackie chose Black shoves Mary Wilson out * On March 27, 1912, Jack to serve as the cer- of the spotlight. It later

The next meeting of the National Federation

* On March 26, 1950. Joseph McCarthy charges sity Professor Owen Lattimore with being a top spy for the Soviet Union. Lattimore's career was ruined, even though no evidence ever surfaced to support the charges.

* On March 25, 1983, vision special "Motown

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and help in any way we can.

The American Hospital Association is also making a donation to the U.S. Ukraine Foundation to support its critical humanitarian assistance to Ukraine, which includes covering the costs of sending medical supplies and supporting refugees through the Kyiv Rotary Refugee Initiative.

The U.S. Ukraine Foundation is coordinating the distribution of the donated medical supplies through its operation "Ukraine AirLIFT."



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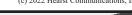
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Cutting Ribbons – Chamber members and local officials came together to celebrate two new local businesses last week. Above, owner Anita Hammock cuts the ribbon in front of Anita Lane Scrapbooking & Custom Décor, located at 1005 E. Main St. in Livingston on Tuesday. Below, on Friday, Reagan Rice officially cut the ribbon for Hogeye Nutrition at 1593 W. Main St. in Livingston.



Stout Named Tourism Director

Shan Stout has been named Director of Tourism for the Putnam County Visitors Bureau effective Monday, March 21.

Stout comes to the Chamber team with a foundation of experience and expertise in non-profit, serving as the Regional Director of Marketing for Ascension Saint Thomas Health along with managing their hospital volunteer program across five Ascension locations in Middle Tennessee. Along with her background in non-profit work, she also brings an extensive knowledge of educational media, public speaking and tourism efforts across the state.

"We are thrilled to add someone of Shan's caliber to our team at the Chamber," said Amy New, President and CEO of the Cookeville-Putnam County Chamber of Commerce. "We know her knowledge, experience, and overall collaborative and positive attitude towards all things tourism will be beneficial not only to regional tourism stakeholders but to our organization as a whole."

In her new role, Stout will be responsible for the overall management of the Putnam County Visitors Bureau includ-



ing partnerships with hospitality partners from hotels, attractions and restaurants, media relations management along with planning and overall marketing, sales and public relations functions of the program.

"It is such an honor to be chosen for this role," said Stout. "I have a long running passion for tourism, along with a deep love and understanding of what the Chamber does for our communities. My mother is the longtime Chamber Director for DeKalb County, and it has been my privilege to help support her efforts over the years. This type of work has become second nature to me. I look forward to supporting the vision of tourism across Putnam County in the coming months and am excited to join such a hardworking and innovative team."

Prescriptions Higher in Tennessee

A recent report found Tennessee households pay more than \$6,000 a year on prescriptions, far more than the national average of around \$4,000 dollars.

Last week, U.S. Senate lawmakers held a hearing on prescription-drug pricing, as inflation continues to drive up prices.

Steffany Stern, vice president for advocacy at the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, testified astronomical drug prices for conditions such as MS force most individuals to rely on charity to cover the costs of their medications.

Labor Dept. Increasing Compliance

The U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division is continuing its multi-year education and enforcement initiative to increase compliance with federal labor laws in the Southeast's agricultural industry. In addition to enforcement activity, the initiative provides compliance assistance to employers and educates workers and other stakeholders.

The division and industry stakeholders in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, are exploring methods to raise industry awareness and provide tools to increase compliance. In the months ahead, the division will complete investigations and provide outreach to workers and employers – and when necessary – leverage H-2A debarment and certificate revocations.

In 2021, investigators in the division's Southeast Region found violations in 81 percent of the nearly 300 investigations they completed of agricultural employers. These investigations found that the employers owed more than \$1.9 million to more than 4,000 employees and led the division to assess more than \$1.7 million in civil money penalties. During that timeframe, the division debarred seven Southeast

The U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour growers and farm labor contractors from eligibility to participate in the H-2A temporary labor certification agricultural guest worker program.

"Compliance assistance and enforcement work hand-in-hand, and data supports the need for the division's focus on both fronts," said Wage and Hour Division Regional Administrator Juan Coria in Atlanta. "The Wage and Hour Division is committed to protecting workers who, like those in these cases, work hard to put food on America's tables. When employers attempt to unlawfully increase their profits at the expense of the dignity, respect and – in some cases freedom – of workers, we will use every available tool to hold them accountable."

The department encourages recruiters, labor contractors, growers, processors, distributors, wholesalers and retailers to join in this effort to protect workers and combat labor trafficking.

Federal law empowers the division to suspend, revoke or withhold renewal of farm labor certificates for contractors that commit violations under the Migrant Seasonal Protection Act. Employers are encouraged to review the ineligible farm labor contractor and H-2A debarment lists prior to contracting for labor.



"It's very common for people with MS like my mom to have to rely on some kind of financial assistance to afford their costs," Stern explained. "Our studies show around 70% of people rely on financial assistance just so they can pay their out-of-pocket."

According to a report from the financial resource company ValuePenguin, since 2010, consumer spending on prescription and nonprescription drugs has increased every year. Last December the U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Reform released a report which showed the list prices of several prescription drugscontinue to climb.



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Section B

Livingston Academy Spring Sports Schedule Baseball

@ Monroe County Kentucky @ York Institute @ Cookeville High School @ Upperman High School

Tuesday 5 p.m. Thursday 5 p.m. Saturday 6 p.m. Next Tuesday 5:30 p.m.

Softball

Stone Memorial High School **Cookeville High School** Jackson County Tournament @ Cane Creek Park @ Monterey High School **Upperman High School**

Thursday 5 p.m. Friday & Saturday

Tuesday 5:30 p.m.

Monday 5 p.m. Next Tuesday 5 p.m.

Soccer

@ Stone Memorial High School **Cumberland County High School** Upperman High School

Tuesday 6 p.m. Thursday 6 p.m. Next Tuesday 6 p.m.

Track and Field

@ Cookeville High School @ York Institute

Tuesday Next Tuesday

Tennis

Warren County High School @ Cookeville High School White County High School

Tuesday 4 p.m. Thursday 3:30 p.m. Next Tuesday 3:30 p.m.

Plans For Habitat Management Shared

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency attended a public meeting set by Cumberland County Commissioner Mark Baldwin on March 8 at the Cumberland County Community Complex. TWRA was asked to share knowledge pertaining to wildlife habitat management practices on Catoosa Wildlife Management Area, which consists of 82,000 acres spanning three counties.

TWRA is tasked with the management of all wildlife and therefore needs to provide a variety of habitat types on the less than10 percent of Tennessee land it manages. Wildlife Management Areas are lands managed specifically for the care of wildlife, and they benefit not only wildlife but all Tennesseans who utilize these areas for hunting, fishing and other outdoor recreation activities. Habitat management on the area includes prescribed fire, which has been used on the plateau and beyond by native peoples, settlers and later. Planted areas include (around 170) fields which are planted in warm and cool season forage crops or planted in native grass or left fallow for wildlife cover value. Furthermore, two restored savannas and timber harvesting were created after pine beetles devastated the area around the turn of the century, and more recently tornado damage took down approximately 600 acres in 2012 and 1500 acres in 2020. Savannas and woodlands were the main habitat type across much of the plateau and most of this ecosystem has been lost due to a lack of management. Forest management is a long-term planning process that includes placing the managed portions of the WMA on an average of a 100-year rotation. This means that post regeneration harvest, the selected area will be free to grow for 100 years. This schedule of harvesting allows for the varying age classes of trees. Catoosa forestry plans are set far in advance. Catoosa is over 90 percent forested. Tree stands of varying ages are critical and provide for a diversity of wildlife, which is the goal (see attachment provided by Dr. Craig Harper of UT) of the agency. A diversity of habitats support deer, turkey, and other lesser known but equally important wildlife such as songbirds, reptiles, amphibians and small mammals. "We appreciate those who trust us to manage the state's wildlife and we take our mission very seriously," stated Brandon Wear, the Region 3 Wildlife Program Manager. Wear continued, "The staff on this area and all others in the state have top-notch professionals that have dedicated years to their education and careers for the betterment of wildlife. and I thank them for this challenging work.' TWRA wishes to express their sincere thanks to Commissioner Baldwin for his willingness to provide education to Cumberland County residents on this topic. The agency is committed to not only its mission but also Cumberland County, which is home to the Region 3 office. Residents interested in learning more about Catoosa should watch for Catoosa Field Days, which will include educational sessions on the Wildlife Management Area. Sessions will take place this spring and will include in-depth education on the great work for wildlife accomplished.

Tournament of Champions



Champions – Team Hunter competed and picked up wins at the Tournament of Champions in Bowling Green, Ky, March 12. Pictured from left-to-right, Austin Adkins (First Place Sparring, Adult Brown Belt); Clayton Loftis (Third Place Sparring, 12-year-old Blue Belt); Kanden Coleman (10-year-old Blue Belt); Zoey Wright (8-year-old Yellow Tip); Jailee Barnes (8-year-old White Belt); Lettie Holt (Second Place Sparring, 7-year-old White Belt); Arissa Coleman (Third Place Sparring, 11-year-old Blue Belt); Shantell Coleman (First Place Sparring, Adult Blue Belt). Not present for picture was Elsie Sells.



TTU File Photo / Thomas Corherr

Swinging – Tennessee Tech's Jason Hinchman swings at a pitch from a game earlier in the season. The Golden Eagle senior hit his 50th career homerun in the team's 11-3 loss at East Tennessee State University Sunday.

Tech Baseball Upended In **Series Finale**

MIKE LEHMAN TTU Sports Information

In its finale with ETSU, the Tennessee Tech baseball team could not pull off the week-Buccaneers at Thomas Stadium by a final score Hinchman belting a 1-2 of 11-3 in the first-ever three-game series berivals.

to a quick start and never looked back, taking a 4-0 lead in the second innings chances for the Golden Eagles along the way. The Bucs made it a 7-0 pair of long balls.

ETSU added

in the fifth, taking a 10-0 point in the ball game.

The purple and gold offering down the leftlead off the frame. It rep-The home team got off resented an historic blast Zach Bondurant. for the senior, making tanks for a career.

ball game in the fourth, away from tying TTU three Tech's career charts for duced.

more markers to the mix dingers. The RBI moved him into 13th in school lead past the mid-way history in career RBI, marking his 136th.

Tech collected its secfinally broke through of- ond run of the ball game end sweep, falling to the fensively in the sixth, in the top of the sevwith left fielder Jason enth, this one courtesy of shortstop Ed Johnson. Collecting his seventh hit field line for his sixth of the series, he peppered tween the two in-state home run of the year to a double to left field to drive in second baseman

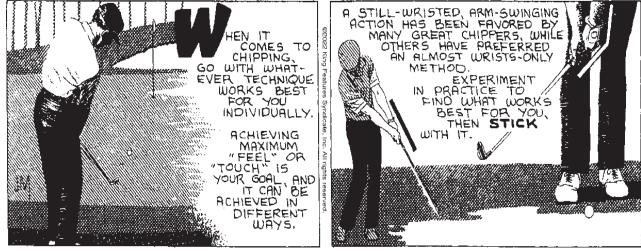
ETSU answered with just the fourth Golden its 11th run in the bot-Eagle and seventh player tom half, but the Golden and limiting the scoring in Ohio Valley Confer- Eagles responded in the ence history to register 50 eighth with another solo run. Following a walk to He now sits just one catcher Hayden Gilliland and a wild pitch that plating a trio behind a Sports Hall of Famer A.J. moved him over, right Kirby-Jones for third on fielder John Dyer pro-

After smashing the game-winning home run in the 10th inning in Saturday's victory, Dyer came through with a onehopping double off the wall in left field, driving in Gilliland.

On the mound, both Travis Odom and Eric Newsom turned in scoreless frames for the purple and gold, combining for a pair of strikeouts, one hit, and one walk allowed.

Tech will return to Cookeville to kick off an eight-game homestand Tuesday, playing host to North Alabama in a 6 p.m. rematch from the Golden Eagles' 11-8 victory over the Lions earlier this season.

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Date	Opponent	Time	Location
3/15	Watertown	6:00 p.m	Away
3/17	Cookeville	6:00 p.m.	Home
3/18-20	Smokey Mountain Cup	TBD	Away
3/22	Stone Memorial	6:00 p.m.	Away
3/24	Cumberland County	6:00 p.m.	Home
3/29	Upperman	6:00 p.m.	Home
3/31	Dekalb County	6:00 p.m.	Away
4/05	White County	6:00 p.m.	Home
4/12	Kingston	6:00 p.m.	Away
4/14	Cumberland County	6:00 p.m.	Away
4/19	Stone Memorial	6:00 p.m.	Home
4/21	White County	5:00 p.m.	Away
4/26	Upperman	6:00 p.m.	Away
4/28	Dekalb County	6:00 pm.	Home
5/02	Jackson County	6:00 p.m.	Away
5/03	Smith County	6:00 p.m.	Home
5/09-12	District Tournament	TBD	TBD



Livingston Academy Soccer 2022 Schedule



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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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ARIES Mar 21/Apr 20

You may be questioning Has your love life affected You may be more sensisome of your relationships this week, Aries. Periodic reflection is good for your long-term well-being, but move ahead with caution.

TAURUS Apr 21/May 21

between your professional your health, Virgo. What life and your home life you eat, how much you are may be challenging this sleeping, how often you week. Try not to hurry are exercising - these are through your decisionmaking process.

GEMINI May 22/Jun 21

fulfilling you lately, Gemini. Avoid succumbing to frustration and dissatisfaction by trying a new hobby or brainstorming ways you can change.

CANCER Jun 22/Jul 22

Avoid comparing yourself to friends and colleagues, Cancer. You may need a confidence boost, so hang who have your back

LEO Jul 23/Aug 23

your professional ambitions lately, Leo? Take a step back and analyze the situation to see what you can change for the better.

VIRGO Aug 24/Sept 22

all factors that may require some change.

LIBRA Sept 23/Oct 23

Typical routines just aren't Libra, watch out for power struggles at work, especially if you feel they are causing you to be treated unfairly. Bring issues to a supervisor if it comes to it. **SCORPIO**

Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, fatigue may catch up with you if you have not been pacing yourself or taking enough time to care for yourself. Slow down and take a mental health day . or two.

SAGITTARIUS Nov 23/Dec 21

tive than usual this week, Sagittarius. You may feel like family or friends are judging you, but that's not necessarily so.

CAPRICORN Dec 22/Jan 20

Taurus, finding balance Take some time to audit Try not to take part in popularity contests or gossip sessions at work, Capricorn. It can only come back to bite you when you least expect it. Stay the course and keep working hard.

AQUARIUS Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, you may be seeking greener pastures, both at home and in your professional life. Impatience can get the best of you, but a change will happen over time.

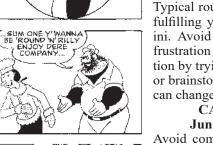
PISCES Feb 19/Mar 20

You may have a tough time relating to others this week, Pisces. You view the world through a creative lens even when others don't.

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UT Gardens, Crossville, To Host Spring Plant Sale

With spring approaching, you can keep your garden thriving with plants from the annual Spring Plant Sale at the University of Tennessee Gardens, Crossville.

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This year, the sale offers new, award-winning, pollinator plants and several other ontrend plants. Staff horticulturist Shalena Durkot and Master Gardeners will be available to assist in your selection to meet your garden goals.

The date for the sale is May 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cash and checks will be accepted at the sale and admission is

free.

With a \$35 donation, you can become a member of the UT Gardens. The donations help support many of the activities and beneficial research taking place at the UT Gardens, Crossville. Member benefits include receiving the UT Gardens magazine twice a year along with reciprocal admissions benefits at more than 300 gardens across the United States. For more information on the program, or to become a member, visit the UT Gardens website: utgardens.tennessee.edu. To become a member of the UT Gardens, follow

the link under the "Support the Gardens" menu.

The UT Gardens, Crossville, is part of the UT Plateau AgResearch and Education Center, located at 320 Experiment Station Road, Crossville. To find a downloadable list of the plants available at the Spring Plant Sale, visit utgardens.tennessee. edu/locations/crossville.

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Spring Sale – Plants such as this Echinacea, which attract pollinators and add color, will be among those available at the Spring Plant Sale. Photo courtesy UTIA.

\$120,000 Grant Awarded By USDA

How will climate change affect the walnuts we eat? That is what a team of researchers with the University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture is asking in a new study.

"Characterizing the Responses of Thousand Canker Disease to Drought Using Omics" is now being funded through a \$120,000 grant by the USDA Agriculture and Food Research Initiative. It is led by graduate student Aaron Onufrak and assisted by faculty mentors Denita Hadziabdic, assistant professor of Entomology and Plant Pathology, and Avat Shekoofa, assistant professor of Plant Sciences.

This team will further our understanding of the threat posed by climate change to walnuts, by first investigating how drought interacts with a disease that poses a massive threat to our walnut trees across the country. This disease known as Thousand Canker Disease (TCD) was first recognized in the early 2000s in the western United States, and was eventually found in Knox County, Tennessee in 2010. TCD is caused by a fungal pathogen and an insect, the walnut twig beetle. When the walnut twig beetle

attacks a tree, it creates a tunnel beneath the bark, within which, the fungal pathogen grows. This fungus can limit a tree's ability to transport water and sugar throughout its body, and can eventually kill the tree. Previous studies on TCD have noted that the disease appears to be more severe during drought periods, but the relationship between drought and the disease has never been formally investigated.

"This project, in the long-term, will lead to the development of a variety of management strategies for TCD. These strategies will aid in the protection of walnut trees, which are grown throughout the world for their wood and nut products and are also important components of natural forests," said Aaron Onufrak. For the next two

years, the team will study the genetics of drought-stressed trees and compare it to wellwatered trees, examining how the severity of TCD symptoms differs between these two treatments. Additionally, they will uncover how drought affects the walnut tree's microbiome, or the microorgansims, such as fungi and bacteria, that interact with a plant. These

microorganisms can play important roles in protecting the plant from disease or helping the plant get nutrients and water. They will then use this information to find strategies to help manage the disease, in the face of climate change.

"Walnut trees are not only a native species but also an agricultural commodity with an estimated value of more than \$539 billion annually," said Denita Hadziabdic. "This research will be the first to formally characterize the relationship between drought and TCD severity," Onufrak continued.



Grant Awarded – Thousand Canker Disease can destroy a tree from the inside out. Photo by D. Hadziabdic, courtesy UTIA

Weekly Tennessee Cattle	e and Grain Summary	USDA Livestock,	, Poultry & Grain Market News
Nashville, TN		Monday, March 14, 2022	
For Week Ending:		Saturday, March 12, 2022	
Receipts: 4,958	Last Week: 6,311	Last Year: 11,220)
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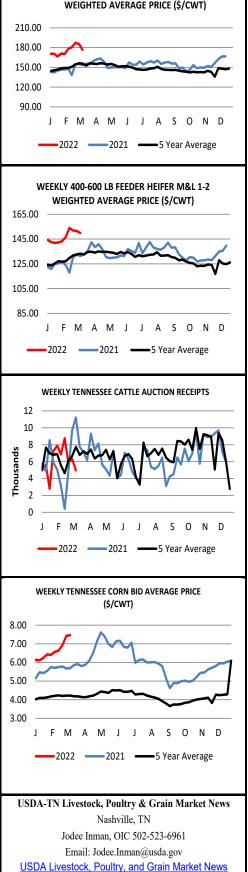


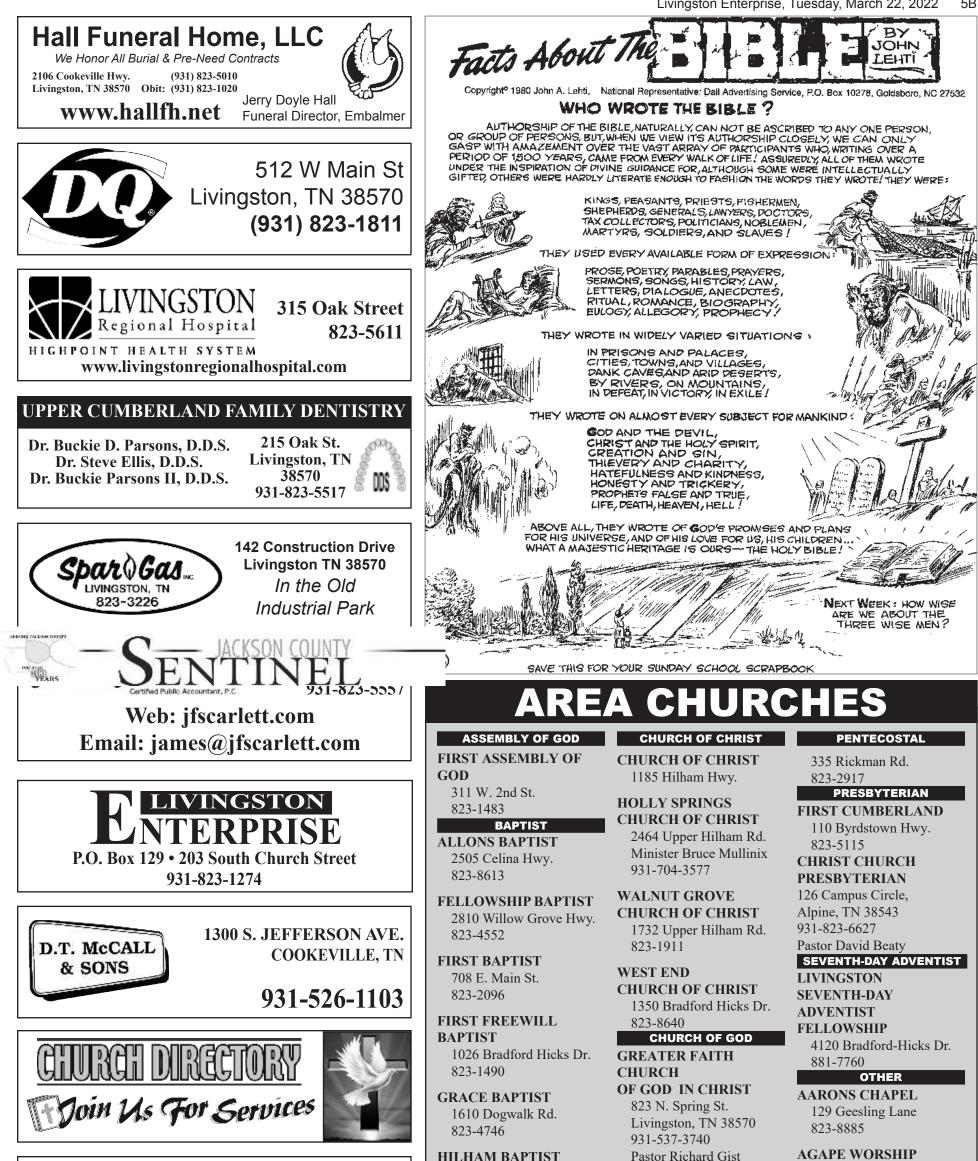
Graduate Student – Aaron Onufrak takes a sample of a walnut tree in preparation for his research. Photo by D. Hadziabdic, courtesy UTIA

week. Livestock movement was moderate early in the week with heavy snowfall greatly impacting movement on Friday and Saturday.

Slaughter cows were mostly 1.00-2.00 higher, and bulls were 4.00-5.00 higher with good to very good demand for slaughter classes.

View Full Summary STATE AVERAGES Steers (M&L 1-2) This Week **Prior Week** Last Year 300-350 lbs 196.09 206.52 172.03 350-400 lbs 198.97 168.77 195.04 400-450 lbs 190.22 191.44 163.95 450-500 lbs 183.47 183.37 160.92 500-550 lbs 177.51 150.56 175.47 550-600 lbs 166.42 165.44 141.88 600-650 lbs 158.99 158.29 136.21 650-700 lbs 151.91 151.37 130.84 700-750 lbs 145.63 124.01 142.77 120.88 750-800 lbs 140.65 139.66 Heifers (M&L 1-2) 161.69 168.27 138.42 300-350 lbs 160.31 137.95 350-400 lbs 155.54 153.33 156.91 136.09 400-450 lbs 450-500 lbs 152.39 153.39 131.94 149.18 500-550 lbs 146.52 126.62 550-600 lbs 142.65 140.70 122.77 600-650 lbs 134.53 138.48 118.88 650-700 lbs 132.13 131.84 112.92 124.05 108.62 700-750 lbs 126.86 750-800 lbs 122.25 122.17 101.76 WEELY COW SUMMARY Slaughter Cows High Average Low 72.00-88.00 84.00-99.50 63.00-76.00 Breakers 68.00-89.00 82.00-100.50 56.00-78.00 Boners 49.00-79.00 65.00-85.00 44.00-60.00 Lean Slaughter Bulls Average <u>High</u> Low Yield Grade 1's 91.00-118.50 108.00-133.00 79.00-101.00 February 28, 2022 Columbia, TN **GOATS: 351** KIDS-Selection 1: 45 lbs 450.00; 52-54 lbs 430.00-450.00; 62-69 lbs 415.00-430.00; 80-88 lbs 375.00; 109 lbs 335.00. Kids Selection 2 48 lbs 400.00; 50-56 lbs 400.00; 60-68 lbs 385.00-400.00; 80-85 lbs 360.00-375.00; 98 lbs 355.00. **LAMBS: 249** Wooled & Shorn-Choice and Prime 2-3 65 lbs 350.00; 70 lbs 350.00; 128 lbs 250.00. Hair Breeds-Chice and Prime 2-3 47-49 lbs 380.00-390.00; 52-53 lbs 385.00-405.00; 65-69 lbs 360.00-395.00; 77 lbs 360.00; 81-87 lb View Full Report View Full Grain Report GRAINS This Week **Prior Week** Last Year Corn 7.08-7.93 6.81-8.09 5.49-5.95 Soybeans 16.39-17.25 16.29-17.46 14.10-14.74 New Crop Wheat 9.02-12.02 6.17-6.72 8.72-11.65





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Relative Caregiver Program Support

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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 tollfree 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

Spring 2022, 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. March 23: "Morals & Values". For more information, call 823-6432. **Homeless Advocacy**

Homeless Advocacy for Rural TN (HART) has a homeless/homeless prevention referral line for 18 counties that include the Upper Cumberland. HART has funding available to help with rent and utilities for the homeless people/families and those at risk of losing their housing. They also have COVID-19 funds for people struggling with rent and utilities due to loss of income be-

cause of COVID. Anyone in need of assistance is encouraged to call the referral line at 844-556-7626 to determine eligibility.

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

ESTATE OF: Laura Opal White (deceased) CASE NO. 22-PR-25

Notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of March, 2022, Letters of Administration, in respect to the estate of Laura Opal White, deceased who died on June 16, 2012 were issued to the undersigned Vickie White Moore by the Chancery Court/Probate Division of Overton County, Tennessee.

All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or not, against the estate are required to file same with the Clerk and Master of the above named Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in

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(1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever March, 2022. barred:

(1) (a.) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting);

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

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Main Street:

- a. Lot density variance
- b. Setback variance
- c. Lot size variance

Any questions or comments can be addressed to Livingston Planner Tommy Lee by phone: 931-979-2170 or email: tlee@ucdd.org

Mayor Curtis Hayes

REQUEST FOR BIDS

Sealed bids are invited for Overton County Schools Lawncare Services for the following locations: (Bids will be effective March 30, 2022-October 31, 2022)

- A.H. Roberts Elementary 301 Zachary St., Livingston, TN 38570
- Allons Elementary 321 Old Celina Rd., Allons, TN 38541
- Hilham Elementary 2305 Hilham Hwy, Hilham, TN 38568
- Livingston Academy 120 Melvin Johnson Dr., Livingston, TN 38570
- Livingston Middle School 216 Bilbrey St., Livingston, TN 38570
- Rickman Elementary 631 Rickman Monterey Hwy., Rickman, TN 38580
- Wilson Elementary 2210 Hanging Limb Hwy., Crawford, TN 38554
- REACH Academy (including area around portables) - 112 Bussell St., Livingston, TN 38570
- **Overton County Board of Education Central** Office and Bus Garage - 302 Zachary St., Livingston, TN 38570
- Soccer Field (located behind OCBOE Central Office)

Bidders should visit each site and meet with Principal or designee to preview mowing area. Mowing area is at the discretion of the Principal or designee and will be the same for all mowers.

*All quotes should include mowing, trimming, and cleaning of trash from site

**Individuals must provide proof of liability insurance coverage with bid

Soccer field will be mowed by soccer association during soccer season (April, May, Sept., and Oct.)

Bids received: At Overton County Board of Education 302 Zachary Street

Livingston, TN 38570 931-823-1287

Until 3:00 PM local time Tuesday, March 29, 2022 For Additional Spec Information: Steve Mosley, 931-823-1993

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This is a reminder to property taxpayers all **2020** property taxes not paid by March 31, 2022 will be turned over to the Clerk and Master's Office for collections on April 1, 2022. The **2021** property taxes became delinquent on March 1, 2022. Interest will accrue at 1.5% per month for each month the taxes are delinquent. If you are on the State Of Tennessee tax relief program and you have not presented your tax relief voucher you have until April 5, 2022 to present it. If you have any questions about your property taxes please call 823-6220 or feel free to stop by the office at the Millard Oakley County Service Building at 306 West Main Street.

> Thank You, Peggy Clark Smith **Overton County Trustee**



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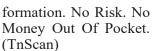
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