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## Barlow Reserves Veto Powers

BRIAN WILMOTH  
Editor

New Overton County Executive Steven Barlow has elected to forgo chairmanship of the Overton County Commission and will instead reserve veto power over the county court's decisions.

Barlow said about half of Tennessee counties have an executive that chairs the county legislative body and about half that reserve veto powers. He said he wanted to use his first year in office to help build a relationship with the commission.

"It's hard to lead a commission without having a relationship with them," Barlow told the commission at its monthly meeting Monday. "What I'm going to do this time, this year, and it goes on a year-by-year basis. Next year I can be a chair if I wish."

Commissioners selected Darwin Clark to be their chairman for the coming year in a close vote with Commissioner Greg Nevins. Nevins then accepted the position of Chairman Pro-tem.

Barlow said he has spoken to many county executives since he was elected in August's County General Election. He said he made his decision under the advisement of Putnam County Mayor Randy Porter.

"I can still have the relationship and still attend meetings, voicing what I would like to see in my vision," Barlow said. "That doesn't mean I sit in the office, and I don't anything to do with you guys. That just means that I am not the chair and that until I build a relationship with you guys, I think it is the right way to do this."

Monday's meeting was Barlow's first as Overton County Executive.

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# Livingston Makes Hire, Changing Training Policy

BRIAN WILMOTH  
Editor

As Livingston moves to fully staff its police department, the city is also making changes to rules concerning how training is paid for.

At its monthly meeting, the Livingston Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved the hiring of a new police officer, Shane Barlow. Mayor Curtis Hayes disclosed that Barlow is his brother-in-law but was not approached by Barlow about the position. Instead, he said Barlow went directly to Interim Chief Ray Smith.

"He has nine years of experience," Smith said. "He has worked the road

before. It will be a little less training to put a gentleman on the road that is already certified and ready to go to work than it is to take a gentleman up and spend that kind of money and start all over again."

Smith said that the LPD is currently needing two more patrol positions to be filled before the department is back up to full strength.

Alderman John Clough asked Smith about training new officers, citing the alleged mishandling of evidence under former Police Chief Greg Etheredge.

"Most every professional organization has requirements for retraining, reminding and going

through things again," Clough said. "We don't have anything really formalized for that for the police department. As you learn more about what is available, I think it is a really good thing to do."

Smith said that officers are required to go through 40 hours of in-service training every year, but that he could also look into bringing in trainers or exploring options through MTAS.

In addition, questions of how employees would reimburse Livingston if the leave to take a new job following city-paid training could be answered under a proposed new rule.

Hayes has said that Livingston is beginning to face problems on paying for employee training, but then due to employment demands in private jobs, that employees leave just a few months later.

Using Algood's

24-month guideline as an example, City Attorney Danny Radar said that if an employee works six months, they will owe 75% of the cost of training. If they work 12 months, they will owe 50%. Working two years would allow the employee to leave without owing the city anything for training.

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## New Officers Sworn In



Photos Submitted

**New Management** - Two newly elected county officers were recently sworn in following their wins in the August Overton County General Election. Above, Lori Hammock is sworn in by Judge Daryl Colson as the new Overton County Circuit Court Clerk, replacing the retiring Barbara Matthews. Below, Jimmy Conner is sworn in as the new Overton County Register of Deeds by former County Executive Ben Danner.



## Changes Coming At Vol State

BRIAN WILMOTH  
Editor

Volunteer State Community College is making changes to its Livingston and Cookeville centers.

The Tennessee Board of Regents school headquartered in Gallatin announced what it is calling the "restructuring" of the two satellite campuses to better serve the education and workforce development needs of the Upper Cumberland.

As part of the process, the two sites will now share staff, faculty, technology, and courses, allowing what the school said is the leveraging of resources between the two campuses. Also, a name change is taking place, as the two sites will be called Vol State Upper Cumberland-Livingston and Vol State Upper Cumberland-Cookeville.

According to the school, one benefit is that courses previously offered at one location will now be offered at both. This change will be facilitated by the use of Zoom technology. During the pilot year, some classes will meet two days a week, with the instructor at the Livingston site and on Zoom at the Cookeville location. The next day the instructor will be live in Cookeville and on Zoom in Livingston.

Support staff will also work between the two locations to assist students with admissions, advising, financial aid, learning support, and student services. It is hoped that the support changes will reduce student's travel and time by being able to receive services at a single location.

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# Marble Tournery Returns Saturday

BRIAN WILMOTH  
Editor

The "Super Bowl of Marbles" is returning to Standing Stone State Park this weekend.

The 39th Annual National Rolley Hole Marbles Championship and Festival will kick off at 8 a.m. Saturday morning for a day full of competition and entertainment in the park outside of Hilham in Overton County.

Last year's event was named one of four winners in the folklife heritage category of the Ten-



Photo / Bradley A. Hansen

**Lined Up** - A competitor at a previous National Rolley Hole Marble Championship lines up a shot in the tournament.

nessee Governor's Arts Awards. In addition to the marble tournament, this year's event will include marble making exhibits

and demonstrations, marble vendors, a swap meet, kids marble games, food, and a music festival. Admission is free.

The main marble tournament normally draws in some of the best players in the country, attracting people from different states and several countries, as well. Last year's winners were Kinzie Adams of Celina and Andrew Walker of Union Hill.

The Tennessee Arts Commission describes the event as "as the living culmination of one of the most successful and sustained folklife preservation projects in the United States."

Originally played in four counties along the Kentucky-Tennessee border, Rolley Hole is similar to the game of croquet. The National Championship has helped establish a standard system of play, combining the various community rules and customs that have traditionally surrounded the game.

Teams of two people play on a cleared, 40' by 25' dirt yard of sifted loam soil with three holes

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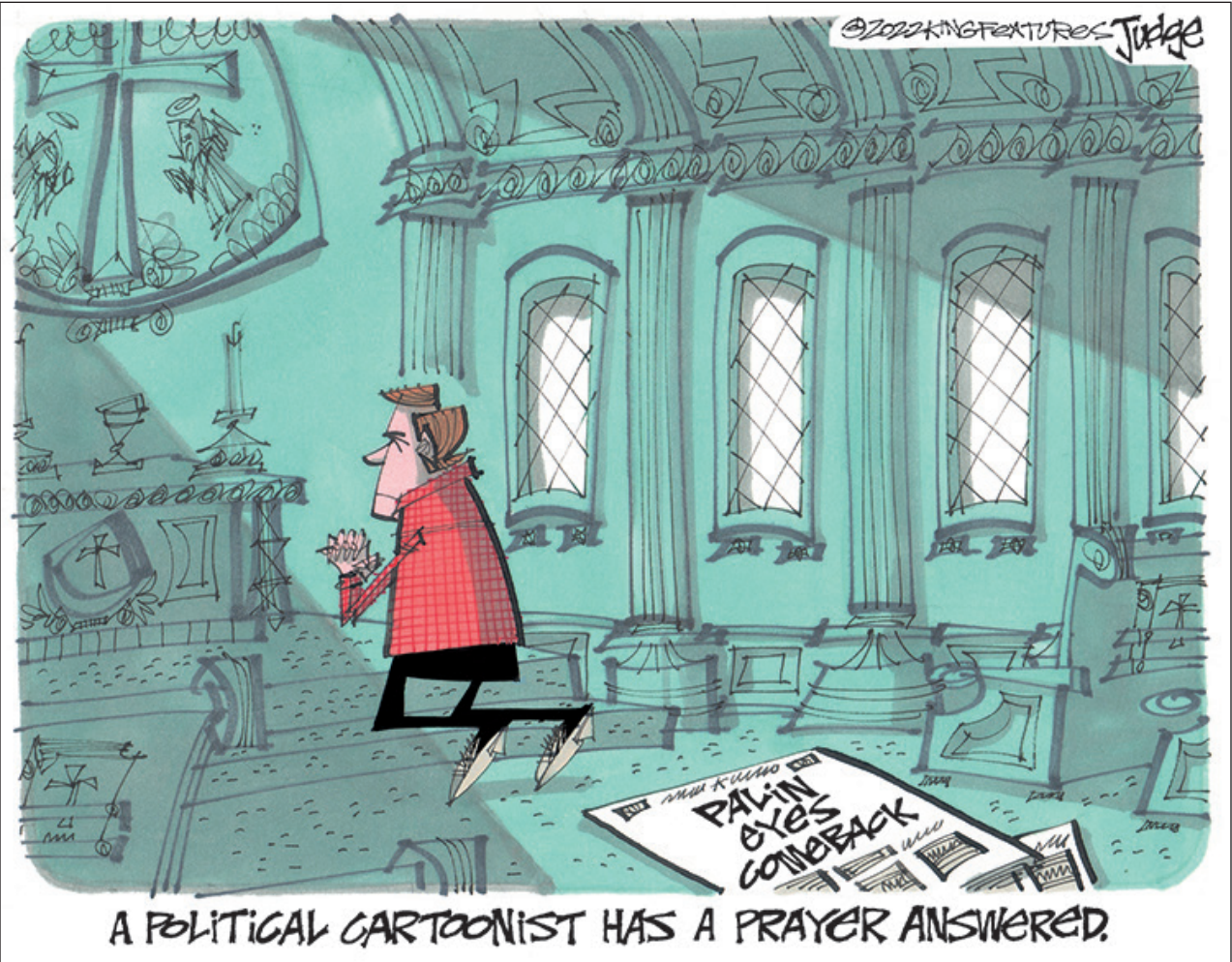
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# Make This Next Season Of Life Great

GLENN MOLLETTE  
special to the Enterprise

Enjoyable weather is coming soon. For many parts of the country September through November offers many pleasant days. Don't waste them by spending all your time staring at the television or Facebook. You still have some life to live. Spending four or five hours a day watching what everyone else is doing is a waste of your time.

There are programs you enjoy and news events that grab our attention. There are a few people you enjoy keeping up with via social media. After this, get a life. Do you want to spend the rest of your life with your head bent down staring at a tablet or a cell phone? You might get to a point where all you can do is sit in your chair and stare at the television. I've seen many good people who at the end of their lives who could do nothing but watch television or stare into space. Often our bodies get to where that's all we can do. Is this all you can do now? Consider your daily options.

Stop throwing your life away doing nothing. Have verbal conversations with people on the telephone. You can overdo this as well but it's at least human interaction. Keep moving, stretching and exerting yourself. Plan your meals and eat as healthy as possible and don't overeat.

Save some for your next meal. You'll live till the next one.

Go somewhere when you can. Going someplace is better than no place. A change of pace and being outdoors is mentally good for you. Your travel may be across the street but the key is to move and get out.

You will get depressed if all you are doing is eating, staring at your cell phone and flipping television channels. If you are physically able, work ten to twenty hours a week. Somebody will hire you.

Everyone needs something to do, someone to talk to and something to look forward to doing. You also need someone to love and first you always have God. God loves you now and if you'll open your heart, he will fill your life with his love. There are people to love. Love your family, love friends, love people at work and church. Love the people with whom you socially gather. Some people aren't easy to love and some are impossible. Keep in mind that all things with God are possible. Keep your heart filled with God's love. Love yourself. You can't love others very well if you don't love yourself. Forgive and take care of yourself. You'll then have something you can give others, love and kindness.

It's sad to be around bitter people who have never resolved life's issues and embraced their own lives. Everyone has potential to excel and achieve. Too often people get bogged down with failures and are totally destroyed. Some failures are just events in your life in which you will learn about you and others. You can use failure to grow, reposition and redevelop your life.

You know what the political candidates are saying. You don't have to spend hours watching political ads, unless you are bored stiff.

Enjoy the season. Make this next one a great one.

Dr. Glenn Mollette is a graduate of numerous schools including Georgetown College, Southern and Lexington Seminaries in Kentucky. He is the author of 13 books including Uncommon Sense. His column is published weekly in over 600 publications in all 50 states. He can be contacted at GMollette@aol.com.

## THURSDAY



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## The VA OIG Strikes Again

### VETERANS ★ POST ★

by Freddy Groves

I have the utmost respect for the VA Office of Inspector General and even more respect now. It appears they'll go after anyone breaking the law, bending the rules, doing wrong ... even one of their own.

In this case it came to their attention that a senior OIG employee was still carrying an OIG-issued firearm and credentials after no longer being eligible to do so. Having been transferred out of one position into another one where carrying the firearm was not authorized, the individual should have turned the firearm in when he switched jobs. Didn't happen. Further, others knew of this and didn't speak up ... for six months.

Enter the OIG investigators.

They unearthed a tangle of job classification language that revealed that nobody was reading the fine print nor filling out the correct forms, even the ones who should have done so. And nobody stepped forward to take the firearm away from the employee,

even the ones who knew he wasn't authorized to have it.

Eventually word reached two people in the organization who knew instantly that the employee was not authorized to carry an OIG-issued firearm and credentials, and acted pronto to retrieve both the firearm and the credentials.

The end result is a thing of beauty. The employee in question retired. Two senior executives are no longer employed by the OIG, having resigned during the investigation. Another employee received a letter of reprimand. And the two employees who were in charge of the firearms program are no longer in charge of the firearms program.

If you suspect something is wrong in either the VA programs or operation, contact the VA OIG hotline at 800-488-8244. You also can go online to [www.va.gov/oig/hotline](http://www.va.gov/oig/hotline). If you need to submit a complaint about violations, abuse, fraud, mismanagement or other problems, that's where you do it. They don't take regular email submissions. To see the OIG's reports, go to [www.va.gov/oig](http://www.va.gov/oig).

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# Obituaries

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**Alva Kay Eldridge**

Mrs. Alva Kay Eldridge age 83 of Rickman, Overton Co., TN passed from this life on Friday, September 2, 2022 from the Cookeville Regional Hospital.

Mrs. Alva Kay Eldridge was born in Livingston, Overton Co., TN on Tuesday, June 20, 1939 to the late Cordell and Otis (Led-

better) Speck. Kay was a member of the Highland Baptist Church. She loved to sew, cooking and canning. They always had a garden, and she loved making strawberry jam and banana pudding. She loved her family and spending time with them, she will be greatly missed.

Survivors: 1 Daughter: Debbie Gunnels

and her husband David; 3 Grandchildren: Andy Gunnels and his wife Alicia, Alex Gunnels and his wife Paige, Aer-ic gunnels and his wife Beth; 4 Great Grandchildren: Jack, Olivia, Airo, Calvin Gunnels; A host of other family and friends also survive.

Preceded in death: In addition to her parents; her loving husband Cal-

vin "Bud" Eldridge.

Pallbearers: Andy Gunnels, Alex Gunnels, Aer-ic Gunnels, Larry Phipps, Scott Phipps, Doug Standsberry.

Services/burial: Funeral services will be held for Mrs. Kay Eldridge on Monday, September 5, 2022 at 10 AM from the chapel of the Hall Funeral Home of Livingston

with burial to follow in the Overton County Memorial. Family welcomed friends at the funeral home on Sunday, September 4th starting at 5 PM until 8 PM. Officiating with the service will be Bro. Derek Parson and Bro. Nolan Cantrell.

**Hall Funeral Home** is in charge of arrangements



**Patricia Ann Knight**

Patricia "Patty" Ann Knight, beloved sister, cousin, aunt, great aunt and friend, passed away on September 3, 2022 at the age of 73. She is survived by her sisters Dotty Jean Sadler, Bambi Burnette Bala,

D.C., and Fawn Burnette Bonning; her aunt Gloria Burnett; her cousins Deeanne Fulton, Pharmacist, who was always more like a sister, Craig Burnett, and Carrie Kozak; her nieces Jody Batten, Randi Hermening and Falene "Fay" Osgood; her nephews Tommy Bonning, Bo Bonning, Dakota Bonning, Colt Bonning, Blue Bonning, and Petr "Petie" Bala; her grand niece Coral Batten; her grandnephews Cameron "Aura" Batten and Atlas Moon Bonning; and her beloved cat Cash. She was preceded in death by her mother, Dol- lie Bob "Bobbie" Bur-

nette; her father James Raymond Seidel; her uncle, Walter Horace "Buddy" Burnett Jr.; her aunts Margaret "Peggy" Connolly and Patricia Burnett, and her beloved sister, Bunnie Burnette. Patty was born in Blue Island, Illinois on February 5, 1949, but over the years called many places home including Chicago, Illinois; Coconut Grove, Florida; Miami, Florida; Boca Raton, Florida; and lastly, Livingston, Tennessee. The eldest of five sisters, she was known for her kindness and generosity, and for a sweet smile that would light up a room. As a senior in high school,

she landed her first job at the movie theater in Miami, Florida. She loved movies with a passion and could easily name the actors in any given title. Upon graduating from high school, she went to work for AT&T and continued to work there until retiring 18 years later in 1985. She was full of life, seeming to love every minute of it. She loved to travel, visiting exotic places like Jamaica, the Bahamas, Barbados, Hawaii, Brazil, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Cozumel, Cancun, Costa Rica, Curacao, Germany, London, Austria, Switzerland, Venezuela, the Cay-

man Islands, Norway, and France, just to name a few. She crossed Europe by train twice. She traveled the world, most of the time alone like the independent woman she was. She loved music and seemed to know every song ever written. Concerts were a favorite pastime. She loved to sing, and could often be found with a microphone in her hand, be it karaoke or on stage with her singing sisters. In her younger days, she bore an uncanny resemblance to her idol, Marilyn Monroe, and even won second place

in a lookalike contest. She loved fashion, clothes and jewelry and shoes and sunglasses and was quite the diva to the very end. But more than anything, she loved her family and friends to the fullest with a kind, forgiving heart that would have it no other way. The world will not be as bright a place without her. date and time of memorial service to be announced at a later date. for those wishing to make a donation in her memory, please visit <https://www.sparklebabybridal.com/>

**Hall Funeral Home** is in charge of arrangements.



**Bessie Gearaldine Cannon**

Mrs. Gearldine Cannon, 74, of Livingston, TN passed from this life on Thursday, September 8, 2022 at Cookeville Regional Medical Center surrounded by her loving family.

Mrs. Gearldine Cannon was born November 20, 1947, she was the daughter of the late Emmitt and Omega

Ledbetter. She was an active member of Walnut Grove church of Christ for many years, and currently attended the Livingston church of Christ. She was actively involved with the youth at Walnut Grove whether it was teaching Sunday school, working on the church bulletin, or preparing questions for Bible Bowl. She also loved to quilt and

enjoyed giving them as gifts.

Survivors: Gearldine leaves behind her husband of 51 years, Douglas Cannon of Livingston; son Tony Cannon and wife Teresa; daughter Kim Goodpasture and husband Jamie; grandson Marshall Cannon and wife Maggie; grandson Joshua Cannon and wife Emma; grandson Wes-

ley Cannon; grandson Easton Goodpasture; granddaughter Emerson Goodpasture; great granddaughter Mia Cannon; great grandson Max Cannon; brother Donnie Ledbetter of Alabama; sister in law Wanda Gore along with special friends Linda Terry and Bonnie Masters who provided her with friendship and care throughout the years.

Preceded in death: In addition to her parents, Gearldine was preceded in death by her sister Tina Pardue of Michigan; brother Danny Ledbetter of Michigan; brother Doy Ledbetter of Livingston, TN.

A Memorial Service will be planned for a later date.

**Hall Funeral Home** is in charge of arrangements.



**Mark Ray Poston**

Mr. Mark Ray Poston age 65 of Rickman, Overton Co., TN passed from this life on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 surrounded by his loved ones.

Mr. Mark Ray Poston was born in Livingston, Overton Co., TN on Sunday, February 24, 1957 to the late Carl and Raymonda (Dickerson) Poston. Mark faced his illness with courage

and unwavering faith. He was an inspiration to everyone who knew him; he will be surely missed by all who knew him.

Survivors: His loving wife Gail Poston;

1 Sister: Peggy and her husband Bob; 1 Brother: Ted and his wife Kay. A host of other family and friends also survive.

Preceded in death: his parents Carl and Raymonda Poston pre-

cede him in death.

Services/burial: A Celebration of Life service will be announced at a later date.

**Hall Funeral Home** is in charge of arrangements.



**Teresa Jane Cantrell**

Teresa Jane Cantrell age 62 of Livingston, Overton Co., TN passed from this life on Saturday, September 3, 2022 from her residence.

Teresa Jane (Ledford) Cantrell was born in Livingston, Overton Co., TN on Tuesday, March 8, 1960 to the late Lerion Ledford. Teresa loved spending time with her family, she loved them very much. They will miss her greatly.

Survivors: Her very special friend: Dwain "Shep" Parrigan; 1 Daughter: Misty Cantrell and Gary Pardue; 1 Son: Johnny Cantrell; 2 Sisters: Barbara Eganey, Judith Brown; 1 Brother:

Larry Ledford; Grandchildren: Austin, Brandon, Jenna, and Caleb; A host of other family and friends also survive.

Preceded in death: In addition to her Mother Lerion Ledford; 1 Sister: Theda Almonrode; 2 Brothers: Ronald Ledford, Bruce Ledfordz; Grandsons: Lakota Perdue and Johnathan.

Pallbearers: Services/burial: Funeral services for Ms. Teresa Jane Cantrell were held on Thursday, Sep-

tember 8, 2022 at 2 PM from the Chapel of the Hall Funeral Home of Livingston with burial to follow in the Jones Cemetery located on Ledford Lane located off the highway 52 East. Family welcomed friends at the funeral home on Thursday, Sept. 8th starting at 12 Noon through the 2 PM service time. Officiating with the service will be Bro. Caleb Bowling.

**Hall Funeral Home** is in charge of arrangements.



**Herman (Max) Robbins**

Herman "Max" Robbins Max passed from this life on Wednesday July 6, 2022 at home, surrounded by his family.

Max was born in Livingston on October 15, 1935 to the late Herman and Mable Robbins. He proudly served in the Army after high school and then moved to Battle Creek Michigan with his wife Edith "Crick-et" Smith in 1961. He worked at Ralston Purina for 36 years where he made lifelong friends. After retirement, he returned to his roots in Livingston with his wife.

Max was well known for his ability to build or fix anything. He loved helping neighbors and family with any project they could think of and sometimes he would come up with the idea for them! He was an avid gardener and loved hunting and being outdoors.

Max was preceded in death by his wife Edith, his brother Carl and sister Anna Ruth Smith. He leaves behind his Sister Linda Bianchi, son Kevin and daughter in law Donna Robbins, his daughter Karen and son in law David Newkirk, grandchildren Nicole Askevold, Sherri Robbins, Jaron Summers and Alex Rolfe, great grandchildren Libby LaBean and Quinn Luka Askevold.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, September 19th at noon at the Alpine Presbyterian Church.

**Ronnie Brown**

Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" Aaron Brown, age 77 of Cookeville, died Saturday September 3, 2022. A private family gathering will be held at a later date.

He was born March 29, 1945 in Livingston, TN to the late Albert Aaron Brown and Mildred Maxine Cliff Brown Cook. He was a graduate of Livingston Academy.

He worked as a machinist for the former Volunteer Tool & Die now Apcom.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Joan


Buck Brown; Daughters, Beverly (Jackie) Coates, Cheri (Shane) Cobb both of Cookeville; Sister, Barbara (Greg) Franklin of Hilham and their daughter, Elizabeth Franklin; two grandchildren, Brandon (Breanna) Coates and Jake (Olivia) Cobb; and by Brother-in-law, Kenneth "Russ" and Judy Warden.

**Dyer Chapel of Hooper-Huddleston Horner Funeral Home** is in charge of arrangements (931) 526-7158. You may share your thoughts and memories at [dyerfh.com](http://dyerfh.com).



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# The Ferrell Family Near Taylors Crossroads

Looking  
Backward  
By Phoebejane

(Emily Sells)

The late Stanley Carter was a wonderful source for stories I've done over the years. Stanley shared the following memories he had about a family who lived near the Taylors Crossroads community whose names were Gordon Ferrell, his sister, Maude, and her son, Ward. They were known to be serious minded people who didn't care too much for what they considered foolishness. Gordon Ferrell and Maude Ferrell were the children of Alvin Ferrell and Army (Taylor) Ferrell. Maude married John Albert Holt, a brother of Andy Holt, someone I did a story on earlier, that folks referred to as "The Picture Man." Maude and John Albert Holt had one son, Ward. John Albert died at the very young age of 26. His young son, Ward, was just three years old at the time of his father's death. The Ferrell home, located some two miles in a southwestwardly direction from Taylors Crossroads, was a two-room cabin with a loft. The home was heated with a stone fireplace and a wood cooking stove. There were two beds in the front room. Even though electricity was very much available in that area during the later years that this family made their living off the land, it was something they never had. There was a spring nearby that provided water for their home.

Gordon Ferrell was considered to be a smart man, even though he could not read or write. Maude knew how to read and write, and her son, Ward, attended school at Ozone and at Lone Maple. Gordon built his own blacksmith shop from scratch that had all



Family Time - Maude Holt, Ward Holt, Stanley Carter, and Gordon Ferrell were photographed while sitting on top of a woodpile near the Ferrell home many years ago.

the necessary tools for black smithing. Handmade sleds used in farm work made from natural curved sourwood trees were also crafted by his skilled hands. He was always on the lookout for this type of wood as well as other kinds of wood that could be used for farm implements which he also made by hand. Gordon, Maude, and Ward grew vegetables, had a tobacco crop, and raised hogs and cattle. Stanley described them as loving the land as well as their livestock and cared for both better than most folks did for children. They owned a sow for a great number of years that was said to have had at least a thousand pigs in her life. Even though she lived long past the time she was considered useful, she was given their special care and attention until the day she died. She was properly buried in a nearby field after her demise.

Gordon learned quickly how the farmland could benefit from nutrients during the time when President Roosevelt was in office. A program was begun under Roosevelt's term where-

by farmers were given phosphate and lime to help enrich the soil and better crops were the result of adding these to what had become just worn-out dirt. After receiving these items that were provided to farmers free of charge from the government, from that point on, Gordon made sure his crops always were the best they could be and was careful to include fertilizer and other nutrients when needed.

Popcorn was another crop they grew, and Maude would often take it to a good customer in town who bought it to use in their business, that being the Ritz Theater. To make a popcorn delivery, she would sometimes catch a ride on one of the shirt factory buses that also ran into Livingston on Saturdays for those who needed to do shopping and transact other business on a weekend.

Many in the neighborhood around Taylors Crossroads bought onion sets from Gordon at the beginning of gardening time. The onions were kept in a sack and hung on the wall of the front room. They were called multiplying

onions. Beans that had been strung together for drying purposes were also hung in one corner of the room. Maude often visited with Stanley's wife, Geneva Carter, and would sometimes bring along homemade sausage to give her that had been placed in a corn shuck as a way to preserve it.

Selling hogs and a calf from time to time, along with raising a tobacco crop provided an income for the family. Keeping money in a bank was not something they ever considered until Gordon got sick and needed to be hospitalized. A story was told that on this occasion, Ward went to one of the outbuildings near their home and brought back a large sack filled with money. They were somehow persuaded to put this large amount of money in the bank, and a total of more than \$40,000.00 was counted out of the sack. More than likely, it was not an easy task to persuade them to become bank customers.

Although Gordon and Maude lived in a time when man walked on the moon, they chose not to have very much of what the modern world had to offer. They did at some point buy a car, but no one ever learned how to drive it. It was told that Ward did try to learn, but many times he would have to get J.B. Smith who lived nearby to come on his tractor and pull the car out of a ditch. Stanley described them as good and gentle people, and it is obvious that he had a great deal of respect for each one. After both Gordon and Maude had passed away, Ward bought a mobile home that was placed on the property, and he later married. Living in a mobile home must have seemed very strange to him after growing up in the little log house with an oil lamp for light and a fireplace for heat. I'm sure that took some getting used to. Changes and adjustments are something we've all have to do at one time or another, sometimes for the better, sometimes not. It's part of life and of growing older. I'll always be grateful to Stanley Carter for sharing this and other stories he helped me with over the years.

## Pictures From The Past



Pictures From The Past - 1935 Independence school group.

## Robbie's Recipes

with  
Robbie  
Melton



### Caramel Crunch Apple Pie

- 1 unbaked 9" pie shell
- Filling:
  - 28 caramels
  - 2 T. water
  - 6 C. tart cooking apples, sliced thin
- Melt caramels in a saucepan over low heat, stirring until melted and smooth. Layer apples and caramel sauce alternately in pie shell.
- Topping:
  - 3/4 C. flour
  - 1/3 C. sugar
  - 1/2 t. cinnamon
  - 1/2 C. butter
  - 1/2 C. walnuts, chopped
- In a small bowl, combine flour, sugar, and cinnamon, mix well. Cut in butter with pastry blender. Stir in nuts. Sprinkle mixture over apples. Bake at 375-degrees for 40-45 minutes.

## Blast From The Past: A Snapshot Of Overton County History

Friday, Sept. 11, 1953

### Personals-Society

Local Happenings

MRS. ROBERT L. ELDRIDGE, Editor      Phones 125R and 162

Mrs. Vadis Nevins is visiting her children in Anderson, Ind., this week.

Mrs. Pauline Howard went to Nashville, Tuesday where she will undergo a major operation Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Simcox visited their parents over the week-end.

Mrs. Stella Windle had as labor day week-end guests, Mrs. Eallie Bertram and daughter Susan of Nashville, Mrs. Roy Stewart and son, Keith of Kennerd, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stewart and daughter Phylis of Harriman, Ind., Miss Sherill Whitfield of Detroit, Mich., Mr. and Mrs. daughter Linda, and Miss Louise Dickerson of Akron, Ohio have returned home after their vacation in Livingston and Crossville.

Eugene, Bettye and Barbara Wisner of Battle Creek, Mich., are spending the week with their grandmother, Mrs. J. O. Smith.

Dr. Myrtle Smith was in Nashville last week.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hubbard and son Tommy of Oak Ridge, Tenn. visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ashburn and Mr. and Mrs. Cato Taylor, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Myers of Harriman, are visiting relatives and friends in Livingston, this

### Notes From Over the County

Mr. and Mrs. Babe Blackledge of Alamogordo, New Mexico, who have been visiting friends and relatives in Tennessee, Illinois, Ohio, and Michigan for the past two weeks, have returned to their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Knight and children Linda and Dickey of Crossville, Illinois, spent the week-end visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Flowers of Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleaton Cantrell of Battle Creek, Mich. have been visiting relatives in the county.

Mrs. Spurgeon Cantrell of Deck Cove had as her Sunday guests, Mrs. Hattie McDonald and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bunt Hammock and children, Jim Bilbrey, Mack McDonald and son Cloyd E. and grandson Earl Allen and Cleatie Conatser and little daughter.

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### Overton County Night At Cookeville Revival

The Cookeville Crusade for Christ, sponsored jointly by the Baptist, First Methodist,

### Overload Worst Enemy Of Farm Electric Motor

Electric motors seldom wear out in ordinary farm service. Those that fail usually are burned out because of overheating due to low voltage or to overloading of the motor, says Ed Hale, U-T Agricultural Extension specialist in rural electrification.

Correct lubrication of bearings is essential, but modern design gives bearings a high safety margin even in the face of neglect.

Fuses commonly used to protect wiring circuits are of little help in protecting a motor against abuse. It takes several times as much current to start a motor and bring it up to speed under load as it does to hold that speed. Protection for motors, therefore, should be obtained by using a delay fuse or some type of overload device. These permit the motor to start, but if an overload persists, they automatically open the circuit before the motor is



# Americanaville: The Heart Of Country

## Mary Robbins



**Regional  
Writer**

**Jackson,  
Clay, Overton  
and Fentress  
County**

I had to smile when I typed the subtitle to this article, because country music and home have always been synonymous to Mark Houser.

Even between the time he was in high school and college and when he retired from a thirty-seven-year career with the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment, he was writing songs, making music and spending time in Overton County every chance he got. This was while he also served on the National Environmental Health Accreditation Council and founded the Tennessee Environmental Hall of Fame at East Tennessee State University. Even when he has been most busy, he has always found time for church activities and coaching football and baseball.

Songwriting has always been a passion for Mark. This passion (and talent) is evident in the many song lyrics that he has written, set to music and recorded over the years.

“I love doing all the things that I do,” he said. “But, in music, writing is the most enjoyable part for me. I have a feeling that as long as I am breathing, I will be writing.”

He says that, while songwriting is an enjoyable and gratifying pursuit for him, publishing is more like work. But



it has to be done to get the song out there for people to listen to and enjoy.

“I have found that the hardest thing for me to do, though, is performing live,” he said. “I am at my most comfortable in my living room or another quiet place, writing songs, than I am on stage performing them. I have been performing for years; but every time I get on stage, I still experience stage fright. I feel the same way when I am telling stories. It’s because I fear that I will disappoint the audience. Many performers love the spotlight, embrace and enjoy it. I’m not there, yet.”

If he isn’t there yet, he’s pretty near close. Audiences sense this, as does the music industry. His first album, Uneven Road, released on Rural Rhythm Records, reached #9 on the

Billboard Magazine Bluegrass chart and produced three chart singles, including Lead Me Home, which landed at #1 on three charts: Bluegrass Gospel, Christian Country Weekly and Inspirational Country. Lead Me Home featured seven-time International Bluegrass Music Association Female Vocalist of the Year, Rhonda Vincent on harmonies.

“I am at a place in my life where I am free to do something that I love every single day,” he said. “When I was thinking about what I might do next, I thought about the slogan that the Livingston-Overton County Chamber of Commerce has on its letterhead... ‘The Home of Americana Music’.... and I knew that was it! Right then, the Americanaville concept was born in

my head and in my heart.”

He partnered with Tena Rogers, a veteran of the music industry and his best friend, to create the Americanaville brand which was trademarked soon after. A couple of years later, the Americanaville album was recorded and released by Wurld Records. A music video of the song was also released.

It was when the Americanaville singer/songwriter venue opened in May of 2021 that everything really came together. That first season in the Steel Coop’s Event Center, was a huge success. Shows in the Steel Coop’s (Livingston) Event Center, the Iron and Oak, were headlined by multiple Grammy Award winners, CMA Song of the Year winners and Country Music Hall of Fame inductees and other high caliber talent.

“That season alone, we had performers who, among them, had over seventy #1 hit songs,” Mark stated. “Lorrie Morgan brought her Christmas Show to Americanaville, T. Graham Brown and Doug Stone, performed the following spring. Our current concept calls for singer/songwriter shows each Thursday night from May through October and mini-concerts during the other months of the year.”

Currently, Americanaville has the support of the Livingston-Overton County Chamber of Commerce, the City of Livingston and Overton County. Sponsorships have increased since the concept began and currently include Willow Grove Marina, Priority Care, Swallows Insurance Agency, the Country Giant, Livingston Lofts, The Steel Coop, Sunset Marina Restaurant by the Steel Coop, Mark Houser and Bluegrass Drive.

## Regional Trivia Answers Lakes, Rivers and More

1. Who was Dragging Canoe and why was he called by that name?  
**Answer: A Cherokee war chief who, as a boy, dragged his canoe in order to be allowed to join a war party against the Shawnee.**
2. What famous author’s family was one of the largest landowners in Fentress County in the late 1800s?  
**Answer: Samuel Clemons, better known as Mark Twain.**
3. For whom was Jackson County named?  
**Answer: Andrew Jackson, who, at that time, had served as a Tennessee State Senator, a US Congressman, Supreme Court Justice and Colonel in the Tennessee militia.**
4. What kind of fish is Dale Hollow Lake most famous for?  
**Answer: Smallmouth Bass**
5. Which Upper Cumberland River has the same name as one of the most rugged and scenic rivers in the Midwest?  
**Answer: Wolf River**
6. What makes the Wolf River Cave at Pall Mall one of the most unique caves in North America?  
**Answer: Beautiful rock formations, prehistoric human and animal tracks and diverse animal life.**
7. Where is the community of Free Hills?  
**Answer: Clay County**
8. What is the Dale Hollow Lake Eagle Watch Project?  
**Answer: A non-profit, cooperative project for the Dale Hollow Lake Area and the Upper Cumberland Region that provides an opportunity for residents and visitors to learn about the various stages of the life of the Bald Eagle, from nesting through hatching and fledgling.**
9. What is a “dry land fish”?  
**Answer: A wild mushroom**
10. Where do the Obey and Cumberland Rivers meet?  
**Answer: At the western edge of the town of Celina, in Clay County**

## REGIONAL TRIVIA Old Fashioned Summer Fun

1. An old-fashioned game that involved covering your eyes and counting to 10?
2. Before there were swimming pools there were \_\_\_\_\_?
3. Rolley Hole is a type of what game?
4. What was a cane pole commonly used for?
5. Red Rover was a game that required how many players?
6. What kind of bait was used for creek fishing?
7. Coca Cola was commonly called \_\_\_\_\_?
8. Swings were usually made from \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ and hung from trees?
9. Teens got their music from a \_\_\_\_\_ instead of a \_\_\_\_\_?
10. When you wanted to cool off on a hot day, you ran through a \_\_\_\_\_?



# top ten

## Countries that Consume the Most Soft Drinks

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3. Chile
4. Mexico
5. Uruguay
6. Belgium
7. Germany
8. Norway
9. Saudi Arabia
10. Bolivia

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# Suicide Prevention Month Kicks Off

BRIAN WILMOTH  
Editor

With over 45,000 suicides annually in the United States, September is set aside as a month to bring awareness to the crisis.

“It’s important to bring awareness to suicide prevention because suicide is truly preventable,” said Matthew Parriott, Director of Communication for the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse. “It’s ok to talk about suicide. If you’re concerned about a loved one or friend, don’t hide from it. Ask directly and be prepared to listen. It’s also important to learn the warning signs and how you can make a positive intervention.”

Anne Stamps is the Director of Plateau Mental Health Center. She echoed the need to look for warning signs.

“Untreated depression is the number one cause of

suicide,” Stamps said. “So it’s very important that we know the signs, not just for ourselves but in order to help our friends and neighbors.”

According to Stamps, the warning signs can look very different from person-to-person.

“Obviously if someone is threatening to harm themselves or kill themselves,” Stamps said. “If they’re talking about that or writing about that. If they’re just plain hopeless or helpless. If they’re feeling overwhelmed. If they express feelings of being trapped, no way out, or if they feel like they are in a corner. If they are withdrawing from family or friends. If they are exhibiting more anxiety or depression than they normally have. If maybe there’s some disturbance in their sleeping habits. If they’re not going to work or not going to school. Maybe their work performance or

their school performance is a little bit off. If they are giving away prize possessions. And if they have had a history of previous suicide attempts, they are at risk.”

Parriott said mental health needs have increased as the Covid-19 pandemic continues to rage for a second year.

“Since the pandemic started, symptoms of self-reported depression and anxiety have jumped dramatically,” Parriott said. “Looking at data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, self-reported symptoms of depression and anxiety among Tennesseans peaked above 40%. In a normal year, that would be about 20%. While the most recent number from the survey is 33%, that’s still well above normal, so the need for services has definitely increased.”

The Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network (TSPN) is the statewide

grassroots public-private organization working to reduce the number of Tennesseans lost to suicide. According to them, three to four Tennesseans are lost to suicide every day.

“In 2019 – the latest year for which state-specific figures are available – there were 1,220 recorded suicide deaths in Tennes-

see,” a TSPN statement said. “Though health officials are unsure of the impact that COVID-19 has had on our state’s suicide rate, we do know that mental health concerns have been and continue to be at the forefront of nationwide conversations surrounding the pandemic into 2021.”

Stamps said, locally,

there are multiple crisis options available. The crisis service number for adults in the Upper Cumberland is 800-704-2651. The number for children and youth is 866-791-9223. Plateau Mental Health also has a Crisis Stabilization Unit located at 1200 S. Willow Ave. in Cookeville.

## Market Recap



## “Policy”

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Most of the positions affected would be in the police and fire departments, along with commercial drivers with a CDL the city pays for.

Hayes said if the new

policy passes two readings that it only affects new workers hired by the city. He said all of Livingston’s department heads agreed with the policy change.

Also, Cookeville lawyer Andre Greppin will become the new city at-

torney, replacing John Meadows who was elected to a judgeship in White County in the August election. Greppin was the only applicant for the position. Radar served as the interim city attorney for approximately one month.

## “Changes”

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Vol State President Orinthia Montague has named former Livingston Center Director Michael Powell as the Upper Cumberland Senior Director, and he will oversee both

local campuses. Former Cookeville Center Director Lori Richards was named assistant director of the Upper Cumberland Centers and will remain the on-site director in Cookeville.

The changes were announced less than five months after more than 20

staff and faculty members were laid off due to budget cuts blamed on lowered enrollments. According to the TBR, since the COVID pandemic began, enrollment is down at Tennessee community colleges by around 14,000 total students.

## “Marbles”

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ten feet apart. The goal is for each player to put their marble through a course of twelve holes, and the game ends when both partners finish the course. During the match, players must also hinder the progress of their opponents by shooting their marbles out of the way.

The Arts Commission said that the festival has been instrumental in reviving the tradition. When it began in 1983, only one active marble yard remained in Ten-

nessee. With the renewed interest the tournament brought, over twenty marble yards were rehabilitated and children began playing marbles again.

In 1986, the Smithsonian’s Festival of American Folklife in Washington, D.C., featured the Rolley Hole tradition, with Tennessee players and marble makers offering demonstrations on the National Mall to visitors from around the world.

“The National Rolley Hole Marbles Championship is a one-of-a-kind event, unique to Tennessee,” stated David W. Salyers, Tennessee Commissioner of Environment and Conservation. “The event is an extraordinary model for how park staff can help preserve a rich cultural heritage through interpretation and thoughtful

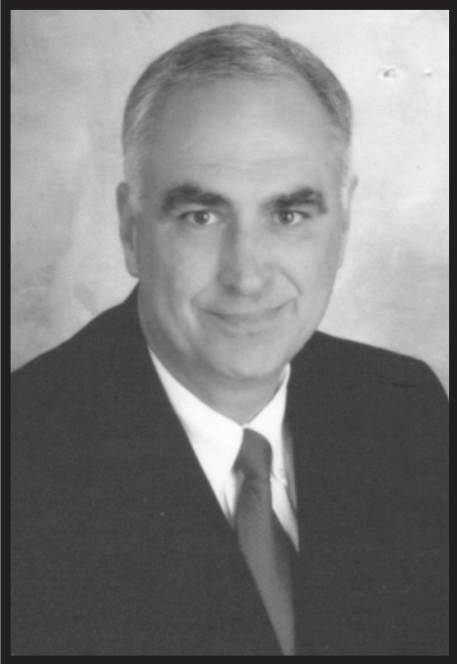
resource management. The Rolley Hole tournament and tradition is a great source of pride for us and all Tennesseans, and we hope it will continue to be a source of pride and wonder for years to come.”

Standing Stone Park Ranger Shawn Hughes currently oversees the tournament.

“There is no other event like this in the world,” Hughes said. “The day has something for everybody, and we invite anyone who wants to have a good time to come and enjoy it.”

Standing Stone State Park is located 10 miles northeast of Livingston, off of Highway 52 near Celina.

For more information about the festival and Standing Stone State Park, call (931) 823-6347 or visit Standing Stone State Park online.



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## Wanting What You Can’t Quite Have

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

- Christopher Simon

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

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2. address
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4. three favorite contestants from the choices above
5. guess of which three contestants you believe will get the most votes

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## Holler Media Beauty Contest Entry Form

My top three choices:

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My guess who will get the most votes in the Holler Media Beauty Contest:

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# LA Soccer Wins At Anderson County





High School Football

Region 4 Class 4-A

Livingston Academy  
Stone Memorial  
Cumberland County  
DeKalb County  
Macon County  
Upperman

Week 3 Scores

Stone Memorial 42  
Livingston Academy 14

Macon Co. High School 21  
DeKalb Co. High School 13

Upperman High School 34  
Cumberland Co. 0

Week 4 Scores

York Institute 43  
Livingston Academy 23

Lenoir City High School 40  
Cumberland Co. 0

DeKalb Co. High School 26  
Watertown High School 14

Stone Memorial 18  
Monterey High School 7

Macon Co. High School 42  
Trousdale Co. High School 0

Fayetteville High School 29  
Upperman High School 6

Week 5 Games

Macon Co. @ LA  
DeKalb Co. @ Cumberland Co.  
Upperman @ Stone Memorial

Region Standings

Stone Memorial 4-0  
Macon County 4-0  
Upperman 3-1  
Dekalb County 3-1  
Livingston Academy 0-4  
Cumberland County 0-4



BRIAN WILMOTH  
editor

Even though the Livingston Academy fell to York Institute 43-23 for its fourth straight loss to begin the season Friday night, the Wildcats put together probably the most complete game so far.

A week after being plagued by turnovers, LA was able to play a mostly clean game against the Dragon, with a lone Brodey Coffee interception after the game was out of hand in the fourth quarter being the only exception.

Instead, it was the defense that showed lapses against York, giving up long pass plays from Dragon quarterback Miles Leffew that inflated the Dragon's yardage total. Leffew finished with a total five touchdowns through the air and on the ground.

The Wildcats opened strong Friday night, driving the ball 79 yards over seven plays with Lochlan Hammock finding the endzone to put LA up 7-0.

One play later, though, York scored on a 74-yard Aiden Thomas reception to put the Dragons within one at 7-6.

Three drives later, the Dragon struck again following a 7-play drive that was capped off with a Leffew rushing touchdown and a successful



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**Fighting For Yards** - Livingston Academy receiver Jake Hughes tries to maintain his footing for extra yards against the York Institute Dragons Friday night in Jamestown.

two-point conversion to put York up 14-7.

On the next possession, the Wildcats cut into the York lead on a 32-yard field goal from Dylan Watson, making the score 14-10.

York pulled further ahead again on the next drive, as a 50-yard touchdown pass from Leffew to Rylan Miller put the Dragons up 21-10.

Leffew and Miller would strike again on the Dragon's next drive for a 63-yard touchdown, putting York up 28-10.

However, Coffee was able to scramble for a 25-yard touchdown run

to help pull the Wildcats to within 11 at 28-17 before the half.

After trading possessions to start the second half, Leffew put in his second rushing touchdown from 6-yards out, capping off a 61-yard drive over nine plays.

The Wildcats did leave the game on a positive note, however, driving the ball downfield over the last three minutes, with quarterback-turned-receiver Adrian Jenkins catching an 18-yard touchdown pass as the buzzer sounded.

The Wildcats finished with over 300 total yards

on the night with 121 of that on the ground.

Coffee was 11-of-21 passing for 172 yards and the late touchdown.

Hammock had 23 carries for 141 yards and a touchdown.

Jenkins led the receivers with 2 catches for 52 yards and one touchdown.

This week, the Wildcats will play their first truly home game in almost a year-and-a-half, as the new LA stadium is expected to be ready for Friday night's game against Macon County. That game will get underway at 7 p.m.

LA Falls To Stone  
42-14

BRIAN WILMOTH  
editor

The Livingston Academy Wildcats fell to Stone Memorial High School 42-14 in Week 3 action Sep. 2.

In a game whose opening half could only best be called frantic, the two teams would combine for nine turnovers on seven interceptions and two lost fumbles, including the first three possessions of the game.

Both defenses applied plenty of pressure to quarterbacks that often found themselves scrambling and forced into mistakes. Eventually, Stone Memorial settled down behind the play of Kaleb Flowers, who found ways to score touchdowns in just about every phase of the game to begin to pull away as the half wore on.

Stone found just about as many different ways to also pressure junior signal caller Brodey Coffee. Blitzing on almost every play, SMHS made it difficult for the quarterback to remain upright, much less get accurate passes off. Coffee was only able to complete seven passes on the night for 155 yards. Receiver Jake Hughes caught a couple of long passes, a 56-yard pass in the second quarter and a 32-yarder in the fourth. Coffee threw three interceptions, but also ran in his first touchdown of the season on scramble in the third quarter.

The relentless pressure from the Panthers affected the run game, as well. A week removed from his relative success against Cookeville, Lochlan Hammock was only able to fight for 24 yards on nine carries and a touchdown last week.



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**Pulling A Load** - LA running back Lochlan Hammock pulls a York defender for extra yards in the Wildcats' game Friday night.

OCMS Continues Win Streak

The Jr. Lady Wildcats went on the road after an off week of games to play the Upperman Bees on Friday Sept. 9th. The Lady Bees season has been a series of ups and downs with some tough losses and ties but was looking to turn things around late in the regular season to help put them into the tournament. Overton came into the contest leading the conference with a 5-0 record and wanting to gain momentum going into a tough week of games against Algood and Prescott.

OCMS would start the game with

offensive pressure from the opening whistle. Upperman would commit an early mistake with a hand ball inside the defensive box that would lead to a penalty shot by Bella Burkett to put the Jr. Lady Wildcats on the scoreboard first. Saige Howard would quickly add one of her two goals in the first half to extend the lead 3-0. Izabella Whiteside and Reese Collins would solidify the defense for OCMS and did not allow any offense in the first half on behalf of The Lady Bees. Overton Co. would continue spread

the offense around and Abigail Copeland and Alli Beason would add first half goals to take a 5-0 lead into halftime.

Upperman would come out in the second half with an initial offensive push, but the OCMS defense would block all opportunities led by Chloe Ledbetter. Overton Co. would take over the last 25 minutes and control the tempo and ball possession of the second half. Good passing and ball movement keep The Lady Bees on the defensive and not able to gain any possession and no scoring

opportunities the remainder of the game. Abigail Copeland would add her second goal of the game for the Jr. Lady Wildcats to extend the lead and put the game away for a 6-0 victory.

Overton Co. will be at home Monday, Sept. 12 against the second-place team in conference Algood Redskins at 6 p.m. and away Friday Sept. 16 against the third-place team Prescott Elementary at 5:30 p.m. These games will decide standings going into conference tournament at end of the month.



**Going For The Goal** - Lady Wildcat Izabella Whiteside tries to put a shot on goal against the Upper Bees on Friday. OCMS won the game 6-0 to remain unbeaten on the season at 5-0.



# Go Wildcats!

## Livingston Academy Football



The Wildcats host Macon County High School at Livingston Academy at 7 p.m. Friday night.



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# Agriculture

## Grow Sweet Potatoes For Fun

HOLLY JONES  
Horticulturist, U.T. Gardens,  
Knoxville

Delicious, nutritious and easy to grow, sweet potatoes (Ipomoea batatas) are a good choice for Tennessee gardeners with a sunny space and the desire to “grow your own.” The long, humid days of summer in the Southeast are perfect for this vigorously vining root crop that features edible leaves and charming funnel-shaped flowers that come in shades of pink and purple.

Sweet potatoes grow so well in Tennessee, in fact, that Weakley County in West Tennessee is central to the crop’s production across the United States. In the 1950s and 60s, five companies in the county produced more than 10 million sweet potato slips. Slips are the rooted cuttings from which sweet potatoes are generally grown. Today while only the Steele Plant Company remains, this family-owned and oper-

ated company shipped more than 3 million slips this year to locations throughout the continental U.S. Another fun fact to know is the town of Gleason, Tennessee, is known as Tater Town and annually hosts a festival called the Tater Town Special on Labor Day weekend.

So how do you produce taters of your own? Whether you purchase them from a local grower, get them from your neighbor or order them online, the ideal planting time is between May and June, which allows for a 3-5 month growing period before cool weather sets in. Slips planted later in the season may still produce, but the yield will be smaller. Plants that are put in the ground too early may suffer from cool soil temperatures. While no special soil preparation is required in the average garden, the tubers will be larger and more perfectly shaped if the soil is

deep and well drained with a moderate level of fertility. Side dress with a general all-purpose fertilizer about a month after planting if desired.

Harvest at the end of the growing season before the first deep frost by cutting back the vines and lifting the roots out of the ground with a small shovel, potato fork or your hands. At the UT Gardens, Knoxville, we do our best to find children to help with this part. Harvesting the sweet potato patch is like digging for gold! Kids love it. Once all the tuberous roots have been found it’s important to start the curing process. This is a process that increases the sugar content and gives the sweet potatoes a longer storage life. After brushing off most of the soil, store them in a dark area at 80-85 degrees Fahrenheit and 90% humidity for about a week. After this they should be stored in a low humidity area

between 50-60 degrees Fahrenheit.

For detailed information on growing sweet potatoes in Tennessee, please see UT Extension Publication D71 “Sweet Potatoes for the Tennessee Vegetable Garden.” The publication is available online.

There are thousands of different kinds of sweet potatoes from which to choose. Common varieties like ‘Beauregard’ and ‘Jewel’ will grow rapidly, sending vines out as long as 16 feet in one season. If space is an issue, try growing them up a trellis, regularly trim back the vines to keep the plants in check or choose a bush variety such as ‘Vardaman’. Treasure Island is a new series commercially available from Burpee that includes three varieties with deep purple or chartreuse leaves. We are experimenting with the purple-leaved ‘Manihi’ at the UT Gardens, Knoxville, this summer

with great success so far. You can see them growing outside the Kitchen Garden.

The UT Gardens includes plant collections located in Knoxville, Crossville and Jackson. Designated as the official botanical garden for the State of Tennessee, the collections are

part of the UT Institute of Agriculture. The Gardens’ mission is to foster appreciation, education and stewardship of plants through garden displays, educational programs and research trials. The Gardens are open during all seasons and free to the public.



**Sweet Pic** - Enjoy sweet potato plants in the garden for the variety of textures and colors offered by their leaves, then harvest their edible roots in early fall. ‘Manihi’ foliage and flower pictured with ‘Beauregard’ leaf and tuber. Photo courtesy of Holly Jones.

## Solar – Powered Focused Field Day To Be Held

Jason Garrett



Extension  
Agent

Anderson farms in Alpine has developed a new, innovative way to disperse water to their cattle at various locations on their farm: a solar powered water system.

This has to be one of the neatest creations on a farm I have ever seen. If you would like to see this in person, please join Overton Extension and Overton NRCS at a field day September 15 at 5 p.m. on location at Anderson Farms, 594 Winton Lane, Alpine 38543.

There we will discuss solar watering, NRCS cost share on water projects, water quality for livestock, spring development and other production topics.

Please call Overton Extension at 823-2735 to register, and UT Extension offers equal opportunities in programs and employment.

### Late Summer- Early Fall Lawn Seeding

Thinking about overseeding your lawn? Aug. 20 to Oct. 1 is the correct time to be applying fescue seed to lawns. Correctly establishing fescue in the correct timeframe as well as applying the

recommended nutrients to the soil will result in a nice lawn come Spring. Here are the steps to follow:

- Soil test- It’s probably a little late to do this if planning on overseeding soon, but this is the number one thing that needs done. It will explain fertilizer needs and, also, if lime is needed. If you haven’t soil tested use 12-24-24 or 6-12-12 to jump start the seed and build up healthy roots for the grass. 150-200 lb. per acre depending on blend.
- Plug or aerate the lawn- Grass seed establishment needs soil contact. One must plug or aerate the lawn to establish holes the seed will fall in. Get as many holes as possible.

• Broadcast seed- This practice can be done by a hand spreader or pull type applicator.

• Apply fertilizer and lime

Remember one can correctly overseed a lawn and not get the results they are after. Lack of topsoil, shallow soil depth, water issues, shade, pets, and waiting to long to remove leaves are a few problems that can restrict desired results. Please call Jason at Overton Extension at 823-2735 for all your lawn questions and UT Extension offers equal opportunities in programs and employment.



Weekly Tennessee Cattle and Grain Summary

USDA Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News

Nashville, TN

Tuesday, September 6, 2022

For Week Ending:

Saturday, September 3, 2022

Receipts: 5,759

Last Week: 6,661

Last Year: 4,245

Compared to last week, feeder steers and heifers were unevenly steady with some instances sharply higher in steers weighing under 500 lbs. Demand was mostly good with limited offerings and trading at the end of the week due to the Labor Day holiday weekend. Slaughter cows and bulls were steady to 3.00 lower.

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STATE AVERAGES			
	This Week	Prior Week	Last Year
<strong>Steers (M&amp;L 1-2)</strong>			
300-350 lbs	201.19	206.79	176.01
350-400 lbs	207.71	204.52	169.06
400-450 lbs	191.63	190.47	158.97
450-500 lbs	186.87	187.03	161.41
500-550 lbs	179.89	180.65	154.00
550-600 lbs	177.07	173.22	148.50
600-650 lbs	173.88	170.04	145.81
650-700 lbs	166.67	169.70	146.03
700-750 lbs	164.16	161.69	138.19
750-800 lbs	153.78	155.96	138.09
<strong>Heifers (M&amp;L 1-2)</strong>			
300-350 lbs	174.08	176.57	144.91
350-400 lbs	171.21	168.17	145.10
400-450 lbs	164.67	165.25	142.81
450-500 lbs	160.84	161.42	137.90
500-550 lbs	159.18	159.96	135.87
550-600 lbs	155.31	152.19	135.07
600-650 lbs	149.75	150.64	128.86
650-700 lbs	145.49	146.92	130.03
700-750 lbs	137.06	142.67	120.92
750-800 lbs	134.93	130.84	122.17

WEELY COW SUMMARY

	Average	High	Low
<strong>Slaughter Cows</strong>			
Breakers	75.00-92.00	88.00-101.00	69.00-81.00
Boners	74.00-93.00	86.00-100.00	65.00-80.50
Lean	58.00-85.50	77.00-87.50	45.00-70.50
<strong>Slaughter Bulls</strong>			
Yield Grade 1's	96.00-124.00	114.00-126.00	85.00-101.00

August 22, 2022

Columbia, TN

GOATS: 444

KIDS-Selection 1 40 lbs 330.00; 50-55 lbs 300.00-320.00; 65 lbs 275.00; 70-73 lbs 255.00-280.00. Selection 2 40-48 lbs 260.00-270.00; 52 lbs 285.00; 63 lbs 240.00. Selection 3 49 lbs 250.00; 74 lbs 220.00.

LAMBS: 352

Wooled & Shorn-Choice and Prime 2-3 45 lbs 235.00; 70-75 lbs 220.00-240.00; 90 lbs 210.00. Hair Breeds-Choice and Prime 2-3 53-56 lbs 260.00-310.00; 60-69 lbs 232.50-280.00; 71-74 lbs 225.00-235.00; 88 lbs 206.00 [View Full Report](#)

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	This Week	Prior Week	Last Year
<strong>GRAINS</strong>			
Corn	6.48-7.39	6.44-7.24	4.51-5.68
Soybeans	14.70-15.28	14.63-15.80	12.22-13.32
New Crop Wheat	7.24-8.28	7.11-7.98	6.75-7.16

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