



From left, Brayden Holt, Cayden Miller and Kennedy Ryan portray characters from the classic American musical “OKLAHOMA!” as presented by the Murray County High School Theatre Department .

Young actors enliven a classic play

By Erik Green
SPORTS EDITOR

“OKLAHOMA!” is one of the most recognizable and celebrated musicals of all time and the Murray County Theatre Department rendered a lively version of it for local audiences during three shows on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Riley Morrison and Sarah Ridley played the lead roles of Curly and Laurey, a couple falling in love as a new future of statehood awaited for Oklahomans at the dawn of the Twentieth Century. The musical was the first collaboration of the famed duo of Rodgers and Hammerstein. It features rival factions of cowboys and farmers making their way in a changing world. Though largely satirical, the musical offers perspective on life in what had been Indian Territory. Musicals are difficult, but the Murray cast shined in their final performance of the year.

“They’re getting tired but keeping the energy up as best as possible,” said Murray drama teacher Keith Rollins. “I’m proud of them. They have worked really hard. This is an old musical and it’s not exactly for 21st century viewers in the sense that they can get bogged down because there’s a lot of stuff that needs to be tightened up. They have done a great job in making it interesting the entire time.” Auditions began at Christmas and rehearsals got underway in January. “That’s typical for a school musical,” Rollins said. “We tried to keep weekends out, but we had a lot of after school rehearsals and we got to do a couple of matinees for the middle school so that was nice.” The cast and crew were made up of students from the drama classes and those who were members of the International Thespian Society, though the two are not necessarily one

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Student arts show begins on Thursday; Free admission

Submitted by MAC

CHATSWORTH -- Murray Arts Council (MAC) will host its third Student Art Show featuring the art of Murray County high school students. The Student Art Show will run Thursday-Saturday. There will be an award ceremony on Saturday, April 9 at 3 p.m. Admission is free. Murray Arts Council, a nonprofit arts agency serving Chatsworth and Murray County, is located across Hwy 411 (or Third Avenue) from the Chatsworth Courthouse. The Student Art Show will feature paintings, drawings, 3-D art created by students from Murray County High, North Murray High, Pleasant Valley Innovative School and home-schooled students. Students will also have the option to sell their work, if they wish. Artists Michael Thompson and

Mayelli Diaz Meza and graphic artist and banjo player extraordinaire, Jim Pankey have volunteered to judge the exhibit. Prizes will include 1st Place - \$50; 2nd Place - \$30; 3rd Place - \$20; and three Judge’s Choice Awards at \$15 each. These awards will be presented on Sat., April 9 at 3 p.m. “Murray Arts Council is so happy to be presenting another Student Art Show,” said Julie Sane, MAC Vice President and Art Committee co-chair. “Visitors are always so stunned at how much talent is represented, and it is always such a varied and fun show.” North Murray art teacher, Kristi Sitton, and Murray County High art teacher, Ashli Sollinger, worked with the MAC Art Committee to organize the show. Some of their students, Alex Lynch from Murray High and Rebecca Hines from NMHS, were recently

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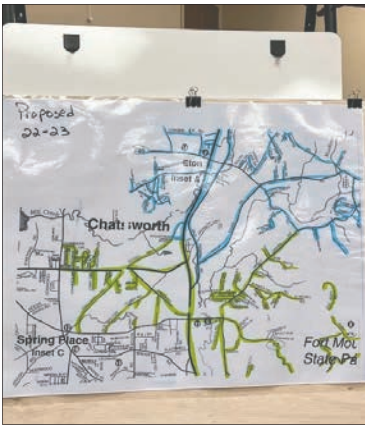
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Harper Sane (left) and Sarah Sane display their entries for Murray Arts Council’s Student Art Show on April 7-9 at the MAC building in Chatsworth.

BOE approves revised districts

By Jimmy Espy
EDITOR

The Murray County Board of Education voted 4-1 on Monday to slightly alter two school districts. In an effort to make sure Eton Elementary does not fall below 450 students, the board opted to move up to 74 students from Chatsworth Elementary to Eton Elementary. Parents who currently have a child or children at Chatsworth who they do not wish them to attend Eton may keep them at Chatsworth as long as they provide transportation to and from school. But in the future, new students starting to school in the affected areas will be assigned to attend classes at Eton. The area undergoing the transition is along the north



Roads with blue markings are the affected areas in redistricting plan approved on Monday.

side of Chatsworth, including Hyden Tyler Road, Duvall Road, Tom Terry Road, Jackson lake Road and Old Federal Road North. Board member Heath Jones was the lone vote against the

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Arrested CPD officer resigns

From staff reports

Chatsworth police officer resigns after arrest. Chatsworth Police Department Patrol Sgt. Cody Kintz has resigned his position with the department after being arrested on charges of false imprisonment and simple assault. According to CPD Chief Josh Etheridge, officers were called to Kintz’s residence on Monday, March

28 to investigate a domestic disturbance. Kintz, who was off duty at the time of the incident, was not arrested that Monday. Information from the CPD was turned over to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, which conducted its own investigation. Kintz was arrested on Wednesday. He is now out on bond. Kintz had been with the CPD for seven years.

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Weather

Wednesday: Scattered Thunderstorms with a high of 78 and a low of 48. Winds S at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 60%	Thursday: Mostly sunny with a high of 66 and a low of 41. Winds WNW at 10 to 15 mph.	Friday: PM Showers with a high of 55 and a low of 36. Winds WSW at 10 to 20 mph.	Saturday: Partly Cloudy with a high of 53 and a low of 34. Winds WNW at 10 to 15 mph.	Sunday: Sunny with a high of 68 and a low of 46. Winds light and variable.
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Obituaries

Idell Tinsley Tate

Mrs. Idell Tinsley Tate, age 98 of Eton, passed away Thursday, March 31, 2022 at Quinton Memorial.

She was of the Methodist Faith.

Idell was preceded in death by her husband Troy Tate; parents, Clifford and Sid Brewer and Jim Tinsley; sister, Faye Brewer Quade; half-brother, Ed Tinsley; step siblings, Gordon Brewer, Nannie Lou (Brewer) Arthur and Flossie (Brewer) Stafford.

Survivors include her step-son, Steve and Marianne Tate of Virginia Beach; daughter, Robin Painter Collins of Eton; grandchildren, Audrey Collins and Nate Holliday of San Diego, Calif., Rachel and Brandon Jozsa of Charlotte, N.C.; great-grandchildren, Madelyn Elizabeth Holliday; niece, Carole Quade



Enright and numerous close cousins.

Funeral services to celebrate the life of Mrs. Idell Tate was held on Sunday, April 3, 2022 at 3 p.m. from the chapel of Peeples Funeral Home with Rev. Lamar Beason officiating. Interment followed in Murray Memorial Gardens.

The Family received friends at the funeral home on Sunday from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m.

Peeples Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted with the arrangements for Mrs. Idell Tate.

Paul A. Parker

Mr. Paul A. Parker, age 66, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on March 29, 2022, surrounded by his loving family.

He was known for being a wonderful husband, dad, pawpaw, and steadfast friend.

Paul was affectionately known by many as the “Maytag Man” after spending decades in the appliance repair business. Throughout his career, he developed many special friendships with customers within the Dalton and Chatsworth areas. He was a talented guitar player who loved to play, sing, and listen to gospel and bluegrass music. Paul also enjoyed classic cars and used his mechanical skills to fully restore a 1966 Volkswagen Beetle. He truly enjoyed traveling with his fifth-wheel camper and spending time with his family and friends on camping trips.

He faithfully served Jesus Christ throughout his life and attended Crosspointe Church in Dalton, Ga.

Paul was born October 5, 1955 in Chatsworth, Ga., a son of the late Hershel and Willie Bell Parker. He was also preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Reverend James Davenport and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, RD and Willie Ruth Carroll.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 43 years, Denise Carroll Parker; son, Andrew (Brittany) Parker; daughter, Mollie



Parker; grandchildren, Ella Grace and Matthew Paul Parker; brothers and sisters Harrison (Wanda) Parker, Dolly Davenport, Charles (Debra) Parker, Bobby (Diane) Parker, and Annette (Junior) Jackson; brother-in-law Maurice (Linda) Carroll and sisters-in-law Carolyn (Joe) Noble, Joyce (Jerry) Sollinger. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews and a special friend, Tyler McBrayer.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thanks for the special care provided by Dr. Rod Ingraham, Dr. Davey Daniel, and the staff of Tennessee Oncology and Community Hospice, LLC.

Services to celebrate the life of Paul Parker were held Saturday, April 2, 2022, at 1 p.m. in the Chapel of Shawn Chapman Funeral Home in Chatsworth with Pastors Stan Lester and Mike Douglas officiating. The family received friends from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday. Arrangements by Shawn Chapman Funeral Home, 2362 Highway 76, Chatsworth, Ga. 30705.

Frances Geneva Bryson

Frances Geneva Bryson, age 91, of Chatsworth, passed away Tuesday, March 29, 2022.

Geneva enjoyed gardening, planting flowers, and being outdoors. She was retired from Shaw Industries.

Preceded in death was her husband, William “Bill” Bryson; parents,

Will Evans and Rosa Nelson Evans of Ramhurst Ga.; siblings, Louise Fannin, Mary Rogers, Baynard Evans, Robert Evans, Evelyn Whitaker.

Survived by her children and spouses, Billy and Laura Bryson of Chatsworth Ga., Doug and Debra Bryson of Dallas, Texas; grandchildren, Shelley and Eric Ridley of Dalton Ga.; special friends, Jan and Shelia Brown, Mckayla Sheriff.

Eric Ridley will be officiating a private ceremony at a later date.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Wood Dale Health and Rehabilitation 1102 Burleyson Road, Dalton, Ga., 30720.

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Davis joins BOE

By Jimmy Espy
EDITOR

A 31-year old businessman was chosen on Monday to fill the unexpired term of Sparky Roberts on the Murray County Board of Education.

Tanner Davis, who operates Drifters Trading in Eton, will hold the District 1 (Ramhurst) seat at least until November when the post will be up for election.

Roberts resigned last month after moving out of the district; he is now running against Kelli Reed for the “at large” seat on the seven-member board.

Davis told the

Times he “grew up in Murray County and graduated from Murray High in 2009.”

He has a wife who teaches in the system and a two-year-old daughter.

“I have served on school councils at Gladden and Bagley and looked at the school board as the next step I needed to take,” said Davis.

“I want to see the maximum potential come out of our schools and make the best decisions for our community.”

One other candidate applied for the position. Both candidates were interviewed by the board.

Commissioner clarifies rules for campaigning

By Jimmy Espy
EDITOR

ROAD CONTRACT

Hogan said the county will pay up to \$16,000 to EXP U.S. Services, an engineering services company which will assess and help seek bids on the 31 miles of county roads the commissioner hopes to improve this year.

“They could save us a lot of money,” Hogan said.

The commissioner said he believes EXP’s contacts in the industry could pay off in more bidders on county projects.

SOFTWARE

Hogan also said the county will spend \$102,676 of 2019 SPLOST funds to pay for upgraded software and hardware for the county’s E-911 system.

Grant covers tuition in high demand fields

Submitted by GNTC

Students who wish to pursue one of Georgia’s high demand careers may be eligible for a grant to pay 100% of tuition costs for select in-demand technical certificate and diploma programs at Georgia Northwestern Technical College (GNTC).

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Criminal Justice and Basic Law Enforcement will soon be added to the list of high demand careers eligible for the grant.

To be eligible for the HOPE Career Grant, students must first qualify for and be receiving the HOPE Grant. The two grants together will cover tuition.

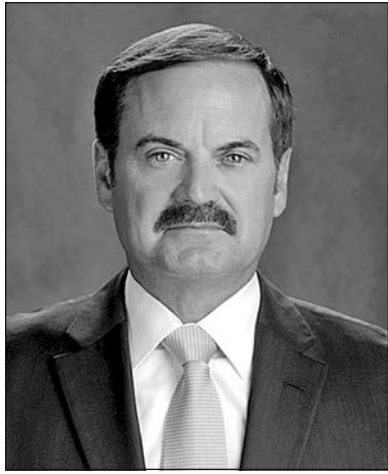
Eight hundred thirty-nine students have taken advantage of the grant program in spring 2022, and 1,334 have done so this academic year, Phillips said.

In the previous three years, 4,718 students utilized the program to cover their tuition costs: 1,789 students in academic year 2021; 1,665 students in academic year 2020; and 1,264 students in academic year 2019.

Students must meet HOPE Career Grant eligibility requirements and pay the remaining costs of college fees, books and materials each semester.

For a full list of HOPE Career Grant programs of study offered by GNTC, go to <https://www.gntc.edu/full-panel/uploads/files/hope-flyer.pdf>.

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OK. I didn't just describe 1950. I just described a normal day in Murray County, Georgia.

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Barry Gentry

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lifetime.

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Barry Gentry is chief operating officer of the Murray County Chamber of Commerce.

Americanisms



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— Ralph Waldo Emerson

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The king of the box scores

As of this week, The New York Times no longer publishes sports agate.

Agate, often generically labeled “the box scores,” is the portion of the newspaper sports section containing the statistical minutiae of sporting events. How many yards receiving did Ladd McConey have? Who pitched middle relief for the Braves? What line produced the winning goal?

The baseball box score is the Cadillac of sports agate. A seasoned baseball agate reader can pretty much tell you what happened in a game played 10 years ago with one quick, close look at the box score. Mastering agate was akin to learning a new language or working as a code breaker.

Agate was once the cornerstone of a great sports section. Every good sports staff had someone assigned to “do the agate.” But all those combinations of numbers could be quite cranky when you tried to organize them for the printed page. One problem was the length of people’s names. Ideally, every athlete would have a name like Mel Ott -- easy to fit in a narrow newspaper column. But for every Mel Ott, there was also a column-buster like Giannis Antetokounmpo, which would throw off your nice neat rows of numbers.

Sports agate for sure took extra work, but it was a crucial part of the sports section -- at least it was until the Internet came along and made box scores and other results available within minutes



Jimmy Espy

of the competition ending.

Today, instead of grabbing a sports page early in the morning and scouring the box scores, most fans go to bed knowing what they want to know.

Logically, these advances in technology have made things better for fans -- yet --- have they?

I check the box scores about every night during baseball season and appreciate the speed and convenience that technology provides. But I do miss setting aside a portion of my days to wander through that numeric dumping ground in search of sports greatness.

And now to the greater point, part of the reason I am so respectful of “the agate age” is that it was pounded into my head by my first boss in the newspaper industry, Doug Hawley.

Doug was the sports editor of The Daily Citizen in 1986 when I came to Dalton. I was hired by managing editor Louise Hackney but worked directly for Doug.

Doug was an eccentric fellow. He was a trained public speaker but actually rather shy. He was a single man in his mid 40s and I think he was terrified that people would think he was gay; that led him to making the occasional unnecessary, unacceptable but often hilarious comment.

For many years I denigrated

Doug’s abilities as a sports editor.

Truth be told, he had an out-of-date writing style and page design skills best suited for 1957. Doug knew a lot of verbs, but when it came to writing headlines, he only used about three of them. He’d utilize some variation of spark -- spark, sparks, sparkled, sparkling, sparkler -- every single day. Drove me nuts.

Doug loved agate. That same 1950s mentality that stamped his writing and layout, also demanded a healthy agate section ... including our local games.

I would be pounding the keyboard like a madman trying to finish a football game story on Friday night deadline and Doug would inevitably sing out -- “Don’t forget the agate.”

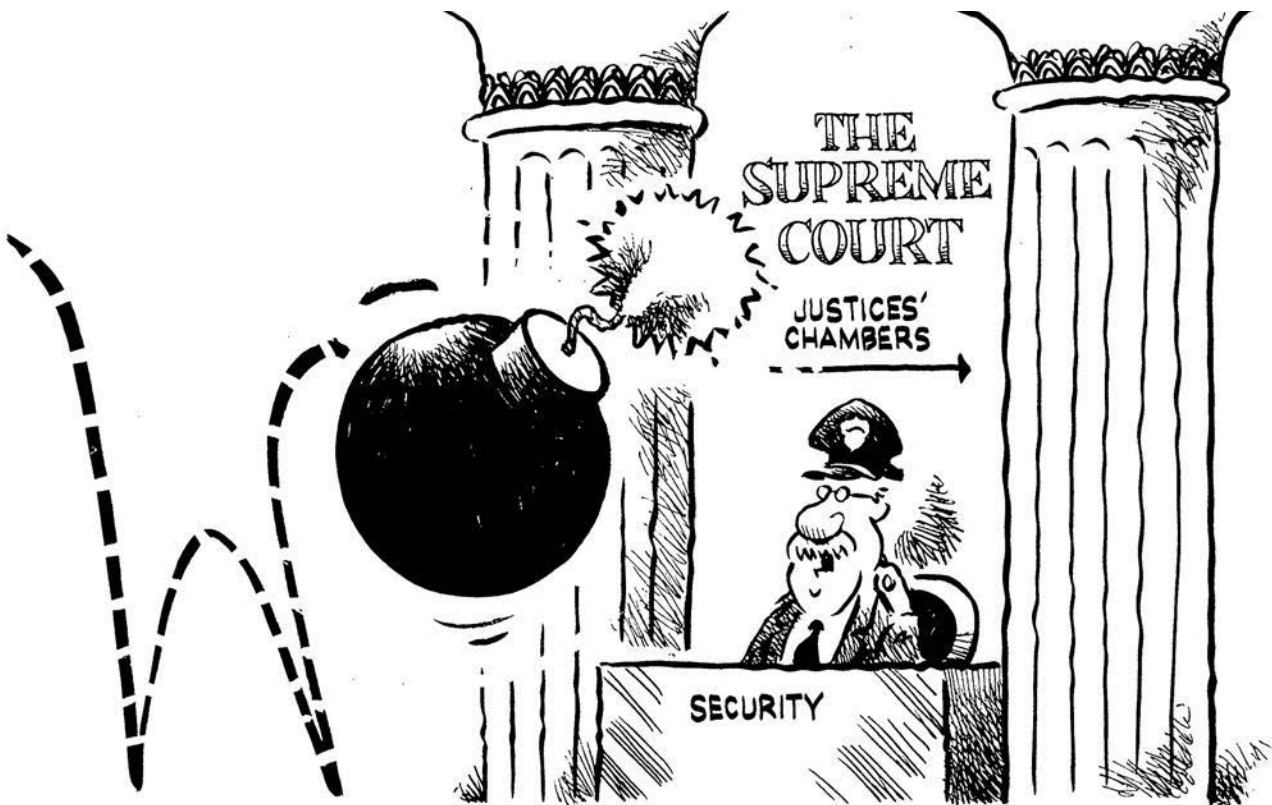
As much as I loved reading agate, doing all the work to get it in a story on deadline was maddening. But Doug demanded it. That’s why today if you dig up a game story from that era, you can find out how many yards the Murray County backup fullback had in a game against Dalton.

In the last few years I have come to much more deeply appreciate Doug’s editorship of The Daily Citizen. His flaws were real, as I knew back then, but what stands out to me today -- 30-plus years later -- are the things Doug did well.

He knew every coach in the community and had phone numbers for about all of them.

He got out to all kinds of games

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“Good morning, Mrs. Thomas. Here to see your husband ?...”

Fresh prints on Chris Rock’s face

It was right out of a Jerry Springer show. Come to think of it, the past few years in America



David Carroll

have been Springer-ized. Everybody is screaming, cursing, and acting out. From the executive branch, to the legislative, and now even the wife of a Supreme Court justice, so I suppose the circle is complete.

From studying the replays, it was confirmed that Will Smith slapped Chris Rock. Yes, this large, strapping man who had played Muhammad Ali in a movie, slapped an older, smaller man. (Best line I’ve seen so far: What did police find when they dusted Chris Rock’s face? Fresh prints. I so wish I could take credit for that).

While some have expressed admiration for Smith’s apparent chivalry, I’m still trying to figure out the slap. I have seen every episode of “Bonanza,” many of which featured Hoss Cartwright defending a woman’s honor by exacting vengeance on some scruffy lowlife who dared insult a lady. Never once did Hoss utilize an open-hand slap. Nope, the big cowboy charged up, much like Will Smith, but with fists a’ flying. If Hoss had slapped an outlaw, he would have been laughed off the Ponderosa.

Cindy reminded me of the one time I was in a similar situation, and forever became her hero. Early in our marriage, I emceed a charity event called the Kudzu Ball, which was a parody of a high-society gala known as the

Cotton Ball. There was a costume contest, and Cindy, dressed as “Kudzilla” was among the winners.

After the show, some drunk confronted her and complained that she won because of her relation to me. Her integrity was being questioned! I leapt into action, getting in the guy’s face, ready to go toe-to-toe. Now keep in mind that I am not a fighter. Physically, I’m as intimidating as Don Knotts in his Sunday go to meeting clothes. Surprisingly, the guy backed away and apologized, while I strutted around like Foghorn Leghorn. To be honest, I don’t know what I would have done had the situation escalated, but there would have been no slapping.

By the time you read this, I’m sure Will Smith’s public relations team will have apologized to Chris Rock’s team (and vice versa), and they will soon star in a movie together to cash in on the notoriety.

And, the next time the far more acerbic comedian Ricky Gervais hosts an awards show, he will be surrounded by armed guards.

For the past two years, we have craved normalcy, looking forward to the day when we could talk about anything besides COVID-19. In a weird sort of way, we got our wish.

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Top, the Murray County 4-H Tech Changemakers team was recognized at the Board of Education meeting on Monday. Pictured, from left, are Stephanie Skojac, Sara Gibson, Isabel Harrison, Charley Richards, Landon Owens, Isaac Chavez and Renae Richards; (Below) Sara Gibson demonstrates a method by which people can have the safety of their computer passwords rated.

FROM PAGE 1

proposal. School Superintendent Steve Loughridge had told board members that if Eton Elementary fell below the 450 student threshold, the school would lose substantial state funding. "The whole reason for this is to help Eton Elementary stay above 450 students," Loughridge told the board last Thursday.

The current student count at Eton is 455 students.

NEW FURNITURE

Board members voted 5-0 to approve spending more than \$834,000 on new furniture (desks, chairs, lockers, etc.) for Northwest Elementary (\$328,000) and Gladden Middle (\$506,000).

Gladden underwent major renovations before the 2021 school year. Northwest Elementary suffered heavy damage inside the school facilities after being struck by a tornado in 2020.

Last week Loughridge told board members that initial cost estimates for replacing the furniture at the two schools came in at more than \$1.3 million. Central office officials then met with the two principals, Daphne Winkler and Roger Rainey, to pare costs.

“They cut the items that didn’t impact teaching in the classroom,” Loughridge said. The vendor is Virco, a California-based supplier of school equipment and furniture.

LET THERE BE LIGHT

The board unanimously OK'd spending approximately \$345,700 on new lights for the softball field at Murray County High School and the tennis courts at North Murray High School.

Loughridge said the wooden poles has been damaged over the years by woodpeckers.

West Georgia Lighting, a Carrollton-based company,

will begin work on the projects this summer. "They will probably start with the softball field and hopefully they will be done by the time softball begins in the spring," Loughridge said.

AND MORE LIGHTS

The board OK'd paying the City of Chatsworth \$39,000 to help pay the cost of additional lighting at the crosswalks near Chatsworth High School. Earlier this year a student was struck while crossing the road to get the school campus.

The new lighting will add about \$282 a month in energy costs, according to Georgia Power estimates.

CUSTODIANS

All the board members approved adding the cost of cleaning Spring Place Elementary to its contract with KBS, which provides most of the school system's cleaning service.

Spring Place has been using custodians employed by the school system, but that will change with the next school year. The handful of remaining custodians employed by the board will be transferred to another site.

Adding Spring Place to the KBS contract (and a 3 percent price increase) will bump the school system's monthly payments from \$111,000 to \$127,900, beginning on July 1.

THIS AND THAT

* The school system will put at least 10 pieces of equipment formerly used by the Career, Technical and Agriculture (CTAE) program at MCHS for sale on the website GOV.com. Anyone can bid on the items.

* The board approved purchase orders new decor for the lunchroom at Woodlawn Elementary (\$50,000), new headphone technology (\$32,000) and security cameras at Northwest Elementary (\$56,478.)

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Arrests

MARCH 28
Presnell, Virgil Calvin, 37, of no address given, Charge: FV criminal trespass, Charge: Simple assault, family violence

MARCH 29
Taylor, Marcus Lamont, 52, of 181 Shawn Ln. Chatsworth, Charge: Possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute Charge: Possession of marijuana Charge: Trafficking in methamphetamine or amphetamine Charge: Possession and use of drug related objects

MARCH 30
Hester, Drew Cody, 39, of 718 W. Chestnut St. Chatsworth, Charge: Sexual exploitation of children, felony
Fields, Dakota Thomas, 18, of 1700 Ballground Rd. Chatsworth, Charge: Serving time
Adams, Kelly Evelyn, 34, of 1185 North Pass Chatsworth, Charge: D.U.I., driving under the influence of drugs
Kintz, Cody Alan, 29, of 722 Barksdale Dr. Chatsworth, Charge: Simple assault Charge: False imprisonment

MARCH 31
Goins, James Edmund, 25, of 236 Jones Rd. Old Fort, Tenn., Charge: Pending warrant
Williamson, Jennafer Christine, 27, of 236 Jones Rd. Old Fort, Tenn., Charge: Pending warrant
Pierce, Brandon Lee, 29, of 491 Hardwork Rd. Chatsworth, Charge: Bondsman off bond Charge: Failure to appear, misdemeanor

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Hall, Zachary Scott, 27, of 128 W. Talent Way Dalton, Charge: Failure to appear, felony
Carroll, Tammy Sue, 50, of 3631 Susan Lane Tunnel Hill, Charge: Failure to appear, felony
McAllister, Teresa Seawright, 54, of 328 Big Oak St. Chatsworth, Charge: Possession and use of drug related objects Charge: Possession of methamphetamine
Crowe, Kelly Rene, 54, of 328 Big Oak St. Chatsworth, Charge: Hold for other
Cooper, Phillip Ray, 46, of 380 Wilbanks Rd. Chatsworth, Charge: Improper lane change/failure to maintain lane Charge: Speeding Charge: D.U.I., driving under the influence of multiple substances

APRIL 2
Smith, Dennis Paul, Jr., 28, of no address given, Charge: Failure to appear, misdemeanor
Moore, Donald Wayne, Jr., 33, of 1797 Carter Dr. Dalton, Charge: Violation of probation, misdemeanor

APRIL 3
Dykes, Jesse Aaron, 40, of 160 Cedar Bluff Rd. Knoxville, Tenn., Charge: Open container violation beer/ale/porter/stout/other similar beverages Charge:

Failure to obey traffic control device Charge: Improper lane change/failure to maintain lane Charge: D.U.I., driving under the influence of alcohol-concentration of 0.08g or more within 3 hours or more
Delgado, Melquisedec, 21, of 150 Center Hill Cemetery Rd. Chatsworth, Charge: D.U.I., driving under the influence of drugs Charge: Possession of marijuana Charge: Speed less than minimum/impending flow of traffic

APRIL 4
Epperson, Marcus Brindle, 27, of 130 Barney Pierce Rd. Spur Chatsworth, Charge: Driving while license suspended or revoked, 2nd offense within 5 year
Oliver, Bobby Allen, 52, of 512 Wildwood Dr. Chatsworth, Charge: Trafficking in methamphetamine or amphetamine Charge: Possession of methamphetamine Charge: Possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute Charge: Possession and use of drug related objects Charge: Possession of marijuana Charge: Poss/manuf/deliver/distr/admin/sell/poss with intent to distribute marijuana Charge: Possession of a firearm or knife during commission or attempt to commit certain felonies
Oliver, Ernestine Kaye, 48, of 515 Wildwood Dr. Chatsworth, Charge: Possession of a firearm or knife during commission or attempt to commit certain felonies Charge: Poss/manuf/deliver/distr/admin/sell/poss with intent to distribute marijuana Charge: Possession of marijuana Charge: Possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute Charge: Trafficking in methamphetamine or amphetamine Charge: Possession of methamphetamine Charge: Possession and use of drug related objects
Ogle, Susan Elizabeth, 56, of 818 N. 6th Ave. Chatsworth, Charge: Serving time

Smith, Bobbie Kay, 43, of 64 Patricia Ave. D Chatsworth, Charge: Failure to appear, felony
Stonecipher, Joey Lavaughn, 29, of 4676 Gatlin Rd. Cleveland, Tenn., 2 charges: Failure to appear, misdemeanor Charge: Poss/manuf/deliver/distr/admin/sell/poss with intent to distribute marijuana Charge: Possession and use of drug related objects Charge: Driving with license suspended or revoked, 2nd offense within 5 years
Hembree, Mark Curtis, 30, of 150 Cherokee Dr. Chatsworth, Charge: Failure to appear, misdemeanor Charge: Failure to appear, felony
Callahan, Jeri Tate, 39, of 107 Hwy. 225 S. 2 Chatsworth, Charge: Pending warrant

HAWLEY: Good boss, good man

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-- football, baseball, softball, track, tennis, wrestling.
Doug made sure we intensely covered the four high schools of that era but we also wrote about middle schools, JV and the recreation leagues.
Doug had an understanding with every coach in the area -- get us the information and we'll get it in the newspaper. That determination to do incredibly thorough coverage would get Doug in trouble. More than once I saw Doug take a chewing out from an irate publisher because he held the sports section a little too long trying to get one last story on the page.
Under Doug's leadership the sports pages we produced were flawed; but they were also the best thing about

The Daily-Citizen at that time. We did a lot of good.
Doug and I didn't always get along when I worked for him but I was happy that when I came back to Dalton in 2000 as managing editor that Doug worked for us as a stringer. He and I had some good conversations.
Yet I never told him how much I appreciated what I learned from him.
Doug died recently at age 82. I'll always regret not seeking him out for one last talk, most of which would have consisted of apologies for my youthful bull-headedness.
Doug was a kind soul and a good man and I am proud to say he was my boss.
Doug Hawley sparkled.
Jimmy Espy is editor and general manager of The Chatsworth Times.

Another victory over COVID

There are many signs that the COVID pandemic is subsiding in Murray County and all of us are delighted to see that happening. Life is not totally back to normal and many of us are not certain that we remember what "normal" looks like. It is great to see schools, community events, and churches returning to in person activities. While we are thankful for Zoom and other types of internet broadcasts, but none of those are like being together in person. While there has not been a "grand opening day", organizations all over our county have been taking steps back toward normal or something similar that. Last Saturday, March 26 an important step forward was taken that most did not know about but was important to a very special group of people. A team from Holly Creek Baptist Church was able to resume worship services at Chatsworth Healthcare.

In 1989, Holly Creek Baptist Church began a nursing home ministry at Chatsworth Healthcare. Hoyt and Virginia Brown along with other faithful workers began having worship services there on Saturday afternoon. In addition to conducting worship services, they would visit people in the rooms who were not physically able to attend the group services. They continued for more than twenty years with others assisting. When they were no longer able to lead that ministry others stepped forward and continued the work until COVID forced the nursing home to stop group meetings as other organizations had done.

Last Saturday, the Holly Creek Team was able to conduct their

Church hosts gospel singing

The Troy Burns family will sing in the 11 a.m. service April 10 at Homeland Baptist Church located at 472 Treadwell Rd. in Chatsworth, Everyone is invited to enjoy some great southern gospel singing.

Easter play set

Homeland Baptist Church will present "Worthy is the Lamb" an Easter dramatic play about the life, seath and resurrection of Jesus Christ on April 15-17 at 7 p.m. nightly.
Everyone is welcome For more information call the church at 706-517-9175, the church is located at 472 Treadwell Road in Chatsworth.



Danny Cochran

first worship service since the pandemic arrived. I attended and we inspired as I watched the residents who came to that first meeting singing the old songs from the church hymnal. Some were smiling as that sang and others were lifting their hands in praise. Robert Richardson, the worship pastor at Holly Creek Church brought a brief sermon from Mark 10 about how the Lord healed blind Bartimaeus. It was a joy to watch them worship and to visit with them individually after the worship service had concluded.
The Bible is clear that we should honor the aged among us. Moses wrote in Leviticus 19:32, "Stand up in the presence of the elderly and show respect for the aged." Paul instructed Timothy to never speak harshly to an older man, but appeal to him respectfully and to treat older women as you would your mother (1Tim. 5:1-3). What was done Saturday might be small in the grand scheme of world events, but it made a difference in the lives of those who participated in it. There are other groups in our community that need encouragement and inspiration. Jesus told his disciples to look upon the fields and see that they were ready for harvest (Matt. 9:37). He was talking about the people who needed a message of forgiveness and hope. There is an open field in our county for a message of forgiveness, change and hope as well as a personal touch from someone who cares. Let's look for and take advantage of those opportunities to make a difference in someone's world.

Danny Cochran is pastor of Holly Creek Baptist Church.



PHOTO BY SCOTT KUHN

Cast members for "Oklahoma" have been rehearsing the popular musical since January.

OKLAHOMA: A classic

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and the same.
"They don't have to be in class to be in the production and they don't have to be in the production to be in the class," Rollins said. "One is the in-class stuff and one is after school stuff."
There isn't a One Act Play competition this time around for Murray, so the production was put on for community enjoyment. Spring productions are generally set aside as musicals and the fall show is a traditional play. Rollins and company put on "Little Women" back in the fall, which was also a musical. He's not sure what next year will bring.
"I have to think about what I can compete with," Rollins said. "Who am I up against? We're in a new region this coming year. Musicals are expensive and when you cut it down to one act you end up losing a little of it. I like straight plays without music. I hem and haw over it. There's no rhyme and reason to it."
Here's a cast list from the show:
Aunt Eller (Kaylee Tankersley), Curly (Riley Morrison), Laurey (Sarah Ridley), Ike Skidmore (Joseph Jones), Fred (Glenda Hampton), Slim (Thomas Dillard), Will Parker (Brayden Holt), Jud Fry (Fernando Magana), Ado Annie (Kennedy Ryan), Ali Hakim (Cayden Miller), Gertie Cummings (Michelle Peeples), Andrew Carnes (Camron Cloer), Ellen (Makayla Stanley), Kate (Emma McDaniel), Vivian (Temperance Pate), Virginia (Aubrie Williams), Cord Elam (Jaxson Green-Coram), Ensemble (Payton Caylor, Olivia Brazil, Jay Huggins, Belle Peeples, and Sydney Rhinehardt).



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Fourth Grade Star: Torin Carroll, Sawyer Chase, Elin Hobbs, Brenda Juarez, Peyson Stover, Alyssa Warren
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Fraire, Yadira Gonzalez, Jude Guinn, Michael Hooper, Erick Hurtado, Ricky Jones, Zander Land, Laura McElrath, Elizabeth Salazar, Trey Thorne, Liliana Torres Lopez, Natalie Walker, Tyler Wood
Sixth Grade Star: Rachel Bennett, Trinity Collins, Yamila Dominguez, Summer Ensley, Valeria Figueroa, Aden Hicks, Urijah McAllister, Graham Pittman, Aspen Powers, Paloma Pulido, Kensli Ray, Xavi Santana, Austynn Smith, Josilyn Stone, Melissa Tirado, Chase Waldrop, Kipp Walston, Zay West, Jillian Yates
Sixth Grade Honor Roll: Tatum Bartenfield, Daniel Carr, Gage Chapman, Gavin Cochran, Waylon Davenport, Pascual Escobar, Kale Greeson, Leonardo Marquez, Brennan Millsap, Brooke Moore, Sarah Norris, Nayeli Olvera, Peyton Pell, Isabella Petty, Addy Reynolds, Alex Salaises, Daniel Silva, Kaleb Sisk, Mackenzie Stover, Cristian Tejada, Coleton Wooten



The Asian long-horned tick, discovered in Georgia in 2017, can be a danger to livestock and other animals.

New tick species found in Georgia

There is a “new” tick in Ga. – the Asian long-horned tick, whose arrival in the U.S. was first confirmed in 2017. They are known to have been found on people, pets, livestock and wildlife, including whitetail deer. In 2021, it was officially confirmed in Pickens County on a cow as part of a tick surveillance program by the Georgia Department of Agriculture. Monitoring and surveillance of the tick’s distribution in Georgia continues.

The Asian longhorned tick is light brown and less than 5 mm in size when unfed. Once a female has fed, she’d be about the sizes of a pea; nymphs (immature ticks) are about the size of a poppy seed. This particular tick can actually reproduce sexually and asexually. What does this mean? A single female can produce fertilized eggs and offspring without mating with a male. It only takes one female to establish a population! They prefer to live in tall grass and weeds but will attach to livestock, wildlife, pets and humans.

Why are we worried about it? Since a single female can lay up to 2,000 eggs in a 2-3-week period after a blood meal, there is the potential of hundreds of ticks attaching to a single animal. Extreme blood loss (anemia) in an animal will result in an unthrifty appearance, decreased milk production, and possibly death. In addition, these ticks can carry a parasite that infects red and white blood cells in cattle. The parasite itself also causes anemia by destroying red blood cells, leading to weakness, lethargy, jaundice and abortions

in cattle. Any cattle that survive the parasite would then be carriers for life. Infected dairy cattle will also experience a decrease in milk production. Often stress episodes such as calving and weaning could worsen the appearance of signs in cattle.

Prevention is key through both integrated pest management and visual inspection of your animals. If you see significant scratching and irritated skin or large infestations of ticks on your animals, take immediate action. Permethrins are an effective repellent against the Asian long-horned tick. Also keep pastures and other grazing areas short; clear wooded areas when possible, especially around pastures, barns & lots to reduce tick habitat.

If you suspect you have found an Asian long-horned tick, save it in a small container of rubbing alcohol and submit it for identification. If you want to save it for pathogen testing because you suspect a parasite issue related to the Asian long-horned tick in your cattle, put it in a Ziploc in the refrigerator. It is very important that you work with your veterinarian on biosecurity controls if the tick and/or parasite are identified to reduce the spread of the parasite through the herd.

For additional information, see <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/maps/Animal-Health/asian-longhorned-tick> (Photo credit: CDC; Tick and Hand Photo credit: Michael Greenwood). If you have any questions, feel free to contact your local county agent, Brenda Jackson, at Murray County Extension at 706-695-3031 or email bljack@uga.edu.

What’s Growing On?



Brenda Jackson

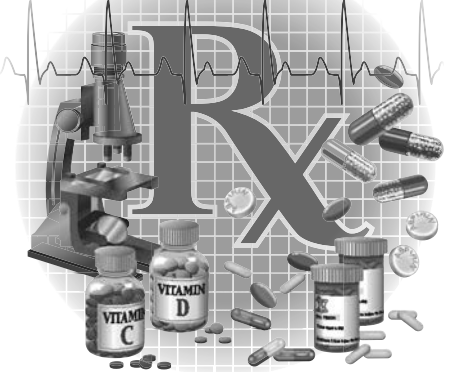


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Model Train Expo roars into town on Saturday

The Model Train Expo will welcome visitors to the Chatsworth Depot from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday. The Depot (219 N. First Ave.) will be open, as will be the Historic Wright Hotel next door. Groups from the Atlanta and Chattanooga areas will display their models. Activities include a raffle at the end of the day with a model train or the prize. Tickets, \$2 each or 3 for \$5, can be purchased at the event or in advance from the Crown Achieves, the Murray County Clerk of Court office, Pat’s Antiques, or from depot committee members. The 1960 SCL Caboose located behind the depot will open for tours during the same hours. The depot’s big blue train will also be giving rides up to the Section Foreman’s House in City Park. The section house will be open for tours for the first time in almost three years.

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Edgeman joins Phi Kappa Phi
BATON ROUGE, La. (03/29/2022)-- Lara Edgeman of Chatsworth, Georgia, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation’s oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Edgeman was initiated at Mercer University.
Edgeman is among approximately 25,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only

the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.
Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of undergraduate student Marcus L. Urann.

ARTS: Exhibition begins on Thursday

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recognized as finalists in the Creative Arts Guild’s Bernice Spigel Prize for Excellence in the Visual Arts. Additionally, NMHS student Jade Thompson was named the winner of the 2022 Murray County Farm Bureau Art Contest.
“The talent exhibited in this show is amazing. We are so appreciative of Kristi and Ashli’s help. Scheduling around school events and Spring Break can be impossible sometimes,” said Jessica Whealey, MAC Secretary and Art Committee Co-Chair. “Kristi and Ashli have so much energy and are so proud of their student artists.”
Additionally, Murray Arts Council is including some highlights from the recent grant-funded art project presented by Chatsworth Elementary School, “Our Community Chatsworth.” This project was initiated by Chatsworth Elementary School’s art teacher, Sherri Carr, through a M.B. Seretean Grant issued by the Oscar N. Jonas Foundation..
“Although this show is dedicated to high school artists, Mrs. Carr’s project was so amazing that we worked with her to show a small portion of it at our Student Art Show. She is creating a

short slideshow to show each grade’s work. We will be able to show the paper quilt and collaborative piece, Indian head. Our large-screen TV will be put to use again – we first used in our recent Local Artists Show – to show Mrs. Carr’s slides,” said Lori McDaniel, MAC President and Oscar N. Jonas board member. “There were tons of folks at the March 24 event at Chatsworth Elementary, but we know there are a lot who missed it and would like to see it. This is not nearly as ‘electric’ as the original presentation - with live performances, excited students and proud parents - but we are proud to include pieces of it.”
Pieces from this project will also be on display on the porch of The Wright Hotel on Sat., April 9 during the Whitfield-Murray Historical Society’s Train expo.
“People should plan to go to both events on April 9,” said Sane. “They are within walking distance of each other. We love it when projects come together in the same timeframe like these two have.”
For additional information, please visit our MAC’s Facebook page, @murraycountyartscouncil or email us at murrayartscouncil.com. Our webpage is currently under construction.



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*Twenty-two calves raised in Murray County were receiving final preparations before being sent to Atlanta for the big calf show. The calves were to be judged and sold with prize money offered for the top animals.

* Samuel Pickard and Charles Crow of Murray County joined the United States Navy, according to local recruiters.

* Boys 4-H Club members in Murray County included Barron Brooks, Jack Poag, Mitchell Pritchett, Raymond Loughridge, Jewell Headrick, Ray Greeson, Tommy Deal, Mac Sellers and Raymond Keener.

* Girls 4-H Club members included Mildred Crumly, Opal Davis, Hazel Davis, Juanita Elrod, Otense Couch, Frances Headrick and Bleeka Leonard.

* Among the teachers hired by the board of education to work in county schools were (at Murray County High) Miss Lula Gladden, Mrs. Inez Kerr, Miss Pauline Ogletree and Mrs. Ruth Ann Pannell; (at Coffey's) Mildred Baxter; (at Colvard) Dee Baxter and (at Franklin) Frances Coffey and Ainslee Vaughn.

* Murray County High School's FFA chapter was hosting the FFA District speaking contest at the high school. Team expected to compete included Ringgold, Rossville, Valley Point, Varnell and West Side. Murray County High was also competing.

* Fort Mountain Cafe was under the new management of Luther Martin. "Good food" and "quick service" were advertised.

* It was a big week at the Fort Theatre in Chatsworth. The big feature on Saturday night was "King of Dodge City" with Tex Ritter and Bill Elliott. A serial, "Dick Tracy vs. Crime" was also on the bill. The Monday and Tuesday night feature was "Sullivan's Travels" starring Joel McCrea and Veronica Lake.

* Beverly Gordon was the guest of honor at an Easter egg hunt hosted by her mother Mrs. Roy Gordon (of Green Road). Guest Dee Ette Calhoun won the special prize for finding the most eggs. Among the visitors Eloise Winters, Joan Chastain, Johnnie Hall, Bobby Greeson, Donald Bradley and Ann Harbin Hemphill.

* A 100-pound bag of "super quality" starting mash was only \$3.50 at Hufstetler's Market. Cigarettes are 15 cents a pack. Duke's Mayo was 32 cents a pint.

* In Personal Mentions: Mr. R.P. Messer of Carters was in Chatsworth on Monday; Mr. and Mrs. Otto Oscher and son Jonathan visited Chattanooga on Tuesday; Miss Esther Shelton was "able to get out again" after her recent illness; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Groves "motored" to Farmer, Tenn. where they dropped off Raymond, who was starting his new job with TVA.

* In the Want Ads: O.R. McGhee of Route 2, Chatsworth had four "good work mules" for sale.

* The health department was hosting a tuberculosis clinic, according to county nurse Mrs. Julian Reese.

* Eton Methodist Church christened Mary Jane Fincher, Julia Austin and Earl Cooper Foster, Jr. on Sunday.



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Looking back

Chatsworth can boast a downtown historic district on the National Register of Historic Places that is largely intact. Over the next few weeks, we will highlight the same block of Third Avenue (which became U.S. 411) across from the courthouse as a reminder that things change, yet remain recognizable. For more details about the historic buildings see Murray County Heritage for a map that shows many of the businesses that have come and gone during the last 100+ years. The book was published by the Whitfield-Murray Historical Society in 1987 and has never gone out-of-print. Some of the folks who had known Chatsworth since its beginning assisted with the compilation which answers lots of questions about our local history. It's available at most area libraries and copies can be purchased at Pat's Antiques in Chatsworth. Proceeds go to preserve the buildings in which the historical society houses our history.

Nine earn POST certification

Submitted by GNTC

Friends, family and the community gathered on March 24 in the auditorium at Georgia Northwestern Technical College's Gordon County Campus to honor nine students graduating from Basic POST Certification Class.

The Basic POST Certification program is designed to train and prepare graduates for employment as entry-level Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council (POST) certified police officers. The new program is offered in addition to the Basic Law Enforcement program, and both programs are part of GNTC's Law Enforcement Academy.

The regular basic mandate is 700 hours and takes three semesters to

complete, he said.

Braden Smith was the student speaker for the ceremony. Joshua Burchfield was presented with the "Top Gun" award for excellence in marksmanship and the Academic (Honor Graduate) Award for having the highest grade point average.

"This course is nonstop for 11 weeks, and these students excelled in every way," McConathy said.

Graduates are Joshua Burchfield, Stephanie Dillard, Colton Gilreath, Alexander Hall, Vanessa Long, Jonathan McKeehan, Michael Phillips, Braden Smith and Nicholas Woods.

All nine students were certified and are working as sheriff's deputies: Burchfield and Dillard with the Murray County Sheriff's Office.

'For Her' event set for April 21 in Dalton

Submitted by HMC

DALTON – Hamilton Medical Center will host an in-person "For Her" women's event on Thursday, April 21, 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Dalton Convention Center.

For Her registration opened April 1.

"We're excited to host this event again, and be able to have it in person," said Rachel Ogle, community outreach manager for Hamilton.

Screenings for the event will include: cholesterol, blood pressure, glucose, thyroid, hearing, skin cancer check and breast exam (physical breast exam).

The event will also include mini massages, acupuncture, food, health and wellness vendors, giveaways and door prizes.

Carol Gruver, MD, cardiologist, will provide a special session on "Women and Heart Disease." During the special session, Cheryl Baucom, open-heart patient, will present her inspirational story.



Gruver



Baucom



Ogle

All activities, services and giveaways will be available while supplies last and time permits. Those who registered and attend the event will receive a free gift.

If you would like to attend and need assistance with interpretation services and/or auxiliary aids, please indicate when registering. Hamilton Health Care System follows social distancing and CDC guidelines. Masks are required.

To register, please visit HamiltonHealth.com/ForHerEvent or call 706-272-6114.

Alumni meeting planned

Though there are thousands of alumni of Murray County High School, about less than 250 of them are members of the school's alumni association. Association president Tammy Coker Gold and membership chair Joan Dooley would like to increase that number so the Association can do more for the school, students, and alumni.

The next meeting will be held at the Historic Wright Hotel on the corner of Market Street and Second Avenue in Chatsworth on April 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Annual membership in the association is only \$10 a year while life memberships are \$100. Alumni Hall of Fame inductees are awarded honorary memberships. Membership is open to anyone who graduated from or attended MCHS for at least two years. Present and former faculty/staff with at least 10 years of service are also eligible to join.

Memberships, contributions, and nominations for the Alumni Hall of Fame can be mailed to the Association at P.O. Box 2155, Chatsworth, Ga. 30705.

Lack of sweating concerns reader

DEAR DR. ROACH: I have had excessive sweating for the past few years. I don't mean underarms; I mean head and face. In warmer weather, my hair will be soaking wet in no time. My doctor thinks it's related to the anxiety syndrome I have had since I was a small child, and prescribed nortriptyline 10 mg once daily. When I looked it up, I thought it might be a little dangerous for me. I am 79 years old.

I am very healthy otherwise. I hope you can help. It's a horrible problem, and it ruins my summers. -- J.H.

To Your Good Health



Dr. Keith Roach

However, it may run in families. I disagree with nortriptyline in most people. Not only is it not a good treatment for anxiety, it may have excess sweating as a side effect, but the very low dose makes that unlikely. Doses for depression are often 300 mg.

The usual first treatment is topical antiperspirants to the affected areas. If over-the-counter treatments don't work, then prescription strength (20%) aluminum chloride hexahydrate can be tried, although it can be irritating to the skin of the face in some people. Other treatments include a different topical treatment called glycopyrrolate, botulinum toxin (Botox) injection and oral medications like oxybutynin. In people in their 70s and 80s I try not to use the oral agents.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

ANSWER: We use the Greek terminology to define this problem: primary focal hyperhidrosis, specifically craniofacial hyperhidrosis. "Primary" because it isn't associated with any other known problem; "focal" because it is in one area; "craniofacial" meaning "head and face"; and "hyperhidrosis" just means "too much sweat." The underlying cause is unknown, but your doctor might be right that anxiety is playing a role.

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An evening in ‘Oklahoma’



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Eliezer Velasquez

The North Murray stand-out scored four goals in the Mountaineers 10-1 region-title clinching win over Rockmart last week. Velasquez has helped lead his team back to the state playoffs.

N. Murray wins region, 3 teams to state

By Erik Green
SPORTS EDITOR

North Murray wrapped up its sixth region title in soccer on Friday with a 10-1 win over Rockmart in Region 6-AAA action.

Eliezer Velasquez had a big day, scoring four goals. Roman Guzman had two and Uriel Marquez, Ari Robles, Giovanni Lopez, and Victor Paniagua had one each. Axel Salaises had two assists, and Giovanni Lopez, Jafet Cuenca, Angel Guzman, Victor Paniagua, and Eric Morales each had one as well. In goal, Victor Paniagua had three saves and Kevin Lopez had two. With the win, the Mountaineers are 11-4 overall and have run the table in the region so far at 7-0.

“I am incredibly proud of the boys,” said longtime coach Matt Chambers. “I challenged them at the beginning of the season to work hard and be able to overcome any challenges that may come our way. They grew together, progressed together, worked through some difficulties, and most importantly found a way to win. Again, I am very proud of all the hard work and appreciate their trust in me. We are not satisfied with another

region championship; we are grateful but we want more going forward into the state playoffs.”

The Mountaineers have been peaking at the right time. They have rumbled off six wins in a row, including a 4-1 victory over former state champion Coahulla Creek. They have scored almost twice as many goals as their opponents on the season and should be poised for a deep playoff run.

They wrap up the regular season Friday at home against Murray. The Mountaineers will make their 12th state playoff appearance on April 13 at home against Hart County.

Also making the playoffs were the Murray County boys team and the North Murray girls squad.

The Lady Mountaineers will play Murray County at home on Friday at 5 p.m. to close out the regular season.

They will travel to Oconee County on Tuesday for their state playoff opener.

The Murray County boys will finish the regular season on Friday at North Murray with a game at 7 p.m.

They will open the state playoffs at Oconee County on on April 13.



PHOTO BY MARION MCABEE

Murray County's Alfonso Rafael duels with an Adairsville defender in a recent match.

Ruritan
tourney
set for
May 14

Submitted by the Ruritan Club

The 22nd annual Spring Place Ruritan Club Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, May 14 at Indian Trace Golf Course. Club members are signing up teams and securing hole sponsors as they anticipate another tremendous event this year. Proceeds from the event will support the Spring Place Ruritan Club's numerous service projects in Murray County. The shotgun start will be at 8:30 am.

The tournament will be a 4-man select shot event with space for up to 25 teams. The cost is \$60 per person. Low score team prizes include \$400 for first place, \$200 for second, and \$100 for third place. There will again be a special prize for the player closest to the pin on the 5th hole. For the longest drives on holes 8 and 17, there are prizes of \$75 each. The really BIG award is \$10,000 courtesy of Chatsworth Ford for a hole in one on hole 18. Mulligans cannot be used for these cash prizes. This year are additional prizes possible on holes 2, 11, and 16 all also sponsored by Ford.

Mulligans are \$5 each, two per golfer. Range balls are extra. Seniors (70 and up) will play from the red tees and will have their own longest drive prize on hole 17.

There will be a free barbecue lunch with homemade desserts for all participants at the awards ceremony. If weather forces the postponement of the tournament, the rain date is May 21.

Celebrating more than 70 years of service in Murray County, the Spring Place Ruritan Club is a member of Ruritan National, an organization dedicated to improving communities and building a better America through fellowship, goodwill, and community service. Ruritan, America's oldest civic organization, has almost 30,000 members in about 1,000 clubs in 25 states.

For more information about the golf tournament or Ruritan call Chuck Smith at 706-264-3968 or Vicki Bramblett at 706-581-3959. Hole sponsorships are available for \$125 each.

By Erik Green
SPORTS EDITOR

It hasn't been the most memorable season for Murray baseball, but sweeping your crosstown rival helps.

The Indians defeated North Murray 7-5 Tuesday and 10-0 on Thursday. The win on Thursday put them at 4-12 overall and 3-5 in region play. After losing to LaFayette Friday, North Murray has dropped 12 games in a row.

“We didn't meet the standards set forth in our program,” said North Murray coach Seth Hickman.

Murray had previously won just one game before March 25. They have now taken three out of their last five. They lost to Trion in non-region play Friday 11-4.

“We are beginning to play up to our potential,” said first year Murray coach Josh Wiggins. “Jackson Bearden gave another outstanding performance from the mound (Thursday) throwing a one-hit shutout. Hitting was outstanding with Taylor Carrell, Landon Bennett, Braxton Vineyard and Landon McCamy each getting two hits. Landon McCamy had a walk off double to end the game. We just need to continue to improve with every game.”

Bearden, indeed, looked spectacular Thursday. As mentioned, he tossed a one hitter over six full innings. He walked three and struck out three on a particularly windy afternoon.

Carrell and McCamy each had three RBIs for Murray. Bennett, Waylon Stanley, and Vineyard had one RBI.

Grayson Bartley had the lone hit for North Murray on a double. Brylan Bond took the loss for North Murray. He gave up four earned run on seven hits. He walked one and struck out four.

Murray sped out to a 5-0 lead in the first inning. The teams were both scoreless over the next few innings. Murray added three more in the bottom of the fourth and closed it out in the sixth with three runs. McCamy's RBI in the sixth initiated the 10-run mercy rule after five innings.

Murray is at LFO on Thursday and North Murray hosts Coahulla Thursday. Both are region contests. The regular season ends week after next for both teams.



PHOTO BY SCOTT KUHN

Murray County catcher Landon Bennett applies a tag to North Murray's leaping Logan Malchesky in a game eventually won by the Indians.

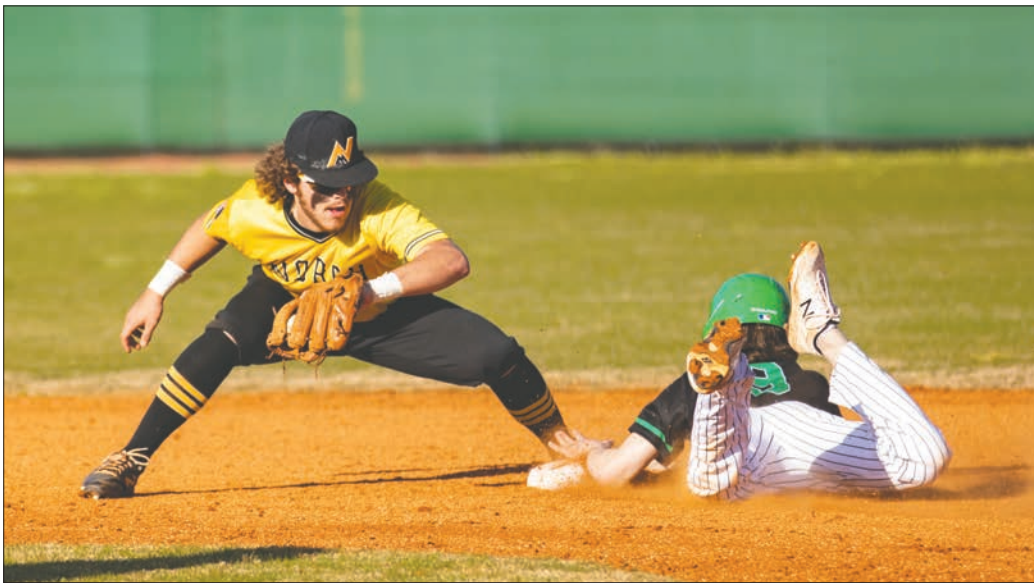


PHOTO BY SCOTT KUHN

North Murray infielder Taylor Frazier snaps a late tag down on Murray County baserunner Waylon Stanley. The Indians took two games from their cross-county rivals.



PHOTO BY MARION MCABEE

The Murray County Lady Indians tennis team finished at sectionals and will advance to the state tournament later this month.

Murray tennis
nets state bids

From staff reports

In what's becoming a habit of late, both Murray tennis teams qualified for state.

The girls finished second and the boys third.

The boys team faced Rockmart in the region tournament's first round.

They won three lines and pulled the rest. The winners were No. 3 Singles - Tyson Leonard, No. 1 Doubles - Jackson and Jameson Sellers, and No. 2 Doubles - Cody Dunn and Tad Stone. In the second round, the boys played Coahulla Creek. No.1 Singles - Sam Woodall, and No. 3 Singles - Leonard won their lines, but Murray lost the other three lines.

On Thursday they played Ringgold for third or fourth seed. The three lines that



Let's play two



PHOTO BY SCOTT KUHN

Murray County's Ashton Bowen, left, reaches back to try and tag out North Murray's Sebastian Villareal in a game won by the Indians.



PHOTO BY SCOTT KUHN

Braxton Vineyard of Murray County tries to leg out a hit against North Murray. That's Ashton Farris at first for the Mountaineers.

North Murray graduate Queen to lead school's volleyball program

By Erik Green
SPORTS EDITOR

There was a time not long ago when North Murray had no alumni. Now, some of the earliest graduates are back coaching the next generation.

Add Grace Queen to the list. Queen, a 2014 graduate, was recently named head volleyball coach, taking over for Rachel Adams who retired after last season. Queen, unofficially, took over in January after Adams experienced health setbacks. Queen will have her first offseason with the team before cranking things up in the fall.

"It's a huge honor for me to be the head coach of the program I once played for," Queen said. "It's super cool. I have eight years of playing experience and three years of coaching experience. Volleyball has been a big passion of mine for a very long time."

Queen is now in her second year at Coker Elementary where she teaches third grade. She was part of the third North Murray graduating class before heading off to play JUCO volleyball at Andrew College in Cuthbert in southwestern, Ga. She finished her education degree at Dalton State.

"You get what you put into something," she said. "So if you're dedicated and put the work in, you put the time in, and commitment you'll be successful. That wasn't just something I learned as a student athlete. It was a life lesson as well. You put in the hard work, you're going to be rewarded and be successful. I want to bring that kind of mentality back to the program."

North Murray was 6-17 overall last year and 2-6 in Region 6-AAA. The team will kick off a new run in Class AA in the fall.

"I know we have a ton of student athletes that can make it to the next level," Queen said. "I just want to bring that out of them"

If there's one thing elementary school teachers understand it's structure. Queen intends to commit to bringing organization and structure to the program and build a foundation on those principles.

"In my classroom it doesn't function well



Grace Queen

without structure," she said. "The program will also benefit from high expectations and structure."

The key to her vision is the offseason. "I'm super excited about the summer," Queen said. "For me you have to put the time in and work in to see progress."

She plans to promote an aggressive, attacking style of volleyball while on the court.

"I want them to understand it's a mind game, too," she said. "You have to play with strategy. Over the summer I want to work on situations. Volleyball is a very situational sport. I would love to implement more situational instruction and go from there."

The Lady Mountaineers are back in action Aug. 11 against LaFayette.

Murray tennis keeps season alive



Tyson Leonard



Audra Leonard



Ethan Early



PHOTO BY MARION MCABEE

The Murray County Indians tennis team finished third at sectionals and qualified for the state tournament.

TENNIS: Indians, Lady Indians qualify for state play

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won were No. Singles - Ethan Early, No. 3 Singles - Leonard, and No. 2 Doubles - Cody Dunn and Tad Stone. The other lines were pulled.

The girls played Ringgold in

the first round. The first three winners were No. 1 Singles- Ella Tankersley, No. 2 Singles - Audra Leonard, and No. Doubles - Allie Webb and Mary Helms. In the second round they played Sonoraville. Winners were Tankersley, Leonard, and No. 1 Doubles

Allie Webb and Mary Helms. The girls played Rockmart for the Region Chamoionship and came in second.

The girls will host a playoff match while the boys are on the road.

Opponents are TBA.

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18. Pearl Jam frontman

20. Cores of vascular plants

22. Strong sharp smell or taste

23. City in S. Korea

24. One from Damascus

28. Short message at the end of an email

29. It cools your home

30. Towards the mouth or oral region

31. Intestinal pouches

33. Boys and men

37. The 12th letter of the Greek alphabet

38. Former CIA

39. A way to arrange

41. Body cavity

42. The Great Lake State

43. A type of seal

44. Stop for a moment

46. Ancient kingdom

49. Of I

50. White clerical vestment

51. Songs to a lover

55. Prices

58. Sun-dried brick

59. Where to park a boat

60. One who values reason and knowledge

64. Partner to feather

65. Sailboats

66. Actress Zellweger

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69. Puts together in time

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CLUES DOWN

1. An involuntary muscular contraction

2. PA transit system

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4. Sweet greenish fruit

5. Lends support to

6. Chap

7. Singer Di Franco

8. Water at boiling temperature diffused in the atmosphere

9. Asserts to be the case

10. Doctor (Spanish)

11. Auction attendee

12. Characterized by unity

13. Soviet Socialist Republic

19. Way to analyze video (abbr.)

21. Nonclerical

24. Tree resin

25. The academie world

26. Khoikhoi peoples

27. Infer from data

31. Arrives

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36. Takes apart

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41. Secondary or explanatory descriptor

45. Relating to wings

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48. Situated in the middle

52. Loop with a running knot

53. Alaska nursing group (abbr.)

54. Beloveds

56. Establish by law or with authority

57. Border river between India and Nepal

59. Millisecond

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62. ESPN broadcaster Bob

63. A place to stay

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DEBTORS/CREDITORS	PROBATE	PROBATE	PROBATE	PROBATE Will	GUARDIANSHIP
NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF MURRAY RE: Estate of JUDY LANE WINKLER BEAVERS All debtors and creditors of the Estate of JUDY LANE WINKLER BEAVERS, deceased, late of Chatsworth, Murray County, Georgia, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned, according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment. This 21st day of March, 2022. Donnie Ray Beavers, Administrator of the Estate of Judy Lane Winkler Beavers, deceased. 1093 Crandall Ellijay Rd. Chatsworth, GA 30705 (3/30,4/6,13,20/2022) NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF MURRAY RE: Estate of MARY LYNN LAND All debtors and creditors of the Estate of MARY LYNN LAND, deceased, late of Chatsworth, Murray County, Georgia, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned, according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment. This 29th day of March, 2022. Ronald David Land, Executor of the Estate of Mary Lynn Land, deceased. 892 Fox Bridge Rd. Dalton, GA 30721 (4/6,13,20,27/2022)	ESTATE NO. 2022-56 PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE TO: ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: APRIL ARRINGTON has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of CALEB NATHANIEL SMITH, deceased, of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261.) All interested persons are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before APRIL 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing. John P. Waters Judge of the Probate Court By: Cintya Torres Clerk of the Probate Court 115 Fort St. Chatsworth, GA 30705 706-695-3812 (3/16,23,30,4/6/2022) IN THE PROBATE COURT OF MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA In RE: S.L., MANTOOTH, DECEASED ESTATE NO. 2022-55 PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE TO: ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: CLINTON QUARLES III has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of S.L. MANTOOTH, deceased, of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261.) 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Waters Judge of the Probate Court By: Cintya Torres Clerk of the Probate Court 115 Fort St. Chatsworth, GA 30705 706-695-3812 (3/16,23,30,4/6/2022) IN THE PROBATE COURT OF MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA In RE: ANNA MAE JEFFERS, DECEASED ESTATE NO. 2022-62 PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE TO: ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern:	ERICA MARIE WILLIAMS has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of ANNA MAE JEFFERS, deceased, of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261.) All interested persons are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before APRIL 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing. John P. Waters Judge of the Probate Court By: Cintya Torres Clerk of the Probate Court 115 Fort St. Chatsworth, GA 30705 706-695-3812 (3/30,4/6,13,20/2022) IN THE PROBATE COURT OF MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA In RE: CHERYL ANN MORGAN, DECEASED ESTATE NO. 2022-61 PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE TO: ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: ERICA MARIE WILLIAMS has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of CHERYL ANN MORGAN, deceased, of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261.) All interested persons are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before APRIL 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing. John P. Waters Judge of the Probate Court By: Cintya Torres Clerk of the Probate Court 115 Fort St. Chatsworth, GA 30705 706-695-3812 (3/30,4/6,13,20/2022) IN THE PROBATE COURT OF MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA In RE: SANDRA LEE CANNON, DECEASED ESTATE NO. 2022-65 PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION NOTICE TO: ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and to whom it may concern: JIMMY DAVID CANNON has petitioned to be appointed administrator of the estate of SANDRA LEE CANNON, deceased, of said county. (The petitioner has also applied for waiver of bond, waiver of reports, waiver of statements, and/or grant of	certain powers contained in O.C.G.A. 53-12-261.) All interested persons are hereby notified to show cause why said petition should not be granted. All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and must be filed with the Court on or before APRIL 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing. John P. Waters Judge of the Probate Court By: Cintya Torres Clerk of the Probate Court 115 Fort St. Chatsworth, GA 30705 706-695-3812 (3/30,4/6,13,20/2022) DISCHARGE IN THE PROBATE COURT OF MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MADELINE FOWLER, DECEASED ESTATE NO. 2018-61 NOTICE IN RE: Petition for Discharge of Personal Representative TO: MISTY SOUTHERN, MELINDA ELLARD, AND JONATHAN ROSS ANY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES and (all and singular the heirs of said decedent,)(the beneficiaries under the will,) and to whom it may concern: This is to notify you to file an objection, if there is any, to the above-referenced petition, in this Court on or before APRIL 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing. John P. Waters Judge of the Probate Court By: Cintya Torres Clerk of the Probate Court 115 Fort St. Chatsworth, GA 30705 706-695-3812 (3/30,4/6,13,20/2022) PROBATE Will IN THE PROBATE COURT OF MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE: DONNA ANN PATTERSON, DECEASED ESTATE NO: 2022-57 NOTICE IN RE: The Petition to Probate Will (and Codicil(s)) in Solemn Form in the above-referenced estate having been duly filed. TO: ASHLEY NICOLE MILLER BAILEY, TRAVIS CODY MILLER AND BRITTANY MILLER This is to notify you to file objection, if there is any, to the petition to probate will in solemn form, in this Court on or before the MAY 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. BE NOTIFIED FURTHER: All objections to the petition must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections. All objections should be sworn to	before a notary public or qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact probate court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. If any objections are filed, a hearing will be scheduled at a later date. If no objections are filed, the petition may be granted without a hearing. John P. Waters Judge of the Probate Court By: Cintya Torres Clerk of the Probate Court 115 Fort St. Chatsworth, GA 30705 706-695-3812 (4/6,13,20,27/2022) GUARDIANSHIP IN THE PROBATE COURT OF MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE: ESTATE OF OLIVER JAMES WILLIAMS BARRY, MINOR ESTATE NO. 2022-64 NOTICE DATE OF SECOND PUBLICATION: 4/6/2022 TO: KALYN OLIVIA BRANAM You are hereby notified that KATHY DIANE BRANAM AND CHARLES OLIVER BRANAM has filed a Petition seeking to be appointed temporary guardian(s) of the above-named Minor. All objections to the Petition to the appointment of a temporary guardian or the appointment of the Petitioner(s) as temporary guardian(s), must be in writing, setting forth the grounds of any such objections, and be filed with this Court no later than fourteen (14) days after this notice is mailed, or ten (10) days after this notice is personally served upon you, or ten (10) days after the second publication of this notice if you are served by publication. All objections should be sworn to before a notary public or Georgia probate court calker and filing fees must be tendered with your objections, unless you qualify to file as an indigent party. Contact Probate Court personnel for the required amount of filing fees. NOTE: If a natural guardian files a timely objection to the creation of the temporary guardianship, the Petition will be dismissed. If a natural guardian files an objection to the appointment of the Petitioner(s) as guardian(s), or if a parent who is not a natural guardian files an objection to the Petition, a hearing on the matter shall be scheduled at a later date. If no objection is filed, the Petition may be granted without a hearing. John P. Waters Judge of the Probate Court By: Cintya Torres Clerk of the Probate Court 115 Fort St. Chatsworth, GA 30705 706-695-3812 (3/30,4/6/2022) IN THE PROBATE COURT OF MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA IN RE: ESTATE OF OLIVIAN-NA MAXINE BARRY, MINOR ESTATE NO. 2022-60 NOTICE DATE OF SECOND PUBLICATION: 4/6/2022 TO: KALYN OLIVIA BRANAM You are hereby notified that KATHY DIANE BRANAM AND CHARLES OLIVER BRANAM has filed a Petition seeking to be appointed temporary guardian(s) of the above-named Minor. 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Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 15-11-161 (e), you are ordered to appear at the final hearing in the matter which is set for the 5th day of July, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at the Murray County Juvenile Court, located at 121 N. 3rd Avenue, Chatsworth, Georgia, 30705. If you do not appear at the final hearing, the provisional order will become final and a Final Order will be filed in this Court in regard to the above-named child in the above-styled case. THE RESPONDENT IS HEREBY CONSIDERED NOTIFIED AND SERVED BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO GEORGIA STATE LAW AND IS REQUIRED TO NOTIFY THE CLERK OF MURRAY COUNTY UPON RECEIVING SAID NOTICE. WITNESS the Honorable G. Jason Souther, Judge of this Court. This 29 day of March, 2022. Hilary Stanley Clerk/Deputy Clerk Murray County Juvenile Court (4/6,13,20,27/2022) IN THE JUVENILE COURT MURRAY COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA IN THE INTEREST OF: G.H.P. SEX: MALE AGE: 16 YEARS CASE NO. 2200082 DOB: 01/10/2006 A CHILD UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE NOTICE OF SUMMONS PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE GEORGIA STATE LAW TO: SOPHIA PEREZ and any unknown, unnamed father You are hereby notified that a Petition Alleging Dependency was filed in the Juvenile Court of Murray County. A provisional hearing on this matter was held on March 23, 2022, and a provisional order subsequently entered. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 15-11-

JUVENILE SUMMONS

161 (e), you are ordered to appear at the final hearing in the matter which is set for the 10 day of May, 2022 at 11 a.m. at the Murray County Juvenile Court, located at 121 N. 3rd Avenue, Chatsworth, Georgia, 30705.

You may obtain a copy of the Petition from the Clerk of Juvenile Court. If you do not appear at the final hearing, the provisional order will become final and a Final Order will be filed in this Court in regard to the above-named child in the above-styled case.

THE RESPONDENT IS HEREBY CONSIDERED NOTIFIED AND SERVED BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO GEORGIA STATE LAW AND IS REQUIRED TO NOTIFY THE CLERK OF MURRAY COUNTY UPON RECEIVING SAID NOTICE.

WITNESS the Honorable G. Jason Souther, Judge of this Court. This the 29 day of March, 2022.

Hilary Stanley
Clerk/Deputy Clerk
Murray County Juvenile Court

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

STATE OF GEORGIA
MURRAY COUNTY

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Brian Clark Lackey** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as grantee, as nominee for Equity Prime Mortgage LLC, its successors and assigns, dated February 22, 2019, recorded in Deed Book 918, Page 746, Murray County, Georgia Records, as last transferred to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 991, Page 114, Murray County, Georgia Records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note in the original principal amount of ONE HUNDRED ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY-ONE AND 0/100 DOLLARS (\$101,241.00), with interest thereon as set forth therein, there will be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Murray County, Georgia, or at such place as may be lawfully designated as an alternative, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in May, 2022, the following described property: SEE EXHIBIT “A” ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney’s fees (notice of intent to collect attorney’s fees having been given).

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above.

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC is the holder of the Security Deed to the property in accordance with OCGA § 44-14-162.2.

The entity that has full au-

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thority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is: Nationstar Mortgage, LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper, 8950 Cypress Waters Blvd, Coppell, TX 75019, (888) 480-2432.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the property is **Brian Clark Lackey** or a tenant or tenants and said property is more commonly known as **1964 Halls Chapel Road, Crandall, Georgia 30711**.

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC as Attorney in Fact for **Brian Clark Lackey**

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EXHIBIT “A”

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot No. 167 in the 10th District and 3rd Section of Murray County, Georgia and being designated as Lot No. 3 of Willard E. Lewis Property, and being more particularly described according to a plat of survey prepared by Jimmy L. Richmond, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2273, dated January 24, 2006, and recorded in Plat Book 41 Page 101, Murray County, Georgia Land Records, reference to which plat is hereby made and incorporated herein by reference.

For prior title, see Deed Book 586 Page 60, Murray County, Georgia Land Records.

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF MURRAY

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt dated the 19th day of May,2021, from **ROLAND CLARY** and **STACY CLARY** to JOHN-**NY J.JONES REALTY, INC.**, recorded in Deed Book 988, Page 306-311, said Deed to Secure Debt having been given to secure a promissory note of even date, in the original principal sum of \$115,000.00, interest from date as stated therein; the holder thereof will offer the property described below for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door at MURRAY COUNTY, GEORGIA within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in May,2022, The property is described as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land located in Land Lots 83, 84, 97, 98, 99, 100, 117 and 118 in the 8th District and 3rd Section of Murray County, Georgia, and being designated as Tract 33 of NORTH HOLLY ESTATES, as shown on a plat of survey therefor prepared by Leon Pritchett, Murray County Land Surveyor, dated August 26,1987, and recorded in Plat Book 19, Page 7, in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Murray County, Georgia, which plat is hereby incorporated herein by reference thereto for a more particular description of said property.

Subject to existing easements and easements set out on above referenced plat.

Said land is subject to the following restrictions which are covenants running with the land:

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No more than one mobile home up to a two-acre tract and no more than two mobile homes on five acre or more tract.

All mobile homes must be a minimum of twelve feet wide.

All mobile homes must be underpinned with factory material or masonry material.

No accumulated junk and no abandoned automobiles allowed on premises.

Together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, and all easements, rights, appurtenances, rents, awards, royalties, mineral, oil and gas rights and profits, water, water rights and water stock, and all fixtures now or hereafter attached to the property, all of with, including replacements and additions thereto, shall be deemed to be and remain a part of the property.

The property has the current physical address of **133 Shadow Lane, Chatsworth GA, 30705**

This property was bought at a tax sale on July 3,2018 and the Sheriff's Tax Deed is recorded in Deed Book 905, Page 176. The Affidavit of Compliance with Tax Redemption Foreclosure Requirements dated December 11,2019 and is recorded in Deed Book 941, Page 520 of the Murray County Georgia records.

The debt secured by said Deed to secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, nonpayment of the monthly installments on said loan. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, including attorney's fees.

To the best information, knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the property is presently in the possession of **ROLAND CLARY** and **STACY CLARY**.

The property will be sold as the property of said **ROLAND CLARY** and **STACY CLARY** and will be sold subject to all restrictions, liens, encumbrances, easements and other matter of record, if any, to which the Deed to Secure Debt is junior and inferior in terms of priority, and subject to any and all unpaid taxes of assessments relating to the property.

JOHNNY J. JONES REALTY, INC.

As AttorneyinFactfor **ROLAND CLARY** and **STACY CLARY**

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

Georgia, Murray County

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Deed to Secure Debt given by **Vedder T. Ly** to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (“MERS”) as nominee for Renasant Bank, dated November 25, 2014, and recorded in Deed Book 820, Page 438, Murray County, Georgia records, as last transferred to Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. by Assignment recorded in Deed Book 1018, Page 563, Murray County, Georgia records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$119,200.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the Courthouse door of Murray County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in May, 2022, to wit: May 3, 2022, the following described property:

All that tract or parcel of

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land located in Land Lot No. 264 in the 26th District and 2nd Section of Murray County, Georgia, being designated as Lot No. 2 of Mountain Shadows Subdivision, as shown on a plat of survey thereof prepared by Donald O. Babb, Registered Land Surveyor, dated February 28, 1996, and recorded in Plat Book 30, Page 49, in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Murray County, Georgia, which plat is hereby incorporated herein by reference thereto for a more particular description of said property.

For prior deed, see Deed Book 430, Page 577, Murray County, Georgia Land Records.

The debt secured by said Deed to Secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Deed to Secure Debt. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney’s fees (notice of intent to collect attorney’s fees having been given).

Said property is commonly known as **97 Mountain Shadow Lane, Chatsworth, GA 30705**, together with all fixtures and personal property attached to and constituting a part of said property. To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party (or parties) in possession of the subject property is (are): **Vedder T. Ly** or tenant or tenants.

Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc.

The sale will be conducted subject to (i) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; (2) O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1; and (3) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2, the entity that has full authority to negotiate, amend and modify all terms of the mortgage with the debtor is:

Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc.
Attention: Loss Mitigation Department
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84119
1-888-818-6032

The foregoing notwithstanding, nothing in OC.G.A. Section 44-14-162.2 shall be construed to require the secured creditor to negotiate, amend or modify the terms of the Deed to Secure Debt described herein.

This sale is conducted on behalf of the secured creditor under the power of sale granted in the aforementioned security instrument, specifically being

Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. as attorney in fact for **Vedder T. Ly**

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THIS LAW FIRM IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER POWER

State of Georgia
County of Murray

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a Security Deed given by **Jason R. Greene** to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the Secured Creditor), dated December 5, 2005, and Recorded on December 12, 2005 as Book No. 580 and Page No. 343, Murray County, Georgia records, conveying the after-described property to secure a Note of even date in the original principal amount of \$104,362.00, with interest at the rate specified therein, as last assigned to BankUnited N.A. by assignment that is or to be recorded in the Murray County, Georgia Records, there will be sold by the undersigned at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Murray County Courthouse within the legal hours of sale on the first Tuesday in May, 2022, the following described property:

TRACT ONE:
ALL that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 95 of the 10th District and 3rd Section of Murray County, Georgia, and described more particularly as Tract 5, being 0.55 acre, more or less tract per plat of survey prepared by Richard W. Cannon, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2446, dated 12/22/02, filed and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Murray County, Georgia in Plat Book 38, page 74. Reference to said plat is herein made and incorporated herein for a more full and complete description of subject property.

TRACT TWO:
ALL that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 94 and 95 of the 10th District and 3rd Section of Murray County, Georgia, and described more particularly as Tract 6, a 2.48 acre tract per plat of survey prepared by Richard W. Cannon, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 2446, dated 12/22/02, filed and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Murray County, Georgia in Plat Book 38, page 74. Reference to said plat is herein made and incorporated herein for a more full and complete description of subject property.

Tax ID: 0058 014

The debt secured by said Security Deed has been and is hereby declared due because of, among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as

and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Security Deed. Because the debt remains in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Security Deed and by law, including attorney’s fees (notice of intent to collect attorney’s fees having been given). BankUnited N.A. holds the duly endorsed Note and is the current assignee of the Security Deed to the property. Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC is the entity with the full authority to negotiate, amend, and modify all terms of the loan.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §44-14-162.2, Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC may be contacted at: 1-800-790-9502 or by writing to 1600 South Douglass Road, Suite 110 and 200-A, Anaheim, CA 92806-5951.

Please note that, pursuant to O.C.G.A. §44-14-162.2, the secured creditor is not required to amend or modify the terms of the loan.

To the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party/parties in possession of the subject property known as **241 CAYLOR ROAD, CRANDALL, GA 30711** is/are: **Jason R. Greene** or tenant/tenants. Said property will be sold subject to (a) any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), (b) any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, and (c) all matters of record superior to the Security Deed first set out above, including, but not limited to, assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, easements, restrictions, covenants, etc.

The sale will be conducted subject to (i) confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code; and (2) final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the security deed.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §9-13-172.1, which allows for certain procedures regarding the rescission of judicial and nonjudicial sales in the State of Georgia, the Deed Under Power and other foreclosure documents may not be provided until final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan as provided in the preceding paragraph.

Funds used at sale shall be in certified funds and payable to “Bell Carrington Price & Gregg, LLC”.

BankUnited N.A. as Attorney in Fact for **Jason R. Greene**.

Any information obtained on this matter may be used by the debt collector to collect the debt. Bell Carrington Price & Gregg, LLC, 339 Heyward Street, 2nd Floor, Columbia, SC 29201 (803)-509-5078. File: 22-41230

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Iscariot in the *Old Testament, New Testament or neither?*
2. From Matthew 28:2, who rolled back the stone from the door of Jesus' tomb and sat upon it? *Simon, An angel, Villagers, Disciples*
3. When Mary Magdalene and "the other Mary" came upon the risen Jesus, who did He ask them to inform? *Priests, Disciples, No one, Villagers*
4. From John 20, which disciple doubted Jesus had risen unless he could see the wounds? *Peter, Andrew, Thomas, Thaddeus*
5. How long did Jesus remain after His resurrection before He ascended into heaven? *Instantaneously, 1 hour, 7 days, 40 days*
6. According to the apostle Paul, above what number saw the risen Christ at one time? *100, 300, 500, 1000*

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(5) 40 days (Acts 1:3; 6) 500 (1 Cor. 15:3-8) (3) Disciples; (4) Thomas (called Didymus); ANSWERS: 1) Neither; (2) An angel;

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Saul as King
1 Samuel 13.14

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As the Philistines assembled at Micmash the men of Israel saw that their situation was critical and they began to hide in caves, thickets, among the rocks and in pits and cisterns.. Some even crossed the Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead.

Saul stayed at Gilgal seven days waiting for Samuel to arrive and offer the burnt offering. When Samuel did not arrive in seven days as he had said he would, Saul's men began to scatter. Saul offered the burnt offering himself. Just as he finished, Samuel arrived. Learning what Saul had done, Samuel chastised him and told him that his kingship would not last. All the days of Saul, there was bitter war with the Philistines.



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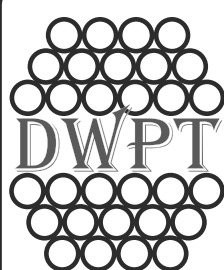
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By Dave Williams
CAPITOL BEAT NEWS SERVICE

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After the state House of Representatives voted 167-2 to support a compromise version of the legislation reached by a joint conference committee, the state Senate followed by a margin of 41-13.

The bill includes a phased-in rollback of Georgia's income tax rate from 5.49% to 4.99% over six years, starting with the 2024 tax year. The current tax rate is 5.75%.

Democrats had blasted the original version of the bill proposed by the legislature's Republican majority, which would have dropped the tax rate to a flat 5.25% immediately upon taking effect, arguing some Georgians actually would end up paying higher state taxes.

"We haven't been able to find anyone who pays more," House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Shaw Blackmon, R-Bonaire, said of the compromise bill. "Everybody pays

zero [more in taxes] or less under this plan."

The bill also includes a trigger mechanism to make sure tax cuts don't continue if the economy falters. Taxes would not be reduced in any year where state revenues don't grow by at least 3% or the year's net revenue collections are not higher than those of each of the previous five fiscal years.

"If the triggers aren't met, it will pause a year," said Senate Finance Committee Chairman Chuck Hufstetler, R-Rome.

The legislation also increases taxpayers' personal exemptions. Single filers will get an exemption of \$12,000. Exemptions for married couples filing jointly will increase every two years, from \$18,500 in 2024 to \$24,000 in 2030.

Hufstetler said the tax cut will cost the state \$455 million during its first year and \$1 billion during the second year.

Danny Kansa, senior tax analyst with the Georgia Budget and Policy Institute, said it will end up costing more than either version of the bill the House and Senate passed earlier in the session.



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2022 4-H rabies clinic fundraiser

The annual rabies clinic sponsored by Murray County Veterinary Services and RTK Veterinary Clinic will be at Murray County Veterinary Services on April 30 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and at RTK Veterinary Clinic April 30 from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Because this is a rabies clinic, this will not include an exam for your animal. The cost of the rabies shot is \$10 each. Distemper and parvo virus combination shots will cost \$20. Cats and dogs should be at least 3 months old. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Murray County 4-H Club. Our office can be reached at 706-695-0266.



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FFA helps at Chief Vann House

The North Murray FFA and Bagley Middle FFA partnered with employees of Chief Vann House to install a new walkway through the flower garden and weed the herb garden. This project began planning stages this past fall, when the schools participated in the State Parks Day in September of 2021. The chapter officers and members volunteered to redo the walkway in early spring of 2022. Interpretive Ranger Irina Garner organized the materials and the two schools provided the workforce. Pictured are (from left) Irina Garner, Ranger, Gavin Gibson, Gracie Vineyard, Nathan Randolph, Micah Denney, Samantha Walker, Anslei Powers, Andy Caylor, Gabriel Gibson, and Ruby McCracken, FFA advisor.

Budget includes pay raises

By Dave Williams
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ATLANTA - The General Assembly gave final passage Monday night to a \$30.2 billion state budget that provides pay raises to state employees and Georgia teachers.

During the final hour of this year's legislative session, the Georgia House of Representative passed the fiscal 2023 spending plan 160-5. The state Senate had passed the budget unanimously earlier in the day.

The budget, which takes effect July 1, will increase salaries for most state employees by \$5,000 and gives state retirees their first cost-of-living adjustment in 14 years. Targeted raises will go to correctional officers in the adult and juveniles prison systems to try to stem huge turnover rates.

Teachers, who saw a \$3,000 raise in 2019, will get another \$2,000, fulfilling a pledge Gov. Brian Kemp made on the campaign trail four years ago to raise teacher pay by \$5,000.

With state coffers flush with robust tax revenues coming out of the pandemic, the budget increases spending by 10.8% over the budget the General Assembly adopted last spring. It includes an \$11.8 billion investment in K-12 education, the largest in the state's history.

The spending plan also eliminates the institutional fees the University System of Georgia began charging students during the Great Recession and increases Medicaid coverage for low-income mothers in Georgia to a full year following the birth of their children, up from the current six months.

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