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## Restaurants, Retail Stores Plan to Reopen

The Banner contacted a sampling of restaurants and retail stores concerning their plans to reopen or expand operations after Governor Lee granted permission to reopen this week.

### Leah's Downtown Diner

Leah's Downtown Diner opened Monday for in-restaurant dining. The restaurant, located in downtown, is open 5:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. All tables have been measured six feet apart. No more than six diners to a table. There are four hand sanitizer

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Leah Wallace serves patrons at her restaurant on Monday, the first day to again offer in-restaurant dining.

## Dilla's Sewing Produces Masks, Gowns

BY BRAD SAM

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McKENZIE (April 23) — After shutting down for several weeks in the early days of social distancing, one local small business is now open and running at full steam to provide vital equipment to medical workers.

Dilla's Sewing is producing protective masks and gowns as fast as the small staff can churn them out.

Owner Roberto Padilla told The Banner that as the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent response set in, orders quickly dried up for the products Dilla's usually produces, such as dance uniforms and seat covers, and he was forced to shut the doors.

He would have liked to have been contributing from the beginning, but he said that acquiring bulk quantities of the necessary materials proved to be impossible.

Then he received a call from a colleague in Georgia asking if his shop could make masks if he was provided with the fabric. He eagerly agreed and work began the first week of April.

Padilla got another call a couple of weeks ago, this time from a long-time customer in Texas wanting to provide Dilla's with materials to produce gowns.

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Dilla's Sewing owner Roberto Padilla sews a mask, one of the 3,000-4,000 the shop produces each week. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner

## Mayor Jeff Washburn Seeks State House Seat

Washburn will be on The Ballot in November

DRESDEN — Dresden Mayor Jeff Washburn announced his decision to run for State House of Representatives in District 76. This district includes Weakley County and parts of Carroll and Obion counties.

"This is a critical time for Northwest Tennessee and I will work tirelessly with local leaders to increase industrial development, ensure we have quality and affordable hospitals, and improve our infrastructure. I am a fiscal conservative who knows how to manage budgets while also helping create progress," said Washburn.

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Jeff Washburn

## Local Businessman, Former Law Enforcement Veteran John McMahan Announces Candidacy for State House

UNION CITY — Local businessman, law enforcement veteran and community leader, John McMahan officially announced his campaign for election to the Tennessee State House in District 76. McMahan believes his experience in both the private and public sectors enables him to be a leader in the state legislature from day one. McMahan served as chairman of the Obion County Republicans and was also county captain for the Trump for Presidential campaign. A staunch conservative, McMahan is guided by his faith and his personal belief of helping those in need.

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John McMahan

## COVID-19 Testing In Carroll County This Saturday

The Tennessee Department of Health announces two drive-through events this weekend to make COVID-19 testing available to residents who are concerned about their health or the health of their family members. Below are testing locations and times:

On Saturday, May 2, 2020, COVID-19 drive-through testing site are open at the following locations in West Tennessee:

Carroll County 12 p.m.-3 p.m., Carroll County Civic Center, 201 Mustang Drive, Huntingdon, Tenn.

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Jonah Mims displays the contents on one of the Blessing Boxes.

## McLemoresville Sixth Grader Offers Blessing Boxes for Elderly

McLEMORESVILLE — Jonah Mims, a rising sixth grader at West Carroll is helping others with "blessing boxes" of items he delivers to the homes of elderly people in the Carroll County community.

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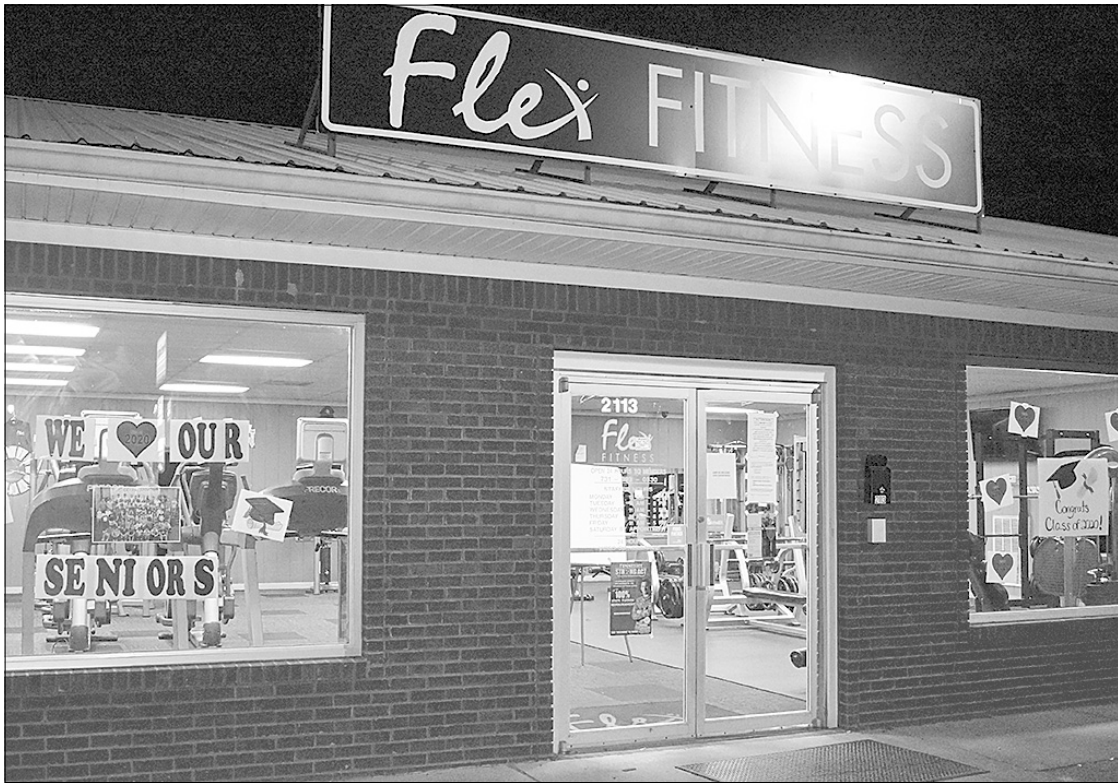
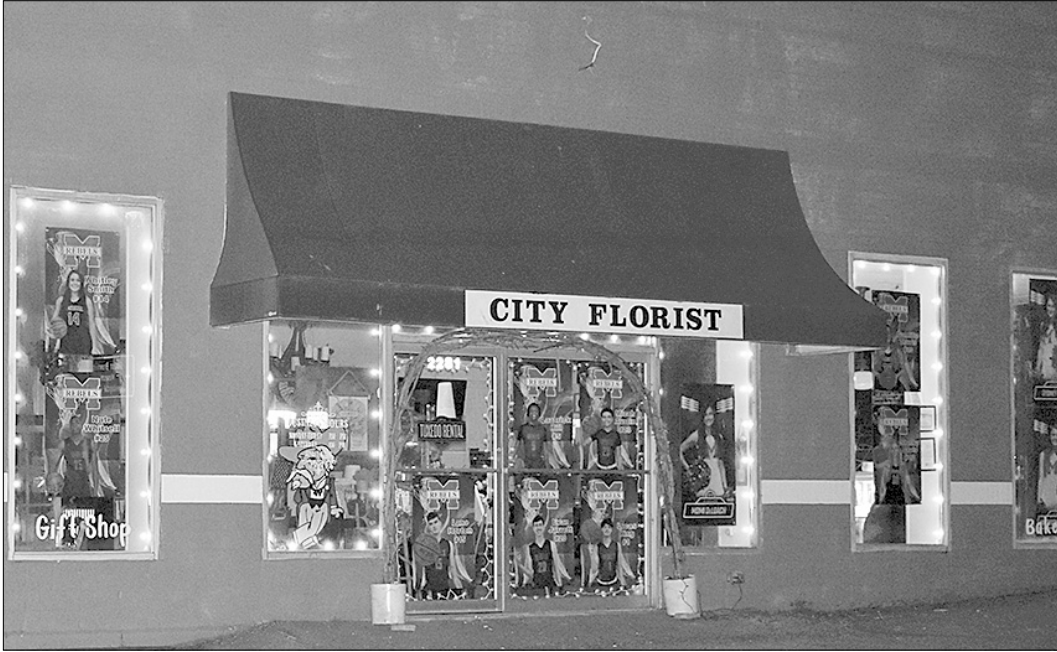


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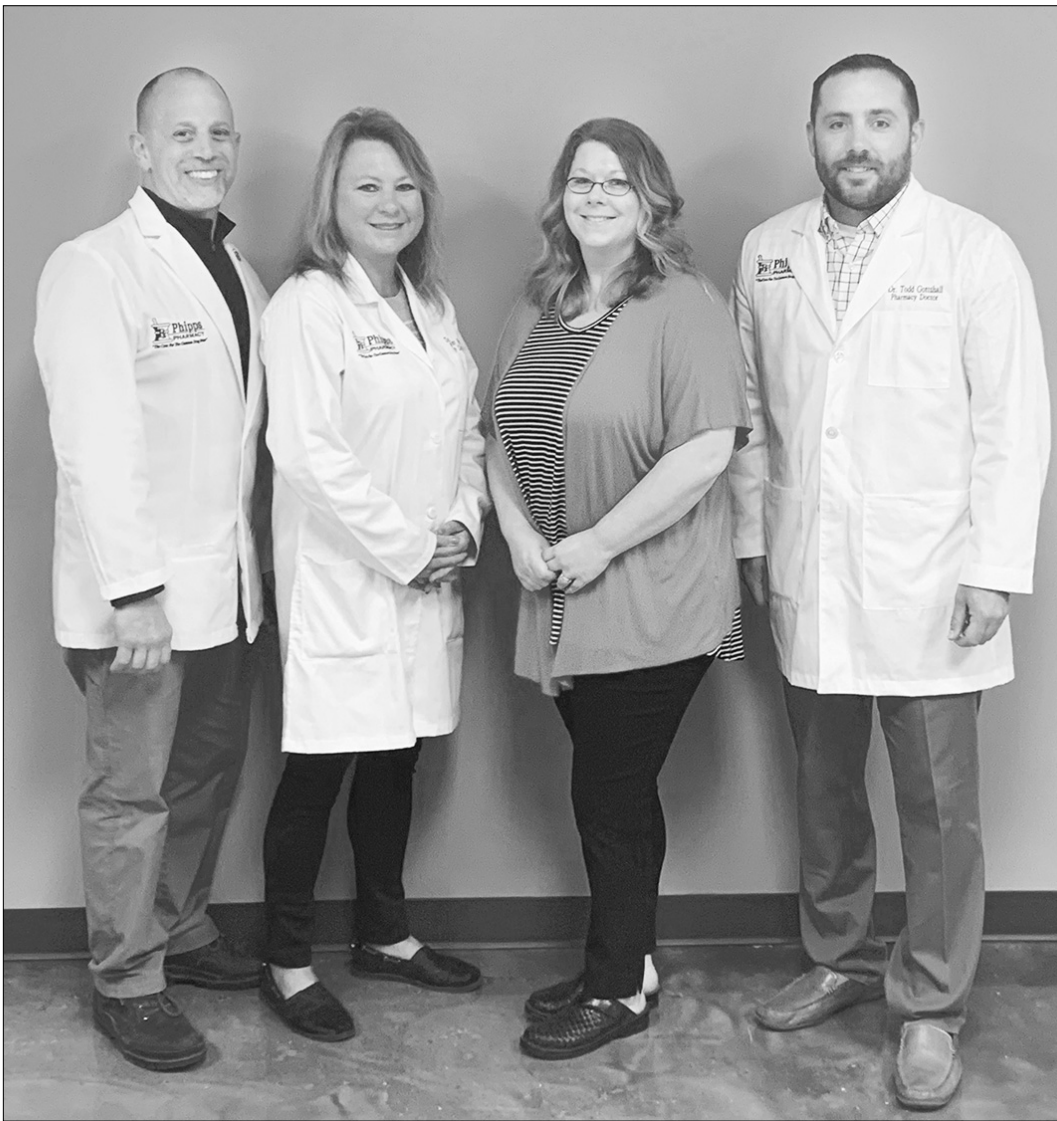


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# McKenzie Lights Up for Class of 2020



**McKENZIE (April 20)** — Residences and businesses around the community joined in a national trend Monday, lighting up for 20 minutes at 8:20 p.m. (20:20 in military time) to honor the Class of 2020. Dozens of homes and storefronts were decorated and brightly lit for the event. Families and businesses posted their showings on social media for the seniors to see from the safety of their homes. Top Left, City Florist was lit up red and white and displayed photos of senior athletes. Top Right, The McKenzie fire station doors honored 2020 seniors. Above Left, Thred's Ink congratulated the graduates and highlighted seniors on the shooting sports team. Above Right, Flex Fitness adorned its bright windows with messages supporting the Class of 2020. *Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner*



Dr. Jay Phipps, Dr. Jennifer Spivey, Lindsey Cobb and Dr. Todd Gottshall.

## Phipps Pharmacy Huntingdon Opens

HUNTINGDON (April 20) — Phipps Pharmacy is providing high-quality patient-centered pharmacist care in the newly renovated Regions Bank building conveniently located beside Cash Saver on Main Street in Huntingdon. While the current COVID-19 pandemic has provided unique challenges, Dr. Jay Phipps, President and CEO, would not allow them to prohibit him reaching his goal of serving the community in Huntingdon. Dr. Phipps emphasized his commitment to the health and wellbeing of Huntingdon and his vision of serving patients for the long-term. Dr. Jay Phipps is passionate about patient care and hand-selected pharmacy doctors who share his commitment to the health and well-being of their patients.

Dr. Todd Gottshall has joined Phipps Pharmacy as the pharmacy director in Huntingdon. Dr. Gottshall received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2014 from the Union University College of Pharmacy. Prior to attending pharmacy school, Todd obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Middle Tennessee State University. Prior to joining Phipps Pharmacy, Dr. Gottshall worked at Fred's Pharmacy and Rite Aid in McKenzie. Originally from Columbia, Tenn.

Dr. Gottshall now calls Carroll County home along with his wife, Megan and two wonderful kids Madeline and Maylie. Todd's parents, Jeff and Pam Gottshall, recently moved to Huntingdon where they are active members of Eastview Baptist Church. When not taking care of patients, Todd enjoys spending time outdoors hunting and fishing.

Dr. Jennifer Spivey is a 1995 graduate of The University of Tennessee Pharmacy School where she earned her Doctor of Pharmacy. She has 25 years of practice in retail pharmacy. Spivey is the wife of local optometrist Dr. Scott Spivey and has 3 children. She practiced pharmacy in Huntingdon for 15 years at Fred's Pharmacy. She has a passion for helping others and for missions. For the past six years, Dr. Spivey traveled to Guatemala where she uses her medical skills to help others and also building homes for the people there. She loves travel and the outdoors and time with her family.

Lindsey Cobb, certified pharmacy technician will also be working in Huntingdon. She resides in Clarksburg with her husband Nicholas who works at West Tennessee Public Utility District. They have two boys, Brayden and Trae. Lindsey enjoys painting, gar-

dening and working with the youth at church.

Phipps Pharmacy is an independent community pharmacy whose mission is to passionately and relentlessly pursue excellence in the provision of both patient care and an exceptional guest shopping experience. Phipps Pharmacy provides traditional pharmacy services, Pharmacy Doctor provided patient care such as Medication Therapy Management (MTM), immunizations and B-12 injections. In addition, Phipps Pharmacy is a leader and innovator in the practice of prescription compounding providing premier and unique solutions to unique patients by making Personalized Compounded Prescriptions that are "Made Just for You."

Phipps Pharmacy in Huntingdon is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 12:00 (noon) on Saturday.

Located inside Phipps Pharmacy is West of Nashville Boutique, owned and operated by Daisy West. West of Nashville will open soon to the public but has been offering curbside pickup and delivery of "Porch Presents" during the Covid-19 pandemic.

## COVID-19 Increases In State

NASHVILLE (April 27) — According to the Tennessee Department of Health, the number of positive cases of COVID-19 in Tennessee increased over the week. Presently, there are 9,918 positive cases (up from 9,667 one day earlier) and a total of 184 deaths (up from 181 one day earlier). The numbers represent the total number of positive cases during the 2020 pandemic. A total

of 837 patients were hospitalized and 4,720 have totally recovered. In Carroll County, there has been one death, 11 recovered and 16 positive cases. A total of 396 were diagnosed as negative. In Henry County, seven have recovered of 11 positive cases and 482 tested negative. In Weakley County, eight have recovered of 18 positive cases and 425 tested negative. Weakley

County had an increase of 10 positive cases in a single week. The good news is there are no reported positive cases at any of the nursing homes in Carroll County. In the United States, a total of 957,875 positive cases were reported in 2020 with 53,922 deaths, according to Centers for Disease Control.

## Huntingdon Police, Cash Saver Provide Grocery Delivery Service

HUNTINGDON — According to a press release by Huntingdon Director of Public Safety Walter Smothers, the Huntingdon Police Department continues to work with Cash Saver supermarket to ensure that people that live inside the city limits can still get groceries and essential supplies even if they are at risk or do not have transportation.

To further fulfill this goal, Cash Savers now provides the option of payment by check if the customer does not have a credit or debit card.

When placing an order, customers need to get approval to pay by check. The officer delivering the order will bring their check back to the supermarket. The police department will not handle a cash transaction.

Anyone who resides inside Huntingdon city limits and meets the requirements may call HPD at 731-986-5310 to have their name and address put on the list.

Director Smothers said, "It may not be Meals on Wheels, but it's pretty doggone close. I am very appreciative of Cash Saver and manager Jackie Streetman for their willingness to help provide for our at-risk residents. Our town may be small but it's full of good people willing to help one another."



Lt. Angie Barker delivers groceries to Mr. and Mrs. Pat Leathers, who reside on Northwood Drive in Huntingdon. *Photo courtesy HPD*

## March Unemployment Data Calculated Before COVID-19 Layoff Surge

NASHVILLE (March 2020) — Unemployment statistics for March 2020 in Tennessee were based on unemployment numbers prior to the COVID-19 pandemic's full effects on the state's economy.

The unemployment numbers indicate a 3.5 percent unemployment rate for both February and March 2020. In March, the number of unemployed persons was listed at 116,846. However, on April 18, the state's unemployment was 15 percent.

Pre-pandemic numbers are as follows for March 2020: Carroll, 628 unemployed and

a rate of 5.2 percent, compared to 4.8 percent one year earlier. Henry, 707 unemployed and a rate of 5.0 percent, compared to 4.4 one year earlier. Obion, 626 unemployed and a rate of 5.0, up from 4.6 one year earlier. Weakley, 597 unemployed and a rate of 3.7 percent, down from 3.8 percent one year earlier.

The northwest Tennessee counties of Benton, Carroll, Crockett, Dyer, Gibson, Henry, Lake, Obion and Weakley had the highest unemployment rate of any region in the state at 4.7 percent.

The U.S. had 7,140,000 unemployed in March for a rate of 4.4 percent. More than 20 million were unemployed as of April 20 due to the nationwide shutdowns because of the pandemic.

This week, a few states are relaxing social distancing requirements and also opening some industries and businesses that were previously considered "non-essential." Prior to the pandemic, most areas of the country were recording the lowest unemployment numbers in over 50 years.



Above, The Dilla's Sewing staff hard at work on masks and gowns. Below Left, Gabriel Contreras trims and packs masks. Below Right, Hilda Padilla, wife of Roberto, sews a gown. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



## Dilla's

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Dilla's staff includes eight employees, including Roberto and his wife Hilda. The two oldest Padilla children, Jackelyne, 14, and Stephanie, 10, insisted on helping with the cause as well. The crew is working seven days a week and sewing approximately 3,000-4,000 masks and 500 gowns each week.

Padilla said that the fabric he received for the masks is unfamiliar to him, but describes it as cloth with a plastic quality. It's breathable, but water-repellant. Most importantly, it's approved for use by the hospitals for which the masks are destined.

He has yet to receive any similar requests from this area, but notes Mayor Jill Holland called recently and asked for permis-



Dilla's Sewing on South Main Street in McKenzie. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner

sion to provide his information to someone who may need Dilla's services.

"Anything we can do to help at this time," he said. "This gives my employees something to do

while at the same time helping hospitals."

Padilla said that he could use two or three more employees, and that anyone interested can call him at 731-415-4097.

## Reopen

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stations set up and the staff is bleaching everything between customer visits. Staff members are wearing masks and all other regulations are in place. Patrons can dine in or phone ahead for carryout.

"Thanks to all of our loyal customers who have supported us through all this. Hopefully this mess won't last much longer. We love you guys and thank you are not even enough to show our gratitude," said owner Leah Wallace.

### El Vallarta-McKenzie

We wanted to let everyone know how much we appreciate your business through this tough time. Unfortunately, until further notice we will not be opening the lobby side of the restaurant. We will continue our curbside pickup though! We believe this is the best decision for the health and well being of all of our customers and employees. Again, thank you all for your business and we will continue to offer you all the great food and customer service that you all expect from your local El Vallarta.

### Maria's Restaurant

Maria's Mexican Restaurant offered the following information.

Dear amigos y familia!

We extend our sincere appreciation to the community. We are grateful to have such a strong community during this hard time. For the safely and well being of our customers and employees, we made the hard decision to continue serving only carryout or curbside. This will be for an extended time. We feel the true Maria's dining experience would suffer too much with the dine-in restrictions. Again we are very sorry for any inconvenience, but we will keep the community updated on our opening date. Please stay safe everyone!

### Bobby Gee's Diner

Bobby Gee's Diner in McKenzie made the following statement.

Governor Lee announced all restaurants can open at 50% seating capacity. After many prayers and careful consideration we decided to continue with curbside and carry out orders only. We value the safety of our customers, family and work family. We feel at this time, this is the best decision for us. We appreciate everyone's understanding and support. We look forward to serving you at full capacity as soon as safely possible. With all that said, we will open at 6 a.m. and close at 2 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. We will continue to close on Sundays until our church families can resume their regular services. Call in or text for takeout and curbside only.

### Pillowville Country Store

Pillowville Country Store in the Pillowville community issued the following statement.

As most of you know, Gov. Lee gave businesses the OK to reopen starting on Monday. We will not reopen until Friday morning as originally posted. We will be working this week to put all of the guidelines in place for employees as well as our customers.

1. There are two restrooms for you to wash your hands when you come in.

2. Please feel free to use the hand sanitizer that will be setting in various places within the store.

3. We ask you use common sense and give us and other customers their space, six-foot rule.

4. We would like for you to still use our drive-through as much as possible to prevent close contact with others.

5. Our counter register will be moved back another 2-3 feet to gain distance.

6. All tables, counters, door handles etc. will be sanitized within every two-hour period or as needed.

Also know that we hate having to do these things but we are under government issued guide-

state representative will focus on protecting farmers from unnecessary regulations hampering productivity, investing wisely in education empowering teachers, parents and students, giving small business tax breaks and more incentives to thrive, making sure we receive our fair share of road and infrastructure money, stamping out opioid and drug abuse, stopping illegal immigration, fully funding the I-69 project and promoting President Trump's family-first agenda.

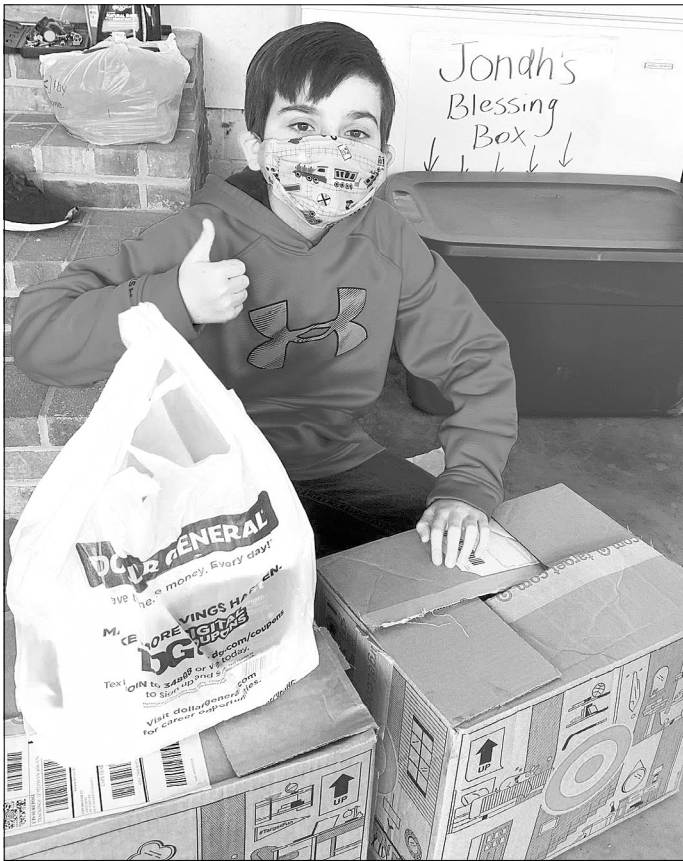
McMahan is pro-life, pro-family, pro-small business and is a staunch supporter of the Second Amendment. John is a member of both the National Rifle Association and the Tennessee Firearm Association and serves as an NRA firearms instructor.

McMahan has an extensive career in law enforcement with over 20 years serving the communities of Obion County, Henderson County, and the city of Medina. McMahan held numerous positions including patrolman, deputy sheriff, sergeant, captain, detective, and assistant

chief of police. For his efforts, McMahan received the Law Enforcement Medal of Valor Purple Heart and was honored to receive a distinguished citation from Tennessee's governor for investigating and shutting down a multi-county drug ring.

McMahan has also served his community in numerous philanthropic causes and is a member of the Weakley County Chamber of Commerce, an Extra Class Radio Amateur radio operator, a member of the Civil Air Patrol and is a Master Mason, Mt. Vernon Lodge #159 in Sharon, Tennessee.

John and his wife, Christina have three daughters and five grandchildren. They are a certified foster family and enjoy helping children in need and are currently in the process of adopting a 10-year-old boy. John and his family attend Grace Community Church in Martin. He also had the honor to serve as a Missionary to Haiti. For more information visit us at [www.johnfor76.com](http://www.johnfor76.com) - paid political announcement, paid by the candidate.



Members of the community drop items of food, cleaning and hygiene items off to Jonah Mims for distribution to the elderly.

## Boxes

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Jenny Mims, Jonah's mom, said Jonah's 12th birthday is May 4. Instead of gifts, he has asked everyone to donate essential items to his "Blessing Box" to help others in need.

Jonah is asking to donate non-perishable food items, household cleaning items such as toilet paper and paper towels, hygiene items, handmade masks and magazines/books. Several churches and individuals have donated by leaving items in a tub inside the family's garage. The community has rallied behind Jonah and has donated several of the items needed to fill the "Blessing Boxes". As of Friday, he delivered seven boxes and hopes to have a minimum of 12 by his birthday. He has been recognized on the National Beta Facebook page.

Jonah wears gloves and a mask while delivering these boxes. He leaves them on the porch so that he doesn't have contact with the person and maintains appropriate social distancing. To donate or to learn more about Jonah's project, phone 731-415-3760.

## Questionnaire for High School, College Seniors

During this unprecedented and difficult time for everyone, one group facing unique adverse consequences is high school and college seniors.

The Class of 2020 has seen the excitement, joy and togetherness that normally occurs in these spring months replaced by uncertainty, sadness and isolation.

With the recent extension of public school closures for the remainder of the school year and the cancellation of spring college classes, the possibility looms that seniors may never return to their alma maters for regular school

activities and even that graduation ceremonies may be canceled.

The McKenzie Banner and Dresden Enterprise are looking to help mitigate the loss of these precious and irreplaceable moments for seniors and their families.

Below is a questionnaire that seniors can complete and email to [banner@mckenziebanner.com](mailto:banner@mckenziebanner.com) (Carroll County) or [enterprise@dresdenenterprise.com](mailto:enterprise@dresdenenterprise.com) (Weakley County). Please include "Class of 2020" in the subject line of the email.

Participants are encouraged

to include a photo (preferably a senior photo).

Name:  
Parents/Guardians:  
School:  
Degree (college only):  
Clubs, Organizations and Activities:  
Awards, Honors and Scholarships:  
Plans after Graduation:  
Favorite Memory with Classmates:  
Most Influential Teacher (K-12 or college) and Why:  
How has the COVID-19 Pandemic affected your life?:

## 2019-20 NAIA Division I Women's Basketball All-Americans Announced

KANSAS CITY — The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) announced the 2019-20 Division I Women's Basketball All-America Teams. Stephanie Soares of The Master's (Calif.) was named the 2020 NAIA National Player of the Year.

Bethel's Tyasia Willis was named to the second team while Morgan Martin and Tasia Jones were named to the Honorable Mention squad.

The three led the Lady Cats to a 29-4 overall mark and a 15-1 SSAC record. Bethel won the SSAC regular season and captured the SSAC Tournament Championship. It marked the 11th time in the last 12 seasons Bethel qualified for the national tournament. They closed out

the season with a 21-game winning streak.

Coach Chris Nelson commented, "We are very proud of Tyasia, Morgan and Tasia. All three played their roles this season to perfection and helped lead our team to a great year. It is neat to see them get recognized for their efforts, but what makes these three ladies so special is that they are all so unselfish. I have said it all season, but you win with people and these three are a prime example of that."

The field of student-athletes selected was very balanced with the most selections one team had being Campbellsville (Ky.) with three (first, second and honorable mention).

Stephanie Soares, the 2020

Player of the Year, stepped up her game during her sophomore year.

There were 16 student-athletes on first, second and third-team that have received their first All-America selection in the top three teams. There were also a total of 52 honorable mentions.

All of the selections are made by the All-America Committee and comprises a First, Second, Third and Honorable Mention Team. There are 10 members on each of the first three All-America teams.

For a complete look at the entire team, visit: <https://naia.prestosports.com/sports/wbkb/2019-20/releases/AA?preview=true>.

## NAIA Division I Men's Basketball All-America Teams Announced

KANSAS CITY — The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) announced the 2020 Division I Men's Basketball All-America teams on Thursday. Chris Coffey of Georgetown (Ky.) was named National Player of the Year and John Moore of Westmont (Calif.) was named the NAIA Coach of the Year.

Bethel's Cayden Edmonson and Javonte Ellis were named to the Honorable Mention squad.

Both players averaged 16.3 points per game. The two seniors led the Wildcats to a 19-12 record. The Cats were 10-8 in the SSAC.

Coach Jeff Britt commented, "We are very happy both are receiving this recognition. They had fine seasons and are really fine young men. I am proud of both of them and wish them the very best."

Three teams of ten players each comprised the three teams,

along with the 55 player honorable mention list. Faulkner (Ala.), Georgetown (Ky.), LSU Shreveport (La.), The Master's (Calif.) and William Penn (Iowa) led the three teams with two players making the cut. Loyola (La.) led the honorable mention list with three selections.

For a complete look at the teams, visit: [https://www.naia.org/sports/mmbk/2019-20/releases/DIMBB\\_AllAmerica\\_2020](https://www.naia.org/sports/mmbk/2019-20/releases/DIMBB_AllAmerica_2020).

## Testing

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On Sunday, May 3, 2020 COVID-19 drive-through testing site is open in Lauderdale County 12 p.m.-3 p.m., Ripley Elementary School, 100 Highway 19, Ripley, TN

Anyone with health concerns or who has concerns about the health of a family member is invited to come to one of these locations this weekend to receive testing for COVID-19. This testing is provided at no cost to participants, and those who come for testing can remain in their vehicles throughout the process of collecting their samples.

## Washburn

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Washburn was born in McKenzie and graduated from McKenzie High School in 1972. He graduated from Bethel University before receiving his law degree from Nashville School of Law. Washburn is the managing partner of Washburn & Hutcherson Law Firm in Dresden.

Before being elected mayor of Dresden, Washburn served as county attorney for Weakley County from 2007 to 2014. He served as city attorney for the

cities of Dresden, Greenfield and Sharon at various times. He also serves as the city judge of McKenzie since 2012 and was a Dresden city alderman before being elected mayor.

Washburn was the co-owner of the McKenzie Banner and Dresden Enterprise from 1982 until he sold his interest in the newspapers late last year. Washburn and his wife, Jennifer own the local Dresden pizza restaurant, Poppi's Pizzeria.

Washburn has served on the Dresden Planning Commission, the Dresden Industrial Board, the Dresden Park Commission, the Weakley County Emergency Communications District Board,

and as an assistant scoutmaster of Dresden Boy Scout Troop 40.

He has also served on the Weakley County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and the Executive Board of the Weakley County Economic Development Board. He and his wife are members of Bible Union Baptist Church.

"My experiences as a small business owner, elected official, and community leader allow me to look at the major issues facing us through many lenses, and that will benefit everyone in this district no matter their political party" said Washburn. Paid political announcement, paid by the candidate.

## McMahan

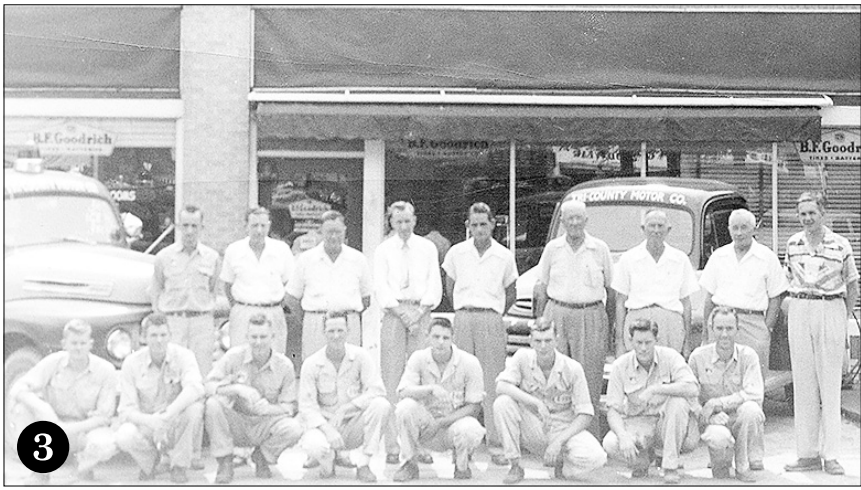
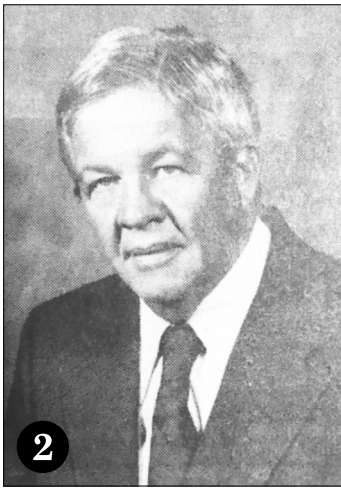
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A fifth-generation West Tennessean, McMahan's philosophy, "Help your neighbor, defend our Constitutional freedoms, and protect our traditional West Tennessee family values."

John co-owns and operates a commercial information technology company in Weakley County. Fifteen years ago, John was the founder of The Mobile PC Guys after leaving an extensive career in law enforcement. The Mobile PC Guys have become the regions largest information technology company providing networking, computer maintenance, telephone systems, and fiber internet service in both the West Tennessee and Western Kentucky region. The Mobile PC Guys have received multiple local and state awards including Weakley County's 2019 Business of the Year.

McMahan's priorities as a

THANK YOU *We appreciate your support.*



1. In 1922, John Wendell Atkins began selling automobiles in McKenzie. 2. In 1945, J.W. Atkins, Jr. became partners with his father and owned the business until 1983. 3. Employees of Tri-County Motor Company, 1952. 4. McKenzie Banking Company President Ruth Morris and Board of Directors, (L to R); Bob Quesenberry, Doug McAdams, J.W. Atkins, Jr., Boyd (Junior) Blackburn and Jim Alexander (1984). 5. Standing in front of the Tri-County Motor Company building on North Main St., J.W. Atkins, Sr. and J.W. Atkins, Jr., September 1945. 6. Tri-County Motor Company, 1970s.



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Celebrating McKenzie's oldest business and historical record

## Wendell and J.W. Atkins, Jr. Tri-County Motor Company Putting McKenzie in Motion

To me, it is interesting to observe how buildings are re-purposed over the years in downtown McKenzie. One such building is located on the corner of North Main and Cedar. I vaguely remember it serving as the location of Tri-County Motor Company and Jim Alexander's insurance agency, now it shares its space as a flower shop and financial advisory.

Over the weekend I learned a little about Tri-County Motor Company and its history. From the Atkins family to the Dillahuntys and now Pepper's Ford, the dealership has an important role in McKenzie. So this week's article talks about its inception with the Atkins family.

John Wendell Atkins, Sr., was born March 13, 1895, to Andrew

and Cattie Atkins in Crossland, Kentucky. At an early age, he, with his parents and three brothers, Olin McCord (1892-1982), James Euel (1897-1947) and Andrew Lee (1898-1956), moved to McKenzie. J.W. and his brothers grew up on what was known as the Province Farm in Henry County.

At the age of 14, he began working at J.M. Reynolds Company, a mercantile store in Henry. He later worked in a produce business in the area.

In 1920, he married Lola Wilder of Huntingdon. She was a music teacher in Henry. The Wilder family was prominent in Carroll County. Lola's grandfather, China Wilder, was an original member of the board of trustees at Bethel College. Her brother, Gordon, served mayor of Huntingdon. Wendell and Lola

had two sons, John Wendell, Jr., and Olin.

In 1922, he moved back to McKenzie and began his dream business. When he was 12 years old, he dreamed of riding in an automobile. His fascination with automobiles began when he was tying off his mule to the fence when he was plowing corn and watched in amazement the first automobile.

At that very moment, the dream took root. It grew from riding in an automobile to owning a dealership. Wendell opened his first dealership on September 1, 1922. His Dodge dealership was located on the corner of North Main and Cedar. The cars were stored in an old frame building used as a blacksmith shop and grist mill before 1922.

A garage and service station were built on the lot in 1926. Until 1930, Wendell continued to sell Dodge cars. He transitioned to become the Ford dealer for this territory and the business was known as Atkins-Jones Company.

The old building was torn down in 1939 and a more modern brick building was built in its place. Then name then changed to Tri-County Motor Company due to McKenzie serving as the hub of the three counties of Carroll, Henry and Weakley.

The company was composed of Atkins along with two other familiar names, Ben T. Everett and Glen A. King. The group

remained partners until 1945. In that year, Wendell bought out Everett and King, operating the business solo before taking his son, J.W., on as a partner.

By 1957, Wendell had watched McKenzie grow from a little village with dirt streets into the largest city in Carroll County, serving as the home of Bethel College (University), headquarters of U-Tote-Em Grocery, Keco Milling, a lumber center, modern schools, six churches, a pajama factory and many other soon to be built industries.

Wendell was a director of the McKenzie Banking Company, a fifty-year Mason and was active in the Presbyterian Church USA. He was a member of the Lions Club. He attributed his success in life to his version of the Golden Rule, "Treat your fellow man like you would like to be treated." He believed in fair and square deals and treasured public good-will as his great business asset.

Wendell died in June 1970 and Lola in November 1976. Both are buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

When J.W. returned from World War II as a member of the Fifth Air Force in the Southwest Pacific, he spoke to the Rotary Club. Jane played piano for the Rotarians when they were still a "singing club." The May 1945 speaking engagement was the pair's first meeting. They married on July 10, 1946. J.W. was

the third generation to marry a music teacher.

Jane was a graduate of Murray High School and Murray State, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Music Education. She was selected as the outstanding woman graduation senior in the music department.

In 1941, she received the Master of Music Degree from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music in Cincinnati, Ohio. She was Director of Music at Bethel College (1943-1946), choir director and organist for several years at McKenzie First United Methodist Church and organist at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

J.W. became part owner of Tri-County Motor Company on August 1, 1945. He was active in numerous civic affairs including president of the Chamber of Commerce, president of the Rotary Club, member of the Industrial Committee, president of Carroll Lake Country Club, commander of the McKenzie American Legion Post, District Commander of the American Legion, an officer in the Veterans of Foreign Wars, member of the school board for the McKenzie Special School District, member of the Administrative Board of McKenzie First United Methodist Church and was a member of the board of directors of McKenzie Banking Company.

J.W. was an owner in the

McKenzie Motor Inn. He sold Tri-County Motor Company in 1983 to Clay Dillahunt. On September 16, 1985, while on vacation in Florida, he suffered a heart attack and died. He was buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery. Jane died in March 2006 and was laid to rest next to her husband.

Tri-County Motor Company became Peppers Ford on January 24, 2018, and became part of the Peppers Automotive Group of Paris when Clay and Brookie Dillahunt sold the lone new car dealership in Carroll County to Doug and Mark Peppers.

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## Message from McKenzie Mayor Jill Holland

We know everyone is ready to get back to work and although we know that it will be awhile before we all feel "normal" again, as long as we all keep practicing the six-foot social distancing guidelines, wear masks, wash hands for 20 seconds and don't touch our face, we can keep progressing, slowing the virus and reopening our community and state.

For the past couple of weeks, I have served on the Governor's task force for economic recovery. About 250 people served on the subcommittees representing retail, trucking, banking, cosmetology, restaurants, hospitality, hotels, grocers, labor and workforce, insurance, cities, counties, chambers, and more. Each sub-committee was tasked with writing the guidelines for each industry with stipulations for the employers, employees, and customers.

The alignment on strategy for the 89 counties lowest in population will be the same. The larger counties and cities will work with their health departments to determine re-opening procedures.

Each industry will be phased in with restaurants opening on Monday and retail opening on Wednesday. Each will be allowed to open at 50% capacity, and Covid 19 prevention guidelines will be posted on the city's Facebook page and website.

In order to assure employees and customers that businesses are taking all the safety measures outlined, the Governor is asking the Tennessee Pledge be posted at their business. It is important for customers to see the pledge before entering the building, and employees also see the pledge. We

will post the pledge on the city's website and Facebook page.

All industries will be required to have PPE (personal protective equipment) so it was advised that businesses begin to obtain this. It will be important to have masks, thermometers, and gloves in addition to any other protective equipment which is necessary to open according to an industry's specific guidelines. Customers are strongly urged to wear masks as when everyone is working together, others are not infected and the spread of the virus slows.

Bowling alleys, gyms, barber shops and beauty shops including spas, tattoo parlors, tanning salons, and massage businesses will be opening at a later date. However, the governor has not announced when. These close contact business openings will be dependent upon when the state is assured that they have the necessary protective equipment.

Those businesses in the "not now" category include bars, bars in restaurants, night clubs, concert halls, live music venues, race tracks, and performing arts centers.

Many of us are concerned when churches will be able to reopen. These were taken off the economic recovery task force and put into the governor's office and faith based initiatives. We will hear from them as soon as they establish guidelines which they feel are safe for the congregations. We all hope that will be soon.

Elective surgeries were also taken off the task force and given to the health department and the unified command

group. They will also be establishing the guidelines and date to begin these.

We have had questions regarding employees who refuse to go back to work. According to the Department of Workforce and Labor, the state is tracking where that recipient of those funds worked, and if they refuse to return when their place of employment reopens, then an investigation will follow. More than likely, the funds will stop and possibly have to be returned. Depending on the circumstances, it could be a case of fraud.

If an employee does not return to work because he/she does not feel it is safe, then an investigation occurs to determine if there is an actual risk to the employee. This is another reason why it is so important that employers follow the standards they receive for their industry.

The state has ordered five million masks. As soon as we receive the source for obtaining those masks, we will pass it on to you.

Dilla's Sewing in McKenzie is also making masks and gowns. Roberto Padilla can be contacted for orders in case you need them.

In addition to our industries, the cities and counties are receiving our guidelines for re-opening, and hopefully, we will be able to safely interact with our customers and citizens ensuring both your safety and the safety of our employees. We will keep you posted as we receive more information.

Please be safe, socially distance, and stay healthy.

### HUNKER DOWN WITH KES

## No Cameras In The Bathroom, PLEASE!

There are some decidedly unhealthy side effects to this whole pandemic thing! My wife, with all the down time, has taken to watching the HGTV Channel.

Talk about idle hands! These "made for streaming carpenters" did a show where they redid a bathroom in Greenwood, Mississippi. Cathy, naturally, is now calling for us to upgrade...or I believe the operative word is "makeover".

She wants a raised, walk-in shower in one corner and a sunken tub in the other. She is insisting on a cathedral water closet with the old fashioned pull rope. And she wants to remove the chipped (but still working) sink and replace it with a late 19th century claw footed bathroom vanity with a marble top.

Of course, the cane field wallpaper will have to go. And she is thinking about ripping up the tile and replacing it with mahogany boards varnished in an early colonial light cherry hue.

In the very next show the HG crew "made over" a den in Cumming, Georgia. You won't believe this, Cathy thinks while the house is in such a mess from all the bathroom work, we might as well "redo" the den.

People, I've got a life size autographed picture of Enos Slaughter sliding across home plate with the winning run in the 1946 World Series hanging on our den wall! I ain't replacing that with some picture of birds flying off towards the sunset! Not now, not ever!

Above the computer desk I have a genuine 1870's Ithaca Calendar Clock. I had to go all the way to Hannibal, Missouri, to

find one in that good of condition. I don't have to guess at the time. I don't get confused on what month it is. Or what day of the week. Or the date. And if the electricity goes off, that clock doesn't miss a beat.

It can not be replaced!

I've got a signed Phil Ponder painting of the Ryman Auditorium on the wall above the cabinets. It reminds me of the summer I worked at the Grand Ole Opry. It would dishonor Roy Acuff if we took that down! It's where I met Marty Robbins. How could I ever listen to another Loretta Lynn record without feeling guilty...

There is a 1932 Philco "floor model" radio underneath the Enos Slaughter picture. We don't play it much anymore. But the mere sight of it takes me back to the end of Stonewall Street...where my family would gather around and listen to "The Life of Riley", "Fibber McGee and Molly", "Gene Autry's Melody Ranch" and the aforementioned "Opry."

The radio stays. And I don't care if the HGTV people themselves come down here and suggest differently!

Cathy didn't get halfway through the feature on "creative uses for foyers, hallways and under the stairs space" till she was in our mudroom with a measuring tape.

I quickly reminded her that we had already "made over" that "space" in 1987. I built a ballpark green locker room in it! We keep the boys' football and baseball uniforms hanging in there. We've got old gloves from my college days lying about. And wooden

bats galore. We've even got lockers with Stan Musial and Ernie Banks' name on them in case they ever drop by.

It would be sacrilegious to touch that hallowed hall!

The "kitchen" show came to us from Humboldt, Tennessee. The whole room was painted puke green. And all but one of the cabinet doors were off. The stove looked like one my great grandmother learned to cook on. The water faucet had a pump handle. And the two legged table, out of necessity, was nailed to the wall.

I sat down to watch. "Now Cathy, if our kitchen looked like THAT there might be a cause to invite these fellers over."

She mumbled something under her breath about the duct tape that was holding the bottom of our thirty-four year old refrigerator together...

The HGTV gang replaced a weed patch and the back steps on a house in Olive Hill, Kentucky, with an oval shaped patio made with various sizes of brick pavers surrounded by a hanging garden. Cathy was enthralled with the begonias and honeysuckle vines.

Bless her heart. She IS better than I deserve. We agreed to build the patio of her dreams... just as soon as our coronavirus stimulus check arrives from the government.

**Respectfully,**

**Kes**  
PS: Every week or so someone will remark to me in the most incredulous voice, "You have a baseball locker room in your house?"

My response is always just as incredulous, "You don't!"

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## Obituaries



### KIRK MADDOX 1998 — 2020

HUNTINGDON — Kirk Thom-as Maddox, 22, left us on April 20, 2020, in Martin, Tennessee. He was born on March 26, 1998, and grew up in Huntingdon, Tennessee. Kirk is survived by his brothers, Adam and Ethan Maddox, Adam's wife, Michelle, his nephew, Gavin Maddox, his niece, Juliet Maddox, and his parents, Matthew "Matt" and Angie Maddox, all of whom will forever remember him but will miss him every day.

He is also survived by his maternal grandparents, Betty and Larry Forbess and his paternal grandmother, Clara Maddox. He was predeceased by his paternal grandfather, D. D. Maddox. He was also predeceased by his maternal great-grandmother and his namesake, Mrs. Jolna "Kirk" Forbess. In addition, Kirk is also survived by his aunts and uncles, Butch and Gena Maddox, Jean and Tim Newsome, Julia Maddox, and Ryan and Michelle Forbess. Kirk was additionally predeceased by his "Uncle Web" Maddox. Kirk also left numerous cousins whom he all loved. He is also survived by his girlfriend, Olivia Reagan.

Kirk was a Senior Health and Human Performance major at the University of Tennessee,

Martin and was to graduate in May. Kirk was on track to obtain his doctorate in physical therapy with plans to be a hands-on physical therapist. He wanted to spend his life doing what he wanted to do most — helping people. While at UTM he was a member of the UTM Shape Club and the National Society of Leadership and Success.

Kirk had a beaming smile that no one could miss. He knew exactly when to crack a joke, make a funny voice, or show a smooth dance move, just when it was needed most. Kirk loved life. He loved his classmates, his teammates, and his friends in scouting both young and old who helped him attain his Eagle rank. He was becoming an avid duck hunter and loved to hook bass. He loved sports and was learning new ones including running. Kirk was a Vol For Life.

Kirk had a second family that he also truly loved. That was his family of friends. Kirk would want them to know how much he adored each and every one of them and how grateful he was for everything they did for him and for their friendship. He was honored to call them friend.

Kirk most of all loved his family and his family loved him. There is a void that now exists which will never be filled. We will forever love, cherish, and remember him and one day when you see us smile for no reason you will know that we are thinking of Kirk.

Given the current national conditions and the family's concern for the health and well-being of others, graveside funeral services will be conducted on Sunday, April 26, 2020, at 2:00 PM at Palmer Shelter Cemetery. Bro. Arthur Lodge and Steve Phelps will officiate the service.

Pallbearers who will serve are Nathan Rich, Teyton Cloar, Kyle Lutz, Jacob Davenport, Grant Hilliard, and Chad Edwards.

### DEWAYNE FRIZZELL 1989 — 2020

McKENZIE — Services are planned for a later date for Justin Dewayne Frizzell, 31. Mr. Frizzell died Tuesday, April 21,

2020 at his residence. He was born on April 4, 1989 in Murray, Kentucky to Bruce Dewayne and Deborah Kay Louden Frizzell. Survivors include his parents, Bruce and Debbie Frizzell of McKenzie, two sisters, Heather Miller and Jasmine Brown, seven brothers, Matthew Frizzell, Jason Warren, Richard Bryson, Mike Finch, Jacob Smithy, Corwin Frizzell and Nicholas Arneson. Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. For more information please call (731) 352-4848 or visit [www.brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com](http://www.brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com).

### BARBARA MULLINS 1964 — 2020

McKENZIE — A memorial service for Barbara Ann Mullins, 50, will be held at a later date. Private graveside service for Mrs. Mullins is Thursday, April 30, 2020 at Middle Tennessee Veteran Cemetery, Pegram, Tenn.

Mrs. Mullins died at her residence on April 22, 2020. She was born in Chicago, Illinois on December 24, 1964 to Marion Russell and Sherry Parham Parker.

She is survived by a daughter Maddison (Hunter) Bynum, son, Michael (Brittany) Morgan, her mother, Sherry Parker, three sisters Janie (Jeremy) Hargrove, Susie (Mike) Cross and Diane (Craig) Ballentine, two brothers, Mark Russell and Bobby (Sharon) Russell, and six grandchildren all of McKenzie.

She is preceded in death by her father and husband, Leon Mullins.

Brummitt-McKenzie Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. If you need assistance please call 731-352-4848 or visit our website at [brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com](http://brummittmckenziefuneralhome.com). +

### BILL BRANDON 1933 — 2020

WESTPORT — Mr. Billy F Brandon, 86, of Westport, Tennessee died Monday, April 20, 2020 at his home.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, a private visitation

and funeral service will be held.

Mr. Brandon was born May 16, 1933 in Carroll County to the late Clyde Brandon and Iva Phillips Brandon. He was the owner of Brandon Heat & Air in McKenzie. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Wilburn Ray Brandon and Robert Wayne Brandon, his step-daughter, Shannon Pendergrass and his step-son, Steve Pendergrass.

He is survived by his wife, Azlee Brandon, one brother, Gerald Brandon of Clarksburg, Tennessee; two step-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren.

Dilday-Carter Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.



### PATRICIA ROBERTSON 1944 — 2020

McKENZIE — Patricia "Pat" Corley Robertson, 75, of McKenzie, Tenn., formerly of Henry County, died Wednesday, April 22, 2020, at her residence.

She was a retired teacher and a member of Blooming Grove United Methodist Church in McKenzie.

Patricia was born September 19, 1944, in Jackson, Tenn., to the late Charles Franklin Futrell, Sr., and the late Nannie Louise Newton Futrell.

She was married August 6, 1967, to her first husband, Robert "Bob" Corley, who preceded her in death on September 1, 2001. She was then married November

6, 2010 to her second husband, Larry Robertson, who survives, of McKenzie, Tenn.

Along with her husband, she is also survived by her two children, Chris Corley (fiancée, Monica Young) of Paris, Tenn. and Caroline (Dwight) Dunn of Henry, Tenn.; three stepchildren, Tonya Collins of McKenzie, Aaron (Delaine) Robertson of Huntingdon, Tenn., and Nicole (Josh) Ferguson of McKenzie; two sisters, Mary Jane Hearn of Roswell, Georgia and Etta Louise (Jimmy) Barnett of Jackson; brothers-in-law, Roy (Rookie) Corley of Jackson, Tenn. and Joe (Joan) Robertson of McKenzie; sister-in-law, Barbara Robertson of McKenzie; nine grandchildren, Haley Collins, LeAnn Webb, Brylee Robertson, Kinslee Robertson, Peyton Mingle, Logan Mingle, Autumn Mingle, Annie Ferguson, and Emily Ferguson; three adopted grandchildren, Natalie Jones, Hailey Jones, and Katelyn Jones; two great grandchildren, Kalya Collins and Carter Collins; nieces, Mary Lou Sutton, Sandy Barry, Sharon Smith, Teresa Rossion, Tracy Carr, and Cheryl Learned; and nephews, Eric Hearn, Ricky Futrell, Chuck Futrell, and Jeff Barnett.

In addition to her parents and first husband, she was also preceded in death by three brothers, Charles "Bud" Futrell, Billy Futrell, and Bobby Futrell; one brother-in-law, Jerry Robertson; one stepson-in-law, Billy Collins; and niece, Vicki Johnson.

Arrangements are being handled by Ridgeway Funeral Home, 201 Dunlap Street, Paris, TN. A private graveside service was held with James Smith officiating.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

Burial will be in Blooming Grove Cemetery in McKenzie, Tenn.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to: The Weekend Backpack Program, c/o Paris Special School District, 1219 Highway 641 South, Paris, TN 38242 or Blooming Grove Cemetery Fund, c/o Richard Lemonds, 1516 Blaylock Store Road, McKenzie, TN 38201.

### DANNY LOCKARD 1953 — 2020

ATWOOD — Mr. Danny Alan Hilliard Lockard, 66, of Atwood, Tennessee died Monday April 20, 2020 at his home. He was born July 29, 1953. No other information was provided. Dilday-Carter Funeral Home

### MARY POOLE 1934 — 2020

OXFORD, Miss. — Mary Lewis Poole died Wednesday, April 22, 2020. A memorial service will be held at a later date. She was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, and sister. She spent her 86 years in service to others bringing great joy as an outstanding organist, handbell director, children's choir director, and seamstress. She was born in Washington, DC on April 15, 1934 to Arthur and Alma Lewis. In 1936, they moved to Oxford where her father spent his career at the University of Mississippi. After graduating from University High School, she attended the University of Mississippi and Milsaps College. She graduated from Ole Miss in 1956, then received a master's degree in Sacred Music from Union Theological Seminar in New York City in 1958.

Mary, Frank, and their three children, Franklin, Bryant and Helen moved to McKenzie when Frank because head of the music department at Bethel College. Frank was also choir director of the choirs at First United Methodist Church. Mary was the organists at Paris Methodist church and also taught private lessons and taught some Bethel courses.

She is survived by her husband, Frank of Oxford; her sons, Franklin (Amy) of Keller, Texas and Bryant (Shelli) of Oxford; daughter, Helen Hale (Jason) of Oxford and 10 grandchildren.

Any memorials should go to Oxford University United Methodist Church, 424 South 10th Street, Oxford, MS 38655. +

# McKenzie Elementary School's Third Quarter Honor, Merit Roll

## HONOR ROLL First Grade

C. Barton: Annabelle Bobo, Greta Fields, Olivia Shank, Nathaniel Sweatt and Claire Wilkins.

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J. Brown: Kaleigh Champion, Brylie Chester, Belle Glisson, Adelynn Heath, Isabelle Keller, Mary Ryan Morris and Tucker Redmond.

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H.Haywood: Dylan Barton, Ad-

dison Davis and Landon Rader.

A. Oakley: Bridget Brandon, Destiny Crawford, Kaylee Daltzell, Maggie Hall, Anna Mileski, Addison Milam, Olivia Pate, Wyatt Risner, Triztan Vela, Marshal Vinson and Hunter Winstead.

T. Smith: Melanie Cholicco, John Hitt, Maddison Mann, Gabby Maxwell, Ashton Nutting, Jamyla Piro, Lilli Simmons and Michael Vail.

C. Wall: Kaydynce Barksdale, Maria Bell, Abby Ham, Malaki Harris, Ethan High, Bella Sass, Kourtlyn Sisemore and Sophie Taylor.

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CARROLL COUNTY  
SPORTS HALL OF  
FAME BANQUET  
CANCELED

The Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame Banquet, scheduled for May 2, has been canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

SMALL TOWN  
CRUISERS TO CRUISE  
THE COUNTY

Small Town Cruisers of West Tennessee invites you to join in a Get out of the House and Cruise the County Run on Saturday, May 2. Cars will depart from Tractor Supply in Huntingdon at 11 a.m. and travel through Bruceton, McKenzie, Trezvant, McMoresville, Atwood, Lavinia, Clarksburg, Westport, Buena Vista and all towns in between. This will be a 95-mile cruise lasting about 3 hours and ending at Sonic for a bite to eat.

CARROLL COUNTY  
BUDGET COMMITTEE  
TO JOIN WATERSHED  
MEETING

The Carroll County Budget Committee meets to join in the Carroll County Watershed regular meeting on Tuesday, April 28 at 2 p.m. at the Conference Room in the Carroll County

Office Complex, 625 High St, Huntingdon. The budget committee will participate in person and the watershed authority by video/audio conference. Approved media may attend, but it is closed to the public. Special communications will be made to inform the public of the agenda and minutes of the meeting.

CARROLL COUNTY  
RESOLUTION  
COMMITTEE TO MEET

The Carroll County Resolution Committee meets Monday, May 4 at 9 a.m. at the Conference Room in the Carroll County Office Complex, 625 High St, Huntingdon. The meeting will be conducted with resolution committee participating by video/audio conference and approved media in attendance, but closed to the public. Special communications will be made to inform the public of the agenda and minutes of the meeting.

CARROLL COUNTY  
BUDGET COMMITTEE  
TO MEET

The Carroll County Budget Committee meets Friday, May 1 at 9 a.m. at the Conference Room in the Carroll County Office Complex at 625 High St, Huntingdon. Department heads will present 2020-21 budgets to the Committee. The meeting will be conducted with the committee participating in person and approved media in attendance, but closed to the public. Special communications will be made to inform the public of the agenda and minutes of the meeting.

CARROLL COUNTY  
PERSONNEL  
COMMITTEE TO MEET

The Carroll County Personnel Committee meets Tuesday, April 28 at 10 a.m. at the Conference Room in the Carroll County Office Complex at 625 High St, Huntingdon. The meeting will be conducted with the committee participating by video/

audio conference and approved media in attendance, but closed to the public. Special communications will be made to inform the public of the agenda and minutes of the meeting.

NO HOMECOMING AT  
LIBERTY ALL

Liberty All United Methodist Church, 2415 Old Stage Road, Huntingdon, will not have first Sunday in May Homecoming services this year because of COVID-19 restrictions.

FARMVILLE  
CEMETERY  
MEMORIAL DAY  
OBSERVANCE  
CANCELED

Farmville Cemetery's annual Memorial Day observance, scheduled for May 17, has been canceled this year due to health concerns.

NWTN WORKFORCE  
BOARD COMMITTEES  
TO MEET BY  
WEBINAR

The following committees of the NWTN Workforce Board will meet by webinar:

The American Job Center Committee — Monday, April 27 at 10 a.m.

The Outreach and Opportunities Committee — Monday, April 27 at 1 p.m.

The Executive Committee — Wednesday, April 29 at 10 a.m.

Meetings are open to the public and a conference call option is available. For more information, contact Lana Burchfiel at burchfiel@nwtntworks.org.

MCKENZIE SCHOOL  
BOARD MEETS  
IN MAY

The McKenzie Special School District Board of Education meets in regular session on May 5, 2020. The first agenda item will be the approval of a contract renewal for K. Lynn Watkins, Director of Schools.

FINLEY CEMETERY  
MOWING FUND

The heirs of S.P. Finley wish to notify anyone that has a loved one buried in the Finley Cemetery that you need to make a donation for the mowing of the lot. If there are no funds, you will be responsible for the mowing of your own lots. Make checks payable to Finley Cemetery Mowing Funds and mail to Judy Finley, 4675 Hwy 423, McKenzie, TN 38201. For more information, call 731-352-3901.

IRIS RHIZONES  
BULB SALE

McKenzie First Cumberland Presbyterian Church is selling iris rhizome bulbs. All proceeds go to the church's building fund. For more information, call 731-352-3252.

MCKENZIE  
SENIOR CITIZENS  
CENTER CLOSED

The McKenzie Senior Citizens Center is closed until further notice due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

CARROLL COUNTY  
ADULT EDUCATION  
CLASSES

Huntingdon location: Adult Education Building, 191 Mebanewood Drive on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon, also Tuesdays, 5-7 p.m. McKenzie Location: McKenzie Church of Christ, 16300 Highland Drive on Thursdays, 4-7 p.m.

New Student Orientation on the third Thursday of each month in the Huntingdon location. For more information please call the Carroll County office at 731-986-4841.

CARROLL COUNTY  
DEMOCRATIC WOMEN  
MEETINGS CANCELED  
INDEFINITELY

The Carroll County Democratic Women and Committee meet the third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the county

office complex in Huntingdon. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, these meetings are canceled indefinitely.

JOY CLUB MEETS  
TWICE MONTHLY

The Joy Club meets at McKenzie First United Methodist Church on the first and third Thursdays of each month from noon-2 p.m. Bring a sack lunch and enjoy fellowship, games, guest speakers and movies. All are welcome.

MCKENZIE  
AA MEETINGS

The McKenzie group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets Sunday and Wednesday nights at 8 p.m. at 10 Lee Street in downtown McKenzie. For more information, call Sean at 731-535-2884 or Robert at 731-418-2772.

TURNING POINT  
GROUP AA MEETINGS

Turning Point Group AA meetings are Thursdays at noon at the Park Theatre in McKenzie.

WEBB ALUMNI  
MUSEUM

Webb High School Alumni, Inc., and the Webb High School Alumni Museum Committee welcome all to visit the museum at 938 West Walnut Ave., McKenzie, open every Tuesday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. or by appointment.

CCHS CAT SPAY,  
NEUTER VOUCHERS

The Carroll County Humane Society provides low-cost cat spay/neuter vouchers for \$35. Come by the shelter 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Saturdays. Call Paris Vet Clinic and set up your appointment. Take your cats in one morning and they come home the same day! That's all there is to it.

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vouchers must be used at Paris Vet Clinic. Vouchers expire one month from purchase.

You can use these for your cat or the neighborhood stray. You can buy the vouchers for others to use for their cats.

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JOHNSON TEMPLE  
C.M.E. PRAYER VIGIL

There is a Community Prayer Vigil every Tuesday at 5 p.m. at Johnson Temple C.M.E., 915 Walnut Avenue, McKenzie.

We come together to pray for one another, our community and country, then study the Word of God. Johnson Temple C.M.E. Church convenes each Sunday with Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship at 11 a.m.

MCKENZIE  
HISTORIC ZONING  
MEETS MONTHLY

The McKenzie Historic Zoning Committee meets the second Wednesday of each month, 4 p.m. in the city hall council chambers.

MCKENZIE  
INDUSTRIAL BOARD  
MEETS MONTHLY

McKenzie Industrial Board meets the second Tuesday of each month in the former railroad depot.

MCKENZIE  
CONDEMNATION  
MEETINGS MONTHLY

City of McKenzie Condemnation Meetings are the fourth Monday of each month at 3 p.m. in the city hall council chambers.

MCKENZIE  
CITY COUNCIL  
MEETS MONTHLY

The McKenzie City Council meets at 6 p.m. the second Thursday of each month.

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Students entering **Pre-K** must be 4 years old by August 15, 2020. Students entering **Kindergarten** must be 5 years old by August 15, 2020.

To enroll, McKenzie Elementary School must have the following documents:

- Certified copy of birth certificate (optional)
- Proof of Residency (i.e. utility bill with home address excluding phone and cable bill)
- Tennessee Certificate of Immunization (Forms may be obtained from your doctor or health department)
- Tennessee School Entry Medical Examination completed by medical doctor (physical)
  - o The following immunizations are required and are to be documented on a Tennessee Permanent Certificate of Immunization (PH 2414):

- DTP series and booster, five (5) doses
- Polio series and booster, four (4) doses
- MMR, two (2) doses
- Hepatitis A, two (2) doses
- Hepatitis B, three (3) doses
- Varicella (chicken pox), two (2) doses or history of disease.
- Shots must be on the new TN Certificate of Immunization as of July 1, 2010

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CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS:

• High school diploma or equivalent.

• Valid driver's license.

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• Ability to work nights and weekends.

• Must meet deadlines and make revisions in a timely manner.

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*See solution in next week's edition.*

## Famous Poets Word Search

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CHAUCER	HOMER	POUND	WILDE
CUMMINGS	HUGHES	SEUSS	WORDSWORTH

## Weekly Crossword

**CLUES ACROSS**

- Curved symmetrical structure
- One's partner in marriage
- Male admirer
- Spend in a period of dormancy
- Popular Easter meal
- Doc
- Bearing a heavy load
- Gratitude
- The Mount Rushmore State
- Driving
- Girl
- British thermal unit
- Makes a mistake
- A defined length of time
- Lions do it
- Large quantities
- Become less intense
- Famed peninsula
- Emerges
- Rare Hawaiian geese
- Dance style
- Drove
- Measures speed of an engine (abbr.)
- Yankee hero Bucky
- Midway between west and northwest
- Monetary unit of Samoa
- Makes clothing
- Spielberg's alien
- Agreeable to the taste
- Injury treatment protocol
- Cools your house
- Imaginary line
- Some do it to their windows
- New convert
- Harvester
- Roadside living quarters
- Excessive self-confidence
- Lapp
- Bicycled
- Entrance to a passage

**CLUES DOWN**

- Remove body tissue
- Female sibling
- A soft gray metal (abbr.)
- Southern constellation
- Belgian city
- Go in again
- In a different, more positive way
- Western U.S. state
- Grain towers
- "Westworld" actress \_\_\_ Rachel Wood
- Commercial
- One who left a will
- Makes it through
- Within (prefix)
- Sea patrol (abbr.)
- Cigarettes (slang)
- A doctrine
- Constrictor snakes
- Atomic #73
- Baseball stat
- Female sibling
- A soft gray metal (abbr.)
- Southern constellation
- Belgian city
- Go in again
- In a different, more positive way
- A place for sleeping
- Blood type
- Syrian news agency (abbr.)
- A salt or ester of acetic acid
- Millinery
- Populous Israeli city \_\_\_ Aviv
- Widen
- Magical potion
- Acknowledging
- Private romantic rendezvous
- Cavalry sword
- Terabyte
- Artificial intelligence
- Bullfighting maneuver
- Breezed through
- Santa says it three times
- \_\_\_ and behold
- 36 inches (abbr.)

**Week 18** *See solution in next week's edition.*

## THIS DAY IN... HISTORY

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- 1986: THE SOVIET UNION ANNOUNCES THE NUCLEAR DISASTER AT CHERNOBYL AFTER HIGH LEVELS OF RADIATION ARE DETECTED IN SWEDEN.
- 1788: MARYLAND BECOMES THE SEVENTH STATE TO RATIFY

## SUDOKU

SOLUTION WEEK 17

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## PUZZLE SOLUTION

Week 17 Crossword Puzzle Solution

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# McKenzie Police Reports

**Driving Under the Influence** — Officer Trey Boucher arrested Maurice Falls, 50, St. John Cemetery Lane, McKenzie, with Driving Under the Influence on April 23 at 5:42 a.m. According to the report, he drove to work at a local manufacturing company and pulled into the parking lot in a reckless manner: When some the employees went to the car, Falls was unsteady on his feet. Officers were called and conducted a field sobriety test. He was arrested and taken to a hospital for a blood-alcohol test. He was then transported to Henry County Jail.

**Aggravated Assault, Domestic Assault** — Officer Mark Boaz charged Camden Travez Phillips, 22, Greenfield with Aggravated Assault, Domestic Assault and Vandalism after an April 25 incident.

According to the report, Phillips's girlfriend drove to the old McKenzie Inn where Phillips is residing. She took him to a store to pick up a few items.

Sergeant Beauchamp and Officer Chance Townes spoke to the victim and learned Phillips ripped her rear-view mirror from the car and threw it at her and wrapped his arms around her neck causing her not to be able to scream or breath.

He also threw a drink that splattered across the dashboard and her clothes. She drove him to the parking lot of the Police Department. She exited the car and he followed.

She locked the car doors and was she able to get back in the car while he was locked outside the vehicle. He jumped onto the hood and she drove away.

On Main Street, near The McKenzie Banner, she slammed on the brakes and he slid off the hood. Some people witnessed the incident and reported it to police.

He was walking on Main Street near the CSX tracks when officers found him. They later questioned the victim, whose had marks on her face characteristic of an assault.

**Driving on Suspended License** — Officer Kyle Beauchamp charged Rick Wilson, 63, of Cherrywood Avenue, McKenzie with Driving on a Revoked License and Violation of Financial Responsibility.

According to the report, Beauchamp made a traffic stop at 7:22 p.m. on April 20 on a Chevy pickup with a headlight out. He learned the driver, Rick Wilson, was revoked for a DUI.

He was cited into court for the DUI and lack of proof of insurance and given verbal warnings about the headlight and violation of window tint.

# Huntingdon Police Reports

**Theft** — Tatumn Brean Newman, 20, of Holladay was cited for theft under \$1,000 on April 15 for allegedly switching tags on items at Walmart in Huntingdon.

According to the report by Officer Zachery Barker, Walmart security advised him that Newman had taken the tag off one item of clothing and used that tag to scan

another item of clothing in the self-checkout line.

**Domestic Assault** — Lester Butler, 69, of Huntingdon was charged with domestic assault following an April 4 incident at his residence.

According to the report by Officer Shelton Moon, he went to 184 Cotham Drive after receiving a

call about an unruly child. Bulter and his wife told Moon that their son had been yelling at Mrs. Butler and pushed her away. Mr. Butler said he then hit his son with a frying pan because he pushed his mother. While speaking with the son, Moon observed that he was bleeding from his head and an ambulance was called to the scene. Moon placed Mr. Butler under arrest and transported him to the Carroll County Jail.

# Carroll County Sheriff's Reports

**Theft** — Deputies are looking for an unknown woman who allegedly stole money from an Atwood man.

According to the report by Deputy Christopher Adams, James Coffman called the Sheriff's Department on April 20 to report a theft from his residence on Brooks Road. Coffman told deputies that a woman came to his house asking for gas because her vehicle had broken down. Coffman said he gave the woman some gas and lent her a gas can, and he also let her come inside his residence to wash her hands and get a drink of water. After the woman had left, Coffman later found that \$200 was missing from his wallet, which had been lying on a living room table inside his residence. Coffman described the woman as white, in her 30's, and wearing red/maroon suit pants. He said she was driving a red/maroon minivan. Coffman said he has seen the woman before in that area, but he did not know her name or where she lives.

**Vandalism** — Deputies are investigating the recent vandalism of private property in Bruceton.

Laura Keeton reported to deputies on April 19 that someone damaged the jack on her camper at her property at 30668 Broad Street. She also said that someone attempted to cut the cable going to the propane tank. Damage was estimated at \$300.

**Aggravated Assault** — Kasey

Christian Lemke, 25, of 105 Green Valley Road, Huntingdon, was charged with aggravated assault after allegedly attacking his mother on April 18.

According to the report by Deputy Michael Krause, a man who lives on Audrain Lane called the Sheriff's Department saying that Kathy Mann had shown up at his residence and told him that her son (Lemke) had assaulted her. Upon arrival, Krause found Mann being treated by emergency medical personnel in an ambulance. Mann told Krause that she and her son had gotten into an argument about a wallet, and Lemke had struck her in the face multiple times, knocked her down and choked her. Krause observed Mann's injuries appeared to match her account. Mann stated multiple times that she did not want to press charges against her son, but, based upon her safety and probable cause, Krause filed a warrant for Lemke's arrest. Mann called the Sheriff's Department later that night and said that she did not remember who assaulted her, but she said it wasn't her son.

**Burglary** — Deputies are looking into the recent burglary of a Huntingdon residence.

According to the report by Deputy Joey Hedge, he went to 2220 Anark Road and spoke with resident Barbara Nicole Moore, who showed Hedge where someone had made forcible entry into the

back door of her residence. She told Hedge that \$800 in cash was missing, and she would call back if she found that anything else had been stolen.

**Aggravated Assault** — Stephen Isaac Rougeou, 31, of 2240 Robinson Leavy Road, McKenzie, was charged with aggravated assault following an April 18 incident at his residence.

According to the report by Deputy Kenny Tucker, he responded to a domestic call from Rougeou's residence. When Tucker arrived, Rougeou came out on the front porch and spoke with the deputy. Tucker noted that Rougeou was bleeding from the face. Rougeou told Tucker that he and his brother had gotten into a fight. Family members told Tucker that Rougeou had gone into his brother's room and threatened his brother, who pulled a knife and told Rougeou to get out. They said Rougeou then got a hammer and tried to hit his brother with it, and his brother grabbed a shovel and hit Rougeou with it in self-defense. Family members, who said they did not want to file any charges, stated that Rougeou suffers from paranoia and a bipolar disorder and had not been acting right during the past two days. Tucker noted in his report that this was the third time in the past 48 hours that deputies had responded to domestic disturbances at that residence and that Rougeou has a history of domestic violence. Firearms were also found to be present in the home.

# Area Property Transfers

- Linda Ray to Timothy D. and Vanessa R. M. Hayes in District 21.
- Casey and Terri Drewry to Casey and Terri Drewry in District 4.
- Mortgage Equity Conversion Asset Trust to Donald T. and Jean E. McMackin in District 11.
- Sandra McMackin to Eric W. and Jennifer L. McMackin in District 11.
- BWB Properties, LLC to Julie Ann Summers and others in District 4.
- Richard and Vivian Flores to Jimmie and Lori Moore.
- Roberta Lange to Daniel K. Connell in District 12.
- Charline Carter to Wendy Pace in District 13.
- Lena Marie Crafton to Jimmy Ray Smothers in District 11.
- Curt Edwin Taylor to Jill

- Renee Taylor in District 11.
- Curt Edwin Taylor to Jill Renee Brewer and others in District 11.
- Nathan and Jessica Clark to Delbert Ray and Elizabeth Anne Gonzalez Hudgins in District 5.
- W. Kent Jones to Bank of Gleason in District 4.
- Christopher and Kimberly Hall to Jere S. Cooper Sr. and others in District 4.
- Priscilla A. Dotson to Marlon Dotson and others in District 2.
- Mark and Patricia Dillahunt to Tyler Scott Warbritton in District 12.
- Wayford Otis Jr. and Frances Ann Washburn to Charles Marshall Washburn in District 4.
- Johnny Ray and Kimberly Renee Hill to Roger Neal III and Johnna Nicole Mainford in District 11.

- Tommy G. and Patricia Long to William Michael Lovelace in District 21.
- Robert and Ivey Elrod to Justin David Stoltzfus in District 18.
- Dennis Beecham to Brian and Sonia Baird in District 24.
- Tammie A Berry to Jeffrey M. Noles in District 11.
- Jesse Jonathan Edward and Badr-El-Knazen Turner to Rodney and Cindy Karsten in District 4.
- Deborah P. and Fred P. Stinson to Amy E. and Paul S. Noles in District 23.
- Tina Turner to Peyton and Lindsey Turner in District 11.
- Jason and Susan Moon to Colton Moon in District 16.
- Taylor Rental, LLC to Taylor McGill McCarty in District 11.
- Thomas and Nancy Ball Richter to Samuel and Reghan Cole in District 21.
- Billy Chaney and others to Matthew R. and Barbie A. Merrell.

# Cleaning, Disinfecting Mythbusters (Part One: Surfaces)

**COURTESY LACY YELEY**  
*U.T. Extension Agent*

*Sources: Janie Burney, Professor and Nutrition/Food Safety Specialist and Lisa Washburn, Associate Professor and Community Health Specialist*

Public health experts recommend frequent cleaning and disinfecting of surfaces to prevent COVID-19 and other viral respiratory illnesses. As Americans reach for disinfectants, many people wonder what works against COVID-19 and what doesn't. Combat misinformation about coronavirus by learning the facts to counter these myths about cleaning surfaces.

**Myth:** Cleaning is less effective than disinfecting.

**Truth:** Cleaning removes germs, dirt and impurities from surfaces or objects. Soap, detergents and water physically remove germs but usually do not kill germs.

**Myth:** Sanitizing and disinfecting are the same thing.

**Truth:** Sanitizing lowers the number of germs on surfaces or objects to a safe level so that infection is not likely to occur. Disinfecting kills germs on sur-

faces or objects. What makes a chemical a disinfectant depends on the concentration and how long it stays on the surface.

**Myth:** Only certain brands of sanitizers and disinfectants work on COVID-19.

**Truth:** To determine if a sanitizer or disinfectant is effective, check the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registration number on the label. This means that the EPA has determined that the product is effective. There are specific products listed for the human coronavirus.

**Myth:** Any kind of bleach can be used for sanitizing and disinfecting.

**Truth:** Some bleach is made for sanitizing and disinfecting, and some is made for cleaning clothes. Bleach that kills germs should be plain, with no scent, and made with five to six percent hypochlorite.

**Myth:** Any kind of alcohol can be used against coronavirus.

**Truth:** Alcohol kills germs if the solution has the right percentage of alcohol. Disinfecting solutions of at least 70 percent alcohol can clean surfaces like tables, mobile devices, doorknobs and light switches. Isopropyl and

ethyl alcohol are both effective if the solution is at least 70 percent.

**Myth:** Disinfectants work the same on all surfaces.

**Truth:** Disinfectants may not work on all surfaces. Some surfaces are porous, some are semi porous and some are non-porous. Read the product label to determine which surfaces a disinfectant will work on.

**Myth:** Making your own disinfecting wipes is effective against COVID-19.

**Truth:** Advice on making your own disinfecting wipes is making its way across social media. A better solution is to make a bleach and water solution and use a spray bottle. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends four teaspoons of bleach per quart of water.

**Myth:** Any kind of sanitizing or disinfecting product will work on food-contact surfaces.

**Truth:** Not all products are made for use on food-contact surfaces. Some may need to be diluted and some may leave residues. If a product is safe for food-contact surfaces, it will say so on the label.

\*Always read the directions on cleaning and disinfecting products.

# State Pays Pandemic Unemployment Benefits

## Self-Employed Individuals Receiving Federal Benefits Provided Through the CARES Act

NASHVILLE — The state of Tennessee began providing economic relief to thousands of self-employed individuals by paying Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits made available to them through the federal government's CARES Act.

After building the system necessary to accommodate this new benefit, The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development (TDLWD) began processing unemployment applications under PUA guidelines set by the United States Department of Labor.

Self-employed individuals are not typically eligible for unemployment. PUA provided the funding necessary to pay benefits to Tennesseans who have not been able to work in order to help mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

The Department began processing eligible claims on April 22 and continued processing into the weekend. Tens

of thousands of eligible individuals should have funds deposited into their bank accounts or debit cards this week.

In order to process the claims in the most expedient manner possible, all claimants will first receive the minimum weekly PUA benefit of \$120 and the additional \$600 weekly Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) benefit. Individuals eligible for more than the minimum will see their payments adjusted up over time. Payments are retroactive to March 15 or when the claimant first applied. The FPUC benefit is retroactive back to the week ending April 4.

TDLWD utilized the minimum payment method in order to distribute benefits immediately, and then take the necessary time needed to calculate each claimant's weekly benefit amount (WBA). Once the Department finalizes a WBA, the claimant will receive the

difference between the minimum and their actual benefit in a later payment.

The Department will contact each claimant to request wage information if it has not already been provided. Claimants will also receive instructions on how to become current on any missed weekly certifications. It is extremely important claimants do not make any changes to their claims while they are processing in order to prevent issues that could cause a delay.

PUA provides up to 39 weeks of benefits to qualifying individuals who are otherwise able to work and available for work within the meaning of applicable state law, except that they are unemployed, partially unemployed, or unable or unavailable to work due to COVID-19 related reasons, as defined in the CARES Act. PUA benefits cannot be paid for weeks of unemployment ending after December 31, 2020.

Self-employed Tennesseans can still apply for PUA by visiting [www.Jobs4TN.gov](http://www.Jobs4TN.gov) or calling 844-432-0969.



UT-Martin Chancellor Dr. Keith Carver made a surprise visit to the home of UTM Senior Lexie Bolin of McKenzie. The university closed its campus to students because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Students completed his semester via online classes.

# UTM Chancellor Dr. Keith Carver Surprises UTM Senior Lexie Bolin Bolin to Graduate in Virtual Ceremony Saturday

When Stephanie Bolin decorated the family home as part of the local Class of 2020 Senior Light up Night, to celebrate her college senior, she never dreamed that it would result in a visit from the University of Tennessee at Martin's chancellor.

When Dr. Carver saw the pictures on social media he messaged Stephanie and said I may just have to drive down there and surprise Lexie and get my picture made in my cap in gown with her.

So, Friday afternoon, April 24, Lexie gets a cell phone call from Dr. Carver congratulating her on her accomplishments and on her upcoming graduation. He explained that he was preparing for a social media post and was very impressed

with her decorations and asked her to step outside and take a "selfie" in front of the banner and text it to him. When Lexie stepped outside, Dr. Carver, and his office personnel, were walking up the driveway.

Dr. Carver explained that we can't have commencement on campus this year so he thought he would bring commencement to her in McKenzie.

He explained to Lexie the senior decorations had "created quite a social media stir, so he thought what a great opportunity for him to put on his cap and gown and be around a student."

He apologized that they were not able to have a traditional commencement, but he hoped this made up for it a little and explained that they make it official by taking a picture by the

banner. He left Lexie with some UTM Alumni goodies. But most importantly, he left Lexie with a UTM senior memory that she will forever cherish.

Stephanie stated, "This is truly what a passion for your job and a passion for the UTM student body looks like. Having two girls at UTM this year, I know just how special Dr. Carver is to them and the student body on campus."

Lexie will receive a BS Degree in Cell and Molecular Biology on Saturday.

A "virtual commencement" on Facebook Live is set for 10:00 a.m., Saturday, May 2.

Students will be honored individually by the calling of their name and the conferring of their degree by UT Martin Chancellor Dr. Keith Carver.

# Miss Tennessee Volunteer Canceled for 2020

The Miss Tennessee Volunteer Scholarship Pageant for the year 2020 is canceled. The annual event is held during the summer in Jackson. However, the City of Jackson and the County of Madison began a Phase 1 Economic Recovery Plan, which involves closing all city venues until September.

"We are saddened that our city venues will not be open

this summer in order to host our pageant, but fully support our government officials who are implementing strategies to improve the overall health and economic strength of Jackson and the surrounding areas.

"Our board has been relentless in working through every scenario on behalf of our organization, local directors, local committee members,

contestants, their parents, our generous sponsors and supportive fans to try and find a way to hold the state competition. After weeks of careful deliberation, and in following the latest guidelines issued on April 24th from national, state and local authorities, the organization feels it must begin to look ahead to 2021."

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Stanfords Celebrate 60th Anniversary

Travis and Peggy Stanford are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. They married April 30, 1960. While the COVID-19 pandemic requires social distancing, the family is not hosting a formal celebration at this time. A celebration will be held in the near future. The family wishes them a happy anniversary.

Love Scotty, Shannon, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. R15540

Derek Carr Joins Milan Football Staff

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McKenzie alum Derek Carr is the new passing game coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Milan High School. Carr was a two-year starting quarterback for the Rebels, graduating in 2008. He attended the University of Tennessee at Martin and was a four-year member of the Skyhawk football team. He then coached at the school for two years as a graduate assistant before taking on the same role at Temple University for two more years. Carr spent a year as the wide receivers coach at Tennessee Tech before returning to UT Martin for one year as the passing game coordinator. Next, he spent two years out of coaching, working in sales and for Edward Jones. Carr was lured back to coaching last season by former Rebel teammate Tyler Reeder, head coach of the South Side High School football team. Carr told The Banner the timing was perfect and it was a great opportunity. He served as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. "I had missed coaching, and Tyler was one of my best friends in high school. He continues to do great things at South Side." Carr said that he's had the privilege of being around many



Derek Carr during his coaching stint at Temple University.

great coaches, such as Gerad Parker at UTM (now the offensive coordinator at West Virginia) and Matt Rhule at Temple (now head coach of the NFL's Carolina Panthers). He told The Banner he's happy to be back in the area and closer to family. Milan's program is in the midst of some big changes, with Carl Diffie taking over as head coach and a new stadium with a turf field set to be completed by August. "I'm excited to be a part of it," said Carr. Derek and his wife Shelley have a daughter, Landry, who turns two in May, and a son due in August, just in time for the football season. They reside in Jackson, but plan to relocate to Milan.



The 2020 McKenzie High School Track team.

Lost Season: McKenzie High School Track

The COVID-19 pandemic and the battle to contain it has led to changes in nearly every aspect of daily life and one of the most noticeable has been the absence of spring sports from our parks and schools. Head Coach Alex Hayes told The Banner, "I hate it for the kids. We worked for so many months to prepare, and now they won't get to see the fruits of their labor. I'm pretty sure a few kids were going to make it to state. We also had some new members join the team, and I was excited to see them compete." The 2020 MHS track team included seniors Carrie Becker, Amber Wright, Ajayla Williams, Dylan Crawford and Claudia Patrick; juniors Gracie Webb, Annabelle Medford, Allie Chappell, Chase Webb, Diego Huitzache, Chris Barnett and Ryan Christian; sophomores Meya Chesser, Jessica Moore, Ariel McCurdy, Emma Barnett and Joe'l Bilger; and freshmen Lilly Sumrok, Anna Patel, Marquez Taylor, Maria Halliburton and Jamya Teague.



The 2020 McKenzie High School Rebel Baseball team.

Lost Season: McKenzie High School Baseball

The COVID-19 pandemic and the battle to contain it has led to changes in nearly every aspect of daily life, and one of the most noticeable has been the absence of spring sports from our parks and schools. The 2020 Rebels include seniors West Cook, Evan Jarrett, Riley Joyner and Cameron Kee; juniors Brandon Boaz, Eli Surber, Phillip Smith, Ethan Travis and Nick Simpson; sophomores Zayden McCaslin, Collin McLearn, Trey Cook, Jon Haney and Jake McDaniel; and freshmen Jackson Cassidy, Ty Anderson, Chaten Bivens, Brayden Birmingham and Nolan Renfro. we couldn't continue our season after starting off 2-1. The arrival of the season was quick for our seniors and this team, and just like that, it was over. Our seniors and our team worked incredibly hard to prepare for this season, and to see it come to an end the way it did is hard. Our seniors will be greatly missed, and I know they have made some lasting impressions on each other, their teammates, our coaching staff and this community."



The 2020 McKenzie High School Lady Rebel Softball team.

Lost Season: McKenzie High School Softball

The COVID-19 pandemic and the battle to contain it has led to changes in nearly every aspect of daily life, and one of the most noticeable has been the absence of spring sports from our parks and schools. The 2020 Lady Rebels include seniors Desteyanna Allen, Karli Brown, Jenna Tucker and Camille Travis; junior Lilly Bennett; sophomores Jaden Barton and Anna Robinson; and freshmen Briley Auvenshine, Cassidy Brown, Madison Gilbert, Peyton Ognibene and Katie Chesser.

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## We are honoring area seniors in the Graduation Keepsake Edition

Currently, we are working hard on our annual Graduation Keepsake Edition honoring you. It will publish mid-May. There will be two editions, one for all Carroll County grads and one for all Weakley County grads. Gleason will appear in both like it has for years. Carroll County will insert in The McKenzie Banner; Weakley County will insert in the Dresden Enterprise. **Support this edition by promoting a senior or local business.**

If parents, friends or local businesses would like to place a note of encouragement to our graduating seniors, please call or e-mail us at our McKenzie office, 731-352-3323, grad@mckenziebanner.com.

**Deadline to respond: Weds, May 6, 2020**

**Shelby Marie Smith**

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COURSE OF STUDY: Nursing

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For questions about Carroll or Weakley County editions, call 731-352-3323 or e-mail grad@mckenziebanner.com

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