

Open House Planned for MHS Multi-Purpose Building

MCKENZIE — An open house for the public is Saturday, September 28, 3 to 5 p.m. for the new multi-purpose sports indoor complex at McKenzie High School.

The 3,710 square-foot facility, multi-purpose sports practice facility is used for various sports teams, bands and other school groups, including physical education. MHS football has used the facility extensively during the hottest of days. It is also used by soccer, softball, baseball and band. It has heat and air, men's



and women's dressing rooms, two retractable hitting cages for baseball and softball, an artificial turf floor - 50 yards of regulation football yardage and markings which include

an end zone. There is also a baseball and softball diamond in the turf design.

General contractor Lashlee-Rich, Inc. constructed the building at a cost of \$3,989,720.

Clay Wilson Day Declared in Gleason

GLEASON (September 20) — Clay Wilson, owner of Gleason Lumber Company since 1962, was honored by family and friends for his 90th birthday. Mayor Charles Anderson declared September 20, 2024 as Clay Wilson Day in the town.

Mayor Anderson's proclamation included the following facts about Wilson:

He was born September 20, 1934 and graduated high school at Webb School in Bell Buckle.

He has been a resident and good citizen of Gleason since 1962, when he



Clay Wilson

became owner of Gleason Lumber Co. and a member of Gleason Methodist Church.

He has been a faithful husband to Harriet Wilson and raised three sons and a daughter in a Christian home.

He has been a supporter of all civic activities in Gleason and a positive influence and inspiration to everyone he has come in contact with in the community and his business.

He has been an avid supporter of all activities of Gleason School.

He has been an all-around good citizen and has demonstrated good leadership.

Sniders Win Gleason Yard of the Month



The Gleason "Yard of the Month" for September goes to John and Mandy Snider at 216 East Main Street. John's grandparents, Ellis Frank and Rosa Trevathan, purchased the property in 1942. It was remodeled to its current architecture and beauty in 1966. John and Mandy purchased the property in 2014. They maintain the house and lawn immaculately year round. The City of Gleason appreciates their efforts to keep Gleason looking great and a great town to live in and enjoy life. A generous gift card for Wells 1918 Homestead Plant Nursery in Gleason was presented to them. Sponsored by the City of Gleason and Mayor Charles Anderson.

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER



Above, Lady Rebel Allie Walker takes a free kick as Fillies Tatum Rich, Juli Harris and Abbi Sykes (forming a wall) and goalkeeper Maddie Brinkman defend the goal. Below Left, Huntingdon's Abbi Sykes takes a shot at the goal. Sykes had a hat trick (three goals) and an assist in the win. Below Right, Lady Rebel goalkeeper Rachel Essary stops a shot for one of her seven saves in the loss. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



Fillies Top Lady Rebels in District Battle

BY BRAD SAM
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MCKENZIE (September 17) — McKenzie High School hosted Huntingdon Tuesday for a District 12A soccer match. The Fillies scored three goals in each half to claim a 6-1 victory.

Huntingdon's Abbi Sykes had a hat trick (three goals) and had one assist. Kailey Lord scored a pair of goals.

Savannah Vinson had one goal. Juli Harris had two assists, and Paisley Forsnot had one.

Fillies goalkeeper Maddie Brinkman had eight saves.

Lady Rebel Addyson Littleton scored McKenzie's goal.

McKenzie goalkeeper Rachel Essary had seven saves.

The loss completes the Lady Rebels' district slate. They are 5-3-1 (1-2 in

D-12A). The team travels to Adamsville Thursday for a 6 p.m. start. McKenzie concludes the regular season Monday, September 30, hosting Scotts Hill at 5:45 p.m.

Huntingdon moves to 6-2 (2-0 in D-12A) with one district contest remaining. The Fillies host Westview (D-12A) Tuesday at 6 p.m. and conclude the season Thursday, hosting Milan at 6 p.m.

McKenzie School Board Agenda

McKenzie Special School District Board of Education meets October 1, 5:30 p.m. in the Board Office on Bell Avenue.

The following items are on the agenda.

1. Prayer and Pledge to the Flag.
2. Adoption of Agenda:
 - A. Consent Agenda.
 - B. Regular Agenda (New Business).
3. Hear correspondence addressed to the Board.
4. Public comment(s) on actionable agenda items

(not to exceed 15 minutes)*. *MSSD Board Policy 1.404.

- NEW BUSINESS (Actionable Items):
5. Consider for approval, on First Reading, amendments to the McKenzie SSD Board of Education Policy Manual.
 6. 6402.1 Opioid Antagonist.
 6. Consider for approval McKenzie SSD budget amendment(s).
 7. Facilities Planning Update (MSSD Board Policy 3.208).

8. Consider for approval overnight trip for MHS Beta Club to Nashville, TN—TN State Beta Convention—November 21-23, 2024.

9. Discussion of school safety response platform—Centegix.
10. Discussion of proposed projects—McKenzie Middle School gym bleachers; McKenzie Elementary School exterior painting; McKenzie Middle School gym floor.
11. Director's Report.
12. Adjourn.

Huntingdon Heritage Festival is This Weekend

BY HUNTINGDON CITY HALL

It is time once again to celebrate Huntingdon Heritage Day Festival with the Town of Huntingdon. On Saturday, September 28, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., all are invited to Huntingdon's historic Court Square to join this free, all-day special event honoring the rich history of Carroll County and its county seat, Huntingdon.

This year marks the 31st annual Heritage Day and its longstanding tradition, with the festival's schedule promising to deliver fun and entertainment. Festival goers can expect to enjoy a cruise-in, inflatables, ISTE train rides, Carroll Arts Storytelling, face painting and Mudslinger's pottery, petting zoo, kids' activities and 50+ vendor booths for jewelry, clothing, crafts, food trucks, snow cones, and ice cream, along with

music and entertainment acts on two stages. Don't forget local shopping with In-Store specials and local restaurants with your favorite dishes!

The Carroll Bank & Trust Bandstand Stage will host a variety of live music acts from 11:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

Huntingdon Heritage Festival Ceremony 10-10:45 a.m.

Fisher Stokes 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Wallace and Company 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Kellye Cash 2-3:15 p.m.

The children's stage, sponsored by the Huntingdon Animal Clinic, will feature family entertainment from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Carroll County Library 11-11:30 a.m.

Eden's Echo Wildlife Education 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Storytime with Miss Trudy from The Dixie Carter

PAC 12-12:30 p.m.

Ray Moore Magician 12:30-1 p.m.

Eden's Echo Wildlife Education 1-1:30 p.m.

Carroll County Library 1:30-2 p.m.

Carroll Arts Storytelling 11 a.m.-1 p.m. (public safety building) featuring Phil Williams 11:00, Angela DeMaris 11:15, Wilma Pearson 11:30, Joel Washburn 11:45, Kathy Ham 12:00, Mona Batchelor 12:15, Lee Ramsey 12:30, Andrew Evans 12:45.

Other events related to the festival include the Heritage Hustle 2024 5K St. Jude Fundraiser on Saturday, September 28. Race starts at 8 a.m., registration is at 7:15 a.m. at Huntingdon Middle School at 199 Browning Ave. in Huntingdon.

For more information about this free event, contact Huntingdon City Hall at 731-986-2900.



Above, Award winners at the Senior Center banquet (L to R): Jim Seaton, Jimmie Martin, Nancy Barletto, Willie Bobbitt, Dorothy Harper and George Harper. Below, The McKenzie Silver Steppers take a bow after showing their moves to "Singin' in the Rain." From left, Nancy Davenport, Brenda Lackey, Tammy Crawford, Scott Armpriest, Bonnie Teas, Ramona Dyer and Leigh Goodwin. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



McKenzie Senior Citizens Center Celebrates Fortieth Anniversary

BY BRAD SAM
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MCKENZIE (September 21) — Members of the McKenzie Senior Citizens Center gathered Saturday at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the organization's charter.

The group was organized in 1984 and the charter was approved by the state on February 8, 1985.

Saturday's celebration was also the inaugural Members Banquet, featuring food, live entertainment, awards and door prizes.

Carol Armpriest was master of ceremonies, and Reggie Wiggins delivered the blessing.

Simply Southern catered the event, and staff from Reviving and Thriving Transitional Living provided table service.

Mitchell Brown and Jordan May provided technical support, and May also provided piano music during dinner.

Musical performers included Isaac Steven, Hannah and Nathan Eaton, Britany Martin, Chelsea and Mitchell Brown and Jon and Anna Eaton.

The Center's own McKenzie Silver Steppers performed a dance routine. They are Tammy Crawford, Bonnie Teas, Ramo-



Award winners at the Senior Center banquet (L to R): Kneeling — Nancy Davenport and Scott Armpriest; Standing — Mabel Plank, Tammy Host and Mike (Bubba) Abrams. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner

na Dyer, Scott Armpriest, Brenda Lackey, Leigh Goodwin and Nancy Davenport. Davenport provided choreography.

Numerous awards were presented to members:

Mabel Plank — Best Chef, Best Baker, Most Creative.

Mike (Bubba) Abrams — Most Helpful, Best Bingo Player.

Tammy Host — Most Crafty.

Nancy Davenport — Most Likely to be Smiling.

Scott Armpriest — Best Pool Player.

Jimmie Martin — Craziest Personality.

Nancy Barletto — Best Laugh.

Willie Bobbitt — Most

Likely to Make You Laugh. Jim Seaton — Best Domino Player.

Dorothy Harper — Queen, Best Dressed, Best Canasta Player.

George Harper — King, Most Kind.

The Harpers — Best Couple.

The Center's executive board includes Chairman Nancy Davenport, Mabel Plank, Leigh Goodwin, Tammy Host and Carol Armpriest.

Accident

...From Front Page

an embankment before striking a wooded area. Pratt, the lone occupant, was initially treated at the scene by first responders, including Baptist EMS and McKenzie Fire Department First Responders before being airlifted to Vanderbilt from the McKenzie helipad, owned by the McKenzie Industrial Board. He reportedly suffered from a concussion, scrapes and bruises and was released from the Nashville hospital.

The cargo of soybeans was partially dumped upon impact. Carroll County Hazmat team responded to the scene to contain a fuel leak.

Responding units McKenzie Fire/Rescue, Carroll County Sheriff's De-



The truck was destroyed as it struck multiple trees. Parts of the truck and the payload of soybeans were scattered into the wooded area.

partment, Carroll County EMS, Carroll County Rescue Squad, Carroll County Hazmat, Tennessee Highway Patrol, Carroll County Fire Department, and Carroll County

Emergency Management Agency.

Multiple wreckers were needed to remove the wreckage requiring a partial closing of the roadway.

Sass

...From Front Page

Kirsten finished first in the female age group of 45-49. Robyn finished 16th in the female age group 40-44 and Fred finished 13th in the 35-39 men's age group.

Thousands of the nation's fastest amateur short-course triathletes swam, biked, and ran on Sunday, Sept. 15 in Atlantic City, New Jersey, for the second day of the 2024 USA Triathlon Sprint & Olympic Distance National Championships, USA Triathlon's largest and longest-running National Championship event. Kirsten Sass (McKenzie, Tenn.) won the overall women's Sprint-Distance national titles, racing the 750-meter swim, 20-kilometer bike and 5k run course that started in the water near Bader Field and took athletes on a bike ride down the Atlantic City Expressway with a run finish on the Boardwalk. USA Triathlon partnered with event production company DelMoSports C, which organizes events along the southern New Jersey shore and Philadelphia areas,



Kirsten Sass earns first place in Atlantic City New Jersey to compete in Australia in 2025.

to support production of 2024 USA Triathlon Sprint & Olympic Distance National Championships.

Sass took the overall women's Sprint-Distance National Championship, racing to another national title in her illustrious career with a time of 1 hour, 4 minutes, 47 seconds.

One of the country's strongest age group cy-

clists, Sass turned in the day's fastest bike split, averaging 23.88 miles per hour. She followed with a strong 5k run, averaging 6:20 per mile to run down the overall win and the 45-49 age group title.

Robyn earned 16th overall in the 40-44 women's age group and Fred earned the thirteenth place in the men's 35-39 age group.

Threats

...From Front Page

"At no time was there a credible threat made against any of our schools today. Some rumors were circulated by students and parents, but all were unfounded and, as best we can determine, connected to rumors about school violence that were taking place statewide last week. We did take some additional precautions this morning at MMS (McKenzie Middle School), given that the reported info came to us late last night (Thursday). But again, nothing was substantiated through the course of the investigation today. Attached is a statement that will be released to families this afternoon."

The following statement was released to the general public.

Dear Families and Staff, McKenzie Special Schools are aware of a viral trend that has affected schools and school dis-

tricts nationwide.

Our top priority is the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff. We take all potential threats very seriously, working in partnership with local law enforcement officers. To that end, we encourage anyone who sees or hears anything that could represent a potential school safety issue to immediately notify a teacher, staff member, or administrator right away.

These threats can be highly disruptive to teaching and learning, while causing a great deal of stress and anxiety for students, families, and staff alike. We are asking for your help by not sharing rumors or posts referencing unsubstantiated threats via social media or text messages. Instead, please contact your school or district office and/or local law enforcement. This is the best way to address any school safety concerns.

As you can imagine, these types of social media posts put schools like ours in a difficult position. We must respond to and

investigate all potential threats, while minimizing disruptions to the learning process as much as possible. We are asking for your support as we deal with this issue, which is affecting schools across the United States.

We are fortunate to have School Resource Officers (SROs) from the McKenzie PD in each of our buildings, and we have members of the TN Highway Patrol and Carroll Co. Sheriff department who are in our community and work with us on a daily basis to ensure our campuses are safe. The support of our community is a huge factor in ensuring that our students feel safe each day when they come to school and have the opportunity to learn to their greatest potential.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your attention to this important update.

**Sincerely,
Dr. Justin Barden
Director of Schools**

Henry

...From Front Page

over the weekend referencing photos of women's photos with sexual comments post on them.

According to Radionwtn.com, in a follow-up, the sheriff's office issued a press release stating Ronald Cummings was arrested and booked into the Henry County Jail. The Henry County Sher-

iff's Office is aware of the social media post that was circulating of several women's pictures that included sexual comments. The Henry County Sheriff's Office posted earlier Sunday afternoon: "These pictures appear to have been taken from others social media pages. We are actively investigating the social media page and ask the public to please contact the Henry County Sheriff's Office Investigation Division if you've seen a minor child picture with

any type of comment on the post. We also ask that you refrain from sharing the original post."

This case is still an ongoing investigation with more charges expected.

Sheriff Josh Frey said, "We ask anyone that has information about this case please contact Henry County Sheriff's Office Investigation Division at 731-642-1672.

Sheriff Frey thanked the public for their assistance in this case.



Above, Head Start students and parents parade around the playground in their PJs. Below, Head Start students splash and build with classmates and parents. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



Pajama

...From Front Page

children with autism, help stimulate the brain and aid in processing new sensory information and developing language skills.

After a short parade around the playground, kids played with beads, bubbles, water, slime and other various textures, read books and listened to music in their favorite pajamas.

Parents were provided with helpful information about autism, including early signs and symptoms and the importance of community awareness and acceptance.

The event was inspired by Autism Tennessee's annual Pajama Walk and 5K, held in Nashville the following day.



Above, Head Start student Sophie Dodd, 3, reads with dad, Michael, as little sister, Lillian, 1, reads with mom, Angela. Below, Head Start students explore various textures such as beads, water and slime. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



Carroll

...From Front Page

the fellow commissioner wanted to be a notary. In a lengthy response, Ostiguy wanted to test the system on the process and added that he felt there were numerous issues with the process making it too easy to obtain. He concluded that there needed to be a vetting process.

Austin then stated his opinion on the fact that he felt Ostiguy's application was not serious but was asinine and was only done to make a point. He then made an amended motion to accept all the notaries except for Ostiguy. During the vote, Commissioner Larry Spencer, Joey Simmons and Austin voted against excluding Ostiguy from the list. With the failure of the motion, the original motion was then put before the Commission for a vote approving Ostiguy.

The second point of contention came at the end of the meeting as the Resolutions Committee had recommended a point broach the subject of decorum. This came following multiple heated exchanges about the future of the Rural Fire Department and the opening of the EMA Director's position. Commissioner Daniel Willman scolded Commissioner Thomas on his behavior and how he overstepped his position as a commissioner. Thomas did agree that he may have overstepped but if put in the position again he probably would not have changed his approach.

On the agenda for the approval were four resolutions dealing with the 2024-25 Fiscal Year Budget. Reso-

lution 9-01-2024 amended the FY25 Budget Fund Balance \$55,618.50 (Three Star Grant — \$50,000; Insurance Recovery — \$3,545.50; Prevention Coalition — SOR GRANT — \$2,073). Resolution 9-02-2024 transferred funds from the Reserve Account for Carroll County Library at \$626 to the communication line item. Resolution 9-03-2024 accepted and budgeted the TOP Grant for Carroll County Library valued at \$5,672; the expenditures will go towards communication (\$3,672) and other contracted services (\$2,000). Resolution 9-04-2024 accepted and budgeted for the MAR Grant for Carroll County Prevention Coalition valued at \$76,855.

In other business, Joseph Butler was re-elected Chairman of the Carroll County Legislative Body as was Darrell Ridgely to the position of Chairman Pro Tempore. The following committee assignments were approved: **Budget** — Darrell Ridgely, Chairman; John Austin, Secretary; Manuel Crossno; Willie Huffman and Lana Suite. **Insurance** — John Austin, Chairman; Cyril Ostiguy, Secretary; Daniel Thomas; Jimmy Halford and Walter Smothers. **Solid Waste** — John Austin, Chairman; Jay Phipps, Secretary; Jimmy Halford; Darrell Ridgely and Joey Darnall. **Tax Rate** — Barry Mac Murphy, Chairman; Lana Suite, Secretary; Darrell Ridgely; Philip Moore and Cyril Ostiguy. **Purchasing** — Barry Mac Murphy, Chairman; Paula Bolen, Secretary; Darlene Kirk; Lana Suite; Jason Martin and Jay Phipps. **Personnel** — Manuel Crossno, Chairman; Randy Long, Secretary; Willie Huffman; Walter Smothers

and Dan Willman. **Law Enforcement** — Jimmy McClure, Chairman; Walter Smothers, Secretary; Joey Darnall; Dan Willman and Spiridon Roditis. **Highway** — Darrell Ridgely, Chairman; Joey Simmons, Secretary; Randy Long; Philip Moore; Daniel Thomas and John Austin. **Properties** — Willie Huffman, Chairman; Morris Rogers, Secretary; Randy Long; Larry Spencer and Joey Simmons. **Delinquent Tax** — Jimmy McClure, Chairman; Jay Phipps, Secretary; Morris Rogers; Jason Martin and Barry Mac Murphy. **Beer** — Jay Phipps, Chairman; Larry Spencer, Secretary; Jason Martin; Walter Smothers and Daniel Thomas. **Rural Fire** — Lana Suite, Chairman; Jimmy McClure, Secretary; Philip Moore; Jimmy Halford and Dan Willman. **Civic Center** — Joey Darnall, Chairman; Barry Mac Murphy, Secretary; Joey Simmons; Morris Rogers and Jason Martin. **Rules** — Randy Long, Chairman; Jimmy Halford, Secretary; Cyril Ostiguy; Spiridon Roditis and Jimmy McClure. **Resolutions** — Spiridon Roditis, Chairman; Manuel Crossno, Secretary; Joey Darnall; Larry Spencer and Dan Willman.

The Commissioner heard an update from Sgt. Dwayne Tordsen on the Re-Entry Programs through the Carroll County Jail. The following notaries were elected: Kim Carter, Kelsey Caswell, Jessica L. Hunley, Sandy C. Longmire, Candace Lowe, Clint Mann, Christi L. Nethaway, Cyril Ostiguy, Connie Strnad and Jennifer Waldrup.

The next regular meeting of the Carroll County Commission is October 14 at 7 p.m. at the Carroll County Government Complex.

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THE TENNESSEE FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION

Agency Considers License Fees Increase

BUCHANAN (September 23) — The Tennessee Fish and Wildlife Commission discussed a proposal to increase license prices and simplify the structure during its September meeting at Paris Landing State Park.

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency is responsible for wildlife and fisheries habitat management, threatened and endangered species preservation, boating safety, law enforcement of regulations, and public access for hunting, fishing, and boating. The agency has seen a dramatic increase in the cost of expenses since the last license price increase in 2015.

Tennessee law allows the TFWC to increase license fees in line with the consumer price index (CPI) inflation, which has risen 31.6 percent since the last fee increase. The agency proposal would increase boating registration fees by 22 percent. The majority of hunting and fishing license prices would be increased by 28 percent. Sportsman and Lifetime license fees would be increased by 12 percent.

"The Commission is giving this challenge our full focus. Hunters and anglers who fund conservation with their purchases are our most important constituents," said Commission Chairman Jimmy Granbery. "However, we must take strong action to continue

protecting and preserving wildlife and providing the services sportsmen want from the agency."

In addition to price increases, the agency also proposed adjustments to the license structure to simplify regulations. The proposal would replace weapon type supplemental licenses (gun, archery, muzzleloader) with species type supplemental licenses (deer, elk, bear, turkey, waterfowl). The trout supplemental license would also be rolled into the base hunting and fishing combination license so no additional license would be needed. Multiple Wildlife Management Area (WMA) permits would be combined into one single WMA permit.

The public comment period for the proposal will be available October-November at Public Notice and Comment Opportunities (tn.gov). The Commission is scheduled to vote on the proposed license package at its December meeting to be held at the Ducks Unlimited Headquarters in Memphis. The effective date of any cost increase would be July 1, 2025.

In other items on this month's agenda, a new video titled "Safe Boating Near Locks and Dams" shows the dangers of boating near a dam and below in the tailwaters. There have been 17 fatalities at five hydro-electric dams in the last decade across the state. The video

was produced by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency in partnership with Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Coast Guard, and Hardin County Emergency Management Agency (EMA).

Retired TWRA Wildlife and Forestry employee Mark Gudlin was recognized for his induction into the National Bobwhite and Grasslands Initiative Hall of Fame. He served in a variety of roles during a 38-year TWRA career including many years as a Habitat Program Manager and time as Wildlife and Forestry Division Chief.

Will Bowling from the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) presented the agency with a \$300,000 donation from RMEF and the Mildred T. Edwards Trust. The gift will go toward purchasing a 1,322-acre tract at North Cumberland Wildlife Management Area. Bowling also announced that additional habitat work is planned for the tract.

The TWRA also presented Holly Fork Shooting Complex with a \$50,625 grant to support the Henry County Youth Shooting program. The range provides support for youth to learn shooting, teamwork, and other skills to help them succeed. Funding was made available from federal grant dollars.

THE WIT AND WISDOM OF DAVID JOHNSON

We Should've Never Met

We should've never met. I grew up in the South in a Christian family with good parents.

She grew up in the North in a home where she was unwanted, and the stepfather was abusive.

I grew up thinking about all the things I could become: a firefighter, a soldier, a teacher.

She grew up trying to survive each day, just wanting to escape.

I never met a stranger; she never knew who she could trust.

Opposites in nearly every way imaginable we were.

God scooped her up and placed her in a tiny junior college.

I was there because my

sister and brother had gone there before me. (My younger brother would be the fourth Johnson to attend.)

Music brought us together.

I loved to sing and joined the college chorus because I knew the director.

She joined the chorus because she wanted to prove to the younger boys and girls at the orphanage they could achieve their dreams, too.

She had the voice of an angel—pure, unwavering, on pitch—a voice that drew me like a sailor to the siren's call.

We had little in common besides singing, so the odds were against us.

Yet here we are fifty

years later, completely different from who we were when we met. I've changed because I wanted to and because she needed me to. Same for her.

It's been easy, and it's been hard. Happy and sad.

God's been good to us.

Satan has tried to destroy us.

Hills and valleys, that's what it's been.

Joined heart to heart, with smiles on our faces and songs in our hearts, we're writing the last chapters of our life together.

"Life, serve us up another hill. We're ready to climb."

**Taken from The Wit and Wisdom of David Johnson, Volume 1: I Didn't Know Donkeys Could Laugh.*

Milan Middle Schooler Involved in Martin Threat

A Martin Police Department School Resource Officer was notified by a Westview High School student

at the Friday night home football game of a possible threat of violence through SnapChat at approximately 8:10 pm. Extra officers and investigators were immediately dispatched to the game. Within a few minutes, it was determined that the person who initiated the threat was not physically present at the game and was actually at a residence

in Milan, Tenn.

After the suspect was identified, Martin Police Department Investigators and a Special Agent from Tennessee Homeland Security traveled to the suspect's residence in Milan. As a result of this investigation, a Trenton Middle School student has been charged with TCA 38-16-517 - Making Threats of Violence Against a School. This charge is a Class E felony.

The Martin Police Department thanks Tennes-

see Homeland Security, the UTM Dept. of Public Safety and the Weakley County Sheriff's Office for their assistance in this incident.

Due to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), we cannot comment on any action that was taken or not taken by the Gibson County School System in regard to this incident.

Phillip Fuqua
Martin Chief of Police

Marching Rebels Earn Class Champion at Hornet Invitational



MEDINA (September 21) — The McKenzie High School Marching Rebels competed at the Hornet Invitational at South Gibson High School Saturday and brought home plenty of hardware. In a class including Haywood, Halls and Jackson Christian, the Marching Rebels earned first place in band, guard, percussion and field commander. Out of 23 total bands, McKenzie earned 12th overall. Their competitive season continues Saturday at Union City. Photo and info courtesy Jason Latham

WEST TENNESSEE HEALTHCARE HENRY COUNTY HOSPITAL Monday Night Mammogram Events to Be Held for Breast Cancer Awareness

SUBMITTED BY WTHHCH

PARIS (September 20) — In support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, West Tennessee Healthcare Henry County Hospital (WTHHCH) is excited to announce two Monday Night Mammograms events, offering the women of Henry County and surrounding areas an alternative to watching Monday Night Football.

Mark your calendars for Monday, October 7 and Monday, October 14. These special events will take place at the Diagnostic Center and are designed not only for women scheduled for mammograms but also for anyone

looking to join in a fun-filled, informative evening focused on breast cancer awareness.

Eat, Sip, and Shop! The Monday Night Mammograms events will feature shopping, food, and healthcare resources. Bring your friends, enjoy the atmosphere, and help us celebrate the community while raising awareness about the importance of breast cancer screenings. You don't need to schedule a mammogram to attend the event!

For those interested in a mammogram, we encourage you to register early, as time slots are limited and require physician approval and insurance clearance.

To schedule your mammogram for October 7 or 14, please call (731) 644-8486 for details.

Help us make this Breast Cancer Awareness Month meaningful and impactful. Join us for an evening of celebration, education, and community support.

About West Tennessee Healthcare:

West Tennessee Healthcare is a public, not-for-profit healthcare system with locations serving 19 counties in West Tennessee and Southeast Missouri. The mission of West Tennessee Healthcare is to improve the health and well-being of the communities we serve while providing exceptional and compassionate care.

McKenzie Remains Atop TSWA Class A Poll

NASHVILLE — The Tennessee Sports Writers Association announced football rankings after Week 5 on Monday, with the poll presented by CoachT.com.

McKenzie remains in first place in Class A, claiming all of the first-place votes for the first time. Gordonsville had received at least one first-place vote each prior week, but suffered their first loss last week.

Huntingdon holds steady at seventh in Class 2A, but a highly-anticipated region contest against Milan (tied for fourth) Friday could shake things up.

Westview gained sole possession of fourth place in Class 3A after sharing the rank with an idle Meigs County last week.

Top ten teams in each of the six Division I clas-

sifications and Top 5 in three Division II classes were selected by TSWA members with first-place votes in parentheses and total points based on 10 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 10th-place vote.

Class A

1. McKenzie (5-0) - 140 (14)
2. Whitwell (5-0) - 120
3. Coalfield (5-0) - 109
4. Gordonsville (4-1) - 94
5. Oliver Springs (4-1) - 76
6. Halls (5-0) - 66
7. Chattanooga Prep (4-1) - 50
8. Union City (3-2) - 31
9. South Pittsburg (3-2) - 27
10. South Fulton (4-1) - 20

Others receiving votes: MASE 16, Houston County 9, Clay County 4, Richland 4, Cosby 2, Greenfield 1, North Greene 1

Class 2A

1. East Robertson (5-0) -

- 140 (14)
2. Decatur County Riverside (4-1) - 112
3. Fairley (4-0) - 93
4. Marion County (4-1) - 77
4. Milan (4-1) - 77
6. Jackson Central-Merry (4-0) - 76
7. Huntingdon (3-1) - 64
8. Mt. Pleasant (5-0) - 54
9. Bledsoe County (4-1) - 24
10. Forrest (4-1) - 15

Class 3A

1. Alcoa (3-1) - 139 (13)
2. East Nashville (5-0) - 126 (1)
3. Covington (5-0) - 110
4. Westview (5-0) - 101
5. Unicoi County (3-0) - 71
6. Sequatchie County (3-1) - 62
7. Meigs County (3-0) - 53
8. Johnson County (4-0) - 49
9. McMinn Central (4-1) - 24
10. Pigeon Forge (4-1) - 16

Henry County to Hold Diabetes Workshop

PARIS (September 18)

— On Tuesdays, starting October 1 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (weekly for 6 weeks) at Henry County Office on Aging/Central School Building workshops will be held on diabetes management.

Diabetes, a complex condition, often creates feelings of fear, confusion, and helplessness in those diagnosed and their caregivers. Managing the disease not only involves addressing its physical aspects but also navigating its impact on one's life and emotions. Empowering individuals with the knowledge and tools for

self-management is key to taking control of their diabetes care.

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Obituaries

JAMES T. 'JIM' LACEY, III 1931 – 2024

PARIS — James T. "Jim" Lacey, III, 92, of Paris, died Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at his residence.

He retired after 22 years as a senior quality engineer from GenRad, Inc. Jim was a board member for Friends of the W.G. Rhea Library and was a volunteer for Henry County Helping Hand. He was a longtime member of Grace Episcopal Church in Paris.

Aside from his family, three of Jim's passions were technology, music, and all things New England, especially hiking in the White Mountains. Well into his 80s, he prided himself on keeping fit and keeping up-to-date with the latest computer tech.

Jim was born November 12, 1931, in Southbridge,

Maryland, to the late James T. Lacey, Jr., MD and the late Charlotte VanCleave Lacey.

He was married September 12, 1954, to Mary Beatrice Bonini Lacey, who survives, of Paris.

Along with his wife, he is also survived by his two sons, Francis Patrick "Frank" Lacey of McKenzie, and James T. Lacey, IV of Groveland, Maryland; one sister, Joan (Tallman) Lacey of Idaho Falls, Idaho, three grandchildren, Rory, Ryan, and Randy; and four great grandchildren, Cyrus, Elle, Hilary and Poppy.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his daughter, Maureen Ann Lacey; and his brother, John Van Cleave.

Arrangements are being handled by Ridgeway Funeral Home, 201 Dunlap Street/PO Box 788, Paris, Tenn. 38242. The body is to be cremated with a memorial service to be held at a later date at Grace Episcopal Church.

PEGGY SMOTHERS 1964 – 2024

HUNTINGDON — Ms. Peggy Lynn Smothers, 59, of Huntingdon, died Saturday, September 21, 2024, at Jackson Madison County General Hospital.

Funeral services are Tuesday, September 24, 2024, at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of Chase Funeral Home with Bro. Martin Godwin officiating. Interment will follow in Liberty All Cemetery.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Doris Blankenship, a brother, Lynn Goodrum, and a grandson, Cole Latch.

She is survived by her husband of 43 years, Jimmy Smothers, a daughter, Rachel Smothers, a son, Shannon Latch (Lacy) both of Huntingdon, two sisters, Evelyn Eubanks of McKenzie, Sue Jones of Huntingdon, two brothers, Danny Goodrum of McKenzie, Glen Goodrum of Huntingdon, and three grandchildren.

Inglenook Book Club News

MCKENZIE — Lakeside Senior Living Community in McKenzie is where the September 11 Inglenook Book Club meeting was held with 20 members in attendance. President Gail Mack called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Club Aim and Motto, and recited by all.

Hostesses Jean McKinnie and Genia Sherwood were thanked for the delicious chocolate/cream-cheese cake, assorted chocolates and nuts, and assorted beverages, that they served. September birthday ladies are Mona Batchelor, Peggy Chappell, Mary Newman, and Carolyn Potts. Everyone joined in singing Happy Birthday to the ladies.

President Mack called for roll and the reading of August minutes. The motion was made by Victoria Ard, and seconded by Jean Hollomon, to accept the minutes as read. Minutes were approved as read by all. Treasurer Donna Ward gave the Treasurer's report, and it was approved as read by all. Committee reports by Sunshine Chair, Elaine Williams, Victoria Ard, telephone chair, Suzanne Howell, were given.

Moving directly to old business the Membership chair, and the committee that met at the August meeting, brought back a proposal for additions/changes to the by-laws. Discussion was held, and the committee chair will report back at the October meeting, everyone was in agreement waiting until October for final approvals. There was no new business, so President Mack called on Donna Ward to present her program. Donna spoke on award winning and best-selling author Lisa Unger.

Book passing chair, Mary Newman completed the passing of books, and the next book passing date is September 25. Announcements were on the upcoming Tribute to Red Skelton at the Park Theatre, and the upcoming Heritage Festival in Huntingdon, on September 28 from 11-1, which will have storytellers present for the youth. The next meeting will be

on October 7 at 3 p.m. at Lakeside. Hostesses will be Carolyn Moore and Beverly Mueller. The program will be presented by Jean McKinnie. Remember to bring assortment of trinkets for the awards box at the school.

The benediction was recited by all, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by, Recording Secretary, Beverly Mueller.



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McKenzie Alumni Decades Reunion is October 4

MCKENZIE — McKenzie High School Alumni Association is hosting its first Decades Reunion on October 4 and 5 with a parade, golf tournament, homecoming game, block party and individual class reunions.

The events kick off with the Alumni Association Golf Tournament on Friday, October 4, 8 a.m. at Carroll Lake Golf Course. All golfers need to be present by 7:45 a.m.

Homecoming Parade — The traditional Homecoming Parade begins at noon on Friday in downtown McKenzie, travels down Stonewall and passed both the McKenzie Middle School and McKenzie Elementary School.

Pre-game Decades Reunion begins at 4:30 p.m. outside of Rebel Stadium. The start time is 4:30 p.m. and continues until 8:30

p.m. Admission to the game is \$7 and must be paid by all attendees as they tailgate. Food will be provided by the Alumni Association. An RSVP is requested to participate. The reunion area is casual and come-and-go.

A Block Party in Downtown McKenzie is at 10 p.m.

Saturday is filled with individual class reunions.

10 a.m. is the Class of 1974 at the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Gale Chandler Edwards is the contact through Facebook Messenger.

11 a.m. is the Class of 1969 at the MHS Cafeteria. Terry Howell is the contact at 731-415-7075.

1 p.m. is the Class of 1979 Reunion at the McKenzie City Park Barn. Mary Ann Bush Garner is the contact through Facebook Messenger or by email at maryann@randalgarner.com

4 p.m. is the Class of 1984 Reunion at the MHS Cafeteria. Melinda Moore Leake is the contact through Facebook Messenger.

6 p.m. is the Class of 2014 Reunion at the New Valley Event Venue - Gleason. Katelyn Ridley Robertson is the contact through Facebook Messenger.

Pop-up memorabilia is now available for viewing at City Florist Monday to Friday (10 a.m.-5 p.m.) and on Saturday, October 5, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The exhibit is located in McKenzie City Florist, 17 Broadway, downtown.

The weekend is capped with the band Flashback performing at Hometown Hangout from 6 to 8 p.m. It is a place to gather with friends, get dinner, and listen to live music. It is located at 14985 Highland Drive.

Mama T's

WHAT'S COOKIN'

By Teresa Washburn Call 731.352.3323

Fiesta Beef Roast

1 (2-2 1/2 pound) pkg fully cooked boneless pot roast with gravy

1 cup uncooked long grain white rice
1 teaspoon chili powder
1/2 cup frozen corn
1 cup prepared thick and chunky salsa, divided
2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro

Cook rice according to package directions, adding chili powder with the rice. Remove from heat; stir in corn, 1/4 cup salsa and chopped cilantro. Let stand, covered 5 minutes.

Meanwhile prepare beef pot roast with gravy according to package directions. Remove pot roast to platter; keep warm. Add 3/4 cup salsa to gravy; heat through. Serve pot roast with rice and gravy. Serves 6.

Pork Chops and Stuffing Bake

4 cups corn bread stuffing
4-6 boneless pork chops, 1/4 inch thick

1 can cream of celery soup
1/3 cup milk
1/2 cup shredded cheddar cheese

Prepare cornbread stuffing according to package directions. Spoon stuffing across center of 3 quart shallow baking dish. Place pork chops on each side of stuffing. Mix soup and milk; pour over chops. Cover. Bake at 400 degrees for 30 minutes or until done. Sprinkle with cheese.

Pork BBQ Sauce

3 whole lemons,

squeezed

1 cup vinegar, white
1 stick butter
1/2 cup dark brown sugar

Hot sauce to taste

Heat and mix all ingredients. Apply to meat from start to finish on pork that you grill. Best on chops and ribs.

Old Fashioned Chicken Salad

4 cups cooked chicken, chopped
2 hard boiled eggs, chopped

1 cup celery, chopped
1/4 cup onion, chopped
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon celery salt
1/4 teaspoon white pepper
Dash of red pepper

2 tablespoon lemon juice

1/4 cup mayonnaise
Paprika

Combine all ingredients except mayonnaise and paprika. Next, fold in mayonnaise and sprinkle with paprika. Cover and chill at least two hours.

Three P Salad

1 (20oz.) pkg frozen green peas

1 cup Spanish peanuts
1/2 cup chopped sweet pickles

1/2 cup sour cream
1/2 cup mayonnaise

Combine sour cream and mayonnaise. Mix in other ingredients. Serve on lettuce leaf. You can add 2 cups chopped meat or ham to make a main-dish meal.



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STORYTELLERS AT HUNTINGDON HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Come hear the storytellers, sponsored by Carroll Arts, at the Huntingdon Heritage Festival, Saturday, September 28. Storytelling is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. inside the Huntingdon Police Station, 12740 Lexington Street. Stay for a short time or for the whole time!

VERIZON FUNDRAISER FOR KAITLYN REED FAMILY

Verizon in McKenzie is raising funds for the family of Kaitlyn Reed, who died at age 19 on September 1 of a fentanyl overdose. 100 percent of the funds raised go to Kaitlyn's funeral expenses. Support her family by purchasing any RC Cares products or making a cash donation.

McKENZIE MIDDLE SCHOOL TITLE I/ PARENT INVOLVEMENT MEETING

McKenzie Middle School's annual Title I/Parent Involvement Meeting is Wednesday, October 2 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the MMS Library. All parents and guardians of MMS students are invited to attend. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Jill Renfro, Parent

Involvement Coordinator for MMS at renfroj1@mckenziebannerschools.org or 731-352-2792.

FIFTH SUNDAY SINGING

Henry Baptist Church, College Street, Henry, is hosting a Fifth Sunday Singing on September 29, 5 p.m. Bendell Ellis and Trio to sing. A love offering will be collected. Finger foods are available following the singing.

LAKESIDE FALL PREVENTION CLASS

In recognition of September Rehabilitation Week and Fall Prevention Day Lakeside Senior Living will partner with Baptist Home Health on September 25 at 11 a.m. to host a Fall Prevention Class. Baptist Home Health Therapist will be performing Fall Risk Assessments along with demonstrations of what to do if you fall at home and some preventive measures to keep you upright and balanced. This event is open to all senior citizens. The location is 390 Dr. Smith Lane, McKenzie. For more information call 731-352-4567.

LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The Northwest TN Economic Development Council begins accepting applications for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program October 1. This program assists low-income households through direct energy payments to their energy provider. Proof of gross household income is

required to determine eligibility. Applicants must also submit a government ID, social security number verification for all household members and a current utility company print-out showing the last 12 months of usage at their current location. Individuals interested in applying for the LIHEAP Program should make an appointment at the Northwest TN Economic Development Council office in their county of residence. Go to our website for county site contact information: nwcommunityaction.org. Funding for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program is provided through the Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA).

5TH SUNDAY SINGING AT GREENFIELD FIRST BAPTIST

Greenfield First Baptist Church, 3127 N. Meridian Street, hosts a 5th Sunday Gaither Style Old Fashioned Singing Sunday, September 29 at 6 p.m. All singers in the area are invited to come sing with us. Rehearsal is 5 p.m. in the choir loft. Everyone is invited to come join us for this free event!

McKENZIE HIGH ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT IS OCTOBER 4

The McKenzie High School Alumni Association (MHSAA) Golf Tournament is Friday, October 4 at Carroll Lake Golf Course. The tournament is a four-person scramble with a limit of 18 teams. All golfers will need to arrive by 7:45 a.m., and the shotgun start is 8 a.m.

Entry fees are \$200 per team of four, and event sponsorships for businesses are available for \$100 each. Sponsorships include recognition on a banner to be displayed at both the golf tournament and the MHSAA decades reunion tailgate party later that

evening. Proceeds from the event support the goals of the MHSAA, which include providing scholarships and other assistance for students of McKenzie schools. The deadline for team registration and sponsorships is Monday, September 16.

For more information, pick up a form at Carroll Bank & Trust in McKenzie, or call MHSAA President Brian Winston at 731-352-2282.

EVERETT'S CHAPEL CEMETERY ASSOCIATION MEETING

Everett's Chapel Cemetery Association will meet Sunday, October 6, 2 p.m. at the church, 1185 Union Church Road. Anyone interested in the cemetery is invited to attend.

MHS CLASS OF 2004 REUNION

The McKenzie High School Class of 2004 20-year reunion is Saturday, September 28 at Urban Trading Company, 5:30-11:30 p.m. RSVP to Rebekah Cooper Crass or through the Class of 2004 Facebook page.

MHS CLASS OF 1970 REUNION

The McKenzie High School Class of 1970 reunion is Saturday, October 5 at 10 a.m. at the Barn at the City Park.

MHS CLASS OF 1979 REUNION

During the weekend of The McKenzie High School Alumni Association Decades Reunion, the Class of 1979 meets Saturday, October 5 at the pavilion in the City Park from 1-3 p.m. Gina Hale Gore and Mary Ann Bush Garner are planning a memorable afternoon, with refreshments, photo backdrop with fun

props and reconnecting with our classmates. Encourage your classmates to attend. For classmates that have not responded on our McKenzie High Class of 1979 Reunion (Facebook page) please RSVP to maryann@randalgarner.com.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Huntingdon Location — Adult Education Building, 14155 Paris Street. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Classes are offered for one-on-one instruction on Mondays, 1-4 p.m. and Thursdays, 9 a.m.-NOON. For more information, phone 731-364-5481.

McKENZIE TOPS TO MEET

The McKenzie TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter meets on Mondays at 3 p.m. at the McKenzie Church of Christ gym. Anyone interested in losing weight can join. For more information, contact Linda Lawrence at 731-352-7309. If no answer, leave a message.

McKENZIE MEMORIAL LIBRARY'S HOURS

The McKenzie Memorial Library, Broadway Street, is open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturdays throughout the summer for the Summer Reading Program. Additionally, the library has programs on most Saturdays beginning at 11:30 a.m.

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be purchased in person at the shelter during business hours Tuesday-Saturday 8 a.m.-12 p.m. We are running low on spay vouchers so hurry if you want one. We have several more neuter vouchers. Cash or card only.

Cat Vouchers

We always have spay/neuter vouchers for cats at a cost of \$50 and to be used at Paris Vet Clinic. If you need to pay with cash, come by the shelter to purchase. Otherwise, we have a NEW NUMBER to purchase using a credit/debit card. Please leave a message and the volunteer will return your call very soon, 731-514-0878.

CARROLL DEMOCRATIC PARTY MEETS

The Carroll County Democratic Party meets the third Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. at 12740 Lexington Street, Huntingdon.

CARROLL REPUBLICAN PARTY MEETS

Carroll County Republican Party meets monthly each fourth Tuesday, 7 p.m. in the Public Safety Building in Huntingdon.

CARROLL COMMISSION MEETS MONTHLY

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Left, Jace Hammett on a pass-rush. Center, Qumarion Patterson catches a pass. Right, West Carroll's Jayden Milton on a sweep.

War Eagles Suffer First 6-1A Loss

BY MICHAEL ODOM
(Milan) Mirror-Exchange

ATWOOD (September 20) — Giving up three straight touchdowns right in the middle of the game, ended up costing West Carroll, as the War Eagles suffered their first loss in Region 6-1A play.

Houston County knocked off West Carroll 34-14 in Week 5 action.

West Carroll (3-2, 1-1 6-1A) does not play on Friday as it enjoys its bye week this season, but the team

returns to action Oct. 4 at McEwen.

Jayden Milton rushed for 110 yards and one touchdown on 27 carries, and he has now recorded 1,362 yards and 18 touchdowns on the ground.

The difference maker for Houston County was running back Preston Mitchell as Mitchell rushed for 220 yards and four touchdowns.

Mitchell scored his first touchdown with 3:09 remaining in the first quarter on a four-yard run as Houston County took a 7-0 lead.


West Carroll did answer as Milton scored on a two-yard run with two seconds off the clock in the second quarter to cut Houston County's lead to 7-6.

But that is when the Fighting Irish went on their run. Mitchell scored on touchdown runs of 28 yards and 61 yards, while Robert Kizer threw a 58-yard touchdown to Malaki Cary. Those three touchdowns came between the 9:23 mark of the second quarter to the 11:50 mark of the third quarter to give Houston County the 28-6 lead.

The War Eagles answered back as Ben Pruitt connected with Qumarion Patterson for a 72-yard touchdown pass. Pruitt hit Jace Hammett on the two-point conversion, and West Carroll cut Houston County's lead to 28-14 with three minutes to play in the third quarter.

But with 1:54 to play in the third quarter, Houston County scored on a 28-yard run by Mitchell for the 34-14 lead.

Pruitt completed 8-of-15 passes for 144 yards, while Patterson caught three passes for 117 yards.



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 Jose L. and Beatriz Reyes to Jocelyn Aileen Reyes in District 19.
 Alexandria Harrison to Ashley Redmond. No district listed.
 Ruby N. McMinn to Danny Wade McMinn in District 1.
 Deborah Luckey to Jack Luckey in District 3.
 Jane B. Campbell to Kelli Postlethwait in District 11.

County General Sessions Court

HUNTINGDON (September 18) — The following cases were heard in Carroll County General Sessions Court on September 18.

One case was bound over to the Grand Jury of the Carroll County Circuit Court.

Kevin Smith, Highway 79, Atwood, was bound over on a charge of Schedule II Drugs - Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess.

The following cases resulted in a guilty plea or finding.

Kaley Lynn Carey, Lisa Lane, Huntingdon, pre-trial diversion, Underage Purchase of Beer, probation.

Charles Daniel Dunning, Old Highway 22, McKenzie, guilty, Probation Violation, day-for-day credit for successful completion of rehab.

Clinton Dailey Hoard, guilty, Probation Violation, 10 days jail.

Christopher Hollowell, Blythe Street, Paris, pre-trial diversion, Underage Purchase of Beer, \$50 fine, probation, alcohol and drug evaluation; dismissed, seatbelt violation.

William Henry Hollowell, Abbott Lane, Huntingdon, guilty, Aggravated Criminal Trespass, 20 days jail, suspended to seven days - time served, probation, \$500 restitution; dismissed, Vandalism; dismissed, Public Intoxication; dismissed, Criminal Trespass.

Joshua Bernard Jackson, Hunter Ridge, Huntingdon, guilty, Driving While Canceled, \$100 fine, probation, alcohol and drug evaluation, must take

steps to get a license; dismissed, Speeding; dismissed, Open Container; dismissed, Financial Responsibility.

Christopher Lane, Big John Dr., Martin, guilty, Reckless Driving, time served.

Kevin Milton, Kemp Street, McKenzie, guilty, Reckless Endangerment-Vehicle, \$350 fine, suspended sentence except time served, probation.

David Myles, Beasley Street, Huntingdon, guilty, Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, \$750 fine, sentence runs concurrently with another sentence; dismissed, Schedule II Drugs- Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess.

William Cody Schenk, Blue Lane, Huntingdon, guilty, Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, \$150 fine, 11/29 jail suspended to 12 days, supervised probation, alcohol, and drug counseling; dismissed, Schedule II Drugs-Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess; dismissed, Simple Possession.

Keri Sexton, Lexington Street, Huntingdon, guilty, Probation Violation, 180 days jail, probation extended.

Wynter Michelle Strayhorn, Walnut Avenue, McKenzie, guilty, Driver's License Must Be Carried, probation; dismissed, Violation of Financial Responsibility.

Robert Devante Taylor, Walnut Avenue, McKenzie, guilty, Resist Stop, Arrest, Search, probation.

Carl Rodney Widridge, Jr., Plantation Drive, Pigeon Forge, pre-trial di-

version, Cruelty to Animals, \$100 fine, forfeit interest in any dogs, a lifetime ban from owning dogs; pre-trial diversion, Cruelty to Animals.

Gina Wildridge, Highway 70, Cedar Grove, pre-trial diversion, Cruelty to Animals, \$100 fine, probation.

The following cases were dismissed:

Howard Glynn Corder, Main Street, Huntingdon, dismissed, Violation of Sexual Offender Registry.

Jeffery Hampton, Florida Court, McKenzie, dismissed, Driving While Suspended; dismissed, Violation of Display of Registration.

Tyler Christopher House, Highway 70, Cedar Grove, dismissed, Cruelty to Animals.

Maurice Lawrence, Coleman Road, Memphis, dismissed, Criminal Trespass.

Matthew McAlexander, Old 22 Lane, Huntingdon, dismissed, Violation of Order of Protection.

Stacy Renee Parker, Blue Lane, Huntingdon, dismissed, Schedule II Drugs: Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess; dismissed, Simple Possession; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Jacob Saulters, Walnut Avenue, McKenzie, dismissed, Schedule II Drugs-Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess.

Stella Louise Siggers, Kiwi Lane, Huntingdon, dismissed, Schedule II Drugs- Manufacture, Deliver, Sell or Possess; dismissed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Ashley Brittany Snead, Linden Street, McKenzie, dismissed, Driving While License Suspended; dismissed, Violation of the Light Law.

Huntingdon Police Reports

Driving on Revoked, Suspended DL — According to a report made by Officer Brad Allen on September 11, Michael C. Hollowell, 60, of Huntingdon, was operating a four-wheeler on Paris St. Michaels driver's license are revoked for prior DUI. He was taken to jail for driving on a revoked license.

Driving on Revoked, Suspended DL — According to a report made by Officer Tony King on 9/6/24, Kevon M. Keaton, 23, was traveling at a high rate of speed. After he conducted a traffic stop, Officer King learned Kevon's license was suspended. He was given a 10-day notice to book into Carroll County Jail.

Public Intoxication —

According to a report made by Officer Malachi Arline on August 31, Matthew McAlexander, 28, was taken to Carroll County Jail for public intoxication. Officer Arline received a report from Huntingdon city workers about Matthew approaching them and behaving intoxicated. According to the workers, Matthew through a phone charger into a water line hole where they were working. Officers made contact with the subject at Phipps Pharmacy; where there was a noticeable smell of alcohol on his breath and he was sweating profusely, appeared hyperactive, and exhibiting signs of paranoia.

Shoplifting — According to a report made by Officer Jonathan McDowell on

September 9, he had cited Justin A. Mackey, 22, of Huntingdon, for shoplifting from Walmart. The defendant was seen on camera taking a G-go boombox and an Omni LGT 10-foot cord; with value total \$65.03. He was told to stay away from Walmart for a year and they also wanted restitution.

Driving on Revoked, Suspended DL — According to a report made by Officer Adam Avalon on September 7, he witnessed a vehicle driving at a high rate of speed. After making a traffic stop, the driver, Derrick Small, 23, was shown to have a suspended driver's license due to an accumulation of convictions/points.

McKenzie Police Reports

Domestic Assault — Darek Lewis, 39, Jackson Street, Martin, was charged with Assault, Domestic Assault, and Aggravated Burglary on September 21. Officer Darren Davis filed a report that Lewis forced his way into his ex-girlfriend's house, went to the room where she was in, assaulted a male in the room, and made her fear for her safety. Lewis left the house and was apprehended in Dresden. Weakley County also had an active warrant for Failure to Appear. Because the children were in the McKenzie home at the time, the matter was referred to the Department of Children's Services.

Five Face Drug Charges — Five persons were charged on September 22 after their car was stopped at 3:15 a.m. for an inoperable headlight. The following are facing charges: Zaren K. Cole, 19, Autumn Valley Drive, Jackson; Raekwon D. Dodd, 19, Archwood Street, Jackson; a juvenile; Ronyanus L. Tharpe, 19, Sebastian Drive, Jackson; and Deshun L. Thaxter, 19, University PK, Jackson. Officer Dustin McClure made the traffic stop on North Highland Drive. The officer indicated he could smell marijuana and questioned if marijuana was in the car. He was told there was none. One occupant indicated there was a gun between the driver's seat and the center console. Each of the occupants exited the vehicle one by one as the officer checked for weapons. A concealed Glock pistol was found in the waistband of Dodd, who had previously indicated he did not have a weapon. At that point, the officer detained all the subjects. During the search of the vehicle and occupants, 45.2 grams of marijuana, digital scales, THP vape, and two pistols - one stolen, were located. Tharpe was charged with Possession of Schedule VI, Possession With Intent to Go Armed, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Violation of the Light Law.

lution of the Light Law. Dodd was charged with Possession of Schedule VI With Intent, Possession With Intent To Go Armed; Possession of a Stolen Firearm; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Thaxter was charged with Possession of Schedule VI With Intent; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Cole was charged with Possession of Schedule VI With Intent, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Reid was charged with Possession of Schedule VI With Intent, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. All were transported to Carroll County Jail and the car was seized. \$740 in cash was also seized.

Possession of Weapon by Felon — Marquise R. Tharpe, 37, Cooper Street, Paris was charged with Unlawful Possession of a Weapon by a Felon, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Sale/Delivery of a Controlled Substance on September 17. Officer Dustin McClure stopped Tharpe's vehicle after the driver failed to stop at a stop sign. The officer indicated he could smell marijuana and asked if there any remaining in the vehicle. Tharpe replied there was a small amount. When asked if there was a weapon, Tharpe said his friend's gun was in the vehicle. Tharpe was asked to exit the vehicle as MPD searched it. MPD found five cell phones, \$1,800 cash, a pistol, marijuana, rolling papers, grinder, rolling machine, 13 grams of marijuana roaches and Fentanyl pills.

Violation of Order of Protection — Roger Dale Lawson, 34, Florida Avenue, McKenzie was charged with Violation of an Order of Protection on September 17. Officer Matthew Cunningham responded to Relax Inn, Highland Drive, where Lawson was pacing outside a female's room. She had phoned the police to report Lawson, since she had an order of protection against him. Lawson was transported to Carroll County Jail.

Theft of Merchandise — Crystal Mealer, 49, Main Street, McKenzie was charged with Theft of Merchandise on September 19. Officer Dalton Raspberry was dispatched to E.W. James, where Mealer was attempting to exit the store without paying for three plate lunches.

Simple Possession — A juvenile was cited into court after he was stopped for operating a vehicle with no headlights illuminated on September 17. Officer Darren Davis stopped the vehicle, could smell marijuana and asked the driver and passengers if they smoked marijuana. All answered no prior to the driver indicating there was a small amount. A search revealed seven grams of a green-leafy substance believed to be marijuana. The drover was cited into court on charges of Simple Possession of Schedule VI.

Dog Running At Large — Mildred Janice Walker, 54, Florida Avenue, McKenzie was charged with allowing her Dog to Run At Large after the dog reportedly bit a young man, who was riding a bicycle. Officer Dustin McClure filed the report after the boy was attempting to flee from the dog. He jumped from his bicycle and was bit as he attempted to enter his home. The family of the boy sought medical attention for the dog bite. The incident occurred on September 20.

Outstanding Warrants — Ryan O'Rourke, 40, Walnut Circle, McKenzie, was arrested on two outstanding warrants after a caller reported a suspicious person in the May Street area on September 18. Officer Aaron Lyons responded to the area, found O'Rourke, who matched the caller's description, and learned of the outstanding warrants in Weakley County of Failure to Appear in both Weakley and Obion counties. The subject was transported to Weakley County Jail.

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

McKenzie Carries Strong Season Finish into District Tournament

The McKenzie High School golf teams concluded the regular season Thursday at Persimmon Hills in Sharon, facing district foe Westview.

McKenzie split a pair of extremely close matches. The Lady Rebels fell by a single stroke, and the Rebels won by a single stroke in a tie-breaking playoff.

Lady Rebel Charlie Weatherford had the team's low score of 40,

while Anna Claire Weatherford and Madelyn Morris each shot 53 for a team score of 93. Westview's scores were 38 and 54 for a 92 total and a narrow victory.

Rebels Nolan Fawcett and Ace Brown each had McKenzie's low score of 34. Carter Kee and Brady Allison each shot a 40. The 148 total was matched by Westview to force a playoff.

Fawcett and Brown

faced two Westview counterparts in the playoff hole. The pair combined for a par score on the hole, while Westview shot one more stroke for a McKenzie win.

The Lady Rebels finish the season at 10-7. The Rebels are 24-7-1.

The District 14A tournament, held at Persimmon Hills, began Monday (after The Banner's press deadline).

Tennessee Provides Free Diapers For Under Age Two on TennCare

Tennessee is now providing free diapers for children under age 2 covered by TennCare and CoverKids.

Participating pharmacies can help you check if your child is eligible. Make sure to have your child's OptumRx card or Social Security Number. Children age 2 and older are not eligible for the benefit.

Each eligible child can receive a supply of up to 100 diapers every 30 days. Please see the list of Tennessee Diaper Banks at www.tn.gov/tenncare/diapers if your family needs additional help.

You can visit a participating pharmacy. You can find a list of participating pharmacies at www.tn.gov/tenncare/diapers. The list will be updated regularly as more pharmacies participate. You must pick up

diapers at the pharmacy counter, just like you would get a prescription medicine for your child. But you do not need a prescription to get diapers.

Participating pharmacies in Carroll County are Phipps Pharmacy in McKenzie and Huntingdon and Case Drugs in Bruceton.

For the initial launch of the diaper benefit, TennCare will cover three major brands: Huggies, Cuties, and Pampers. Not all sizes and product lines will be covered. Please talk to your pharmacists about the brands and sizes. For a list of diapers available through this program visit www.n.gov/tenncare/diapers.

There is no cost for the diapers.

You do not need a prescription to get diapers from

the pharmacy. You will need to show the pharmacist your child's OptumRx pharmacy card. For newborns who have not received their OptumRx card, you can show the pharmacist the parent's OptumRx card or Social Security Number.

Reimbursement will not be allowed if you purchase the diapers elsewhere. You must pick up diapers from a participating pharmacy.

Diapers cannot be returned or exchanged.

What if the pharmacy doesn't have the brand/size in stock? Pharmacies may not carry all brands, sizes or types of diapers. Call a participating pharmacy to determine what brands are available.

For questions about the diaper benefit, members can call OptumRx at 888-816-1680.

Marriage Licenses

Blake Hunter Bourne, 28, of McKenzie, to Taylor Marie Sawyers, 25, of McKenzie.

Emily Ann Behzad, 23, of Hollow Rock, to Corey Neal Crider, 23, of Hollow Rock.



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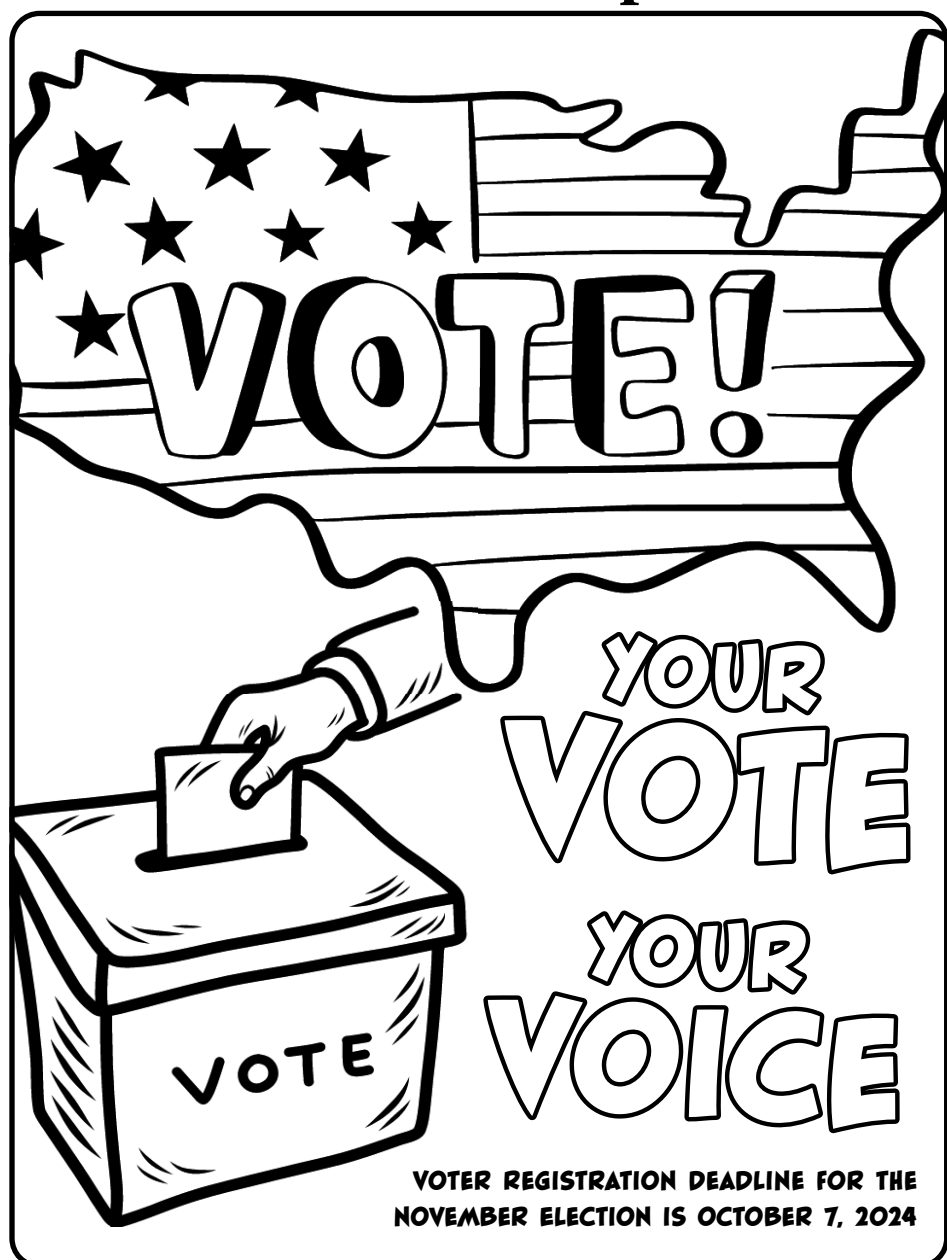
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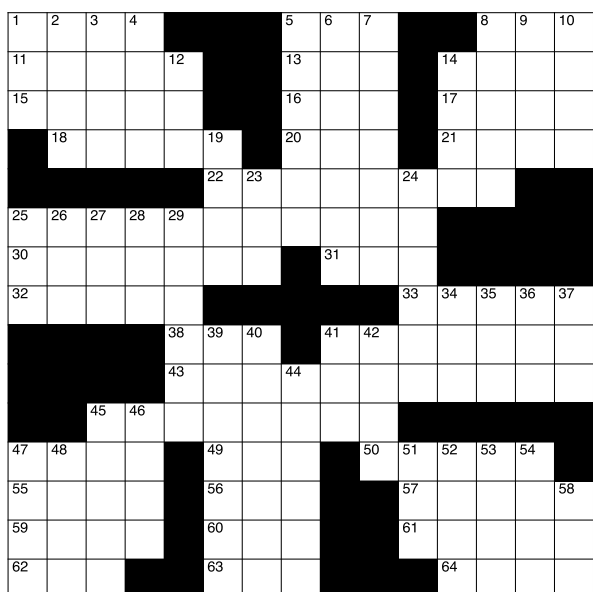
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Weekly Crossword

- CLUES ACROSS**
- Unequaled
 - ___-fi (slang)
 - Synthetic resin
 - Chadic language Bura-___
 - Influenial come Election Day
 - Bucket
 - European river
 - Earn a perfect score
 - Horizontal passage
 - Barely sufficient
 - Dekaliter
 - Goo Goo Dolls hit
 - Australian city
 - Female servants
 - Plumbing fixtures
 - Tooth caregiver
 - Book of Esther antagonist
 - Say aloud
 - Thyrotrophic hormone
 - Absolute
 - Untimely
 - Area or neighborhood
 - Juicy fruit
 - Expresses distaste, disapproval
 - S. American rodents
 - Swedish rock group
 - Influenial American president
 - Volume
 - Begged
 - Resinlike substance secreted by certain lac insects
 - Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
 - Good friend
 - Body part
- CLUES DOWN**
- Barrels per day (abbr.)
 - Body parts
 - Invests in little enterprises
 - Rock legend Turner
 - Dug into
 - Laughed
 - Northern European nation
 - San Diego ballplayer
 - Eight
 - Substitutes (abbr.)
 - Moved swiftly on foot
 - Compensated
 - Volcano in the Philippines
 - Speak ill of
 - One who publishes
 - Expression of bafflement
 - Macaws
 - Matchstick game
 - Tableland
 - We all have our own
 - Divinatory
 - Explosive
 - Follows sigma
 - Sea eagle
 - Type of bread
 - Bit used with a set of reins
 - Dug into
 - Laughed
 - Northern European nation
 - San Diego ballplayer
 - Eight
 - Substitutes (abbr.)
 - Moved swiftly on foot
 - Compensated
 - Volcano in the Philippines
 - Speak ill of
 - One who publishes
 - Expression of bafflement
 - Macaws
 - Matchstick game



Week 39

See solution in next week's edition.

Feline Fun Word Search

R U A M N A I T P Y G E B W J G H Y U M
 E D A U N A N P U N X L X C E V S E M A I S
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 K F R E U L B N A I S S U R N L K G I L
 M T L I A T B O B N A C I R E M A M P X

- Abyssinian
- American Bobtail
- American Curl
- Balinese
- Birman
- Bombay
- Chartreux
- Devon Rex
- Egyptian Mau
- Japanese Bobtail
- Maine Coon
- Munchkin
- Norwegian Forest
- Persian
- Ragamuffin
- Russian Blue
- Scottish Fold
- Siamese
- Siberian
- Sphynx
- Toyger
- Turkish Angora

THIS DAY IN HISTORY



1934: The ocean liner RMS Queen Mary is launched.

1950: United Nations troops recapture Seoul from North Korean forces.

1969: Abbey Road, the last recorded album by The Beatles, is released.

SUDOKU

WEEK 39

7	9	1	5		8	4	2	
6	4				3		7	
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See solution in next week's edition.

CRYPTO FUN



Solve the code to discover words related to cats. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 14 = E)

- A. 21 14 16 12
Clue: Sound a cat makes
- B. 6 22 19 19
Clue: Cat's vibration
- C. 12 26 23 2 11 14 19 2
Clue: Sensory hairs
- D. 6 16 22 7 5 14
Clue: Jump on suddenly

Answers: A. meow B. purr C. whiskers D. pounce

LETTER MIX-UP

How many words can you make by rearranging the letters in the phrase below? Use each letter only once.

WHISKERS

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Riddle Me This

Where did the cat go after losing its tail?

Answer: To the re-tail store.

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to cats.

WLSAC

Answer: Claws

GUESS WHO?

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Week 38 Crossword Puzzle Solution

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SUDOKU SOLUTION WEEK 38

5	7	9	3	8	2	4	1	6
3	4	1	6	9	5	8	7	2
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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Huntingdon Improves to 3-1 with Win Over Crockett County

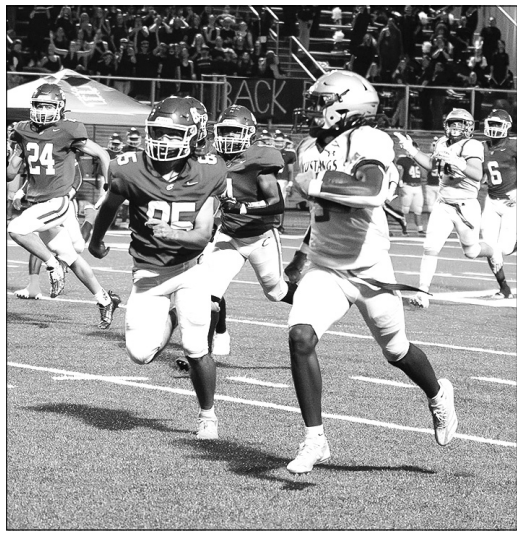
ALAMO (September 20) — The Huntingdon Mustangs made the trek to Alamo, Tennessee on Friday night as they battled the 4A Crockett County Cavaliers. Despite hot and muggy conditions, the Mustangs came away with the week five win, 28-21.

In a game that resembled a tug-a-war match, it took four quarters of play to decide a clear winner. At the end of the first quarter, Huntingdon trailed 7-6. By halftime, the Mustangs led the Cavaliers 21-14 but a scoreless third quarter made it anyone's ball game. Early in the fourth quarter, Huntingdon scored to lead by two touchdowns. With four minutes to play, Crockett County cut into the lead 28-21 but time was on the side of the Mustangs who managed to clock and finish the game in the victory formation.

Looking at the numbers, Huntingdon ran 46 plays picking up 16 first downs (15 on the ground and 1 passing). Crockett County ran 34 plays picking up 9 first downs. The Mustangs had 375 total yards while the Cavaliers had 368 total yards. On the ground,



Left, Brady Warbritton sheds multiple arm tackles as he breaks free for a touchdown. Right, Tyreke Hutch gets past the last Crockett County defender for a touchdown. Photos Courtesy Huntingdon Sports Pics



Huntingdon had 365 yards with Brady Warbritton leading the pack with 192 yards and Gray Eubanks had 162. The Mustang defense held the Cavaliers to 18 rushing yards while in passing Ben Burgess was 12-20 for 350 yards with three touchdowns and one interception.

In the first quarter, on their first offensive play, Crockett County went 68 yards for the touchdown on a swing pass from Burgess to Deuce

Greenhill. Avery Hurst tacked on the extra point as the Cavaliers took the early lead.

Huntingdon was quick to respond. On the kickoff, Tyreke Hutch went 98 yards for the Mustang touchdown. A bad snap led to the missed extra point, this was the first miss for Greyson Anderson on the season. After 37 seconds of play, the Cavaliers led 7-6.

Crockett County moved the ball downfield on their next drive. After crossing

midfield and stopping on the opposing 31 yard line, Hutch was able to pick off a pass from Burgess.

Huntingdon was able to capitalize on the turnover.

To start the second quarter, the Mustangs received a punt and took over at the five yard line. A series of strong runs from Eubanks, Warbritton and Aiden Hilliard put Huntingdon inside the red zone. On third-and-goal from the one, Eubanks punched through the defense for the

touchdown. Eubanks got the call on the two-point conversion and the Mustangs led 14-7 with 3:15 to play in the half.

The Cavaliers were quick to respond. On second-and-nine from the 18 yard line, Burgess hit Greenhill on the slant for the 82-yard touchdown. Hurst had added the PAT as things were tied 14-14 with 2:25 remaining in the first half.

On the next offensive se-

ries, Eubanks' pass was intercepted by Ian Greenberg. With less than a minute to play, Crockett County turned the ball over on downs. 31 seconds later, Warbritton was in for the 63-yard touchdown. Anderson's extra point put Huntingdon up 21-14 at the half.

The third quarter of play was a back-and-forth dominated by the defense.

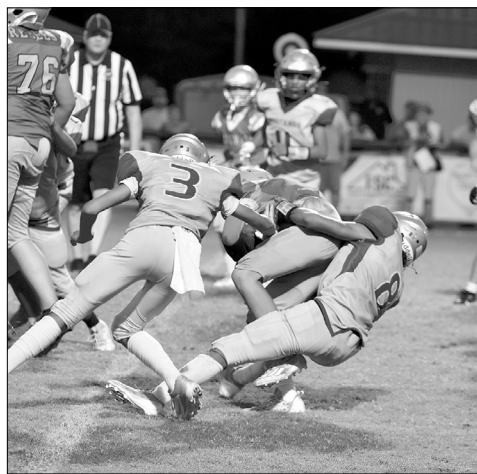
In the fourth quarter, Warbritton scored his second long touchdown from 62 yards at the 10:41 mark. Anderson's PAT put the Mustangs up 28-14.

A big sack by the Eubanks brothers, Gray and Hayes, stopped a Cavalier drive on the next series.

Crockett County continued to fight and scored their final points of the night with 4:11 left to play. Hurst nailed his third PAT as Huntingdon remained on top 28-21.

Next Friday night, September 27, the Mustangs host the Milan Bulldogs in a Region 6-2A challenge. The Bulldogs go into the challenge with a 4-1 record after their region 47-38 loss to Jackson Central Merry, who the Mustangs will host on October 11.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Above Left, Mustang Kingston Smith yanks Rebel Parker Ross backward for a stop. Above Right, Rebel quarterback Parker Ross runs 64 yards for McKenzie's second touchdown. Below Left, Mustangs Jasper Drinkard (29) and Eugene Gordon (3) stop a sideline run by Rebel Parker Ross. Below Right, Rebel Bryson Smith forces a Mustang fumble in the red zone. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



Rebels Edge Mustangs on Eighth Grade Night

BY BRAD SAM

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MCKENZIE (September 17) — McKenzie Middle School hosted Huntingdon Tuesday for the final home football game of the season. The game was rescheduled from the previous week due to weather. The Rebels scored two early touchdowns and held the Mustangs to one score for a 16-6 victory.

Prior to the game, eighth grade players and cheerleaders were recognized on the field.

Eighth grade Rebel players are: Parker Ross, Bryson Smith, Jaden Blanton, Reed Little, Cayden Gordon, Howard Poff, Routon Wilson, D'ante Webb, Dawson Reeder, Tucker Redmond, Bentlee Shands, Sammy Willen, Bryson Nolan, Brayden Mort, Hunter Shafer, Ashli Winston, Bentlee Farrell and Devin Dennie.

Eighth grade cheerleaders are Kinsley Wilson, Lola Sumrok, Frannie Trout, Mary Ryan Morris, Lillian Brown, Hadley Smith, Marlee Toombs, Kaleigh Champion and Belle Glisson.

Huntingdon won the toss but deferred possession.

The Rebels started at their 34 but were backed up by a penalty. Quarterback Parker Ross kept for a short gain, then Dawson Reeder ran for seven. Reeder then picked up six to move the chains. Ross kept for seven, then Reed-

er gained another six for another first down. The pattern continued with 19 by Ross and nine by Reeder, then Ross scored from a yard out. Ross ran it in for two more points, and McKenzie led 8-0 with 4:11 to play in the opening frame.

The Mustangs started at their own 40. Kingston Smith was stopped by Cayden Gordon for no gain, but got 24 yards on the second try to move the chains. Two penalties and a fumble doomed the drive, and Mustang Noah Webb punted on the final play of the first quarter. Ross received the punt near the 30 and made a good return to midfield, but a penalty backed McKenzie to the 29.

Reeder ran for six, then Ross took it 64 yards for a touchdown. He then kept on the conversion, stretching the ball across the line for two points and a 16-0 Rebel lead 21 seconds into the second quarter.

Huntingdon started at the 43, and K. Smith ran it on eight out of nine plays, culminating in a 12-yard touchdown on fourth-and-one. K. Smith was stopped on the two-point try, and the McKenzie lead was 16-6 with 2:30 to play in the half.

The teams traded fumbles, with recoveries made by Mustang Jasper Drinkard and Rebel Jaden Blanton.

The Rebels threatened in the final seconds of the

half, reaching the Mustang 10 before time expired.

Huntingdon came out of the break moving the ball well. A big pass from K. Smith to Montrae Layhew, plus added penalty yards against McKenzie, set the Mustangs up with first-and-goal at the 10. K. Smith gained three, then two, then was stopped for no gain. On fourth-and-goal at the 5, Rebel Bryson Smith wrapped up K. Smith and forced a fumble, recovered by McKenzie.

Taking over at the 4, Reeder ran twice for nine yards to give the Rebels breathing room from their own goal line. Ross pressed forward for first-down yardage, but escaped a tackle and reversed his course, cutting a path down the sideline for 22 yards. Reeder and Ross each made short gains, and a penalty gave the Rebels a first down at midfield as the third quarter ended. The duo continued to pound the ground and grind the clock, finally turning the ball over on downs at the Mustang 12 with two minutes remaining in the game.

Huntingdon earned a first down on a good run by Noah Webb, but the next play resulted in an interception by Blanton.

With a minute left, Ross took a knee twice to seal the 16-6 win.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Above Left, War Eagle Parker Newman runs 50 yards for a touchdown, protected by Kaleb Martin (14). Above Right, Tiger Jake Pardue scores from three yards out. Below Left, War Eagles Emmitt Ramsey (55) and Izzy Stensrud (12) stop Tiger Junah Smith for no gain. Below Right, Tiger Mason McGee gets Central on the board with a one-yard touchdown run. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner



West Carroll Junior High Earns Homecoming Win Over Central, 26-12

BY BRAD SAM

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ATWOOD (September 16) — West Carroll Junior High celebrated Homecoming Monday, delayed from the previous week due to weather. The War Eagles hosted Hollow Rock-Bruceston Central Middle School and kept the Tigers at arm's length for a 26-12 victory.

The War Eagles were set to receive the opening kick, but Tiger Jake Pardue's short kick was recovered by Central. The Tigers failed to capitalize, going three-and-out and punting.

West Carroll took over at their 25 and opened with a nine-yard run by Jason Roberts. Parker Newman then lost a couple yards, but Roberts gained them back and then converted a fourth-and-inches. Newman then broke loose for a 36-yard touchdown. He also ran in for the two-point conversion, and the War Eagles led 8-0 with 2:40 to play in the opening frame.

West Carroll tried an on-side kick as well, but Tiger Easton Bullington fell on the ball near midfield. Junah Smith took the first hand-off, but was stopped for an eight-yard loss by Spencer Long. Mason McGee ran it next, gaining five yards before Chance Long made the stop. On third-and-13, quarterback Williams Holder threw to Pardue for a 23-yard gain. Pardue moved the chains two more times as the first quarter ended, then took it to the 1 on the first play of the second. Mc-

Gee punched it in for the score. Pardue was stopped on the two-point try, and Central cut the deficit to 8-6 in the first minute of the second frame.

Pardue's kickoff was another on-side attempt, but War Eagle Kelson Melton picked it up and made a short return to midfield. Newman got some good blocks to get to the sideline and go the full 50 yards to paydirt. Newman was stopped on the two-point conversion, and the West Carroll lead was 14-6 with 6:23 to go in the second quarter.

Central again started near midfield but stalled and turned the ball over on downs thanks to a big third down stop by S. Long and another on fourth by Newman and Ethan Baker.

Newman ran three straight times, the last a 36-yard gain to set up first-and-goal at the 9. A false start cost five yards, but S. Long ran for the 14-yard touchdown. Newman was stopped again on the conversion, and the War Eagles led 20-6 with 2:31 to play in the first half.

The West Carroll defense forced another Tiger three-and-out with stops by Emmitt Ramsey, Izzy Stensrud and S. Long.

West Carroll managed three plays before the half.

Central received the second-half kick and started at their 45. Smith ran for five, then a West Carroll offside penalty moved the chains. McGee was stopped

for a loss by Kaleb Martin, then Smith gained eleven. McGee picked up the first down, then Pardue got another with a 16-yard gain. Pardue repeated for seven, then Smith matched that to set up first-and-goal at the 3. Pardue capped the scoring drive, and Holder threw incomplete on the two-point try. With 2:15 to play in the third, West Carroll led 20-12.

War Eagle Isaiah Lott recovered Central's on-side kick attempt at midfield. Newman nearly had another 50-yard touchdown, but was brought down at the 2 by Smith. Newman got the other two yards on his next try, then threw incomplete on the conversion. With under two minutes remaining in the third, West Carroll led 26-12.

Both offenses spun their wheels for the remainder of the contest.

The Tigers wrapped up the third and turned the ball over on downs on the first play of the fourth.

The War Eagles sustained a ground drive, earning two first downs before ultimately turning the ball over on downs with two minutes to play.

Central earned a pair of firsts as well on passes from Holder to Smith and Smith to Pardue, but Holder's next pass attempt, under heavy pressure, failed to reach the line of scrimmage and was recovered by West Carroll.

With under a minute left, the War Eagles took a knee twice to seal the 26-12 win.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



Far Left, Rebel Landon Brown scores on a six-yard pick-six. Left, Rebel Barry Swalley sacks Lion quarterback Parker Savage for a 12-yard loss, with Landon Brown closing in as well. Right, Rebel Timmy Arline gets a good block and sidesteps the defender for a five-yard touchdown. Far Right, Rebel Cole Brown hurdles a diving defender for a 27-yard gain. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner

Rebels Dominate Scotts Hill, 63-0

BY BRAD SAM

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MCKENZIE (September 20) — McKenzie High School hosted Class 3A Scotts Hill Friday. The Rebels didn't afford the Lions even a semblance of momentum in the contest, scoring five times in the first quarter and stifling the Scotts Hill offense to -47 yards overall. McKenzie added four more touchdowns before the break and, after a mercifully short second half, claimed the 63-0 victory.

During halftime, Rebel fans got a peek at the future of MHS football as players from the McKenzie Youth Football League and the McKenzie Middle School Rebels were recognized on the field.

Scotts Hill received the opening kick, and the Rebel defense forced a three-and-out and punt. Barry Swalley had two big stops, including a sack.

The Rebels started a seven-play scoring drive at

their 37. Cole Brown, Timmy Arline and Tate Surber each had first-down runs and Surber threw to Landon Brown for eleven yards. Arline capped the drive with a five-yard touchdown run, and Skyler Fornera kicked the extra point for a 7-0 McKenzie lead with 8:32 to play in the first frame.

Rebel Guillermo Hickman kicked it into the end zone for a touchdown. KD Cunningham and Trey Gilbert made a tackle in the backfield, then Fornera intercepted a pass by Lion Parker Savage and ran it back for a 30-yard pick-six. Fornera added the PAT, and McKenzie led 14-0 with 7:47 left in the first.

The Lions started deep and went three-and-out again on three incomplete passes. Arline returned the punt 16 yards to the Scotts Hill 46.

Surber threw deep on first down to C. Brown for a 46-yard touchdown. Fornera kicked, and the Rebels led 21-0 with seven minutes to play in the opening frame.

Starting at the 31, Savage completed one of two passes and dropped back for a third, but Cunningham was there for a seven-yard sack and another three-and-out. A high snap on the punt attempt was picked up by the punter and ran out of bounds at the Lion 9.

An offside penalty against Scotts Hill moved the ball to the 4, and Surber did the rest on a third-down keeper. Fornera made it 28-0 with 4:26 remaining in the first quarter.

After the touchback by Hickman, Swalley and Craegen Travis tackled Savage for a loss. Savage then threw incomplete twice, the latter batted down by L. Brown. Another three-and-out led to another punt, this one successful and downed at the Rebel 36.

Surber connected with C. Brown twice for 15 and six yards, then Arline gained seven to move the chains. C. Brown took a handoff 27 yards to the 9, then Arline punched it in on runs of eight and one yard. With

the PAT, McKenzie led 35-0 in the final minute of the first frame.

Starting deep after the kickoff, Lion Robert Presley gained two on the final play of the first, but lost three to start the second on a stop by Rebel Maddox Shiell. Savage scrambled toward the sideline, hounded by Travis, and made a last-second pass that was intercepted by Hickman at the 25.

Surber threw to Martez Teague for 15, then kept for a 10-yard score. Fornera kicked, and the Rebels led 42-0 with 10:44 to play in the second quarter.

Scotts Hill went three-and-out again. The punt from the end zone was downed at the Lion 34.

Arline ran for four, then Surber threw to Teague for a yard. Surber then hit L. Brown for a 29-yard touchdown. The kick made it 49-0 with 7:24 remaining in the first half.

A penalty on the kickoff return set the Lions back at their 10. Savage threw incomplete, then Presley

made a short gain. Savage's next throw was intercepted by L. Brown and returned six yards for a touchdown. Fornera's PAT gave McKenzie a 56-0 advantage halfway through the second frame.

The Rebel defense forced another three-and-out. Teague nearly picked off another Lion pass, Shiell made a stop at the line of scrimmage and L. Brown had a seven-yard sack. The punt gave McKenzie the ball at midfield.

Six running plays ate up the remainder of the half, with C. Brown scoring from seven yards out as time expired. Fornera completed a perfect night of extra points, and the score at the half was 63-0.

The second half was played with six minute quarters and the clock running.

The Rebels received the ball but fumbled on the first play. Lion Marco Pedraza made the recovery in McKenzie territory.

Scotts Hill failed to capitalize, turning the ball over on downs.

New Rebel quarterback

Kason Brown and running back Matteo Tabada kept it on the ground, gradually advancing the ball while running out the remainder of the third and then the fourth quarter. Two snaps in victory formation wrapped up the win.

Rebel quarterback Tate Surber was 8-of-11 passing for 149 yards and two touchdowns. He rushed four times for 34 yards and two touchdowns.

Timmy Arline rushed eleven times for 78 yards with two touchdowns.

Cole Brown had three carries for 30 yards with one touchdown and four catches for 82 yards and a touchdown.

Landon Brown had two catches for 49 yards and one touchdown.

On defense, Rebels Craegen Travis, Landon Brown, KD Cunningham, Davarion Gilbert and Barry Swalley each had a sack.

McKenzie (5-0, 1-0) hosts region opponent Hollow Rock-Bruceton Friday. Kick-off is 7 p.m. It will be Senior Night for the Rebels.

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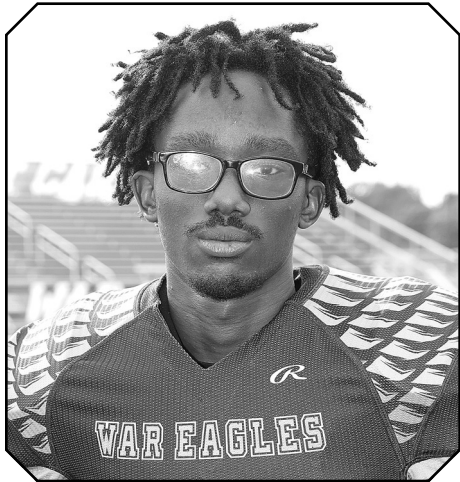
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West Carroll Homecoming court and their escorts.

West Carroll Host 2024 Homecoming

ATWOOD (September 20) — Kadi Martin, 17, a senior at West Carroll High School, is the 2024 football homecoming queen. She was crowned during pre-game activities at the football field on Friday, September 20.

Kadi is the daughter of Adam and Christy Martin. She resides in McLemoresville, plays volleyball, is the editor of the yearbook, and is earning her associate's degree through dual enrollment with Jackson State Community College. She was being escorted by Jayden Milton.

Other Members Of the Court:

Freshman Representative: Makayla Bryant, daughter of John and Brandy Bry-



Kadi Martin is West Carroll Homecoming Queen.

ant. She was being escorted by Mason Taylor.

Sophomore Representative: Taytum Jenkins, daughter of Tate and Piper Jenkins. She was being escorted by Jace Hammett.

Junior Representative: Kahli Baum, daughter of Justin and Jessi Baum. She was being escorted by Q. Patterson.

Junior Representative: Brylan Wilbanks is the daughter of David and Cindi Wilbanks. She was being escorted by Nigel Butler.

Senior Representative: Hannah Fowler is the daughter of Jeremy and Brittany Fowler. She was being escorted by Zac Fowler.

Senior Representative: Bailey Rogers is the daughter of Daniel and Kellie Rogers. She was being escorted by Zach Hames.

Senior Representative: Sigha Wardlow is the sister of Tannahca Wardlow. She was being escorted by Tyce Reed.



Curt Taylor, Madison Endres, and Brent Dillahunty, all of WTPU, and Jason Fryer, of 811.

WTPU Hosts Fifth Annual Community Information Session

BY JOEL WASHBURN
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MCKENZIE (September 19) — West Tennessee Public Utilities, the local natural gas distributor, hosted its fifth annual community informational session on Thursday, September 19. The annual event provides information on the work and progress of the local utility district and also to alert government leaders and first responders about how to safely work with natural gas.

West Tennessee Public Utilities has 17,000 customers with 1,000 miles of main pipeline. It serves Carroll, Benton, Weakley and portions of Henry and Henderson counties.

The company's leaders and workers pride themselves on provide quality natural gas at a reasonable price as they continue to be good public servants in their many roles throughout the company.

Madison Endres, marketing manager, spoke about how she speaks to every fourth grade classroom to tell students about natural gas. Natural gas is extracted from the ground and is odorless and colorless. The odor is added for safety reasons.

If one smells natural gas, he or she should evacuate the area and call WTPU or 911. WTPU has emergency crews on call 24/7.

Curt Taylor with WTPU demonstrated how just a small level of natural gas can be hazardous if contained in a home. He urged everyone to leave the premises and do not attempt to open window to



Curt Taylor demonstrates the danger of a natural gas leak in an enclosed area.

evacuate the gas. The more important consequence is to evacuate one's self.

Brent Dillahunty, general manager of WTPU, said natural gas is domestically-produced energy source. It is distributed through major pipelines to local distributors. WTPU is privileged to have two natural gas pipelines connected to its system.

From well extrication to final use, approximately five percent of the energy is lost, said Dillahunty. That compares to 38 percent efficiency of electricity as it is generated and transmitted.

The capacity of the major gas lines is limited. Now more and more electricity is being generated by burning natural gas. In the coming years, the TVA Cumberland Fossil Fuel

will convert from coal to natural gas. Thirty percent of TVA's generation is created by using natural gas.

Each time a steam generation plant is switched from coal to natural gas reduces the amount of available natural gas in the pipelines. WTPU and other distributors are then limited in the amount of additional natural gas they have to offer to existing customers or prospective industries.

Artificial intelligence, produced by massive computers, also consumes massive amounts of electricity. Dillahunty said these A.I. companies are attempting to locate where the electricity is less expensive, even if they need to produce the electricity on-site through the burning of natural gas.



Top Left, Pictured are Owen and Avery Winston and Brooks Haywood hold baby chickens. Bottom Left, Scarecrows were only \$4 and sold by the MHS FFA. Right, Carl Becker, an exchange student from Germany, is watering the mums.

McKenzie FFA Holds Mum Sale

MCKENZIE (September 21) — Students from McKenzie High School showcased pumpkins and mums during a sale of the student-grown products in the FFA Agriculture program.

The sale was themed as Fall Frenzy in which the students hosted a petting zoo, sold Rebel apparel and sold concessions, scarecrows, and sold their homegrown pumpkins and

mums. Lindsey Parham is the teacher of the agriculture program. She returns to MHS after working several years in the Weakley County School System.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SOFTBALL



McKenzie Middle School softball eighth graders (L to R): Kamdyn Tharpe with parents Raven and Trell Tharpe, Laila Willen with mother Carla Wagner, Zariyah Townes with parents Bryan Townes and Paige McClerkin and Ridley Holt with parents Lindsey and Matthew Holt. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner

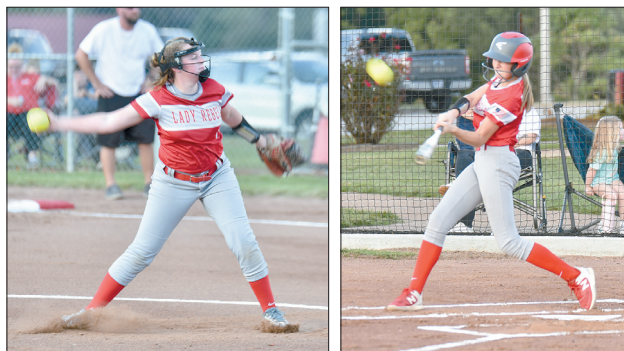
Lady Rebels Edge Bradford on Eighth Grade Night

BY BRAD SAM
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MCKENZIE (September 19) — The McKenzie Middle School Lady Rebels wrapped up the softball season Thursday as they hosted Bradford and celebrated Eighth Grade Night. The Lady Rebels won a back-and-forth battle, 5-4, over the Lady Red Devils.

Prior to the first pitch, Lady Rebel eighth grade players were recognized on the field and joined by their parents.

Eighth graders are Laila Willen, daughter of Carla Wagner; Zariyah Townes, daughter of Paige McClerkin and Bryan Townes; Kamdyn Tharpe, daughter of Raven and Trell Tharpe; and Ridley Holt, daughter of



Left, Lady Rebel Ruthie Adkins earned the complete-game win, allowing four runs on three hits while striking out eleven and walking five. Right, Lady Rebel Charlie Cassidy squares one up for a solid hit. Cassidy had two hits and drove in two runs, including the winning run. Photos by Brad Sam/The Banner

Lindsey and Matthew Holt. Ruthie Adkins earned the win in the circle for McKenzie, allowing four runs on three hits while striking out eleven and walking five.

Charlie Cassidy and Macy Brooks led the Lady Rebel offense with two hits and two RBIs each. Laila Willen and Ridley Holt drew two walks each.



West Carroll Junior High Homecoming court (L to R): sixth grade representative Kinsley Newsome, escorted by Cooper Latch; eighth grade representative Rileigh Marlow, escorted by Cayden Rogers-Eubanks; Queen Trinita Adkisson, escorted by Spencer Long; and seventh grade representative Abby Becerra, escorted by Eric Pinson. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner

Trinita Adkisson is West Carroll Junior High Homecoming Queen

BY BRAD SAM
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ATWOOD (September 16) — Prior to Monday's football game between West Carroll Junior High and Hollow Rock-Bruceton Central Middle School, the Homecoming court was presented and eighth grader Trinita Adkisson was crowned queen.

Adkisson is the daughter of Lorica Bigham and Antonio Adkisson. She was escorted on the field by War Eagle football player Spencer Long.

Rileigh Marlow was the eighth grade representa-

tive on the court. She is the daughter of Jessica Marlow and was escorted on the field by War Eagle football player Cayden Rogers-Eubanks.

Abby Becerra was the seventh grade representative on the court. She is the daughter of Amanda Reid and Jerry Reid and was escorted by War Eagle football player Eric Pinson.

Kinsley Newsome was the sixth grade representative on the court. She is the daughter of Jessica and Cody Newsome and was escorted by War Eagle football player Cooper Latch.



West Carroll Junior High Homecoming Queen Trinita Adkisson. Photo by Brad Sam/The Banner