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PAID ANNOUNCEMENT



Freeman seeks election as county mayor

This is John Robert Freeman. He is a husband, father, farmer, public servant, and now, a choice for your Weakley County mayor.

He is a 7th generation life long resident of Weakley county. He is one of the owners of Freeman Cattle Company, which he has transformed from a stocker operation to a cow calf producer. Recently, he built a business within the farm selling all natural, ranch direct beef to the public. The same beef he's produced for his family for over 30 years.

He is an employee of the Weakley Farmers Co-Op, where he is the Animal Production Specialist. Along with the veterinarian, he helps people take care of their large animals. They are a sorely needed service in this area.

If he wasn't busy enough, public service has always been an important pursuit for my Dad. A lifelong Republican; he was appointed Chairman of the Weakley county Election Commission where he served to county for seven years. He believes in our election integrity, that it must be secure and every vote is counted.

Two years ago he resigned to run for county commission, where he serves the people of

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Dresden man killed in train accident

In the early hours of June 8, McKenzie Police responded to a call from a train company reporting an individual had been struck by a train in the area of Hamilton Street and South Stonewall. Officers arrived at the scene around 5:30 a.m. and discovered the body of a deceased white male.

The victim has been identified as 30-year-old Christopher Austin Tyler Jackson of Dresden. After identifying the individual, police promptly notified his family. Authorities are currently not releasing further details on the incident. The McKenzie Police Department is urging anyone with information related to this case to come forward.

Swift found not guilty in murder of ex-wife

Shannon Taylor Editor

David Swift, who was indicted Aug. 2023 on charges of the premeditated murder of his ex-wife Karen Swift, was found not guilty on Thursday, June 6 on charges of First-Degree Murder, Attempted

First-Degree Murder, Second-Degree Murder and Attempted Second-Degree Murder after the jury deliberated for two days



SWIFT

in Weakley County court.

Swift was allegedly the last person to see Karen alive when she returned home from a Halloween party on Oct. 30, 2011. Prosecutors cited that Swift was the only person with any motive, however Swift's defense remained firm that the State had no evidence to

prove that claim.

A new trial could still be a possibility after the jury ended up deadlocked (not able to agree) on the voluntary manslaughter charge. The jury told Judge Mark Hayes that delib-

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E.W. James staff gather around a table of refreshments at the 90 Year Anniversary Celebration last week.

E.W. James Celebrates 90 Years

Shannon Taylor Editor

E.W. James kicked off their 90-year anniversary celebration on Thursday, June 6 with events at each of their locations across West Tennessee.

The Dresden location sold nearly 300 hundred hotdogs today and have plans to sell just as many tomorrow. The Dresden location would like customers to stop by and grab a hotdog, enter their giveaways, shop their specials and take a picture with their "friendly robot" who greeted customers at their location for their big event today.

To celebrate, they have several specials including a win-what-you-spend giveaway where customers can turn their shopping into winning and get a chance to win back what they spend on groceries.

Here's how it works:

Make a purchase between June 5-18

Write your name and phone number on the back of your receipt and drop it in the customer service desk box

Enter as often as you shop, but receipt must be dated June 5-18

5 winners from each partici-



pating store will be randomly chosen on June 19

Prizes will be awarded in the form of an E.W. James gift card

Four big anniversary prizes will also be given away to celebrate. At the McKenzie, Paris, Huntingdon and Ripley locations a Coca-Cola Grizzly cooler will be given away.

At the Union City, Martin, Dresden and Troy locations, a Pepsi logo cooler will be given away.

At the Union City, Martin, Dresden and Troy locations an E.W. James 90th Anniversary personalized SmartWater umbrella and Adirondack chair will be given away.

Customers can enter to win in-store at the drawing box.

A Facebook giveaway for Pepsi Mid America Holiday World tickets and LBL Planetarium passes will also be given away. Customers must follow E.W. James on Facebook for Giveaway details.

"E.W. James will be 90 years old and the biggest reason is because of you, our valued customers," Steve Liggins of Union City E.W. James stated.

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Dresden Medical Building has New Owner

Extension Granted for Repairs on the Condemned Building located at 136 South Wilson

Shannon Taylor Editor

The building in Dresden that was formerly known as the Hometown Health Clinic has been purchased after nearly three years of sitting vacant.

The building was one of the sites destroyed in the Dec. 10, 2021 tornado that swept through Dresden.

The condemnation process was started and the prior tenant was given until July 23 to remove or repair the structure, however, due to the recent purchase of the building by Donald Perkins, an extension has now been given for Dec. 31 due to it not being feasible to have repairs made in a months' time.

Perkins believes he can have substantial repairs done to the south wall and the roof before the end of the year and then begin to work on the inside to make it habitable in hopes of attracting a health client or another tenant.

Perkins explained that the building had suffered extensive vandalism over the past years due to the central units being stripped of all copper and everything inside making them of no value whatsoever.

Perkins said he hoped the city would help his endeavor to attract a tenant for the building and that he would work on retrofitting the repairs to the tenants needs.

According to City Attorney Beau Pemberton, condemna-

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ELECTION 2024

Three candidates vie for County Mayor's office

Official Lineup of Election Candidates Announced for Weakley County, TN Weakley County has officially announced the candidates for the upcoming elections. The deadline for filing with the election office was Friday, June 7 at noon. The list includes candidates for various county positions, including an unexpired term for County Mayor, positions on the County School Board, and several Constable positions. Here is the complete lineup:

County Mayor (Unexpired Term)
John Robert Freeman (Republican)
Dale Hutcherson (Independent)
Danny Powers (Independent)

Assessor of Property
Lisa Odle (Republican)

County School Board
District 1
Gath Meeks (Independent)

District 3
Jeffrey L. Floyd (Independent)
District 5
Wendell Cates (Republican)
Margaret B. Lewis (Independent)

District 7
Doug Sims (Republican)

District 9
Joshua Moore (Republican)
Shannon Taylor (Independent)

Constable (Unexpired Term)
District 1
Philip "PJ" Russell (Republican)
Adam Ledezma (Independent)

District 4
Derek Coble (Republican)

District 6
No candidate qualified
District 9
Austin Powell (Republican)
Keith Sumner (Independent)



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Local News

Richardson Media Group acquires eight Tennessee newspapers, printing facility

Richardson Media Group, Inc., publisher of the *Dresden Enterprise*, is excited to announce the acquisition of eight Tennessee newspapers and a commercial web printing facility from Magic Valley Publishing Co., Inc. This acquisition expands RMG's media and printing operations, enhancing their ability to serve the regional community with quality news and commercial printing services.

Through this acquisition, Richardson Media Group will take over the publication of the following newspapers:

The Camden Chronicle, Camden

The Carroll County News-Leader, Huntingdon

The Crockett County Times, Alamo

- The Waverly News-Democrat, Waverly
- The Buffalo River Review, Linden
- The Wayne County News, Waynesboro
- The Lake County Banner, Tiptonville
- The Shopper, Gibson

The acquisition includes The Funky Banana, a graphics, signage, and apparel business, as well as the web press facility located in Huntingdon, and commercial job printing operations at four of the newspaper locations.

Richardson Media Group Founder and CEO Daniel Richardson is very familiar with these publications, and some have been operated by the Richardson family for more than 30 years. Daniel's mother, Lisa Richardson, is the owner

of Magic Valley Publishing Co., Inc., which retains ownership of five newspapers and other assets.

"Some of my earliest memories are from the office of the Carroll County News-Leader," Richardson said. "My parents often would tell the story of how the front page of the News-Leader went 'missing' near completion of the paste-up process. After searching the building over, they found me under a desk with the front page and a roller rolling it down."

Richardson was also instrumental in MVP's acquisition of API, the printing plant in Huntingdon in 2021, and spent many sleepless nights keeping the press going, particularly last July when the Union City Messenger suddenly



ceased printing and customer newspapers were scrambling to have their papers printed.

"We doubled production overnight to get those papers printed and it almost killed us," Richardson said. The Union City plant reopened a few months later and most of the customers returned, leaving the Huntingdon operation with newly hired and trained employees that had to be laid off. "That was a hard time for all of us," he said.

These eight newspapers and the printing plant will join the exist-

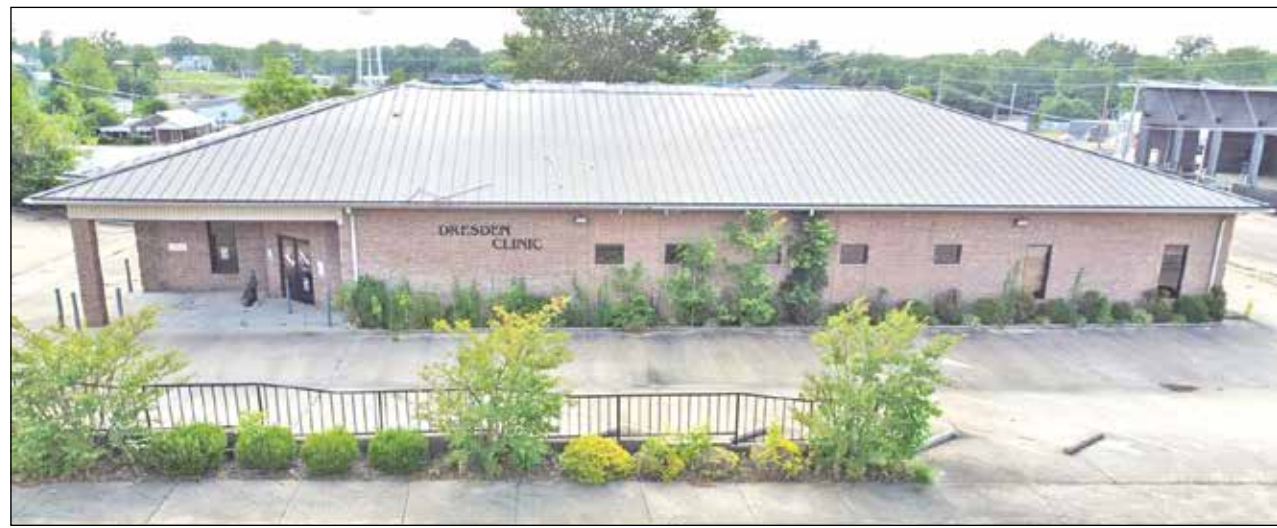
ing nine publications under the Richardson Media Group umbrella, allowing them to benefit from the advanced digital editorial and advertising strategies and tools that have been put in place over the last few months with enhanced websites and CMS platforms, dynamic digital display ads, and social media marketing services. Richardson Media Group now proudly publishes sixteen weekly newspapers and one weekly free shopper. The goal with this transition is to foster a common culture among all em-

ployees, ensuring that every team member feels valued and part of Richardson Media Group's vision for excellence in journalism and commercial services.

"This is a critical piece to our long-term growth strategy, allowing us to round out our personnel and equipment infrastructure to create new publications in the next few months," Richardson said.

As part of this strategic move, RMG is committed to maintaining and enhancing the quality of news and services provided to our readers and commercial clients. This acquisition will bring new opportunities for growth and community engagement.

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BUILDING

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tion revolves around the soundness of the building itself.

"That doesn't mean it's necessarily move-in ready, but that it's structurally sound where it's not posing an immediate

threat to the health, safety, and welfare of passersby or those in close proximity," Pemberton stated.

"The city has an interest in keeping good buildings, good tenants

for development and keeping buildings productive and taxable. That benefits the city's interest because that's still a commercial track with an assessment class of 4%," Pemberton further

stated. A revised order for an extension was granted by the condemnation board unanimously.

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SWIFT

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erating further would be of no use and Hayes released the jury that afternoon. Hayes then declared a mistrial on the voluntary manslaughter charge.

The trial, which was primarily based off of circumstantial evidence, could be retried, however DA Danny Goodman stated that the decision to do so had not yet been

determined. A decision will be made regarding a retrial and bond reinstatement on July 2 at 9 a.m. in Weakley County Court. Swift remains in jail at

this time. Swift also faces charges in Jefferson County Alabama regarding his second wife, now divorced, for stalking.

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District 4 and the county as a whole to this day.

With his experience in

agriculture and farming, he is a knowledgeable proponent for our public in-

frastructure on the Public Work's Committee.

He is the son of a retired school teacher, and one of the only commissioners with kids in the school system, so he is an advocate for the public school system on the HEED Committee.

My dad always leverages his experiences to serve the public.

As mayor my dad plans to serve all of the people in the county.

He plans to increase funding for education, infrastructure, and senior services. He plans to accomplish this by bringing more businesses to the county, so we can increase the tax base.

wants to bring in feeder industries to further support the farming community, as well as new industries that will utilize that existing infrastructure.

My dad knows agriculture is not our only job source. Manufacturing is an important sector. He wants to recruit new manufacturers to our area by keeping our property taxes low and increase STEM and technical education so we have a ready made workforce.

He wants to lean into the opportunities brought in by the college by encouraging community involvement for the students.

As his campaign slogan, 'Weakley first', suggests, he wants nothing but the best for our county. As a family we are excited to go out and meet everyone that loves Weakley County as much as we do. And hey, if a 14-year-old says to vote for him, he has to be a pretty great guy, right?

Written by Ellie Freeman, John's eldest daughter

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Opinion/Local News

Father's Day

**Daniel Richardson
Publisher**

As we come up on one of my favorite holidays of the year, I wanted to write a little bit about what Father's Day means to me. Fathers have a significant impact and influence over a person's life, whether they want to or not. Not everyone has a great father, and not everyone has a great relationship with their father. I did.

My dad, Dennis Richardson, who passed away suddenly in 2021, was older than most of my friends' dads and, as a result, probably more mature. He understood the value of his influence on me more than a lot of fathers do. While he did work a lot in my early years, that didn't hurt our relationship. As I became an adult, I was happy to join him in that work. It was, and still is, important work—the work of journalism, publishing local community newspapers in rural communities.

Some of my earliest memories are of him explaining different aspects of the newspaper publishing business to me. I had a lot of questions, and I still do, but he was always very patient, even when I was a young child, carefully explaining things. I was very fortunate to be able to join him in the company he built when I graduated from college. I had been working in various ways for his newspapers since my teenage years, but after graduating from UTM in 2012, I began working full-time.

For the first nine years of my newspaper career, we probably talked every day about one thing or another related to the newspaper business, but also about life. I began working further away from home in Clinton, Ky., but was able to move back to the Camden area with my family in 2015.

One of Dad's favorite parts of the business was growing the company through the acquisition of other newspapers. This was an adventure that I had a front-row seat to for many years. In addition to buying newspapers to grow his business, he worked as a broker, helping other companies buy, sell, and merge newspapers. I think he ultimately improved the situation for everyone involved, including the readers and advertisers of those

papers. He started doing this for a brokerage firm and eventually went out on his own, focusing on more local clients, including David Gold, owner of Mainstream Media in Middle Tennessee, who now publishes several newspapers in Middle Tennessee, and Victor Parkins of The Mirror-Exchange in Gibson County.

No one learned more from Dad about the merger and acquisition side of the business than me. I always had a fascination with business, especially the media business. I've been fortunate enough to use what he taught me to establish my own publishing company, Richardson Media Group. Three of the newspapers now part of Richardson Media Group in the Upper Cumberland area were newspapers he had listed for sale several years ago and had actually encouraged me to consider buying. At that time, I wasn't ready, and they seemed so far away. In 2023, opportunity knocked again with those newspapers becoming available, so we began working with him, and in March 2024, we added them to Richardson Media Group.

Losing Dad in 2021 was very hard for everyone involved. Nobody expected it, and nobody was ready, if anyone ever can be ready to lose a parent. But I'm very thankful for the legacy he left and the memories and lessons he imparted. He left me with a \$1,000,000 education in business and in life.

In 2011, I was fortunate enough to gain another father figure when I married Lena Larkins. Her father, Terry Larkins, has played a significant role in our lives. He's taught me many things, but probably most importantly, he's taught me the importance of being there for family and providing help when it's needed and wanted while still giving just enough space to grow, learn, and develop some independence, knowing that help is just a phone call away.

I am now the father of five amazing children, and I am very thankful for them. I hope that I am applying the lessons I've learned from my father and father-in-law in my relationships with my children.

Happy Father's Day!

Weakley County Schools Add Artificial Intelligence Policy

New law requires policy to be passed by July 1

**Shannon Taylor
Editor**

A new law going into effect requires school districts to have a policy on artificial intelligence in effect by July 1.

The policy is a 'blanket' policy according to Director of Schools Jeff Cupples which will just outline the basics and can be added to or revised at a later date.

The Weakley County School district has three core values: purpose, connection, and growth. The first paragraph of the policy discusses those values, as well as explaining what A.I. is and outlines acceptable vs unacceptable use of A.I. within the school system.

The policy states that students can only use A.I. for educational purposes with permission from educators and that submitting A.I. work as original content is expressly prohibited.

When students are permitted to use A.I. they have to use it ethically



AI POLICY PASSES FIRST READING: Weakley County Schools A.I. Policy passes first reading. Pictured are Director of Schools, Jeff Cupples, (middle), Jeff Floyd (left), Josh Moore (right) and Patricia Adams.

with respect to copyright laws and should not be used to engage in plagiarism or any form of dishonesty.

When using A.I. in any capacity, students must acknowledge the use of it whether that be in text, images, multimedia, etc.

The policy also addressed digital citizenship in regard to dissemination of information—that it is not harmful or inappropriate in context.

"Abusive, harmful, or disrespectful conduct through an A.I. platform is unacceptable."

A.I. cannot replace the

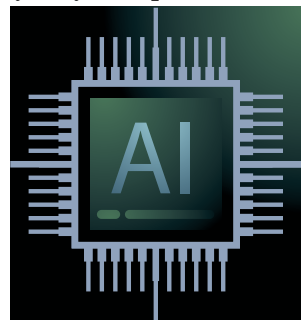
social elements of teaching and mentoring, nor can it be a substitute for assignment replacement.

A.I. generated content has to be vetted by educational professionals to ensure the accuracy of the content and teachers who submit lessons plans they have to acknowledge any use of A.I. within those plans.

In order to ensure compliance with the policy, teachers will be authorized to use software to detect A.I. content.

The policy passed on the first reading, but in order to ensure that the policy goes into effect

by July 1 a special called



meeting will be held on Thursday, June 20 at 6 p.m. for this purpose.

E.W. James

From 1A

E.W. JAMES' HISTORY

E.W. James Supermarkets all started back in 1934, when Etheridge William "E.W." James, the 31-year-old clerk in Hickman, KY, made an agreement to purchase a small corner grocery store from his brother-in-law. His business grew, so E.W. decided to purchase another store located in downtown Hickman, which he called "Cash & Carry." Mr. James also bought pecans and furs from local dealers.

In 1952, Mr. James expanded his company to Obion County in Tennessee. The Union City store became the largest in the chain, with eleven check lanes and serving 12,000 customers a week.

Mr. E.W. had two sons, Billy Joe James and David W. James, and two daughters, Mrs. Nancy Halterman and Mrs.



Wanda Faye Naylor. Through the James children, E.W. James Supermarkets worked hard to make excellence the trademark of their family's business.

In 1950, Mr. E.W. James's son, Billy Joe

James started working full time with his father. Billy Joe moved from Hickman to Obion County. He worked in the Union City store, pouring his energy into the grocery business and his goal was to expand the

company.

After graduation, from Murray State University, and serving his country between 1966-1968 as First Lieutenant in the United States Army, David W. James joined the family owned business. With Billy Joe and David's guidance, the company grew and they opened another store in Ripley, TN in 1973. After setting goals for new store openings, they opened 4 new stores between 1979-1980.

In 1989, David James bought the company from his brother and sisters. David's hard work helped grow the company to locations throughout West Tennessee including the towns of: Dresden, Huntingdon, McKenzie, Union City, Waynesboro, Ripley, Martin, Paris, and Troy. The family-owned and operated company is based in Union City, TN.

As of today, Lee Ann James, David W. James's daughter, now owns the company and serves as CEO.

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Community News

Local Romance Author Holds Book Signing

CeCe Beckett
Staff Writer

Romance author and Martin local Erin Chestnut stopped by the Martin Public Library on June 1 for a book signing to celebrate her debut novel, "Fight For Me."

Chestnut graduated from The University of Tennessee at Martin with a double major in English and Communications and did a good amount of writing while in college, even working at the university as a writer for years after graduation. Despite writing for years, this is the first book Chestnut has self-published.

"Fight For Me" is a romance novel that revolves around the life of two characters, Lexie Preston and Jake Tanner, and their journey of juggling life and relationships.

"I am a romance author," Chestnut said as she introduced herself and the book. "I have to make myself say that because it is something I am still getting used to."

Chestnut received a few different reactions when telling people this, and stated that she is proud her romance novels are appropriate and appreciates not having to justify herself regarding the content in her novels.

"Fight For Me" is labeled as young adult fiction and is most suitable for mature high school



Erin Chestnut

students and beyond as it does contain sensitive topics. Main character Lexie did not grow up in the best environment regarding relationships, therefore she has a hard time figuring out what true love is.

With the possibility of an 8-book series according to Chestnut, with "Fight For Me" being the first one, the remaining books will contain stories regarding Jake's family and other smaller stories within the novels.

"You will be able to read them in any order," Chestnut said.

"Fight For Me" is available at the Martin Public Library and can also be bought in both paperback and digital form on Amazon as well as on the Spark catalog.



Photos by CeCe Beckett

County Mayor Candidate Dale Hutcherson and family attend the library re-opening to show their support for the community.



Mayor Charles Anderson and Library Director Michellia Wilson greet visitors to their grand re-openign event

Gleason Memorial Library Grand Re-Opening Event a Success

The Gleason Memorial Library kicked off its Grand Re-Opening event with cake, games, face painting and door prize entries.

"We are ready and excited to serve the community again. Support your local library," Library Director, Michellia Wilson stated.

The library has been closed since August 16, 2023, due to not being safe for public use and repairs being needed due to an adjoining building having a structural accident that badly affected the right wall of the library.

Now, books are on the

shelves and ready for residents to check out. The Gleason Ladies Club volunteered their time to help get all of the books back on the shelves before re-opening to the public.

Approximately 120 community members attended the event.

The library is open for regular hours Monday-Friday every week from 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Updates and news are posted on their Facebook page. The library can also be reached by phone at 731-648-9020 or by email at director@gleasonlibrary.com.



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Sat., Sun., Wed. - 1:30, 4:30 (3D), 7:30

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Fri, Mon., Tue, Thur. - 4:35, 7:35
Sat., Sun., Wed. - 1:35, 4:35, 7:35

THE WATCHERS (PG-13)
Fri, Mon., Tue., Thur. - 4:30, 7:30
Sat., Sun. & Wed. - 1:30, 4:30, 7:30

IF (PG)
Fri, Sun., Mon., Tue., Thur. - 4:25, 7:25
Sat. & Wed. - 1:25, 4:25, 7:25

THE GARFIELD MOVIE (PG)
Fri, Mon., Tue, Thur. - 4:25 (3D), 7:25
Sat., Sun., Wed. - 1:25, 4:25 (3D), 7:25

KINGDOM OF THE PLANET OF THE APES (PG-13)
Fri, Mon., Tue, Thur. - 4:20, 7:30
Sat., Sun., Wed. - 1:20, 4:20, 7:30



SUMMER READING - Ned McWherter Weakley County Library kicked off week two of their Summer Reading Program with Storytime and Crafting with Anna Clark. Clark helped little readers make Father's Day cards. Clark is pictured reading about scary and sneaky alligators.

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Obituaries

James “Jim” Robinson 1948 - 2024

Bro. James “Jim” Robert Robinson, age 75 of Dresden, passed away Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at Jackson Madison County General Hospital. A memorial visitation will be held Saturday, June 15th at Liberty Baptist Church in Dresden beginning at 12 noon with memorial service to follow at 1:00pm. Bro. Pete Staples will officiate the service. Jim was born to the late Lucian Robinson and Sara Westbrook in Jackson, TN. He married his wife, Barbara Pollard Robinson, of 57 years on December 13, 1966. He was a retired pastor. He is survived by his wife Barbara Robinson; daughter Debbie Robinson Stewart; son John Robinson; brother Joe Keith Dilday; sisters Janie Robinson Jones, Suzanne Robinson Buttrey, Renee Robinson Melton, Cindy Cox, and Beth Dilday Parker; 3 grandchildren; and 8 great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his daughter Janice Robinson Barnett, step parents Betty Robinson and Charles Dilday, and brothers Kevin Dilday, Kenny Dilday, Gerald Brown, and Bob Robinson.

James R. Freeman 1948-2024

Mr. James Rainey Freeman age 75 of Martin died Thursday, June 6, at AHC Nursing and Rehab Center in Union City, Tennessee.

Funeral service will be Saturday, June 15, 12 Noon at Murphy Funeral Home with Bro. Thomas Todd officiating. Visitation will be at Murphy Funeral Home Saturday morning beginning at 10:00 until the hour of the service.

Mr. Freeman retired from Martin Box Manufacturing Company and he was a veteran, U.S. Army.

He is survived by his sisters, Carol Jordan of Martin, Cheryl (Joe) Henry of Grand Rapids, MI; his brothers, Donald Freeman of Martin, Jerry Freeman of Tiptonville, TN and Lesley (Kim) Freeman, Jr. of Clarksville, TN; his niece and nephews, Josh (Alexias) of Clarksville, TN, Lucindia (Darrin) Yon of North Carolina, Justin Jordan of Martin, Tony Freeman of Nashville and Michael Freeman of Murfreesboro, TN.

Mr. Freeman was preceded in death by his parents, Lesley Freeman, Sr. and Iris Smith Freeman; his sister, Linda Freeman; his brother, Melvin Jerry Freeman.

Clyde VanMeter 1948-2024

Mr. Clyde VanMeter, age 75, of Sharon, died Friday, June 7, at the Jackson-Madison Co. Hospital, Jackson.

Mr. VanMeter's wishes was to be cremated; a memorial service will be held at a later date.

Mr. VanMeter formerly owned the Tobacco Store in Martin, TN; he was also a retired mechanic.

Mr. VanMeter is survived by a son, Matt (Ashley) VanMeter, Grant, Ala; two grandchildren, Alayna and Fisher VanMeter; a sister, Polly (Tom) Poole, Martin, TN, and two brothers, Rex (Janet) VanMeter, Louisville, KY, and Johnny (Mary) VanMeter, Elizabethtown, KY.

Mr. VanMeter was preceded in death by his wife, Martha VanMeter, his daughter, Stacy VanMeter, and his parents, Chester and America Carroll VanMeter.

Richard Hunt 1957-2024

Mr. Richard Dean Hunt age 66 of Martin died Friday, June 7, 2024, at his sister's home in Martin.

Murphy Funeral Home will be handling the cremation.

He is survived by his sister, Paula (Bryan) Garner Skaggs; niece, Kristy Jean (Adam) Wade of Port St. Joe, Florida; nephew, Mark David (Brandy) Garner, II of South Fulton, TN; two great-nieces, Anna Jean Jackson of Huntsville, AL and Rachel Marbry Myers of Florence, Alabama.

Mr. Hunt retired from Retail Sales for Wal-Mart in Martin.

Mr. Hunt was preceded in death by his brother, Kenneth Ray Hunt, and his parents, Paul Richard and Betty Jean Beasley Hunt.

Martha McCaney 1948-2024

Services for Martha McCaney age 75 of Greenfield, TN, will be held Thursday June 6, 2024 at 3 p.m. at Williams Funeral Home in Greenfield. Burial to follow in Rose Hill Cemetery. Visitation will begin Thursday at 2 p.m. and go until time of her service. Martha is preceded in death by her father W.C. McCaney and mother Mary F. Shane.

Thomas Atkins Harrington 1951-2024

Funeral Services for Thomas Atkins Harrington, “Tommy”, will be conducted Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. at Gleason Methodist Church with Bro. Alan Trull and Bro. Gene Price officiating with burial to follow in Mt. Olivet Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the church on Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. until the service hour.

Mr. Harrington, 72 years old, died at Jackson Madison County General Hospital on Saturday, May 18, 2024. He owned and operated Tommy's Carpets. Mr. Harrington was a conversationalist, he loved to talk and cut up and he never met a stranger. He was born in Rutherford, TN on July 31, 1951, to the late Leonard Harrington and Martha Nell Patterson.

He is survived by his wife Karen Gallimore Harrington of McKenzie; two sons, Troy Harrington and wife Angie of Bradford Hospital and Travis Harrington and wife Andi of Greenfield; two stepdaughters, Brandy Houchin of Evansville, IN, and Jill Elohin of McKenzie; two brothers, Danny Harrington of Greensboro, NC, and Nathan Harrington of McKenzie; three sisters, Collette Baker of Greenfield, Deborah Harrington of McKenzie, and Alice Smith of Greenfield. Other survivors include four grandchildren and four step grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Janet Bookout Harrington, father, Leonard Harrington, mother, Martha Neil Patterson and brother Bobby Harrington.

Buck Rogers 1960-2024

Mr. Donald “Buck” Rogers age 63 of Martin died Monday, June 3, 2024, at his home.

Funeral service will be Friday, June 7, 2024, 11:00 A.M. at Murphy Funeral Home with Rev. Terry Griffin, Rev. Kylan Mann and Keith Pettit officiating. Burial will follow in East Side Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday, June 6, 2024, from 4:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M. at Murphy Funeral Home, or after 10:00 A.M. on Friday until service time.

Pallbearers are Mason Rogers, Avery Rogers, Giovanni Jaramillo, Zach Taylor, Logan Taylor and Sam Rogers. Honorary Pallbearers are Alexis Jaramillo, Kenzi Bowlin, Hailey Rogers, Adrianna Jaramillo, Sophie Bowlin, Allie Rogers, Atlantis Taylor and Jax Rogers.

Mr. Rogers is survived by his wife, Kathy Taylor Rogers; two sons, Jacob (Hannah) Rogers of Troy, TN and Jared (Rita) Rogers of Martin; two daughters, Kayla (Johnny) Jaramillo of Martin and Starr Rogers of Kennett, MO; his father, Jerry Dean Rogers of Martin; three brothers, Derry (Charlotte) Rogers and John (Kim) Rogers both of Martin and Bobbie (Nancy) Rogers of Trenton, TN; his sister-in-law, Barbara Rogers of Martin; 13 grandchildren, Mason Rogers, Jax Rogers, Hailey Rogers, Avery Rogers, Allie Rogers, Atlantis Taylor, Alexis Jaramillo, Kenzi Bowlin, Adrianna Jaramillo, Sophie Bowlin, Giovanni Jaramillo, Jade Rogers and Markus Rogers; one great-grandchild, Ziela Rogers.

Buck was a retired locksmith for The University of Tennessee at Martin. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #90, Dresden, TN and was a member of Central Baptist Church in Martin.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Linda L. Rogers; his brother, David Rogers.

Boyce Owen McDougal, Jr 1945-2024

On Monday, May 27, 2024, Boyce Owen McDougal, Jr. passed peacefully in his sleep. After 78 years, 11 months and 23 days on this Earth and a long and trying battle with Alzheimer's and Dementia, the ol' bird decided it was time to return home.

Born June 4, 1945, in Paducah, Kentucky, Owen was the son of Boyce Owen McDougal, Sr. and Garnett “Shady” Williams McDougal. The phrase “after him, they broke the mold” came into circulation quickly after his birth, according to his half-sister, Margaret. Though he was the son of the Chief of Police, Owen was known as a wild child and a bit of a troublemaker. Underneath it all, he was a wonderful and faithful friend to many. After Shady passed away in 1965, Boyce married Norma. Owen gained three step-siblings – Richard and Donald Lichtenberg, and Jeannie (Lichtenberg) Newcomb.

He worked for the city of Paducah, KY, and later for the city of Dresden, TN. He loved his job, mostly because it allowed him to be around so many people. He loved being around people!

After several attempts, he finally got it right in 1995 when he married Bobbye Dale (Ellis) McDougal. At the same time, he inherited two daughters whom he loved as if they were his own – Kelly (Sanders) Misenhimer and Angie Sanders – as well as two precious grandsons – Drew and Kyle Wheeler. In the years to follow, he would add to the family: two wonderful sons-in-law – Jason Misenhimer and Shane Wheeler; three more grandsons – Parker Wheeler and Colin and Carter Misenhimer; granddaughters-in-law – Mallory Wheeler, Faith Harbin, Claire Wheeler, and Kailyn Burkeens; and two great-grandsons – Keanu and Cyrus Wheeler. For a man who many thought would never settle down, he sure did love his big family!

Owen loved to read, to watch a good ballgame (any sport, but baseball was his favorite), and to have a cold beer and a shot of whiskey. He was a storyteller – and boy did he have stories to tell! Anyone who ever spent five minutes with him can attest that he was the life of the party. He was also an odd bird. He had his own way of speaking that became known in the family as “Owenisms.” It wasn't uncommon to hear him say that someone “don't favor a shovel” or that a difficult situation “ain't no hill for a stepper!” At family gatherings, he would encourage everyone to “gobble” even though he was well-known for “grazin'.” He loved food, but it's impossible to name his favorite dish. Any meal that Bobbye Dale made was “wunnerful!”

Prior to his decline, Owen made it very clear that he didn't want a fuss made over his death. (We can all hear him now saying, “Don't worry 'bout me!”) Later this summer, his family will have a private celebration of his life. If you'd like to celebrate Owen, go have a cold beer, a shot, or a pizza. He would love that. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that you make a donation to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org.

Margie Brooks 1954-2024

Mrs. Margie Pilcher Brooks of Martin, age 69, passed away Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee.

Funeral service will be Friday, May 24, 2024, 1:00 PM at First Baptist Church in Martin with Dr. Mike Sams officiating. Burial will follow in Cate Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 11:00 AM at First Baptist Church until funeral time at 1:00.

Pallbearers are Logan Brooks, John Brannen, James Brannen, David Barnes, Keith Kennedy and Lee Pritchett.

She is survived by her husband, Barry Brooks; her two sons, Mark (Meagan) Brooks of Dyersburg, TN and Kyle (Sheena) Brooks of Martin; her mother, Carolyn Herron Pilcher of Ripley, TN; sister, Jan (Jim) Brannen of Clarksville, TN; brother, Jim (Atha) Pilcher of Somerville, TN; five grandchildren, Henley and Bennett Brooks, Bolton, Halen and Harris Brooks.

Margie was a retired educator spending most of her teaching career at Martin Primary School. She was a graduate of Ripley High School in Ripley, Tennessee and a graduate of The University of Tennessee at Martin where she was a member of the Chi Omega Sorority, Xi Zeta Chapter. She was a faithful member of First Baptist Church in Martin where she sang in the choir. She was an avid gardener and loved cooking for her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father, James Tracy Pilcher, and her sister, Sharon Barnes.

Bridger Riley Mayfield 2024-2024

Bridger Riley Mayfield, infant son of Chase and Abby Mayfield, died Thursday, 05/23/2024, at Jackson-Madison Co. Hospital, Jackson, TN.

Graveside services will be private.

In addition to his parents, Bridger is survived by a brother, Brooks Mayfield; his grandparents, Jeff Mayfield, Obion, TN, Heather Mayfield, South Fulton, TN, Barry and Lori Pierce, Huntingdon, TN; and great grandmother, Ada Kendall, Union city, TN.

Edith Marie Jones 1945-2024

Edith Marie Jones, age 78 of Dresden, passed away Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at Weakley County Nursing Home.

Visitation will be held Thursday May 30th at Bowlin Funeral Home beginning at 10:00am until 11:45am with graveside service to follow at 12 noon in Sunset Cemetery. Bro. Denny Hargrove will officiate the service.

Edith was born to the late Otis Hogard and Ida Mozelle Watson in Martin, TN. She is survived by her daughters Dana (Larry) Burns and Deanna (Paul) Higgs, 3 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her son James Dean Jones.

Jona Carolyn Tyler 1942-2024

Jona Carolyn Tyler, age 81 of Cottage Grove, TN, died Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at Charter Senior Living in Paris.

Jona was born December 11, 1942, in Henry County, TN to the late Theron Leon Williams and the late Gearldyne Moody Williams.

She was a member of Cottage Grove Baptist Church. Jona formerly worked at Salant & Salant and Holley Carburetor. She enjoyed cooking, crafting, sewing and yardwork.

She was married for over 40 years to Hugh Tyler and he preceded her in death on November 21, 2021.

Jona is survived by her son, Matthew (Jennifer) Tyler of Cottage Grove, TN; three sisters, Dian Terry of Dover, TN, Brenda (Joel) Sutton of South Carolina, Penny (Steve) Vance of Florida; and one brother, Allen Leon (Nellie) Williams of Paris, TN.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was also preceded in death by one sister, Betty Jearl Roberson; and two brothers, Tommy Harold Williams, and Larry Daniel Williams, Sr.

Arrangements are being handled by Ridgeway Funeral Home, 201 Dunlap Street/PO Box 788, Paris, TN 38242. Visitation will be Saturday May 11, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Ridgeway Funeral Home with her funeral service to be held at 2:30 p.m. at Ridgeway Funeral Home with Mike Waddey officiating.

David Roberson, Darren Roberson, Kevin Bomar, Nic Fields, Johnathan Hawbaker and Opie Hawbaker will serve as pallbearers.

Burial will follow in Puryear City Cemetery in Puryear, TN

Penny Yvone Tubbs 1970-2024

Penny Yvone Tubbs age 53 of Hickman, KY., passed away on Monday, June 3, 2024 at Jackson Madison County Hospital. Graveside funeral service will be Saturday, June 8, 2024 at 12 noon in Sunset Cemetery. Visitation will be Saturday, June 8, 2024 at Bowlin Funeral Home from 10:00 am until 11:45 am. Penny is survived by her son, Andrew McHaney. She was preceded in death by one son; Maurice McHaney, her two brothers; Jimmy Jr. Johnson and Michael Johnson.

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Marriages

MAY 2024

George Anthony Accomando to Hollye Renee Smith Scarborough

John Riggs Brock to Reese O'Devin Biggs

Michael Wayne Carlton to Charlotte Lynn Kent Mcabee

Austin Tyler Chapman to Anna Denise Barnes

Clint Arguelles Craig to Jaqueline Jean Darnell Redlark

Timothy Wayne Evans to Cynthia Denise Jones

Jesse Wade Garner to Ciera Ashton Rhodes

Tyler Christopher Godlewski to Jordan Nicole Morehead

Arnold Ray Hicks Jr. to Rachel Suzanne Coleman Bearden

Joseph Dwayne Isbell to Jessica Renee Earls Cannon

Kyle Gage Jackson to Kenzie Grace Williams

Tucker Neil Kennedy to Whitney Ellen Mcquiston

Kenneth Thomas Lancaster to Sierra Nicole Coley

Hayden Scott Love to Lauren Blake Beverly

Isaiah William Luhellier to Victoria Lynn Harrison

James Wesley Lupton to Rhonda Renee Radler Bailey

Saeb Brandon Nassar to Hannah Culver Dearing

Perry Chase Pentecost to Kayce Alexander Stafford

James Michael Powell to Nancy Dawn Pate

Quintin Tylor Spain to Lana Shea Taylor

Paul A. Stutzman to Rebecca W. Borntrager

Marcus Anthony Watson to Kelsey Anne Vandergriff

Antwon Dejuan Wiley to Brittany Nicole Hart

Drake Bryce Yates to Rilee Maeann Ricketts

Divorces

MAY 2024

Nikki Spears Franzen vs Elizabeth Hope Spears

Amanda Jane Barnett vs David Edward Barnett

David Bryan Scarbrough vs Lisa Gail Scarbrough

Lauren Nicole Webster Daniels vs Andrew Bryan Daniels

Richard E. Paulin vs Dona L. Paulin

Property Transfers

Weakley County Property Transfers June 3 – June 7, 2024

Johnny G. Plunk to Dan Conger, District 7

Tonya and Donald Burkeen to Glenda Burkeen Wothers, District 24

Bernice Moore and Misty Williams McClure Thompson to Corey R. Radford, District 11

WMC Partnership, WMC Medical Clinic Partnership, LLC to Donalds L. Perkins, District 7

Phillip Michael Blackmon to Alexandria Blackmon and Jaquelynn Dortch, District 2

Jeff Johnson to Cory and Natasha Burroughs, Garrett Road, Gleason

Michael Ray Dillard to Robert Wade Mansfield, Revocable LIVI, Trustee, District 24

General Sessions

Weakley County General Sessions June 3-June 7

Michael Wayne Walker – Failure to Appear X7 – 4 Dismissed – 3 Guilty as Charged, Probation Violation – Guilty as Charged, Theft of Merchandising – Shoplifting X2 – Guilty as Charged, Criminal Trespass – Guilty as Charged, Driving while License Suspended – Guilty Plea – Lesser Charge – Driving without License

Christopher Thomas Robinson – Failure to Appear X2 – Dismissed, Simple Possession/Casual Exchange – Dismissed, Poss Unlaw Drug Paraphernalia Uses & Activities – Guilty as Charged

Elton Zaccheaus Williams – Failure to Appear X2 – 1 Dismissed, 1 Guilty as Charged, Domestic Assault – Guilty as Charged

Larry Lee Bush – Aggravated Assault X2 – Other

Michael Gary Burns – Driving while License Suspended X2 – Guilty Plea – Lesser Charge – Driving without License, Failure to Appear – Guilty as Charged

Jeffrey Alan Boykin – Theft of Services - \$1,000 or Less – Guilty as Charged, Probation Violation – Not Booked – Guilty as Charged

Billy Dean Morris – Criminal Trespass – Guilty as

Charged, Failure to Appear – Guilty as Charged

Chance Cayden Rogers – Simple Poss/Casual Exchange X2 – 1 Dismissed – 1 Judicial Diversion, Open Container – Dismissed, Underage Consumption – Dismissed

Dean Shelton McCalla – Underage Consumption – Dismissed, DUI: First Offense – Judicial Diversion – Underage Driving While Impaired

Jose Alejandro Cuevas – DUI: First Offense – Guilty Plea – Lesser Charge – Underage Driving While Impaired, Failure to Appear – Guilty as Charged

Hayden Robert Nida – Simple Poss/Casual Exchange – Guilty as Charged

James Courtney Shane – Domestic Assault X2 – Bound Over, Criminal Trespass X2 – Bound Over

Clem Lawrence Carter – DUI: First Offense – Guilty as Charged, Driving While License Revoked – Guilty Plea – Lesser Charge – Driving without License

Jarred Demarco Xzavier Thompson – Criminal Simulation X2 – Guilty Plea – Lesser Charge – Criminal Simulation – Up to \$1000 – Attempt

Dakota Brook McDaniel Shaw – Theft of Merchandise – Shoplifting X2 – 1 Dismissed, 1 Guilty as Charged

Austin Gray – Theft of Mer-

chandise – Shoplifting X3 – 2 Dismissed, 1 Guilty as Charged

Amarea A. Branch – Theft of Merchandise – Shoplifting – Judicial Diversion

John Wade Elmore – Simple Poss/Casual Exchange – Guilty as Charged

Brad Stacy Langley – Theft (Up to \$1000) – Dismissed

Tasha Lyn Lowe – Assault – Bodily Injury – Guilty as Charged

Brandalyn Kee Bills – Theft of Property – (\$1000 - \$2,500) – Dismissed, Aggravated Criminal Trespass – Guilty as Charged, Theft of Property (\$1000-\$2500) – Guilty Plea – Lesser Charge – Theft (Up to \$1000), Probation Violation – Not Booked – Guilty as Charged

Michael Keith Yunckes – Domestic Assault – Dismissed

Justin Lee Jordan – Criminal Trespass – Dismissed, Probation Violation – Not Booked – Dismissed

Jeffrey Allen McAbee – Domestic Assault – Dismissed, Probation Violation – Not Booked – Dismissed

Jennifer Lynn Jordan - Resist, Stop, Arrest, Search (No Weap) – Dismissed

Michael Lynn Bynum – Probation Violation – Not Booked – Guilty as Charged

Gas prices drop 5.3 cents

Average gasoline prices in Tennessee have fallen 5.3 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.99/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 3,821 stations in Tennessee. Prices in Tennessee are 23.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 13.8 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 6.7 cents in the last week and stands at \$3.75 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Tennessee was priced at \$2.56/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$4.11/g, a difference of \$1.55/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.56/g while the highest was \$4.11/g, a difference of \$1.55/g.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 10.0 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.40/g today. The national average is down 23.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 18.2 cents per gallon lower than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

"We've seen one of the larger weekly drops in the national average price of gasoline in some time, and what incredible timing that it comes at the beginning of the summer driv-

ing season," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "Not only have gasoline prices plummeted in nearly every state in the last week, but nearly every state has also seen prices drop compared to a month ago. With the declines, Americans will spend roughly \$425 million less per week on gasoline than a year ago. In addition, the price of diesel has fallen alongside gasoline to its lowest level since Russia's invasion of Ukraine in early 2022. This price decline party is ramping up, and I expect additional declines ahead of July 4 for both gasoline and diesel prices. Six states now have average prices below \$3 per gallon, and more will join soon, with the number of U.S. stations at \$2.99 or lower already nearing 25,000. It's a great start to summer for those hitting the road."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data. GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy's averages, graphs, maps and historical pricing data covering the U.S. and Canada is available 24/7 at <http://prices.GasBuddy.com>. SOURCE GasBuddy

Jail Report

Weakley County Jail Report June 3-June 9

Cody Rohman Bergner of Union City was charged with Failure to Appear (Felony) on June 7

Makeeba Barnae Blackmon of Martin was charged with Driving on Rev/Susp License and Failure to Appear on June 3

Lisa Faye Beam Boane of Martin was charged with Criminal Trespassing and Vandalism on June 8

Daniel Joe Bowlin of Sharon was charged with Driving on Rev/Susp License and Poss of Meth for Distrib, MFG, DEL, SALE on June 6

Brenton Kye Brewer of Paris was charged with DUI: First Offense on June 9

Catherine Gail Calhoun of Sharon was charged with Failure to Appear on June 9

Hunter Caleb Choate of Martin was charged with Driving on Rev/Susp License on June 8

Joey Eugene Darling of Martin was charged with Shoplifting – Theft of Property on June 5

Hayley Lynn Davidson of Martin was charged with Failure to Appear and Violation of Probation on June 3

Keith Michael Deuter of Gleason was charged with Burglary and Theft of Property on June 5

Alex Anthony Diebold of Dresden was charged with Failure to Appear on June 6

Melvin Lance Donnell of Huntingdon was charged with Driving on Rev/Susp License on June 8

Reuben Tansil Douglas of Martin was charged with Failure to Appear, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Simple Possession on June 5

Matthew David Dycus of Martin was charged with DUI: First Offense on June 8

Tyrell Akeen Flora of Dresden was charged with Joyriding on June 8

Andrew Morgan Grubbs of Owensboro Kentucky was charged with Failure to Appear and Violation of Probation (Circuit) on June 7

Jeffery Lynn Hampton of McKenzie was charged with DUI" First Offense, Poss of Legend Drugs W/O Prescription and Simple Possession on June 9

Justin Tyler Hamrick of Ful-

ton Kentucky was charged with DUI: First Offense on June 4

Rachel Lynette Henry of Martin was charged with Failure to Appear on June 6

Michelle Lea Henson of McKenzie was charged with DUI: First Offense on June 9

Jerry Lee Higgs of Dresden was charged with Leaving Scene of Accident on June 9

Amanda Dawn Jackson of Martin was charged with Fugitive from Justice on June 4

Joe David Johnson of Dresden was charged with Violation of Probation on June

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Cedric Rashad Jones of Bradford was charged with Failure to Appear on June 3

Jimmy Lee McCaig Jr. of Martin was charged with Aggravated Assault on June 3

Adrine LeShawn McClerkin of Atwood was charged with Violation of Probation on June 6

Elbert Lee McGraw of Orlando Florida was charged with Failure to Appear on June 4

Shemshone Keontae Valentino McKinney II of Martin was charged with Disorderly Conduct on June 3

Allison Marie Mullins of

Martin was charged with DUI: First Offense, Emergency Detention and Possession of a Weapon Under the Influence on June 4

Logan Eugene Pollard of Martin was charged with Failure to Appear on June 4

Roy Spencer Quillen of Martin was charged with Domestic Assault on June 3

Mark Edward Roberts of Gleason was charged with Poss of Firearm by Felon, Poss of Meth for DISTRIB> MFG,DEL, SALE and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (Meth Related) on June 4

Sierra Montana Terry of Murfreesboro was charged

with Criminal Trespassing, Shoplifting – Theft of Property and Violation of Probation on June 3

Donald Lee Williams of Martin was charged with Failure to Appear on June 4

Casey Miller Wright of Huntingdon was charged with Violation of Probation on June 8

Vaughn Lawston Yarbrough of Greenfield was charged with Violation of Parole on June 6

INVITATION TO BID June 13, 2024 WEAKLEY COUNTY SCHOOLS – GREENFIELD SCHOOL RESTROOM RENOVATIONS

SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE WEAKLEY COUNTY SCHOOLS FOR GREENFIELD SCHOOL RESTROOM RENOVATIONS. SEALED BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED PRIOR TO 2:00 PM LOCAL TIME ON THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2024. ADDRESS SEALED BID TO: MR. JOHN LIGGETT, FINANCE DIRECTOR, 8319 HWY 22; DRESDEN, TN 38225. PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE 2:00 PM LOCAL TIME ON FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2024 AT GREENFIELD SCHOOL, 319 WEST MAIN STREET, GREENFIELD, TN 38230.

THE SEALED BID MUST BE IDENTIFIED AS "SEALED BID FOR GREENFIELD SCHOOL RESTROOM RENOVATIONS". THE BIDDERS ADDRESS, APPLICABLE TN LICENSE NUMBER AND LICENSE EXPIRATION DATE MUST BE WRITTEN ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE SEALED BID, ALONG WITH THE WORK BEING BID. BIDS WILL BE PUBLICALLY OPENED.

Bid Documents may be examined at the office of the Construction Manager, Henson Construction Services, Inc., 32 Bowling Drive, Jackson, TN 38305 (731-664-5858).

Digital copies of the Bid Documents may be obtained from the Construction Manager, Henson Construction Services, Inc., 32 Bowling Drive, Jackson, TN 38305. Contact Jimmy Henson at 731-664-5858 or via email at jhenson@hensonconst.com to obtain a complete Bid Package and to be added to the official Bidders List. This will ensure you of being provided any Addenda and/or CMSIs (Construction Management's Supplemental Instruction). All Addenda and/or CMSIs must be acknowledged on the Bid Form.

SPECIFIC ITEMS OF WORK INCLUDED IN THIS BID PACKAGE ARE:

* Bid Item #1 – COMPLETE ALL WORK PER PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS PREPARED BY TLM ASSOCIATES AND PER THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER'S INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS BID PACKAGE.

A Certified Check or Cashier's Check, payable to The Weakley County Schools, U.S. Government Bonds, or a satisfactory Bid Bond equal to five percent (5%) of the Bid, shall be submitted with any Bid with a Value of \$25,000 or more. Successful Bidders, submitting a Labor and Material Bid with a Value of \$25,000 or more will be required to furnish and pay for satisfactory Performance and Payment Bond or Bonds equal to 100% of the Bid Amount, the cost of which is the be included in such Bid. Bonds must name **BOTH Weakley County Schools & Henson Construction Services, Inc. as Obligees.**

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TCA SECTION 49-5-413 (AS AMENDED):

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Faith

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Living on Purpose
Billy Holland

On June 6th, 1944, America under the guidance of General Dwight Eisenhower and its allies engaged in one of the most significant military operations of the 20th century under the now legendary name of D-Day. Code named Operation Neptune, this was the largest seaborne invasion in history with 160,000 Allied troops landing in Normandy on that day. Of those, 73,000 were from the United States and 83,000 from Britain and Canada, with no less than 17 other allied countries participating on the ground, the sea, and in the air, including French troops fighting under the command of General Charles de Gaulle. Despite poor weather conditions and fierce resistance from Ger-

man forces, the operations were successful. On the evening of June 6th, the Allies had gained a foothold on all five beaches as the German defenders numbering around 50,000 were uncertain how to respond.

We live near Camp Nelson National Cemetery and from the highway, you can see many of the over twelve thousand perfectly lined white marble tombstones. A reminder of the individuals who accepted the call of duty, and what is that call? To defend and protect our freedom whatever the cost! These brave soldiers were willing to fight for their country and I cannot help but wonder how many of us have convictions that strong. The First Amendment was not only signed into existence with ink but with the blood of over 1.1 million Americans

who have died in U.S. wars along with the countless more that have suffered from physical disabilities and psychological difficulties. The privileges and freedoms we enjoy have truly come at a great price. My family has suffered loss from war and has a deep appreciation for the service and sacrifice that men and women have given to protect our country. My grandfather served in WWI, two uncles served in Vietnam, and another uncle only 20 years old, died on the battlefield in Korea.

As a volunteer chaplain for Thomson Hood, a veteran healthcare facility, I've had the opportunity and honor to sit and talk with many fine men and women who have served in our nation's military. The Second World War veterans are now in their eighties and nineties and I believe as with

all military personnel, it's important to not only record and preserve their amazing stories but to sincerely listen and respect who they are as individuals. One of these residents is a man named Edward Hicks who willingly stepped forward when his country needed him the most. He was only 22 years old in 1944 and had just married his lovely bride Mary Lou four months earlier. He received the call to join the front line and bravely responded to what would be known around the world as Operation Overlord. The American soldiers knew the difference between right and wrong and they refused to allow a world where wrong prevailed.

Edward and his company were assigned to six miles of beach that was code-named "Omaha" which has been re-

corded as one of the bloodiest first-wave battles of Normandy. Only 600 men survived out of the 2600 that came ashore. He recalls when he jumped out of the amphibious vehicle, how the water was up to his neck and icy cold. With being loaded down with full gear that was now water-logged, he said it was very difficult to keep from drowning. As bullets were splashing the water and whizzing past his head, all he knew to do was to stay as low as possible. Using floating bodies as shields, he was numb with fear. As he crawled upon the sand, he immediately began to dig a hole where he could partially avoid the onslaught of constant machine gunfire. Somehow throughout the day and thankfully with the Germans running out of ammunition, they managed to slowly make their way inland

and went on to accomplish the mission.

Edward received several medals for bravery including a silver star and 4 bronze stars but there is much more to standing against tyranny than human fortitude and earning recognition. It is comprehending the depth of spiritual love that includes loving others as much as we love ourselves. Jesus demonstrated the greatest love the world has ever known when He willingly sacrificed His life for us. John 15:13 is a solemn reminder, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

Dr. Holland lives in Central Kentucky with his wife Cheryl, where he is a minister, Christian author, and community chaplain. Read more about the Christian life at: billyhollandministries.com

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The public is invited to attend.

Kim Hughey
Weakley County Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Sharon, Tennessee, hereby provides certain financial information for the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget in accordance with the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6, Chapter 56, Section 206. There will be a public hearing concerning the budget at City Hall, on June 27, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. All citizens are welcome to participate. The budget and all supporting data are a public record and are available for public inspection by anyone at the office of the City Recorder.

	General Fund			State Street Aid Fund		
	FY 2023 Un-Audited	FY 2024 Estimated	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2023 Un-Audited	FY 2024 Estimated	FY 2025 Budget
Revenues:						
Local Taxes	351,961	382,081	383,700	-	-	-
State of Tennessee	145,475	134,775	131,800	29,721	33,280	33,000
Federal Government	136,043	20,336	-	-	-	-
Other Sources	313,403	215,776	84,514	-	-	-
Total Revenues	946,882	752,968	600,014	29,721	33,280	33,000
Expenditures:						
Salaries	308,048	311,886	316,546	-	-	-
Other Uses	472,084	486,508	271,850	73,554	18,800	26,000
Total Expenditures	780,132	798,394	588,396	73,554	18,800	26,000
Beginning Fund Balance	343,791	510,540	465,114	80,574	36,741	51,221
Ending Fund Balance	510,540	465,114	476,732	36,741	51,221	58,221
Number FTE Employees	9	7	10	0	0	0

Sharon Water System Water Quality Report for 2023

Is my drinking water safe?

Yes, our water meets all of EPA's health standards. We have conducted numerous tests for over 80 contaminants that may be in drinking water. As you'll see in the chart on the back, we only detected eight of these contaminants. We found all of these contaminants at safe levels.

What is the source of my water?

Your water, which is ground water, comes from the Memphis Sand Aquifer. Our goal is to protect our water from contaminants and we are working with the State to determine the vulnerability of our water source to potential contamination. The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) has prepared a Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Report for the untreated water sources serving water to this water system. The SWAP Report assesses the susceptibility of untreated water sources to potential contamination. To ensure safe drinking water, all public water systems treat and routinely test their water. Water sources have been rated as reasonably susceptible, moderately susceptible or slightly susceptible based on geologic factors and human activities in the vicinity of the water source. The Sharon Water System sources rated as moderately susceptible to potential contamination.

An explanation of Tennessee's Source Water Assessment Program, the Source Water Assessment summaries, susceptibility scorings and the overall TDEC report to EPA can be viewed online at <https://www.tn.gov/environment/program-areas/wr-water-resources/water-quality/source-water-assessment.html> or you may contact the Water System to obtain copies of specific assessments.

A wellhead protection plan is available for your review by contacting Greg Evans at the Sharon Water System between 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. weekdays.

Why are there contaminants in my water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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For more information about your drinking water, please call Greg Evans at 731-456-2717.

How can I get involved?

Our Water Board meets on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at City Hall, which is located at 143 Main Street. Please feel free to participate in these meetings.

Is our water system meeting other rules that govern our operations?

The State and EPA require us to test and report on our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. We have met all of these requirements. Results of unregulated contaminant analysis are available upon request. We want you to know that we pay attention to all the rules.

Other Information

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Do I Need To Take Special Precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have under-gone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about not only their drinking water, but food preparation, personal hygiene, and precautions in handling infants and pets from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Lead in Drinking Water

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Sharon Water System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800-426-4791 or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>

Water System Security

Following the events of September 2001, we realize that our customers are concerned about the security of their drinking water. We urge the public to report any suspicious activities at any utility facilities, including treatment plants, tanks, fire hydrants, etc. to 911.

Think before you flush!

Flushing unused or expired medicines can be harmful to your drinking water. Properly disposing of unused or expired medication helps protect you and the environment. Keep medications out of Tennessee's waterways by disposing in one of our permanent pharmaceutical take back bins. There are nearly 100 take back bins located across the state, to find a convenient location please visit: <https://tdeconline.tn.gov/rxtakeback/>

Important Information About Your Drinking Water Monitoring Requirements Not Met For Sharon Water System

Our water system violated some drinking water standards over the past years. Even though this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct these situations.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. During period listed in the table, we did not complete monitoring for the contaminants listed in the following table, and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The table lists the contaminants we did not properly test for during the past years, how often we are supposed to sample for the contaminants and how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

What happened? What is being done?

Due to an oversight, no samples were analyzed for these contaminants during the compliance periods. We sampled these contaminants or will sample them at a later date.

For more information, please contact Greg Evans at 731-819-0996 or P.O. Box 235, Sharon, TN 38255.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being provided to you by Sharon Water System. State Water System ID# 0000627.

Important Information About Your Drinking Water Public Notice Requirements Not Met For Sharon Water System

On 08/22/2022 the Sharon Water System was notified of Inorganic, Secondary and Synthetic Organic Compounds (SOC) monitoring violations for failing to collect these samples during the calendar year 2022. We were required to provide this public notice to customers before 08/22/2023. We failed to provide this Public Notice in the required time frame and therefore received a Public Notice violation.

What happened? What is being done?

Due to an oversight, no Public Notice was provided during this period.

For more information, please contact Greg Evans at 731-819-0996 or P.O. Box 235, Sharon, TN 38255.

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Water Quality Data

What does this chart mean?

- MCLG - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- MCL - Maximum Contaminant Level, or the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.
- MRDL: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for the control of microbial contaminants.
- MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfectant level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- AL - Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- Below Detection Level (BDL) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present at a level that can be detected.
- Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.
- Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - explained as a relation to time and money as one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Contaminant	Violation Yes/No	Level Found	Range of Detections	Date of Sample	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Coliform	No	0		2023		0	TT Trigger	Naturally present in the environment
Bacteria (RTCR)	No	90th% = 0.524		2021	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Copper ¹	No	AVG 0.32	0.16-0.48	2023	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead ¹	No	90th% = 3.0		2021	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	No	3.73	3.73*	2023	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Sodium	No	5.52	5.52*	2023	ppm	N/A	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits; used in water treatment
Sulfate	No	10.2	10.2*	2022	ppm	N/A	N/A	
TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	No	4.9	4.9*	2022	ppb	N/A	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	No	<0.2	<0.2*	2022	ppb	N/A	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Chlorine	No	AVG 1.23	1.0-1.5	2023	ppm	MRDLG 4	MRDL 4	Water additive used to control microbes.

- Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - explained as a relation to time and money as one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- RTCR - Revised Total Coliform Rule. This rule went into effect on April 1, 2016 and replaces the MCL for total coliform with a Treatment Technique Trigger for a system assessment.
- TT - Treatment Technique, or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

- Iron occurs naturally in our raw water and occasionally accumulates in the distribution system.

Contaminant	Monitoring Period	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were or will be taken
Coliform	Total Coliform	April 2023	2 per month	0	April 2023
	Disinfectant Chlorine Residual	April 2023	With total coliform	0	April 2023
Disinfection Byproducts (DBP)	Total trihalomethane	3 rd quarter 2023	Annually	0	August 2023
	Haloacetic acids	3 rd quarter 2023	Annually	0	August 2023

Iron shows up as "red" or "rusty" water at your tap. Although you do not want to drink water that is not clear, iron is not considered to be a hazard to your health. The aesthetic limit for iron is 0.3 ppm.

*We are only required to collect one sample from a single location.

During the most recent round of Lead and Copper testing, 0 out of 10 households sampled contained concentrations exceeding the action level.

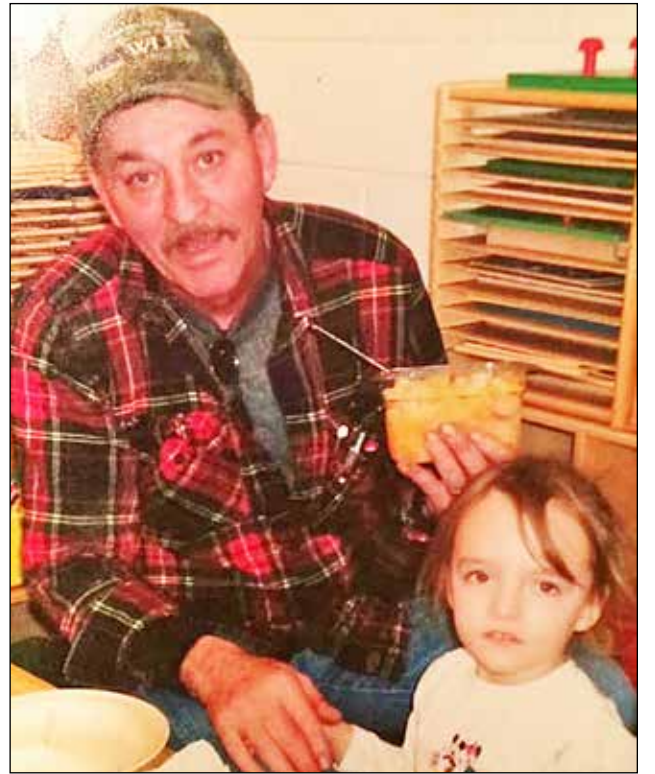
FATHERS DAY



Submitted by Lexie Cravens, this photo captures the heartfelt moment of her first look at her wedding with her father, Jon Kocsis.



Submitted by Tonya Deason Burkeen, this photo captures the love and dedication of Donald Burkeen, a cherished husband and father. With four daughters of their own, he shines even brighter as an incredible Granddaddy to their six granddaughters.



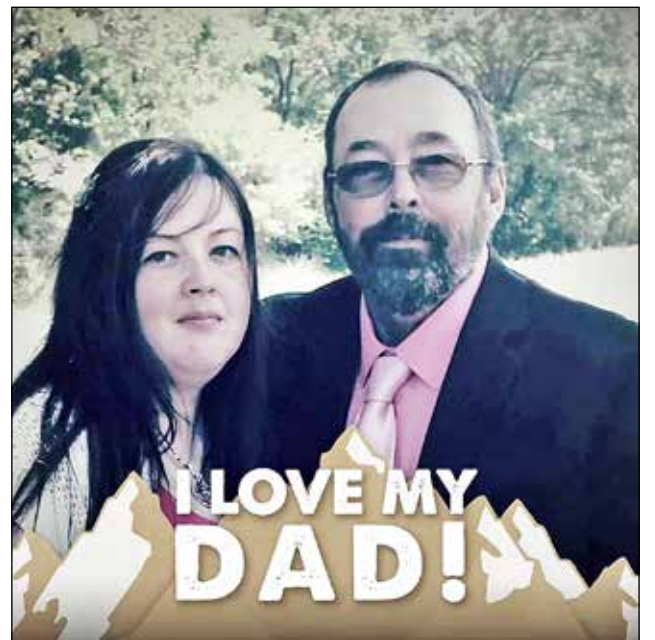
Tasha Fawn Bowman submits a photo capturing her father, Dale Ellis, with his granddaughters Riley Bell and Tasha. Dale, proud of his children's Army Basic Training graduations, enjoyed deer hunting and 4-wheeling with them. Though he's no longer here, they fondly recall these cherished times.



Submitted by Tonya Deason Burkeen, Steve Deason, a military veteran, who has always been a pillar of support for his daughters Andrea Deason Sims and Tonya. Now, he cherishes moments with his grandkids and great-grandkids.



Shared by Lindsey Donoho Parham, this touching photo showcases Kurt Parham, a dedicated lineman who not only keeps the lights on for the community but also shines as the ultimate girl dad, supporting his daughters in every endeavor, from pageants to the ball field and beyond.



Submitted by Karen Filtz, this photo captures a heartfelt moment between Thomas and Connie Bizzle



Destiny Moorefield shared this photo of her dad, Shane Barker, with her when she was pregnant with the first grand baby of the family. "Such a cherished photo memory that I love!"



Stacy Mills shared this photo of her father, Demarcco Guiden. Stacy says Demarco is a great dad and cherishes all the time he can with her. Hw works hard to provide the best life for her and does all the car maintenance to keep her as safe as possible on the road.



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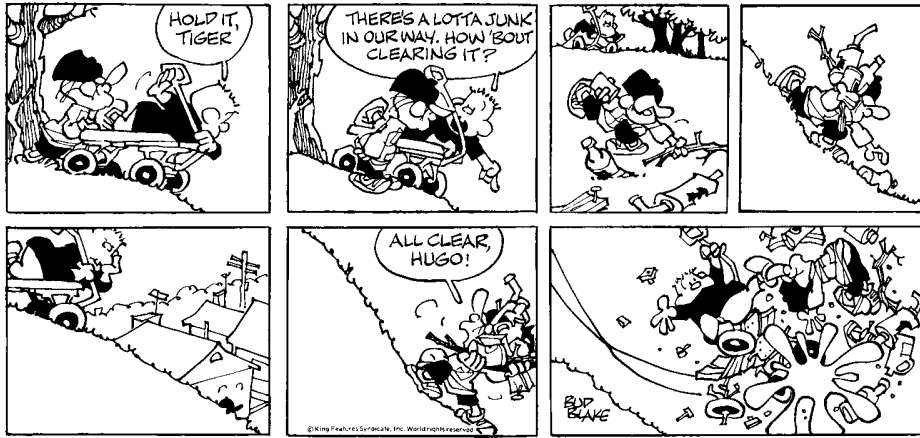
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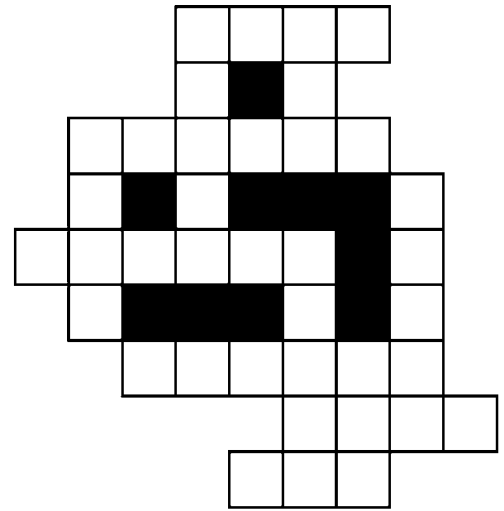


FEAR KNIGHT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!

- GFO
- RHICED
- OAFOL
- ♥EFER
- ZOGABE
- AGZ
- TDFA
- RUDLI
- ♥BGA
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- ♥EZLA



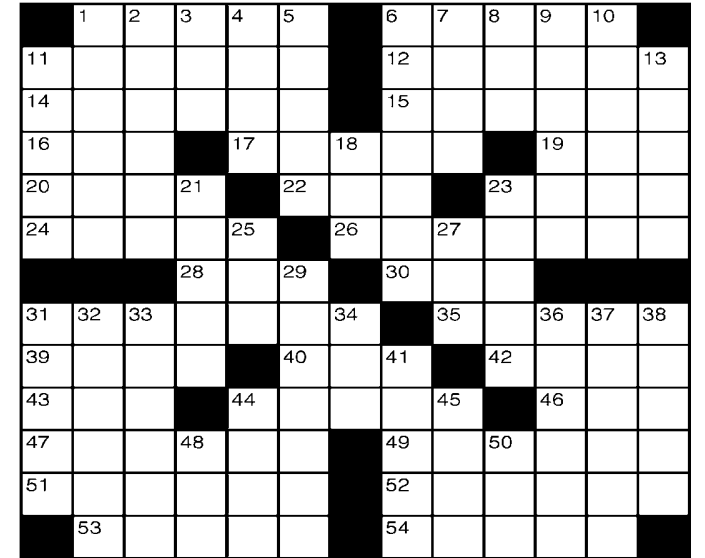
Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Haunting
- 6 Seizes
- 11 Cancels
- 12 More apt to seep
- 14 April 1 gags
- 15 Consult
- 16 Scrooge portrayer Alastair
- 17 Feudal workers
- 19 Oahu, for one (Abbr.)
- 20 Nobel Prize subj.
- 22 San Francisco's — Hill
- 23 Sufficient, informally
- 24 Philosopher Kierkegaard
- 26 Droning reed
- 28 Tease
- 30 USO patrons
- 31 Flood protection
- 35 "Cabaret" director Bob
- 39 Tactic
- 40 Pantheon member
- 42 Future doc's exam
- 43 Gore and Green
- 44 Bamboozles
- 46 Med. plan option



- 47 "— shabby!"
- 49 Take it slow
- 51 Saunter
- 52 Andean pack animals
- 53 Rescued
- 54 Austin native
- 6 Course load?
- 7 Aussie hoppers
- 8 Dye type
- 9 Two-piece suit
- 10 Establishes
- 11 Basilica areas
- 13 Husband of Pocahontas
- 18 Filch
- 21 Hardly hip
- 23 — salts
- 25 Pen tip
- 27 Computer image, briefly
- 29 Novelist Enid
- 31 Bridges
- 32 Doles out
- 33 Cosa —
- 34 Sticky stuff
- 36 Blueprint, e.g.
- 37 Pacific islander
- 38 Short jackets
- 41 Resided
- 44 Only
- 45 Auction
- 48 "Mazel —!"
- 50 Jazz band instrument

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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

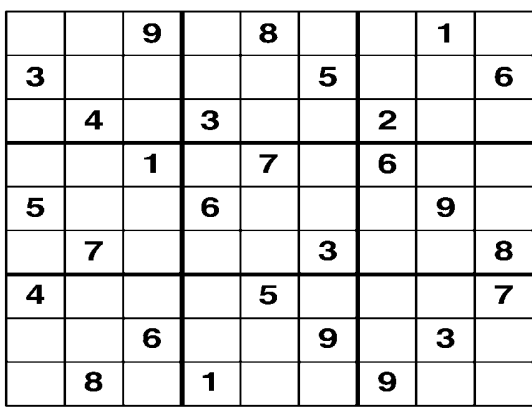
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Basement | — E — — — | Neckband | — O — — — |
| 2. Dog lead | — — — — H | Smallest amount | — — — — T |
| 3. Hairdresser | — — — — B — — | Carnival announcer | — — — — K — — |
| 4. Crease | — — — — T | Beg | — — — — D |
| 5. Sylvester's prey | — — — — E — — | Two decades | — — — — N — — |
| 6. Lance | — — — — B — — | More secure | — — — — F — — |
| 7. Tenor Bocelli | — — — — — A — — | Lloyd Webber | — — — — — W |
| 8. Apply a coat | — — — — — A — — | Aim | — — — — — O — — |
| 9. Stylish | N — — — — | Half a century | F — — — — |
| 10. Haphazard | — — — — — D — — | Payoff money | — — — — — S — — |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



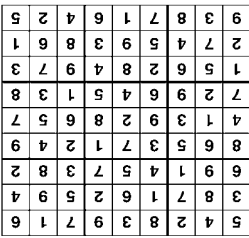
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Answer: Weekly SUDOKU



Solution time: 26 mins.

Answers: King Crossword

CryptoQuip

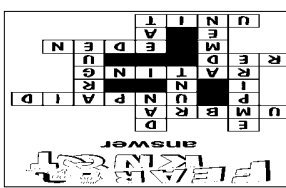
This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Q equals R

MPFO PW FOD QPVBH SPIQF
 HFFDKRHKFG HQD UQDFV
 GUAFDWIB, MIF FOHF PKD AG
 H SHFFADQ SPIQFADQ.

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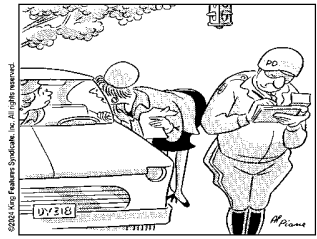
- 1. Really, Really
- 2. Caret, Pocket
- 3. Grace, Grape
- 4. Logger, Dodger
- 5. Sword, Swore
- 6. Nanny, Nancy
- 7. Packet, Pocket
- 8. Bonus, Bones
- 9. Ruffie, Ruffie
- 10. David, Davis



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

- Entire: LOTTA
- Rank: TEALS
- Style: GREEN
- Choice: IMPER



"And when I asked him if he realized I paid his salary, he asked me for a _____."

TODAY'S WORD

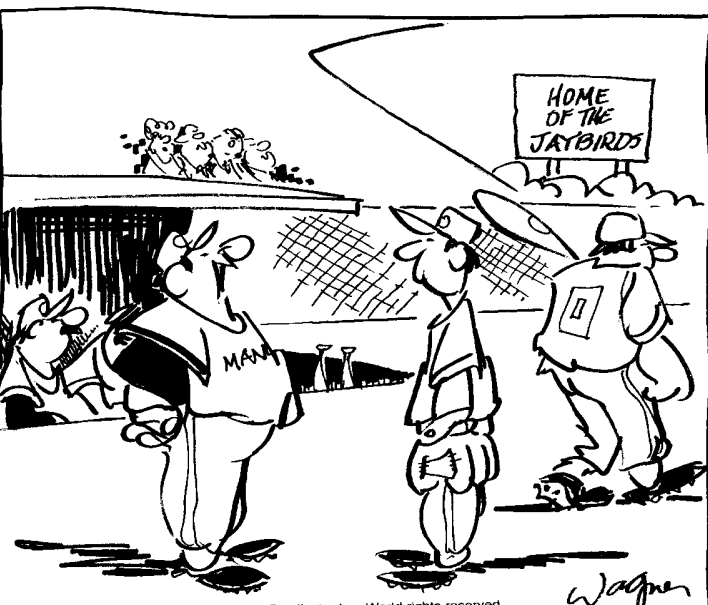
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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



GRIM THE BEAR LT



"No, Figgy ... a steroid-free zone doesn't mean you get them for nothing!"

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Local News

The origins of Juneteenth



WCPUD PROGRAM-Madison Endres shows children all about the safety of calling 8-1-1 before digging, detecting natural gas smells and lets kids take part in seeing how cool an excavator is.

Juneteenth was recognized as a federal holiday on June 17, 2021. Even though it is in its infancy on paper, Juneteenth is considered the longest-running African American holiday in history.

The National Museum of African American History and Culture notes that Juneteenth marks a significant date in American history. June 19, 1865 marks the day when the Union Army arrived in Galveston, Texas, under General Gordon Granger, and announced to the locals that all enslaved African Americans were free. While the Emancipation Proclamation went into effect on January 1, 1863, and the Civil War ended in April 1865, it took time before the end of slavery was actually enforced in resistant states like Texas.

Reactions to freedom ranged from utter joy to pure shock. Some former slaves awaited job offers from plantation owners, but others sought new lives elsewhere, primarily in the northern United States. Settling in new areas brought challenges, but individuals rose to those challenges.

The first of what would become an annual Jubilee

Day celebration took place in Texas in the year following Granger's arrival. Through the years, the day took on the name Juneteenth (a shortening of June nineteenth) and featured celebrations with prayer services, barbecues, music, and other social activities.

Texas was the first state to make Juneteenth an official holiday, with others following suit in subsequent years. It wasn't until June 2021 that Congress passed a resolution establishing the celebration of Juneteenth as a national holiday. It was signed into law on June 17, 2021, a mere two days before the first official federal commemoration.

Juneteenth remains a celebration of not only freedom, but also family and the joy surrounding release from oppression. According to Juneteenth.com, special foods and beverages are served for Juneteenth celebrations, particularly those not available or consumed on a daily basis and many that are red in color. Celebrants recall their heritage and culture while looking ahead to future opportunities.

Weakley County Library Kicks off Summer Reading Event

West Tennessee PBS and West TN Public Utility District Highlight Programs for Children

Shannon Taylor
Editor

Ned McWherter W.C. Library kicked off its summer reading program Wednesday, June 5 with West Tennessee PBS where everyone's favorite masked book bandit "Rocky T" continued his adventures to promote reading. Rocky had a blast and so did all of the participating children, even singing happy birthday to one visitor

On Friday, June 7 the summer reading adventure continued with "Adventures with Madison Endres and the West Tennessee Public Utility District" where Endres explained how important it is to dial 8-1-1 before digging, natural gas, how to identify leaks, different colors of yard signs and what they mean and who to call in case of an emergency.

Children sat enraptured as they got to handle pipes, learn what nat-



ROCKY T KICKS OFF SUMMER READING: The masked book bandit joined staff and children at W.C. Library to help kick off their Summer Reading Program and encourage reading in youth. Pictured left to right: Candy McAdams, Kendall Melton, Rocky T, Sarah Rachels and Karen Gertsch.

ural gas smelled like and even sit in an excavator seat to see how it worked.

Summer reading adventures will continue next week with "Story Time and Crafting Adventures" with Anna Clark on Monday, June 10.

On Wednesday, June

12 Smokey the Bear, Froggy 103.7 and Handheld Food Truck will be at the library at 10 a.m. for a "Wednesday Triple Headers."

The library has been holding the Summer Reading Program for approximately 35 years in Dresden.

For more information please call 731-364-2678 or email weakleycolibrary@frontier.com.

The library is located at 341 Linden Street in Dresden and their website is weakleycountyn.tn.gov/library.html

Teachers Recognized by Weakley County School Board

Shannon Taylor
Editor

Weakley County veteran teachers were recognized by Director Jeff Cupples at the Thursday, June 6 meeting for 25 years of service.

"Teachers make it happen. They are the one thing that can put a smile on a face," Cupples said.

Brenda Bayer, who has been teaching since 1977, was recognized for her 25 years of service at Dresden High School. Bayer taught English, Theatre Arts, Special Education and worked as a counselor for young people struggling with mental health in the district. Bayer was not able to be present at the ceremony.

Amy Orr, who has been teaching since 1989, was recognized for 34 years of service to Gleason School. Orr taught Junior High Social Studies and Reading, Science and Physical Education. Orr was a Gleason Junior High Cheerleading Coach and also was a sponsor for student counsel dur-

ing her tenure there.

A reception was held after the meeting with food and drinks. Both

Bayer and Orr contributed their time and service to students in Weakley County and will be greatly missed by many.

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