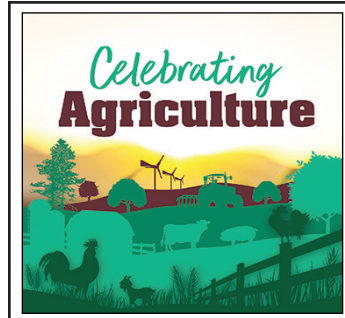


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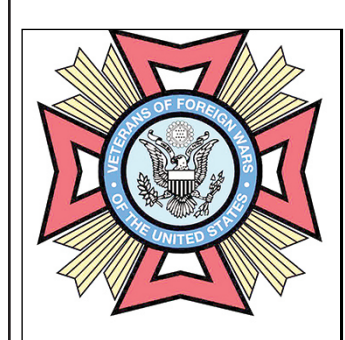
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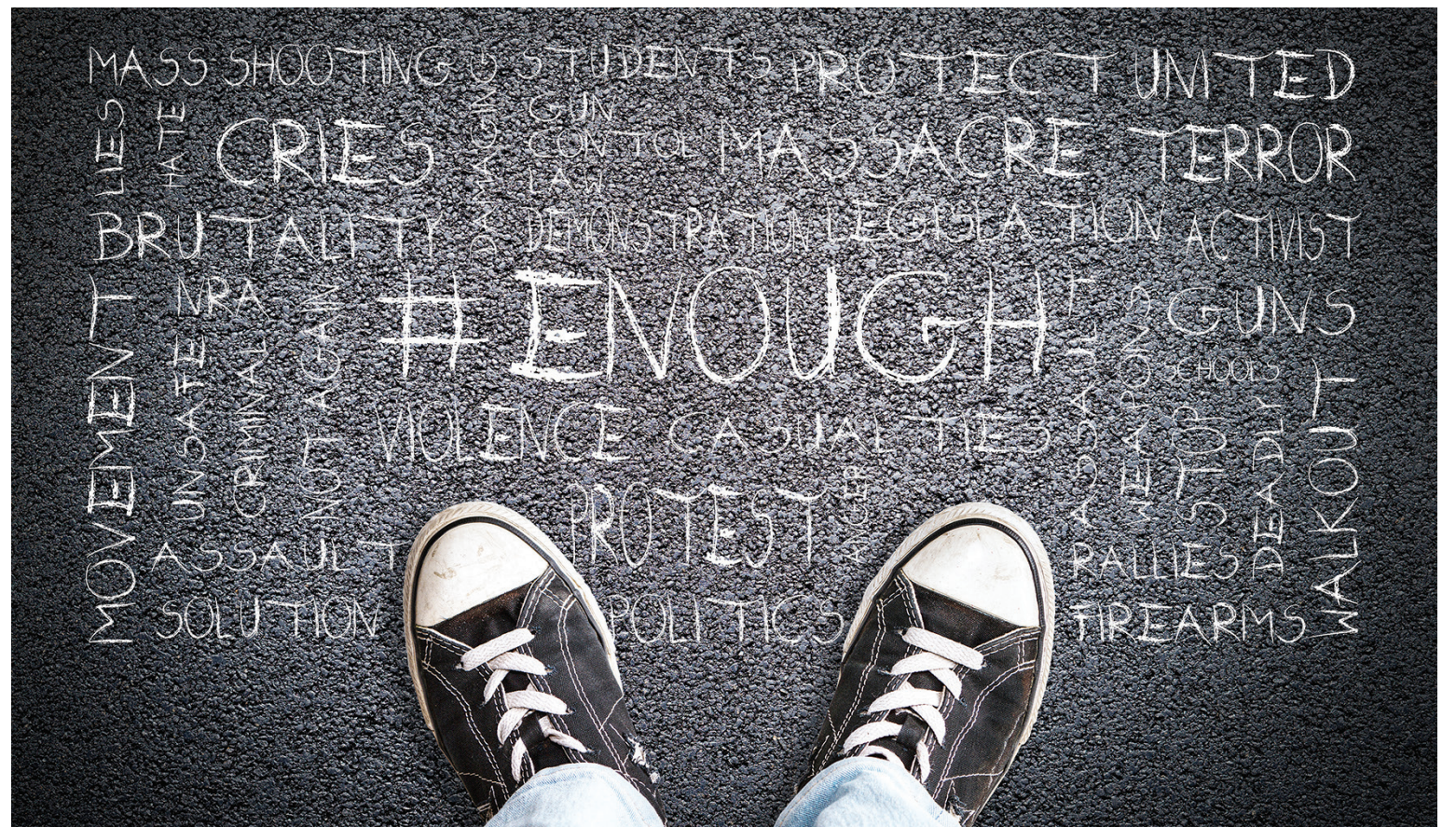
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# Rash of alleged threats disrupts Hardin County Schools



## Middle School student accused of school shooting threat

### No charges against elementary student

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One of the two Hardin County Schools students accused of making threats this month in separate incidents will be charged, Sheriff Johnny Alexander said.

He said last Wednesday

over to the office of District Attorney General Neil Thompson, the decision was made to prosecute only the Middle School incident on a charge of threat of mass violence on school property, Alexander said.

In a Sept. 17 social media post revealing the separate situations, Hardin County Director of Schools Michael Davis said, "In both cases, our

local Sheriff's Department and Homeland Security were made aware and both have been investigated."

He said that "although both threats were determined not to be credible after their investigation, both students will be punished accordingly."

Some parents were displeased to learn of the

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## Sheriff group urges parents to warn kids against inciting fear

Alleged school threats have prompted anger and fear in Hardin County and across Tennessee in recent weeks.

In response the Tennessee Sheriff's Association is speaking out. The organization's president, Sullivan County Sheriff Jeff Cassidy, issued the following statement:

One of the main goals of an Elected Sheriff is to provide quality public safety and ensure citizens feel secure in their surroundings.

With the increased volume of school threats being made across the state of Tennessee, we want parents, students, and citizens to know that we will not tolerate anyone making threats and inciting fear within our schools and community.

Those responsible will be prosecuted to the fullest extent



## 'Disturbing' Snapchat results in high school student's suspension

A Hardin County High School student has been suspended after sharing a "disturbing screen shot" with several other high school students, Director of Schools Michael Davis said Friday.

An investigation by the HCHS administration with the help of Homeland Security and local law enforcement "determined that this Snapchat originated in Mississippi and had nothing to do with any of our schools," he said.

School officials learned of the matter on Friday, according to Davis, who sent out a robo-call that same day to alert parents in addition to notifying local media.

Hardin County Sheriff Johnny Alexander said Monday that the student alleged to have shared the screen shot is being charged.

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Attendees at the 2024 Hanna family reunion are Dixie Willis, Judith Willis, Tommy Willis, Jacque Brandau, Janice Hanna, Jerry Hanna, Kathy Barnes-Lou, Janice Hill, Darnell Hill, Kenny Hill, Pat Little, Dolores Little, Freddie Bivens, Dorothy Bivens, Steve Bivens, Georgette Holland and Richard Holland.

## Hanna family gathering in Sardis a time of reflection and reunion

Kathy Barnes-Lou  
Guest Writer

Driving a couple of hours to reach Sardis, a rural community in west Tennessee, provides time to think about why I am taking part of my "life hours" to attend a family reunion with Hanna kin folks that I do not know that well, but have a biological bond.

My journey from Memphis is about 110 miles to my destination and I cannot help ponder what it would have been like over 200 years ago to travel this distance.

Pioneer walking would have taken anywhere from seven to 10 days weather permitting. If by horse, about four days provided you took

good care of your horse. And by water, about a month.

I think about all those who have traveled for years to come together to learn more about our clan, even from greater distances than I travel today.

What is it about family that we feel a gravitational pull to spend time together?

Judith Hart Willis is the dedicated organizer and historian of the reunion and has been for almost a decade. Mind you, she is not a Hanna, but is married to Tommy Ray Hanna and has a beautiful, big-hearted Hanna daughter, Dixie, who is just as devoted to our gathering as her mother.

The Hannas were early Scotch-Irish immigrants to the Hardin County area, arriving by flat boat in 1820, close to the time the county was officially formed. John M. Hanna Sr., wife Rebecca Cunningham Hanna and nine of their children made the pioneering voyage from east Tennessee down the Tennessee River and settled near Cerro Gordo.

We are the descendants of this brave family that gather annually at the Sardis Senior Center during the Labor Day weekend.

Items and family history that make it to the family tables have taken loads of time, research and space before it arrives here for our consumption.

Greetings and introductions are made as relatives arrive. We closely examine books, photographs, letters, awards, or tangible family artifacts that are displayed for all to see.

Some have traveled back to Scotland to the Hannay ancestral home, Sorbie Tower, built in the mid 1500s. Personal photographs, as well as published documents regarding the history of the L-shaped castle are exhibited.

Another item is a well-worn wooden handlebell that was used at the front desk of Sardis' first hotel which was owned by a Capt. James Hanna and wife, Eleanor "Nellie" Courtney. The bell was later used for educational purposes by Mrs. J. T. Hanna in the Sardis schools. This bell may appear as a common object to an outsider, but to us, is a physical manifestation of our ancestors' livelihoods and professions.

An additional precious family heirloom is a common gourd that survived the late eighteenth century immigrant voyage to North America from Ireland and was used in many ways by several of our ancestors, handed down from one generation to the next. Our gourd traveled the Atlantic waters alongside our ancestors who were filled with hope and anticipation of a better life.

They used the gourd as a utensil, but also as a visual, tactile reminder of the motherland which they heartbreakingly gave up.

We touch and caress

the surfaces of our simple family relics to feel a part of our own selves that came before, to remember their immigrant struggles, dreams, and accomplishments. We take turns telling family stories. We listen. We laugh. We cry. We weave our collective records and memories together in order to bridge and connect generations.

Fleshing out our family members lives little by little helps us recognize and remember them. It improves the way we understand ourselves.

We see their likeness in our mirrors. We remember our recently departed family members. We honor them whether we knew them personally or not. We pay our respects. It is what we have been taught; to care, to sympathize, to be fully human and recognize each other's loss and pain.

Our reunion strengthens our familial bonds, which our precious departed would certainly appreciate and applaud. We carry them with us. Our excavations into the family history revive our hunger symbolically as well as physically.

Around the noon hour, Dixie, Judith's daughter, begins to set out our communal food. Most of us make a dish to share. There's no planning or assignment of what to create; we all wing it and somehow it all falls into place.

Some make time-tested family dishes and share the recipes and

techniques with everyone. Other times, we may bring a bag of chips because life throws curve balls.

Our family lunch begins knowing it will be 364 more days before we do this again. We savor this time like eating the last bite of a much-loved dessert. Letting this family time sit on our palate and linger a bit, relishing the distinct flavors that meld into our memory.

As our bellies and minds expand with food and family history, we conclude our lunch with announcements.

This year, Judith posited we consider changing venues to a restaurant where we can share a meal together or possibly not having our reunions. She explained the reunion size has diminished over time and we are not seeing a younger generation participate or have the same appetite for family history.

The idea of not coming together was startling for some, but we all recognize that Judith is speaking the truth. We are at a crossroad.

Do we collectively decide that it is not worth coming together any longer? Do we make efforts to reach out to our children, nieces, nephews, and extended family to make the journey to our time-honored family reunion? Or do we just keep getting together as we have for decades and let time touch our reunion organically?

It begs the question, what would all the Hannas before us decide?

## Shop to support women's education at the P.E.O. yard sale on Oct. 5

Carolyn Durak  
Philanthropic  
Educational Organization

Those of you who missed the annual P.E.O. Yard Sale in the Hunter, Smith, and Tallent parking lot in Savannah last year will be glad to hear the large community sale is returning this fall.

The P.E.O. Yard Sale is a fundraiser sponsored by the local chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood to help

fund six international educational projects, as well as five Tennessee State grants and scholarships.

P.E.O. – Philanthropic Educational Organization – is a sisterhood where women celebrate the advancement of women by educating women through grants, scholarships, and loans.

The organization works to motivate women to achieve their high-



est aspirations. Money raised from the Savannah yard sale will help fund the P.E.O. scholarships, grants, and loans.

An example of one of P.E.O.'s grants is our Program for Continuing Education project. It provides need-based grants to women in the United States and Cana-

da whose education has been interrupted and who find it necessary to return to school to support themselves and/or their families.

The P.E.O. Educational Loan Fund provides women within two years of their educational goal a loan at a 2% interest rate that is not due until six months after graduation.

Chapter BB, the local chapter of P.E.O., was organized in Savannah on March 11, 2006 and has been sponsoring this sale for many years.

The sale is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 5, from

7 a.m. to 11 a.m., and will be in the parking lot next to the former

Hunter, Smith, and Tallent Furniture store building, 375 Water St.

## Hardin County to mark VFW's 125th anniversary this week

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Hardin County's Veterans of Foreign Wars post marks the organization's 125th anniversary Friday.

VFW Post 4606 members will be receiving a proclamation from Hardin County Mayor Kevin Davis honoring the national organization's upcoming anniversary.

The proclamation presentation will be at the Hardin County Courthouse on Sept. 27 at 1:30 p.m.

"This is a special occasion as it stresses the importance of remembering what our veterans have done for our country. The anniversary also reminds people that freedom is never free, and that it is thanks to our veterans," said VFW Post 4606 member and past post Commander Lanny Sartor.

He added, "I also want to encourage everyone to come on out and show your support for our veterans, and I would especially like to see a lot of veterans attend

the event."

The VFW, the United States' largest organization of combat veterans, was founded on Sept. 29, 1899.

The organization was conceived by a group of 13 veterans returning from the military campaigns in Cuba and the Philippines in 1898 and 1899.

Those veterans banded together to form a veterans service organization that would become the VFW.

The congressionally chartered VFW is comprised entirely of eligible veterans and military service members from active, Guard and reserve forces.

The organization has more than 1.4 million VFW and Auxiliary members in approximately 6,000 posts throughout the world and is dedicated to veterans' service, legislative advocacy, and military and community service programs.

For more information about Friday's event contact Sartor at 731-687-1011 or VFW Post 4606 current Commander Tommy "Motor" Lewis at 731-607-9095.

## Salttillo BBQ contest has \$14K in prizes

Live music, public food tasting

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The Tennessee River BBQ Fest and music festival is returning to Hardin County this weekend.

The Kansas City BBQ Society, or KCBS, sanctioned cook-off event will be held in Salttillo, at the intersection of Main Street and Shoreline Drive.

Along with being a KCBS-sanctioned barbecue contest, the Tennessee River Fest is a state championship barbecue contest with more than \$14,000 in prize money up for grabs.

"We are elated and excited to host this great competition event for the third year in a row. This event brings people from all over the state and elsewhere to enjoy great

food and live music on the bank of the beautiful Tennessee River," Salttillo Mayor Greg Billings said.

More than 20 barbecue teams have entered the competition from Tennessee, Colorado, Illinois, Arkansas, Mississippi, Kentucky Florida and Alabama.

The event starts on Friday, Sept. 27, with live music, three ancillary contests, and competitors cooking their meat.

"The ancillary contests are an open invite for anyone to participate in, professional or not. These contests allow the public to engage in the fun and also help to kick off the event," Billings said.

The three contests are Kids Que (hamburgers), dessert, and margarita competitions. All entries must be made on site.

A highlight of the event is the People's Choice public food tasting sampling on Saturday morning at 11.

"Be sure to sam-



ple some of the great award-winning barbecue from the champions of the event and vote for your favorite," urged Hardin County Tourism Director Beth Pippin.

An addition to this year's event is a cornhole tournament Saturday at 10 a.m.

Pippin encourages residents and guests to visit Salttillo and have a good time at the BBQ Fest.

"Come enjoy great fun and the heavenly smells of some of the best barbecue in the country. Local food trucks will also be on site Friday night and Saturday to please all your taste buds," she said.

Live music begins at 4 p.m. Friday and Billings is looking forward to welcoming people to

the event.

"This is another great community event for Salttillo that contributes to our city's growing tourism attributes. We are glad that we will be able to share our friendly and loving community with others and we expect a large crowd to come on out and enjoy the event and the great weather forecast for the weekend," he said.

For additional information about the 2024 Tennessee River BBQ Fest and music festival contact Southwest Tennessee Tourism at 731-616-7474 or Hardin County Convention and Visitors Bureau at 731-925-8181.

Information is also available online at [tnriverbbqfest.com](http://tnriverbbqfest.com).



Salon owner Ashley Horton trims a child's hair.

## Local beauty salon, church made sure kids went back to school in style

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More than 30 students received free haircuts thanks to a local beauty

salon and church. Savannah's Radiant Beauty Salon partnered with Souls Harvest Church of God to host the first "Cuts for Kids" event to provide free haircuts to

students in kindergarten through the 12th grade. "Haircuts are essential and can be costly, especially if there are multiple children in a household. "We wanted to pro-

## Help wanted: High school football prognosticators

**David Shirley**  
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For those high school football experts in our area who may not have been aware, Richardson Media Group and The Courier started a new 2024 Football Contest five weeks ago.

The contest involves picking the winner among 16, mostly high school, football contests and guessing the most points scored in any game as the tie-breaker. The winner each week receives a \$25 cash prize and will have their name entered for a \$250 prize

drawing at the end of the season. Look for the entry form in each week's Sports Section.

One person who is aware of the contest and has proved to be very good at picking games is C.J. Sharp of Savannah. He's won our contest each of the five weeks it has been held and has not had a great deal of competition.

While we are grateful for C.J.'s entry every week and extremely impressed with his picking abilities, we would love to see some of our other area football experts get involved and at least give him a run for



C.J. Sharp

the money. Encourage your co-workers, friends and family to enter and see who can take home bragging rights. Show Us What You Got!

## Community news Turkey Creek



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Sherry, Basil and I went to Senitobia, MS on Saturday to visit with Daniel Whitney, Waylon, Winsley and Gracie. Na-

than, Lauren, Layla nad Landen were spending the weekend with them. Kevin and Brittney were also there. Some of their friends from Senitobia were there too. We were helping Daniel celebrate his birthday.

James, Suzanne, Rose and Jase enjoyed a trip to Pigeon Forge last week.

Members of Turkey Creek Baptist Church went out to eat on Thursday night. Those enjoying

eating at Praters Taters in Parsons were Jeff, Hope, Dudley, Angela, Donna, Patsy, Amy, Karan and Emily. We were glad that Lonny Wayne and Kim came by and ate with us.

The members of the Burnt Church Community Center would like to thank everyone who attended the Bluegrass Festival, the bands and all the donations and all the volunteers that helped in anyway.

## Community news Counce



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Happy fall, everyone!

Bridgett and her family had a wonderful vacation at the beach and congrats to Donny and Robbie Qualls on their marriage in Florida.

The Shiloh National Military Park four mile run on Sept. 14 had 75 registered participants. It was a rainy morning with 46 brave finishers. They did finish the run before the rain set in. It was a successful

event supporting Temple Worship Center Building Fund and District Three Community Center. JD Germany from Stantonville set the Tennessee state running record for the 88 year old male age group.

Race organizer Ronnie Cartwright said he thanks the sponsors, volunteers, Shiloh Park rangers, Shiloh Methodist Church and Hardin County EMS for their assistance.

District 3 Community Center has its Seventh Annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Oct 11-12 at 491 Hinton Rd. I will have more information closer to the event.

District 3 Volunteer Fire Department is gearing up for their haunted house Oct. 18-

19 and Oct. 25-26 from 6-10 p.m. each day. All proceeds go to the fire department.

Pickwick Southside School's football homecoming is today (Thursday), with the homecoming court presentation starting at 5:30 p.m. The school had an event Tuesday at which the eighth grade softball prayers were acknowledged.

Prayer requests this week: Jasper McAfee, Kenna Shutts, the Elmer Smith family, the Betty Jane Ross family, Wanda Milligan, Becky Henson, Chris Lee, Kimberly Walker, Joey Crumby, Linda and Bobby Settlemires, Michelle Roberts, Shelly Avery and Laken Greenwood.

Everyone have a blessed week.



Stylists who donated their time and skills to provide free hair cuts to kids from left Trinity Murrell, Campbell Register, Ashley Horton and Rosie Napper.

vide this free service to reach out to our community and show the love of Jesus through our many servant-hearted volunteers," shared Ashley Horton, owner of Radiant Beauty Salon and Souls Harvest Church of God's worship pastor.

She added, "We engaged with every family with smiles, hugs and also free ice cream after their haircuts were finished."

Horton is appreciative of her staff who donated their time and skills for this outreach event and is

thankful to the volunteers of Souls Harvest Church who helped to make the event a success.

A total of 38 students received free haircuts at the first "Cuts for Kids" event, which was held at Radiant Beauty Salon on Austin Street on Sept. 14.

## Disrupt

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situation on social media instead of getting a phone call from the school system.

"Parents should have been informed," said one woman on The Courier's Facebook page. "How come we can get robo calls about everything else but this wasn't worth a call? Instead, we found out via Facebook."

Another commenter said, "I'm concerned that we are hearing about it after school today when they were aware late Monday! We as parents should have had a say in our children's safety. Instead we all blindly sent our kids to school today unaware."

Davis said school officials learned of both alleged incidents after school had been dismissed for the day.

The boys' parents were contacted and the children involved "were never at school after we became aware of the threat, so therefore I did not put any message out," he said.

Regarding the lack of a recorded phone message, he said he believed that putting the word out on the school system's Facebook page and through The Courier would result in the word spreading rapidly.

Davis said that if

there were in fact an immediate actual threat, the individual school or the school system would activate its phone notification program which includes 8,200 contacts.

"We will lock down the schools if necessary and/or notify parents, and that will always be the case," he said.

The students in both incidents were suspended, he said.

The director of schools used the phone program to promptly notify parents of the report of a subsequent

alleged threat on Friday. (See related story, page 1A)

Davis urged parents to have a conversation with their children stressing that threats of violence in school are "not a joking matter" and will not be tolerated.

He described school security as "the number one issue under my watch."

Sheriff Alexander said there is "zero tolerance" for such threats in Hardin County.

"This is happening all across the state," he said. "It's gone stupid."



Carley Jo Carpenter from Savannah, TN was Third Alternate at the Hardin County Agriculture Fair Junior Princess Pageant on Sept. 17.

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## Oprah won't be watching when you vote



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Oprah Winfrey had a big gathering of celebrities to endorse and promote Kamala Harris for president.

We are talking big names like Chris Rock, Ben Stiller, Jennifer Lopez, and Meryl Streep to name a few. I don't have the national recognition of Oprah Winfrey. I don't have her wealth (\$3 billion) or influence. I don't begrudge her. She's an amazing person.

Do you relate well to Oprah Winfrey?

While you might enjoy

her on television, do you think at this point in life that she is able to connect on your level? What about Jennifer Lopez? (over \$400 million) Julia Roberts? (\$250 million) There are many Hollywood "stars" who we would enjoy meeting but how long would that relationship last? How much do you have in common with George Clooney? What about Jeff Bezos (\$209 billion) the owner of Amazon or Mark Zuckerberg (\$194 billion) the owner of Facebook?

Do you think they ever worry about buying groceries or making the rent payment? Do they know anything about being on food stamps or sitting in the public assistance office hoping government

assistance will work out? Do they worry about their Social Security check being taxed even more? I'm sure they had a few knocks on the way to the top, most everyone does. Unless, you are Kamala Harris. She didn't have to win a single primary to become the Democratic nominee for president. She is not there quite yet.

Is it important for you to know the opinions of the rich and famous? Do you think they love you, worry about your finances, and health? Or, are they playing monopoly on a whole different level?

I'm not saying Donald Trump, (\$6.9 billion) understands your pain any more than they do. He's a billionaire as well.

The bottom line is not

what the rich and famous tell you to do, but what you feel, think, and who you believe will be the best president of the United States. You have your own brain. I trust we will all assimilate the information we have and make our own choices. Voting is private. Oprah won't be watching. Vote your heart and conscience.

I'm a registered Republican but I've voted Democrat numerous times. Lyndon Johnson came to my home county, Martin County, Kentucky when I was a kid. He cared and he tried to help. I was a child so I couldn't vote.

I did vote for Jimmy Carter. He was a good and decent man. I voted for Bill Clinton. I thought he was a good president.

I voted for Barack Obama his first time around. My sick wife of 12 years could not obtain health insurance. We were totally drained and beat down by insurance companies rejecting us because of her pre-existing condition.

Obamacare is not great insurance, but we would have been thrilled to have it during that time. So, I've done something many people refuse to do and that is to vote for the person and not necessarily the party.

I voted for Trump in 2016, 2020 and will again very soon. Overall, I think he is the best person for the job.

I can't see Kamala as the commander in chief. She doesn't impress me as someone who will visit Kermit, West Virginia,

Springfield, Ohio, Aurora, Colorado, or even our southern border. She feels more comfortable with Oprah and surrounded by her celebrity friends.

I don't believe she will ever go to Inez, Kentucky like President Johnson did, drink water out of a gourd and sit on the front porch with someone like Tom Fletcher.

I'm not saying Trump will either, but he has gone to a lot more out of the way places than Kamala seems to be willing to go. You and I will have to draw our conclusions and individually cast our votes.

(Learn more at GlennMollette.com. Mollette is a senior minister for 39 years and served as president of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.)

## Voters don't want Harris' or Trump's campaign policies



Michael Barone  
Creators  
Syndicate

Neither Vice President Kamala Harris nor former President Donald Trump, The Wall Street Journal reported on last Wednesday's frontpage, has any proposals to cut the rapidly increasing national debt. Instead, both are proposing to hand out goodies to strategically positioned voters.

Harris, with an eye on polls showing young

voters not as pro-Democratic as in the past, has been talking about providing \$25,000 for down payments to first-time homebuyers. With an eye on young families and single parents, she has also called for restoring part of the refundable child tax credit that was part of what President Joe Biden has now conceded was the misnamed 2021 Inflation Reduction Act.

Trump, hoping to win the electoral votes of Pennsylvania, Michigan and Wisconsin, as he did in 2016 and did not in 2020, has called for cutting taxes on domestic manufacturing firms

and reducing taxes on overtime pay.

Nevada, 70% of whose voters live in Clark County, with its hordes of gambling and hospitality workers in Las Vegas, has come in for attention as well. Trump was the first to propose eliminating income tax on tips. Harris, hoping to carry the state as Biden did, endorsed the same policy.

You will search long and hard for statements from major economists and policy experts associated with either party for serious arguments supporting these policies, just as you can find few serious advocates of

Trump's proposed 10% tariff on imports from all foreign countries or from Harris' hints that she'd institute something such as national rent control.

On the contrary, serious analysts will point to likely unintended consequences - home sellers will just increase their asking prices by \$25,000 - and, of course, to burgeoning federal budget deficits and increasing national debt.

They are proposals of undisciplined candidates with little interest in serious public policy arguments who are locked in a close race for president. There's an obvious note of political desperation here but also, I think, a less obvious reliance on outdated political theory.

That theory is that large masses of voters are in serious need of additional cash, whether from tax cuts for Nevada casino employees and waitresses, or factory workers on overtime shifts.

Yes, almost everyone would like a few extra bucks on their credit or debit cards. But just as the United States already has the most progressive redistributionist federal tax system of advanced

countries, over the years it has incrementally built generous income supplements for those with the lowest 60% of incomes.

That conclusion finds solid support in "The Myth of American Inequality," by former Texas Sen. Phil Gramm and two nonpartisan coauthors. Their conclusion, as I reported in a 2023 Washington Examiner column, is that "government takes and redistributes enough resources to elevate the average bottom-quintile household," the lowest 20% of earners, "into the American middle class."

Democrats imagine that advancing redistributionist policies will win them votes of whites without college degrees, and Hispanics who have been trending Republican on cultural issues. But American policy has long since moved past the New Deal and European welfare states. Democrats, and Trump in imitation, are supplying policies for which there is little demand in the political marketplace.

The proof comes in the dog that didn't bark. The Biden-Harris 2021 legislation expanded

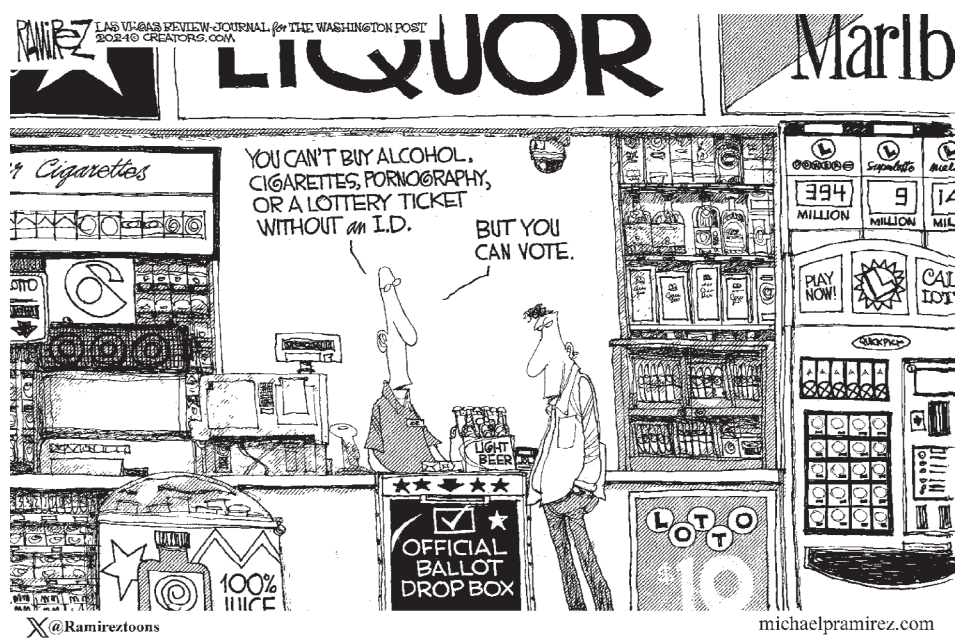
the child tax credit from \$2,000 to as much as \$3,600 and made it refundable, which means that low-income earners who don't pay federal income taxes got \$15 billion in monthly checks from the government.

The argument for refundability is that it helps those with the lowest incomes. The argument against it is that, in discouraging work, it threatens to reverse the 1996 bipartisan welfare reform that resulted in higher work participation, lower teenage birthrates and better conditions for children.

That expansion of the child tax credit expired in Dec. 2021. Do you remember the mass demonstrations by modest-income parents angry when the checks stopped coming in? You don't? Neither do I. We've had mass movements to defund police, to reinstate Roe v. Wade, to stop Israel from defending itself from Hamas terrorists. But not much more than a peep to restore the 2021 child tax credit.

Voters are hugely miffed about the inflation they believe was triggered by the 2021 legislation. But the folks

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### QUOTE WORTHY

• "Allow the president to invade a neighboring nation, whenever he shall deem it necessary to repel an invasion, and you allow him to do so whenever he may choose to say he deems it necessary for such a purpose—and you allow him to make war at pleasure."

• "It is true that you may fool all of the people some of the time; you can even fool some of the people all the time; but you can't fool all of the people all the time."

• "Don't interfere with anything in the Constitution. That must be maintained, for it is the only safeguard of our liberties."

Abraham Lincoln



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## Accountability: Mission possible



**Dustin Fenton**  
Leadership  
Coach

Accountability is tough.

Whether it's holding someone else accountable or ourselves, it's a challenge many leaders face daily. In fact, I hear the question time and time again: "How do I hold someone accountable?"

Through my experience coaching business owners, I've learned that the answer is often simpler than it seems. It's about finding the right balance between support and challenge.

Let me share a story about Rob, a small business owner who struggled with this very issue.

Rob runs a custom cabinet shop in a small town, much like many

of the businesses you'll find here in Tennessee. He had a team member, Sam, who was a hard worker and a nice guy, but Sam struggled to stay on task. His mind often wandered, and he spent too much time on side projects, causing delays in the company's main priorities.

Rob liked Sam and knew he had a family depending on his job, but Rob was at his breaking point. The busy season was approaching, and Rob couldn't afford to have a team member who wasn't pulling his weight.

Like many small business owners, Rob felt stuck. Firing Sam wasn't something he wanted to do, but continuing to let things slide wasn't an option either.

Rob realized that, without meaning too, he had created an environment where Sam (and several other team members) had become

entitled. He wasn't being held accountable, and while Rob's inward and outward frustration would be evident, there was no real consequence for Sam's lack of focus.

When Rob and I sat down to work through the problem, we came up with two key ideas: accountability isn't just about consequences – it's about creating clarity and calibration – and, as a leader, Rob needed to balance the support he was already giving Sam with the right amount of clear challenge. Rob was naturally a supportive leader, always willing to help his team, but he realized that he wasn't pushing Sam to meet the expectations they'd both agreed upon.

Over the next few months, Rob began having regular, clear conversations with Sam, reminding him of the company's goals and how his role was vital to achieving them.

Rob also began to challenge Sam more directly when he got off track. These weren't harsh confrontations but calibrated firm reminders of what needed to be done.

The result? Sam started to respond. He stayed more focused, and as Rob's leadership approach became more balanced, other team members began to step up as well.

By the end of the year, Rob's shop was back on track, meeting its goals. The stress Rob had been feeling eased, and he even found more time to plan for the future of his business.

Most importantly, Rob had peace of mind, knowing he had built a culture of accountability within his team. His wife

even mentioned that Rob had "gotten his laugh back," a sign that the burdens he had been carrying were starting to lift.

If you're like Rob, dealing with team members – or even family members – who lack focus or discipline, the answer lies in intentional leadership.

Accountability and leading isn't about being tough or letting things slide; it's about creating a healthy balance of support and challenge. Find someone who can help you see your blind spots and commit to fostering real growth in those around you.

It's not easy, but the results can be transformative—for your team, your business, and even your own peace of

mind.

*Dustin Fenton contributes monthly on topics around leadership, influence, and relational intelligence. If you're a leader who understands that developing your team's culture is key to growth and profits, connect with Dustin Fenton. He specializes in transforming organizational cultures and maximizing team performance. Reach out at [www.pitoncoaching.com](http://www.pitoncoaching.com) or on LinkedIn @DustinFenton and @PitonCoaching. Join Dustin and other culture-focused leaders at the upcoming Leadercore BNA event in Nashville, TN on December 4th, 2024. Secure your spot today and register here - [bit.ly/LeadercoreBNA-Dec24](https://bit.ly/LeadercoreBNA-Dec24)*

## More caught than taught



**Keith Holloway**  
The  
Carpenter's  
Shop

Giving acknowledgment to the small rural town of Savannah where I was born and raised, I'd like to thank all of the neighbors, childhood friends, cousins, aunts and uncles that I've known throughout my life.

You are all a part of every word of every line and paragraph I write. To all of the preachers, teachers, coaches and classmates. Every poem, song or story I write is all a part of your influence on my life.

To the Sunday School teachers who taught me about Jesus. To the folks who came and stood in line to express their love when my brother and niece and my dad passed.

To the mom and pop grocery store owners who let me trade Coca-Cola bottles for candy. They would even let me have a bill of groceries when I was just a boy on my bicycle. There was nothing like one of those thick bologna sandwiches we got from Mrs. Thacker. Sometimes you could still taste the hand lotion from her hands. We didn't mind because we learned to ask for a little extra hot sauce.

To the lady who let me stay at her house when I got off the bus. Them folks were so poor, but they had so much love and were so kind to a little chubby boy.

To the barber shops and barbers, the customers lining the walls till there was nowhere to sit.

To those early morning paper mill crews that would stand around waiting until it was time to go to work. To the gas station owners that checked my

oil and tires and cleaned my windshield. Back then it wasn't too hard on the wallet to say fill-er-up.

To the school bus drivers and the other children from different neighborhoods and backgrounds who rode the bus.

To the loggers and the farmers, carpenters and the local mill workers who were customers at my dad's welding shop. I listened to all of those stories about big trees and deep hollers, a good pair of mules or horses and the price of hogs, cattle, corn and beans.

I remember once a year there was something called "Moonlight Madness" in downtown Savannah. All the stores stayed open later for a sale. The streets and sidewalks were full of people. That was before the big franchise stores.

Evidently I listened and observed much more than I realized. I guess the old saying is true, "More is caught than taught."

## Social Security Matters: Ask Rusty



**Russell Gloor**  
Association of Mature  
American Citizens  
Certified Social  
Security Adviser

### Should my husband file and then suspend his benefits?

Dear Rusty

My financial adviser used a computer program which told my husband to take his Social Security at age 68, then suspend it after a few months.

What I understood was if my husband started and then stopped taking distributions, he would earn delayed retirement credits and thus get more at age 70.

I know waiting increases SS amounts, by 8% a year, but does purposely starting and then stopping SS increase distributions even more?

Confused

Dear Confused

Suspending receipt of one's SS benefits after their FRA (as in your husband's case) does result in him earning Delayed Retirement Credits, but the DRCs earned accumulate at the same rate as if he simply waited longer to claim his SS benefit in the first place.

DRCs are earned up to 70 years of age, at which point your husband's maximum SS benefit is attained (FYI, DRCs earn 0.667% of additional benefit for each month benefits are delayed or suspended, or 8% per year).

But I see no advantage to your husband starting his benefits now at 68 and then suspending them several

months later to earn DRCs – the number of DRCs earned are the same in either case, so he could simply wait to apply for his Social Security benefits until he is 70 to get his maximum amount.

The only rationale I can think of to claim and then suspend after doing so is to get a few months of his benefit payments before suspending. But the few months he received benefits before suspending will be considered when he later unsuspends his benefit, so that his total payment amount will be a bit less at 70 than it would otherwise be if he simply waits longer to claim SS.

And, just for information, he can't "file and suspend" his benefits so that you can receive a spousal benefit from him. That option (to file and suspend, enabling a spouse to receive benefits) was eliminated by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 – while your husband's benefits are suspended, you cannot receive a spousal benefit from him.

So, frankly, I see no advantage to your husband claiming his benefit now and then suspending them a few months later. If his goal is to maximize his SS benefit, then the best way to do that is simply wait longer to claim.

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## Voters

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who were receiving those refundable tax credit checks seem to have been able to cope without them.

Which leads me to a broader but tentative conclusion that voters, for all their vocal discontent with parties and politicians, actually are not demanding major changes in economic policy. In six of the last eight presidential elections, from 1992 to 2020, both political parties have won trifec-

tas, control of the White House and both houses of Congress – Democrats in 1992, 2008 and 2020, Republicans in 2000, 2004 and 2016.

Both parties have seized these opportunities to make serious economic policy changes, with some success. But none of those trifectas lasted more than two years, and the Democratic presidents who were reelected in 1996 and 2012 faced Republican majorities.

So what we have now is Harris and Trump advancing crass campaign

## All school threats must be treated as credible



**JC Bowman**  
Professional  
Educators  
of Tenn.

All threats must be treated as credible. To ensure school safety, we must foster strong student-educator relationships and implement security measures such as bulletproof materials, security badges with panic buttons, metal detectors, and clear backpack mandates.

These actions aim to prevent violence and ensure the safety of students and staff. These measures must be constantly reviewed to ensure the highest level of protection, making schools generally safe.

Technology has revolutionized the American education system, making it more accessible than ever. However, the emergence of various social media platforms has also introduced new vulnerabilities and security challenges within schools. In the U.S., threats stemming from social media are increasingly impacting schools and school districts.

It's crucial to understand that while schools are generally safe, the misuse of technology can pose serious threats. The juvenile court must also place a threatening student in a secure facility for up to 72 hours, with the state covering the cost. The state could bill parents to recapture costs.

In Tennessee, we are facing an unprecedented wave of threats. Even jokes can lead to felony charges, as false threats waste significant resources and create frustration among law enforcement and school

officials. This is a serious issue that demands our immediate attention and action. We cannot afford to wait or be complacent. We must act now to ensure the safety of our schools and communities.

With the increased volume of school threats across Tennessee, the Tennessee Sheriff's Association sent a statewide letter to parents, parents, students, and citizens "that we will not tolerate anyone making threats and inciting fear within our schools and community. Those responsible will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law."

Making a fake threat of violence is not a joke. It is a severe criminal offense that can lead to imprisonment.

Whether communicated verbally, through text, written messages, or social media posts, students who issue threats face severe consequences. Even if intended as a joke, such false threats can be prosecuted under state and federal laws. This is a fact that everyone should be aware of and take seriously, as the consequences are severe and can have a lasting impact on the lives of those involved.

The surge in fake threats has become a critical issue, prompting schools to partner closely with law enforcement to inform students and parents about the profound implications of these hoaxes and to work toward prevention. This partnership ensures that every threat is taken seriously, as authorities cannot differentiate between real and false threats. It's a collective effort, and your vigilance is crucial in maintaining a strong safety net for the community.

Each incident requires significant investigative resources,

disrupts the school day, and incurs costs to taxpayers. Moreover, fake threats can negatively affect attendance and have long-term repercussions on a student's future. All threats must be considered credible until law enforcement can confirm otherwise, ensuring the safety of the community, students, and staff.

Many such threats ultimately prove to be baseless, often originating from jokes or pranks by students. Regardless of their validity, a single threat can incite misinformation and lead to similar threats in the area, resulting in event cancellations and additional strain on community resources.

This cycle, coupled with an actual rise in school violence, adversely impacts students' mental health, frequently contributing to issues such as depression and anxiety. False threats strain resources, with most rumors of violence unfounded and part of a more significant trend of misinformation spread on social media.

Experts note that threats can originate from students or outsiders and often lead to lockdowns, diverting police from real emergencies. Schools are adopting threat assessment teams and monitoring social media to identify genuine threats.

Everyday distractions such as medical emergencies, student altercations, unauthorized visitors, suspicious activity, and especially threats can disrupt learning and challenge the dedication of educators and school staff. We need to be proactive on this subject to keep all students and adults safe in our schools.

*(JC Bowman is the executive director of Professional Educators of Tennessee, a non-partisan teacher association headquartered in Nashville.)*



# October

## 2024 Community Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Columbus Day	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween		

**Looking for something to do? Check out these upcoming events!**  
 Have an event listing? Call 731-925-6397 to get your event listed.  
 Event information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday.

**September 26**  
**Savannah Church of Christ; 1175 Pickwick St.;** Senior Expo with vendors, food and music; sponsored by Hardin County Community and Healthcare Foundation. For more information call 731-925-2557; **9 a.m.-11 a.m.**

**District 3 Community Center; 491 Hinton Rd., Counce;** Free Art Class sponsored by Dist. 3 Community Center and St. Peter's by the Lake Church; **1 p.m.-3 p.m.**

**September 27**  
**Tennessee River Bank; Main St. and Shoreline Dr.;** **Salttillo;** Tennessee River BBQ and Music Fest; **5 p.m.**

**September 28**  
**Tennessee River Bank; Main St. and Shoreline Dr.;** **Salttillo;** Tennessee River BBQ and Music Fest with People's Choice Award, corn hole tournament, food vendors and more; **10 a.m.**

**The Square; 142 East Main St.;** **Adamsville;** Fall Markets event with food, crafts, vendors and more; **10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

**Pickwick Landing State Park; 116 State Park Rd.;** United We Stand Free Concert with David Crowder, Micah Tyler and Rhett Walker; bring lawn chairs or blankets; **3 p.m.**

**October 1**  
**Savannah Rotary Club;** Mollie Monday's Restaurant; **12 p.m.**

**Hillbilly's Wing Shack; 26280 TN-69;** **Adamsville;** Christian Outreach Center dinner; free to community; **6 p.m.**

**Shiloh American Legion Post 28; Nixon Elementary Gymnasium; 4455 Hwy 128;** Fellowship at **5:30 p.m.;** Meeting at **6:30 p.m.;** All veterans are welcome to attend

**October 2**  
**Shiloh Falls Garden Club;** Every first Wednesday; location and times vary, call 689-8657 for more information

**October 3**  
**District 3 Community Center; 491 Hinton Rd., Counce;** Free Art Class sponsored by Dist. 3 Community Center and St. Peter's by the Lake Church; **1 p.m.-3 p.m.**

**The Battle of Shiloh Camp 1454 Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV); Shiloh Methodist Church fellowship hall;** First Thursday; supper at 6 p.m.; meeting at 7 p.m.



**October 4**  
**TCAT; 3070 Highway 64 W;** **Crump;** Coffee with a Cop; the community and law enforcement officers come together for conversations and coffee; **9:30 a.m.**

**Parrot Heads Club;** First Friday at Freddy T's - Club 50; **6 p.m.**

**October 5**  
**Shiloh Fire Hall; 920 TN-142;** Fall Festival Fundraiser; classic car and tractor cruise-in; free hot dogs and drinks for all; participants bringing cars and tractors will be entered into a drawing for local restaurant gift cards; **10 a.m.-1 p.m.**

**October 6**  
**Tishomingo State Park; 105 Co Rd 90;** 3 hour guided hike; wear proper attire and there is a park entrance fee; for more information call Park Manager Phil Seymour at 662-438-6914; **2 p.m.**

**People's Tabernacle Church; 20 Airways Blvd.;** Josh and Ashley Franks full concert; for more information call 731-727-8242 or online at ptcsavannah.com; **6 p.m.**

**October 7**  
**Hardin County Ministerial Association;** First Monday at Mollie Monday's Restaurant; For more information call Ronnie Sanders at 731-438-1175; **12 p.m.**

**October 8**  
**Savannah Rotary Club;** Mollie Monday's Restaurant; **12 p.m.**

**Mabryville FCE Club;** Call 731-444-1819 for location; **12:30 p.m.**

**Friends of the Library;** Hardin County Library Welch Room; **4:30 p.m.**

**Hillbilly's Wing Shack; 26280 TN-69;** **Adamsville;** Christian Outreach Center dinner; free to community; **6 p.m.**

**Savannah Community Crime Watch; Jack's Restaurant;** Second Tuesday of month; **6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

**"SEA of Friends" support group; Sheltering Tree Ranch at the Bunk House;** The free support group is for people who have loved ones with special needs; for more information contact Jessica Mayfield at 925-2922 or 931-215-7384, or by email at jessica.mayfield@shelteringtree.org; **6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

**October 10**  
**The Colonel Joseph Hardin Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution;** Hardin County Library Welch Room; **10 a.m.**

**Hardin County Republican Women; Mollie Monday's; 275 Eureka St.;** Dutch lunch at 12 p.m.; everyone is welcome; **12 p.m.**

### Hardin County Library News

**Debbie Brannon**  
 Librarian, 925-4314  
[www.hardincountylibrary.org](http://www.hardincountylibrary.org)  
 Story Hour on Tuesdays & Fridays at 10 a.m.  
 GED/HISET Classes every Tuesday from 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

**SEPTEMBER**  
 National Library Card Sign-up Month  
 26; 5 p.m.; New Adult book Club; book is "A Court This Cruel & Lovely" by Stacia Stark 27; 4:30 p.m.; Family Movie Night; movie is "IF" 30; 3:30 p.m.; Game Night

**OCTOBER**  
 3; 10 a.m.; Genealogy Group  
 3; 5 p.m.; Adult Craft; must come by to register  
 7; 3:30 p.m.; Game Night  
 10; 5:30 p.m.; Kay Rose Paint Night; must come by to register

11; 4:30 p.m.; Free Movie Friday; movie is "Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire" 14; CLOSED for Columbus Day  
 17; 4:30; Fall Festival  
 19; 5 p.m.; Retro Movie Night; movie is "Beetlejuice"

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### Support Groups

**Al-Anon "Savannah Hope" meeting;** Grace Point Church, 269 Wayne Rd.; **Fridays; 7 p.m.**

**AA Meeting; 869 Pickwick St.;** **Savannah;** Every Tuesday and Thursday; **8 p.m.**

**Alcoholics Anonymous;** Walnut Grove Community Center; **Tuesday nights from 6 p.m.-8 p.m.**

**Alcoholics Anonymous;** Grace Point Church, 269 Wayne Rd.; **Sunday-6 p.m., Monday-7 p.m., Wednesday-8 p.m., Friday-8 p.m.;** Call 731-412-7173 for information

**District 3 Community Center;** 491 Hinton Rd.; Counce; Pickwick AA meetings will be held Monday nights weekly; 7 p.m. is Big Book meeting and 8 p.m. is open meeting; **7 p.m.**

**Shackelford's grief support group;** conference room of the TVEC; David Coy of Shackelford is the facilitator; Unity Hospice Care is a partner; **Every third Thursday at 6 p.m.**

**Horizons of Savannah;** 430 Pinhook Drive; Peer support and life skills center is open; Transportation is available, call 925-7790 or 731-609-7577 for appointment; **Tuesday-Friday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.**

**Our Daily Bread;** 1180 Wayne Rd.; Food pantry and backpack program for needy children on weekends. For more information call 607-4803; **Tuesday & Wednesday, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.**

**Adult and Teen Challenge, Inc.;** 1450 Florence Road; For more information call 926-2555; **Tuesday at 6 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.**

**Narconon Drug Education and Rehabilitation;** 800-431-1754 for free screening or referral; drugabuse-solution.com

**Voices of Savannah Prevention Coalition;** 212 Eureka St., Savannah; **Saturday, 1 p.m.**

**Narcotics Anonymous "Real Talk";** New address for meetings: 269 Wayne Rd.; **Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 8 p.m.-9 p.m.**

**Open Door Outreach of Riverview Baptist Church;** 150 Guinn St.; Recovery support group meetings every **Monday at 6 p.m.;** Bible Study every **Wednesday at 6 p.m.;** Meals provided

**GriefShare Support Group; Hopewell Baptist Church; 9845 Tenn. 128S;** Savannah, 1.2 miles south of Hardin County High School; In-person seminar and support group to help people rebuild their lives after the loss of a loved one; Open to the community; New class members welcome every week; for more information call 731-925-5842; **Mondays 6 p.m.-8 p.m.**

**GriefShare for the Community; sponsored by Love and Truth Church Savannah;** All-virtual seminar; Register at GriefShare.com; For more information, call facilitators Rob and Linda Bryan, 501-408-8499; **Tuesday, 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

### Just for Seniors

**District 3 Community Center,** 491 Hinton Rd, Counce; 731-926-0778; Senior Bingo every Thursday; 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.; Senior card games every Friday; 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Hardin County Senior Center,** 9380 Tenn. 128; Savannah; 731-925-2210; hardincoseniornstn@gmail.com; director, Jennifer Ojada; Open Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Tai Chi Monday at 9:30 a.m.; Cardio Drumming Monday at 10:45 a.m.; Chair Yoga Tuesday at 9 a.m.; Walk with Ease Tuesday at 10:15 a.m.; Morning Meditation Wednesday at 9 a.m.; Arthritis Exercise Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.; Dominoes/Puzzles daily; Cornhole Tuesday; Cards Tuesday and Thursday; Foot Care second Thursday; Wayne Jerrolds third Tuesday; Arnold and Jerry third Thursday.

**McNairy County Senior Center** at 408 Park Ave., Adamsville: The Senior Center is open Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Hot meals (catered) are served at the center on Monday through Friday; frozen meals delivered on Tuesdays; home-cooked meal (prepared at center) on Thursdays; dine in or carry out; Tai Chi class on Tuesday and Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; center available to help seniors with things like energy assistance, signing up for commodities, telephone reassurance calls, grocery shopping and more; masks are available for seniors to use, but not required; for further information contact Cindy at 731-632-0302.

### Pickwick Meetings

**District 3 Community Involvement Inc.** will meet at District Three Community Center, 491 Hinton Road, Counce, the third Thursday of each month, at 6:30 p.m. Call Debbie Smith at 731-926-0778 for more information.

**Friends of Pickwick Landing State Park** holds a lunch meeting for the board and members on the third Thursday of each month from noon until 1 p.m., in the restaurant of the Pickwick Landing State Park Inn.

**Pickwick United Methodist Church-Men's Club** breakfast is the first Saturday of each month, at 8 a.m. Membership to the Men's Club is open to all men in the Pickwick, Counce area.

**Pickwick Republican Women's Club** will meet the first Thursday of the month at 11:45 a.m. at The Club at Shiloh Falls unless otherwise notified.

**St. Peter's by the Lake** meets every third Thursday for dinner at 6 p.m. at District 3 Community Center, 491 Hinton Road, Counce; open to all.

### School Lunch Menu

**Monday:** Sloppy Joe Sliders, Hot Dog on a Bun, Triangle Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Apple Wedges, Sliced Peaches  
**Tuesday:** Breaded Steak and Gravy, Sister Schubert Roll, Taco on a Soft Shell Tortilla with Cheese, Lettuce, and Tomato, Pizza Snackable, Mashed Potatoes, Green Peas, Mandarin Oranges, 100% Frozen Fruit Juice Sidekick, Choice of Milk  
**Wednesday:** Oven Baked Breaded Chicken, Southern Style Biscuit, Wild Mike's Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks, Tossed Salad, Sidewinder Jr. Potatoes, Banana, Mixed Fruit with Jello, Choice of Milk  
**Thursday:** BBQ Nachos with Tostitos Rounds, Hamburger, Straight Cut Fries, Crunchy Baby Carrots, Frozen Diced Strawberries Cup, Orange Wedges, 100% Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk  
**Friday:** Fish Strips, Sweet Corn Hushpuppies, 3 Cheese Macaroni Mania, Sister Schubert Roll, Creamy Coleslaw, White Beans, Sweet Tater Puffs, Strawberry Applesauce, Grapes, Choice of Milk

### Elementary Breakfast

**Monday:** Eggo Confetti Mini Pancakes, Cereal, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Tuesday:** Cinnamon Rush Mini French Toast, Cereal, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Wednesday:** Chicken Slider, Cereal, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Thursday:** Blueberry Muffin, Cereal, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Friday:** Biscuit and Scrambled Egg, Cereal, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk

### Mark your calendar

**October 12; Mt. Calvary Full Gospel Church; Olive Hill;** Harvest Festival; food, games and more; for more information call 731-925-6389; **12 p.m.**

**October 27; People's Tabernacle Church; 20 Airways Blvd.;** Tribute Quartet; for more information call 731-727-8242 or online at ptcsavannah.com; **6 p.m.**

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**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE**

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated December 12, 2012, executed by JAMIE LEE JOHNSON conveying certain real property therein described to CHARLES E. TONKIN, II, as Trustee, as same appears of record in the Register's Office of Hardin County, Tennessee recorded December 13, 2012, in Deed Book 569, Page 265; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was last transferred and assigned to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC who is now the owner of said debt; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, having been appointed as Substitute Trustee by instrument to be filed for record in the Register's Office of Hardin County, Tennessee.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable, and that the undersigned, Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee will, on October 16, 2024 at 2:00 PM at the Front Door of the Hardin County Courthouse, 465 Main Street, Savannah, TN 38372, proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Hardin County, Tennessee, to wit:

BEGINNING AT AN AXLE SHAFT FOUND (N-274699.8, E-1278211.0 NAD 1983) AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SALLY J. JENKINS PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS TRACT NO. 1 IN RECORD BOOK NO. 414, PAGE NO. 483 IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF HARDIN COUNTY, TENNESSEE, THE SAME BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE JAMS PHILLIP JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN RECORD BOOK NO. 414, PAGE NO. 485, AND A POINT IN THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN RECORD BOOK NO. 422, PAGE NO. 216; RUNS THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 33 SECONDS WEST WITH THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN RECORD BOOK NO. 422, PAGE NO. 216, 170.94 FEET TO A MAGNETIC PK NAIL SET IN THE CENTERLINE OF THE HILL ROAD, A COUNTY PAVED ROADWAY, THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 0.18 ACRE PARCEL IN RECORD BOOK NO. 531, PAGE NO. 392, THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS 6.14 ACRE TRACT; RUNS THENCE SOUTH 28 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST WITH THE CENTERLINE OF THE HILL ROAD, 94.01 FEET TO A MAGNETIC PK NAIL SET, THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS 6.14 ACRE TRACT; RUNS THENCE NORTH 84 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST WITH A SEVERANCE LINE CROSSING THE ORIGINAL TRACT OF WHICH THIS 6.14 ACRE PARCEL IS A PART. 30.27 FEET TO A NO. 4 REBAR SET IN THE WEST PRESCRIPTIVE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF HILL ROAD; RUNS THENCE NORTH 84 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST, 412.39 FEET TO A NO. 4 REBAR SET ON THE EDGE OF AN OPEN FIELD NORTH OF A SMALL BRANCH; RUNS THENCE NORTH 68 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 35 SECONDS WEST, 207.59 FEET TO A NO. 4 REBAR SET; RUNS THENCE NORTH 53 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 09 SECONDS WEST, 245.22 FEET TO A NO. 4 REBAR SET, THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS 6.14 ACRE PARCEL IN THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK NO. 96, PAGE NO. 617; RUNS THENCE NORTH 13 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST, 55.82 FEET TO A 30 INCH GUM; RUNS THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST, 39.28 FEET TO A NO. 4 REBAR SET, THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK NO. 96, PAGE NO. 617 AND A CORNER IN THE WEST BOUNDARY OF THIS 6.14 ACRE TRACT, AND THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN RECORD BOOK NO. 422, PAGE NO. 216; RUNS THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST, 25.66 FEET TO A 46 INCH TWIN OAK; NORTH 5 DEGREES 48 MINUTES 44 SECONDS EAST, 30.07 FEET TO A 24 INCH GUM; NORTH 9 DEGREES 20 MINUTES 41 SECONDS EAST, 110.90 FEET TO A NO. 4 REBAR SET, THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS 6.14 ACRE TRACT, A CORNER IN THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN RECORD BOOK NO. 422, PAGE NO. 216, AND THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SALLY J. JENKINS PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN RECORD BOOK NO. 414, PAGE NO. 483; RUNS THENCE SOUTH 81 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST WITH THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF JENKINS, 224.40 FEET TO AN IRON PIN FOUND, THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF JENKINS AND THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE JERRY JOHNSON, SUE ROBERTS, NINA WHITE, AND NICHOLAS JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN RECORD BOOK NO. 312, PAGE NO. 337; RUNS THENCE SOUTH 81 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 52 SECONDS EAST WITH THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF THE JERRY JOHNSON, SUE ROBERTS, NINA WHITE, AND NICHOLAS JOHNSON PROPERTY, 325.23 FEET TO A MAGNETIC PK NAIL FOUND IN THE CENTERLINE OF HILL ROAD, THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SALLY J. JENKINS PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A 0.04 ACRE PARCEL IN RECORD BOOK NO. 531, PAGE NO. 390, THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE JERRY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, REGINA JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK NO. 96, PAGE NO. 624, AND THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS 6.14 ACRE TRACT; RUNS THENCE SOUTH 28 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST WITH THE CENTERLINE OF THE HILL ROAD MARKING THE WEST BOUNDARY OF THE SALLY J. JENKINS PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A 0.04 ACRE PARCEL IN RECORD BOOK NO. 531, PAGE NO. 390, 112.23 FEET TO A MAGNETIC PK NAIL FOUND, THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF JENKINS AND THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 0.18 ACRE PARCEL IN RECORD BOOK NO. 531, PAGE NO. 392; RUNS THENCE SOUTH 28 DEGREES 24 MINUTES 27 SECONDS EAST WITH THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE JOHNNY G. JOHNSON AND WIFE, PEGGY J. JOHNSON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 0.18 ACRE PARCEL IN RECORD BOOK NO. 531, PAGE NO. 392, 286.60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 6.14 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, BY SURVEY OF HENRY E. WILLIAMS, P.E., R.L.S., TENNESSEE LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR NO. 505 IN SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER OF 2010. ALL BEARINGS CONTAINED IN THIS DESCRIPTION ARE TENNESSEE GRID, NAD 1983.

Parcel ID: 142-008.00  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 1460 HILL DRIVE, Counce, TN 38326. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

CURRENT OWNER(S): JAMIE LEE JOHNSON  
OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:  
PICKWICK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

The sale of the above-described property shall be subject to all matters shown on any recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements or set-back lines that may be applicable; any prior liens or encumbrances as well as any priority created by a fixture filing; and to any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose. This property is being sold with the express reservation that it is subject to confirmation by the lender or Substitute Trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. All right and equity of redemption, statutory or otherwise, homestead, and dower are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee. The Property is sold as is, where is, without representations or warranties of any kind, including fitness for a particular use or purpose.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
Rubin Lublin TN, PLLC, Substitute Trustee  
3145 Avalon Ridge Place, Suite 100  
Peachtree Corners, GA 30071  
rlselaw.com/property-listing  
Tel: (877) 813-0992  
Fax: (470) 508-9401 (#238153)(9123tc)

**SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE**

Sale at public auction will be on October 30, 2024 on or about 2:00PM local time, At the Front Door of the, Hardin County Courthouse, 465 Main Street, Savannah, TN 38372, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by LUKAS S. CLENNEY AND KAITLIN D. THORNE, to Larry A. Weissman, Trustee, on January 6, 2021, at Record Book 753, Page 822-839 in the real property records of Hardin County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing  
The following real estate located in Hardin County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

COMMENCING at a stake in the South right of way line of State Highway 69 the same being at the Northeast corner of this lot herein described and the Northwest corner of DeLaney, and runs thence South 3 degrees 06 minutes East running a portion of the way with a fence 263 feet to an old corner posts; thence North 76 degrees 00 minutes West 95.04 feet with a fence line to a stake; thence North 2 degrees 02 minutes East running a portion of the way with a fence 251.29 feet to a nail in the South right of way line of said highway 69; thence South 80 degrees 35 minutes East with said Right of Way 70 feet to the beginning corner. (Description from prior Deed)

This being the same property conveyed to Lukas S. Clenney and Kaitlin D. Thorne by deed of Eugene Spellings and Jon Spellings dated January 6, 2021 and of record in Record Book 753, Page 820 in the Register's Office of Hardin County, Tennessee.

Tax ID: 018D-D-015.01  
Current Owner(s) of Property: LUKAS S. CLENNEY AND KAITLIN D. THORNE

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 47480 Highway 69, Saltillo, TN 38370, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TERMS OF SALE ARE CASH. ANY TAXES OR FEES WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PURCHASER. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE PURCHASE PRICE. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: None  
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-101 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. §67-1-1433.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 24-000186-505-1  
Mackie Wolf Zientz & Mann, P.C., Substitute Trustee(s)  
Cool Springs Commons, Suite 273  
7100 Commerce Way  
Brentwood, TN 37027  
TN INVESTORS PAGE: HTTP://MWZMLAW.COM/TN\_INVESTORS.PHP (#238525) (9193tc)

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HARDIN COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
IN THE TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT SAVANNAH**

JANICE SCHMESKI AND  
CLAUDIA JORDAN, Docket No.: CH-856  
Plaintiffs,  
vs.  
LARRY HAMILTON, REGINA KELSVEN,  
CAROL NEE, WILLIAM V. JORDAN,  
WARREN C. JORDAN, JR., ELLEN JORDAN,  
AND STEVE HAMBRIGHT,  
Defendants.

**SECOND AMENDED ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

It appearing to the Court from the Motion for Service by Publication filed in this cause that the whereabouts of the Defendant, ELLEN JORDAN, are presently unknown and cannot be ascertained upon diligent inquiry and that ordinary process cannot be served upon her. Therefore, this Order of Publication should be published in the Savannah Courier newspaper located in Savannah, Hardin County, Tennessee, as the best possible notice to Defendant ELLEN JORDAN under the circumstances. Defendant, ELLEN JORDAN, is hereby required to appear and file an answer with the Clerk's Office of the Hardin County Chancery Court, Hardin County Courthouse, 465 Main Street, Savannah, Tennessee, or otherwise defend against the Complaint filed in this cause, and send a copy to Plaintiff's attorney, Katie P. Hagenbrok, whose address is 60 Brazelton Street, Unit 8, Savannah, TN 38372, within 30 days from the last date of publication, exclusive of the last date of publication, or a judgment by default may be entered against Defendant.

If there is no answer, a hearing on the Complaint for Partition shall be heard on December 16th, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. and/or a default judgment may be entered. Failure to answer or appear may result in a motion for default being entered against Defendant, ELLEN JORDAN, for a sale of the subject property by partition as requested in the Complaint for Partition filed in this cause.

Entered this the 3rd day of September, 2024.  
/s/ Chancellor Vicki Hoover  
APPROVED FOR ENTRY:  
/s/ Katie P. Hagenbrok, BPR #032700  
Attorney for Plaintiffs  
/s/ James Y. Ross, Sr., (TN BPR: 012779)  
Attorney for Defendants (9264tc)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Savannah Board of Zoning Appeals and the Savannah Planning Commission will meet Thursday, October 10th, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Savannah City Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to consider the following request:  
**Board of Zoning Appeals**  
1. A request for a Variance by Mike Kelly and Colton Milford, to allow the construction of a residential sign on the property listed as 10 Carlton Cv. (Map 0720, Group J, Parcel 013.03).  
**Planning Commission**  
1. Approval of Subdivision Plat/ Site plan for Jamie Odle & Frank Music located off Prince PI and Bobbie Ann Dr (Map 72K, Group A, Parcel 1.00)  
These meetings are open to the public and all interested parties are invited to attend. Please contact the Community Development Department at 731-925-8007 with any questions or concerns.

**SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE**

Sale at public auction will be on November 14, 2024 at 11:00AM local time, at the front door, Hardin County Courthouse, 465 Main Street, Savannah, Tennessee pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by Jessica Irene Hodgson and Preston Michael Eason, to Creasy & Jones Attorneys at Law PC, Trustee, as trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Broker Solutions, Inc. dba New American Funding on January 20, 2021 at Book 755, Page 345, Instrument No. 152114; conducted by LLG Trustee TN LLC, having been appointed Substitute or Successor Trustee, all of record in the Hardin County Register's Office. Default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms, and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the entire indebtedness has been declared due and payable.

Party Entitled to Enforce the Debt: New American Funding, LLC FKA Broker Solutions, Inc., DBA New American Funding, its successors and assigns.

The real estate located in Hardin County, Tennessee, and described in the said Deed of Trust will be sold to the highest call bidder. The terms of the said Deed of Trust may be modified by other instruments appearing in the public record. Additional identifying information regarding the collateral property is below and is believed to be accurate, but no representation or warrant is intended.

Street Address: 545 Bensontown Drive, Savannah, Tennessee 38372

Parcel Number: 09-152-152-017.02-000  
Current Owner(s) of Property: Jessica Irene Hodgson and Preston Michael Eason

This sale is subject to, without limitation, all matters shown on any applicable recorded plat; any unpaid taxes; any restrictive covenants, easements, or setback lines that may be applicable; any statutory right of redemption of any governmental agency, state or federal; any prior liens or encumbrances including those created by a fixture filing or any applicable homeowners' association dues or assessments; all claims or other matters, whether of record or not, which may encumber the purchaser's title and any matter that an accurate survey of the premises might disclose.

The following parties may claim an interest in the above-referenced property to be affected by the foreclosure: any judgment creditor or lien holder with an interest subordinate to the said Deed of Trust or any party claiming by, through, or under any of the foregoing. Such parties known to the Substitute Trustee may include: None.

Terms of Sale will be public auction, for cash, free and clear of rights of homestead, redemption and dower to the extent disclaimed or inapplicable, and the rights of Jessica Irene Hodgson and Preston Michael Eason, and those claiming through him/her/it/them.

Any right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are waived in accord with the terms of said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

The right is reserved to adjourn the day of the sale to another day, time, and place certain without further publication, upon announcement at the time and place for the sale set forth above. If you purchase a property at the foreclosure sale, the entire purchase price is due and payable at the conclusion of the auction in the form of a certified/bank check made payable to or endorsed to LOGS Legal Group LLP. No personal checks will be accepted. To this end, you must bring sufficient funds to outbid the lender and any other bidders. Insufficient funds will not be accepted. Amounts received in excess of the winning bid will be refunded to the successful purchaser at the time the foreclosure deed is delivered.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded only by the Substitute Trustee at any time. If the Substitute Trustee rescinds the sale, the purchaser shall only be entitled to a return of any money paid towards the purchase price and shall have no other recourse. Once the purchaser tenders the purchase price, the Substitute Trustee may deem the sale final in which case the purchaser shall have no remedy. The real property will be sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or representations of any kind, express or implied, including without limitation, warranties regarding condition of the property or marketability of title.

This office may be a debt collector. This may be an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose.

LLG Trustee TN LLC  
Substitute Trustee  
10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400  
Charlotte, NC 28216  
Phone (704) 333-8107  
Fax (704) 333-8156  
File No. 24-124836 (#239137) (9263tc)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The following vehicles will be sold at Ervin Towing & Recovery 810 US Highway 64, Adamsville, TN 38310 after October 10, 2024, for Towing and Storage Fees accumulated on said vehicle, if not claimed and paid in full prior to date of the sale.

2016 Nissan Maxima VIN: JN4AA6AP4GC900379 Color: White  
2007 Yamaha FHG VIN: JYARJ13E07A000310 Color: Red  
1996 GMC Sonoma VIN: 1GTCS19X5T8517409 Color: Red  
2010 Chevrolet Impala VIN: 2G1WB5EN2A1266057 Color: Black

**BID NOTICE**

The Savannah Utility Department is accepting sealed bids for the procurement of two (2) multi-purpose precision locators with fully integrated RTK GNSS. Bids will be accepted until Thursday October 10, 2024, at City Hall, 140 Main Street, Savannah, TN 38372 at 2:00 PM local time where bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Specifications may be obtained from Greg Littlefield/Utility Director, City of Savannah, 140 Main Street, Savannah, TN 38372, Tel: (731) 925-3300 ext. 155.

The City of Savannah is an equal opportunity affirmative action employer, drug free with policies of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, or military service.  
The City of Savannah reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informality in bidding.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE  
TO CUSTOMERS OF  
the City of Savannah  
UTILITY DEPARTMENT**

The City of Savannah Fire Department 731-925-8257 will be flushing and inspecting fire hydrants in the city limits beginning September 4 and will continue until September 30. Slight conditions may occur during this period.

REMEMBER,  
THE WATER IS ABSOLUTELY SAFE TO DRINK  
We are merely cleaning out an accumulation of dissolved materials which have settled in the mains and performing annual inspections. To avoid inconvenience, check the water before doing laundry and keep water in the refrigerator for drinking and cooking.

Fire Department 731-925-8257  
Lisa Taylor, Fire Clerk

Community news  
**Eureka**



**Patsy Gibbs**  
Community  
Writer  
731-925-3376

Fall has fallen and the weather is beginning to change. We had great days for the Hardin County Fair last week. I am told the attendance was good each evening for this yearly event. In my 81 years of life this is the first year I remember I have been unable to attend. My Eureka Church friends did great at the food concession stand they operated. Funds raised will be spent

wisely to retire the debt on our building at 1120 Wayne Rd. and for various mission projects. My nephew Jon Dowling and my grandson Tyler Stanfill worked alongside the Eureka regulars. We appreciate all the fairgoers who purchased food from us. Thanks to the fair board who works all year to see that locals have an interesting fair.

My great-grandson Rhett William Parrish was crowned Tiny Tot King at the fair Thursday evening. Rhett entertains his family with his amusing antics and stories. Congratulations to all the winners in the pageants and displays. We are also proud of Liddy Beth Baker who won second place

in her pageant.

Michael Hodgkins, Gideon Speaker, filled the pulpit for Eureka Methodist Church Sunday as our pastor. Dennis Usner is recovering from recent surgery. We expect him back at Eureka soon. We were glad to have several visitors present at Sunday's service.

Bob Handley and his sister Pam Carothers visited me Friday and drove me to the hair salon for my regular appointment. Debbie Duncan picked me up and brought me home. I am thankful to have these relatives to depend on when Gaye is unable.

Sympathy to Danny Wells and family at the

death of his lovely wife Nellie Sue Doyle Wells who was laid to rest at Memory Gardens Sunday. May God bless and comfort the family.

Jill Rose has returned to her Savannah home after a couple of weeks vacation with her sister, Patti Marshock, in Scottsdale, AZ. After the flight to Arizona, Patt drove she and Jill to California where they met Laura Marshock and family. The group of family members then flew to Seattle Washington where they boarded a ship for a magical Alaskan cruise. After a week at sea the group returned to California.

Get well wishes to Linda Stutts who is having foot trouble. Linda

is blessed to have had friend Vickie Lancaster to accompany her to doctor appointments in Corinth. We were glad to have Pat Mitchell back with us at Eureka Church services Sunday. Pat recently underwent a hip replacement and is thankful to be recovered.

Go Gold Homecoming football game at HCHS last Friday night ended the weeklong celebration. The WKWX radio crew did a great job describing the action to those of us at home. Hardin County scored the first touchdown, but Northside Indians of Jackson won the game. The annual football queen was crowned before the game. Hopefully

I will have correct names to list next week.

Happy birthday to my daughter, Gaye Gibbs King who will be another year older on Sept. 30. We will celebrate with Gaye this weekend and rejoice at her sweet help and personality with her family. She has two lovely daughters and three gorgeous grand-daughters who live in Chattanooga. Happy birthday to all our September birthdays.

A verse to remember this week is from Hebrews 11:1 "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."

Don't worry and enjoy each day, whether at work or at play. God bless each reader.

Community news  
**Bruton Branch**



**Pattie Barnes**  
Community  
Writer  
901-235-0642  
bruton38372@gmail.com

Our lawn got a nice little sprinkle shower Monday afternoon. Just enough to wet the decks and turn the humidity into something I could chew.

I have about nine green tomatoes still on my vines. The challenge will be to give them enough water, if the weather remains warm, so they will ripen and be my last harvest before the cold sets in. That is a good way off so perhaps I will make it.

On Sept. 21, David and I attended the "Meet the Past" event at Shiloh National Military Park. There were about 14 visitors on the air conditioned bus tour led by Ranger Tim Arnold. The bus stopped at six locations around the park where period actors shared a synopsis of their activities on the battlefield during the

Civil War.

It was an entertaining and educational event I look forward to attending again. Ranger Tim said this was the first time the park had done the bus tours with period actors and he hoped to do it again.

I sure missed the Savannah Farmer's Market last week. I am out of bread, cookies, canned soup, pickles and okra so you bet I'll be at the Market this Wednesday. I'm sure there will be some fall items, so that is a good reason to check them out.

Losing those we love, whether it is a friend, family member or a pet, hits us hard. I believe shedding tears because I feel sorry for myself does help me get through the first steps of grieving. However, grief cannot be our way of life.

Read an article about dealing with loss and it is a step-by-step process. We do not all do it the same way, but we must all guard against grief leading us into depression. Volunteering, helping others, looking for activities to distract ourselves from the sad-

ness are a few ways we can work toward happiness and healing.

It is almost here. District 3 Community Center is having their Seventh Annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Oct. 11-12. Only two booth spaces left, so call me to get set up as a vendor. Hockaday Handmade Brooms plans to be a vendor along with many local artists.

I am still reading books about the World War II era and highly recommend "Beyond

the Tracks" by Michael Riet. It starts when Jewish families disappeared from Berlin under cover of night and where many were transported to temporarily and finally ended up.

**Chili Lime Grilled Pineapple recipe**

Chili Lime Grilled Pineapple is a sweet treat with no added processed sugar. You can stir-fry it in a skillet on the stove top too.

*Ingredients*

- 1 fresh pineapple
- 1 tablespoon lime

juice

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1-1/2 teaspoons chili powder
- Dash of salt

*Directions*

1. Peel and slice the pineapple after removing the core.

2. Brush the olive oil in a small skillet over medium heat. Mix all ingredients except pineapple in a bowl. Now toss the pineapple slices in.

When the skillet is warm put pineapple slices in, but make sure

none are stacked up. (Add a pat of butter if desired).

As the pineapple begins to lightly brown, flip the slices over. When lightly brown on all sides and warm - remove.

Delicious alone or with pork chops or ham. (Delicious on a ham sandwich with mayonnaise.)

When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure."

- Author unknown.

Community news  
**Childers Hill**



**Connie Willcutt**  
Community  
Writer  
607-4120

I've been laid up pretty much all week. Sunday I tripped on a rug and thought I broke my leg, but thank God I didn't. It sure is sore as all get out.

Hardin County High School had a nice homecoming parade.

Fall is here already. The Amish have pumpkins ready at 1600 Watkins Road.

Our sympathies to the family of Margie Alexander. Prayers for all the families.

Happy birthday to Ronnie Chappell, Caleb Sides, Jacelyn Tomenick, Steve Hollins, Christy Arnold, and Brenda Cornilies.

Happy anniversary to Dillon and Gabby Wardlow.

Prayers for the family of Wilma Newcomb. Have a blessed week.

**GLANCE AWAY** from this ad for a few seconds, then look at it again.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

To whom it may concern I am filing for a new title for a **2013 Camo Bennche 700**  
VIN#: LWGVY245DB00256  
Anyone with proof of claim should contact **Lonnie Martin**  
145 Woodstown Lp  
Shiloh, TN 38376  
by certified mail, return receipt requested within 10 business days from this publication.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**SAVANNAH CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS**

The City Commission will meet as follows:  
**Study Session - Monday, September 30, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting - Thursday, October 3, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.**

All meetings are held at Savannah City Hall, 140 Main Street, Savannah, TN 38372.  
Any person with a disability needing special accommodations should call (731) 925-3300 prior to the above-mentioned time.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Ashley Harris dba Piggly Wiggly #1, has applied for an "OFF Premises" beer permit, to sell beer for retail only at 940 Wayne Rd. Savannah Beer Board will meet immediately following the City Commission meeting at 5:30 pm Thursday, October 3, 2024, at City Hall.

Shilaben Patel, Ramilaben Patel, Daxaben Patel, Smoke Shop Savannah has applied for an "OFF Premises" beer permit, to sell beer for retail only at 235 Water St Suite E. Savannah Beer Board will meet immediately following the City Commission meeting at 5:30 pm Thursday, October 3, 2024, at City Hall.

**TVEC HOLDS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

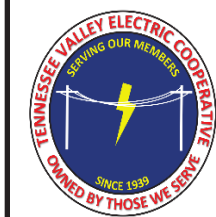
Tennessee Valley Electric Cooperative's Annual Membership Meeting was held Saturday, September 21, 2024, at the Hardin County High School Auditorium.

Incumbent Board Members, Ronald Franks and William (Bill) Howard were re-elected to serve three-year terms, representing TVEC's District #2 and District #5, respectively.

The Financial Audit Report was given stating the records of the Cooperative were in excellent condition and reflected fairly the financial standing of the Cooperative.

Following the business session, there was a drawing for prizes for registered members in attendance. TVEC thanks those who attended and thanks to everyone for their participation in this year's meeting.

Following the annual meeting, a reorganization session of the Board was held. Ronald Franks was selected President, Terry Weaver was selected 1st Vice President, Richard Lacher was selected 2nd Vice President, and Haskel Jerrolds was selected Secretary/Treasurer.



**We may owe you money!**

Please check the list below to see if you have an idle membership or unclaimed deposit with Tennessee Valley Electric Cooperative. If your name is listed below, please come by our office by October 4, 2024 to claim your money. You will need a driver's license or another form of legal photo identification.

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## TRUTH IN SCRIPTURE

**Abraham Tested**  
 From Genesis 22

God: "Abraham!"  
 Abraham: "Here I am."  
 God: "Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about."

Abraham traveled for 3 days with Isaac and two servants until he saw the place in the distance. Leaving the servants he took Isaac and continued on to the place he said they would worship and then come back. The wood for the burnt offering was placed on Isaac. Abraham carried the fire and the knife.

When Isaac asked about the lamb for the offering, Abraham told him that the Lord would provide. Reaching the place God told Abraham about, he built an altar and arranged the wood. He bound his son, placed him on the wood and raised his knife to slay Isaac.



Just then an angel of the Lord called out to Abraham from heaven and told him not to slay his son. Abraham had proved that he feared the Lord.

Looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by his horns in a thicket. Abraham sacrificed the ram as a burnt offering instead of his son. Abraham called the place **THE LORD WILL PROVIDE.**

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# Obituaries

## Margaret Alexander

Jan. 11, 1950 - Sept. 21, 2024



**M**argaret Elizabeth Merritt Alexander, 74, of Milledgeville, Tennessee, departed this life on Saturday, Sept. 21, in Corinth, Mississippi. She was born on Jan. 11, 1950, in Harrisburg, Arkansas, the daughter of the late Joseph Douglas and Lucy Elizabeth Coons Merritt.

On Oct. 31, 1969, she was united in marriage to Leland Warren Alexander, who preceded his wife in death on April 27, 2024.

Early in her life, Margie spent countless years working as a caregiver for many children that came into her home. Loving each one, as her own, until their parents came to pick them up at the end of the day. She would move to Milledgeville, Tennessee and become very involved in her community. Margie became a training officer for Milledgeville Fire Department, an Emergency Medical Responder and EMR Board Secretary, and the town recorder for the City of Milledgeville. She was a member of Milledgeville Community Church, where she also served as treasurer. As a part of the Milledgeville Fire Department, she worked relentlessly on grants to help the fire department receive equipment that they needed to take care of the community that she dearly loved. Margie would play Mrs. Claus every Christmas for the community and church, alongside her husband Leland, who played Santa.

Margie worked tirelessly loving and caring for her family, her church, and her community. She gave to anyone who needed and always thought of others before herself. She was constantly working behind the scenes to support her husband, Leland, as the Mayor and Fire Chief, and she accomplished many things for her community that many people will never know. She deeply loved her sisters and brothers, daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren. Margie loved with a love that can never be replaced or duplicated and she will be incredibly missed every single day.

She is survived by her daughter, Melissa Fischer and her husband Scott of Oakland, Tennessee; brothers, John Merritt of Wynne, Arkansas, Donnie Merritt of Harrisburg, Arkansas, and Douglas Merritt of Jonesboro, Arkansas; sister, Rose Brown of Harrisburg, Arkansas; and grandchildren, Ella Fischer and Elias Fischer.

In addition to her parents and husband, Margie was preceded in death by her brothers, Jimmy Douglas Merritt and Dewayne Merritt; and sisters, Joann Roberts, Mae Morgan, Sarah June Merritt, Gladys Streur, Jackie Berryhill, Joey Harvey, and Teresa Pitts.

Memorial services were held on Wednesday, Sept. 25, at Milledgeville Community Church in Milledgeville, Tennessee, with Robert Conder and Jimmy Dyer officiating. Burial followed at Milledgeville Cemetery in Milledgeville, Tennessee.

## Betty Ross

Feb. 17, 1951 - Sept. 21, 2024



**B**etty Jane Ross, 73, of Michie, Tennessee departed this life on Saturday, Sept. 21, in Tupelo, Mississippi. She was born on Feb. 17, 1951, in Corinth, Mississippi, the daughter of the late Herman "Bo" Ross and Opal Rose Ross.

Ms. Ross was a talented seamstress and former co-owner of Pennie Lane's Formals in Savannah, Tennessee for 27 years. She sewed elegant drapes and made beautiful dresses for many in the community for years until her retirement. Betty was known for her niche in interior design and for her love for all animals, especially her dog, Hershey. She truly loved going to see her family, being outdoors and gardening. She had a wonderful gift to turn ordinary things to beautiful things. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Michie.

She is survived by a daughter, Pennie Wardlow Neill and husband Wesley of Savannah, Tennessee; two grandchildren, Ross Neill and Reed Neill; sisters, Glenda Micheal (Ronald), Theresa Huggins (David), Marilyn Fowler, brothers, Sammy Ross, Al Ross (Linda), Ricky Ross (Connie), Tim Ross (Maurica), Danny Ross (Leighanne); and a host of family and friends.

In addition to her parents, Ms. Ross was preceded in death by a son, Zane Sheldon Wardlow; and sisters, Myra Nell Rickman and Peggy Elam.

Memorials may be made to: McNairy County Humane Society, P.O. Box 1083, Selmer, TN 38375, or through PayPal: tlc.mchs@yahoo.com.

Memorial services were held on Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2024 at Michie First Baptist Church in Michie, with Larry Ross and Ben Martin officiating. Burial followed at Pebble Hill Cemetery in Michie.

## Community news

### Pickwick



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District 3 Community Center at 491 Hinton Road in Counce 8s having a craft fair Oct. 11-12 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Organizers say over 20 vendors have signed up for the event, including Hockaday Brooms from Selmer, Tennessee, which will be making brooms by hand.

Voices of Savannah says it's OK to not be OK. Help is available if you or someone you love is having a hard time, or for those struggling with mental health or substance use. Help yourself and share to help others: samhsa.gov/find-help#Autumn#FallEquinox. 988 Suicide and Crisis Helpline - 988 or 988Lifeline.org; FindSupport.org; Veterans Crisis Line 988 (press1); SAMHSA helpline 800-662-HELP (4357); Disaster Distress Helpline 800-985-5990; FindTreatment.gov.

Food Box distribution at Crump First Baptist Church at 22990 Tenn. 69 is on Monday, Oct. 7 from 12-1 p.m.

If you reside in Wayne County or the surrounding area, stay tuned for the October food distribution date. Thanks to the Second Harvest team, the health council members and all those agencies that worked diligently behind the scene to make this happen for the county.

The Circle at Pickwick Landing State Park will be closed to all vehicles Friday and Saturday, Sept. 27-28, due to

the 4th Annual Come to the River concert.

Shiloh National Military Park is hosting National Public Lands Day in Corinth. This is the largest single-day volunteer event on public lands of the year. The park is seeking helping hands to clean bronze sculptures and spread new mulch at the Corinth Contraband Camp.

If time permits, secondary projects will include pulling weeds from landscaping at the Corinth Civil War Interpretive Center. For more info go to: <https://go.nps.gov/lbfyae> or

call the Corinth Civil War Center at 662-287-9273.

Saturday, Oct. 12 is Sheltering Tree Ranch's Family Fun Day starting at 10 a.m., in conjunction with the Airport Fly In at the Savannah-Hardin County Airport

Friends of Michie City Park is hosting an event at the park at 6196 Tenn. 57, Michie on Saturday, Oct. 28. Bring your family and enjoy a fun day of music, food trucks, arts and crafts, face painting, games and much much more. Trick or Treat will begin at 3 p.m. with a costume contest at 4 p.m.

## Fire Reports week of Sept. 26

The following items are derived directly from reports by the Hardin County Fire Department. HCFD Station 12 (Savannah) is typically dispatched to calls county-wide.

### Sept. 20

Walkertown-Olivet-Graham (Dist. 6) was dispatched at 8:41 a.m. to 485 Stadium Drive. A utility pole was initially reported to be on fire. Then a tree was found to be on fire, and next it was reported the blaze appeared to be a control burn. The call was cleared at 9:58 a.m.

### Sept. 24

Mt. Hermon-Cravens (Dist. 5) was dispatched at 6:07 a.m. to 1840 Clifton Road where a blue Honda CRV sideswiped a male and female



riding bicycles. The male said his back was hurting. The female said she was uninjured.

# Death Notices

### Regenia Lee

Regenia Lee, 70, of Savannah, died on Monday, Sept. 16, in Savannah, the daughter of the late Charlie D. Keymon, Sr. and Ruby Smith Hobbs Keymon. She was united in marriage to Paul Lee, who survives.

She worked as a seamstress in garment factories. She was of Pentecostal belief.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Paul Lee; son, Bryan Lee; daughter, Tonia Franks; brothers, Dannie Keymon and Jerry Wayne Keymon; sister, Juanita Keymon; 12 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Regenia was preceded in death by her son, Tony Lee; brothers, Charlie D. Keymon Jr. and Weldon Gene Keymon; and sisters, Nancy Geniva Hardin and Charlene Keymon.

Services were held on Thursday, Sept. 19, at Shackelford Funeral Directors in Savannah with Danny Briley and Ronnie Sanders officiating. Burial followed at Mt. Vinson Cemetery in Stantonville.

### Barbara Southern

Barbara Southern, 79, of Savannah, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 19, the daughter of the late Coley Nathaniel and Burma Mary Elizabeth Ables Umphrey.

She was united in marriage to Millard Wayne Southern, who preceded his wife in death.

Barbara worked for Tri-Matic Spring Company as a machine operator. She was a member of Turkey Creek Union Church.

She is survived by her son, Michael Southern; sisters, Maebelle McDonald, Ruby McDonald and Cathy Bridges; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, Barbara was preceded in death by her son, Ricky Southern; and brothers, Junior Umphrey and Danny Umphrey.

Memorial services were held on Monday, Sept. 23, at Shackelford Funeral Director in Savannah, with Charles Pevahouse officiating. Burial followed at Crossroads Cemetery in Savannah.

### Nellie Wells

Nellie Sue Wells, 83, of Savannah, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 18, the daughter of the late Willie and Gazelle Davis Doyle.

She was united in marriage to Danny Lynn Wells, who survives.

Nellie attended Savannah Central High School, where she played basketball and later attended Lambuth College. After 30 years as a computer operator she retired from Packaging Corporation of America in Counce. Nellie was a member of Hopewell Baptist Church in Savannah.

In addition to her husband Danny, she is survived by her children, Charles Wood, Dan Wood and Randy Wood; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Leroy and William Doyle.

Memorial services were held on Sunday,

September 22, at Shackelford Funeral Directors of Savannah, with Randy Isbell officiating. Burial followed at Memory Gardens in Savannah.

### Katie Wulfert

Katie Wulfert, 45, of Lexington, Tennessee, passed away on Monday, Sept. 9, in Jackson, Tennessee. She is the daughter of Gary Eugene Clark and the late Janice Marie Martin McLearn.

She was united in marriage to Phillip Anton Wulfert, who survives.

Katie worked as a waitress.

She is survived by her husband, Phillip Wulfert; daughter, Kierstyn Smith; sons, Hunter Chambers and Trevor Chambers; father, Gary Eugene Clark; brothers, David Clark and Gary Clark; three grandchildren; and sister, Jody Wulfert.

In addition to her mother, Katie was preceded in death by her grandparents, Marie Martin and Pete Martin.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, Sept. 21, at Shackelford Funeral Directors in Savannah, with Zack Todd officiating.

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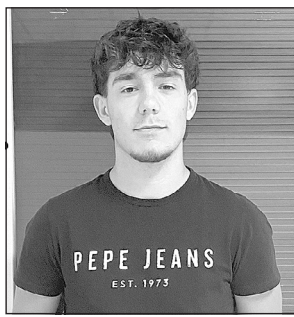
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### Aketza Urrutia's American Experience



Written by April Wells  
Edited by Dianna Frierson

Aketza Urrutia arrived in the United States from Northern Spain on July 31, 2024. He came to the U.S. to improve his English and experience American high school football as a senior.

Aketza describes America as "different" but in a good way. His first impression of Hardin County High School

(HCHS) was that it is much larger than his school in Spain. When asked about his school day, he explained that his classes are structured differently than at home. He has seven classes every day in Spain but stays in the same classroom while the teachers move. Interestingly, Aketza completes 11 subjects by the end of each week. At HCHS, two of his four classes are football and culinary. Aketza said he enjoys Culinary, his favorite.

One notable difference Aketza shared is that Easter is not widely celebrated in Spain. However, he does celebrate Christmas, which is his favorite holiday. He

also mentioned that he thinks the food in Spain is better and hasn't been surprised by any American food so far.

Aketza is particularly excited about HCHS football and loves the sport. He is a football team member, playing the kicker position, and recently earned "Player of the Week." In Spain, he is active on both the soccer and tennis teams.

Despite the many differences, Aketza enjoys his time in the U.S. but is unsure if he will have the opportunity to return after his exchange program ends at the end of the school year.

Welcome to the USA and Hardin County High School.

### Giacomo's American Experience

Written by April Wells

Giacomo Caruso is a senior from Como, Italy, who arrived in Savannah on August 7th. He will be attending Hardin County High School (HCHS) for one semester.

Giacomo says that while HCHS meets his expectations of an American school, there are still differences. In Italy, students stay in their "home rooms" all day; instead, the teachers move from class to class. Giacomo

explains, "In my school, we have more than four classes. We have like ten." Another difference is that his school day starts at 8:00 AM but ends by 2:00 PM. However, his school ends at two in the afternoon. This early dismissal means lunch is not served, and Giacomo eats at home.

Tiger Tales asked Giacomo what differences he has noticed in America, and he says, "We don't decorate as much for the holidays as Americans

do." Another difference, he says, is there are not as many fast-food restaurants in Italy as in America. However, his hometown of Como has a McDonald's restaurant, which is quite popular. So far, Giacomo's favorite fast-food restaurant is Savannah's Wendy's.

Although Giacomo is unsure if he'll be able to return to the U.S. after his exchange program ends, he hopes to attend an NBA game before he leaves.

# Day set aside to honor cancer patient at East Hardin Elementary School

Linda White  
Courier correspondent

Kids and family members gathered for a school day filled with dodge ball games, inflatable races and picnic lunches, plus a number of ways to bring in funds for St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Organizers said the \$2,000 raised Friday at East Hardin was donated to St. Jude in honor of East Hardin first grader and leukemia patient Paityn Barrier, daughter of Brennan and Lindsey Barrier.

East Hardin physical education teacher Alyssa Calton and the Activities Team organized the event they called "Teaming Up Against Cancer."

"We had a great turnout for the Picnic for Paityn," said Calton. "Students and their families could pick where they wanted to eat anywhere

in the school." Parents, grandparents and loved ones could be seen with their kids at the cafeteria, tables in the halls, on quilts in the gym floor and outdoors.

Before the picnic, there were several activities, including a students versus teachers dodge ball game. Also, teachers wearing inflatable outfits ran a race, with Molly Browder in a Patrick Star costume from the popular children's cartoon "SpongeBob SquarePants" emerging the victor.

Paityn, now 7, was only 5 when diagnosed with B-cell lymphoblastic leukemia. She started getting sick in September 2022 and things escalated quickly. She had to undergo several tests, procedures and chemotherapy.

At the beginning, she and her mom were housed at the Ronald

McDonald House in Memphis. They lived there, away from their family in Savannah, for 93 days so Paityn could receive the care and treatment she needed from St. Jude.

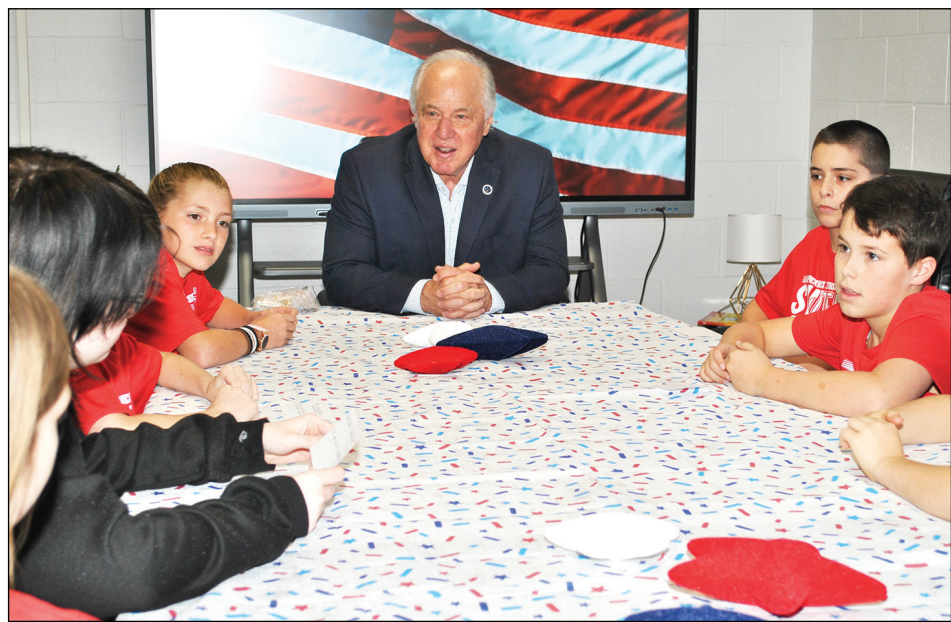
"God and St. Jude worked their magic, and Paityn was told she was in remission in December of 2022," said Calton. "However, this did not mean she was in the clear. There are still bad cells hiding in Paityn's body that aren't picked up on the tests."

Treatments continue for up to three years after remission because "they know for sure that if they stop the treatment, the bad cells would take back over her body and they would be back at the beginning," the teacher explained.

Paityn is currently in week 76 of 120 of the maintenance phase of her treatment.



East Hardin first grader and leukemia patient Paityn Barrier was honored last Friday with a whole day of school activities and opportunities to raise funds for St. Jude.



Tennessee state Sen. Page Walley talks with Pickwick Southside Student Council members last Thursday.

## Pickwick Southside Student Council members discuss state issues with Sen. Walley

Linda White  
Courier correspondent

It's not every day middle school students have the opportunity to eat lunch with a state Senator.

Last Thursday, Sen. Page Walley (R-Savannah) visited Pickwick Southside to answer questions from nine student council members as they shared a meal together. Afterward, Walley spoke at a school assembly for all sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

Walley shared that he is running for re-election

in the Nov. 5 election. Asked if he believes he will win, Walley said, "Yes. Because nobody is running against me. But that is no reason to be arrogant."

Walley said he "loves his job" and likes to visit as many of the 220,000 citizens as he can in the eight counties he represents, including Hardin County.

"This is the most fulfilling job I've ever had. I like finding solutions to help people have a better, safer life," said Walley, whose previous

jobs include psychologist, social services commissioner and serving in the Tennessee House of Representatives for 10 years.

Walley said there are several things he plans to work on in the future.

"Bringing better paying jobs for our citizens is one," said Walley. "Right now in Haywood County, near Brownsville, Ford Motor Company is constructing the largest factory they've ever built. When finished, they will build Ford F-150 electric trucks. We'll have 6,000

new permanent jobs from that alone."

Walley continued by explaining that side businesses are coming to the Brownsville area, like S.K. Battery – the factory that produces the batteries for the electric trucks.

"We are building a city there. Workers and their families will need housing, restaurants, grocery stores, etc.," said Walley. Another big effort will be to reopen hospitals or build new hospitals in smaller towns where they were closed a few years ago.

"We are getting hospitals near people who need them. We reopened a hospital in Brownsville recently," said Walley. "We are working on opening hospitals in Selmer, Parsons and Somerville."

Walley also expects to vote on issues such as road improvements, farming and forestry industry, teacher salary increases, school resource officers, water and waste water treatment plants and bridges.

"We are redoing the bridge over Pickwick Dam that was built in the 1930s. I vote on anything and everything to keep people safe," said Walley.

A student asked, "If you weren't a senator,

what would you like to be?"

"I've thought about it before, and I think it would be fun to be an athletic director for a college football team," said Walley, who played football himself while

attending Davidson College, North Carolina.

Walley was raised in Fayette County at LaGrange, Tennessee. He lived in Bolivar for 25 years and has been a Savannah resident for two years.

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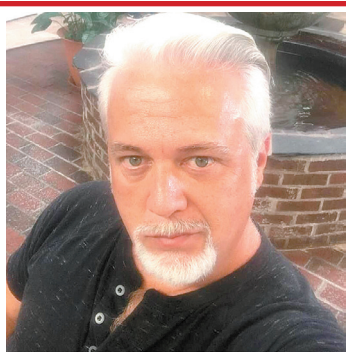
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SECTION B

# Strong 2nd half propels Indians over Tigers Friday night

Jackson North Side comes to town and knocks off Hardin County on Homecoming Night by scoring 42 unanswered points over the final three periods.

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Warm and humid weather conditions greeted all those that made their way to Jim Carroll Stadium Friday evening, September 20 to witness Homecoming 2024 action between the Hardin County Tigers and Jackson North Side Indians.

Prior to the game Homecoming festivities and the Go Gold ceremony took place. Go Gold t-shirts were visible all around Jim Carroll Stadium. A large number of helium-filled gold balloons were then released out in the middle of the football field at the conclusion of the ceremony.

The Tiger Go Gold cancer awareness St. Jude fundraiser has grown from just HCHS participating to include all of our local schools and many businesses throughout our community.

The 13th Annual Tigers Go Gold for childhood cancer awareness event had yet another record

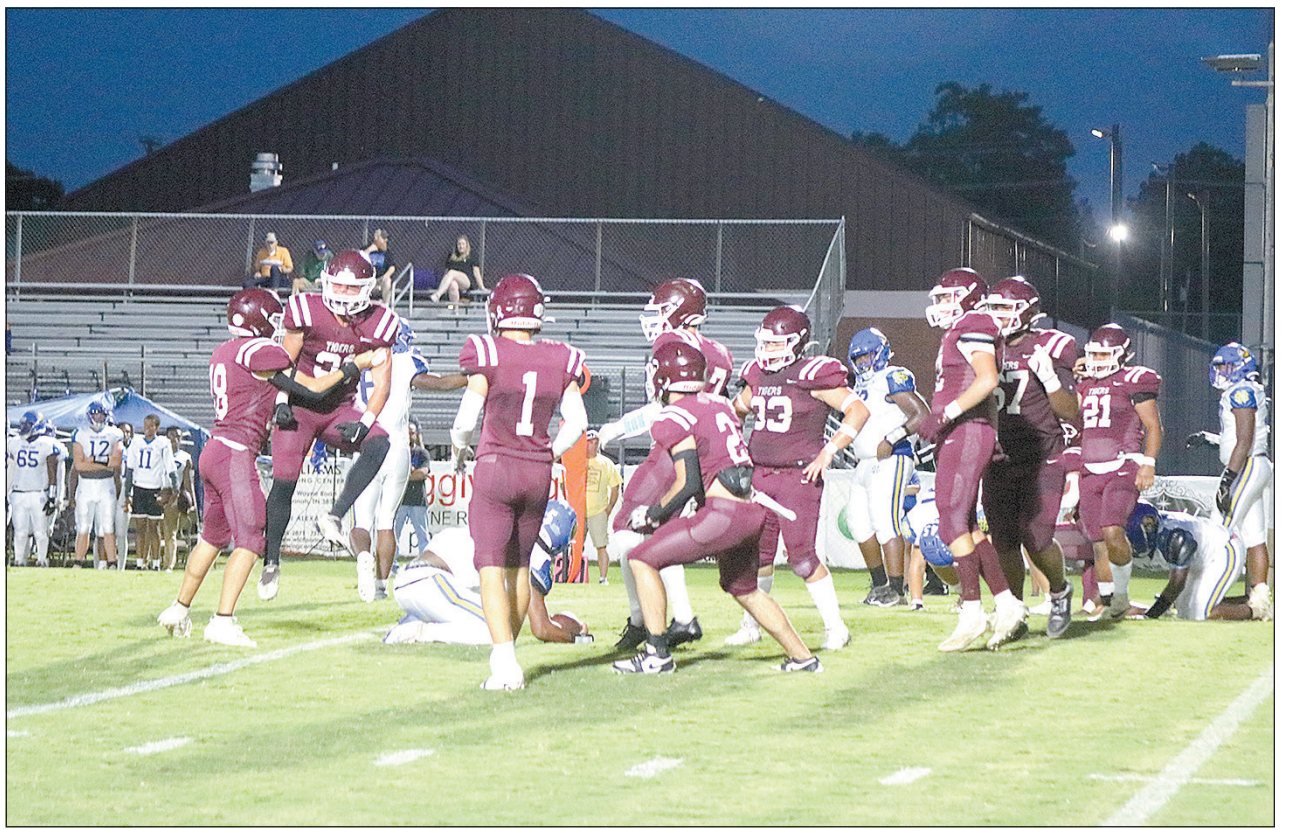
breaking year with donations being received for 1,716 t-shirts. This year's fundraiser will bring in a little over \$19,000 when all pledges are collected.

Since 2012, over \$160,000 has been raised through Go Gold t-shirts. Team Aaron will surpass \$500,000 in total donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital this December through their St. Jude Memphis Marathon Heroes running team.

This event would not be so successful without the support of the entire Hardin County community. The Aaron Bell family wants to express their sincere appreciation to all of the sponsors and every person who helped with orders and distribution of the Tigers Go Gold shirts.

HCHS student Kane White led those in attendance in a pre-game prayer just before The Pride gave another wonderful performance of Our National Anthem.

Tiger Captains Brodie Ivey, Taysean Johnson, Gabe Eliff and Parker



The Tiger "D" is fired up after making a big play during first-half action Homecoming Night.

Jerrols met the Indian Captains and game officials at mid-field for the pre-game coin toss. HC won the toss and elected to defer their choice until the second half kickoff.

**North Side Indians 42  
Hardin County Tigers 7  
First Quarter**

Aketza Urrutia kicked off deep with Ben White running the returner out of bounds at the JNS 29.

— See Tigers, page 4B

## Application Period for Early Season WMA Waterfowl

*Application Period for Early Season  
WMA Waterfowl Quota Hunt Open  
September 25-October 15*  
Courtesy of TWRA

NASHVILLE --- The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency has announced the application period for the 2024 Early Season Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Waterfowl Hunt is open Sept. 25 through Oct. 15.

Applications can be made online at <https://quotahunt.gooutdoorstennessee.com>, the TWRA mobile app, TWRA regional offices, or any TWRA license agent. Mailed applications will not be accepted. Applicants must be at least 16 years old. Detailed application instructions, WMA locations, and general waterfowl quota hunt information are available on the TWRA website on the Quota Hunts page. The deadline for applications is Oct. 15 at 11:59 (CDT).

A person may only submit one application, that can include up to 48 unique hunt choices; hunt choices may not be repeated. Qualifying parties must have at least four members, with a maximum of eight.

A party must be established by a party leader who will select the hunt choices for the entire party. A party number will be assigned to the leader after the application has been submitted. The leader informs the person(s) wishing to join the party of the party number. The members will choose "join a party" on their application and input the leader's party number onto their application. TWRA's priority drawing system gives

one priority point to applicants each year they apply and are not successful for any hunt. Applicants who were successful last year will start over with a priority of zero. If applicants in a party have varying priority points, the party will assume the point status of the highest point of the party. If a party is unsuccessful, each party member's individual priority will increase by 1 point.

A successful applicant may bring up to seven additional hunters (guests) of their choice, each day of the hunt. The number of adults in a blind or pool may not exceed eight, one of which must be a permit holder. No additional party members can be added after the drawing. Permits are nontransferable.

Successful applicants will receive an email with instructions to log-in and must claim their permit before Oct. 28. Each party member must claim their own permit. Permits will be available to print after the permit has been claimed. Individuals in the party that fail to claim their permit forfeit their individual permit but may still hunt with a permit holder in attendance at the blind. If no one in a successfully drawn party claims their permit, the party forfeits that site, and the site will be allocated through an in-person leftover drawing.

The leftover drawings will be held on Monday, Nov. 11 at 6 p.m. local time. The drawing locations are listed on page 85 of the 2024-25 Tennessee Fishing, Hunting, and Trapping Guide. Find out more here: WMA Waterfowl Quota Hunt information.

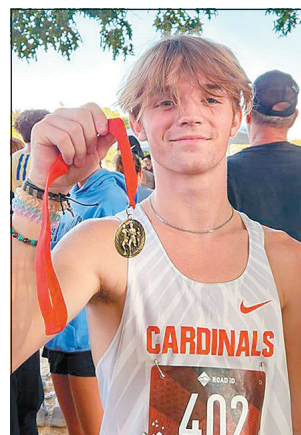
## AHS Cardinal Cross Country runs in Crockett County

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The Cardinals along with 155 other Area/State ranked runners competed in the Crockett County Invitational XC Meet Tuesday, September 17.

As one can imagine, with all the rain that most of West Tennessee received last week, the 5K course that surrounded Crockett County High School was quite muddy.

Junior Jack Lewis came across the Finish Line in Seventh Place overall. Jack finished less than



Jack Lewis

one minute behind the race winner, a runner from Huntingdon. The muddy course not only affected Lewis, but it affected most of the top runners



HC Sophomore Lamarion Wyke shows excellent form as he makes a nice catch on a sideline pass thrown by Aidan Coleman.



Tiger Senior Jacob Saunders prepares to cross the goal line and celebrate with the HCHS student section Friday night vs North Side.



Tiger QB Aidan Coleman runs for a nice gain vs the Indians.



Hardin County Junior Ben White (#18), had a nice kickoff return along with two carries for six yards during second-half action vs JNS.

# Cardinals tame Tigers and have a Happy Homecoming

Adamsville defeats Middleton  
53-16 at Lendon Martin Stadium

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It was a perfect night for football Friday night, September 20 at Lendon Martin Stadium in Adamsville. It was also 2024 Homecoming Night, and the Cardinals didn't disappoint their fans as they rolled to a 53-16 win over the Middleton Tigers to improve to 3-2 on the season.

**AHS Cardinals 53  
Middleton Tigers 16**  
Adamsville needed less than two minutes to grab an early lead when QB Ben Hill hit J.C. Gray with a scoring pass from 24 yards out. Rudy Brown added the extra point kick to make it 7-0 with 10:11 left in the opening period.

Cardinal Senior Avery McCormick then blocked Middleton's punt attempt on their first possession. Dylan Beach picked up the loose ball and sprinted into the MHS end zone for a Cardinal Touchdown with 7:55 left in the first period. Brown's PAT gave the Cardinals a 14-0 lead.

AHS Sophomore J.C. Gray scored his second touchdown of the night with 4:46 still to play in the first quarter on a 31-yard end around. Brown's kick soon made the new score 21-0.

After forcing

Middleton to punt the ball away, Avery McCormick found himself in the end zone on a nine-yard run. The point after try failed, leaving the Cardinals with a 27-0 lead with 2:59 left in the first quarter.

After forcing another Tiger punt, Cardinal Senior Malachi Moore got in on the scoring party with a four-yard touchdown gallop. The kick by Brown increased the Adamsville advantage to 34-0 on the first play of the second quarter.

Moore later added another four-yard touchdown with 8:16 to play before halftime to make the score 40-0.

Middleton got on the scoreboard by returning the second-half kickoff to the end zone and opened the third quarter with a bang. Following a successful two-point conversion the score changed to 40-8.

With 6:33 left in the third period, Dylan Beach scored on a 33-yard run. Brown added the point after kick to make the new score 47-8. With 13 seconds left in the third quarter, Middleton scored from 11 yards out on a pass play and added the two-point conversion to make it 47-16.

The final points of the contest came with 6:10 left in the game when Skylar Holland scored on

a 56-yard run. The kick try failed leaving the final score at 53-16 in favor of the Cardinals to make the home crowd happy on Homecoming Night.

**Record: 3-2**  
**CARDINAL STATS**  
**First Downs:** AHS 15 MHS 9.  
**Team Rushing:** 18 carries for 183 yards and 4 touchdowns.  
**Individual rushing:** Malachi Moore 7 for 72 yards and 2 touchdowns; Ben Hill 5 for 34; Dylan Beach 1 for 34 and 1 touchdown; J.C. Gray 1 for 31 and 1 touchdown; Ayden Finley 1 for 4 for 12.  
**Passing:** Ben Hill 5 of 7 for 87 yards and 2 touchdowns; J.C. Gray 1 of 1 for 56 yards and 1 touchdown.  
**Receiving:** Skyler Holland 2 catches for 74 yards and 1 touchdown; Keelan Surratt 2 for 37; J.C. Gray 1 for 23 and 1 touchdown; Avery McCormick 1 for 9 and 1 touchdown.  
**Extra point kicks:** Rudy Brown 5 of 7.  
**Interception:** Isaac Howard 1.  
**Blocked kick:** Avery McCormick 1.  
**Tackles:** Avery Burks, Caleb Sides 3.5; Carl Hall, Anthony Borden, Waylon Rogers, Colton Enzor 2.5; Isaac Howard, Hayden English 2; Matthew Dooley, Debo Kasson, Keelan Surratt, Daniel Walters, Carson Niukkanen 1.5; Caysen Hunt, Caden Alley 1; Dylan Beach .5, Skyler Holland, Avery McCormick, Kyle Atwood, Bear Engel, Eli Morgan, Jeston Johnson 1.  
**Tackle for loss:** Carl Hall 2; Caysen Hunt 1.  
**Sack:** Carl Hall 1.

"We played really well," said Cardinal Head Coach Brandon Gray. "We scored 27 points in

the first period, moved the ball and executed well. Everything just kind of went right, on our first touchdown pass I thought it was going to be intercepted but it turned out to be a touchdown.

We blocked a punt and scooped it and scored. "We did what we needed to do to answer the bell and took control of the game. I was glad our guys did not let Homecoming distract

them, I'm glad we came out focused. We started one senior, two freshmen, and two sophomores on our offensive line due to injuries, we have to get some guys back healthy or grow up in a hurry."



Cardinal Sophomore J.C. Gray had a big night vs Middleton with one passing touchdown, one rushing touchdown, and one receiving touchdown. —Photo courtesy of Kara Powers

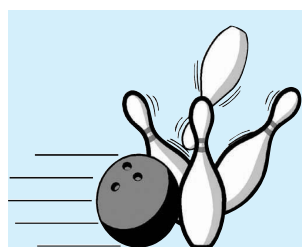


AHS Junior Matthew Dooley grabs a Tiger ball carrier and slings him down on Homecoming Night. —Photo courtesy of Kara Powers

## HCHS golfers face off vs South Side, Chester County

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The Hardin County High School golf teams played two matches last



### League Bowling High Scores

Monday Morning Coffee Cup Sept. 16th

**Men**  
Scratch Game — Charles Lewis 224  
Scratch Series — Leonard Bugg 576  
Handicap Game — Dale Carpenter 273  
Handicap Series — Dale Carpenter 715

**Women**  
Scratch Game — Tracy Evans 213  
Scratch Series — Tracy Evans 558  
Handicap Game — Tracy Evans 267  
Handicap Series — Katie Stacey 749

**Monday Youth Trio September 16th**

**Boys**  
Scratch Game — Haeden Ditto 221  
Scratch Series — Haeden Ditto 580  
Handicap Game — Billy Pollard 233  
Handicap Series — Billy Pollard 654

**Girls**  
Scratch Game — Bella Alcott 244  
Scratch Series — Charlize Shelton 631  
Handicap Game — Bella Alcott 283  
Handicap Series — Charlize Shelton 685

**Monday Night Classic September 16th**

**Men**  
Scratch Game — Bryan Crites 265  
Scratch Series — Rodney Lewis 734  
Handicap Game — Jerroll Henderson 290  
Handicap Series — Rodney Lewis 734

**Women**  
Scratch Game — Ashley Pipes 237  
Scratch Series — Ashley Pipes 661  
Handicap Game — Jennifer Channell 240  
Handicap Series — Ashley Pipes 661

**Tuesday Night Ladies Classic Sept. 17th**

**Women**  
Scratch Game — Katie Stacey 183  
Scratch Series — Katie Stacey 465  
Handicap Game — Katie Stacey 244  
Handicap Series — Cheryl Carpenter 668

**Thursday Night Youth / Adult Sport Sept. 19th**

**Boys**  
Scratch Game — Peyton Napper 214  
Scratch Series — Camden Morris 592  
Handicap Game — Paul Robert Pilkington 19  
Handicap Series — Wade Daniel 598

**Men**  
Scratch Game — Dale Carpenter 245  
Scratch Series — Andy Zavatchin 629  
Handicap Game — Mark Suffling 267  
Handicap Series — Roger James 629

**Women**  
Scratch Game — Marjorie Parker 194  
Scratch Series — Marjorie Parker 542  
Handicap Game — Marjorie Parker 221  
Handicap Series — Marjorie Parker 623

week with both taking place at Pickwick Landing State Park Golf Course. Hardin County played host to Jackson South Side Monday, September 16 in a Boys only match-up before taking on both Chester County teams at the same venue the very next afternoon.

The HCTigers claimed a team win in the Boys match by a narrow two stroke margin with a 168 total compared to a 170 score for South Side. Zach Thompson led the Tigers as he fired a 38 and claimed the Medalist position. Eli Moore and

Sam McGinley each put a 43 on their scorecard while Westin Roten claimed the final HC scoring spot with his 44. Hunter Reaves added a 47 with Bryson Matlock and Justin Albers each finishing nine holes with a 51 total. Sladen Allison had a 58 for the Tigers.

The HCHS Tigers picked up their second straight team victory as they posted a 177 score as the CC Eagles finished with a 183 team total. Also for the second consecutive day, Zach Thompson led the Tigers in addition to being the

Boys Medalist with a nine-hole total of 40. Sam McGinley was next for the Tigers with a 44 with Hunter Reaves one stroke back at 45. Westin Roten filled the final Tiger scoring spot with his 48 effort. Eli Moore and Sladen Allison each put a 52 on their scorecard with Bryson Matlock shooting a 54. Justin Albers brought home a 55 total with Owen Crosswhite adding a 60 effort.

The Chester County Eaglettes nipped the Hardin County Lady Tigers by two strokes at 109 to 111. Ashlan McLean led her team with a 53 as Layla Arnold added a 58.



Surrounded by Middleton defenders, Cardinal Senior Malachi Moore makes a jump-cut to try to find an opening for more yardage. —Photo courtesy of Kara Powers



Adamsville Sophomore Skyler Holland runs with the football after catching a pass vs Middleton. —Photo courtesy of Kara Powers

## AHS Golf hosts Bolivar in postponed home match

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The Adamsville High School golfers welcomed golfers from Bolivar High School to Shiloh Golf Course Thursday, September 19 in a match that was postponed seven days by the remnants of Hurricane Francine passing through the area

last week.

Bolivar won the Boys Team Match with a 159 score compared to 181 for the Cardinals. Sophomore Elam Dierks led Adamsville with his 41 core over nine holes. Sophomore Bradley Harris was a couple of strokes behind his teammate with his 43 as sophomore Ashton Davis fired a 46. Senior Cree Rosson finished with a

51 to fill the final scoring spot as junior Maguire Luna added a 52. Playing as an individual, senior Brodie Learue came in with a 57 effort.

Bolivar also won the Girls Team Match as they posted a 107 team total compared to 111 for the Lady Cardinals. Senior Sophie Blurton fired a 54 over nine holes as freshman Layla Palmer added a 57.

## HC Volleyball in action vs Liberty, Middleton, McNairy

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The Hardin County High School Lady Tiger volleyball squad was very busy on the hardwood last week with three matches over a four-day period. HC traveled to Jackson Monday, September 16 and picked up a victory. The Lady Tigers played host to Middleton the very next afternoon

with the visitors picking up a road win. HC completed the week at home vs McNairy on Thursday, September 19 with the Lady Bobcats victorious.

**9/16/24 vs Liberty**

The HC Lady Tiger varsity players won their match over Liberty in three games by scores of 25-6, 25-6, and 25-8.

**9/17/24 vs Middleton**

The visiting Middleton athletes won the varsity match by

taking three straight games vs HCHS by scores of 25-19, 26-24, and 25-16.

The Hardin County JV squad dropped their match by a 2-1 margin in games by scores of 22-25, 25-23, and 5-15.

**9/19/24 vs McNairy**

The Lady Bobcats came to McCaleb-Welch Gymnasium and won over Hardin County in four games by scores of 25-20, 17-26, 25-20, and 25-16.

### Adamsville Cardinals (3-2) @ Jackson Central Merry Cougars (4-0) Friday, September 27 • 7 p.m. Lane College Field in Jackson

An athletic powerhouse in the past that was closed down and is now back in business presents quite a challenge for Adamsville as they hit the road to Jackson Friday evening for a big region game. The Cougars are undefeated with a 4-0 mark and are improving every game according to Cardinal Head Coach Brandon Gray. "They are for real, they have speed and athleticism and are big, fast, and strong," said Gray. "We will have to practice tackling all week to get ready. If we can tackle them we can play with them. We better come out focused and ready to play football this week or JCM will hurt our feelings. They still make some mistakes but are athletic and can fly to the football. We will have to play mistake-free and execute extremely well. It is going to be a challenge, but we are going to show up and get after them."

# HCMS Football splits games vs Decatur and EO Coffman

*Young Tigers fall on road at Decatur County before returning home for convincing win over E.O. Coffman from Lawrence County*

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The Hardin County Middle School football Tigers were busy on the gridiron last week as they played a game that had been postponed due to wet weather conditions Monday, September 16 at Decatur County. Three days later the Tigers welcomed E.O. Coffman from Lawrence County to Jim Carroll Stadium in Savannah for their regularly scheduled contest.

## Decatur County 22 Hardin County 12

The two teams battled hard in a scoreless opening period and headed to the second quarter looking to put the ball in the end zone.



HCMS Tiger Blaze Murphy puts a lick on the E.O. Coffman quarterback during the Tiger victory.

HCMS scored first on a 16-yard scoring run by quarterback Isaiah Bingham. The two-point try failed, leaving the Tigers with a 6-0 lead.

Decatur County then scored on a 36-yard touchdown gallop and added the two-point conversion to grab an 8-6 advantage.

Hardin County answered as Bingham scored another Tiger Touchdown, this time on a 17-yard sprint to paydirt. The two point was no good as HC took the lead at 12-8.

Decatur County again countered as they found the end zone on a 39-yard touchdown run and added the two-point play to take a 16-12 halftime lead.

The Panthers scored

the only second-half points of the game in the third quarter on a one-yard touchdown plunge as the two-point try failed to make the new score 22-12.

Neither team was able to score during the hard-fought final eight minutes of action as Decatur County pulled out a 22-12 home win.

**HARDIN COUNTY STATS**  
Isaiah Bingham 125 yards on 21 carries, 2 touchdowns, 1 fumble, 6 tackles including 3 for loss; Braxton Harrison 2 carries for 5 yards, 3 tackles including 2 for loss; Riley Savage 2 carries, 1 fumble, 1 tackle, 1 pass break-up; Paxton Noble 8 tackles; Casen Black 3 tackles including 1 for loss; Blaze Murphy, Sawyer Smith, Carson Stricklin 3 tackles each; C.J. Melson 2 tackles including 1 for loss; Jeremiah McCord, Lucas Vickery 2 tackles each; Ricky Tomlin, Austin Fowler 1 tackle each.

## Hardin County 22 E.O. Coffman 6

Isaiah Bingham started the scoring with a 42-yard gallop in the opening period and added the two-point conversion run to put HCMS on top 8-0 when play moved to the second quarter.

EO Coffman came back on their next possession and scored on a long 51-yard touchdown run. The two-point try failed as Hardin County led 8-6.



The Hardin County Middle School Football Tigers race on to the field moments before kickoff in their game vs E.O. Coffman.

Bingham finished off the next Tiger drive with a two-yard touchdown run and again converted the two-point run to put his team on top 16-6 at the halftime break.

Neither team scored during a hard-fought and physical third period as HCMS still led 16-6 with eight minutes left to play.

Isaiah exploded for a 63-yard Tiger Touchdown run in the fourth quarter. The two-point attempt was no good but the Hardin County defense slammed the door with no more scoring taking place and the Tigers winning 22-6 over a very good team.

**Record: 5-2**  
**HARDIN COUNTY STATS**  
Isaiah Bingham 183 yards on 20 carries, 3 touchdowns, 2 two-point conversions; 1 fumble, 1 tackle; Braxton

Harrison 10 carries for 26 yards, 4 tackles, 2 sacks; Riley Savage 7 tackles; Paxton Noble 10 tackles, caused fumble, 1 sack; Casen Black 5 tackles; Blaze Murphy 11 tackles including 1 for loss, 2 sacks, caused fumble; Jeremiah McCord 4 tackles, 2 pass break-ups, 1 fumble recovery; Ricky Tomlin 2

tackles; Carson Stricklin 6 tackles; Shaun Woods 2 tackles for loss, 1 sack.

"It was a very physical game," said HCMS Head Coach William McAdams. "It was truly a great team effort, our defense really had their best game of the year so far."



HCMS Running Back Braxton Harrison gets loose for a big gain during the home win over the squad from Lawrence County.

## Middle School Softball Round-Up

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The AJHS Lady Cardinal Softball team finished up their season last week by competing in the McNairy County Softball Tournament.

Adamsville staged a dramatic come-from-behind walk-off 4-3 home victory in the bottom of the seventh over Selmer Middle School Monday, September 16 in the tournament semifinals.

Adamsville traveled to Ramer the very next evening to take on

the top-seeded Lady Eagles. AJHS grabbed an early lead before Ramer rallied to claim a very tight 3-2 win to become County Champions with Adamsville the County Runners-Up.

"This year has been a joy," said Lady Cardinal Head Coach Amanda Bowles. "The girls worked very hard and showed a lot of growth throughout the season. Thank you to our parents and families for all their support. I am very proud to be a part of such a great program, through both

AJHS and AHS Softball! Proud to be a Cardinal!"

After the conclusion of the tournament the All County Team was announced. Lady Cardinal members of the team were: #1 Lillie Ward, #2 Chloe Gilchrist, #22 Mylie Stiddom.

**Record: 12-4**  
The SCA Lady Eagles completed their 2024 schedule with two road wins over Pickwick Southside on Thursday, September 19. SCA won by scores of 19-3 and 14-4.  
**Record: 19-10**



The McNairy County Tournament Softball Tournament Runners-Up AJHS Lady Cardinals

Lady Cardinal Head Coach Amanda Bowles is joined by her three All County team members for a photo after the Championship Game.



## AJHS football wins over Ramer to advance to County Finals

*Cards knock off Eagles 30-8 to survive and advance to the McNairy County Football Playoff Finals vs Bethel*

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The Adamsville Cardinals played host to the Ramer Eagles in a McNairy County Football Playoff Semifinal contest Thursday, September 19 at Lendon Martin Stadium. Adamsville won by a margin of 30-8 to advance to the County Finals Tuesday, October 1 at 6 p.m. at home vs Bethel.

## AJHS Cardinals 30 Ramer Eagles 8

AJHS kicked off to Ramer to begin the game with the Eagles

taking possession at their own 45. Ramer was able to run eight offensive plays before reaching the Cardinal 43 and punting the pigskin to the Cardinal 20 with 3:43 remaining in the opening period.

Adamsville needed seven plays to reach the end zone as they scored on a 12-yard touchdown pass thrown by Avery Story and caught by Warren Tyler. Bryce Austin then added the two-point conversion to give AJHS an 8-0 lead on the final play of the first quarter.

Ramer started at their own 23 yard line

following the ensuing kickoff. The Eagles ran seven plays before turning the ball over on an interception by Bryce Austin with the Cards gaining possession at Ramer 44 with 3:44 remaining in the second period.

Adamsville needed only four plays to find paydirt again with Bryce Austin scoring on a 10-yard touchdown gallop. Jackson Johnson added the two-point play to put the Cards up 16-0 with 2:16 left until the halftime break.

Ramer started at their own 28 yard line after receiving the kickoff. AJHS came up with a sack on play one as Jackson Johnson recovered an Eagle fumble two plays

later. Three plays later Johnson scored for AJHS before Austin added the two-point conversion to give Adamsville a commanding 24-0 lead at the half.

Starting the third period, AJHS took over at the 50 yard-line after the Ramer kickoff and again scored quickly, this time needing four plays with Henry Hopper taking it in from one yard out. The two-point try failed and left the score at 30-0 with 5:42 left in the third.

Ramer took the kickoff at their own and put together a long scoring drive that saw the Eagles run 15 plays and eat up almost all of the time remaining on the third and fourth quarter clock time

before scoring on a six-yard run. The Eagles added the two-point play to make the final score of 30-8.

**Record: 7-0**  
**AHS Offensive Stats**  
Bryce Austin 90 yards and 1 touchdown; Jackson Johnson 42 yards and 1 touchdown; Avery Story 61 yards rushing, 32 yards passing for 1 touchdown; Henry Hopper 5 yards, 1 touchdown; Ty Grisham 39 yards; Eli Finley 10 yards; Jayden Grisham 7 yards; Warren Tyler 12 yards receiving, 1 touchdown.

**AHS Defensive Stats**  
Keyon Irons 7 tackles; Jackson Johnson 6 tackles and 1 fumble recovery; Damien Lard 4 tackles; Jeffrey Crews, Keith Tapp, Austin Maxedon, Eli Kiser 3 tackles; Ty Grisham, Peyton

Moore, Bentley Phipps, Tucker Rummell 2 tackles; Warren Tyler 2 tackles, 1 fumble recovery; Bryce Austin 1 interception; Lee Heathcock, Avery Story, Henry Hopper, Lawsyn Hughes, Jayden Grisham 1 tackle.

"I'm so proud of all of these boys, they played another solid game and we got a lot of kids some playing time," said Cardinal Head Coach Michael Harvill. "Ramer played tough and controlled the clock well, but we were glad we could still come out with the win. We still have some things to get cleared up, but it is coming together. We're looking forward to playing Bethel next week."

## Shiloh Park 4-Miler was huge success with State Record

Submitted by  
Ronnie Cartwright

The Shiloh Park 4-Miler held on Saturday, September 14 was a huge success. We had 75 participants with 46 finishers. The beneficiaries of the event were Temple Worship Center in Savannah and the District Three

Community Center in Counce. We did have light rain at the start and during the run. All runners/walkers were able to finish before the heavy rain set in for the day.

We had assistance from the Shiloh Park Rangers with parking and keeping everyone safe. The course is a

USATF certified course.

Mr. J.D. Germany from Stantonville set the Tennessee State Record for the 88 year old male age group with a time of 1:03:32. He also holds the 2021, and 2022 Tennessee State Records.

The top overall Male finisher was Scott Adkison in a time of

28:07.9 while the top overall Female finisher was Deonne Ewoldt with her time of 36:00.5.

The top Male Masters finisher was Arthur Priddy with a time of 29:20.1 as the top Female Masters finisher other than overall female winner Deonne Ewoldt was Sharon Cruse with a time of 39:04.4.

Leading the Male Grandmasters was Fred Ketchum in a time of 33:24.2 with Kay Butterfield the top Female Grandmaster finisher with her time of 43:01.5.

Topping the Male Senior Grandmaster finishers was Ronnie Cartwright with a time of 43:39.2 while Marjorie

Mitchell topped the Female Senior Grandmaster finishers with her time of 46:29.6.

We would like to thank all runners/walkers, Shiloh Park Rangers, sponsors, volunteers and the Hardin County EMS. It was a great day to run, Shiloh National Park is a fantastic place to have a run.

# Tigers

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A bad snap led to a three plays and punt situation for the Indians as their low kick bounced to the HC 30 with 10:22 on the first quarter clock. Hardin County was almost able to move the chains but came up one yard short and brought Carter Pigg in to punt the pigskin away. Pigg put up a nice punt to the JNS 24 at the 8:35 mark.

A quick pass gained five yards before Maddox Ruddle made the stop. Two plays later JNS picked up a first down at their own 38 with Chris Kinney making the hit. Runs of four yards and six yards gave the Indians a fresh set of downs at the NS 48 with Parker Jerrolds making a tackle. The next snap resulted in a North Side ball carrier breaking free for a gain of 32 yards to move the chains down to the HC 20 with Kinney making another stop. Hunter Adams stopped the next run for a gain of one yard. The next play was ruled an incomplete pass but was very close to a backward pass. A reverse play reached the Tiger 12 as Kinney ran the ball carrier out of bounds. JNS went for the first down on fourth down and two but Parker Jerrolds was having none of it as he penetrated into the back field and knocked the ball carrier to the ground for a loss to give HC the football at their own 14 with 4:42 on the clock.

A jet sweep lost a couple of yards before QB Aidan Coleman kept the ball and ran around left end for 5 yards. On third and seven, the Indians were flagged for defensive holding to give HC a first down at their own 27. JNS lined up offside to make it first down and five. Coleman hit Eliff with a pass completion to the Indian 32 as Gabe made a great adjustment to haul in the throw. Lamarion Wyke then ran a jet sweep to the right and gained nine yards.

Two plays later Jacob Saunders followed some nice blocking to the JNS 28. Saunders got the ball again on the following snap and headed into the middle of the line before cutting hard to his left and broke the NS contain before exploding 28 yards to the end zone for a Tiger Touchdown. Urrutia nailed the extra point to put the home team on top 7-0 with 50 seconds remaining in the first quarter. Aketza kicked off with a line drive kick and soon blasted into the Indian kick returner to cause a fumble but the ball was recovered by North Side. The Indians were also guilty of a block in the back which pushed them back to their own 11 to start the drive. The QB kept for two yards with Carter Pigg and several of his friends making the hit on the final play of the opening period.

### Second Quarter

JNS then threw a quick pass for a gain of three as Hunter Adams knocked him down with a big hit. A quick slant pass followed and was completed before fumbling the football but once again the ball bounced directly to an Indian player for a first down at the JNS 26. Taysean Johnson stopped the next run in the backfield and body-slammed the runner to the ground for a loss of four. A 13-yard run took the ball to the NS 35 and left a third and one play call. A running play was stopped for a one-yard loss to set up a fourth down and two. JNS went for the first down and was stopped just short by Cooper Townley as the ball went over on downs near the JNS 36 with 8:53 left until halftime.

The Tiger sideline and fans in the stands were understandably excited as their beloved Big Maroon had a lead and had made two excellent defensive stands to grab momentum. Sports, like life, can be cruel as all of the happiness was crushed two plays

later when a North Side defender picked up a Tiger fumble that was an unforced error, and raced 64 yards to the end zone to score a North Side touchdown out of nowhere. The Tiger players and the big Homecoming crowd were in shock as JNS missed the point after attempt to leave Hardin County with a 7-6 lead.

The Indian line drive kickoff went into the end zone to give HC the football at their own 20. Brodie Ivey took a handoff and powered his way forward for a nice gain of 14 to move the chains. Coleman followed with a keeper for four before Ivey ran again and gained five yards to leave a third down and one play call. Ivey was stopped just short and left a fourth down and inches situation. HC brought in their Jumbo package which helped Coleman run to the Tiger 43. The play was flagged for being a "Tush Push" which is not allowed in high school football, a very questionable call to say the least. Carter Pigg came in with the punt team and got away a great kick with JNS taking possession at their own 15 following a penalty as Riley Head made the tackle.

After an incomplete pass, the Indian QB attempted a draw and was slammed down for a loss of two. Another huge play followed as JNS faced third down and 12 at their own 13 before an 87 yard screen pass that featured countless missed tackles ended up in the HC end zone for a touchdown. A two-point play put JNS up 14-7 with 5:14 on the game clock.

Lamarion Wyke caught a line-drive kickoff and returned it to the Tiger 34. A wheel route to Saunders had lots of green grass but the ball fell to the ground incomplete. Two plays later HC faced fourth down and six as Pigg came in to punt the football to the JNS 27.

A quick pass gained

10 yards and moved the chains with Ellis Smith on the tackle. A wounded-duck pass was somehow completed for a gain of 24 to the HC 39. A jet sweep was stopped for no gain by Townley before the Indians faced a third down and two situation. A running play moved the ball to the Tiger 18 as Ellis Smith made a touchdown-saving tackle. A run for seven followed with Jerrolds on the stop with the next play an 11-yard touchdown run with very little trouble. Gabe Eliff stopped the two-point play to leave the score at 20-7. Wyke had a nice return of the kickoff to the HC 47. A long pass looked like it had potential but fell just short as an Indian defender high-pointed the ball and made the interception and the clock soon hit 0:00.

Both bands played during halftime, with The Pride doing a great job while playing three selections from their 2024 Field Show: The Darkest of Days, the Brightest of Lights.

### Third Quarter

HC moved into position to receive the kickoff to open second-half action, desperately needing to score some points and make a dent in the momentum which was firmly in the JNS pocket. Unfortunately, a three and punt was the result with kicking the ball to the JNS 25. The Indians needed only two plays to find the end zone on a 51-yard touchdown run. The two-point conversion made the new score 28-7 with 9:39 left in the third.

Heath Hardin recovered an inside kickoff at the Tiger 44. Two plays later the Indians recovered a fumble at the HC 46. Three plays later North Side scored another touchdown on a 40-yard run with the extra point making it 35-7 with 7:56 on the game clock as things swiftly began to get out of hand.

The Tigers started at their own 29 after Adams

returned the kickoff. Coleman ran for three before then completing a pass to Wyke which moved the ball all the way to the JNS 20. The drive soon stalled as the Tigers pushed the ball to the 11 where the ball went over on downs. The final score of the game came a couple of plays later as an Indian receiver caught a short pass, broke two tackle attempts early, then raced 82 yards for a touchdown as JNS pushed their advantage to 42-7 with 2:38 left in the third.

Ben White returned the kickoff to the HC 45. The Tiger sideline was growing increasingly frustrated and drew a flag just before the third period came to an end.

### Fourth Quarter

The TSSAA running clock took affect in the fourth period. Neither team put any points on the scoreboard as lots of reserves were on the field for both teams and play got a bit ragged.

**Record: 1-4**

### TIGER STATS

**First Downs:** JNS 9 HC 6. **Individual rushing:** Jacob Saunders 11 carries for 50 yards and 1 touchdown; Brodie Ivey 4 for 20; Ben White 2 for 6; Lamarion Wyke 2 for 13; Ellis Smith 1 for -5; Aidan Coleman 9 for -7. **Passing:** Aidan Coleman 7 of 15 for 96 yards, 1 interception. **Receiving:** Lamarion Wyke 3 catches for 50 yards; Gabe Eliff 2 for 33; Corbin Smith 1 for 9; Jacob Saunders 1 for 4. **Extra-point kicks:** Aketza Urrutia 1 of 1. **Punting:** Carter Pigg 5 punts for 40-yard average. **Kickoff return:** Lamarion Wyke 3 for 31.33 average; Ben White 1 for 13. **Tackles:** Chris Kinney 4; Parker Jerrolds 3.5; Taysean Johnson, Carter Pigg, Maddox Ruddle, Riley

Head 3; Ellis Smith, Gabe Eliff, Hunter Adams 2; Chris Rodriguez 1.5; Landon Murphy, Payton Holt, Aidan Coleman 1; Javier Chavez, Baylor Rasbach, Ben White 1. **Tackle for loss:** Johnson 3; Jerrolds 1. **Caused fumble:** Riley Head, Aketza Urrutia 1.

"Well, I was proud of the way our kids started the game, especially defensively," said Tiger Head Coach Alex Seaton.

"We came out with more energy, more pop, and had prepared well during the week which were some of the signs of maturity and progress I had not been seeing and wanted to see, and did see. Our defense came out and set the tone and our offense was in a rhythm.

"Obviously, the way things transpired was extremely disappointing. The problem is not handling those moments when adversity strikes. When things go badly we kind of lose the intensity and focus that we had been playing with. The scoop and score along with the unexpected penalty on the fourth and one play that we converted but was then taken away really hit our guys were those types of plays. Getting over those hurdles and playing with the same confidence and effort when things go wrong is tough to do, but we have to fight through it.

"We are working to find more leadership, especially among our Seniors. The message this week during our bye week is going to be about how do we respond when things go wrong? It can go one of two ways and the way it goes is up to us."

# AHS soccer rolls over Fayette-Ware, falls to South Gibson

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The Adamsville High School Lady Cardinal Soccer team played a couple of matches on the

pitch last week, coming up with a blowout win and a tough loss.

Adamsville welcomed Fayette-Ware to town Tuesday, September 17 and won by a very comfortable margin.

**Adamsville 10 Fayette-Ware 0**

**Goals:** Kady Johnson, Natalie Wilkerson 3; Livie Barber, Izzie Emmons, Brooklynn McCoy, Ryleigh Monroe 1. **Assists:** Ava Nabors, Natalie Wilkerson,

Brooklynn McCoy 1.

Two days later the Lady Cards headed northward to Medina to take on the South Gibson High School Lady Hornets and found tough going on the pitch.

**South Gibson 6 Adamsville 0**  
**Saves:** Morgan Palmer 10  
**Record: 5-2-1**

# Outdoor Truths



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I've often noticed how deer live mostly in quiet environments. This morning, I watched one city dwelling doe begin to get a bit nervous when the noise of traffic began to surround her. She quickly moved to a quieter place. Not only do they prefer soundless surroundings, but most of the time deer do very little vocal communication. It is easy to see how well this characteristic serves the deer. When it's quiet, any small or unfamiliar sound will cause them to be on alert. There is much to be said for a life full of quiet moments. Then there's the upcoming

time of year – the pre-rut and rut. A time when communication is at its highest and every form of it is used, including sounds. Grunting, bleating, wheezing, and even the echo of fighting, send certain messages to all deer within earshot. It is not coincidence that during the most important time of the year for a deer, and during a time when relationships are paramount, communication is important. And much can be said about this as well.

If you think about it, while relationships may begin from a number of ways, they are only enhancing to our lives if they involve communication. For instance, you may have a sister which means your relationship was not instigated by you or her but by birth, but

if you never talk to that sister or communicate in any way, your relationship with her will never be meaningful and in fact will dissolve back to the very basics of a simple bloodline. Every healthy and beneficial relationship will be made up of heartfelt, open, and transparent communication. And without it, we are only fooling ourselves into thinking everything is alright.


In our spiritual lives, communication is the test of whether our connection with God is staying on the fringe of a basic

relationship or if our daily life is being constantly enhanced by this kinship. During the most important periods of our life this communication will be the difference between living abundantly and existing meagerly. Don't be too prideful to communicate with God. Tell him what's on your heart. He wants to hear and give you clear directions. Remember, sometimes being quiet may keep you safe but it may also keep you from the people and places God has in store just for you.

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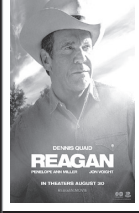
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"The Wild Robot" starts Thursday 9-26 at 7:05 p.m.

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# Longtime Middle Tenn. sports writer honored for service

*Cecil Joyce has been covering athletics for over three decades*

Courtesy of TSSAA

Initially, Cecil Joyce listened to his parents.

Upon his graduation from Mt. Juliet High School and as he prepared to embark on his collegiate journey, Joyce recalled that his father had encouraged him to consider a major in engineering because, his dad had said, "that's where the money is at."

A single semester of a grueling gauntlet of classes prompted a reassessment of the situation.

Then, naturally, athletics intervened in the form of Joyce's close

friend and burgeoning MTSU women's basketball star Stephanie Capley (McDonald).

"I was kind of pondering my life choices, my college choice and what I wanted to do," said Joyce. "I was talking to a friend of mine who I went to high school with me at Mt. Juliet, and she said, 'You're a good writer. You're a sports nut. Why not think about writing sports for Sidelines (the MTSU student newspaper)?"

"Here's the number; they're looking for a sportswriter."

Joyce got an immediate

assignment from the MTSU publication, and he's been chronicling Midstate sports for decades since that time. He's also been honored as one of the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association's Distinguished Service Award winners for the 2024 academic year.

"There's a lot of great things about this job, a lot of fulfilling elements, and it's a pleasure just doing all of it," Joyce said. "I'm very honored and it's humbling to receive this honor."

"You forget it's a job sometimes. It's changed a ton over the last 20 years, but it's still such an enjoyable business to

be in."

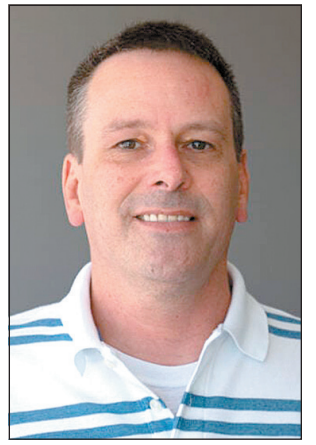
Chuck Morris and Tony Stinnett, who remain Nashville-area and MTSU sports staples, helped Joyce break onto the college journalism platform. After an initial feature on legendary former MTSU tennis coach Dale Short, Joyce steadily stacked a variety of bylines and then was hired by Murfreesboro's award-winning Daily News Journal.

In the 35 years since he first joined the DNJ, Joyce has penned virtually every storyline: myriad state championships, tragic deaths of athletes, Tennessee Vols and Tennessee Titans coverage; even a stint

for Billboard Music's publication on Nashville's fabled 'Music Row' in the mid-1990s.

"I've written stories that were pure joy and also heartbreaking but all were great stories that resonated with readers," said Joyce, who also coached Babe Ruth baseball in Murfreesboro for several years. "Here recently, I did a ton of stories on Janae Edmondson, the volleyball player who had a tragic automobile accident in St. Louis and had her legs amputated. The family trusted me, I went into the home and sat down with them."

"I've written several stories, how she is



Cecil Joyce

adapting, the family adjusting, and as much as it is a heartbreaking story, I loved getting to write those stories because it's a great tug of the heart to resonate with any reader."

TSSAA proudly salutes Cecil Joyce for his years of service and contributions to high school athletes in Tennessee.

# Don't let your treestand safety restraint leave you hanging

Submitted by TWRA Hardin County Wildlife Officer Stephen Graves

Falls from elevated platforms or treestands continue to be one of the leading causes of hunting related injuries in Tennessee. Many of the falls result in serious injuries such as lacerations, broken bones, and punctured lungs. Unfortunately, a few incidents each year are life-changing events that result in permanent paralysis, amputations, or even fatalities. Hunters must be aware that a fall from a treestand has serious implications to them and their families.

When using a treestand, your fall restraint system is your single most important piece of equipment. A fall restraint system is any device(s) that hunters use to attach themselves

to the tree to keep them from falling to the ground in an uncontrolled manner and it also allows them to safely descend to the ground after falling. A recent study reported that approximately 74 percent of treestand accidents occur while the hunter is ascending, descending, or transitioning in or out of a treestand. For this reason, it is critical that hunters use a fall restraint system whenever they leave the ground. Do not wait until you reach your desired height to attach your safety device to the tree. Remember, a fall restraint device can only protect you if it is worn properly.

There are many different types of fall restraint devices. The Treestand Manufacturers Association, National Bowhunter Education

Foundation, and many other hunter safety organizations and agencies recommend wearing a full body harness. A full body harness has straps under the legs and over the shoulders that are designed to keep you upright if you are involved in a treestand accident. Although wearing a safety harness does not eliminate the possibility of being involved in a treestand accident, it should minimize the potential for serious injury.

It's critical that treestand users have a plan that allows them to safely descend to the ground once their fall restraint device has kept them from falling to the ground in an uncontrolled manner. There are several commercially available devices that when used

properly allow hunters to descend to the ground in a controlled manner.

A screw in or rope on step can be used to assist in descending a tree after a treestand has fallen to the ground. While hanging from your harness, the step can be attached to the tree in the appropriate manner. The treestand user can then place their weight on the step and alternately lower their harness and the step to safely descend the tree. An eight-foot length of 1/4-inch nylon rope with a loop in each end can be looped around the tree and back through one loop. A hunter can

then step in the lower loop to provide secure footing while lowering oneself in their harness. Several other commercial devices are available that allow hunters to safely descend to the ground after falling from a treestand.

Hunters could minimize their chances for being involved in a treestand accident by using good judgment and exercising all safety precautions. The following safety measures should be followed by all treestand users:

1. Wear a fall restraint device from the moment you begin climbing the tree until you descend to the ground.

2. Inspect your treestand at the beginning of the season and before each use.

3. Test your treestand slightly off the ground to make sure it's safe.

4. Be sure your stand is fastened to the tree securely and that the tree is the right size.

5. Unload your gun if applicable prior to pulling it up with a strong cord or rope.

6. Avoid excessive movement that could cause you to lose your balance.

7. Clear away obstructive branches before shooting from a stand.

Family members will appreciate your extra efforts to hunt safe from a treestand and return home.

# Compete against other fans and you may win big!

High school football season kicks off Friday night, and that means it's time for our annual football contest to begin, and the stakes have never been higher.

Inside this issue you'll find your entry form to make your picks for Friday night. Turn your ballot in before the deadline on Friday and cross your fingers as the results come in.

Traditionally, we've given away a \$25 prize weekly and a \$250 grand prize at the end of the season. We're still doing that, and adding more to it.

In addition to competing against local football fans, your ballot will be compared to those from 10 other Richardson Media Group newspapers across West Tennessee (and part of Middle Tenn.) ranging from Savannah and Waynesboro to Lake County and everything in between. Counties

covered include Wayne, Hardin, Perry, Humphreys, Benton, Carroll, Weakley, Madison, Crockett, and Lake County. Five other Middle Tennessee Richardson Media Group newspapers won't be included in this contest as readers aren't likely to be familiar with West Tennessee teams.

Each week, football fans from all over West Tennessee will complete the same ballot and turn in to their local newspaper. Scores will be compared and each week, the entire group will have one regional winner that will receive a \$100 prize! Regional winners will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 grand prize at the end of the season.

So sharpen your pencils and do your research, because this year you can win big with the Richardson Media Group West Tennessee Football Contest!

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# FOOTBALL CONTEST

CONTEST RULES: For your opportunity to win \$25 cash, circle the teams you think will win each of the games. Don't forget to choose a high-point tie breaker (the most points you think a single team will score). Turn your entries in to the *Courier*, 375 Main St., Savannah by 5:00 p.m. on Fridays or mail it. All mailed entries must be postmarked before 5:00 p.m. on Friday to be eligible. Winners will be named in the next week's newspaper. First place winners will become eligible to enter a \$250 prize drawing at the end of the season. Everyone who enters the contest will become eligible to enter a drawing for two \$25 prizes at the end of the season. Plus, Now you can compete with contestants all over West Tennessee for a weekly Regional Prize of \$100!  
LIMIT ONE ENTRY PER WEEK PER PERSON.

## Circle your picks below

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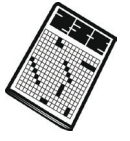
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Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Separate with an instrument
5. State clearly
11. One-time MLB speedster Gordon
14. Broad in scope
15. Lacking social polish
16. Amount of time
17. Frame
19. Automobile
20. Gaps
21. High school dances
22. Utilize
23. Checked
25. One-sided
27. Having an extreme greed for wealth
31. Potted plants
34. We all have one
35. Lake north of the Kalahari
38. Unidentified flying object
39. Aging persons
41. Small amount
42. Mother of Perseus
44. Ornamental waist box
45. Officials
46. Uncertain
49. A cotton fabric with a satiny finish
51. Extensive, treeless plains

- 55. Your consciousness of your own identity
56. Consumer advocate Ralph
60. Notable Spanish sports club
61. Body part
62. One's responsiveness
64. Woman (French)
65. Ready and willing to be taught
66. Muslim ruler title
67. Unhappy
68. Gradually disappeared
69. Able to think clearly

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Brushed
2. Water sprite
3. Ones to look up to
4. Monetary units
5. We all have one
6. Marine invertebrate
7. One who institutes a legal proceeding
8. Outer
9. Parallelograms
10. Uncomfortable feelings
11. Cross to form an X
12. Remove
13. Some pages are dog-\_\_

13x13 crossword grid with numbered squares and blacked-out areas.

- 18. Capital of Ukraine
24. A citizen of Denmark
26. Eighth month (abbr.)
28. Hindu queens
29. Acids structurally related to amino acids
30. Rider of Rohan in Tolkien
31. Wet dirt
32. Russian city
33. Observed
36. Irate
37. Travelers need them
39. Musical composition
40. Auction
43. Form of "to be"
45. Women
47. Inspire with love
48. Think Japanese ankle sock
49. Appears
50. Old World lizard
52. The lead dancer: \_\_
53. Protein involved in motion
54. Rosalind Franklin biographer
57. Popular 1920s style art \_\_
58. \_\_ Blyton, children's author
59. Abnormal breathing
63. A place to rest

Horoscopes

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Even though you told yourself you'll just suck it up and get through the week, you're having a change of heart, Aries. Some modifications are necessary to navigate the waters.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, all bets are off this week, especially if you've been smoothing over your emotions to get along with someone close by. All true feelings are bound to come to the surface.
GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
This week you may not be feeling like yourself, Gemini. Low energy have you feeling out of sorts. Spend some time with a close friend to get things back on track.
CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, your friends always have your back, but this week there is a disruption in your crew. Someone isn't playing nice, but a few words from you will smooth things over quickly.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
You are anxious to get started on an exciting project, Leo. Others on your team may need a dose of inspiration. It could be up to you to motivate the troops.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, you made a commitment to keep things toned down. Enjoy the slower pace and take note of how the lack of hustle and bustle suits you.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Normally you're satisfied to let someone else take the lead and make all of the decisions, Libra. This week you might need to be the one taking a leadership role.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
A surprising bit of information may be brought to your attention, Scorpio. You might be up for a promotion or an exciting change could be coming in your personal life.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Don't stop now when you are so close to the finish line, Sagittarius. It may be a busy week ahead, but you will reap the rewards of your labors. Remain patient.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Take inventory of your romantic relationship, Capricorn. You might need to put in a little extra effort if things haven't been as smooth as you would like. Don't give up on this.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you are working at keeping everyone on the same page. Continue to emphasize the importance of teamwork. Others notice and appreciate your efforts.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
It is not possible to make it all the way through your to-do list this week, so plan on some carryover to the next, Pisces. Space out your work so you don't get too overwhelmed.

FALL SEASON WORD SEARCH

T L G W E Q U I N O X Y C R K K U N O Y
S S D F Z E K Z T R A Z X W A G G R F M
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WORDS

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AUTUMNAL
CHESTNUT
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EQUINOX
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FOLIAGE
GOURD
HARVEST
HARVESTING
HAY
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SWEATER

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

SUDOKU

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9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in.

Level: Beginner

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in.

Level: Intermediate

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in.

Level: Advanced

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

- SEPTEMBER 29
Kevin Durant, Athlete (36)
SEPTEMBER 30
Monica Bellucci, Actress (60)
OCTOBER 1
Brie Larson, Actress (35)
OCTOBER 2
Sting, Singer (73)
OCTOBER 3
Gwen Stefani, Singer (55)
OCTOBER 4
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September 18, 2024

Total Head 796, Last Week 907, Last Year 849

Cattle 789, Goats 7, Hogs 0

NO. 1 STEERS & BULLS

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300-400 WT 268.00-295.00

400-500 WT 247.00-268.00

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600-700 WT 226.00-236.00

700-800 WT 214.00-226.00

800-900 WT 194.00-214.00

NO. 1 HEIFERS

200-300 WT 265.00-282.00

300-400 WT 243.00-265.00

400-500 WT 235.00-243.00

500-600 WT 224.00-235.00

600-700 WT 210.00-224.00

700-800 WT 184.00-210.00

800-900 WT 163.00-184.00

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21 STRS 791 237.00

### Community news

#### Double Springs



Esther Godwin  
Community  
Writer  
925-4618

Things to pray for in October. May you have enough:

happiness to keep you sweet, trials to keep you strong, sorrow to keep you human, hope to keep you happy, failure to keep you humble, success to keep you eager, wealth to meet your needs, enthusiasm to look forward, friends to give you comfort, faith to banish depression, determination to make each day better than yesterday, and God to keep you going. Bless you and the ones you love.

I'm so happy to report that Irland Smith is home and doing well after her major surgery in Memphis last week. Just keep her in your prayers. Kelli Webb had a card at church Sunday for every-

one to sign. She and Bro. Tyler were taking it to her after church. We still had good attendance Sunday. Everyone enjoyed the special done by Annslee Cooksey. She does such a good job as well as all the rest.

Janice (Webb) Smith and Clethea Finley enjoyed a day in Jackson on Friday. They shopped, ate and had a good time.

Fred Webb and his boys Brent, Hunter and Tyler have a booth at the Southern Tennessee State Fair in Lawrenceburg, TN this week for real estate and auctions.

The Hardin County Fair has come and gone for another year. Those that went said they enjoyed it.

Alice Whitlow said she went with the group from Hardin County Senior Center on Wednesday. They had hamburgers and hot dogs and french fries. They chose a king and queen, played bingo, had a cake walk and anyone who wanted to could ride. All who went seemed to enjoy it very

much.

Janie Abrams and brother Walter visited recently with David and Peggy Beckham.

Kenneth and Wanda Smith visited with me Sunday afternoon. Their son Ken Smith from Knoxville visited with them on Sunday. We are always glad to see our children.

Jim Thompston from Tupelo, MS visited on Friday with David and Peggy Beckham. They enjoyed his visit.

Cody, Kelsey, Eliza and Pat Franks and Alice Whitlow were in Boonville, MS on Saturday to watch Eliza play softball with her team. They played six games with only a 30 minute break. The team won four out of six. Of the 18 teams this was the first game for all of them playing together. They really all played good. We are proud of the sportsmanship they

showed. They came in third of the 18 teams. Good going Eliza, proud of you.

Stacy and Melinda Gray were in Columbia on Saturday to help celebrate their grandson, Noah Tosh's, first birthday. He is the son of Brandon and Emily Tosh. Others there were Lorrie Cooksey and children Beckham and Annslee, Peggy Gray, and little Noah's uncle Ryan Gray from Chattanooga. They all had a great time.

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# On the Record week of Sept. 26

## Savannah Police Dept.

The following items are derived directly from official Savannah Police Department reports and spokesmen.

### Sept. 16

James A. Austin, 33, 3550 Fox Hollow Loop, was pulled over on Wayne Road because a headlight on his vehicle was not working after dark. Austin was cited on a charge of driving on a revoked license.

Jonathan W. White, 54, 1349 Box Elder Road, was arrested on an active warrant. White was a passenger in a vehicle involved in a traffic stop on Wayne Road.

Hallie M. McCampbell, 51, Mayfield, Kentucky, was cited on a charge of driving on a suspended license after she was pulled over on Wayne Road for driving without headlights after dark.

### Sept. 17

Steven E. Mitchell, 42, 340 Austin St., was cited on a charge of dogs at large.

### Sept. 18

An arrest was made for public intoxication.

### Sept. 19

Randy J. Breedlove, 46, 855 Chalk Road, Morris Chapel, was stopped on Pickwick Street for driving without headlights



after dark. Breedlove was cited on charges of simple possession of a simple possession of a Schedule IV drug (10 pills believed to be diazepam) and simple possession of a Schedule III drug (half a pill believed to be suboxone).

### Sept. 20

Larry L. Weatherspoon, 64, Clifton, Tennessee, was pulled over for speeding 54 mph in a 35 mph zone on Pickwick Street. Weatherspoon was arrested on charges of DUI, driving on a suspended license, vio-

lation of the implied consent law and speeding.

Misty L. Hardin, 43, 315 Central Street was cited on a charge of driving on a suspended license after being stopped for an expired license tag on Wayne Road.

### Sept. 21

Mary L. Garrard, 37, 245 Deberry St., was stopped on Main Street because a headlight on the vehicle she was operating after dark was not working. Garrard was cited on a charge of simple possession of Schedule III drugs (three

pills).

### Sept. 22

Kyle Stone, 32, 295 J.W. Davis Road, was arrested on a charge of domestic assault.

Susan K. Kennelley, 54, 6295 Tenn. 69, was involved in a motor vehicle accident in the Walmart parking lot and cited on a charge of driving on a revoked license.

## Community news

### Walker Graham



Mary Rose  
Community  
Writer  
926-2502

Patricia Shelby sends Happy Birthday wishes to Keith Jennings, Ricky Gean and Grant Lumpkin Sept. 25, Halley Paulk and Evan Johnson Sept. 26, Glenda Benson Sept. 29, and Ashley

Warren Sept. 30. Happy anniversary to Darrell and Dale Reynolds Sept. 26, Justin and Jessica Jennings Sept. 27, Wade and Wenea Gean Sept. 28, Lonnie and Bonnie Godwin Sept. 29, and Terry and Sharon Stricklin Sept. 30.

Ronnie Rose visited with us last week. We were so glad to see him. Jerry enjoyed talking with him so much. He was on his vacation from work.

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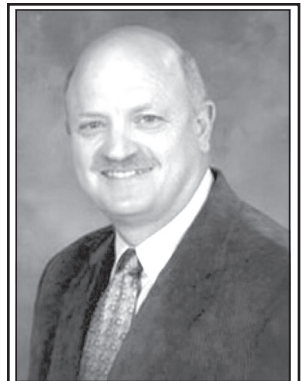
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From left, Shannon Huff, CEO of Tennessee Farmers Cooperative; Ryan Morris, project manager for UrbanARCH Associates; Hardin County Mayor Kevin Davis; Brian Harris, vice president of TCAT Crump; Dr. Flora Tydings, chancellor of Tennessee Board of Regents; Stephen Milligan, president of TCAT Crump; Beth Pippin, executive director of Team Hardin County; McNairy County Mayor Larry Smith; and Chester County Mayor Barry Hut, “breaking ground” for TCAT Crump’s new agricultural building on June 25.

## TCAT Crump enhancing agriculture program

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The Tennessee College of Applied Technology in Crump is building a new agricultural center for its farming operations technology program.

The school broke ground on the 16,700 square foot building in July.

TCAT Crump President Stephen Milligan said the new center will help its farming students’ workforce development.

“This project will allow us to train our students to remain competitive, while also focusing on innovation and growth,”

he said.

Milligan added, “The construction of this new center shows our commitment to our area’s agricultural roots while also focusing on the future by training our students in the latest technology, as well as sustainability practices to give our students the skills needed for today and tomorrow.”

TCAT’s Crump campus was the first in the state’s technical school system to offer a farming operations program for its students.

“Our farming operations students learn the basics of livestock management, crop production, precision ag-

riculture and forestry management,” said Brent Cherry, farming operations technology instructor at TCAT Crump.

The program currently has 700 students registered as both dual enrollment and full-time students.

It is a 16-month program to earn all the farming operations technology diplomas available.

The school also offers stackable credits that include farming operations helper certificate, farming operations specialist certificate, farming operations technology diploma, livestock production management diploma, precision production

technology diploma and forestry operations diploma.

TCAT Crump Vice President Brian Harris said the new agricultural building will boost the farming operations program offerings.

“The new structure will provide enhanced shop space and equipment,” he said, “new technology for classroom delivery and space for community involvement.”

Harris added, “Continuing to supplement our farming program is important because agriculture is the number one industry across Tennessee, and west Tennessee

is heavily dependent on that industry. Our program provides the skills necessary for the future success of the industry.”

Cherry highlighted the different career options students may have after completing Crump’s farming operations technology program.

“Our students can become precision agriculture specialists, crop scouts, vet assistants, forestry technicians, farm equipment operators, farm mechanics, forestry equipment operators, ag retail sales and customer service professionals, equipment sales and service professionals, and

agronomy technicians,” he said.

TCAT Crump will also be adding a 7,250 square foot addition to its Otis L. Floyd building for an industry training center, multipurpose space and offices.

The school will also be remodeling a space in its James D. King Administration Building.

The total cost of the projects is \$12.9 million and is being funded by Gov. Bill Lee’s statewide \$1 billion master plan for technical-vocational education, which was approved by the state’s General Assembly last year.

All three of the school’s projects are expected to be completed by March, 2026.



TCAT Crump farming operations technology program students administer shots to a cow.



Students at last year's Farm Day were treated to a visit with a baby kangaroo. Kangaroos are bred across the U.S. including Tennessee and producers also farm kangaroos for their hides and their meat, which is found in many specialty dog food brands.

## Chamber of Commerce to treat Hardin County third graders to Farm Day experiences

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Hardin County third graders will learn about the importance of farming next week.

The Hardin County Chamber of Commerce will be hosting its annual Farm Day at the fairgrounds in Savannah on Wednesday, Oct. 2.

Third grade students from all the county's elementary schools participate in the event, having fun while learning about farming and agriculture, including soil conservation, farm tools, wildlife, farm commodities, forestry and the students' favorite, farm animals.

Chamber Executive

Director DeLaney Timberman Martin said the special day for third graders has been a county tradition for two decades.

"Farm Day was a project of the Leadership Class of 2003," she said, "and we are so proud of all their hard work and commitment to keeping their project a treasured community event year after year."

The Chamber expects to host close to 300 students at its 20th Annual Farm Day, where they will visit stations to learn about agriculture in our area.

"Stations include seeds and equipment by First Farmer's Co-op, a visit with Smokey the

Bear to learn about fire safety from the state's Division of Forestry, a cotton gin with Farm Bureau, area wildlife with Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency officers, meeting with a variety of barnyard animals from local farms and more," shared Chamber liaison Kim Gobie.

Farm Day organizers also host a special thank you luncheon for local farmers.

"We are grateful to all our sponsors, volunteers, agricultural businesses, schools, community partners and of course, farmers, for their support. Without each of them, this yearly event would not be possible," Martin noted.



Third graders will learn about different farm commodities, including various crops grown in Hardin County.

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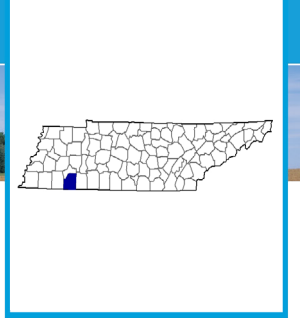


## Prize-winning melon

Brenda Bain of Savannah displays her sizable watermelon which won two first-place blue ribbons in competition at the Hardin County Agricultural Fair last week.

"What was amazing about this large and beautiful watermelon is that it grew from seeds from last year's watermelons. So, I didn't even plant it, but it is a large beauty," Bain said.

## 2022 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE County Profile



### McNairy County Tennessee

#### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	590	-10
Land in farms (acres)	115,586	-17
Average size of farm (acres)	196	-8
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	25,317,000	+13
Government payments	810,000	-33
Farm-related income	1,766,000	-2
Total farm production expenses	26,614,000	+18
Net cash farm income	1,279,000	-56
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	42,910	+25
Government payments *	5,438	+19
Farm-related income *	8,830	+7
Total farm production expenses	45,109	+31
Net cash farm income	2,168	-51

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

#### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	78
Livestock, poultry, and products	22

#### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	46,487
Pastureland	15,911
Woodland	45,574
Other	7,614

Acres irrigated: 239

(Z)% of land in farms

#### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	17
Reduced till	7
Intensive till	11
Cover crop	7

#### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total *
Less than \$2,500	281	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	69	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	76	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	71	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	49	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	3
\$100,000 or more	29	5

#### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total *
1 to 9 acres	27	5
10 to 49 acres	170	29
50 to 179 acres	216	37
180 to 499 acres	144	24
500 to 999 acres	16	3
1,000+ acres	17	3



## Fall means Savannah Farmers Market season ending Oct. 30

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There's still time to enjoy shopping at Savannah's Farmers Market.

The city's seasonal farmers market runs from April through October, and is open on Wednesdays, weather permitting, from 8 a.m. to approximately 2 p.m., or when

goods are sold out. A large number of local farmers set up each week to hawk their fresh vegetables, cut flowers, locally raised beef and pork products, and more.

People can also browse and shop at one of the many craft vendors who have items such as hand-sewn toys, homemade jewelry, woodwork items and home deco-

rations for sale. Vendors at the market are required to sell only goods that are made or grown within a 100 mile radius of the city to ensure shoppers are supporting local purveyors.

The downtown farmers market is at 470 Main St., and the last shopping day for the season is Wednesday, Oct. 30.



Shoppers enjoy buying homemade goods, including freshly baked bread at Savannah's Farmers Market.

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## Humans evolved a taste for agriculture, researchers find

New research by a multinational team of scientists including two from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center reveals agriculture shaped human evolution by drastically boosting our ability to digest carbohydrates.

Associate Professor Erik Garrison, PhD, and postdoctoral scholar Andrea Guarracino, PhD, both in the Department of Genetics, Genomics and Informatics, worked with researchers from the United States and Italy to find that humans have significantly increased the number of genes responsible for producing enzymes that break down starch, called amylases, over the last 12,000 years. Garrison and Peter Sudmant, PhD, of the University of California, Berkeley, led the study.

"We see that agriculture is correlated with a big increase in the frequency of genomes that have more copies of amylase. Using new pangenome resources, our study shows this is one of the strongest known cases of selection in humans," Garrison said.

This evolutionary shift coincided with the spread of agriculture from the Middle East into Europe, as societies transitioned from hunter-gatherers to farmers who relied on grains like wheat and other high-carbohydrate staples. The study, published in Nature, explains that Europeans carried on average a total of eight copies of amylase genes 12,000 years ago, compared to more than 11 copies today.

"Amylase is the first step in our digestion of starches. It is the most common protein found in our saliva and is also expressed in our blood. We need it to break down complex carbohydrates, starches, into simpler sugars that our cells can use for energy," Garrison said. "Increasing the number of copies of the amylase gene increases the amount of amylase enzymes in our saliva and blood. This might make it easier for us to digest high-starch diets that became common after the advent of agriculture, change the

flavor of starchy food, or have other effects on our oral microbiome."

The adaptation to extract more energy from starchy foods gave early agricultural communities a crucial survival advantage. Similar patterns were observed in agricultural societies worldwide, no matter what starchy food the society domesticated, suggesting that the development of farming prompted parallel genetic changes across different populations.

The findings come as a result of the first-ever human pangenome reference, a draft of which was published in Nature last year by the Human Pangenome Reference Consortium. Built using technical tools Garrison and other researchers in his department created, the pangenome reference uses complete genome assemblies to provide a diverse look at the genetic makeup of humans, allowing scientists to understand parts of the human genome that could not be seen before.

"It has long been hypothesized that the copy number of amylase genes had increased in Europeans since the dawn of agriculture, but we had never been able to sequence this locus fully before. It is extremely repetitive and complex," Sudmant said. "Now, we're finally able to fully capture these structurally complex regions, and with that, investigate the history of selection of the region, the timing of evolution and the diversity across worldwide populations. Now, we can start thinking about associations with human disease."

According to Garrison, the research offers a way to explore other regions of the genome, such as those related to the immune system, skin pigmentation, and mucus production, which have experienced rapid gene duplication in recent human history. He believes this work in human evolutionary genomics will favorably impact current and future healthcare. Furthermore, the findings reveal that animals living alongside humans – such as dogs, pigs, and

rodents – developed extra amylase genes to process discarded human food, showing how evolution extends beyond our species.

"This is really the

frontier, in my opinion," Garrison said. "We can, for the first time, look at all of these regions that we could never look at before, and not just in humans – other

species, too. Human disease studies have really struggled in identifying associations at complex loci, like amylase. Because the mutation rate is so high,

traditional association methods can fail. We're really excited about how far we can push our new methods to identify new genetic causes of disease."



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## What consumers can do to support local farmers

Farming has never been a vocation for individuals looking for easy work. Farmers typically work long hours, braving the elements regardless of how unpleasant the weather may be.

All that hard work ensures individuals who live in rural, urban and suburban communities have constant, readily available access to healthy foods. Such devotion merits support, and thankfully there are many things consumers can do to show their appreciation for local farmers.

• Buy fresh foods at your local farmers market. Farmers markets are many foodies' favorite places, but they aren't exclusive to individuals with a passion for food. Everyone needs to eat, so why not eat foods grown locally, which are generally more fresh and appetizing than imported fruits and vegetables sold at chain grocery stores? Even individuals who don't typically eat fresh fruit and vegetables can find something delectable at a local farmers market, where anything from homemade tomato sauces to locally raised fresh beef and pork might be on sale.

• Order directly from local farms. Some farmers have embraced the e-commerce revolution and begun selling the foods they

grow to consumers via their own websites. Research local farms and determine if it's possible to buy directly from them. Farms may offer delivery or pick-up, and consumers can enjoy fresh foods even more knowing that they helped farmers earn higher profits by buying directly from them.

• Check labels before buying in local grocery stores. Packaging labels will indicate where fruits and vegetables came from. When possible, choose items produced by local farmers. This may include fruits, vegetables, meat, pork, or even desserts like pies. Locally produced foods often taste more fresh than items sent from overseas or distant farms, and consumers will feel better knowing they helped to support local farmers.

• Spread the word. Get the word out after a satisfying experience with local farms and farmers. Whether it's buying food from farms or taking advantage of family days that let kids enjoy a day on the farm, sharing positive experiences via social media or word-of-mouth can be a great way to inspire your neighbors to support local farmers as well.

Consumers can do much to support hardworking local farmers. In addition

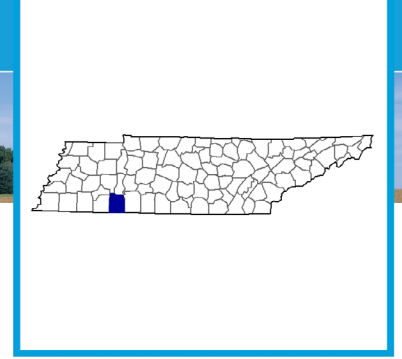
to feeling good about supporting their rural

neighbors, consumers also might feel good

when they sit down and enjoy a meal featuring

locally grown, fresh foods.

### 2022 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE County Profile



#### Hardin County Tennessee

##### Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	448	-23
Land in farms (acres)	121,675	-25
Average size of farm (acres)	272	-2
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	21,898,000	-26
Government payments	475,000	-78
Farm-related income	2,344,000	+14
Total farm production expenses	21,301,000	-20
Net cash farm income	3,417,000	-52
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	48,879	-4
Government payments <sup>a</sup>	3,740	-56
Farm-related income <sup>a</sup>	17,496	+107
Total farm production expenses	47,546	+4
Net cash farm income	7,626	-38

##### (Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)	
Crops	80
Livestock, poultry, and products	20

##### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	41,003
Pastureland	17,438
Woodland	60,032
Other	3,202

Acres irrigated: 2,698  
2% of land in farms

##### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	10
Reduced till	5
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	4

##### Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
Less than \$2,500	175	39
\$2,500 to \$4,999	39	9
\$5,000 to \$9,999	71	16
\$10,000 to \$24,999	80	18
\$25,000 to \$49,999	33	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	19	4
\$100,000 or more	31	7

##### Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
1 to 9 acres	14	3
10 to 49 acres	138	31
50 to 179 acres	168	38
180 to 499 acres	89	20
500 to 999 acres	20	4
1,000+ acres	19	4



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**Kid Scoop Together**

### Missing Words

Work with a family member to replace the missing words in the below article.

**LEATHER CAR**  
**NEW YEARS**  
**BUCKLE LAWS**

### The First Seat Belt

The first lap belt that resembles the modern seat belt was a \_\_\_\_\_ strap used on a U.S. Army airplane in 1910. For the next 25 \_\_\_\_\_, seat belts were used mostly in airplanes.

In the 1940s, studies showed that injuries in \_\_\_\_\_ accidents were less when a seat belt was worn. Even so, many people did not choose to \_\_\_\_\_ up.

The government started passing \_\_\_\_\_ requiring automakers to put seat belts in all \_\_\_\_\_ cars. By the 1970s, seat belts were used commonly.

A car accident happens almost every minute. Do you think it is a good idea to buckle up?

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**Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS**

This week's word: **HAZARD**  
The noun **hazard** means danger or risk.

Watch out for **hazards** in play areas.

Try to use the word **hazard** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

# Safe on the Playground!

Kabir and Aisha want kids in their neighborhood to be safe. They are going to take a look at their local playground, the Hometown Playground, to see if it is a safe place to play.

Yikes! They've found many ways in which their playground is not safe. Use the Hazard Hunt checklist to find the hazards in their playground.



**Standards Link:** Follow multiple step directions; recognize safe features of recreational activities; connect information in texts to life experiences.



How many things on this page can you find that start with the letter S?

**Standards Link:** Identify initial graphemes and phonemes.

### Hazard Hunt Checklist

Circle each hazard you find on the Hometown Playground.

- Trash on the ground
- Things you could trip over
- Broken parts
- Missing parts
- Splintered wood
- Chipped or peeling paint
- Holes or cracks in plastic
- Sharp corners or edges
- Nails or bolts sticking out
- Open S-hooks or chain links

How safe are the playgrounds in your neighborhood? Use the Hazard Hunt checklist to inspect them.

### Dress Safely on Playgrounds

Mateo and Riley are not dressed for playground safety. Use the code to find out what they should not be wearing.

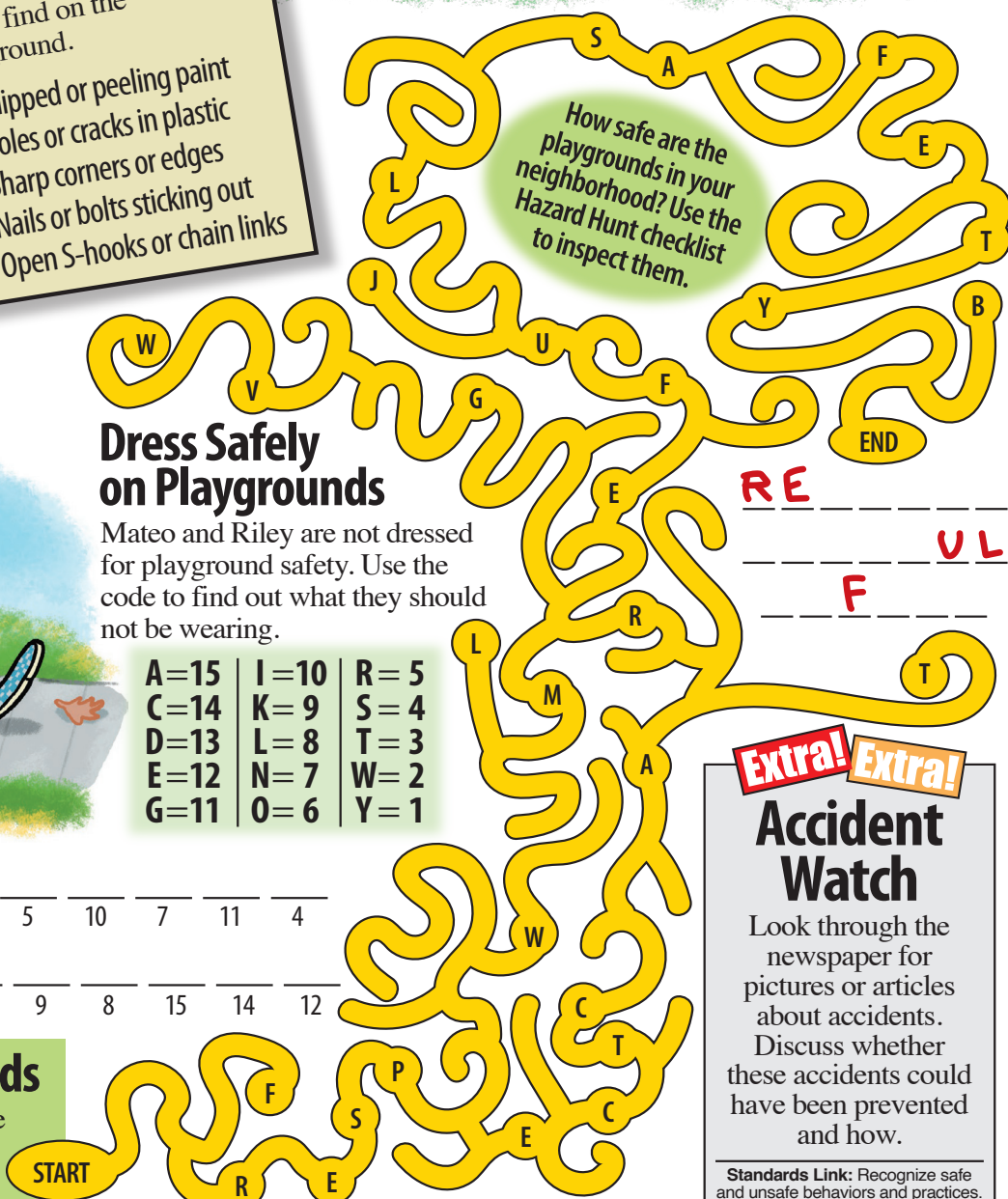
A=15	I=10	R=5
C=14	K=9	S=4
D=13	L=8	T=3
E=12	N=7	W=2
G=11	O=6	Y=1



13 5 15 2 4 3 5 10 7 11 4  
15 7 13 7 12 14 9 8 15 14 12

### Playground Safety Words

Find three important words along the correct path through this maze that are the keys to a great playground.



### Extra! Extra! Accident Watch

Look through the newspaper for pictures or articles about accidents. Discuss whether these accidents could have been prevented and how.

**Standards Link:** Recognize safe and unsafe behaviors and practices.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

What's something you should wear every time you play outside?



Circle every third letter to reveal the answer!

T Y S J F U Y T N V W S E L  
C I B R H R E V C E P A N  
S \_\_\_\_\_

**Standards Link:** Follow simple written directions.

### Double Double Word Search

- BOLTS
- CHAIN
- DRESS
- HAZARD
- INSPECT
- KIDS
- PAINT
- PARTS
- PATH
- PLAYGROUND
- SAFETY
- SHARP
- TRIP
- WEAR
- WOOD

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

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

**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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### Safety Poem

Look through the newspaper for words or pictures that represent or describe a person who helps keep you safe. Use these words to write a safety poem.

**Standards Link:** Linking health and safe behavior to genre; poetry.



Why did the chicken cross the playground?

ANSWER: To get to the other slide.

### Write On!

### Safe on the Playground

What are three safety rules students should follow on the playground?

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