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## Seeking First Baby of 2025

The Lake County Banner is seeking the first baby of 2025 born with a Lake County address. Please advise of the first birth this year by calling 731-253-6666.

## Lake County Banner Invites Submissions for "Babies of 2024" Special Section

Proud parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles are invited to celebrate their newest family members in the Lake County Banner's special Babies of 2024 section, set to publish on Jan. 29.

For just \$10, families can feature their baby born in 2024 in this cherished annual edition. Additionally, all submissions will be entered into a drawing for a gift basket and cash prize to kickstart a savings fund for their little one.

The submission deadline is **Wednesday, Jan. 22.**

To participate, families must complete a submission form, include a baby photo, and provide payment. Forms can be mailed or dropped off at: **Lake County Banner**, 315 Church St., Tiptonville, TN 38079

Alternatively, submissions (including the form and photo) can be emailed to **lcbanner@richardsonmediagroup.net**. For more information, call **(731) 253-6666**. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the newest members of our community!



**FRIGID REELOOT** — Temperatures dipped into the mid-twenties with twenty mile-per-hour winds Monday morning creating these ice sculptures at Reelfoot Lake. Reelfoot Lake State Park has bank protection projects underway at both Bluebank and the former Kiwanis areas. Lake County missed the snow and ice that hit northern Kentucky and Missouri but temps in the teens made for a cold week here.—Photo by Evan Jones

## Lake County was Carter Country In two presidential elections



**FORMER PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER.**

EVAN JONES

In the 1976 and 1980 Presidential elections, Lake County was Jimmy Carter country and they left no doubt about it.

This week and next the country is mourning the death of the country's longest living President after his death on December 29, 2024 at age 100. His state funeral is set for Washington D.C. on January 9.

Lake County joined Tennessee in 1976 in voting overwhelmingly for Carter against incumbent Gerald Ford giving him a nearly four to one margin of 1,976,591. Tennessee also stayed with what was then—the "Solid South" by voting for the Democrat 55.99% to 42.24% over Republican Ford.

Lake County was one of Tennessee's most reliably Democratic counties for decades and that changed only slightly by the time Ronald Reagan swept into the White House in 1980.

That year, Carter won Lake County with 1,718 votes to 823 for Reagan. Statewide, Tennessee joined the landslide for Reagan but only by the slimmest of margins, 4,710 votes out of more than 1.5 million cast.

Tennessee was won by former California Governor Ronald Reagan (R) by a very slim margin of 0.29% and a margin of just 4,710 votes.[1] partly because of President Jimmy Carter's southern roots. Amidst a national Republican landslide, Tennessee weighed in as 9.5 points more Democratic than the nation at-large, and Carter's 48.41% vote share has not been exceeded by any Democrat since (Bill Clinton would go on to carry the state with smaller pluralities in 1992 and 1996). Carter's strong performance given the national environment stands as a relative anomaly in Tennessee's recent electoral history; had he carried the state, it would have marked the only time since 1924 that a Republican was elected president without winning Tennessee.

The pendulum swung slowly toward the Republican Party in Lake County. In 1998 while Gov. Don Sundquist won 93 or 95 counties, Lake County and Van Buren counties were the only two to vote for John Jay Hoover.

However, by 2016 and 2020, Lake County had joined the rest of the state in voting for Republican Donald J. Trump in a local landslide.

## 2024 Year in Review

### January

Mia Sumara is youth recipient of the 2023 Governor's Volunteer Stars Award....U.S. Senator Marsha Blackburn visits the county.... Bobby Joe Evans is first baby of the year....Winter storm strikes the area with snow and single digit cold.

### February

The Lake County Banner celebrates 100 year anniversary and is recognized by the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development....20th annual Eagle Fest held at Reelfoot Lake.... Lake County High School Honor Band students selected....Boyette's Dining Room honored as one of state's oldest continuously operated businesses....Grain silos at Tiptonville chosen for a University of Tennessee logo mural....Lake County High School teachers of the year are Crystal Prince and Green Apple Winner Aaron Evans. Lara Kendall teacher of the year is Shannon Holder and Green Apple Winner Caton Barker. Margaret Newton teacher of the year was Sandy Wilson and Green Apple Winner Misty Mitchell.... Alexia Sanders scores 34 on her ACT.

### March

The Tennessee 4-H Congress in Nashville hosted Lake County High students Shatravis Graves, Mia Claire Hearn, Mailee Hicks, Ka'Devon Gross, Neil Leinweber, Nigel Clark, Kaydence Kimble and McKensi Hays.....LCHS wins the Anne Dallas Dudley Award for 85% voter registration....Hunter Short named Lake County Falcon varsity football coach....A new water tower near the planned Sinova

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plant north of Tiptonville near complete....Tiptonville mayor Cliff Berry Jr. was among the Mississippi River towns and cities mayors who met in Washington, D.C. with Senator Marsha Blackburn....The Strand Theater in Tiptonville announces plans to reopen with first run movies after decades of being closed....A solar eclipse is set to come through area with most coverage in the Madrid Bend area.

### April

Lake County High School FFA begins work on vineyards and planting plants ... Students and the public enjoy viewing the eclipse in this area....Longtime Ridgely city employee Jackie Howell is honored for over 40 years of service....Tornado sirens to be tested in April, May and June.

### May

Top ten in each respective class at Lake County High School announced....Tucker Rivers of Tiptonville received the AFROTC Academic Honors Award....Team 4 Success holds gala....A Farmers' Market is planned for the Lake County Motor building....Two mild earthquakes shake Ridgely....Jason Hedgepath is the Creative Writing Delegate from Lake County High for Gibson Electric Membership Corporation....Tiptonville breaks ground on a new Healthy Place at Quake Lake Park.

### June

Nell Bennett celebrates 100th birthday....An intense summer storm blows through the Upper Blue Basin area doing heavy damage in the Grays' Camp community.... Lake County is included in a \$3.1 million grant for local broadband infrastructure according to State Rep. Rusty Grills....Jason Lindsey presents his "Hooked on Science" program at Margaret Newton....The Banner is under new ownership after transition from Magic Valley Publishing to Richardson Media Group....Reelfoot Lake State Park gets first EV recharging station.... Charlie Jo Archie joins the Lake County Ag Extension as the new ANR Agent.

### July

A side-by-side ATV stolen from the TVA construction site in Tiptonville is discovered burned in the town....Work begins on the Freedom Mural on the grain silos at Tiptonville....Lake County unemployment up slightly but still under 5%....Logan Naifeh and Amber Caldwell win annual Reelfoot Lake Catfish Tournament with a catch totalling 53.7 pounds....Ridgely brothers Jon Nick and Brandon Hutcheson are finalists for the Rolling Stone's America's Next Top Hitmaker Competition....Lake County Schools awarded \$50,000 Farm to School Grant....A massive solar energy project is underway just north of Ridgely....A reception is planned for the retirement of Ridgely Chief of Police Terry Pierce....Cameron Hays off to Florida with Dream Factory....Early voting down 27% over the same time in previous election.

### August

Jason Tubbs named new Ridgely Chief of Police....Winners in the Lake County Road Commissioner races were Emily Bargery and Thomas Watts in Number Three, Cliff Berry Jr. and James Hyde in District Two, and Cliff Berry Sr. and Lori Ann Dean in Number One.... Rusty Grills breezes to the State Rep. Republican nomination in primary....The amazing Freedom Silo is nearing completion....Work begins on resurfacing of SR 22 between Union City and Samburg.

### September

A black bear is spotted near Samburg with numerous sightings in Western Obion County....Officers of the Judicial Drug Task Force make a drug bust on LeDuke Street in Tiptonville....The Lake County community rallies around Claire Hopper during cancer battle....A new recreation park is underway in Tiptonville....Reelfoot Lake set to celebrate annual Arts and Crafts Festival.... Ridgely Senior Center receives emergency supplies.

### October

Lake County has the sixth high-

est unemployment rate in the state....TBI announces it is reopening the unsolved murder case of Herman Gray who was killed 24 years ago....Jenn Best is announced as director of the Ridgely Public Library....Perfect weather helps Arts and Crafts Festival draw tens of thousands of visitors....Callmakes and Collectors gather at Reelfoot Lake....Ridgely CAP delivers aid to flood victims in the devastated area of East Tennessee....Jackson Hopper charged with murder after shooting his former girlfriend at Shelby Farms in Memphis....Special Ops Event held at Lake County Middle School....A pair of teens charged with armed robbery following an incident in Ridgely.

### November

Trump carries Tennessee in a landslide including once staunchly-Democratic Lake County....The new BlueCross Healthy Care Place recreational park is opened in Tiptonville....30 maximum security inmates from Northwest Corrections Complex made a court appearance at the Lake County Courthouse under some of the tightest security seen here in years....Two injured in a crash on Old Highway 78 just north of Wynnburg....New tornado and flood sirens installed for great safety on Reelfoot Lake....The late Larry Bennett receives a tribute at the always popular Hee Haw show at Bogota.

### December

Ridgely Senior Center spotlights the lives of Joe Lavenue and Oscar Reynolds....A safety course on grain bin rescues takes place at the Sumara Farms in Wynnburg.... Audit problems linger in county audit report....Ryan Mills and Payton Lebo are Ridgely Firemen of the Year....Sinova Global factory under construction north of Tiptonville announces a five month delay in construction....Tiptonville and Ridgely both hold annual Christmas parades....Dwayne Haggard delights hundreds of Santa's helpers at parades and parties....CAP near Ridgely has expanded its inventory with a variety of farm and home products.

# NEWS



SPREADING CHRISTMAS CHEER— Billy “Budman” Vinson, chapter commander for the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association presents a gift to J.D. Mitchell at Signature Healthcare of Ridgely Rehab and Wellness Center. The combat veterans presented gifts throughout the facility. Vinson is commander of Chapter 18-9.

## Lake County students excel at UTM

The following Lake County students were named by the University of Tennessee at Martin for the academic excellence during the previous semester:

- Charles E. Hockett, Ridgely, Highest Honors.
- Braden W. Johnson, Ridgely, Highest Honors.
- Heaven E. Jordan, Ridgely, Honors.
- Macy A. Martin, Ridgely, Honors.
- Chloe M. Morgan, Ridgely, Honors.
- Finley F. Roberson, Ridgely, Honors.
- Ryan C. Covington, Tiptonville, Honors.

- Kiaran J. Gross, Tiptonville, Highest Honors.
- Mia J. Jamison, Tiptonville, Highest Honors.
- Aleaha J. Johnson, Tiptonville, High Honors.
- Bobby J. Mays, Tiptonville, High Honors.
- Morgan C. Meador, Tiptonville, High Honors.
- Abigail S. Sneed, Tiptonville, Highest Honors.
- Jillian C. Stanley, Tiptonville, Highest Honors.
- Tristin O. Stites, Tiptonville, High Honors.
- Lauren E. Yates, Tiptonville, Highest Honors.

## USDA Commodity Food to Be Distributed

Thursday JANUARY 16  
from 8:30-11

The Northwest TN Economic Development Council will be distributing USDA Commodity Foods for the residents of Lake County on Jan 16 from 8:30 AM - 11 AM.

Distribution will take place at the NWTEDC Office located at 203 S. Court Street. Tiptonville, TN.

**PLEASE DON'T BLOCK ANYONE'S DRIVEWAY.** We will not be taking applications on the day of distribution until after 11

AM. If we have food available at that time, we will be happy to serve you. The Commodity Food Program is a First-Come First-Served Program. For more information on the Commodity Food Program, please contact Billie Molands @ Lake Co. Service Center at 731-253-7632.

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## Confederate Railroad to Perform at The Dixie Carter PAC on Saturday, January 11

The iconic Southern rock and country band Confederate Railroad will hit the stage at the Dixie Carter Performing Arts Center on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. as part of the venue's highly anticipated Performance Series.

From their breakout debut in the early '90s to their continued success, Confederate Railroad has become one of the most beloved and enduring names in country music.

Led by founder and frontman Danny Shirley, the band first made waves as a backup group for legends David Allan Coe and Johnny Paycheck.

Their big break came with the release of their self-titled debut album, which spawned several chart-topping hits including “She Took It Like A Man”, “Jesus and Mama”, and “Queen of Memphis”.

With their unique blend of country, rock, and blues, Confederate Railroad quickly became a staple on the country music charts.

The band's 1992 debut album alone produced six hits and sold nearly three million copies, earning them the Academy of

Country Music's Best New Group Award in 1993.

Their subsequent albums, including the hugely successful “Notorious”, cemented their place in music history with songs like “Daddy Never Was the Cadillac Kind” and “Trashy Women”—a Grammy-nominated track that remains their signature song.

“This is going to be a great show for both longtime fans and newcomers alike,” said Angela DeMaris, Executive Director of The Dixie Carter Performing Arts Center. “Confederate Railroad has been rocking stages for over 30 years, and their music continues to resonate with audiences everywhere. We're thrilled to welcome them to our stage for what promises to be an unforgettable night.”

This performance is sponsored by Friends of The Dixie, Froggy 104, and Big Henry 104.7.

Tickets for this performance are available at DixiePAC.net and the Dixie's Box Office, in person or by phone, M-F, 10-4p.m., 731-986-2100. Be sure to grab your tickets soon—this highly anticipated show is expected to sell out fast!



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Celebrate Your Little One in our special section, Babies of 2024!

Proud parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles: Here's your chance to celebrate the newest addition to your family! For just \$10, feature your baby born in 2024 in our special Babies of 2024 section, publishing on Jan 29th, 2025.



All submissions will be entered into a drawing to win a gift basket and cash prize to help start a savings fund for your little one!

Don't wait—submit your entry today!  
**Deadline: Wednesday, Jan 22nd**

Please fill out the form below and submit it with your payment and baby's photo.

Baby's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Baby's Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Baby's Weight & Height: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parents' Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grandparents' Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail or drop off your submission to:  
 Lake County Banner  
 315 Church St  
 Tiptonville, TN 38079  
 Or email your submission (photo + form) to:  
 lcbanner@richardsonmediagroup.net  
 For questions, call us at (731) 253-6666

# CLASSIFIED & OBITUARIES



## New License Transfer Requirement Starts Jan. 10

Beginning Jan. 10, new or returning Tennessee residents with driver licenses from California, Connecticut, Illinois, Kentucky, Nevada, Oklahoma, Vermont, or West Virginia must present a Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) from their former state when applying for a Tennessee license.

The MVR must be issued within 30 days prior to its presentation at a Driver Services Center and is required alongside other necessary documents for obtaining a Tennessee credential. Additional document requirements can be found at [tn.gov/safety/driver-services.html](http://tn.gov/safety/driver-services.html).

Residents from the remaining 41 states are exempt from this requirement, as

those states participate in the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators' State-to-State (S2S) Verification Service. This system allows participating states to electronically access a driver's complete history, reducing fraud risks and improving road safety.

The MVR requirement will be updated as more states join the S2S Verification Service. For ongoing updates, visit [tn.gov/safety/driver-services/class/mvrverification.html](http://tn.gov/safety/driver-services/class/mvrverification.html).

The Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security remains committed to serving, securing, and protecting residents across the state.

### Notice To Bid

The Lake County Commission will be accepting bids for a one year lease to farm the Western portion of the Lake County Industrial Park. The property consists of approx. 160 acres. The county request a bid for the price per

acre. Bids will be accepted until 12 noon on Friday, January 17th, 2025 and will be opened at 3:00 pm that day.

Please send or bring bids to the Lake County Courthouse, 229 Church St. Tiptonville, Tennessee 38079

## Pecan Cheesecake Pie

- 1 unbaked pie crust
- 1 8 oz pack cream cheese, softened
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 large egg
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 3 large eggs
- 1 cup corn syrup
- 1 tsp vanilla extract

### Instructions

Prepare the crust  
Preheat the oven to 350. Place the pie crust into a 9 inch pie dish and crimp the edges. Make the cheesecake layer:

In a medium bowl, beat cream cheese, granulated sugar, vanilla extract, and 1 egg till smooth. Spread the mix-

ture evenly over bottom of the pie crust.

Add pecans:  
Sprinkle the pecans evenly over the cheesecake layer.

Make the pecan filling:  
In a separate bowl, whisk together 3 eggs, corn syrup, brown sugar and vanilla extract until fully combined. Carefully pour this over the pecans.

Bake the pie:  
Place the pie in a preheated oven and bake for 50-60 min, or until the filling is set and the center is slightly jiggly. If the crust edges brown too quickly, cover them with aluminum foil partway through baking.

Cool and serve.

## Sweet Alabama Pecan Bread

- 1/2 c unsalted butter, melted
- 1 c. sugar
- 1/2 c brown sugar
- 2 lg eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 c buttermilk
- 1 1/2 cup all purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1 c chopped pecans

Preheat your oven to 350. Grease and flour a 9x5 inch loaf pan. In a large bowl, whisk together the melted butter, granulated sugar, and brown sugar until smooth.

Beat in the eggs, one at a time followed by vanilla extract.

Stir in the buttermilk until fully combined.

In a separate bowl, whisk together flour, baking pow-

der, baking soda and salt. Gradually fold the dry ingredients into the wet mixture until combined. Avoid overmixing. Gently fold in the chopped pecans. Pour the batter into the prepared loaf pan and smooth the top. Bake for 50-60 min or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean.

Allow the bread to cool in the pan for about 10 min., then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.

### NOW HIRING

City of Ridgely is taking applications for **police officers** through January 8, 2025. You can pickup application at Ridgely City Hall Monday thru Friday from 8:00 to 4:00. We would prefer a certified officer, but training can be provided. For more info., contact Chief Tubbs at 731-442-1403.

### William P. Haynie 1941 - 2024

William P. Haynie, 83, of Tiptonville, TN, passed away on December 31, 2024. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 4, 2025, at Bures Chapel Church of Christ in Tiptonville, Tennessee.

### City of Ridgely Hiring: Water/Street Department Employee

The City of Ridgely is taking applications for a water/street department employee. Must have a valid drivers license. Pick up an application at the Ridgely City Hall. Applications will be accepted now thru January 8th, 2025.

Mayor Don Moore

### City of Ridgely Job Opening: Street Department Supervisor

The City of Ridgely is taking applications for a Street Dept. Supervisor. Applicants must be a high school graduate, must be able to pass a drug screen and have a valid drivers license. Experience in road construction and maintenance is a plus.

Pick up an application at the Ridgely City Hall Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

-Mayor Don Moore

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### CLUES ACROSS

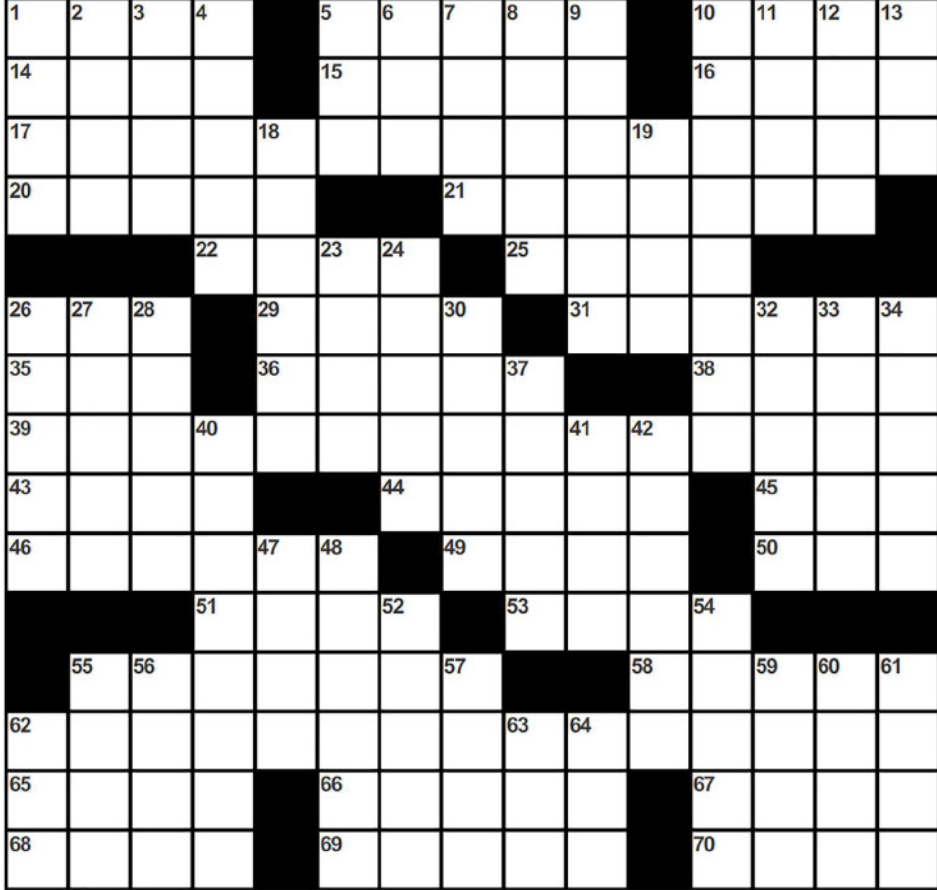
- 1) Baby bleater
- 5) Blood and acid, for two
- 10) Preschool lesson
- 14) Field of expertise
- 15) It may accompany waves on 51-Across
- 16) Tantrum-prone kid
- 17) One month after New Year's
- 20) Topps rival, once
- 21) Scraped
- 22) Apply crudely, as paint
- 25) Per
- 26) Degree for a CEO, often
- 29) "1,001 \_\_\_"
- 31) Ice Ca pad es performer
- 35) Dadaist Jean
- 36) Deserving praise
- 38) Archaeological find
- 39) New Year's Day
- 43) Bakery appliance
- 44) Largest of the Florida keys
- 45) A start for "few"
- 46) Kingdoms
- 49) Spot for Hitchcock's "Window"
- 50) "You, over there!"
- 51) Hawaii's "Gathering

- Place"
- 53) Dutch cheese
- 55) Like some cars, colorwise
- 58) NBA position
- 62) One month before New Year's
- 65) Place for a nice apple
- 66) Princeton athlete
- 67) Furniture wood
- 68) Sean in Hollywood
- 69) Dictator's helper
- 70) Put in a hold

### CLUES DOWN

- 1) Joke response, in entertainment mags
- 2) Seed covering
- 3) "A \_\_\_ formality"
- 4) "\_\_\_ on a true story"
- 5) Guiding principle in Chinese philosophy
- 6) Worker up north?
- 7) Parlor perch
- 8) Monetary unit of Botswana
- 9) Israeli natives
- 10) Capital on the Persian Gulf
- 11) Scottish hill
- 12) Hand part
- 13) Porky pen
- 18) Severe emotional

### DAY ONE



By Jill Pepper

- shock
- 19) Scrabble tiles holder
- 23) End \_\_\_ (ultimate customer)
- 24) Emerald, for one
- 26) Thatcher's successor
- 27) Atlanta player
- 28) Snorer's disorder
- 30) Guitar relative
- 32) Weight for Miss Liberty
- 33) Follow logically
- 34) Take another crack at

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- 37) Little-pigs complement
- 40) Free from restraint
- 41) "Ods bodkins!"
- 42) Search for food
- 47) Actor LeBlanc
- 48) Photo opportunities
- 52) Out of shape
- 54) Illness that is a swell time?
- 55) Become bored

- 56) " Beau Geste" author
- 57) Perimeter
- 59) "This won't hurt \_\_\_"
- 60) "Divorce capital," once
- 61) Obtained water
- 62) Modern way to transfer documents
- 63) Poet's dusk
- 64) \_\_\_-Magnan

## Horoscopes

### ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, charm is one of your strongest attributes. This week your magnetism is magnified and can work to your advantage. You might attract people who can help with a situation.

### TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, it is never easy to re-evaluate finances and cut back. However, this is the week when you likely have to keep your credit card in your wallet; otherwise, the bills add up.

### GEMINI - May 22/June 21

Gemini, now is the time to turn great opportunities into big ideas. Make a plan of action and spell out the steps necessary to see an opportunity come to fruition. Ask for help, if needed.

### CANCER - June 22/July 22

Cancer, others are supportive of a new project you recently proposed. Maintain that support by staying focused on the tasks at hand. It's time to move things along.

### LEO - July 23/Aug 23

You are open to new activities and friendships, Leo. Luckily, you may not have to work too hard to make these things happen. Bring new members into existing friend groups.

### VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Do whatever it takes to have some quality time to yourself, Virgo. This may include taking a trip or booking a relaxing day at a nearby spa.

### LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, allow some time to pass by before offering an assessment. Responding too quickly might produce a knee-jerk reaction that could prove regrettable down the road.

### SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Take extra care dealing with a sticky situation at work, Scorpio. You may need to be very careful about checking for mistakes in detail-oriented tasks without stepping on any toes.

### SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

You might need to bargain to get something you want this week, Sagittarius. Figure out what you are willing to give up and then identify a person you can work with.

### CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Clear communication is needed right now, Capricorn; otherwise, you may fall victim to hearsay or crossed signals. Get the facts before sharing your opinion.

### AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Start contemplating big changes pertaining to your employment situation, Aquarius. An opportunity might come along that proves too good to pass up.

### PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

The feelings you have for someone will help you overlook any imperfections you have noticed, Pisces. Keep your relationship strong by focusing on this person's good points.

### FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

- JANUARY 12  
Zayn Malik, Singer (32)
- JANUARY 13  
Patrick Dempsey, Actor (59)
- JANUARY 14  
LL Cool J, Rapper (57)
- JANUARY 15  
Dove Cameron, Actress (29)
- JANUARY 16  
Kate Moss, Model (51)
- JANUARY 17  
Jim Carrey, Actor (63)
- JANUARY 18  
Dave Bautista, Actor (56)

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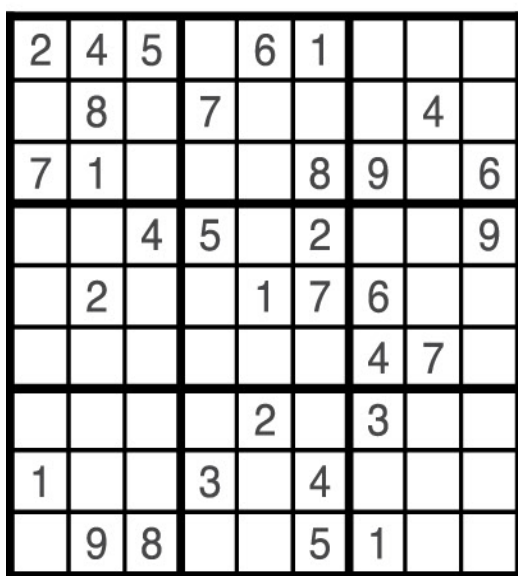
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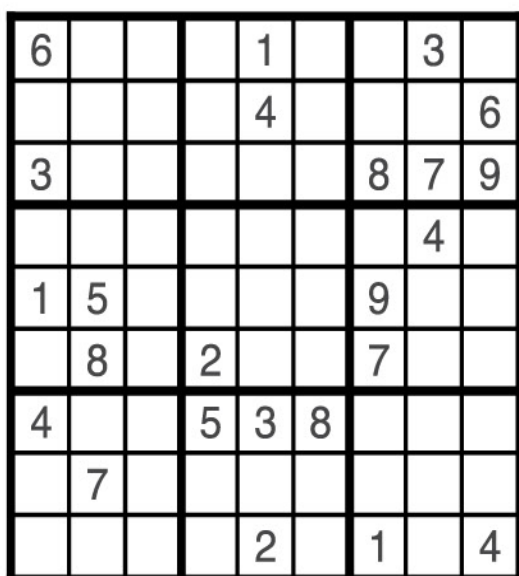
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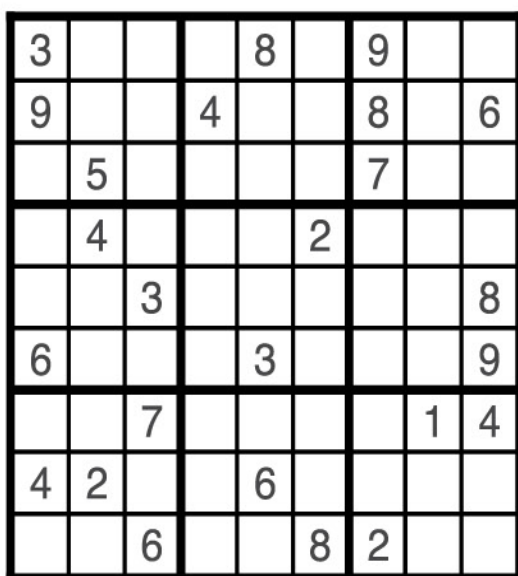
Here is how it works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



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# OPINION

## Drugs of Choice



KEVIN'S CORNER

Kevin Stone

"Coffee black, cigarettes. Start this day like all the rest. First thing every morning that I do..."

Is start missing you."- Some Broken Hearts Never Mend by Don Williams

Two things help me start my day. Then they stay with me until I go to bed at night. The only reason I don't do them in my sleep is because I haven't figured out how to do them when I'm unconscious. Coffee and cigarettes. The legal drugs that make the world go around. The two things that aren't people that I'd definitely miss if they weren't around.

Around 2.25 billion cups of coffee are consumed daily worldwide. That equates to over 815 billion cups a year. I'm pretty sure I'm responsible for at least ten percent of that. There are around four trillion cigarettes consumed yearly worldwide. That's a lot of smoking while you're sipping on that cup of joe. I know, because I do it every day. It doesn't get me high, or even raise my levels of productivity or make me happy. It just keeps me from yelling at people during the day, and has most likely kept me from committing quite a few assaults and battery, and maybe even the occasional murder. So, that's a good thing, right? And, thankfully, it's totally legal.

There's evidence of tobacco use as far back as twelve thousand years ago in North America. No wonder the American Indians use it in spiritual ceremonies. The whole peyote thing never really caught on, but not every drug can be as cool as tobacco. It's kinda hard to sell the "cool kids" on a psychoactive cactus that grows near buffalo turds, when tobacco is much simpler. Harder to act cool when you're being chased by pink elephants, too. Let's just stick to the smoke that causes slow death by lung complications and cancer. That's cool enough all by itself.

If you don't start a drug, you don't have to worry about get-

ting addicted to it. That's great advice. Just say no. Remember Nancy Reagan's famous anti-drug slogan from the eighties? It does work. If you can do it. It applies to coffee and cigarettes, too. If my Logical Self dared to think about it, I'd deeply regret ever having consumed any caffeinated beverage. That includes soda. I have no idea how big of an impact caffeine and sugar has had on the health of the average human over the past thousand years, but I'm guessing it hasn't made us healthier. Ever since a goat herder in Yemen watched his goats act funny when ingesting a cacao bean plant way back in 574 AD, we've been chasing that buzz. It's the no-calorie drink that keeps giving. It'll wake you up in the morning, most definitely. Caffeine is also one of the few legal stimulants we regularly give children. Add some caffeine to a soda, with thirty-nine grams of high fructose corn syrup (read "sugar") and can you really wonder why we're getting fatter and dumber as a species? It's the Big Gulp's fault. Totally.

Except it's not. It's our own fault for telling ourselves that, so long as a drug is legal, it's okay. It's not. Not with marijuana, cocaine, meth, alcohol, caffeine or cigarettes. The benefits that we experience, mostly temporarily, with any of these drugs is heavily offset with all the adverse immediate, and sometimes long-term, side effects that follow. Being legal just affects who profits and who pays. So why do we keep taking all of this stuff?

Because we started. We liked the way it made us feel. It gives our brains and hands something to do that's not work, and feels fun at the moment. Hey, wait. Maybe we need to classify cell phones as a drug, too.

Wish me luck this year as I attempt to slow down my caffeine and tobacco addiction to a manageable rate. I might even quit. I try not to say that out loud, because I might hear myself. I usually use coffee and cigarettes more when I'm thinking of quitting. It's like my brain knows what I'm up to! Naw, can't be.

Y'all pray for me. God bless Y'all!

## More Than Angels

By Diane Hill

At one time there was nothing in the universe but God and He brought all things into existence.

Colossians 1:16 - For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers all things were created by him, and for him.

Angels are superhuman, spiritual beings that have been in existence longer than mankind. Even though they are created beings, they were with God at the creation of the world.

Job 38:4-7 - Where was thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? Declare, if thou has understanding. Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? Or who stretched the line upon it? Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? Or who laid the corner stone thereof; when the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

Among the invisible things made by God are angels, which would cease to exist if Jesus Christ, who is almighty God, did not sustain them by His power. Although we may not fully understand why God created angels, we are told that they are ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation.

Angels appear to have the ability to change their appearance and move around at phenomenal speeds. They do not normally possess physical characteristics when God appoints them to specific tasks. God has not given them the ability to reproduce, and they do not marry. They are only mentioned in the scripture as

masculine.

We often hear people say about their deceased loved ones, "they are now angels in heaven" but nothing in the Scriptures bears out that humans are changed into angels at death. Angels are created and have not been redeemed by the blood of Jesus.

Psalms 91:11- For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

This suggests that each person from infancy has a "guardian" angel. What a great host of angels there must be!

Hebrews 1:14 identifies angels as ministering spirits. This indicates that they have specific tasks to perform as a part of their ministry to the saints of God.

Protection - One very important part of the ministry of angels is protection and deliverance. This indicates that they have specific tasks to perform as part of their ministry.

Assistance - God has provided this assistance to us because so often we are helpless to assist ourselves.

Guidance - When we are not certain which way to go, we can be assured that God is aware of our plight and that He has His angels ready to guide us in the best paths.

Worship - Heaven is as busy a place as earth, but the angels of heaven do not neglect to worship.

Jesus Christ is the only one in the universe that has the honor to sit on the right hand of God - the seat of all authority and power. Just as the angels have been ministering spirits since their beginning, they will continue to minister in heaven. In eternity they will minister not only to God but to the saints of all the ages who are the heirs of salvation.

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## Ridgely to swear in new board

The city of Ridgely will swear in a new board of aldermen and mayor at Thursday night's regular monthly meeting.

At the conclusion of old business, the new board will be sworn in with mayor Don Moore replaced by mayor-

elect Shane Hamilton.

Among items on the agenda are selecting a vice-mayor.

Other items include:

- hire a street supervisor.
- approve money to keep a fully staffed police department and the chief's

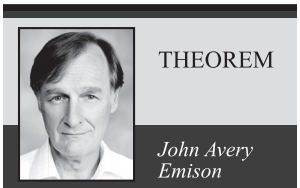
salary inline with other departments.

- approve ten \$100 gift cards for police chief Jason Tubbs to show gratitude to other officers who filled in when the city was down to a skeleton crew.

- hear police report from chief Tubbs and water/sewer reports from Donnie Simmons.

Members of the new board are Renee Bledsoe, Denise Craig, Michael Ford, Bruce Hayes, Steve Jones and Trey Woods.

## The British Invasion and Carl Perkins' Role in it



THEOREM

John Avery Emison

If I mentioned the term "British invasion" would you think I'm referring to the War of 1812? That's when the British army burned the White House and President James Madison and First Lady Dolley Madison had to run for their lives. If you did you'd be thinking about the wrong invasion in the wrong century. This article is the story of the invasion of British musical acts that virtually took over American entertainment and the radio waves in the 1960s. Yes, it included "Beatlemania" but there were at least 20 other bands and solo performers from the British Isles that came flooding in, mostly with tremendous success.

Some have suggested that the context of the British invasion was the gradual decline in the early 1960s of enthusiasm among American teenagers for single-artist acts such as Fabian, "the Bobbys" - Bobby Darin, Bobby Vinton, Bobby Rydell, and Bobby Vee - and even Elvis. By early 1964 it had

been almost two years since Elvis' No. 1 hit, "Good Luck Charm." When the music pendulum swung, it was sudden and with full force. Rock and Roll historians pinpoint the date of the British invasion as February 1, 1964. That's when the Beatles' "I Wanna Hold Your Hand" went to No. 1 on the Billboard Hot 100 in America, knocking Bobby Vinton's tune "There! I Said It Again" out of the top spot. "Hand" stayed at No. 1 for an incredible seven weeks. The Beatles next tune, "She Loves You," followed at No. 1 for two more weeks, which was followed by the third Beatles tune, "Can't Buy Me Love" for another five weeks. Three more Beatles songs hit No. 1 later that year, "Love Me Do" (one week), "A Hard Day's Night" (two more weeks), and finally "I Feel Fine" (the last week of the year which carried over to the first two weeks of 1965). In 1964 the Beatles held down the No. 1 spot with five different tunes for an astounding 18 weeks. John Lennon and Paul McCartney wrote all five.

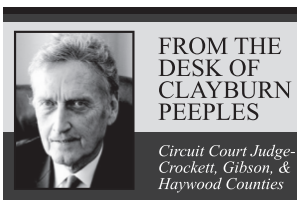
Other British groups joined in the invasion, though none of them had the instantaneous success, or created such a cultural tidal wave as the Beatles. These included:

The Rolling Stones, which had numerous No. 1 hits and No. 1 albums in the U.S. and the U.K.; Gerry and the Pacemakers, who like the Beatles came from Liverpool; the Searchers (not to be confused with the Australian folk group the Seekers); Billy J. Kramer and the Dakotas which topped several charts with the hit "Little Children"; Freddie and the Dreamers; the Dave Clark Five whose hit "Glad All Over" would likely have reached No. 1 except for the Beatles' top hits; the Hollies (who named themselves in honor of Buddy Holly); Manfred Mann; Herman's Hermits which had several major hits; Peter and Gordon; the Animals ("House of the Rising Sun"); the Zombies; the Yardbirds; the Moody Blues ("Knights in White Satin, and "The Story in Your Eyes"); the Kinks; the Spencer Davis Group; Them; the Who ("Won't Get Fooled Again); Small Faces; Dusty Springfield ("You Don't Have to Say You Love Me"); Petula Clark ("Downtown"); Donovan; Tom Jones ("It's Not Unusual"); and the Bee Gees who had so many hits for decades they are too numerous to list.

The Beatles, and probably many other groups were in-

fluenced by American music and musicians. One of the most notable connections was the one between West Tennessee's own, Carl Perkins and the Beatles rhythm guitarist George Harrison. Harrison spoke and performed at Carl Perkins' funeral in 1998. Many celebrities attended including Garth Brooks, Ricky Skaggs, Billy Ray Cyrus, Johnny Rivers, Sam Phillips (founder of Sun Records), Jerry Lee Lewis, and Wynonna Judd. Harrison told Perkins' son, "If it hadn't have been for your daddy, I never would have picked up a guitar." His influence is evident on the Beatles because Perkins became the artist they covered the most releasing tunes he wrote: "Honey Don't," "Matchbox," and "Everybody's Trying to Be My Baby." Texan Buddy Holly was another major influence on the Beatles. The formula for a band composed of a singer, guitars, drums, and writing and performing original music was originated by Buddy Holly and the Crickets. The Beatles copied this formula to perfection. They even copied the insectoid name when John Lennon came up with beetles, deliberately misspelled Beatles. I'll see you on down the trail.

## We the Jury



FROM THE DESK OF CLAYBURN PEEPLES

Circuit Court Judges-Crockett, Gibson, & Haywood Counties

Somebody asked me the other day what I thought the jury would do in the Daniel Penny case. Penny, as you may know, is the 26-year-old Marine veteran and architecture student who was accused of killing a mentally ill homeless man who was threatening to murder people on a Manhattan subway car. A couple of days after I got asked the question the jury answered it. They found him not guilty.

I thought they might, but you never know. Lawyers who have been around long enough know that and are very circumspect regarding predictions about trial outcomes. One colorful older lawyer with whom I used to work always answered the question by saying, "There's two things I never speculate on - who a woman will marry and what a jury will do."

Most of the time I can guess, but sometimes I miss. At least when you're trying to predict a woman's marital preference you're only dealing with one person's mind. With a jury you're dealing with 12 different people, each of whom brings a lifetime of accumulated experiences, biases, preferences and prejudices with him or her into the jury box.

In theory, a jury's decision ought to be the simplest of

things to predict, but often it is not, in spite of the fact that all 12 jurors hear and see exactly the same evidence. So why is it sometimes so hard for them to come to a unanimous decision about what happened?

Easy. They're human, and each of us is different in all sorts of ways, not the least of which is how we process information. If you've never served on a jury before, try to imagine how difficult a process it can be. First of all, if you're like most people summoned for jury service you've probably had no prior exposure to the American judicial system at all.

This causes stress right off the bat. It's not as traumatic as a draft notice, but getting a letter from the sheriff ordering you to report to the courthouse on a certain date is disconcerting to most people.

Then comes, at best, disruption of their daily routines, lengthy waits in hallways or totally insufficient waiting areas with practically no information about why, and finally, if chosen as a potential juror, additional anxiety from being scrutinized by lawyers and the judge about your qualifications to hear that particular case, and then, if selected as an actual juror, the additional stress of trying to apply the judge's instructions about the laws and legal rules that apply to the facts of the case as you have found them to be.

And, you are then required to come to the same conclusion as eleven other people who are going through ex-

actly what you are. Small wonder some people find the simplest cases so stressful it takes weeks, and sometimes even months, to get over them.

But if all 12 of them have run through the same gauntlet of preliminaries, why do they not all see the evidence the same way? They all see the same evidence and hear the same testimony; they all hear the same judge's instructions. What causes their different interpretations of it all? Studies have shown that all sorts of extralegal factors, beyond the evidence, affect jurors as they evaluate the proof. A defendant's physical appearance, although irrelevant, is important in a criminal trial to the point that unattractive defendants are not only more likely to be found guilty, but they are also more likely, if convicted, to be punished more harshly than more attractive people would be.

A defendant's apparent social standing may also seal his or her fate. Research shows that most people separate the rest of society into two groups - people like us, and people who aren't. Frequently such evaluations are based on religion, race or ethnic background, or perhaps, for whatever reason, accents, but people perceived as different from the jurors begin at a disadvantage they may not be able to overcome. And then there are religion and ideology. Baptist? Methodist? Member of the Church of Christ? Does it matter? Shouldn't, but any

trial lawyer will tell you it does. Trump voter or "Never Trumper?" Which would you want on your jury if you were on trial for assaulting a police officer?

It sounds as if I am criticizing the jury system, but I'm not. It can be, and sometimes is, our last line of defense against an overreaching, overzealous government or government official. What I am doing is pointing out some of the weaknesses inherent in any system in which human beings make subjective judgements about other human beings, but in spite of the many problems inherent in the process, I can honestly say that in my observation, juries almost always get it right, and when they don't they err in favor of the defendant, which is as it should be.

And nobody works harder and cares more about trying to do their job right than the average American juror. I was talking to a woman several months ago about a trial in which she had been a juror. The verdict was guilty, but she had worried as to whether they had done the right thing in convicting the defendant.

So she did what people do these days when they want to find out about someone. She "Googled" the defendant and discovered several previous convictions for similar offenses.

"So I knew we had done the right thing," she said confidently, and even though that information would have been inadmissible at the defendant's trial, it was what she needed to hear.

## Delinquent accounts owed to reelfoot lake regional utility & planning district

The following persons owe delinquent accounts to the Reelfoot Lake Regional Utility & Planning District. The names and amounts owed are as follows:

NAME	AMOUNT
Shawn Applewhite	\$692.16
Christian Baggett	\$592.16
Joshua Cline	\$346.08
Kristopher Hayes	\$346.08
Linda Johnson	\$865.20
Terrie Kelch	\$682.30
Marvin Miller	\$433.56
James Neely	\$634.48
Stevie Nugent	\$692.16
Cody Powers	\$634.48
Olivia Prince	\$692.16
Allan Smith	\$648.84
Stead Properties	\$465.67
Sheryl Tate	\$634.48
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# PUBLIC NOTICES & RECORDS

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Lake County Chancery Court Case Number 229 Church Street As Required by TCA §30-2-306 48CH1-2024-PR-107 **Estate of AUSTIN BLAKE HARRIS, Deceased**

Notice is hereby given that on December 23, 2024 Letters Testamentary (or of Administration as the case may be) in respect of the estate of **AUSTIN BLAKE HARRIS**, who died 7/2/2024, were issued to the undersigned by the Lake County Chancery Court of Lake County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured, against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above-named Court on

or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise their claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

Date: 10/23/2024

**Misty Yarbro**  
Executor, Administrator,  
Personal Representative  
Date: 10/23/2024  
**Taylor Smith**  
Attorney  
Date: 10/23/2024  
**Amber Mooring**  
Clerk & Master  
Misty Yarbro filed separately with, the undersigned Clerk of Lake County Chancery Court of Lake County, Tennessee, an oath that the attached notice, being in the form required by Tennessee Code Annotated §30-2-306, shall be published in the Lake County Banner, a newspaper published in Lake County, Tennessee.  
Date: 12/23/2024  
**Amber Mooring**  
Clerk & Master  
1/1, 1/8

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF LAKE COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

**GEORGE ANTHONY BARGERY**  
PETITIONER,  
**V.**  
**SARAH PAGAN, ANNA CHACON,**  
**and WILLIAM H. LINDAMOOD**  
RESPONDENTS.  
**NO. 24-CV-117**  
**ORDER FOR PUBLICATION**

In this civil action, it appearing from the sworn Petition to Quiet Title, Motion for Publication, and Affidavit for Service by Publication filed herein, that the whereabouts of the Respondent, **William H. Lindamood**, are unknown to the Petitioner.

It is accordingly **ORDERED** that service by publication be made in **Lake County Banner** for four (4) consecutive weeks as to the **William H. Lindamood** named in this cause and that

he be required to serve an answer upon the Petitioner's attorney, **Jarred S. Conway**, whose address is **322 N. Church Ave., P.O. Box H, Dyersburg, Tennessee 38024**, within 30 days after the last date of this publication and file the same also with the Clerk of the above-named court in defense of the Petition filed against her by the Petitioner. If she fails to do so, judgment by default will be taken against her for the relief demanded in the petition.

This 23rd day of December, 2024.

Tony Childress, Chancellor  
**APPROVED FOR ENTRY**  
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Gibson Electric Membership Corporation is accepting bids for trenching and conduit placement. Interested parties who have \$1,000,000 liability insurance coverage, meet the Tennessee Workers' Compensation requirements and have access to a backhoe, mini excavator, trencher, conduit plow, and reel trailers should contact Barry Smith at 731.562.1710 by January 17, 2025.  
Gibson Electric is an equal opportunity employer and provider.  
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All land and timber owned by John F. Fields and David Fields is posted. This includes black bottom woods, south west of Tiptonville. Trespassers will be arrested and prosecuted to the fullest extent.

**JOHN F. FIELDS AND DAVID FIELDS**

**Public Service Announcement**

The Board of Directors of Northwest Tennessee Economic Development Council will hold a Board Meeting on Friday, January 17, 2025, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be physically held at the Northwest TN Headstart/Early Head Start Central Office located at 938C Walnut Avenue W., McKenzie, Tn and held virtually by Zoom.

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**JON DICKEY**

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NO HUNTING OR TRESPASSING on any land owned or operated by me in Kentucky Bend. Trespassers will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

**LYNN FARMS**

**POSTED NOTICE**

All land and timber owned by Fredrickson-Keiser Farms are posted. This includes Mud Lake and Reelfoot Bayou areas southwest of Ridgely. Trespassers will be arrested and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

(Signed) **WILLIAM B. KEISER**

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All land owned and leased by Lindamood Planting Co. is posted, **No Hunting - No Woodcutting**

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**John F. Lindamood**

**NO HUNTING OR TRESPASSING** on any lands owned by

**HOPPER FARMS**

## Lake County General Sessions Court

### 12-23-24 Arraignment

Treshaun Lyons – domestic assault – continue 6 months, no violent contact, no cost, anger management referral, or bond, status 01-23-25  
Courtney D. Turner – dui third offense, driving while license revoked, implied consent – misd, public defender appointed, administrative

attorney fee \$50.00, bond \$3,500 – 01-23-25  
James Wilson – failure to appear – guilty plea, no cost

### Appearance

Aaron Bartlett – possession of weapon – convicted felon – bond \$5,000, app 01-23-25  
Dominic Battee – schedule VI drugs – mfg, del, sell, poss, unlaw possession of weapon, schedule IV drugs – mfg, del, sell, poss, poss unlaw drug paraphernalia uses & activities, schedule II drugs – mfg, del, sell, poss - \$10,000 bond, app 01-23-25  
Vickie Clark – domestic assault – physical contact – continue 6 months, no violent contact, court cost \$360.50 – 05-22-25  
Desarea Cole – poss unlaw drug paraphernalia uses & activities, contempt of court – 02-03-25 – theft up to \$1,000 – or bond, waive to bound case over to grand jury, reduce bond to or bond Samuel Evans – failure to appear  
Devante Fryerson – domestic assault, bond \$1,500 – prelim 02-03-25  
Billy J. Hansbrough – theft of merchandise up to \$1,000 – pre-trial diversion 1 yr exp 12-22-25, no contact with Foodrite - \$402.00  
Cedrick Tyrell Kimble – speeding 40/54, driving without license – app 02-

27-25  
James Robert McCoy – disorderly conduct – continue 6 months, no further trouble, dismiss no cost 05-22-25  
Matthew McCoy – disorderly conduct – continue 6 months, no further trouble, dismiss no cost 05-22-25  
Larry Morris – allowing dog to run at large – continue 6 months, no further trouble, dismiss no cost 05-22-25  
Joshua Patterson – failure to appear – misdemeanor, driving while license suspended, registration certificate must be carried, financial responsibility law, contempt of court  
Joshua Scott – vandalism up to \$1,000 – app 01-23-25  
Devin Smith – criminal trespass, public intoxication  
Christopher Tacker – theft up to \$1,000 – prelim. 01-06-25  
Laura Thomas – poss unlaw drug paraphernalia uses & activities, simple poss/casual exchange – payment status 01-23-25  
Kailee Brook Warren – child abuse/neglect/endangerment – bond \$4,000, app 01-23-25  
James Wilson – driving while license suspended, unlawful removal/alteration of registration tag – attempt – dismissed  
Scott Shelton – contempt of court – 20 days, bond \$2,500 surety, \$250.00 cash, reset 01-06-25

Jimmy Hurst – burglary – bond \$3,500, public defender appointed, administrative attorney fee \$50.00, reset 01-06-25

### Payment Status

Jamarion Abbott – theft up to \$1,000 – must have drug screen by 4:00 today, payment status 01-09-25  
Kylie Aton – failure to appear, contempt of court  
Desarae Cole – driving while license suspended, seat belt 18 and older, registration expired, financial responsibility law, contempt of court, probation violation, theft up to \$1,000, schedule II drugs – mfg, del, sell, poss, poss unlaw drug paraphernalia uses & activities, simple poss/casual exchange, failure to appear on citation, contempt of court, probation violation – 02-03-25  
Joel Cooper – domestic assault, reckless endangerment – deadly weapon involved – payment status 01-23-25  
Latisha Cruze – dui first offense, contempt of court – payment status 01-09-25  
Jackson Davis – schedule VI drugs: mfg, del, sell, poss, domestic assault, contempt of court – 01-23-25  
Jackson Davis – domestic assault, contempt of court – 01-23-25  
Samuel Evans – driving while license revoked, con-

tempt of court x 2, registration expired, financial responsibility law, drivers to exercise due care, duty to render aid and give information, contempt of court x 2  
Jennifer Harness – theft up to \$1,000  
Joshua Patterson – failure to appear – misdemeanor, contempt of court, probation violation  
Joseph Pryor – dui first offense – 01-06-25  
Scott Shelton – theft up to \$1,000, contempt of court, simple poss/casual exchange, contempt of court  
Devin Smith – vandalism up to \$1,000 – 01-09-25 – domestic assault – physical contact

### Status

Joshua Patterson – failure to appear – misdemeanor, contempt of court

### Show Cause

Alison Copeland – dui first offense – bond \$1,000 – reissue SC 01-09-25

### Traffic Hearing

Courtney Turner – financial responsibility law – 01-23-25

### Preliminary Hearing

Latrenda Jones – domestic assault – aggravated – bond \$3,500 – bound over grand jury March 17th

## Lake County General Sessions Report

### 12-19-24 Arraignment

Dominic Battee – schedule VI drugs: mfg, del, sell, poss, unlaw possession of weapon, schedule IV drugs – mfg, del, sell, poss, poss unlaw drug paraphernalia uses & activities, schedule II drugs – mfg, del, sell, poss – public defender appointed, administrative attorney fee \$ 50.00, bond \$10,000, can't be around weapons or drugs – reset 12-23-24  
Desarea Cole – theft up to \$1,000 – Nicole Flowers appointed, administrative attorney fee \$50.00, bond \$3,500, reset 12-23-24  
Joshua M. Scott – vandalism up to \$1,000 – reset 12-23-24, bond \$500.00 surety, no contact with victim Christopher L Tacker – theft up to \$1,000 – Johnny Warren appointed, administrative attorney fee \$50.00, bond \$5,000 surety, reset 12-23-24

### Appearance

Richard Thomas Blackburn – driving while license suspended, following too closely, financial responsibility law – reset 02-20-25  
Madison Fairless – burglary – other than habitat or non public building, assault – physical contact – bond \$2,000, prelim 01-27-25  
Amarion Giles – knowingly violate a condition of release, soliciting sexual exploitation of a minor, residential and work restrictions – reset 1-23-25  
Scotty Joe Hale – driving while license revoked – dismissed, implied consent – enhancement only – guilty plea – guilty plea sentencing 01-30-25, failure to appear – guilty plea – registration

expired – dismissed, driving while license suspended – dismissed

Kevin Howard – allow dogs to run at large – bodily injury – reset 1-23-25  
Gregory Ingalls – driving while license suspended – reset 2-20-25  
Andrea Moran – meth – mfg, del, sell, poss with intent – bond \$7,500, reset 2-6-25

Christopher Moran – criminal impersonation, false reports to officer, 911 calls in non-emergency situations prohibited – bond \$3,500 – reset 02-06-25  
Charles Westbrook – criminal simulation – amend to attempt, guilty plea 11/29 to 60 days, waive cost, can't go back to Marathon

### Payment Status

William Harness – theft of merchandise up to \$1,000, reset 12-18-24  
Kevin Howard – drivers to exercise due care, financial responsibility law, domestic assault – physical contact – reset 01-23-25  
Noble Tolley – poss unlaw drug paraphernalia uses & activities, meth – mfg, del, sell, poss with intent, public intoxication, disorderly conduct, prevent/obstruct service of legal process, contempt of court  
Courtney Ayla McNeal – Wiggins – simple poss/casual exchange – reset 1-23-25

### Status

Kevin Howard – theft up to \$1,000, assault – bodily injury – bond \$3,500, reset 1-23-25

### Show Cause

Brittany Nicole Bledsoe – unlawful use of telecommunication device while driving, financial responsibility

law, driving without license – show cause 1-9-25

### Traffic Hearing

Scotty Joe Hale – financial responsibility law – dismissed, driving on roadways laned for traffic – guilty plea sentencing 1-30-25

### Preliminary Hearing

William Harness – false reports to officer, disorderly conduct, 911 calls in non emergency situations prohibited – bond \$2,500, continue 1 year, no contact with victim/family, Johnny Warren released, case will be dismissed 12-18-25

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Cain complained about the harsh punishment he received and feared that whoever found him would kill him. God puts a mark upon him as a protection from being killed by those who found him. And God pronounced a sevenfold vengeance upon anyone who killed Cain.  
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~Proverbs 3:5-6

## SPORTS

# Vols need to regroup after OSU loss

I recall covering the University of Tennessee's Fiesta Bowl media day prior to its national championship bout with Florida State back in December of 1998.

Then-UT coach Phillip Fulmer was asked about the debacle against Nebraska during the Orange Bowl a year before. If you recall, Tennessee, ranked No. 3 in the nation, played No. 1 Nebraska and was annihilated 42-17. This was the last Bowl Alliance championship, a precursor to the Bowl Championship Series, otherwise known as the BCS.

The Cornhuskers rolled through the Vols that night like the Soviets through Eastern Europe, like illegal aliens through the southern border, like the Kardashians through an NBA locker room. Being honest, Tennessee's performance was embarrassing for the

school and the Southeastern Conference.

Even All-American Tennessee linebacker Leonard Little remarked that Nebraska's players were powerful and great. Let's face it, Nebraska's personnel ran roughshod over the Vols that night. I was there and it was uncomfortable to watch.

When asked about the consequences of that game, Fulmer said, "coming off that game, we made a big deal about being physical."

So the Vols went back to the drawing board, then the weight room to get bigger, stronger and faster. Guess what? Mission accomplished. A year later the Vols defeated Florida State 23-16 in the Fiesta Bowl to win its first national title since 1951.

For Tennessee, things worked out well after that loss.

After contemplating



Jim Steele

Tennessee's dismal performance at Ohio State in the opening round of the playoffs, I compared the two debacles.

Against Nebraska, the Vols were at a physical disadvantage on both sides of the ball. Nebraska's offensive and defensive lines schooled Tennessee. With Ohio State, things become a bit more complex. The Buckeyes were clearly deeper and more talented than Tennessee.

In addition, Tennessee

essentially was a unidimensional team this year. The Vols didn't muster much of a passing attack this year and relied on the ground game. When Tennessee had better personnel, the gambit worked. When the personnel was equal or better, the Vols struggled. Things don't look like they are going to improve in the vertical game next year since Squirrel White and four other receivers have entered the transfer portal.

Why would they stay when Tennessee's air game was anemic at best? Is vaunted high school quarterback recruit Nico Iamaleava capable of dealing with the big time? Does he need more time? Is the offensive scheme too predictable for him to be successful? Does Tennessee have the right personnel among the coaching staff to implement

changes so Tennessee can be less predictable?

Like 1997, Tennessee had a pretty good year in 2024. But, like 1997, it seemed that the Vols often lived on the edge. The edge can be a perilous place.

Before we wring our hands into an arthritic knot, let's be honest. Tennessee spent much of the season in the top 10, won 10 games for the second time in three years, beat Alabama and Florida and was a player in the national-championship race. When you consider that the basketball team is No. 1 in the nation for the fourth straight week, the Lady Vols' basketball team is 12-0 and the baseball team is the defending national champion, I'd say Tennessee folks should have a lot to be happy about.

But some Tennessee fans just won't be satisfied with that. It's like Fulmer said back in 1998, when

you win, you tend to create monsters. Some of those goblins shine the seats at Neyland Stadium with their fannies.

There is a silver lining, or, perhaps orange, more appropriately. Tennessee coach Josh Heupel has an ally in athletic director Danny White, a pretty formidable NIL consortium and massive support from boosters. All the things he needs to be successful are in place.

However...

Heupel may have to make some tough decisions regarding his staff in the off-season.

If not, Danny White may have a hard decision to make in a few years.

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