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Members of the Perry County Prevention Coalition joined elected officials last Monday, August 31, 2020, for a proclamation signing on the courthouse lawn. County Mayor, John Carroll, General Sessions Judge Katerina Moore, Lobelville Mayor Robby Moore, Linden Mayor Wess Ward, and Sheriff Nick Weems signed the proclamation declaring that the people of Perry County are uniting to fight substance abuse, and to recognize September as National Overdose Awareness Month. REVIEW photo by Sharon McKnight.

Prevention Coalition Wants to End Substance Abuse in County

The Perry County Prevention Coalition released the following statement about their efforts following the event last Monday at the courthouse.

"Perry County is no stranger to the devastation substance abuse causes in the lives of friends and family. Until March of this year, we haven't had a collective voice to speak out against this plague that threatens us. That situation has changed.

"We are proud to introduce to you the Perry County Prevention Coalition: Together We Do Recover.

"The very nature of a coalition is that together we become

more. Coalition literally means an alliance in order to achieve greater action. And that, Perry County, is exactly what we need.

"We are in the initial stages of building county-wide prevention awareness. We started in March before COVID hit. And although we were put on hold for several months, we are now more determined than ever to develop an excellent anti-abuse atmosphere that will forever change futures, and preserve life in our county.

"We will keep you updated on progress the coalition is making and on what each one of you can do to be a part of this county-wide effort."

BRIEFS



Free Breakfast & Lunch: All Students

Perry County School Nutrition posted this notice:

"Beginning Wednesday, September 2, USDA has made it possible for all children enrolled in school to receive a free breakfast and lunch meal daily through December 31, 2020 or until all funds are exhausted.

"Once the funding ends, each child will return to their approved meal status."

For more information, see the story from USDA inside this issue.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Board of Education Meets Monday

The Perry County Board of Education will meet Monday, September 14, 2020, 5:00 p.m., at the Board office, 857 Squirrel Hollow Drive, Linden. The public is invited.

Continued Jobless Claims Up Locally

The number of new unemployment benefits claims in Tennessee for the week ending August 29 was 12,035, an increase of 1,037 from the previous week. Continued claims numbered 184,781.

The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development reports that 281,761 claims were paid that week to state residents, totaling \$265,204,629.

Claims filed since March 15 at the beginning of the pandemic-induced spike total 806,114 in Tennessee alone.

In the previous twelve reported weeks: June 6: 21,417; June 13, 19,925; June 20, 21,155; June 27, 22,256; July 4, 25,843; July 11, 22,431; July 18, 25,794; July 25, 19,461; August 1, 11,690; August 8, 10,036; August 15, 13,806; August 22, 10,998.

Perry County recorded 188 continued week claims, an increase of 52 from the previous week, with 11 new claims filed, a decrease of three from the week before.



Perry County Has Highest Poverty Rate in Tennessee

Perry County has the highest poverty rate among Tennessee's ninety-five counties, according to figures released this week by the American Community Survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the years 2014-2018.

According to the report, 2,347 Perry County residents live in poverty, representing 30% of the local population—87.9% higher than the state average.

Lake County had the second highest poverty rate: 1,268 people, or 26.9%, which is 67.1% above the Tennessee average.

Clay County was third: 2,026 people, 26.7%, and 66% above the state average.

The lowest poverty rates in Tennessee:

- Williamson County, 4.3%;
 - Moore County, 7.9%;
 - Wilson, 8.2%.
- Tennessee statistics include:
- Overall state poverty rate: 16.1% (1,046,508 people);
 - Child poverty rate: 23.3% (344,360 people);
 - Race/ethnicity poverty rates:
 - Asian American: 10.9% (12,023 people);
 - Black Americans: 26.4% (284,688 people);
 - Hispanic/Latin Americans: 28.4% (97,933 people);
 - Native Americans/Alaskans: 20.7% (3,585 people);
 - White Americans: 12.9% (620,299 people).
 - The U.S. Federal Poverty Level (FPL) is a metric first

used in the 1960s that is based on the cost of a minimal food budget multiplied by three on the assumption that food comprises a third of a household's expenses.

The FPL is used as a threshold for determining an individual or families' eligibility for assistance programs from SNAP benefits to Medicaid.

Various social services have different caps for eligibility from 100% of the FPL or higher.

In 2019, the FPL threshold for one person under the age of 65 was an annual income of \$13,300; the FPL for a family of five with three kids was an annual income of \$30,510.

Some say 200% of the federal poverty level is a more realistic

figure for covering the cost of basic needs in the United States.

None of the measures captures what is known as episodic poverty, which affects workers with temporary jobs or those in the informal or gig economies.

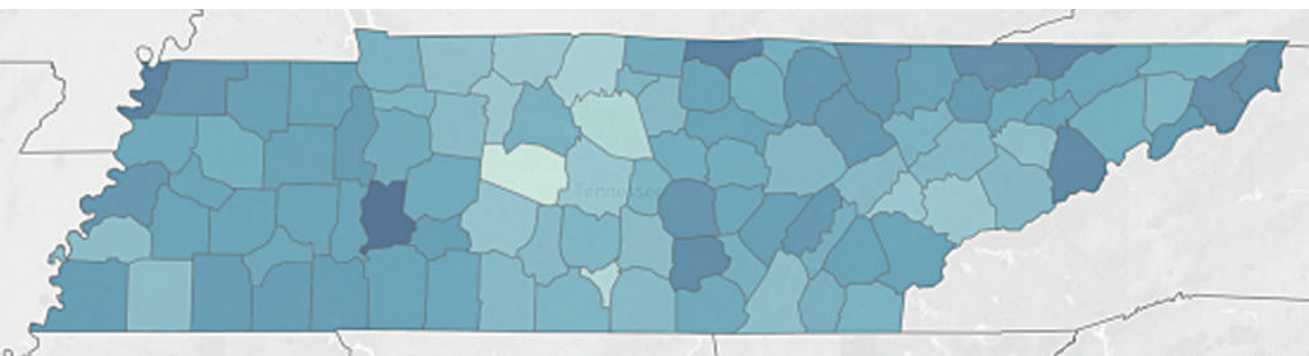
Poverty rates in America also reveal a disturbing racial gap, with Black Americans 2.5 times more likely to be poor than white Americans, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation.

Research generally points to causes like poor education systems, workplace discrimination, and high incarceration rates.

The coronavirus has reached into that gap, with correlations between poverty and COVID-19 hitting low-income Black communities disproportionately hard.

Experts say there is more likelihood of underlying medical conditions that make Black people vulnerable, such as diabetes and heart disease.

Those communities tend to have less access to good health care and have higher populations of essential workers who cannot stay home and are forced to stay on the job and risk getting infected.



According to a recent report from the U.S. Census Bureau, Perry County has the highest poverty rate in the state. This map shows the impact of poverty on Tennessee; darker color counties have the highest rates,

Governor Lee: 'Very Hopeful Days Are Ahead For Us'

"Very hopeful days are ahead for us. Stay encouraged," Governor Bill Lee said in his latest conference call with community newspapers last week.

Once again, Governor Lee said he and his team are "cautiously optimistic," pointing to new case counts that continue to decline, fewer hospital stays for pandemic patients, and an expected drop in the COVID-19 death rate—though he acknowledged trouble spots around the state "that have not fared as well."

In particular, the governor pointed to rural areas in West Tennessee where case counts "are not falling the way we want them to."

"Tennesseans have been vigilant," Governor Lee said, repeating an earlier message that "now is the time to double down and keep doing the simple things."

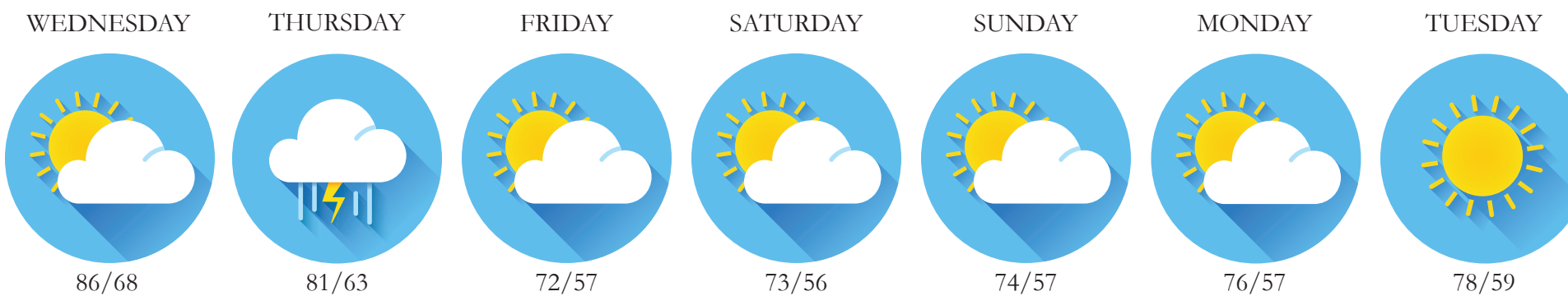
He noted that schools and colleges are opening, that businesses are back open, and that Tennesseans "must continue to work until COVID-19 is a thing of the past."

The Governor announced a new online tool for businesses to use to see if they qualify for relief packages (see the story in this issue). He said 40,000 small business owners in the state qualify for the \$300 million in funding—only about half of which has been distributed.

Governor Lee said he wants every business that qualifies to tap into those funds: "We want our businesses to thrive through this, and survive through this" pandemic.

Also COVID-19 related: the governor said his administration would soon be announcing nursing home visitation changes "because

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7-Day Forecast
Source: The Weather Channel

Want To Know The Real Answer? Ask A Kid

Perry County Kids answer: How many colors are in a rainbow?



LAKELYN ARNOLD
"Six."



ZAYDEN GILBOY
"Green, yellow, blue, purple, gold."



SHYANN BREWER
"Only five."



BRAYLEE DILL
"Six."

Workers Have Legal Right to Discuss Pay & Conditions

ALIX ROGERS & KRISHNA AMMISSETTY
Legal Aid Society

Imagine this scenario: You've worked at a job you have had for a few years. You like your work. You get along so well with your co-workers that you feel comfortable enough to discuss your pay with them.

However, discussing pay with co-workers violates a rule in your employee handbook prohibiting the discussion of pay with coworkers. As a result, your employment is terminated once management finds out. The exact reason listed on your separation notice: "Discussing pay with other employees."

Unfortunately, many working people do not have to imagine this scenario. They have actually been fired for discussing their wages with their coworkers. Even more work at jobs where employers have adopted policies, either written or verbal, prohibiting employees from discussing their wages with one another.

However, what many workers, employers and others working in supervisory positions do not know is this: These policies are usually illegal.

It is a common misconception that employers have a right to fire employees for talking about their wages.

Although such discussions can sometimes feel like a taboo, under most circumstances your employment cannot be legally terminated for discussing your pay with your coworkers.

Passed by Congress in 1935, the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA) protects the rights of private sector employees (with some exceptions) to engage in "concerted activity."

This means that employees have the right to discuss things that impact their work, such as: wages, including compensation, bonuses, salary, pay and structure of pay; hours, lack of or too much, or who is getting which shifts; and working conditions, including discipline, temperature, internal investigations, supervisors or managers, arbitration agreements, safety and working assignments.

NLRA prohibits employers from interfering with the exercise of these rights. This means that any rule—verbal, written or electronic—that prohibits employees from discussing their wages, hours or working conditions may violate the NLRA.

The purpose of the NLRA is not just to prevent violations of employee rights, but also to encourage employees to exercise their rights without fear.

You have the right to talk about your wages with your fellow employees, and you should talk about your wages. It is one of the most effective ways to make sure you are getting paid what you are worth.

Employers often strive to create a culture of secrecy around wages. This enables them to discourage underpaid employees from asking for higher wages and to avoid addressing pay equity issues.

Through discussions with their coworkers about wages, employees are placed in a better position to negotiate higher wages for themselves. This can result in increased job satisfaction and serves as a powerful tool to battle pay inequality.

As many Americans face the threat of COVID-19 at their jobs, it's important for workers to know that protected "concerted activity" also extends to discussing the safety of working conditions during the pandemic.

Workers can discuss the lack of personal protective equipment, the need for hazard pay and other unsafe working conditions.

Workers can also circulate petitions, engage in discussion with their supervisors and otherwise call on their employers for better COVID-19 protections, and they cannot be legally fired for it.

Contrary to popular belief, the NLRA doesn't just deal with union/management issues like organizing and collective bargaining.

The right of employees to engage in concerted activity is protected even if there is no union, or even union organizing activity, at the workplace.

If you think your employer has violated the NLRA, you can contact your regional National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) to file a complaint.

The NLRB website is nlrb.gov and the NLRB's Nashville office can be reached at 615-736-5921.

You can also reach out to the Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland. We are a nonprofit law firm that provides free legal help to low-income residents of 48 counties across Middle Tennessee.

We have helped clients in the past make claims against their employers for unfair labor practices. If your employer violates the NLRA, the NLRB can impose serious consequences.

For more information about the Legal Aid Society, visit las.org, or call 800-238-1443.



County Mayor John Carroll signs a proclamation declaring September 17-23, 2020, as Constitution Week in Perry County. He is joined by Daughters of the American Revolution members Betty Barber and Johnnia Elkins, along with Sheriff Nick Weems, Linden Mayor Wess Ward, and Lobelville Mayor Robby Moore. See story.

DAR Promotes U.S. Constitution Week

The United States Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedom and to ensure those inalienable rights to every American.

Two documents are of paramount importance to American history: the Declaration of Independence, which forged our national identity, and the United States Constitution, which set forth the framework for the federal government that functions to this day.

While Independence Day is a well-recognized and beloved national holiday, fewer people know about Constitution Week, an annual commemoration of the living document that upholds and protects the freedoms central to the American way of life.

On September 17, 1787, thirty-nine delegates from the thirteen original colonies (except Rhode Island) reached agreement on this new document whose authors skillfully worked out a system of government that satisfied the opposing views of the people of a newly independent country.

The Daughters of the American Revolution started the tradition of celebrating the Constitution. In 1955, DAR petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week.

Congress adopted the resolution, and on August 2, 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed it into Public Law #915.

DAR has been the foremost advocate for the awareness, promotion, and celebration of Constitution Week. In communities across America, Daughters will erect hundreds of community displays, sponsor proclamations, ring bells, and stage programs to raise awareness of the Constitution's importance.

Everyone is invited to celebrate this powerful document, which has enabled this democracy within a republic for more than two centuries.

DAR hopes that all Americans will learn more about the Constitution and its immense impact on this nation. For information about DAR and its mission, visit www.dar.org.

Governor: 'Very Hopeful Days Ahead'

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residents need visitors."

The governor praised the federal government for its assistance, saying, "When we have reached out for help, the federal government has responded."

"We are committed to making the U.S. a better place for every American, and working to improve the lives of Tennesseans," Governor Lee said. "I'm proud of Tennesseans and proud of the direction we are headed."

The governor then took a few questions. He was asked if directors of schools have the authority to require mask usage in local districts.

Governor Lee said schools districts have the "responsibility and authority to set regulations for their schools." He said the state gives guidance on what it thinks is appropriate, but decisions are to be made at district level which he considers the "best way to do it"—just as county mayors have authority to issue mask mandates.

"Local communities trust their local leaders," Governor Lee said, "and parents should have most influence on what happens in their schools."

He also addressed a question about executive orders, saying the most recent order runs through September 30, and is designed not to limit but to lift restrictions that allow services that otherwise would be not be, such as: health care workers in expanded capacities, electronic county meetings, extending driver license renewals, relaxed trucking industry regulations.

The governor said all earlier restrictions—except on bars and number of people who can crowd into a bar—have been lifted. "We will look at the data on September 30 and see if COVID-19 has diminished, and if we need to keep allowing exceptions," he said.

Another participant asked about broadband services, especially in rural areas.

Governor Lee referred to the \$61 million allocated for broadband funding, saying the pandemic has highlighted the "significance of strong network structure." He said he is committed to expansion of broadband development, including investment in broadband to underserved areas.

He said the state originally appropriated \$40 million, then received more funds through CARES Act. A portion of that money is being used to provide tele-healthcare to more Tennesseans, and access for kids trying to learn remotely.

"Many people have learned they can work from home. COVID has changed the workplace, and they can't do that without broadband," Governor Lee said. "I believe we can have broadband for everyone within a few years."

Questioned about public information on school districts and how many students and teachers have tested positive for the coronavirus, Governor Lee said his office has been working on a plan to provide that information while protecting the privacy of individuals.

"There's been a lot of conversation on our team and with federal government; many regulations govern how much and what types of information can be distributed," the governor said.

The federal government is working with the state to help provide information on COVID in schools, the governor said, and promised the release soon of an online dashboard for that type of data (see the story in this issue on the release of that online tool).

NEWS BRIEFS



BRITTANY KLASE

Klase: \$1,000 Scholarship

The Nashville Advertising Co-op of Sonic Drive-Ins has awarded fifty \$1,000 scholarships to employees of their drive-ins.

Over the past twenty years the business has given in excess of a million dollars in scholarships to employees of their drive-ins. The program began as the idea of Robert Newberry, owner and operator of the Lewisburg Sonic Drive-In.

At the time the scholarship program started, Newberry and other operators were looking for incentives that would help reduce turnover and attract higher caliber employees.

He stated, "Aiding employees in their education experience has helped many drive-ins keep well-trained associates on board."

The scholarship program has gone beyond regular employee retention in some cases. In Dickson, Misty Meadows was an elementary education major who continued to work at Sonic part time while completing her education. She received the scholarship four years in a row.

After Misty began her career as an educator she continued to work at Sonic part time during summers and holidays.

In order to qualify for these scholarships, the employees must have worked at the drive-in for at least one year, acquire written recommendation from their store managers, teachers, and other community leaders, and have completed high school and be accepted in good standing with a college or university.

Brittany Klase, who works at the Linden Sonic, received a \$1,000 scholarship. She is a freshman studying nursing at The University of Tennessee-Martin.

NEWS BRIEFS

Free Adult Ed Classes Offered

Are you currently unable to work due to a layoff? Have you recently lost your job and need to search for another one?

Do you need a high school diploma so you will have more options when doing your job search? Would you like to earn your diploma to fulfill a personal goal?

If so, the Perry County Adult Education Program is ready to help you make your goal a reality. On-line registration, computer-based, virtual, and face-to-face classes are available at this time.

If you are interested in registering for classes or have questions, please call 931-205-0132. If there is no answer, please leave a message or text.

Perry County Adult Education staff look forward to helping you meet all your educational needs.

Commodities: Residents Only

A Commodity Food Distribution for Perry County residents only will be held Tuesday, September 22, 2020, 10:00 a.m. to noon, at First Baptist Church., 138 West Main Street, Linden.

The distribution will be drive-up only. Clients are to stay in their vehicle with the windows rolled up. Commodity printout or ID should be presented through window. Staff will place food in the trunk of the client's vehicle.

Please call 931-589-2130 if you have any questions.

Library Board Meets Sept. 17

The Perry County Public Library Board of Directors will meet Thursday, September 17, 2020, 4:15 p.m., at Azbill Community Center. Social distancing will be observed; please wear a mask.

Many Businesses Face Uncertainty, But State Relief May Be Available

DAVID GERREGANO
Commissioner of the
Department of Revenue

The COVID-19 pandemic has created unprecedented challenges and financial hardship for small business owners across the State of Tennessee.

Confronted with the reality of declining or inconsistent sales and an uncertain economic outlook, many are forced to make difficult life and business decisions at a troubling rate.

At the Department of Revenue, we hear from taxpayers in this position every day.

For many of them, financial relief may be available.

Governor Lee and the Financial Stimulus Accountability Group have announced several programs intended to assist businesses and organizations struggling with the impacts of COVID.

One of those programs is the Tennessee Business Relief Program, designed to assist those small businesses who were directly impacted by mandatory closures or who suffered a related and substantial reduction in sales.

The Tennessee Business Relief Program requires no application, and its relief payments are not loans that need to be repaid.

Eligible businesses are simply asked to certify their business information with the department, and once eligibility is confirmed, a relief payment is issued.

More than 40,000 small businesses across a wide range of industries are eligible for the program.

Restaurants, salons,

hotels, and gyms are just a few examples of the more than 60 qualifying business types.

A full list of eligible industries can be located on the department's website.

Payment amounts are based on a business' total gross sales and range between \$2,500 and \$30,000 per business.

Because this program is focused on small business relief, eligible businesses must have annual gross sales of \$10 million or less.

To date, the program has generated \$130 million in relief payments to more than 17,000 businesses. However, there are still many thousands of businesses who have not yet acted.

The Department of Revenue has notified by email or letter those businesses it has been able to identify as potentially eligible for the program.

However, all business

owners who believe they may qualify for a relief payment are encouraged to visit the department's website to learn more about the program.

The deadline for businesses to certify is September 25, 2020. With just a few weeks remaining, I strongly encourage all eligible business owners to complete this step as soon as possible.

And if you know a small business owner who could benefit from this program, please help spread the word and awareness. The funding is available, and certifying is simple.

For more information on the Tennessee Business Relief Program, please visit the Department of Revenue's website.

You can also call the Taxpayer Services Division from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at (615) 253-0600, or email the department at revenue.support@tn.gov.

New Online Digital Tool Makes Eligibility Determination Easier

Tennessee Governor Bill Lee and the Department of Revenue announced a new digital eligibility tool for small business owners to determine if their business may be eligible for a Tennessee Business Relief Program payment.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has placed an enormous strain on Tennessee's small businesses, and we're hopeful these relief payments will help alleviate that burden as businesses get back on their feet," said Gov. Lee. "We're excited for this tool to help small businesses get the relief they need."

"We encourage all eligible business owners to complete this step as soon as possible," said Revenue Commissioner David Gerregano. "And if you know a small business owner who could benefit from this program, please help spread awareness."

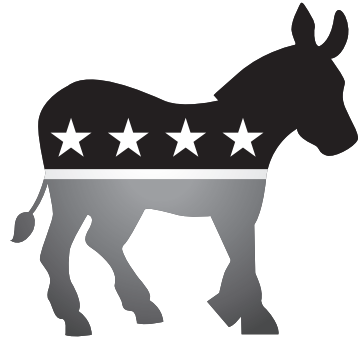
The eligibility tool can be found at businessrelief.tn.gov.

Perry County Democrats Hold Reorganization Meeting

The Perry County Democratic Party will hold a reorganization convention (meeting) to elect new leaders on Saturday, September 26, 2020. Doors open for registration at 5:15 p.m., the start time is 6:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at Azbill Community Center, 113 Factory Street, Linden.

Kiran Sreepada, candidate for U.S. Congress, 7th Congressional District, will speak. Members of the Tennessee Democratic Party's Executive Committee will attend.

Local Democrats will elect a new Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, and the



Executive Committee. All Democratic residents who are eligible voters of Perry County are urged and invited to attend to discuss the party's agenda, events, volunteer opportunities, and the 2020 General Election. Each county party determines its own needs, elects new leaders, and enacts reforms to

build a stronger grassroots organization.

The reorganization convention is open to all Perry County Democrats. Attendees should arrive early to complete registration forms and be admitted to the convention (meeting) prior to the formal Convention (meeting) is called to order and begins.

Social distancing and masks are required for the safety of attendees. Hand sanitizer will be provided. Refreshments will be provided in individual, boxed servings to ensure public health and safety regulations.

For more information, contact Reagan O'Guin Cassidy at 931-306-2098 or visit the Perry County Democratic Party Facebook Page.

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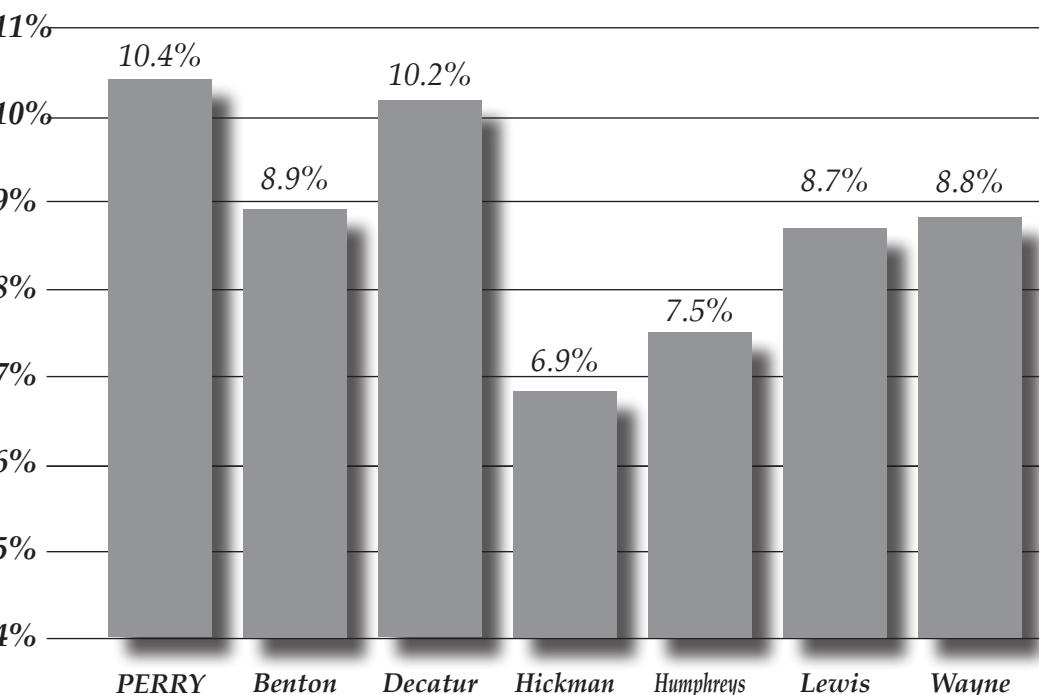
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Tennessee: 9.5%. National: 10.2% (seasonally adjusted)

Perry County's jobless rate decreased 0.3% from the June report

Perry County's labor force numbered 2,807, with 292 unemployed

County with lowest unemployment rate: Pickett, 6.3%

The jobless rate decreased in 72 counties & increased in 19 counties in July.

Counties with highest rates: Rhea, 10.6; Hardeman, 10.7; Grundy, 10.7; Cocke, 11.3; McNairy, 11.6; Lauderdale, 11.6; Davidson, 12.1; Hancock, 12.5; Haywood, 12.7; Shelby, 14.4.

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development

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BRR READERS WRITE

'Thank You, First Responders'

NOTE: Each year on 9/11, the local Cash Express office honors Perry County's first responders. In the following submission, Cash Express CEO Garry McNabb explains why and encourages others to do so as well. Photo next week.

On some anniversaries we celebrate. On others we reflect. The nineteenth anniversary of the attack on America and New York's World Trade Center is one of the times for reflection. There is truly nothing to celebrate in the extraordinary tragedy of 9/11. As much as I would like to forget some of them, the images from that day will never be out of my mind, nor will the victims and their families.

But there is one memory I want to hold on to, one that I want to cherish as the deepest and most lasting of September 11, 2001.

It is the memory of the heroism and selflessness demonstrated by law enforcement officers, fire fighters and emergency medical technicians who went about their business that day without concern for their own safety and without consideration for the magnitude of what they were confronting.

I suppose the term "first responders" was around before 9/11 but I can't remember ever hearing or using it before then.

It caught on with me because it succinctly and accurately captures not only what these public servants do, but it says something about who they are.

They are people willing to respond without question or hesitation when our community needs them. Men and women willing to make someone else's emergency or crisis their own and to put their lives on the line doing it.

If that doesn't deserve our respect, nothing does.

Most of us have always had an appreciation for first responders whether we called them that or not. At one time or another, what little boy or little girl didn't want to grow up to be a police officer or a fire fighter?

As time passes and most of us go on to do others things with our lives, we tend not only to outgrow our hero worship, but also to start taking things for granted.

Then some tragedy happens and our attention is drawn to them again.

I am not sure where the tradition of delivering a dessert to first responders on the anniversary of 9/11 started in our company, but I'm glad it did.

It started out of someone's caring and appreciative heart and spread from employee to employee and location to location until stores all over Kentucky and Tennessee were involved.

No one ever imagined that taking a meal to first responders as a way to showing our appreciation would turn out to mean so much to the people in our company.

As more and more people and location became involved, a simple gesture became an annual Salute to First Responders.

The way we show our appreciation differs from community to community and location to location, but everyone involved knows they have the support and encouragement of our company.

We value the opportunity to show their appreciation to first responders. One of our goals is to encourage others in the community to be involved as well.

Using the 9/11 anniversary as an opportunity to refresh and rekindle our feelings for first responders is a good thing.

It's a simple but meaningful way to say, "Thank you, first responders. We salute you."

GARRY McNABB
Chief Executive Officer, Cash Express LLC

WRITE A LETTER TODAY

When's the Last Time You Saw a Grasshopper?

I saw a grasshopper over the weekend.

It's been so long since I've seen one, I had almost forgotten they existed.

Growing up, grasshoppers were everywhere around my house.

They populated my yard so densely, they almost created a blur in the distance as hundreds hopped around.

But they're not around anymore, at least not where I am.

So I hopped on the interwebs to find out the answer.

According to a publication for the National Association for the Advancement of Science, "Empty calories may be grasshoppers' downfall."

I didn't even know grasshoppers ate Little Debbie's.

The article said, "Many insect populations are declining, and a provocative new hypothesis suggests one problem is that rising levels of atmospheric carbon dioxide are making plants less nutritious."

All snack cake jokes aside, this is troubling to me. It sounds like climate change took out the grasshopper.

It gets worse. "That could spell trouble not just for insects, but for plant eaters of all sizes," the article said. "Over the past five years, several studies have documented dwindling insect populations."

Principle Is As True Today As It Was in 1980s

Seventy-five years ago, the United States dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, bringing an end to World War II and sounding a warning about the devastating power of nuclear weapons.

Remarkably, we have managed to avoid using these weapons in warfare again.

But nuclear arms still present an existential threat, and it is worrisome that they get so little attention.

I am impressed that nuclear weapons only occasionally get extensive coverage on a list of threats facing the United States. This is a change; in decades past, the topic was very much on the minds of policymakers.

I have long believed, and I still do, that the greatest threat, we confront, although not the most likely, is the possibility a nuclear disaster.

In terms of causing death and destruction, nothing compares to the awesome power of the nuclear bomb.

Several recent books, including one co-authored by former Defense Secretary William Perry, have brought attention to nuclear weapons. Pundits have commented on our luck in avoiding disaster.

At the height of the Cold War, the U.S. and the Soviet Union each had about 30,000 nuclear weapons, enough to destroy all life on Earth many times over. We relied on a strategy of deterrence called mutually assured destruction.

Thanks to arms control

Stories of a World Gone Mad

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REVIEW Columnist

It's not just grasshoppers, though. I just realized I never see June bugs anymore, either.

Of course, my generation may be partly to blame for that. If some kid was trying to tie a string to my back leg so he could fly me like a little bug kite, I would leave too.

And what about toads?

Toads were just as plentiful back then as grasshoppers. You could just sit on the front porch at my house and watch them hop up and down the sidewalk and in the flowerbeds.

I had a pet anytime I wanted one. And I never got a wart from one, despite how he almost always wet my hand anytime I picked him up.

The flat ones on the road were almost as plentiful as the plump ones in the yard, they just weren't as smart.

So even I can put two and two together to explain what happened to the toads. The grasshoppers stopped being nutritious meals for grasshoppers and turned into not-so-nutritious meals.

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency says, "Natural extinctions and population fluctuations are a normal part

of nature...But the accelerated rate at which many species are now declining and disappearing is very alarming to the scientific community."

What comes next is no surprise.

"It is believed we are now in the sixth mass extinction event; the first ever caused by the actions of a single species, humankind."

The article also pointed to an increased rate of malformations in amphibians as a cause of their decline. Malformed amphibians rarely live long enough to reproduce.

Three factors have led to this, according to the TWRA: parasites, increases in UV-B radiation because of a thinning ozone layer and, of course, insecticides and pesticides.

Not to get too preachy, because I use weed killer too sometimes, but we all know where it ends up.

Plus, we've largely been ignoring scientists' warnings about the thinning ozone layer for decades.

Well, well, hasn't this been a breath of fresh air.

But then again, I don't guess the air is as fresh as it used to be, either.

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agreements and efforts like the Nunn-Lugar Cooperative Threat Reduction initiative, American and Russian nuclear arsenals have been reduced by 80% or more.

But now there are signs the threat is increasing.

China is building up its small nuclear arsenal, upsetting the balance of power.

Russia and the United States are modernizing their nuclear weapons.

North Korea is said to be developing ballistic missiles that can carry small nuclear bombs.

U.S. military commanders have talked about using low-yield nuclear devices in conflict, blurring the line between conventional and nuclear weapons.

They reportedly argue that more powerful warheads are needed.

Recently we've seen arms control efforts discredited. The Trump administration pulled out of an agreement that slowed Iran's path to acquiring nuclear weapons and announced it would leave the Open Skies agreement, which allows monitoring of weapons.

The New START treaty, which limits U.S. and Russian nuclear arsenals, is scheduled to expire in 2021.

Earlier this year, the Trump administration considered testing nuclear explosives for the first

time in 28 years; even though a resumption of testing would be more beneficial to China, which has conducted only a handful of tests, while the U.S. has conducted a thousand or more tests.

Trump's arms control negotiator, Marshall Billingslea, confidently asserted, "We know how to win these races and we know how to spend the adversary into oblivion."

At the same time, tensions are rising in the world. China is engaging in aggressive actions in the South China Sea and clamping down on Hong Kong.

Russia tries to destabilize the U.S. with attacks on our democratic processes.

For many Americans, nuclear weapons may seem like an abstract threat.

They must compete for attention with more immediate concerns: the COVID-19 pandemic, health care reform, racial justice, the economy and more.

But the awesome destructive power of nuclear weapons puts them in a class by themselves.

We need to revive serious concern about the issue and bring it back into active public dialogue.

We need to restore our commitment to arms control agreements.

Near the end of Cold War, President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev declared that a nuclear war "cannot be won and must never be fought."

That principle is as true today as it was in the 1980s.

Haston & Hensley Endorsed by NFIB in November Election

Ninety-three Tennessee legislators—including State Representative Kirk Haston and State Senator Joey Hensley—have been endorsed by the National Federation of Independent Businesses (NFIB) Tennessee PAC in the November 3 general election.

NFIB announced its endorsements last week. The political action committee is comprised exclusively of NFIB members.

"NFIB is proud to endorse candidates who have demonstrated a strong commitment to protecting small businesses in Tennessee," said Jim Brown, Tennessee state director.

"These individuals either have a proven track record of standing up for small businesses or have shown they will promote a positive business environment for Tennessee's job creators."

NFIB's political support is based on the candidates' positions and records on key small-business issues.

Early voting begins Wednesday, October 14, and ends Thursday, October 29.

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Recently Elected Perry County Officials Began Terms on September 1



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Legislative Report: Corrections, Courts & Crimes

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State Senator, 28th District

The General Assembly voted this year to clarify a 2019 law prohibiting sexual offenders or violent sexual offenders from staying overnight at a residence in which a minor resides or is present.

A lawsuit was filed after passage of the legislation pertaining to parents and children who fall under the statute's provisions.

I sponsored this new law which addresses the matter by authorizing a District Attorney (DA) to petition a circuit court when they believe an offender whose victim was age 12 or under poses risk of substantial harm to his or her child.

The court would then make a finding by clear and convincing evidence regarding prohibition of overnight visits.

Revisions made by the new statute address the legal questions that have arisen, while still providing an avenue to address original concerns that children be protected when there is a substantial risk of harm.

Lawmakers voted this year to allow the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) to expand its missing and endangered child and young adult alert program to individuals under the age of 21.

The statute is called the "Holly Bobo Act" for a 20-year-old young woman who was kidnapped from her Darden home and murdered in 2011.

Previously, endangered child alerts were only issued for abduction of persons under the age of 18.

In issuing an Endangered Child Alert, which is distinct from the America's Missing Broadcast Emergency Response (AMBER) Alert, the TBI notifies local media in specific regions of the state about the missing person, along with any additional information which is available.

They also share the information on social media. The National Crime Information Center claims that 73 percent of missing persons are 20 years of age or under.

The General Assembly approved legislation to ensure the state's "drug-free school zones" law is best applied with its original intent—to protect children from being sold or exposed to drugs.

The law is intended to more harshly punish those who sell or distribute drugs to students; however, at a 1,000 foot radius from a school, drug-free school zones often encompass apartment complexes, interstate shoulders, and residential neighborhoods.

This has led to drug users being subject to harsher punishments, even if the offense is committed in their

home or vehicle without children present.

Currently, if a person is caught with possession with the intent to distribute a small amount of drugs to support his or her habit, even in a home with no school or children in sight, the offender can receive a longer sentence (15 years mandatory minimum) than second degree murder (15 years eligible for release at 13 years).

The new law seeks to remedy this disparity by reducing drug free zones from 1,000 feet to 500 feet from a school.

It also gives judges more discretion to weigh the factors of a case and apply appropriate penalties. In addition, it establishes a rebuttable presumption that a defendant is not required to serve the minimum sentence established under the Drug Free School Zone Act as long as vulnerable persons, in this case children, were not exposed to the crime.

This provision protects the original intent of the law which ensures those who expose children to drug crimes are punished fully.

Another goal of the legislation is to apply the law more evenly across the state.

Not only does the legislation seek to more justly apply the law, but it also is projected to save the state \$18.4 million by avoiding incarceration costs.

The General Assembly approved legislation that requires juvenile court petitions and orders to be open to public inspection if the delinquent act constitutes an act of terrorism or an attempt to commit terrorism if committed by an adult.

It also prohibits expunction of a juvenile's record relating to a delinquent act of terrorism or an attempt to commit terrorism by an adult.

An act of terrorism is defined as conduct that violates the law and is intended to intimidate or coerce a civilian population; influence the policy of a unit of government by intimidation or coercion; or affect the conduct of a unit of government by murder, assassination, torture, kidnapping, or mass destruction.

Legislation to impose a minimum fine of \$100 in domestic assault cases passed during the 2020 legislative session.

Currently, the law provides that in domestic assault cases a court may order a defendant to pay a maximum fine of \$200 if the court determines the defendant possesses the ability to pay a fine.

The new law maintains the maximum \$200 fine and adds a floor of \$100.

The goal of this legislation is to ensure this fine is uniform across the state.



'My Personal Definition of PTSD'

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Vietnam Veteran, Combat Medic

As I read and study about Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), I am finding very few definitions of PTSD. Many articles have a title stating that they are defining PTSD, but in reality they are simply describing the symptoms. Even Wikipedia does not have a good definition, in my personal opinion.

I am by no means qualified professionally to write a definition for PTSD; however, I am a Vietnam War veteran who has been suffering from PTSD for forty-five years and this is my personal, unofficial definition of PTSD based on my own experiences and thoughts.

PTSD is an anxiety-based mental and physical health disease that is initiated by a direct involvement in and/or observance of severe traumatic events in which the victim's life is threatened. These traumatic events are permanently embedded in the brain to create chronic symptomatic effects and occasional immediate acute recall when a trigger similar to the original traumatic event is experienced.

The PTSD sufferer lives in a constant heightened state of vigilance, involuntarily generated by the brain as a means of self-perceived, self-survival necessity. When triggers are experienced, the PTSD victim will engage in involuntary extreme self-protective response actions to protect him/herself and/or others in the area.

Even though the PTSD disease is based on, and born from the long-term recollection of past traumatic experiences, the disease is really about the anticipated anxieties of self-perceived dangers in the immediate future.

Vietnam Veterans of America will meet tomorrow, Thursday, September 10, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at the Homer Long Veterans Building. God bless America.

Submitted by **DALE E. LONG, VVA Chapter 1123**

TDOE's New COVID-19 District Information Dashboard Launches This Week

The Tennessee Department of Education has released plans to report additional COVID-19 information at school and district levels, including numbers of new positive COVID-19 cases in districts and schools.

"Parents and community members are working to make informed decisions, and we have determined the best path that balances informed decision making with our obligation to student privacy," said Commissioner Penny Schwinn.

"We believe this resource will not only help parents but will inform how COVID-19 is affecting student attendance, chronic absenteeism and overall student attainment."

This week, as the final two districts in the state begin the new school year, a new dashboard will launch on the department's website that will display information reported by districts about COVID-19 in their communities, and whether or how positive cases within a school may impact the way teachers deliver instruction to students.

The sharing of student information is stringently protected under the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and protecting personally identifiable information of our youngest Tennesseans is critically important.

To ensure protections of individual privacy, schools with fewer than 50 students will not be reported in the dashboard.

For schools reporting under five positive student or employee COVID-19 cases, the school will be listed without a specific number of cases for the category.

At the district level, the dashboard will provide district-reported information on the number of new positive COVID-19 cases amongst students, the number of new positive COVID-19 cases amongst staff, and the primary operating model for schools within the district, including the number of schools conducting in-person learning, the number of schools conducting remote learning, and the number of schools utilizing a hybrid approach for instruction.

In addition, the dashboard will display whether the district has adopted a critical infrastructure designation for certain workers, as well as a link to the district's Continuous Learning Plan (CLP) which outlines how the district plans to administer remote learning.

At the school level, the dashboard will provide district-reported information on the number of new positive COVID-19 cases amongst students, number of new positive COVID-19 cases amongst staff, and whether adjustments

from the district's primary operating model have been made within the school.

Students and staff listed as positive does not necessarily indicate they contracted COVID-19 at the school building.

Users will have two ways to access information:

--An interactive map of the state of Tennessee will enable users to hover over their county or region and select their school to reveal more information.

--A drop-down menu will allow users to quickly select a particular district of interest to reveal more information.

To protect individual privacy, schools with fewer than 50 students are not reported in this data.

USDA Extends Children's Meal Program Through Remainder of Year

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will extend several flexibilities through as late as December 31, 2020.

The flexibilities allow summer meal program operators to continue serving free meals to all children into the fall months. This unprecedented move will help ensure—no matter what the situation is on-the-ground—children have access to nutritious food as the country recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic.

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is extending a suite of nationwide waivers for the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) and Seamless Summer Option (SSO) through the end of 2020, or until available funding runs out. This includes:

--Allowing SFSP and SSO meals to be served in all areas and at no cost;

--Permitting meals to be served outside of the typically-required group settings and meal times;

--Waiving meal pattern requirements as necessary;

--Allowing parents and guardians to pick-up meals for their children.

Collectively, these flexibilities ensure meal options for children continue to be available so children can access meals under all circumstances.

USDA is taking this unprecedented action to respond to the needs of its stakeholders who have shared concerns about continuing to reach those in need without enlisting the help of traditional summer sites located throughout communities across the US.

While there have been some well-meaning people asking USDA to fund this through the entire 2020-2021 school year, USDA is obligated to not spend more than is

Further, for schools reporting a number that is fewer than five positive student or employee COVID-19 cases, the school will be listed without a specific number of cases for the category.

Of the state's 147 school districts, 145 are open for the school year with the remaining two beginning their school year on September 8.

The department will be working closely with districts to support their reporting and encourage them to update information on a weekly basis. Districts will receive instructions for reporting this information to the department as well as technical assistance when needed.

appropriated by Congress.

Importantly, the summer meal program waiver extensions are based on current data estimations.

Over the past six months, partners across the country have stood up nearly 80,000 sites, handing out meals at a higher reimbursement rate than the traditional school year program.

USDA has continuously recalculated remaining appropriated funds to determine how far it may be able to provide waivers into the future, as Congress did not authorize enough funding for the entire 2020-2021 school year.

Reporting activities are delayed due to states responding to the pandemic; however based upon the April data currently have available, FNS projects that it could offer this extension, contingent on funding, for the remaining months of 2020.

USDA will continue to actively monitor this rapidly evolving situation and continue to keep Congress informed of current abilities and limitations.

Since the start of the public health emergency, FNS has been maximizing existing program services and flexibilities to ensure those in need have access to food through our 15 federal nutrition assistance programs.

To date, USDA has provided more than 3,000 flexibilities across these programs.

USDA has also leveraged new and innovative approaches to feeding kids, including a public-private partnership that provided nearly 40 million meals directly to the doorsteps of low-income rural children.

For more information on FNS' response to COVID-19, visit fns.usda.gov/coronavirus.

GLENDA JAMES
REVIEW Columnist

Thankfully, it was finally 1920.

Perry Countians *mentally*... and frantically) ripped off pages from their 1918 and 1919 Farmer's Almanac calendars and exclaimed: "Good-by and good riddance!"

What did they think 1920 and the Roaring Twenties were going to be like for them?

They probably expected much better things. In fact, some hopeful Americans had decided to invest in buying a new house or an existing house.

In 1920, the *average* outlay for purchasing a home was about \$6,296.00 (*Remember;*

Pages).And *if permitted* to finance that purchase, the bank wanted a huge down payment.

Urban area homes were obviously much more expensive than houses around here, so that really bumped up that *average* price for homes across the United States.

Local houses, stores and other businesses, churches, outbuildings, and the school in 1920 were all constructed of wood.

Houses included old single pen (one-room) log houses and double pen log houses (two rooms with an open central hallway, called a dog run or dog trot, sandwiched between the two rooms); and frame homes, most with board-and-batten or weatherboard (lap) siding.

Loggers and their mules regularly trekked into the dense woods. Using crosscut saws, strong men manually cut down massive oak, poplar, pine, hickory, ash, and cypress trees for houses. Oak, poplar, maple, walnut, and cherry trees were cut for furniture, cabinets, etc.

Sawmill teamsters then

transported the tree trunks by wagons to nearby sawmills, which, in turn, cut the trunks into lumber for houses, other buildings, and other applications.

Homes, as well as outbuildings, like chicken houses, sheds, smokehouses, and barns, sat upon limestone piers. Limestone piers under homes were usually "cut and faced."

Also, stone masons or skillful farmers had, for years, "cut and faced" limestone rocks for chimneys. They chiseled each rock into a *somewhat* straight-edged square or rectangular rock.

Though some residents in 1920 still used their fireplaces for cooking and heating, others had bought wood stoves for those purposes, and a wood stove required a flue and a chimney.

Since houses sat upon limestone piers, air flow in the open area under the houses helped to alleviate the intense heat above – inside the homes – during long, sultry, hot summers.

But even with open, free-flowing air drifting around under a house, it was still very hot and humid inside, especially in the kitchen and/or fireplace area.

On the other hand, sleeping in the open dog run of an old log house did give snoozers some relief from the heat trapped inside the inner walls of the home.

However, there were a couple of negatives for those choosing to sleep in the dog run.

First, though the night air was indeed cooler, it was also heavy and damp.

And second, mosquitoes were equal opportunity pests: They not only flew through open *screenless* windows but also dive bombed unwary sleepers in the dog run.

Some homes did have

screens nailed to outside window frames.

However, homes without screens on windows invited constant airborne attack squadrons of Top Gun-accurate mosquitoes, wasps, yellow jackets, and their other commando *stinger* missile friends to swoop in and run reconnaissance missions looking for defenseless victims.

Annoying, buzzing flies were another matter entirely, but to deter them and their bombardier friends, homeowners had a handy, long-handled wire device, known as a fly swatter.

Tiptoeing carefully toward unwelcome enemy pilots, homeowners whacked the livin' daylights out of maddening insects with a sure flap of the screen end of that fly swatter.

Sure-shot, deadeye homeowners had a ready fly swatter hanging from a nail in the kitchen but maybe other swatters hanging in the dog run, the front room, and/or from the mantle.

Some buildings, such as newer frame homes and the Bromley Hotel, had high ceilings – usually about 10' high – to encourage rising summer heat to ascend its nasty, humid self upward.

Other buildings, such as Bud Sharp's Store and his peanut warehouse had even higher ceilings. Bud's store, built in 1897-98 by proprietor Hill Austin, had 13' ceilings.

Bud's high-ceilinged warehouse, diagonally across the road from the back of his store, featured mouse-proofing: Dried peanuts in huge burlap bags hung from high cross rafters. How frustrating it must have been for intrepid *SEAL TEAM 6* – oops! – *MOUSE TEAM 6* raiders!

The Methodist Church and Church of Christ, both white frame buildings, sat

upon limestone piers, too. Pesky, non-worshipping flies and wasps flew in open windows and doors.

But Church of Christ attendees had an additional, really frustrating problem.

In 1920, fences were optional, so livestock wandered at will.

On Sundays, the Church of Christ congregation sat on homemade wooden pews. But beneath them, in the cool area under the floor, faithful hogs ... with fleas ... had also arrived for the service: The *fleas* went *upward* in response to the invitation song. Uh-oh!

This little piggy went to market; this little piggy stayed home; this little piggy went under the church and made folks above scratch mightily to the bone.

Buildings had no air conditioning, as we know it; that was far, far into the future.

So though buildings sat upon piers, had windows and doors opened wide, and had high ceilings to allow the intense heat to rise far up...it was still HOT, HOT, HOT inside.

Some houses had fenced-in yards, but the fenced-in area could be small or large. Lawn mowers were of two types: the manual reel type or the handy, ongoing *cut-chewing* type.

And all of us of a certain age can certainly commiserate with local residents in 1920.

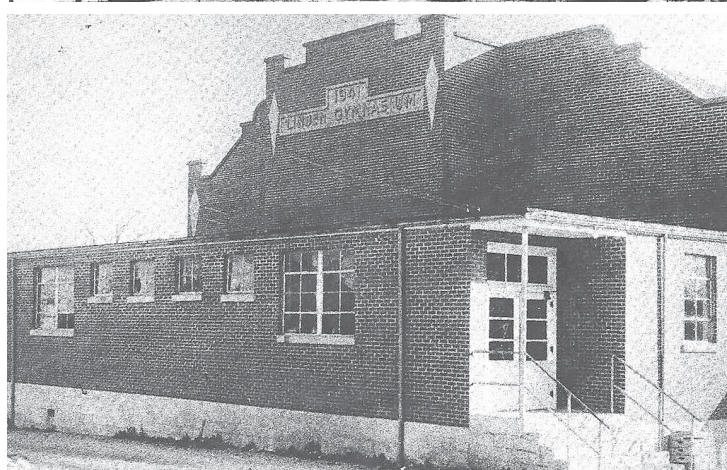
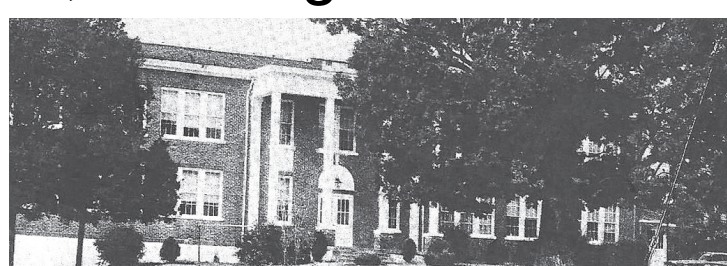
Much later, as a kid living in the late 1940s and early 1950s, I sat, in the summertime, next to the always open kitchen windows for noontime and evening meals.

I can remember that the oppressive heat and heavy humidity in the kitchen killed my appetite: Though my mama had prepared a great meal, I didn't want to eat anything.

Then there was school.

The old three-room, white frame Flatwoods School for grades 1-10 had been completed in late March 1891. In 1949, it was replaced by a red brick school for grades 1-8. With the building of the new school, electricity finally arrived in Flatwoods, but only in the central area.

A June 30, 1949, article in the *Tennessean* stated that the new \$80,000 school



L.-R.: Ann Hudson, Mgr.; Pat Burcham; Jane Trull; Barbara Moore; Sandra Warren; Judy Rhodes; Blanche Monroe; Mr. Hinson, Coach; Faye Parrish; Julia Ann Godwin; Revonne Keeling; Judy Woods; Glenda Grimes; Dianne Gobelet; Sharon DePriest, Mgr.

FLATWOODS:(Top) Linden High School in 1962-63, its last year to have students; (Center) the famed Linden High School Gym. Both the high school and gym were constructed after 1920. (Bottom) the 1962-63 Linden High girls' basketball team.

was "air conditioned," but that didn't mean that it had air conditioners ("School"). Nope. Air conditioning meant something else entirely.

"Air conditioning" referred to a coal-burning furnace for winter and huge box fans in the large, open windows for summer.

Though those huge fans whirred endlessly in August and September in the glass wall of open windows, students and teachers had little to no relief from the heat and humidity.

Constant sweat ran down students' and teachers' red, heat-infused faces, just as it had in the old school with its open windows and no fans—except for homemade, handheld paper fans.

In 1963, the last year the old Linden High School had classes, the tiny high school lunchroom, under the northwest corner of the old gym, had practically useless fans stirring the air inside: It was just a mass of intense, accumulated, uncomfortable humidity and heat.

That brings to mind the Linden High girls' basketball teams in August and September of 1961 and 1962.

Fellow teammates and I ran, sweated, and sometimes, fell as we dove for a loose ball in that gym during fourth period class—11:00 until 12:00. That class period was always set aside specifically for the girls' team and cheerleaders to practice and team managers to do their jobs.

Not surprisingly, we super sweaty, tired-to-the-bone ballplayers had to sit down for a bit after practice in our under-the-gym locker room, so it took a little extra time for us to get ready for lunch. Often, the others had already gone to the lunchroom before we exited the locker room.

After a time, we dragged our weary selves up the locker room stairs and onto the ball court, then trudged outside, descended steps beside the gym, and entered our steamy lunchroom—a small, cramped room, full of heat, which made eating a hot meal almost an impossibility.

I often left my meal untouched, choosing instead to drink soothing, refreshing, cold milk to try to cool off ... didn't help much.

Occasionally, I bought more milk and lazily drank it as I chatted with my other worn-out friends.

Having said that, I have a mental image of those long-ago good friends—teammates, managers, cheerleaders. I can see their young, animated faces from the 1961-62 and 1962-63 school years, even now.

I think it's safe now to admit to *one* crazy thing we girls did ... well, OK, mostly me.

One day in the 1962-63 school year, our team was playing Waverly Central High School, and I knew a Waverly forward, Joy Ferguson, really well. She lived in southern Humphreys County, but her mother, Lemma Lee (Riley) Ferguson had grown up next to Flatwoods School.

Joy was rather tall, but so were several of her teammates.

Some of us players were discussing being, perhaps, height-disadvantaged in the game.

And that led to the suggestion in our locker room that I should climb onto Diane Gobelet's shoulders, and that way the two of us could kinda, sorta double-team the tall players.

Diane agreed, and she and the others *assured* me that if I should I start to fall, they *would* catch me. Famous last words ...

So, there I was on Diane's shoulders, but ... suddenly I wasn't up there anymore. After screeching a bit and tumbling down, I smacked my head hard on the locker room concrete floor.

By unspoken, but unanimous consent, we decided our shenanigans should remain within the locker room. However, based on what happened the rest of the day, including playing in the game that night with Waverly, I'm pretty sure I had a concussion.

So no, we didn't tell Robert Hinson, our coach, and no, I didn't tell my mama!

But since both Mr. Hinson, my parents, and some of those locker room babe shave now passed away, I suppose it's safe to confess the failings of a *hard-headed* sophomore ...

Of course, some would say that hard-headedness is chronic condition!

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★ SEPTEMBER 13 IS UNCLE SAM DAY ★
UNCLE SAM

You may have seen pictures of Uncle Sam and heard his name. Did you know he is based on a real person? Read the story, then number the pictures on this page in the correct order.

When Samuel Wilson was 14, the American colonies declared their independence from British rule. Samuel ran away to join the revolutionary army. But he was too young to fight, so he took care of the cattle that were the meat supply for the revolutionary army.

After the war, Samuel and his brother Ebenezer, moved to Troy, New York and started a meat business. They salted and packed meat into barrels so that the meat would keep on the pioneers' long journey traveling west.

Their business was very successful. The employees liked Sam so much that they called him their "Uncle Sam."

In 1812, a second war broke out with England. The army stationed six thousand troops in Fort Gailo, just a few miles from Troy. Those 6,000 men had to eat.

A man named Elbert Anderson ordered meat from the Wilson brothers for the army. Samuel checked each meat shipment very carefully to be sure it was good. Once a shipment met with his approval, he stamped EA-US on it. EA stood for Elbert Anderson and US stood for United States.

One story says that a man working in the kitchen saw the EA-US label and asked what it meant. Someone joked that EA means eat away and US are Uncle Sam's initials to show that he inspected the meat. The joke caught on and was repeated over and over by other soldiers.

When Elbert Anderson visited the fort, he saw the labels and asked what they meant, and a dockhand answered, "They stand for Uncle Sam. It's his meat that feeds the army."

An American Symbol is Born
Newspapers wrote about this story. Cartoonists drew pictures of the Uncle Sam character wearing clothing with stars and stripes—like our flag! Before long, Uncle Sam became a symbol of the United States itself.

How many stars can you find on this page in two minutes. Have a friend try. Who found the most?

Extra! Extra!
First Letters
Look through the newspaper for a word that starts with every letter in the word NEWSPAPER. Try to pick words that say something about your newspaper. For example, N could be a word like "New."

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Standards Link: Writing applications.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

The Statue of Liberty is a famous American symbol of freedom and hope. A gift from France, it has stood on a pedestal in New York Harbor since 1886. A poem written for the Statue by Emma Lazarus has a famous line that is quoted often. Fill in the missing vowels, then talk with your family about what this quote means.

"G_ve m_y_r_t_red,
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fr__."

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

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INITIALS	L	M	P	I	O	N	E	E	R
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LEGEND	L	E	O	D	N	E	G	E	L
SAMUEL	I	L	S	O	C	A	L	E	S
WILSON	A	S	L	A	I	N	I	E	
SYMBOL	R	O	I	S	M	B	O	L	
CRAILO	C	A	W	A	Y	S	D	E	
FEEDS	C	A	W	A	Y	S	D	E	
MEAT	E	A	T						
ARMY	E	A	T						
AWAY	E	A	T						
WEST	E	A	T						
EAT	E	A	T						

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Sight and sound reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Neighborhood Symbol

Look through the newspaper for a word or an image that you think could be a symbol of your neighborhood. Write a letter to the editor explaining why you think it would be a good symbol.

Standards Link: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Write On!

Newspapers in Schools

Teachers regularly use newspapers in classrooms. What can you learn from a newspaper?

Kid Scoop Together

Work with a family member to replace the missing words.

WROTE SYMBOL
FIGHT PICTURES
WORE POEM

Columbia
Another American Symbol

Before Uncle Sam, the United States had a woman as a woman.

She was called Columbia.

Columbia, sometimes called Goddess Columbia, appeared in a _____ by Phillis Wheatley. Although Wheatley was a slave, she _____ a poem to encourage George Washington in his _____ for freedoms she would never enjoy. The poem's closing lines are:

Proceed, great chief,
with virtue on thy side,
Thy ev'ry action let the Goddess guide.
A crown, a mansion,
and a throne that shine,
With gold un fading,
WASHINGTON!
Be thine.

Columbia was dressed to show the ideals of the new country. She _____ the cap of Liberty and carried the sword of Justice, the olive branch of Peace, and the laurel wreath of Victory.

In 1920, Columbia became the symbol of a company that makes movies called Columbia.

Obituaries

JERRY LONG

Mr. Long, 72, of Linden, died Monday, September 1, 2020, at St. Thomas West Hospital in Nashville. A memorial service was held Friday, September 4, 2020, 6:00 p.m., in the chapel of Young Funeral Home, with Kevin Tinin officiating. He was born in Linden, the son of the late Fernie Long and Virginia O'Guin Long. He was a graduate of Perry County High School of 1966, and was employed as a supervisor for the Perry County Highway Department. Survivors include his wife, June Tinin Long; his children, Tammy (Scott) Hickok and Johnny (Tonya) Long, both of Linden; grandchildren, Justin Long, Dustin Long, Jeremy Hickok, and Brandon (Emily) Hickok; and a host of other loving family members and friends.

General Sessions Report For Sept. 3

Following is the docket for General Sessions Court on Thursday, September 3, 2020, before Judge Katerina Moore. The information is compiled by the *Buffalo River Review*.

If you have questions or corrections, please contact the *Review* office at 589-2169, not the office of the Circuit Court Clerk. Requested corrections confirmed with the Clerk's office will appear in the following week's edition.

No names will be omitted from these regular reports which will be published one week after Thursdays when court is scheduled; General Sessions Court may not be held every week.

--Jennifer F. Sims, simple poss/casual exchange (marj <1/2 oz or 14.175 grams): retire, 11/29 with conditions

--Deziree Marie Bakes, fraud use credit/debit card-up to \$1,000: retired, 11/29 with conditions

--Stephon D. Beasley, domestic assault, simple poss/casual exchange (marj <1/2 oz or 14.175 grams): reset

--Dalton B. Bledsoe, poss & dist intox liq by pers u/21, 4 counts of domestic assault, underage consumption: reset

--Brandi D. Garrison, harassment: reset with conditions

--James Fred Gidcomb, aggravated assault: reset

--James H. Hudson IV, fail drivr stp sce acc inv injury: reset

--Frank Bennet Johns, DUI: first offense, drivers to exercise due care, seat belt-18 and older: reset

--Christopher G. Noel, speeding: pled guilty, \$10 fine plus court cost; seat belt-18 and older: pled not guilty, dismissed state failed to prosecute; driving while license suspended: nolle by state; failure to appear: nolle by state; driving while license suspended: provided DL, nolle

--James Robert Stone Jr., burglary- other than habitation, vandalism (up to \$1,000), violation of order of protection/restraining order, aggravated criminal trespass: reset

--John R. Swafford Jr., 2 counts of probation violation: trigger charge, dismissed, PV dismissed; sexual offender registration form violation, 2 counts of community supervision violation: nolle by state

--Brooke E. Garner,

tampering w/evidence-SOL: reset

--James M. Garner, domestic assault: waived to grand jury

--David P. Hartshorn, domestic assault: successful review

--David E. Hensley, violation of order of protection-possession of firearm: reset

--Christy M. Laveque, DUI: first offense: pled guilty, \$350 fine plus court cost, loss of DL for 1 year, sentenced to 11/29 suspended after service of 48 hours, 11/29 supervised probation

Alcohol safety school; drivers license to be carried and exhibited, seat belt-18 and older, registration certificate must be carried, drivers to exercise due care: nolle; financial responsibility law: proved and dismissed

--William B. Sadler, domestic assault: successful retirement

--Justin Sipes, DUI: first offense, driving while licenses suspended: successful review

--Jimmy Nicholas Skelton, failure to appear: successful review

--Shelley S. Durham, driving while license revoked: proved and dismissed

--Logan C. Barber, public intoxication, failure to appear, aggravated assault-domestic, reckless endangerment-deadly weapon involved, interference with emergency calls, esp aggravated kidnapping, possession of handgun while under influence: reset

--Russell William Belasic, escape: reset when paperwork completed

Michael J. Calvert, public intoxication: nolle by state; simple poss/casual exchange: pled guilty, \$250 fine plus court cost, supervised probation; 2 counts of poss unlaw drug paraphernalia uses and activities, driving while license suspended, financial responsibility law: nolle; simple poss/casual exchange(marj <1/2 oz or 14.175 grams): pled guilty, \$250 fine plus court cost, concurrent with 42027, supervised probation

--Mark R. Mercado, DUI: first offense: reset

--Deon R. Richardson, driving while license revoked, light law-motor vehicle, financial responsibility law, simple poss/casual exchange (marj <1/2 oz or 14.175 grams), poss unlaw drug paraphernalia uses & activities: bound over to grand jury

August Property Transfers

Following are property transfers for the month of August 2020, as recorded in the Perry County Register of Deeds office. Direct questions, comments, and corrections to the *Buffalo River Review*, 931-589-2169, not to the Register's office.

August 3

--Edgar L. Davenport, Barbara Davenport to John Keith Marrs et al, John D. Marrs, Brian Marrs, \$10,000, District 4, Map 461A, Parcel 21.00

--Eric Woods to Terry Michael DePriest, \$15,000, District 2, Map 23PA, Parcel 20.00

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Daniel J. Armstrong et ux, Charity L. Armstrong, \$19,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Timothy E. Cook Sr. et ux, Mary P. Cook, \$19,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Paul A. Garcia, \$54,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Timothy David Leach et ux, Carolyn Ann Leach, \$59,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Kent S. McClun et ux, Maria T. McClun, \$19,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to NDTCO trustee FBO Keith L. Parkinson IRA, \$79,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Kathy Yvonne Rey et VIR, Alfred Rey, \$89,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Katherine A. Pevahouse, Joyce Phillips to Johnny Mathis et ux, Margie Mathis, \$115,000, District 3, Map 075M, Parcel 7.00

August 4

--Christopher Lynn Curtis et al, Anthony Curtis, Joseph Alton Taylor to Donnie Dowdy et ux, Gail Dowdy, \$8,500, District 3, Map 59JA, Parcel 43.00

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Lavon Sanchez Crosby, \$44,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Randal E. Lynch et ux, Terry D. Lynch, \$67,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Warren Scott Kirschbaum, \$79,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Nicholas Ray Powers et ux, Stacie Lynette Powers, \$69,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Lloyd Prather et ux, Julie OGuinn, \$39,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Ronald J. Sedlacek, \$59,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to George D. Trakas et al, Demetri Trakas, \$49,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Douglas S. Zeller et ux, Colleen T. Zeller, \$54,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--James A. Richardson to Kreczmer and Shelton Properties, \$100,000, District 4, Map 4, Parcel 5.00POR

August 5

--Kenneth Shaw et ux, Margot Shaw to Nichole Boudouchies, \$230,000, District 3, Map 129, Parcel 23.00

August 6

--Larry Pollock et ux, Terry Pollock to Ralph Holladay et ux, Jennifer R. Holladay, \$26,000, District 3,

Map 110, Parcel 8.04POR

August 7

--Donna Elmore to Donald Joe Gilley et ux, Christy Annette Gilley, \$10,000, District 3, Map 98, Parcel 3.12

--Ruth S. David et al, James Rickey Lyons, Debra S. Lyons to Robert Allen Crowell et ux, Sarah Crowell, \$75,000, Map 23I, Parcel 16.00

--James R. Lyons et ux, Debra S. Lyons to Robert Adam Crowell et ux, Sarah Crowell, \$30,000, Map 23I, Parcel 16.01

--Daniel Craig to Carolyn Craig Briggs, \$20,000, District 3

August 10

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to David J. Dubois et ux, April V. Dubois, \$59,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.00POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Dale A. Misner, \$49,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.00POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Blaine M. Ruhbusch et al, Roberta D. Ernest, \$69,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.00POR

--Scott Dickey et ux, Allyson Dickey to Dixie Lands Glory LLC, \$48,000, District 3, Map 75M, Parcel 22.01

--Johnny R. Mathis et ux, Margie Mathis to Sawyer Tate Ferrell et al, Rhonda Ferrell, \$150,000, Map 92, Parcel 1.06

--Dale Odom et ux, Cristal Odom to Scott Dickey et ux, Allyson Dickey, \$120,000, District 2, Map 35, Parcel 8.05

--Kevin Grinder to Scott Orr et ux, Mary Kay Orr, \$104,872.50, District 3, Map 111, Parcel 8.00

--Roy A. Spain Jr. et ux, Martha Sue Spain to Jesse Wood, \$115,000, District 4, Map 22, Parcel 1.03

August 13

--Bonnie OGuin to Ricky Binkley, \$15,000, Map 12G, Parcel 5.00

August 17

--Joseph A. Dearing to Travis L. McCoy, \$58,000, District 2, Map 22, Parcel 1.00

--Christopher McCommon et ux, Connie McCommon to Eric Avara, \$20,000, District 3, Map 100, Parcel 45.00

--Larry R. Chessor et ux, Brenda Chessor to Craig Byrd et ux, April Byrd, \$115,000, District 4, Map 45, Parcel 25.00

--Tennessee Land and Lake LLC to Mark Alan Tarsitana, \$49,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to James Michael Garvin et ux, Shawna Lee Garvin, \$49,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Tommie J. Flannagan, \$59,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel

1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Matthew Wayne Libby et ux, Jeanna Marie Libby, \$49,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Jeffery B. Spence, \$59,900, District 1, Map 133, Parcel 3.00POR

--Sandra A. Helms to Dwight Smith et ux, Jacqueline R. Smith, \$40,000, District 1, Map 106H, Parcel 23.00

--Douglas Clark Dabbs executor to Douglas Clark Dabbs, District 1, Map 85, Parcel 7.00

August 18

--Roach Sawmill and Lumber Company LLC to Shady Pines LLC, \$149,384.00, District 2, Map 28, Parcel 15.00PO

August 20

--Barry Savage to Cody Tenison et ux, Deanna Tenison, \$49,000, District 1, Map 121A, Parcel 1.41

August 21

--Elizabeth Heath to William Blake Qualls, \$7,500, District 4, Map 16, Parcel 10.01PO

--Elizabeth Heath to Thomas L. Qualls et ux, Glenda Qualls, \$7,500, District 4, Map 16, Parcel 10.00PO

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Darrell L. Lairmore et ux, Deborah E. Lairmore, \$39,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Enrico R. Fagnano, \$54,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Stacy I. Roberts, \$49,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Michael Solomon King, \$49,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

August 24

--Tanaka Hamilton et al, Alissa Wallace to Thomas Patrick Frensley et ux, Judith Lynn Frensley, \$95,000, District 2, Map 23PA, Parcel 4.00

August 26

--Gregory Lynn Monroe et al, Melanie Renae Gladden, Gregory Grant Monroe to Bennett T. Cornett et ux, Susan J. Cornett, \$295,000, District 3, Map 75, Parcel 27.01PO

--Doug Lee et ux, Vickey Lee to Blair Baker et ux, Francis Baker, \$47,500, District 1, Map 87AA, Parcel 16.00

--Mark A. Nickells et al, Susan L. Nickells, Kimberly J. Nickells to Jerry R. Williams et ux, Michelle A. Wil-

liams, \$13,500, District 2, Map 26, Parcel 30.01

August 28

--John Strickland et ux, Margie Strickland to Robert E. Ousley et ux, Mary D. Ousley, \$60,000, District 3, Map 89, Parcel 6.03

--James Broderick et ux, Stacey R. Broderick to David Marcel et al, Lauren Smith, \$180,000, District 3, Map 65, Parcel 27.02

--Bachelor Timber and Land LLC to Ezra Miller et al, Martha Joy Miller, \$119,000, District 2, Map 56, Parcel 1.08

August 31

--Stephanie Stanfill to Timothy Gray et ux, Breanna Marie Gray, \$96,500, District 2, Map 23PA, Parcel 15.00

--Reece Walker to Shane Capps, \$49,000, District 4, Map 22, Parcel 8.00

--Laura Carlton to Mark A. Haas et ux, Lysa M. Haas, \$44,500, District 2, Map 23AB, Parcel 6.00

--Isaac Lucas Hunter to Kenneth Rhoades, \$8,500, District 4, Map 2, Parcel 92

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Kelly R. Casillo et al, Natalie R. Castillo, \$67,425, District 1, Map 133, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Midland Trust Company as custodial FBO Kelly Snoke No. 1715505, \$69,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Gary L. Tomes et ux, Kathleen Ann Tomes, \$59,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lake LLC to Robert W. Maxwell, Sylvia R. Maxwell, \$59,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Howard F. Swarts et ux, Bette C. Swarts, \$89,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to Alfred E. Jackson et ux, Carolyn C. Jackson, \$49,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Tennessee Land and Lakes LLC to The J. Timothy Doerner Living Trust under agreement date July 29,2009, Timothy J. Trustee Doerner, \$59,900, District 1, Map 132, Parcel 1.03POR

--Eathen Morgan et ux, Leah Morgan to Clark Sewell et al, Gretchen Sewell, Charles Morehead, Tina Morehead, \$22,500, District 3, Map 76, Parcel 46.02

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Miscellaneous*	35	\$22,012.87
Business Tax	13	\$196.68
Driver Licenses	0	State: \$0 County: \$0
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Gideon Goes to Battle
 Judges 7


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Anyone with fear was invited to go home.

22,000 left and 10,000 remained.

God then told Gideon that there was still too many soldiers and directed Gideon to put them to a test. They were to go to the water and drink. Those who got down on their knees to drink were sent to their tents. The 300 who lapped from their hand were permitted to remain. God promised Gideon victory with the 300.



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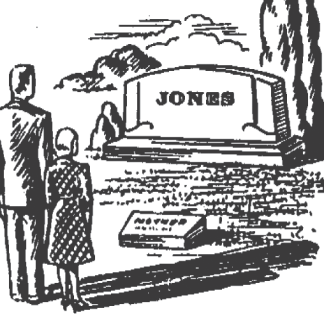
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September Congregate Meals at Linden Senior Center

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The Linden Senior Center will be handing out congregate meals to seniors 60 years and over for pick up only. The cost of each meal is \$1.50 (no exceptions).

If you would like to have a meal, please call Brenda Treadwell or Kathy Overton at 931-589-3375 Monday-Friday 9 a.m. until noon to have yours ready for pick

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up. You must call 24 hours in advance to order your meal. There will not be extra meals available, only the number ordered.

Monthly meal menus will be available for you at the time of pick up.

Pick up location and time will be at the back of the Community Building under the awning. Starting at 10:30 until 11:30 a.m. only.

Menu: Clip & Save (subject to change)

Wed., Sep. 9: kraut & weiner, field peas, carrot coins, cornbread, peach crisp, milk; Thur., Sep. 10: ½ pimento cheese sand. on wheat, vegetable soup, mandarin oranges, oatmeal raisin cookie, milk; Fri., Sep. 11: lasagna, tossed salad w/ ranch, mixed fruit, Texas toast, brownie, milk; Mon., Sep. 14: hamburger steak w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, fresh orange, milk; Tues., Sep. 15: breaded pork chop, macaroni & cheese, blacked eyed peas, cornbread, mixed fruit, milk; Wed., Sep. 16: chicken salad on wheat, pasta salad, peaches, pound cake, milk; Thurs., Sep. 17: cheeseburger w/Swiss cheese, let/tom/pickle/mayo, baked chips, baked beans, whole wheat bun, mandarin oranges, milk; Fri., Sep. 18: fish fillet w/tartar sauce, coleslaw, white beans, cornbread, peach crisp, milk; Mon., Sep. 21: sloppy joe, tater tots, lima beans, whole wheat bun, mixed fruit, milk; Tues., Sep. 22: sweet and sour chicken breast, rice pilaf, steamed broccoli,

glazed carrots, mandarin oranges, milk; Wed., Sep. 23: site managers meeting; Thur., Sep. 24: baked spaghetti, tossed salad w/ Italian dressing, whole kernel corn, baked apples, Texas toast, milk; Fri., Sep. 25: tuna salad on croissant, pea salad, cottage cheese, peaches, milk; Mon., Sep. 28: baked ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, apple, milk; Tues., Sep. 29: white beans and ham, turnip greens, stewed tomatoes, cornbread, pears, milk; Wed., Sep. 30: turkey and Swiss on croissant, let/tom/mayo, macaroni salad, sugar cookie, pineapple, milk

Milk and Butter included with each meal. Please record food temperatures in the spaces to the right of the daily menus. Diabetic meals will have a dessert substitution of one of the following: fresh fruit, canned fruit (juice washed off), vanilla wafers, graham crackers, s/f jello, pudding or a cookie and applesauce.

Warren on APSU Honor Roll

Austin Peay State University is proud to recognize Brandon Warren, from Linden, as one of the students named to the Dean's List for academic achievement during the Summer 2020 terms. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn a semester GPA of 3.5 or greater.

Tennessee Guard Reaches COVID-19 Testing Milestone

Soldiers and airmen with the Tennessee National Guard, who are working diligently alongside Tennessee's Department of Health, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, and various other state and local agencies have successfully administered over 300,000 COVID-19 tests since March.

The service members are conducting testing at Remote Assessment Sites spread throughout the state's three grand divisions.

Due to the recent opening of Remote Assessment Sites in Anderson County, the number of these sites in Tennessee has increased to 21.

Since the start of the pandemic, Tennessee Guard members have helped in other areas.

Soldiers and airmen have established temporary testing sites in focus areas, tested vulnerable populations at long-term care facilities, county and state corrections facilities, public housing, and many other locations across the state.

Of the 300,000 Tennesseans the Tennessee Na-

tional Guard has tested for COVID-19, they administered over 50,000 COVID-19 tests to the most vulnerable populations.

They also established an Infectious Disease Team that visits hospitals and alternative care centers to help develop plans and processes that prevent and decrease COVID-19 transmissions within the facilities.

Currently, the Infectious Disease Team is still working with the alternate care site at Nashville General Hospital further developing safety protocols in the event that Nashville hospitals reach capacity and the alternate care site begins caring for patients.

Crooked Creek Cemetery Donations

If you have family and friends buried at Crooked Creek Cemetery, please make a donation to the mowing fund to help keep up your loved one's area. Make donations to Bank of Perry County, Crooked Creek Cemetery Fund, Janice Bell or Tammy Bell Morton.

Two Local Students Earned UTM Honors

The outstanding academic achievements of undergraduate students at the University of Tennessee at Martin have been honored with publication of the Summer 2020 Chancellor's Honor Rolls. Two Perry County students were recognized: Jillianne D. Swaw (high honors) and Shawnee S. Stewart (highest honors).

To be eligible, a student must take at least 12 hours of credit and achieve a 3.2 (B) grade point average based on a 4.0 scale. Students can make the Chancellor's Honor Roll with honors (3.2 through 3.49), high honors (3.5 through 3.79) or highest honors (3.8 through 4.0).

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WEDNESDAY 9/16
breakfast: choice of powdered donuts & yogurt, muffin, or Pop Tart, fruit or juice • **lunch:** BBQ nachos with Queso cup, coleslaw, baked beans, fruit or juice

THURSDAY 9/17
breakfast: choice of Dutch Waffle sprinkled with powdered sugar, cereal, or muffin, fruit or juice choice • **lunch:** pizza, side salad, corn, fruit or juice choice

FRIDAY 9/18
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WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?
BY JIMMY GARNER, EVANGELIST

What does God say? We need to know what the Bible says because what the Bible says is what God says and what God continues to say to the human race!

The Bible is the only source where we can learn how to really live, not merely to physically exist. Jesus said: "It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God." (Matthew 4:4.)

The apostle Paul commended young Timothy because Timothy had from childhood "...known the holy scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus." (2 Timothy 3:15.)

Paul further declared: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16,17.)

The word "scripture" means writing. The writings given by inspiration of God are the very words of God! Those writings are the thirty-nine books of the Old Testament: from Genesis to Malachi, and the twenty-seven books of the New Testament: from Matthew to Revelation.

Inspiration means that the Holy Spirit put within the human writer God's word. What the inspired writer penned was God's word, not the word of man. That which God wanted men to know was put in words "...which the Holy Spirit teaches (taught)." (1 Corinthians 2:13.)

The completed Scriptures are all-sufficient to equip us for all the information we need for life and to prepare us to go to heaven. Please read again 2 Timothy 3:16,17.) Also, read Acts 20:32. God our Maker speaks to us only in the Bible. Think on this.

Visit the Beardstown Church of Christ Sunday at 10:00 a.m. for Bible Study, at 11:00 a.m. for worship.

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LINDEN COMMUNITY NEWS
BY: PEGGY SMOTHERMAN WORLEY

As Billie did, I tell the tale that was told to me.

We were glad to have Paisley Ward at Mt. Auburn Methodist Church with us on Sunday. She spent the night with her grandparents, Austin & Joyce Pevahouse. They went to a Tractor-Pull at Collinwood on Saturday night. Austin & Joyce were taking her to meet Misty in Erin on Sunday afternoon. Paisley is growing up so fast and is already taller than her grandmother! Sometimes, I know that grandparents wish time could slow down.

Kyndall Pevahouse is doing better although she is still sore. She was able to go to school this week and return to her after school job as well. We hope that she continues to improve. Again, we are so thankful that she wasn't hurt more seriously.

Nanette Arnold celebrated her birthday on Monday. She said she had a good day even though it was a very busy day at school. We have always gotten together for her birthday, and it seems sad that we didn't this year. Hopefully, this Covid will be over soon and we can have a late celebration.

Nelda DePriest had additional surgery to remove some lymph nodes earlier this week. She spent a day or two in the hospital, but she is back at home now. Our prayers for a full and quick recovery are with her.

Visitation and memorial services for Miss Samantha Peevyhouse were held August 28, 2020. We send our sympathy to her mother, Cheryl Lynn Peevyhouse, brother Thomas Peevy-

house, and the rest of her family and friends. It is so sad to lose a loved one at such a young age—she was only 25. Please keep this family in your thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.

Wallace Pevahouse was feeling some better on Sunday, and he said that he got a good report from his doctor's visit. Kathy is still having a lot of pain with her legs. We hope that she will be feeling better very soon.

We were sorry to learn that Jerry Long passed away Monday September 1, 2020 at St. Thomas West Hospital in Nashville. Visitation and memorial services are scheduled for Friday evening September 4, 2020 in the chapel of Young Funeral Home. Kevin Tinin will officiate. We send our sympathy to his wife June Long; children Tammy (Scott) Hickok and Johnny (Tonya) Long; and the rest of his family and friends. Jerry was employed as a Supervisor for the Perry County Highway Dept. and he was well liked by his fellow workers. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Tommy & Peggy Worley went to Savannah for 6 A.M. shopping last week. We missed seeing Johnny & Linda Wheat. School has started and they are babysitting with their great-grandson Noah. He is really growing and I know he will keep Linda on her toes!

Kayden O'Neal spent the weekend with his father Michael O'Neal. They stopped by Mama (Essie King's) on Saturday. He is really growing and I think he is playing football this year. His grandmother, Linda O'Neal, was really proud to see him.

Johnny Mathis has been in Maury Regional Hospital to have some tests run. We hope the doctors can find his problem and be able to find the right medicine to

help him. Please keep him in your prayers as well as his wife Margie. Because of the Covid rules, she can't be there with him.

When we came back through Clifton on Tuesday, we noticed that the house where Mr. & Mrs. W.B. Culp used to live was being torn down. I always thought it was such a neat, pretty place. Their son Siron Culp plans to build a new home there. I'm sure it will be a beautiful home, but it just made me a little sad to see the house go. We are glad they will be living back at his home place and near their son and his family. He has always come back often to keep the farm in good shape and to support his home church—Riverside Methodist. We wish them the best.

We had two fine people in Perry County celebrating their 90+ birthdays. Mr. Calvin Allen turned 92 on August 30th and Ms. Mildred Moore turned 94 on September 1st. We hope that both enjoyed celebrating their birthdays with their families and that they have many more birthdays to celebrate.

Those celebrating birthdays this week are Linda O'Neal, Conor Howard, Haley Beth Carroll, Chance Brady, Linda Lovett Brewer, Julie Franks, Jade Tiller, Tina Walker, and Buster Dabbs on September 9th; Richard Hendon, Joy Breeding, Jo Dailey, Pat Treece, Wylodean Hunnicut, Lisa Moss Horton, Barry Battles, Jon Turner, Ty Stemke, Amber Williams, William Douglas Andrews, and Alycia Duncan on the 10th; Pam Barber, Joyce White, Keith Walker, Atleigh Westbrook, Vanessa Averett, Betty Culp, Sue Franks, Mack Tharp, Melinda Solomon, Sherri Niece, Claudia Coble, and Matthew Adkins on the 11th; Mike Andrews, Elijah McCaig, Nick McClain, Dana Southall, Allyson Hinson, Dakota Holt, Heather McCaig, Glenn Wilson, Erika Burlison, Maleah King, Mickey Smith, and Grant

Monroe on the 12th; Ed-die Richardson, Kim Owings, Andrew Mathis, Ruby Smith, Calvil Jones, Cheryl Gannon, and Grant Mash on the 13th; Wanda Andrews, Angelia Carrano, Shirley Morrow, Betty Frazier, Cassie Couch, Darrell Adkins, Cadie Elizabeth Loggins and Kayla Stark Hen-

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erson on the 14th; Gayla Bates, Forrest White, Brandi Mackin, Jessica Kelley, Ashlynn Mercer, Sam Dicus, Misty Newberry, Craig Byrd, and Stephanie McGee on the 15th.

Couples celebrating anniversaries this week are David & Melinda Ward on September 9th; and Joey & Brittany Mackin and Stoney & Hilary Anthony on September 10th. We hope these couples enjoy their special day.

On This week's prayer list are Nelda DePriest Harper Jade Southall, Jane Davis, Jim Tucker, Ryder Landers, Joe Bell, Kyndall Pevahouse, Joyce Carroll, Keith Marrs, Barbara Williams, Christina Futch, Bo Warren, Chelsea Brown, Johnny Mathis, Shirley Adkins, Lolita Clark, Barry & Lawson Qualls, Dwayne Creasy, Betty Jane Cotham, Braden Bates, Andy Tucker, Billy Risner, Albert Ellison, Wallace & Kathy Pevahouse, Wanda Dotson, Marissa Jones, Dorleen Hobbs, Michael O'Neal, Billy Hodge, Betty Haynes, Anita York, Mary Lee Warren, Beverly Dillingham, Tina Richard-

son, Jane Hickerson, Richard Miller, Essie King, Stephen Sewell, Levi Smith, J.B. Tilley, Jermaine Jones, Beverly Murdock, Martha Gobbell, Atticus Howell, Joe Don Free, Thomas Ray, Jack Groom, Norma Richardson, Hollis Duncan, Danny & Nellie Wells, Ed Brown, Jean Alyne Dotson, Mary Dean Marlin, Kayla Lovelady, Richard Beasley, Don Spencer, Mark Herndon, all those affected by Covid 19, and many more.

In these uncertain times, we are glad that we have such a great military upon which we can depend: Chris Aderhold, Amy Campbell, Jason Crews, Tyler Davidson, William DePriest, Nathan Fortner, Charles Hick-

ok, James Howard Hollis, Dan Johnson, David Killian, Jason Killian, Shawn Killingsworth, Matthew Koblitz, Tommy Lindsey, Shawn McGee, Clay Pope, David Schmidt, Kevin Sullivan, Jr., Eric Sutfin, Kevin Wilson, and all others serving our great country

Qualls Cemetery Meeting

A meeting for Qualls Cemetery will be held Saturday, September 12, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. No dinner this year.

Register Online in September for TNStars Scholarship Giveaway

Governor Bill Lee issued a proclamation declaring September as College Savings Month in Tennessee.

To celebrate, State Treasurer David H. Lillard, Jr. and the TNStars College Savings 529 Program are giving away three \$529 scholarships this month.

Tennessee residents age 21 and older can enter the scholarship giveaway online at TNStars.com/scholarship on behalf of a child age 15 or under, now through September 30, 2020.

Winners will be announced October 1, and scholarship money will be deposited into a TNStars account.

The College Savings Month Proclamation states that national student loan debt has surpassed \$1.6 trillion.

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TNStars is a program of the Tennessee Department of Treasury. To learn more or to open an account, visit TNStars.com.

Reunion Canceled

The Treadwell-Graves Reunion set for September 13, 2020, has been canceled due to COVID-19.

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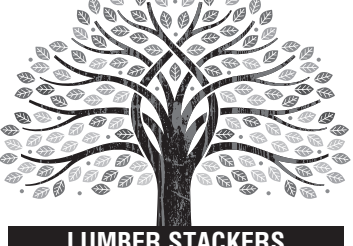
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BEER BOARD MEETING

There will be a Beer Board Meeting held on September 24, 2020 at 5 P.M., in the County Clerk's Office in the Perry County Courthouse. This will be to discuss an application for a Beer Permit for Hawg's & Hillbilly's located at 209 Cedar Creek Road, Linden, TN 37096. The application is submitted by Rickey Junior Simmons. The public is invited to attend.

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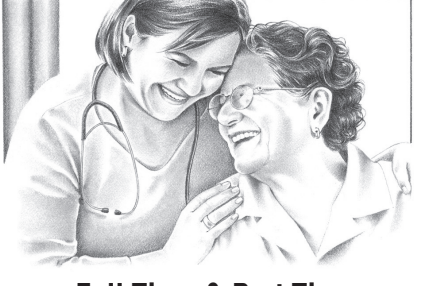
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PCHS Golf Action Last Week

PCHS golf teams competed in three matches last week—including their second 18-hole event of the season.

On August 31, at Humboldt Country Club, the Vikings finished seventh out of eleven teams, and the Lady Vikings were fifth out of six teams.

For the Vikings: Jaxx Plunkett, 79; Brexton Litle, 98; Carter Counterman, 85; Logan Hickerson, 96; Ellis Edwards, 100; Tyler Dudley, 97.

For the Lady Vikings: Avere Coble, 88; Linley Choate, 112; Mylie Dunkle, 118.

The Vikings shot a 166 September 1 at TN River to earn first over Scotts Hill (178) and Riverside (212), led by low medalist Plunkett's 35: Litle, 46; Counterman, 40; Hickerson, 45; Edwards, 49.

Lady Vikings Coble (47), Choate (52), and Dunkle (52) turned in a score of 99 to take second behind Riverside's 78.

At Lewis County on September 3, the Vikings shot a 160 for second place to Summertown's 152: Plunkett, 38; Litle, 43; Counterman, 37; Hickerson, 42; Dudley, 45.

The Lady Vikings also finished second with a 101: Coble, 52; Choate, 53; Dunkle, 49. Summertown shot 77.



PCHS SENIORS who were recognized September 4: (back) Vikings Austin Logan, Talon Duncan, Tyler Dudley, Jeremy Clinard, Hunter Hutson, Zach Martin, Shylo Cavinder, Skyler Sims, Briley Herring, Joey Dicks, Caine Mayberry, and band member Clayton Staggs; (front) Fallon Hinson, Jayde Watson, Gracelyn Bell, Emma Mathis, Jocelyn Carter, and Erica Tidwell. REVIEW photo by Sharon McKnight.

McEwen's 'Big Red Machine' Too Much for Vikings

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Due to uncertainty about what this COVID-19 pandemic may have in store later in the year, the Vikings (0-2, 0-1 R6-1A) decided to have Senior Night this past Friday against the McEwen Warriors.

The visitors from Humphreys County received the opening kickoff and the Vikings forced them into a three and out. Perry County got the ball but had to punt.

The Warriors punched first with a steady combo of two big running backs to make it 8-0 in the first. However, the Vikings counter-punched with Junior running back Will McClain as he took the hand-off for a 70-yard touchdown run down the right sideline to make the score 8-6 Warriors.

The Warriors once again answered as the Big Red Machine's offense started coming to life. They scored from 26 yards out to make it 15-6 mid-way through the second.

The Vikings were able to start moving the ball thanks to the running game. Senior quarterback Tyler Dudley ran in his second touchdown run of the year, then threw a beautiful pass to Freshman wide receiver Joshua Warren to make it 15-14 Warriors.

The Viking defense forced the Warriors to punt once again, however, the much taller Warriors were able to get an interception with about three minutes to go in the second quarter and scored on a big run.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Vikings turned it over again and the Warriors scored just before the half to make it 29-14 at the break.

The Vikings came out of the locker room determined, and right out of the gate on the kickoff of the second half, Will McClain picked the ball up at the eight yard line

and ran down the right sideline untouched for a 92-yard touchdown. The Vikings scored the two-point conversion and it was 29-22 Warriors early in the third.

However, the size and strength of the Warriors' Big Red Machine was just too much in the end. The Vikings were able to score one more time with McClain up the middle, but the Warriors prevailed with a 49-30 victory.

The Vikings next game is this Friday, September 11, 7:00 p.m., in Centerville at Hickman County High, taking on the Bulldogs (1-2).

The NYX Pregame Show will start at 6:45 p.m. You can stream the game live on your mobile device or smart TV and watch on Facebook (101.3 WOPC), Twitter (@wopcfm), and YouTube (WOPC).

Vikings' total offense: 48 plays for 242 yards.

Passing: Tyler Dudley, 6/13 for 70 yards, 4 INTs.

Receiving: Zach Martin, 2 catches/32 yards; Bryce Milton, 1 catch/18 yards; Jacob Gage, 1 catch/13 yards; Cade Grisafi, 1 catch/7 yards.

Rushing, 35 carries/172 yards: Will McClain, 13 carries/74 yards, 2 TDs; Tyler Dudley, 6 carries/42 yards, TD; Zach Martin, 6 carries/30 yards; Nathan Swayne, 6 carries/17 yards; Caine Mayberry, 1 carry/5 yards; Tyler Trull, 3 carries/4 yards.

Kickoff Return for TD: Will McClain, 92 yards.

Fumble Recoveries: Levi Rosson.

Penalties: 7 for 45 yards.

Turnovers: 4 interceptions, 1 on downs.

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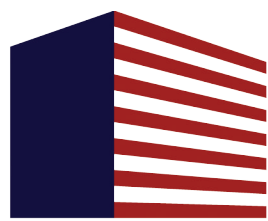
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