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Morgan County Chamber of Commerce Director Bridgette Defee and Author Terry Futrell hold the framed documents on Morgan County Civil War history that Futrell donated to the Morgan County Visitor Center. (Photo Morgan County Today)

organ County has an enormous amount of Whistory that is cherished by so many. We also have a great many resources for that history. Second to none is Morgan County native Terry Futrell. He is an author among other things and spends a large portion of his time documenting our history

in the form of books, articles, and other means. Most recently he took excerpts of his research on the history of the civil war in Morgan County and had them framed to display for all to see at the Morgan County Visitor Center.

Local First Responders Honored on 9/11







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Local firefighters, EMS, police officers, medical professionals, dispatchers, correctional officers, and resque squad were honored by Cash Express. The financial lendor provided each department with Patriotic themed cupcakes to honor them on 9/11.

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In Loving Memory

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Dennis Ray Shannon, 59

Dennis Ray Shannon, age 59 friend, Kristin. of Sunbright passed away September 4, 2020 at his home. Dennis was a loving son, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend. He will truly be missed by all who knew him.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Reba Kearney Shannon and brother, Earl Dean Shannon.

He is survived by his father, Amous Shannon; brothers, Roger and wife, Katherine Shannon and Ronald Shannon; sister, Melissa Shannon; nieces, Amy and husband, Ryan Reed, Lisa Truett, Janette and husband DJ Slaven. Monica and husband Scott Clouse, Leslie and husband, Shawn Chambers, Ashley and husband, Marvin Hughett; nephew, Trevor Bee and girlThe family will receive friends Thursday, September 10, 2020 at Schubert Funeral Home in Sunbright from 3:00-5:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 5:00 p.m. with Bro. Dudley Harness and Bro. Adam Garrett officiating. Interment will follow in the Sunbright Cemetery in Sunbright.

Pallbearers: **Trevor Bee** Ryan Reed **DJ Slaven** Shawn Chambers **Clinton Truett** Scot Clouse

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Dennis Ray Shannon.

Gabriel David Allen Lee Cooper

Gabriel David Allen Lee Cooper became an angel on September 3, 2020 at the UT Medical Center in Knoxville, TN.

He is preceded in death by his grandparent Carvin Kennedy and Uncle David Floyd.

He is survived by his mother and father Anna and Joseph Cooper, sister Nevaeh Cooper, Grandparents Linda Floyd and Lisa Cooper, Great grandparent

Nancy Kennedy. He is also survived by several aunts, uncles, friends, and relatives.

The family will have a Graveside service Sunday, September 6, 2020 at 11am at the New Petros Cemetery with Brother Jonathan Lloyd officiating.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Gabriel David Allen Lee Cooper.

Larry Paul Eldridge, Sr., 54

Larry Paul Eldridge, Sr. age 54, formerly of Sunbright passed away September 9, 2020. Paul loved fishing and the outdoors but also love being with family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his daughter, Brittany Grace Eldridge; brother, Walter Dishman; sister, Sissy Dishman; grandparents, Leon and Christine "Pauline" Stephens.

Taylor Eldridge, Marshall Finley Taylor and Jason Adam Paul Eldridge; siblings, Sandy (Tom) Jones, Sarah (Rick) Wilson, Pam Eldridge, David Eldridge, Mindy (Earl) Dagley, and Ashley Dishman; mother-in-law, January Threet; father-in-law, Roger Silcox; special friends, Curtis McCartt and Teddy Garrett and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Homer Younker, Jr.

Mr. Homer Younker, Jr. passed away Tuesday, September 8 2020 at U.T. Medical Center in Knoxville, TN.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents.

He is survived by 2 daughters, Tamitha Younker and Heather Saladi; grandson, Axel; granddaughters, Hayleigh and Savannah; parents, Homer Younker, Sr. and Sharon Younker; sister, Amy Moyer and Angela Difuria and a host of extended family and friends.

Saturday, September 12, 2020 at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. with the funeral to follow at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in the Petros Cemetery in Petros.

In lieu of flowers the family request that donations be made to Schubert Funeral Home, P.O. Box 326, Wartburg, TN. 37887 to help with funeral expenses.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mr. Homer Younker Jr.

The family will receive friends

William O'Neil Rains, 51

William O'Neil Rains of Maynardville, Tennessee passed away September 28, 2020.

Will was born in Nashville, Tennessee on November 24, 1968, the son of William O'Neil Rains and Lucinda Riddle Rains. He attended Battle

Ground Academy, graduating in 1987. At this time Will moved to Knoxville, Tennessee to attend the University of Tennessee. Receiving his Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering in 1994 and his Master of Science in 1996.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Eugene and Lucinda Rains, and his father-inlaw, Parley McCann.

Will is survived by his wife, Rhonda McCann Rains; daughter, Eugenia Rains; brother, Paul William O'Neil Rains.



Dickens; (Martha) mother-in-law, Glad-McCann-Millys brother-in-law, er; Richard (Shanda) McCann; he leaves behind several nieces and a nephew, Leigha (Root) Dickens, Ashley Silcox, Hannah McCann

and Josh McCann.

The family will have a graveside service Friday, September 11, 2020 at Adams Hill Cemetery in Deer Lodge at 11:00 a.m. with Bro. Ryan Human officiating.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Morgan and Scott Project, P.O. Box 8, Deer Lodge, TN 37726.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of

James Edward Spradlin, 74

James Edward Spradlin, age 74, passed away September 8, 2020 at Methodist Medical Center in Oak Ridge surrounded by his family. He was a faithful member of Shady Grove Baptist Church for 20+ years. He enjoyed working with his father in the auto body business and was also an auto body teacher at the Morgan County Vocational Center for several years. James loved race car driving and fishing. He is preceded in death by his father, Gorman Spradlin; sister, Delonha Heidel; brotherin-law, Bill Price. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Carolyn Spradlin; son, Jeff Spradlin; daughter, Renea (Tony) Richardson; 3 grandchildren, Jacob (Lindsay)



Richardson, Isaiah Richardson, Autumn Spradlin: mother, Geneva Spradlin; sisters, Norma Price, Kay (Wayne) Gibbs, Sandra (Michael) Roysden, Debbie (John) Mallett; brother, Steve (Sue) Spradlin and a host of nieces, nephews and special friends. The family will receive friends Friday, September 11, 2020 at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 7:00 p.m. with Bro. Bill Durham officiating. Graveside services will be Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at Annadell Cemetery in Lancing. Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of James Edward Spradlin.

He is survived by his wife, Tanya Eldridge; mother, Shirley Dishman; daughter, Tiffany (Sage) Frye; son, Larry Paul Eldridge, Jr.; grandchildren, Avery Quinn Taylor Eldridge, Cobalt Reid

The family is honoring Paul's wishes to be cremated.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Larry Paul Eldridge, Sr.

Charlotte Laronne Armes, 68

Charlotte Laronne Armes, age 68, of Petros took her heavenly flight on September 11, 2020 at of Illinois, and Linda Armes of the home of her daughter.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Carlie and Badie Armes and her daughter, Florence Anne Armes.

sisters, Wilma Kaccynski of Ten Mile, Sharon and John Nosal Wartburg. Charlotte was looking so forward to the arrival of her first great granddaughter due October 2020.

The family is honoring Charlottes wishes to be cremated.

She is survived by her daughter, Jennifer and Pat Murphy; grandson, Austin and Kirsten Jackson of Columbus, GA., Zachary and Sean Vincent Murphy of Petros;

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Charlotte Loronne Armes.

Obituaries must come from a funeral home to be in the newspaper.

Charlotte Trissel, 64

Charlotte Trissel, age 64, of Sunbright, Tn. passed away September 10, 2020 at her home.

by her mother, Alva Young; stepfather, Travis Young; sisters, Carol and Wanda.

She is survived by her husband, Donald Trissell; daughter, Joanna (Kyle) Schubert; sister-in-law, Debbie (Dave) Spencer; Vickie (Chet)

Decker; brother-in-law, John Trissel and a host of extended family and special friends.

The family is honoring She is preceded in death Charlottes request to be cremated. No memorial services are scheduled at this time.

> Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Charlotte Trissel.

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Local

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Ralph Nance: Restoring Cars and Renewing Souls



and truck restoring business

in 1994.

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the car

Tom Redmon Columnist

ed cars and trucks that were

in terrible shape, (for the most part) and turned them into things of beauty. Altogether he restored ten vehicles and purchased others that didn't need much restoring.

Ralph restored a couple of Fords but he favored Chevrolets. His favorite vehicle that he restored was a 1954 Chevrolet truck. He also purchased a 1953 Chevrolet 210 Car from Lawrence Patterson in Oliver Springs. This car didn't need any restoration. It was the car driven by school teacher

Miss Riley (Launa Dern) in "October Sky". The movie was filmed in the 90's in Petros, Oliver Springs, Harriman and Knoxville.

I guess Ralph hated to call, but he just had to get the car back so he called Lawrence. Lawrence had a good laugh, but he sold it back to him, and 1953 Chevrolet 210 still sits in Ralph's garage. It is his pride and joy. One-time Ralph bought a 1959 Apache Chev-

rolet truck. It was in terrible shape. He had it hauled up to his house on Peach Tree Circle. Mel his daughter-in-law

wonderful hobby.

All the while Ralph was doing this, he was preaching full time. He started his ministry at Shady Grove Baptist Church, then Annodell Baptist before moving to Grace Baptist in South Harriman. He really had a lot to do with building this church up. He was there for twenty years.

> Ralph's present church is at Meadowview

Ralph said that everything that he has accomplished in his life he owes it to Jesus Christ. He quoted Proverbs 3:6 "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths," as his guide in life. Margaret and I are happy to be good friends with Ralph and Lois. He and Margaret share October 19th as their birthday.



saw it setting there in his yard and she said, "Pawpa I hope you didn't pay more than \$50.00 for the piece of junk." Ralph made a

Baptist. On January 3, 2021 Ralph and Lois will celebrate their 50th year in the preaching ministry.

When Ralph was just

There's an interesting story centered

good-looking truck out of it and hated to sale it later



around this 1953 Chevrolet. Like I said Ralph purchased this good-looking car from Lawrence Patterson. I don't know how much he paid for it, but I would guess a pretty good sum. After having the car setting in his garage for awhile Ralph decided for some reason, to sale it back to Lawrence. Being good friends Lawrence bought it back. Well, Ralph began to have second thoughts. He said to his wife, "Lois I really missed that car". He kept on, probably loosing some sleep over it and telling Lois he made a mistake. Lois said, "Ralph if you want the car so bad why don't you call Lawrence, he'll probably sale it back to you."

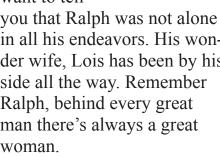
Ralph took his prize vehicles to many car shows in Morgan, Roane, Scott, Louden, Anderson and

Fentress Counties, and won many trophies. I purchased two vehicles that Ralph restored and I went to several car shows with him, mainly the Pumpkin Festival, Roane

Street Car Show, and Oak Ridge (Y-12) Car Show. You could tell that Ralph Really liked what he was doing in the restoration process and the fellowship with other antique car owners.

Most of the other guys are gone now so Ralph has quit working on cars and trucks and going to car shows. You can bet Ralph Nance enjoyed those many years he was engaged in this

a teenager, he learned carpentry skills under the teaching of his dad Arthur Nance. He was a great carpenter and he built many houses in this area. But I want to tell





you that Ralph was not alone in all his endeavors. His wonder wife, Lois has been by his side all the way. Remember Ralph, behind every great man there's always a great woman.



History

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Historically Speaking Lee Russell—Oak Ridge's scientific

superwoman

By Ray Smith - Oak Ridge City Historian

In my experience as a historian interviewing individuals over the past several years who have lived the history of Oak Ridge, none have been more exciting for me personally than getting to know Lee Russell. She truly is a "superwoman." Lee is multitalented, a leader in all her chosen endeavors and yet she is a humble, kind and thoughtful individual, thinking of others always ahead of herself. I have enjoyed creating documentary films with her help and guidance that focus on the history of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory's Biology Division located in Bear Creek Valley at Y-12. I have also appreciated her steadfast efforts over the years to protect wild and scenic rivers and our wilderness areas. I have had the pleasure to write about Lee and her achievements in the area of environmental awareness and wilderness preservation. She and I discussed her scientific career and she knew I wanted to document that part of her life and career. I am so pleased that Carolyn Krause shared my enthusiasm for documenting the achievements of Lee Russell, Oak Ridge's scientific superwoman! Please enjoy Carolyn's excellent treatment of one of our most famous Oak Ridgers -Lee Russell.

Few people have completed a Ph.D. dissertation that led to an international rule—one that protects the human embryo in any woman who doesn't yet know she's pregnant.

On her way to becoming Dr. Liane B. Russell, Lee made a discovery at Oak Ridge National Laboratory that influenced the practice of medical doctors worldwide.

Her thesis research goal in 1950 was to compare the effects of X-rays on the genes of two types of cells in mice—the reproductive cells and the cells of the Following in Bill's footsteps (he was 13 years older), Lee did her doctorate work under Sewell Wright, the same famous genetics professor Bill had at the University of Chicago. Meanwhile, Bill decided to leave Jackson Laboratory because he and his first wife were getting divorced. Bill left the Jackson Laboratory and applied to various universities and what became the Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

"His stipulation was that he would not



Lee Russell as she is recognized for her achievements at her 90th birthday party (Photo Submitted)



Lee Russell as a young scientific researcher at the ORNL Biology Division (Photo Submitted)

that the Y sex chromosome was responsible for maleness in mammals, including men. "Among the mouse stocks we kept were mice with genetic mutations that occurred spontaneously," she said. "One of those stocks had the first sexlinked mutation ever to be recorded in the mouse.

"In that stock we found that some females that didn't breed according to type had lost one of their two X sex chromosomes. So, we called these mice XO females."

Normal female mammals have two X sex chromosomes (XX), but normal males have an X and a Y sex chromosome (XY).

"We found some male mice had color markings only females in that stock should have," Lee continued. "We called them XXY males because they carried two X chromosomes and a Y. It became clear to us that what made a mouse a male was the presence of a Y chromosome."

The Russells discovered that female mice that had an X sex chromosome attached to a non-sex chromosome (translocation) were marked with spots. But when only one X sex chromosome was present, as in the male and XO female mice, the animals were not mottled. The upshot of this work is that female mammals have two X sex chromosomes but only one is active. "It simply means that maybe women aren't that different from men because both genders have only one X chromosome that's working," Lee quipped.

Interestingly, Lee and Bill both received the prestigious Enrico Fermi award from the Department of Energy and the International Roentgen Medal. Both were elected members of the National Academy of Sciences. Both were named ORNL corporate fellows. Few scientific couples have been as influential as the Russells none so effective in protecting the health of future children.

Thanks Carolyn, for yet another exceptional document taken from the oral histories in the Oak Ridge Public Library's Center for Oak Ridge Oral Histories COROH http://cdm16107.contentdm. oclc.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/ p15388coll1 NEXT: Carolyn will bring us Bill Russell's contributions to genetics, as told by Lee.

body.

"I had to find just the right number of cells to make my experiment worthwhile," Lee, now 90, said 10 years ago in an oral history interview with Steve Stow. "I irradiated mouse embryos in different stages of development, and I ended up producing baby mice with strange abnormalities, such as misshapen legs, toes fused together or kinky tails." So, she changed her dissertation topic to the effects of X-radiation on embryos and published her definitive paper in 1952. In the earliest part of pregnancy, X-rays either kill the embryo or it survives as normal. But in the next stage, major malformations are likely to be induced.

"We ended up developing the 14-day rule for humans," Lee said. "X-rays of women capable of having babies should be scheduled 14 days after the menstrual period. The real danger of X-rays to human embryos is to an unsuspected, unknown pregnancy. The idea is to avoid irradiating the really sensitive embryonic stages before a woman knows she's pregnant."

A native of Vienna, Austria, and daughter of a chemist, Lee graduated from high school in England and from Hunter College in New York City. She met her future husband, Bill Russell, at Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor, Maine, which she was attending in 1943-44 as a summer school student while still in college. "Bill's school worked on the principle of giving the students real hands-on experience in experimental work," she said. "I remember first looking down a microscope at a fertilized mouse egg. The total wonder was that this little thing is going to be a whole mouse!" accept a job unless I was hired also," she said.

"He wanted me to have a career in science, too. That ruled out quite a few places that had a nepotism rule. But ORNL did not." So, the first husbandand-wife team at ORNL came to Oak Ridge in 1947. [Note: At the time the name of the laboratory was Clinton Laboratories. The name was changed to Oak Ridge National Laboratory in March 1948, see: http://web.ornl.gov/info/records/history.htm – Ray] They were hired by Alexander Hollaender, who was recruited by Clinton Laboratories Research and Development Director, 1946-1947, Eugene Wigner to set up a program to research the genetic and other biological effects of radiation on mice, which are genetically related to humans.

Health effects of radiation were a concern because the Graphite Reactor was the world's first continuous running nuclear reactor and Oak Ridge plants were involved in providing radioactive fuel for the nation's nuclear weapons. Lee called Hollaender "a true go-getter in the scientific world" who "built up an incredible division that had young, energetic scientists in every area of genetics." He also "had a great talent for outreach. He organized symposia and started scientific societies all over the world."

When Lee was leader of the Biology Division's mammalian genetics section, she hired excellent molecular genetics researchers, preparing the lab for the next revolution in biology—the analyses of mammalian genomes.

At ORNL Lee led the research showing

Oak Ridge was created as a part of the Manhattan Project in 1942 to help stop World War II. The atomic bomb, Little Boy, fueled by uranium 235 separated at Oak Ridge helped to do just that.

Oak Ridge began in war, has continued to support our nation's efforts through the Cold War, and even now in the age of terrorism. Oak Ridge has also produced nuclear medicine, nuclear power and fuel for the US Navy nuclear submarines and ships.

This "Secret City" nestled in Appalachia near Morgan County and where many from Morgan County go each day to work, continues today to produce scientific discoveries used worldwide and still routinely makes history. These Historically Speaking stories will provide insight into the people of Oak Ridge and the work they do to help humankind.

Historically Speaking is written by D. Ray Smith, Oak Ridge City Historian, retired Y-12 National Security Complex Historian and Vietnam Veteran.

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American Heritage

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MSG Fred Mize

Who do you see when you look in the mirror? Do you see someone you're proud of or you do you see disappointment? Do you see joy or sadness? Do you see the past or a bright future? Looking into a mirror each morning can be the most difficult thing many people do throughout their day. The result depends on "how" you see your reflection. I must admit that there have

been times in my life that it was difficult for me to face myself in the mirror. If everyone is honest with themselves. I'm confident to say that this would be true for most people. It's true to say that we all have a past but it's equally true to say that we all have today and a future. I

for one believe that we focus far too much on our past than we should. Let's face the of tomorrow. I believe that is why I enjoy New Year's Day each year. I love the thought of

Reflection

By: MSG. Fred Mize



fact that there isn't anything any of us can do to change a single moment of our past but we can make choices today that will affect the outcome

a new beginning. I believe most people our looking forward to having 2020 in the books and move on to 2021. What a crazy year it's been thus far... This being said we should enjoy each moment we have and live every moment as if it were our

last, even in a year like 2020. Especially in a year like 2020 because when we are surrounded by sadness we should strive to bring joy,

when there is darkness we should be light, when there is strife we should bring calmness, when there is chaos we should instill peace, when there is pain we should

give hope and healing. I pray that regardless of how you saw yourself in the mirror this morning I believe if you place God first in your life and strive to do a little better today than yesterday you will begin to like who you see in not only yourself but also in others. Let's not give up on ourselves, each other, or on this crazy year. Stay strong and continue on my friends...

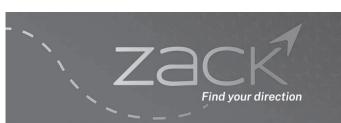
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Around The World and Back Again

with Zack Ballinger

Would you like to be a guest on The Zack Ballinger Show?

I shared with you my vision of The Zack Ballinger Show in last week's newspaper. In case you missed it; I am creating a virtual show that will provide a career resource library on every career pathway in North America. These pathways include both white- and blue-collar careers. The one stipulation for guests is you have to love your current career. I imagine putting together this career library will be a 3-5-year process, but I am definitely committed to the mission of the show.



form Morgan County. Since I am from the Morgan



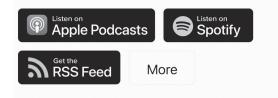
the Morgan County area, I want to feature a lot of guests from

Colleges and high schools are excited about this future resource. Many college career services directors have expressed positive feedback about this project. I have also interview many college students and they agree something like this would help them right now. I believe high schools and colleges from all around the world will eventually be utilizing this platform as a career development resource. I am currently in the infancy stage with The Zack Ballinger Show, but I feel

The Zack Ballinger Show

Zack Ballinger

I help you find your career direction through passion and purpose.



like this career library will be a tool utilized in colleges across the spectrum.

I want Morgan County to be the center of attention through this show. I've heard all my life that people don't succeed that come from small towns. The stereotype is simply not true. Successful people come from all parts of the United States and for that matter all around



the world. My quote is, "Don't let the size of your town limit the size of your dream." As a matter of fact, I know many of my high school friends from Wartburg, TN that have went on to accomplish some pretty amazing achievements in the career.

The Zack Ballinger show may need you or someone you know to help with this mission. Think about your current career. Are you passionate about what you do? Do you love your job and would love to share your passion with others? Do you have a career your excited about or would love to shine a spotlight on a particular career field? If you answered yes to any of these questions you may be a perfect guest on the show. The show is virtual. As long as you have a smart phone, computer, or Pad with a camera, I can interview you.

How can I find or listen to The Zack Ballinger Show? The show will have 2 to 3 guests per week on various careers in The United States. You can listen live via YouTube by searching for Zack Ballinger and subscribing. The show is also streamed live on Facebook on www. facebook.com/thezackballinger. What if you want to listen to a podcast (audio)? The show can be found on iTunes and Spotify: search for The Zack Ballinger show and you can find all the episodes. We have already had guest the area. Support the show and our vision!

If you are interested email me: zack@zackballinger.com

Zack graduated from Wartburg Central High School in 2001 and from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville in 2004. Since graduation he has become a TedX Motivational Speaker, Author, and Career Consultant. He travels the world giving back and hosting seminars teaching people on various topics. Zack has

established an ongoing annual scholarship at his Alma Mater, Wartburg, which has inspired others to give back as well. Visit www.zackballinger.com for more of Zack's travels and events.



Happenings

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Sandra Helton's weekly column Oakdale Area News email: kvhelton@highland.net



The Lord sure Blessed us with a beautiful Labor Day Weekend. Beautiful sunny skies with lower temperatures.

Friday, September 4 was Senior Night on Hollis Eble Field. The Oakdale Eagles took their first loss of the season. They were defeated by Midway, 41-20. Football players recognized were Tyler Boyer, Chase Johnson, Zeke Moore, Dallas Smith and Charlie Wyatt. Team assistants Victoria Jones and Lindsay Jones were also recognized.

Fall Break for Morgan County Schools will be October 12-16.

Morgan County Farmer's Market is open on Fridays from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the Visitor's Center in Wartburg.

Harriman Farmer's Market will remain open through September. They are open Wednesdays 2:00 -5:00 p.m and Saturdays 8:00 a.m - 12:00 p.m. at Riverfront Park. They are open rain or shine so take advantage of the final days.

Congratulations to Davis and Mattia Kring on the birth of their son, Zeke. Zeke arrived Thursday, September 10 weighing 8lbs 5oz. He is welcomed by his big sister, Zoey and his brothers Landon and Lincoln.

Congratulations to Clint and Missy Foster on the birth of their son, Jack River Foster. Jack was born September 3 weighing 8lbs 3oz. His paternal grandparents are Bryan and Lana Foster and his great grandparents are Austin and Rita Turner.

I posted a request on Facebook asking families to share their holiday weekend activities. Thank you to those who helped me out.

10 year old Hunter Brown learned how to Bush Hog over the Labor Day Weekend. He is very excited and has been telling everyone that he learned. Hunter will celebrate his 11th birthday on September 25. Hunter is the son of Grover and Joyce Brown. I am sure they are happy that Hunter is learning to operate a tractor.

Heather Reed and her son, Aiden, had a mommy/son day on Labor Day. They went to the Knoxville Zoo and then spent time in the pool at their aunt's house and enjoyed a family cookout.

Mike and Mary Winters went camping at Cumberland Mountain State Park. Travis, Robyn, Lorelai and Josiah Langley visited them at the camp site for a cookout and s'mores!

Clara Cole said "My gang of 9 was invited to Kerry and Jennifer Ruppe's home for a wonderful get together and meal." Her gang included her grandsons Danny Perkins and Elysee, Kasey Perkins and Kayla, Trent Perkins and Angel and everyone's favorite Mr. Robbie Perkins along with her daughter, Susan Perkins and Clara.

In addition to Clara's family, others gathered with the Ruppes to celebrate Kevin Ruppe's birthday. They were Kevin, Raymond Ruppe, Trula Ruppe, Destiny Ruppe, Rachel Ruppe, Justin, Valerie, Cartie and Clay Disney.

On Labor Day, Kerry, Jennifer, Rachel, Kameron, Jayla and Crusade spent time up on Ruppe Mountain. They enjoyed fishing, picnicking and relaxing. Crusade caught a fish big enough to cook over the fire. It was the first time the children had seen a fish being cleaned. Kameron and Jayla had a bite. Crusade did not!

Jeffrey and Cheryl Johnson and their sons, Jeremiah, Ethan and Seth, enjoyed lunch at Cumberland Mountain State Park followed by a walk through the park. Their moms, Judy Bingham and Shirley Johnson, had supper with the Johnson's on Labor Day.

Jeremiah and Seth Johnson attended the Tennessee Walking Horse

National Celebration in Shelbyville for a few days. While in the area, they were able to have lunch with Audrey Rogers who lives in Rutherford County.

Greg and Carlena Mayo took "Labor Day" seriously! They moved new bedroom furniture from his dad's house into their house. Greg also finished the hardwood in their bedroom.

Meredith and Kennedy Bell picked up Debbie Pendergast and Dori Ramirez and their sister in law Diane from the airport over the holiday weekend. They enjoyed Sunday night supper with Vera Scarbrough. Debbie and Dori will be staying in Piney for a few weeks. Diane returned to California Sunday. While here, she got to visit some East Tennessee Sites.

Kyle, Kayla, Clara and Hattie Ruppe went to Muddy Pond on Saturday, September 5. They were kind enough to let PaPa Helton and Weezer go with them. We enjoyed watching sorghum being made and having lunch at The Country Porch. We saw some friends which is always nice.

Some recent anniversaries include Ralph and Lois Nance who celebrated 56 years on September 5 and Brad and Kim Everett who celebrated 28 years on September 5. Frederick and Janine Shelton of North Carolina celebrated their 35th anniversary on September 6. Dean and Debbie Headrick of Crossville celebrated their 47th anniversary on September 7. Bryan and Lana Foster also celebrated their anniversary on September 7.

I will share a few upcoming birthdays that I know of or have been shared with me. Always feel free to send me special days to share in the column. If you see these folks, wish them Happy Birthday....or Happy Belated Birthday.

Jacob Helton and Mikaela Bullard had birthdays on September 10.

Jennifer Lewis celebrated her birthday Saturday, September 12.

Jackson Hicks celebrated his birthday Sunday, September 13.

Kameron Show is celebrating his 14th birthday today, September 15.

Pam Sweat and Mattia Kring also have birthdays today, September 15. Craig Lawson, Brandon Helton,

Velma Human and Sierra Snow all have birthdays on September 16.

Lori Shelton Pieniazek, Clara Cole and Heather Alonso all have birthdays on September 17.

Brother Danny Jenkins and Ms. Phyllis celebrated their wedding anniversary on September 7 and will celebrate their birthdays on September 20 and 21.

Tammy Helton will celebrate her birthday on September 20.

Linda Vespie will celebrate her birthday on September 21. Jimmy recently had a birthday but I have forgotten the exact date. Happy Birthday Friends! I am writing this column on

September 11. Sadly, this day is part of history due to the attack on America on 9-11-2001. Those of us who are old enough to remember that day, know exactly where we were and what we were doing when we heard about the planes hitting Twin Towers. I have been told that it is the same for people who remember other tragedies such as the assassination of President Kennedy, the bombing of Pearl Harbor and one that I remember well, the Challenger Explosion. These are just a few of the sad events America has experienced. Wars, school shootings and natural disasters have also made their mark on America. These moments are forever recorded in our memories. As much as I dislike the restrictions in place due to this pandemic, I am reminded that we are still blessed to live in America, Land of the Free and Home of the Brave. Continue to pray for our nation.

"September 11 is one of our worst days but it brought out the best in us. It unified us as a country and showed our charitable instincts and reminded us of what we stood for and stand for." — Lamar Alexander

Hebrews Chapter 13:7-17

Religious responsibility: the brethren are encouraged to remember earlier leaders (rulers is not the best translation), namely those who brought to them the "word of God" (does this not imply a message of divine words?) They should meditate on the outcome of their lives, and imitate the steadfast faith these leaders demonstrated (v. 7). This might suggest men like Stephen and James (John's brother), who forfeited their lives for the gospel. Then there is this statement, with no direct explanation: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, and forever" (v. 8). The passage is often applied as proof for modern-day miracles. Such is wholly alien to the context and in contradiction to passages that affirm the limited duration of the miraculous (notes at 1 Cor. 13:8). Here it probably is intended to affirm that just as the Lord sustained his people in earlier times of persecution, even so he would be with them under this duress; thus, they were to abide faithful. They are warned to stop being carried away (the force of the Greek) by different and strange teachings, alien to the primitive gospel. They must not be disciples of those who were attempting to bind the Mosaic law, as opposed to the system of grace under Christ (Jn. 1:17). Nor were they to be obsessed with "meats" (Col. 2:16), as the Jews were, but which were not profitable (v. 9). Christians have an "alter" (a figurative expression): it is the altar that involved the sacrifice of the body of Christ for sin. Those who cling to the old "tabernacle" apparatus (one feature standing for the whole) of the former regime "have no right" to participate in the exercises of the Christians system (v. 10). An amalgamation of the two, as a means of justification, is intolerable (Gal. 5:2-4). Eating the sacrifices of the sin offerings under the law was forbidden: the residue of those animal bodies was burned outside the camp (v. 11; Lev. 16:27). By way of analogy, Jesus also suffered death, thereby sanctifying his people by the shedding of his blood outside the city (v. 12). Let us, therefore, go out unto him, bearing his reproach (v. 13). Under the Levitical system, the sacrifice was made in the environs of the tabernacle (at the altar of burnt offerings just outside the holy place); the remains were taken out of the city to the dump. Jesus was killed outside the city (Jn. 19:17-18); Acts 7:58), being treated as refuse. The writer makes a word play on this, suggesting" "Let us go forth outside the camp, bearing his reproach," saying, in effect, "We must once and for all leave the obsolete baggage of the law of Moses behind. We are identified with Christ, not Moses." The same point is made with reference to Jerusalem, deemed to be "the holy city." But Christianity has no material city (v. 14). The people of God look forward to the city "which is to come" (11:15; 12:22; Rev. 22:1). Christians do not offer up those bloody sacrifices that were a part of the first covenant; instead, we are to "offer up a

sacrifice of praise" to God on a sustained basis, making confession to his name (v. 15). The Lord God, in this dispensation, is pleased with good acts and sharing among brethren (v. 16).

Finally, the brethren are to "obey" (literally, be persuaded by) those who exercise "rule" (literally, leadership over them (v. 17). They must humbly submit to their experienced eldership, provided they are godly leaders (this seems to refer primarily to the local eldership) and are not motivated by self-serving interests. Such godly leaders truly are concerned for the church's welfare, looking out for the safety of precious souls. All the while they are conscious that they are going to give an account at the day of judgment for the quality of their stewardship. When worthy of such, they must be respected and given full cooperation, so that they may carry out their duties joyfully and not under stress and aggravation, thus not being able to function in a way profitable to the church. Woe to church members who make their burdens heavier! (Hebrews 13:18-25) personal matters and conclusion: the writer concludes with an appeal for prayer. He says, "We (he and whoever he includes with him) are persuaded that our conscience is clear, and that we have dealt honorably in all matters" (v. 18). This appears to be a brief retort to false charges that had been made by the Judaizers. He hopes to be "restored" to them soon. What this means the modern student has no idea; certainly they did (v. 19)! Verses twenty and twenty-one contain one of the most thrilling benedictions of any in Scripture. It is a fresh breeze of prayer. It is directed to the "God of peace," a peace never completely enjoyed under a law that annually reminded the Jews of their guilt. It acknowledged the "great Shepherd," who himself was sacrificed, but was raised from the dead, even Christ. It affirmed his blood ratified an "eternal covenant," not a temporal one like that of the former dispensation. It solicited every blessing needed to be complete in doing the divine will and pleasing the Lord. The petition concluded with a burst of praise glorifying the Lord Jesus. The writer exhorts the recipients to bear with the stiff exhortations that have been necessary in this treatise (v. 22). Timothy had been set at liberty (implying an imprisonment), and should he join the writer, both would attempt to visit them in the near future. The details of these circumstances lie in obscurity. Greeting is sent from "those of Italy," which has led some to conclude that the readers may have been citizens of Rome; but this is not a necessary inference. "May divine favor be with you all. Amen."

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MELVIN HOWARD

Hometown Heroes Page 9 **Davis Funeral Home's** Veteran of the Week In memory of



September 8, 2020

Law Enforcement Officer of the Week

Morgan County Today is very pleased to announce Morgan County Court Officer Sonny Human as this week's law enforcement officer of the week. Court Officer Sonny Human has served Morgan County in his law enforcement career for the past twenty-two years. His law enforcement career began in 1998 upon retiring from Tenico Gas Company. Sonny has served our community in many different capacities. Throughout his twenty-two-year career he has served as a Police Officer for the Wartburg Police

Department, as a Patrol Deputy for the Morgan County Sheriff's Department and now as a Morgan County Court Officer. Sonny certainly knows how to stay busy



at work and at home. Him and his beloved wife Delma recently celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary. They have six children, sixteen grandchildren and eight

great-grandchildren. Multiple generations of his family has followed in his footsteps to protect and to serve as law enforcement officers in various capacities and agencies. What a legacy he's been blessed to live.

Sonny the life you live on

and off duty shows and Morgan County thanks you for all you've done for our community through both word and deed. God bless you and Delma for your dedication and love for each other and for Morgan County.



David Zubler

Red Flag During an IRS Audit If you receive a letter from the IRS letting you know that your business is being audited, there is one record that receives special attention and can create a nightmare during an IRS audit. It's information that an auditor uses

to help determine whether you keep good records. If you don't maintain a good mileage log an auditor will assume your other records will be lacking too.

It's important to get off to a good start during an audit. If an auditor believes that you don't keep good records, he is more likely to look at your records more thoroughly.

You want the auditor to begin thinking that he is wasting his time and should be working on someone else's return which will provide more valuable results. Your goal should be to get out of the audit as quickly as possible.

The mileage log is often one of the first

records that an IRS examiner will look at and for a good reason. A good mileage log shows that you know the IRS rules and are following them.

The IRS has techniques to help determine whether your log is accurate. During an audit the IRS will request information in order to prove that your records are made up. This information includes:

Copies of repair receipts, inspection slips, and other records which will show the total mileage for the year.

Copies of your logbooks and other records to support the business mileage claimed.

A copy of your appointment book or calendar of business activities for the year.

If you are claiming actual expenses, receipts for fuel, repairs, insurance, tags, taxes, parking, tolls, interest and a bill of sale. If you are deducting actual expense, you will still need to keep a mileage log to allocate your deductible business expense.

The IRS will match the mileage between repair stops, to see whether it exceeds your mileage claimed in your mileage log during that period. If your mileage log exceeds the mileage shown between repair shop visits, the auditor will know that you have made up a mileage log. Once the auditor realizes that you are making up records, your information for the audit will be intensely scrutinized.

The IRS will also be looking at your appointment book to determine whether your mileage has a business purpose.

Many business owners hate keeping up with their mileage log. However, taking a few minutes each day can help you to avoid major problems during an IRS audit.

If you want to avoid turning an audit into a nightmare, keep a good mileage log.

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Legals & Notices

MIA'S View From the Mountain:

Last Words

As I was watching and listening to all the tributes of 9/11, I began to reminisce about that day. Like all of you, I will never forget where I was and what I was doing on that day. I was on a plane landing in Tampa, Florida for work. As I deplaned and entered the terminal, people were hovered around the TV's. I stood to watch what they were watching, and, at that moment, it showed the second tower collapsing. At that very moment, my cell phone rang, and it was my husband. Of course, he was concerned for me, but I will never forget his words. 'We are at war'. I began to worry about the rest of my family. Our surrogate daughter was a flight attendant for American. Like hundreds of others, I too had family that worked in and around the Twin Towers. Phone calls and texts went on for hours until we knew that all were accounted for and safe. Later that evening as I sat in my hotel room, reality began to set in on what really happened - all those people working in the Towers, all those around the areas, those on the planes. I could not grasp the horror. Days, weeks, months and years after the horrific incident known as 9/11, we heard stories of the bravery of the First Responders, stories from family members that lost loved ones. A few years after

Veteran of the Week

Davis Funeral Home is proud to sponsor Morgan County Today's feature, Veteran of the Week. Each week, a different local Veteran will be spotlighted, and honored and appreciated for their service. The Veteran's name, branch of service, service dates and other pertinent data should be emailed to <u>Ed-</u> itor@mocotoday.com or Publisher@mocotoday.com Submissions will be printed in the order in which they are received, pending verification of information.

9/11, I had the opportunity to hear a young lady who was a guest speaker at an event I was attending. Her entire talk was about how she escaped the Tower and what floor she was on. Her thoughts were not only to get out alive with her co-worker, but to speak with her family again. What are your thoughts; what would be your last words?

One of the most powerful artifacts from September 11 is a voice message left from Brian Sweeney, a passenger on the hijacked United Airlines Flight 175, which crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center just after 9 a.m., 19 years ago. The voice message — left to Brian's wife, Julie Sweeney Roth — has been replayed on social media and on network television every year on the anniversary of the attacks. The National September 11 Memorial & Museum even dedicated an installation around the recording so visitors could listen to it using a telephone.

But for Julie, the message remains a lasting gift from the man she loved.

"I was lucky Brian called and spoke to me on that message," Julie, 46, told PEOPLE as the country mourned the anniversary of the attacks last year. "He told me what he believed and I grasped onto that with all I had, and I've embraced life — I am living it as I know he would want me to do."

One of the most striking reasons why Brian's message is so remarkable is his calm demeanor throughout the call, which was made about three minutes before hijackers crashed the aircraft into the South Tower.

Tourism Meeting Tuesday September 15th at 6:00pm

"I'm on an airplane that's been hijacked," Public Meetings: Brian said in the mes-Brian said in the message. "If things don't go well, and it's not looking good, I just want you to

know I absolutely love you, I want you to do good, go have good times—same to my parents and everybody - and I just totally love you, and I'll see you when you get there. Bye, babe. I hope I call you."

Despite the fear he must have felt, Brian found it in himself to remain hopeful in his message. Julie says he wouldn't have made the call unless he knew the flight was "doomed."

"The priority to him in those moments were to let his loved ones know that he loved us and that it was okay to move forward and do what we needed to do," Julie, who now lives in New Jersey, says. "Though he believed he would see us again, he wanted us to know it was all going to be okay no matter how it turned out." Excerpt from People Magazine 9/11/18. We are not promised tomorrow. What would be your last words?

Proverbs 22:9 Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor ESV

Galatians 6:2. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ESV

Mia is a wife to a wonderful man of 45 years, mother of three grown and married children, grandmother of twelve, great grandmother to one. She and her husband have three dogs, one rooster, six hens. She loves Jesus with her whole heart. Please feel free to contact her through Morgan County Today Paper. Your comments are welcomed.

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INVITATION TO BID

The Morgan County Highway Department will be taking bids on some asphalt work in the county. There will be 9 full width patches over a 2.5 mile stretch of road. All joints must be cut in to ensure a good seam. These 9 patches consist of approximately 1130 tons of hot mix. Bid specs are available at the Highway Department:

3519 Morgan County Highway, Wartburg, TN 37887 Monday - Thursday 7a.m. to 5p.m.

All bids shall be sent to Morgan County Highway Department mailing address P.O. Box 250, Wartburg, TN 37887

"ASPHALT BID" must be printed on the outside of the envelope. Bid opening will be on September 17, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time) at the office of the Morgan County Highway Department at 3519 Morgan County Highway, Wartburg, TN 37887

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Tuesday,

September 15, 2020

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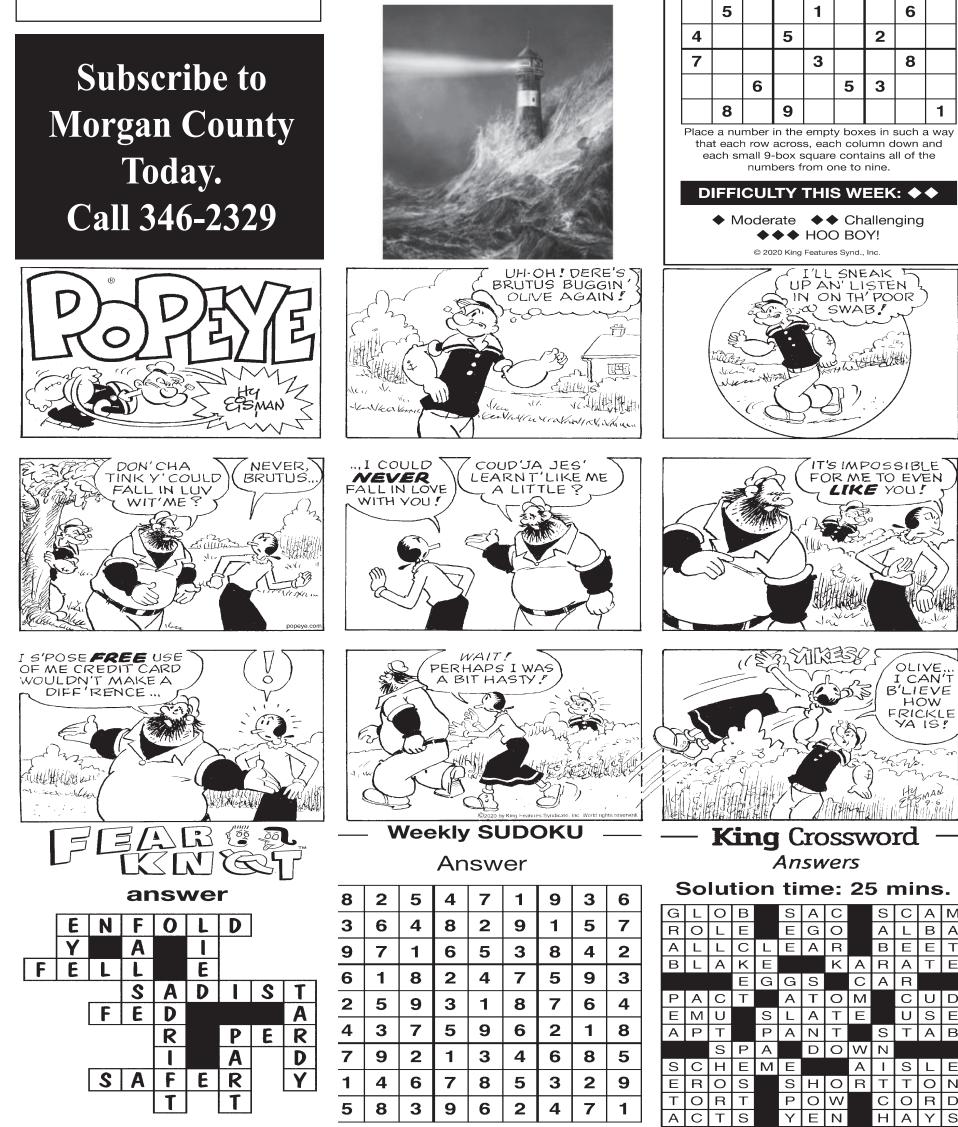
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> Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (V) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. **V**RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH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

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Sports

Wartburg Honors Senior Volleyball Players By Terry Futrell (Photos by Terry Futrell)

Wartburg Central High School honored seniors Madilyn Armes, Savannah Tinch, and Emory Hamby before the Lady Bulldogs volleyball match with Monterey Monday evening. Normally scheduled later in the season, Senior Night was rescheduled early due to the uncertainties of Covid-19.

Emory Hamby was joined by her parents Tim and Toni Hamby, as well as her sisters Andi Kate and Grace. Emory played volleyball through all four years of high



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school and served as a Bulldog cheerleader for two years. She also served on the yearbook staff. Emory plans to attend the University of Tennessee and major in Civil Engineering.

Savannah Tinch was accompanied by her father Ernie Tinch and stepmother Vicky Hamby. Savannah played volleyball for two years and served as watergirl for the Bulldog football team for three years. She plans to attend the Tennessee College of Applied Technology and pursue

a career in nursing.

Madilyn Armes was accompanied by her parents Dan and Tiffany McCray and sister Danica. Madilyn played volleyball for four years and served as captain for the past two years. She was named to the All-District team her sophomore year, and named District MVP and Defensive Player of the Year her junior year. Madilyn plans to attend Roane State and then transfer to a university to pursue a career in the medical/health care field.

Congratulations to Madilyn, Savannah, and Emory for their commitment to the volleyball team and the school, as well as for their commitment to excellence.



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Emory with her parents Tim and Toni Hamby, ang her sisters Andi Kate and Grace



Savannah with her father Ernie Tinch and stepmother Vicky Hamby



Madilyn with her parents Dan and Tiffany McCray and sister Danica.