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MORGAN COUNTY WEATHER THIS WEEK

Tue 02	36°/23°	
Wed 03	43°/26°	
Thu 04	48°/36°	
Fri 05	46°/30°	
Sat 06	46°/26°	
Sun 07	29°/12°	
Mon 08	25°/18°	

New Parking for Veterans



New Veteran Parking sign at the Courthouse.(Photo Submitted)

Veterans who are doing business within the Morgan County Courthouse now have special parking spots on each side of the Courthouse. Morgan County Executive Brian Langley recently had the four signs put up to honor those that have served and are currently serving the United States of America.

“We have been talking about doing this for quite a while now. This is something that we are extremely proud to do for our veterans. I believe this is just a small token

of our appreciation for these brave men and women that have sacrificed and served their Country,” said Langley.

“We want our veterans know that they are very much appreciated here in Morgan County, and we will support them any way we can.”

Three of the four spots are located next to the steps at each entrance to the Courthouse and the fourth is near the side entrance between the Courthouse and the Morgan County Annex Building.

Local Man indicted in 2016 Murder of Coalfield’s Pete McCarroll

The almost five-year-old case involving the April 18, 2016 murder of beloved, life-long Coalfield resident, Jerry Lynn “Pete” McCarroll was presented to the Morgan County Grand Jury this month by District Attorney General Russell Johnson with testimony from the current TBI agent investigator, who took the lead on the investigation of the case in 2019. After hearing testimony from the TBI agent, the members of the grand jury returned an indictment against Timothy Giles (51 YOM), also of Coalfield [who is currently in the custody of the Tennessee Department of Corrections].

Pete McCarroll’s body was found in the early morning hours of April 18th by co-workers arriving at Allied Metals on Gouge Hollow Road where they are McCarroll worked, with McCarroll being the first to arrive that day. It appeared that McCarroll had been beaten and an autopsy confirmed one gunshot to the head. Morgan County Sheriff’s Office (at that time under then Sheriff Glenn Freytag initially had the lead in the investigation) with assistance from other agencies. There were many interviews conducted, including of Tim Giles, but no clear suspect was produced by the initial investigation.

The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation was eventually requested by District Attorney Johnson to take control of the investigation and it was not until late last year that prosecutors felt like, with the additional work of the TBI investigation and an investigator from the DAG’s Office, that enough evidence had been developed to present to case to the Morgan County Grand Jury. General Johnson also pointed to Sheriff Wayne Potter’s cooperation with TBI and his assistance in keeping the investigation in the forefront as a priority as being a key component in bringing the case before the grand jury.

Giles has a bond of \$500,000 and has recently been served with a capias for his arrest on the indictment. A hold has been placed by Morgan County Sheriff Wayne Potter and he will be transported to Morgan County upon his impending release from TDOC.

Prosecutors are working with TDOC to arrange his arraignment and appointment of counsel, due to his current incarceration in Northwest Tennessee and the COVID-19 restrictions he has not yet been arraigned.

Assistant District Attorneys Bob Edwards and Jonathan Edwards (no relation) have been assigned by District Attorney Johnson to handle to prosecution for the State.

ANY PERSON CHARGED WITH A CRIME IS PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY BY A COURT OF LAW AFTER A JURY TRIAL GUILTY VERDICT AND CONVICTION OR A CONVICTION BASED UPON A GUILTY PLEA. ANYONE CHARGED WITH A CRIME WHO IS UNABLE TO AFFORD AN ATTORNEY WILL BE PROVIDED ONE A TAXPAYERS EXPENSE.
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Veteran of the Week
Larry Lichtefeld



LEO of the Week
Alan D. McCollum



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Myrtle Poe Goodson, 83

Myrtle Poe Goodson passed away peacefully after a long illness Saturday, January 23, 2021, at her residence. Myrtle was born December 6, 1937 in Washington County, Virginia to Clyde Poe & Cora Osborne. She moved with her family to the Chestnut Ridge Community in Morgan County, Tennessee when South Holston Dam took their land in the 1940s. Myrtle graduated from Sunbright High School, and made her home in Lancing. Myrtle was active member of the community. She was a member of Potters Chapel Baptist Church, and a master quilter.

She is survived by husband of 60 years, Charles, her daughter, Peggy (John) Ro-

chelle, sons Charlie (Sheila), Joe, and David (Jeri); grandchildren Allison Rochelle, K.W. Goodson, and Alex Goodson.

Friends and family are welcome to stop by to pay their respects from the hours of 11:00-6:00 p.m Monday, January 25, 2021 at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg. Funeral and graveside services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in honor of Myrtle Goodson to:
Servants Heart Ministry
c/o Connie Brimi
665 Deer Lodge Hwy
Sunbright, TN 37872

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Myrtle Poe Goodson.

William Willard Layne, 79

William Willard Layne or as most people knew him, the Bee Man, passed away at his home with his loving wife Judy by his side.

He was born on February 12, 1941, to Willard and Elsie Layne in Feds Creek, Virginia. He spent his early life hunting or fishing in the various mining towns his family lived in. He attended 11 different schools before his family finally settled in the Joyner Community during his teenage years. He attended his 12th and final year of school at Wartburg, where he met the love of his life Judy (Liles). He attended Tennessee Tech for awhile before leaving to start a family. He worked most of his life as a pipefitter and was a member of Plumber and Pipefitter Local 102. It truly could be said that he was a jack of all trades and at one time, he could fix most anything. He was willing to help others and teach them how to do things and we as his sons can proudly say that our dad showed us how to do that.

He did so many notable things in his life like being a Deacon of Petros Baptist Church and being a Past Master of the Black Diamond Lodge

#625 F&AM. He was a plumber, a mechanic, a heavy equipment operator, a logger, a truck driver and a Sunday School Teacher. He really enjoyed jogging, karate and working on cars, but the hobby he enjoyed most was taking care of his honeybees. His honey was his gift to his friends and family.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Judy, his two sons Darrell and wife Lisa and Rusty and wife Tracy. He was very proud of his grandchildren Adam, Zachary, Natalie, and Jordan and his great-grandchildren Hayden and Bryson.

He had many friends and family, especially his daughter Lois, who went on before him that we know were as happy to see him as we are sad that he is gone. We know he is happier now because he is finally able to do the things, he enjoyed like running again but that doesn't make us miss him any less.

A graveside service will be held Monday, February 1, 2021 at 11 AM, in the Union Cemetery.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of William Layne.

Mable Ruth Jump Robinson, 90

Mable Ruth Jump Robinson of Mossy Grove passed away January 26, 2021 at her home. She was born August 24, 1930.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Roy Lee Robinson; infant son, Michael Dewayne Robinson; infant granddaughter, Amanda Lee Robinson.

She is survived by her son, Kyle Robinson and wife, Karen; daughter, Stephanie Robinson McMahan and husband, Rod; grandchildren, Amber Robinson and fiancé, Michael Reffner, Travis Robinson and wife, Frankie, Whitney McMahan; great grandchildren,

Ricky Coapman, Kyle Embleau, Jaleigh Robinson and Sturgell Reffner; sisters, Mollie Steffes (Bob) and Lois Davis (Jack) and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Special thanks to caregivers, Covenant Hospice and Mossy Grove Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

The family will have a graveside service Thursday, January 28, 2021 at Morgan Memorial Gardens at 2:00 p.m. with Dr. Jim Disney officiating.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mable Ruth Jump Robinson.

David Samuel Human, 87

David Samuel Human, age 87, of Lancing passed away Monday, January 25, 2021 with his family by his side. David was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend.

He was a veteran of the United States Army, Navy and U.S. Coast Guard/Merchant Marines. It was an honor to him to serve his country. David loved his family dearly on any given day you would find him spending time with his daughters, grandchildren, and great grandchildren or out in God's country hunting hogs or riding four wheelers with his friends.

David is preceded in death by his loving wife, Mary Hines Human; son, Alan Human; daughter, Tammy Human Howard; loving parents; 4 brothers and 2 sisters.

David is survived by his daughters, Renee Sisson and husband, Dan of Arkansas and

Lisa Long and husband, Ronnie of Lancing; son-in-law, Tracy Howard; 10 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; brother, Sonny Human; sister, Shirley Davis and a host of nieces, great nieces, nephews, great nephews and some very special friends.

Friends and family are welcome to come by and pay their respects between the hours of 11:00 am and 5:00 pm, Thursday, January 28, 2021, at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg. Funeral and graveside services will be private.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to the American Legion post #149 in Wartburg, TN. or Forrestner Cemetery Account at Bank One in Wartburg, TN.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of David Samuel Human.

Julie Ann Conner, 62

Julie Ann Conner, age 62, of Harriman passed away January 23, 2021 at the Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Dean & Doris Hardwick; husband, Robert Conner; sisters, Darlene Seiber and Arlene Farr.

She is survived by her children, Stacy (Doug) Cox and Robby (Anna) Conner; grandchildren, Brianna (Bradly Fusion) Cox, Jessica (Devon) Patton and Charles Conner; great

grandson, Riley; brothers, Stevie Back and Danny (Rynda) Hardwick; special friend, Gail Patterson and a host of nieces, nephews, and extended family.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg from 12:00-1:00 p.m. with Bro. Jamie Basler and Bro. Nathan Basler officiating. Interment will follow in the Butler Cemetery in Oliver Springs.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Julie Ann Conner.

Betty Lou Arline Duncan, 96

Betty Lou Arline Duncan, age 96, passed away January 26, 2021 at her home. She was born April 4, 1924 to Howard and Minnie Wilson.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Elwood Duncan; son, Danny; grandson, J. Dana Basler; brothers, Billy and Verda Lee Wilson; sisters, Kassie Woods, Jean Willocks and Joanne Barger.

She is survived by her daughters, Beverly (Jerry) Basler of Joyner and Elaine Foust of Heiskel; grandchildren, Trelles, Brianna, Trent, Marvin Jr., Shannon, Toby, Raven,

Jarred and Joshua; great grandchildren, Shayla, Juhannah, Michael, Tari, Jeri Eve, Keeli, Lylah, Adilyn, Ricky, Andy, Kinsley, Clayton, Kiley, Camden, Sophia, Natalie, Jackson and Shelby; great great grandchildren, Emma, Josie, Max, Kingston, Maverick and Waylon.

The family will have a graveside service Friday, January 29, 2021 at Union Cemetery in Joyner at 1:30 p.m. with Bro. Jason Lowe officiating.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Betty Lou Arline Duncan.

THE MORGAN COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR ELECTIONS TO BE HELD

This is to announce an upcoming election to fill three expiring positions on the Morgan County Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors.

The State Soil Conservation Committee has requested a local advisory committee to carry out the necessary election procedures.

This Committee has set the election for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; Feb 23rd, 24th and 25th, 2021. Daily from 9:00 am- 6:00 pm (Est)

We encourage everyone that is a Morgan County Landowner to come by, USDA Service Center @ 1141A Knoxville Hwy (next to Subway).

Names to appear on the ballot will be available at the Soil Conservation District office prior to the election.

The Morgan County Soil Conservation District prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity.

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Why I Look Back to the Past and Why History is Important



Tom Redmon
Columnist

I have always loved history. In elementary school geography and history were my favorite subjects. In high school I

took all the social science courses I could get. This is where I fell in love with my country. The WWII era became my area of interest and I can honestly say that I have bought or checked out at libraries in Wartburg, Cookeville, and Bradenton, Florida more books on WWII than any reader in my time. But don't think that this is the only era in history that I have studied and taught. I took many courses in history at LMU and Tennessee Tech. Colonial history was another era that I loved to study and teach. Tennessee History has always fascinated me and my professor at Tennessee Tech really did an excellent job in bringing it to life. Andrew Jackson was his hero. I taught Tennessee History at Wartburg Elementary (8th grade) and I can honestly say that in teaching a subject sometimes you learn more than your students.

I had a professor at Tennessee Tech by the name of J.B. Clark. I would venture to say that Dr. Clark was the best-known Social Studies professor at Tech, but not because he was a good teacher. They called him jumping J.B. because of his eccentric method of teaching. To show students how a light house worked he would put a little flashlight in his mouth and jump up on his desk, and turn around and around and like an idiot demonstrates to grown men and

women what they already knew.

I had Colonial History under J.B. and it could have been an interesting study under a good teacher. We had a good textbook that I learned some history of our country's early years, but from J.B. Clark I learned little. He taught or was suppose to teach Colonial History, but he gave us tests on the Civil War or some other era. He graded on the curve and usually the highest score was in the 20's. If you happened to make a 19 or lower, he would give you a B+. I asked him one time what was the difference in a B+ and an A- and he said not much, using his hand to demonstrate.

I really hate what the lib-

college students have learned history that is foreign to us. This explained why so many people hate the United States. I couldn't figure this out until I started looking at new history books. The Clinton's were really out front in rewriting history. I even have a book entitled, "Hillary Clinton Rewriting History".

Why do you think that marchers and rioters wanted to destroy all of our monuments and statues last summer? They want to destroy our culture where we still love our country and want our monuments protected. They were not only out to destroy all of the Confederate statues like Stonewall Jackson and Robert E. Lee, they

I can see now why a lot of young people say they don't love America. In a way its not their fault. Liberal college professors certainly do not love our country and they have done a lot to destroy our culture. This hurts me and all patriots in our great country.

I do not know what our future holds. I believe in the present we are being punished by God for our sins. We all need to get down on our knees and repent for ourselves and our nation. In our abortion clinics we have killed over 62 million babies. In Jeremiah 1:5 we find that God said that life begins at conception. That settles it for me. At all those arguments of when life begins should go to God's word. He told Jeremiah that he knew him when you were in the womb, I formed you for a purpose.

The same is true for all of us, and we all came in this world for a purpose.

I believe our problem in America is spiritual. Like Israel we have strayed and left God out of our lives.

History tells us where we made the mistakes that brought on the great depression in the 30's. People were really living it up in what become known as the "roaring 20's". They were over speculating on land in Florida, for example, and paying inflated prices on lots with money they didn't have.

Banks were doing business like never before, and people paid little attention to debt, but when the mortgage came due, they couldn't pay the fiddler. Banks went under. We found ourselves in the Great Depression when the bubble burst. This brought America to her knees and a revival came about. Will we need another depression to bring us to our knees?



erals have done to our curriculum, especially in rewriting history, what you and I studied in school (Elem., H.S., College) is no longer taught. In some textbooks George Washington, the Father of our country is barely mentioned. Abe Lincoln is no longer considered the president who saved our union. Our heroes like Ike and General Douglas McArthur have been written out of our history.

For over thirty-five-years

also wanted Washington and Lincoln destroyed. This group of people will not stop at anything and they have a lot of support in liberal leaders. When our culture is gone, they can rewrite the Constitution and govern the way they want to. It is sad to think that a document that was written 240 years ago and has given us freedom and democracy better than any other constitution written by any other country has done.

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Quantum Dynamics of Salvation



John Burns
Opinion Columnist

Ephesians 3: 18 May be able to comprehend with all the Saints, what is the Breadth, and length, and depth and height; And to know the Love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye may be filled with all the fullness of God.

1. Albert Einstein would give us the same quantum dynamic that Nachmonides, and Paul the apostle explained as How to experience Jesus Christ's love. Jesus Christ warped the time-space continuum to die for us!

2. Breadth: Greek translation: Platos: Drawn from the dimension we call time or a great extent. Out-side of the three dimensions we experience as space.

3. Length: Greek translation: Mekos: The long axis or length of the base of a three-dimensional cube.

4. Depth: Greek translation Bathos: The depth or width of a three-dimensional cube. Of the deep things of God, to know his mysteries.

5. Height: Greek translation Hypos: The height of a three-dimensional cube.

6. By placing so much emphasis on the three-dimensional spaces called church's, we have forgotten that to truly experience God it requires our commitment to spend time alone with him in prayer with thanksgiving every day.

7. God cannot be trapped in our three-dimensional churches for but two hours a week, and us expect resurrection power in individual flock members. His name translates as Eternal: Denoting he is the God outside of how we experience time.

8. How you decide how you spend time, is much more important than where you spend it! That is the admonishment that Jesus Christ gives the Church of Ephesus in Revelation 2.

9. The apostles had gotten so into building new churches they had begun to spend less time in prayer and in His written revealed word. America's identity crisis right now!

10. How we spend our time is how God will issue rewards, not our inheritance. Our inheritance is secure with Yeshua Ha Messiach! He justified you, now he wishes to sanctify and glorify you.

11. Never be afraid to share the reason for the joy that is within you. This is your spiritual act of worship. Jesus Christ must dominate your time and experiences. He is the reason for our season.

12. God has moved from the church age to focusing his time building a kingdom. The church must confront itself in the mirror of the written word Jesus Christ gave to the churches. We are fully engrossed in the Laodicean Church Age: characterized by our pushing God out of our time experience and limiting our time spent with him in a three-dimensional space called church! No one has time for God and it shows in our churches.

13. Yeshua ha Messiah, Jesus Christ to English speakers, must be put into his rightful place and us redeem the time alone with him! He is returning to receive a bride not a church!

Even so come Lord Jesus Christ John Burns RLTW June 3,2019 He was crucified upon a cross of wood, yet he created the hill upon which it stood.

Staff Sergeant John Burns enlisted into the United States Army on September 23, 1987 as an 11C Infantry Mortarman. He graduated from the 7th Infantry Division, Ranger Class 11/89 and served in the invasion of Panama, Desert Storm and the Battle of Mogadishu while assigned to the 75th Rangers.

Some of his many decorations, awards and badges include; Bronze Star Medal for Valor, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Sniper Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Combat Infantry Badge and Expert Infantry Badge. Throughout his prestigious military career, he traveled to forty-five countries on five continents and all but two states while serving in the military.

He currently serves as the Chaplain for the Special Operations Warrior Foundation. His devout faith demonstrates to all he comes into contact with that he believes nothing but the blood of Jesus Christ can cleanse us from all unrighteousness. He enjoys writing and teaching God's Word while sharing his faith with a dying world.

Historically Speaking Oak Ridge military reports on 1944 troop train wreck, Part 2

By Ray Smith - Oak Ridge City Historian

Last week, we looked at the Army Service Report of the July 6, 1944, L&N troop train wreck at Highcliff, Tenn., which killed 35 and injured 98. This week, we will reprint the War Department report on the accident. This report, like last week's, was provided to me by Bill Sergeant, who was captain in the Army Service Forces stationed at the Manhattan District in Oak Ridge and was personally involved in rescue activity.

Content of the report:

FROM: War Department, United States Engineer Office, Manhattan District, Clinton Engineer Works, Oak Ridge, Tenn.

SUBJECT: Report of Intelligence & Security Division Activities in Connection with Troop Train Derailment at Jellico, Tenn.

TO: Officer-in-Charge

1. Following is a summary report of the activities of the Intelligence and Security Division, Manhattan Engineer District, Oak Ridge, Tenn., in connection with troop train derailment which occurred near Jellico, Tenn., about 9 p.m. 6 July 1944. Report includes actions of 264th MP Co., and the Oak Ridge Fire Department.

2. At 11:40 p.m., 6 July 1944, Intelligence Duty Officer, Capt. C. L. Clark, was notified by District Officer of the Day, Lt. Berger, that a report had been received of a troop train derailment near Jellico, Tenn. Report was that a troop train on the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, carrying about 500 troops, had been derailed about 9 p.m., a few miles from Jellico, Tenn., about 45 miles from Knoxville, Tenn., and that about 200 had been injured. Fire Chief H. H. Maples, of the Oak Ridge Fire Department, had received notice of the wreck a few minutes earlier, by a telephone call from the Knoxville Fire Department, and the Guard Officer, Major L. R. Block, received notice about the same time through a radio news-cast.

3. Upon receipt of notice the following actions were taken:

a. All officers concerned were notified.

b. All Fire Department engine companies were alerted.

c. Three engine companies, with two engines, and one brush truck, and necessary emergency equipment, were dispatched to the scene of the derailment under control of Asst. Fire Chief Rudd, leaving Oak Ridge at 11:55 p.m.

d. One platoon of the 264 Military Police Company, under command of Major L. R. Block departed at 12:55 a.m., 7 July 1944 for the derailment, with a convoy of two radio police cars, two two-and-one-half ton trucks, one scout car and one Jeep.

4. After dispatch of Fire Department contingent and Military Police group the following actions were taken by the Intelligence & Security Division, under Major McLeod, Deputy Director:

a. The following persons were notified of the accident and the provisions for emergency aid being taken by Oak Ridge: Colonel Robert E. Myhrman, Chief District #1, Shelbyville, Tenn.; Special Agent in Charge John Ruggles, FBI, Knoxville, Tenn.; Col. Marsden, Executive Officer, Manhattan En-

gineer District; and Capt. Stone, 4th Service Command, Security and Intelligence Division Officer of the Day.

5. The Oak Ridge Fire Department, under the direction of Capt. James W. Haley and Chief Maples, after the departure of the engine companies, made the following preparations for the handling of the injured.

a. Notified Maj. Ryan of the Oak Ridge Hospital, that two new fire halls would be available for use as emergency hospital wards if needed.

b. Assisted the hospital in procuring



Work at the wreck continues into the morning of July 7, 1944, as 16-year-old Jim Tidwell, the first on the scene the night before, sits on a rock across the river, upper right background. He had spent all night helping with the rescue efforts. (Photo Submitted)

additional beds from the warehouse and setting these up.

c. Notified R. T. Barnett, Roane Anderson Safety Director, and requested that he make a survey of additional emergency lighting equipment available.

d. Notified Mr. M. E. Ridge of the District Office Safety section.

e. Alerted Tennessee Eastman, Clinton Laboratory and Carbide and Carbon Fire Departments to stand by for emergency duty.

6. Upon arrival at the scene of the derailment it was found that the accident had occurred on the L & N Railroad in Clear Fork Gorge, about five miles south of Jellico, Tenn. At that point the railroad is on the east side of the Clear Fork River, and about 60 feet above the stream bed, with U. S. Highway 25W on the opposite side of the stream and about the same height above the stream bed. The walls of the gorge are wooded, and very rocky and precipitous. The troop train consisted of 14 cars, contained 1,006 troops and was proceeding south at the time of the accident. The engine, tender and five of the cars had been derailed and were piled on the stream bed. Two of the coaches had burned.

7. The Fire Department upon arrival, set up emergency lights, furnished hand torches, and assisted in the rescue work and first aid. The emergency equipment was used in transporting the wounded and dead across the river and up the side of the bluff to the highway. Water was urgently needed and this was provided from the booster tank on the brush truck. Shortly after the arrival, fire started in one of the coaches and this was extinguished. Several of the firemen drove an ambulance, hauling wounded from Lake City, to Oak Ridge Hospital.

8. Troops of the Clinton Engineer Works arrived at the scene at 3:15 a.m., and relieved the State Highway Patrol in traffic direction, at their request. The troops were also used to guard the personal and government property recovered from the wreckage and to prevent numerous spectators from interfering with the progress of removing dead and injured from the coaches. These activities continued until Army withdrawal at 8 p.m., 10 July 1944, after all personal

and government property and all bodies had been recovered.

9. Relations with the press were handled by Maj. Block, until the arrival of the Public Relations Officer of Manhattan Engineer District.

10. Military Police and medical detachments from Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., arrived about 4 a.m., 7 July 1944, with the Commanding Officer of that post. The CO directed the Guard Officer, Manhattan Engineer District to retain control of the area with the 264th Military Police Company and directed the Fort Oglethorpe Military Police detachment to return to their post.

11. A train was made up by the L&N Railroad to transport the wounded from the scene to Lake City, Tenn. Ambulances were provided at that point by Oak Ridge, to transport the wounded to the Oak Ridge Hospital. Fire Department Chief Maples lined up fire department personnel to act as alternate ambulance drivers if needed. Arrangements were made by the Intelligence & Security Division to expedite movement of ambulances by use of additional guard personnel at key traffic points.

12. Last live victims were removed from the wreck at 11 a.m., 7 July 1944, and removal of all bodies was completed by 5:30 p.m. 9, July 1944. Troops were withdrawn at 8 p.m., 10 July 1944.

End of Report

As we continue the saga of the 1944 troop train wreck next week, we will look in more detail at what happened to the 16-year-old boy, Jim Tidwell, who was first at the scene — you will be amazed at what he did later in life regarding the train wreck. We will also hear from his son, Mark Tidwell.

We will look at some details of the book "She Jumped The Track" by John P. Ascher, and note the conclusion the author arrived at regarding the ultimate cause of the train wreck. More than the speed of the train may have been involved.

In addition, I interviewed 90-year-old Bertha Trammell, who still lives beside the railroad track as it enters the "Jellico Narrows" of the Clearfork River. We will hear about her memory of that night, and the impression she had when the locomotive came by her house.

We will also hear a first-hand account of Leon Hatcher, still living in Oak Ridge, who drove the first bus bringing both dead and alive soldiers to Oak Ridge Hospital. The memory of hauling injured and dead soldiers over long and crooked roads continues to have an impact on him.

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.

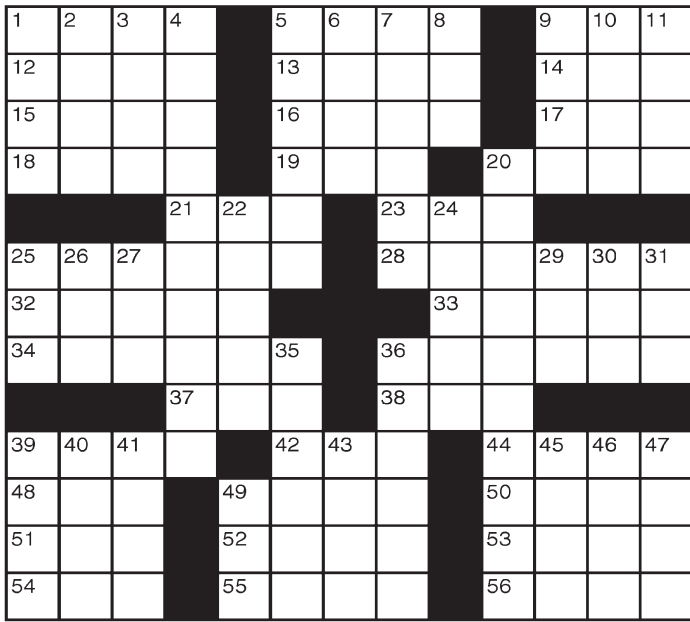
Oak Ridge began in war, has continued to support our nation's efforts through the Cold War, and even now in the age of terrorism. Oak Ridge has also produced nuclear medicine, nuclear power and fuel for the US Navy nuclear submarines and ships.

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.

King Crossword

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 - 5 Insult
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 - 11 Honey bunch?
 - 20 Louis Armstrong song
 - 22 Haunting
 - 24 Hotel area
 - 25 "Humbug!"
 - 26 "Suits" network
 - 27 Disco guy on "The Simpsons"
 - 29 Young fellow
 - 30 Guitar's kin
 - 31 Ballot marks
 - 35 Aslan's land
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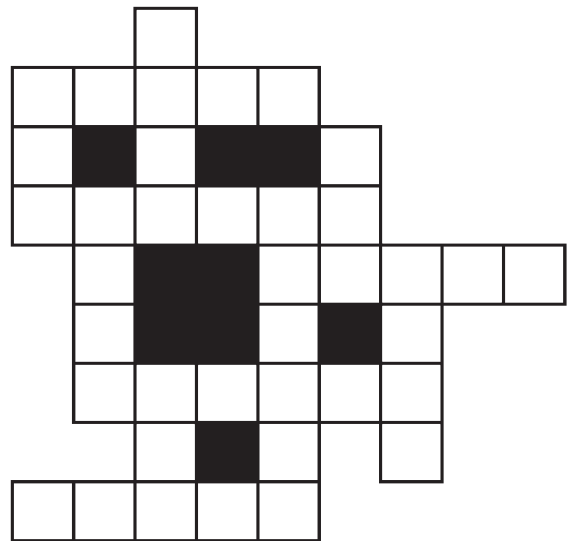
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By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!

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- ♥ WISLE
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- RAGWEN
- CWO
- AGHN
- GEDGE
- ♥ ELE
- HEWCEN
- ♥ RECNA
- ♥ RAWD



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

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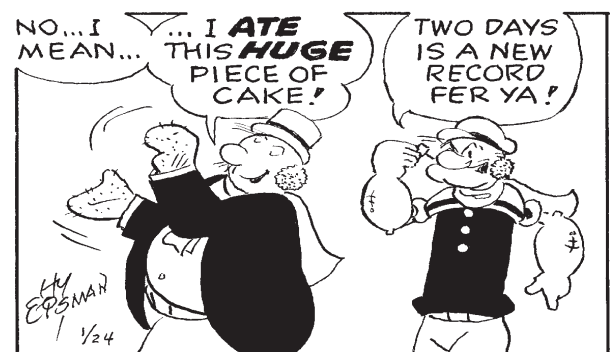
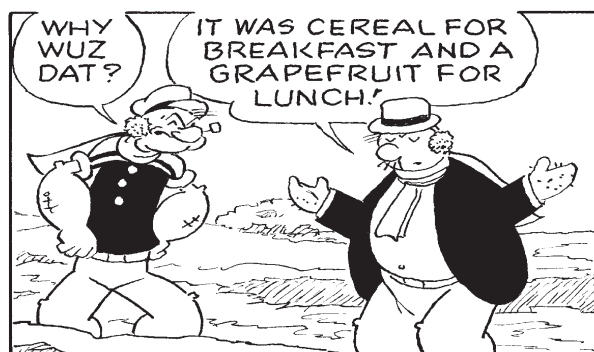
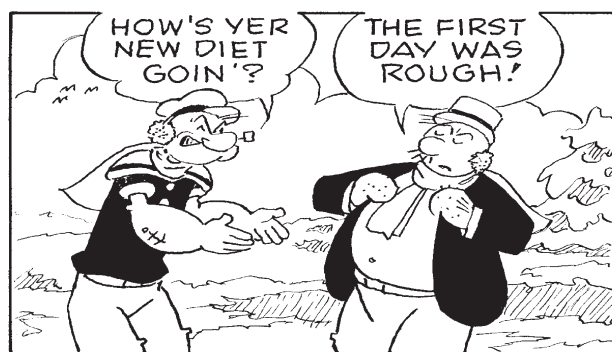
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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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A Circle of Kindness

By: MSG. Fred Mize



MSG Fred Mize
This morning as I enjoyed my morning coffee I logged into Facebook and was blessed by having a wonderful message awaiting me. I'll leave her name out of this article but a young woman now in her early twenties sent me a message thanking me for replying back to her when she wrote me when she was a seven-year-old girl while

I served in Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2004-2005. She said she was inspired to find me on Facebook when she recently came across my letters in her family Bible. What an amazing circle of kindness. She wrote and sent me a letter when she was just seven in order to give me encouragement during a very difficult time in my life. I replied to her letter and she and her family thought well enough of my letters to place them in their family Bible. Now

many years later she comes across the letters and reached out to me to thank me once again for my service and was thankful to see that I'm doing well.

I look forward to once again going through all the letters that I received and saved throughout my tour of duty in Iraq. I'm sure I'll find the original letter she

sent me. What a blessing it will bring to see and hold it once again. God works in mysterious ways and His love is shown through the love and kindness of His people. I encourage all who read this to never overlook an opportunity to do something kind for someone else even if you don't know them. If someone does an act of kindness to

you don't hesitate to return their kindness. You never know when the act of kindness will come full circle. It may be instantly or several years later but either way I promise that it will be special.



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Around The World and Back Again

with Zack Ballinger

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their job, what skills you need, education, certifications, training, explain a typical day in their job, what they don't like about their job, etc. After one of the video interviews, you will have a pretty firm idea if your skills, talents, and abilities align to that particular profession. This is a great first step in identifying a career pathway or changing occupations.

What kind of guests will be on The Zack Ballinger Show? What is the criteria? We will have white collar and blue collar workers from every profession imaginable. Everyone from a CEO

how to pursue that particular career. The one stipulation and requirement is simple; The career guest must be passionate about their current career. You can tell already by the interviews posted these guests are passionate and dedicated to their career.

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 posted on Facebook: www.facebook.com/thezackballinger. What if you want to listen to a podcast? 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 from Morgan County. Since I am from the Morgan County area, I will be featuring a lot of guests from the area. I just finished interviewing

Gary Vanderpool who is executive associate vice chancellor of health sciences administration and finance. The Zack Ballinger show will also feature, Jason Brown, owner of War Pigs BBQ. Stay tuned!

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.

The Zack Ballinger Show vision is to help people find their career direction through passion and purpose. The Department of Labor and Bureau and Statistics states there are 821 career pathways in North America. I would make an argument there are a lot more career pathways than just 821. My vision of the show is to make a career library to have every single career represented for anyone to watch for free. I will embark on this mission until the library is completed. If someone is interested in a career, they will be able to click our interview and see what the career is all about before exploration. It's the perfect one stop shop in the career development.

According to a Gallop Poll of 153,000 American workers, 70% admitted they hate their job. I can't imagine being stuck in a career where you spend 1/3 of your life working in a miserable environment with no hope of escaping. I am here to change the paradigm when it comes to workplace satisfaction. The Zack Ballinger Show guests will tell you what they love about

to a contractor. From a concrete mixer to a mutual fund manager. The show is really designed to help you identify something your passionate about and



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Happy Groundhog Day! On February 2, 1887, Groundhog Day, featuring a rodent meteorologist, was celebrated for the first time at Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania. That is a long time for a tradition that really isn't very accurate but it is fun to see if the groundhog gets it right.

Important! Valentine's Day is less than 2 weeks away. It is Sunday, February 14.

School Progress Reports will be given out this Thursday, February 4 and Parent Teacher Conferences will be next Thursday, February 11. There will be no school on Monday, February 15 in observance of President's Day. This is a federal holiday and many offices will be closed.

Morgan County Food and Nutrition will continue to give out multiple meals and milk for children 18 and under each Friday from 1:15 - 1:45. Just drive up in front of Oakdale School to receive the meals.

Belated birthday greetings to Jan Roddy who celebrated her birthday yesterday, February 1 and to her sister, Phyllis Langley who is celebrating her birthday today, February 2nd. Happy birthday girls!

Special birthday and anniversary wishes to some of our family. Uncle Tom and Aunt Billie Bingham celebrated their wedding anniversary on February 1. Uncle Larry Goldston celebrated his birthday on February 1 and our cousin Lavanna Miles will celebrate her birthday on February 10.

Happy Birthday to a couple of Oakdale boys. Dr. Todd Scarbrough and Jay Bingham will celebrate their birthdays on February 9th.

Happy Anniversary to

Fred and Donna Snow who will celebrate their anniversary on February 9.

Kennedy Bell, granddaughter of Vera Scarbrough, made the track team at Cedar Bluff Middle School. Congratulations Kennedy!

Last Friday, Vera Scarbrough took Woody Tompkins for his Covid vaccine. They enjoyed a hamburger lunch and visits to the Wartburg hardware stores previewing spring garden seeds and plants.

During the weekend of January 23-24, Meredith Bell hosted three of her college girlfriends from Johnson City for an overnight visit. The ladies have been friends since 1992.

Piney Baptist Church's WMU was happy to see their group picture in The March issue of Missions Mosaic, a monthly publication of The Southern Baptist Convention. The picture was made at Vera Scarbrough's home in Oakdale on February 22, 2020 where 16 ladies enjoyed a brunch and celebrated with themes of "There's Snow Business like God's Business and Missions in Our Backyard." The highlight of the brunch was the attendance of 93 year old Jacqueline Langley, the only surviving member/founder of Piney Baptist Church's WMU from 1953, who still inspires the church and daily models what being mission minded really means.

The first full moon of 2021 was last week. It was called the Wolf Moon. The full moon of each month has a name. I found this list online.

January 28, 2021: Wolf Moon

February 27, 2021: Snow Moon

March 28, 2021: Worm Moon

April 26, 2021: Pink Moon

May 26, 2021: Flower Moon

June 24, 2021: Strawberry Moon

July 23, 2021: Buck Moon

August 22, 2021: Sturgeon Moon

September 20, 2021: Corn Moon

October 20, 2021: Harvest Moon

November 19, 2021: Beaver Moon

December 18, 2021: Cold Moon

Sister's Market, located at 815 South Gateway in Rockwood has some special Valentine Events coming up. On February 6, the Drink Smooth Truck will be there. They have many yummy things including smoothies. Sophie's Choice will be there with her famous Chocolate Covered Strawberries. Petals and Posies will be building bouquets for customers. There will be many more goodies including a Gourmet Cotton Candy Cart. On February 13, Sophie's Choice will once again have chocolate covered strawberries and Petals and Posies will have premade bouquets ready to go. Sister's Market will be building baskets. They will be accepting preorders to meet your gift giving needs. You can follow Sister's Market on Facebook and be in the know about future events. Remember to shop local this Valentine's Day!

The "Find Randy" event is going on through Friday of this week. A poster of Randy Raccoon holding a red heart, will be hidden around Oakdale...also in Sunbright, Wartburg, Petros and Coalfield. Clues about his location will be posted on the Together Morgan County FB page. Everyone who finds Randy and posts a picture of themselves on Together Morgan County's Facebook page, along with the community where they found him, will be entered for

a daily drawing. The prize will be a box of Valentine Candy. Have Fun!

Wartburg Public Library is hosting virtual BINGO on Thursday, February 11. This is a free children's event that will last approximately 30 minutes beginning at 5:30 p.m. Stop by the Wartburg Library to pick up a special BINGO card, leave your email address and you will receive a link for the game via email. Prizes won can be picked up at the library later on. You do not have to live in Wartburg to participate.

Sympathy is extended to the friends and family of Jimmy Trout who passed away January, 28. The family will receive friends Saturday, February 6, 2021 at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg from 12:00-2:00 p.m. with a Masonic Service at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow in Piney Church Cemetery in Oakdale.

Sherry Grayson of the Piney Community passed away Saturday, January 23. She is survived by her mother, Lois Grayson, her son, Phil (Deborah) Matheson, daughter Phyllis (Keith) Proffitt and daughter in-law, Lynette Kilby. She is also survived by her brothers, Danny Grayson, David (Laurie) Grayson and Terry (Tammy) Grayson. She is survived by her grandchildren, Shanna, Dakota, Shera, Faith and Sherry Lynn and great grandchildren, Lamar and Lance. She also leaves behind a host of family and friends including a special lifelong friend G.G. Melhorn and a special cousin, Cloey Cagle.

There is a lot of sadness, grieving, worry and uncertainty all around us right now. Let's all pray for those who have lost loved ones and for the many sick all around us and pray for our nation.

"TREAT EVERYONE WITH POLITENESS AND KINDNESS, NOT BECAUSE THEY'RE NICE, BUT BECAUSE YOU ARE." - ROY T. BENNETT

Acts Chapter 18

(Acts 18:1-4) Paul at Corinth: Paul departed from Athens and traveled some fifty miles to the southwest, arriving in the city of Corinth. Corinth was situated on an isthmus (a narrow strip of land joining two larger bodies) between the Adriatic Sea on the west and Aegean Sea on the east. It was, therefore, an important commercial center. It is estimated that its population in New Testament times consisted of some three hundred thousand citizens, together with another four hundred sixty thousand slaves. The city, the capital of the province of Achaia, was renowned for its wickedness. The expression, "to corinthianize," was equivalent to being immoral.

Paul's first order of business upon entering the city probably was to establish a source of income with which to sustain himself. The apostle was a tent-maker by trade (v. 3), having been taught that skill as a youth. In that pursuit he likely encountered Aquila, a native of Pontus, and Priscilla, his wife, who were of the same occupation. This Christian couple recently had arrived in Corinth from Rome, having left the imperial city under the edict of Claudius Caesar (AD 41-54), who had "commanded all the Jews to depart from Rome" (some twenty thousand of them). He likely confused Judaism with Christianity. Every Sabbath, Paul visited the synagogue, reasoning with the Jews and Greek "God-fearers," persuading them to Christianity.

(Acts 18:5-11) opposition and success: at some point, Silas and Timothy arrived from Macedonia. This is the final mention of Silas in the book of Acts. Paul was "constrained" by the word. The verb rendered "constrained" is a Greek form which suggests he "held himself to the word." This indicates he restricted himself to preaching (as opposed to engaging in the tent-making business). He threw himself into the task of teaching the Jews about Jesus being the Messiah.

The Jews set themselves in opposition to Paul; moreover, they started blaspheming (an unending stream) the truth. To blaspheme is to speak contemptuously of sacred things. The apostle symbolically shook out his garment and told them they must assume responsibility for their own rebellion. He would henceforth focus his attention upon the Gentiles. Paul went to the house of Titus Justus, one who worshipped God and who lived next door to the synagogue. Incredible, Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue, was converted along with his household. Moreover, many of the Corinthians were attentive, believed, and were immersed into Christ (v.8).

This starting growth seems to have troubled Paul a bit; he may have suspected that this would bring down the wrath of the Jews on these tender babes in Christ. In a vision by night, the Lord said to his apostles, "Stop being afraid" (the force of the original language). "Speak; don't hold your peace. I am with you, and no man will harm you." There is no evidence that any harm came to Paul in Corinth! The Lord said, "I have much (potential) people in this city" (v. 9-10). Paul remained there for a year and a half, teaching the word of God.

(Acts 18:12-17) the wrath of the Jews: the administration of Gallio in the early 50s A.D. provides a fairly accurate date for Paul's arrival in Corinth (AD 50). He was a proconsul of Achaia, the southern region of Greece. With frenzied hatred, the Jews rose up against Paul and brought him before Gallio's "judgment seat" (v. 12). Their charge was a religious one; Paul was persuading people to worship God contrary to the law--probably Roman law. Since Jewish law would have no meaning to a Roman official.

Paul was about to speak in response to this charge. Before he had that oppor-

tunity, however, Gallio himself spoke. He argued that if the apostle had been guilty of some crime against the state, reason would dictate that he give the Jew's request some consideration. But hair-splitting questions regarding words or names (was Jesus to be identified as Messiah?) and matters of Hebrew law were not his concern. He stated he had no interest in such issues. He threw them out of court! (v. 14-16). An angry mob (likely Jews, though some say Gentiles) was frustrated and took their wrath out on Sosthenes, the ruler of the synagogue (apparently the successor to Crispus), perhaps holding him responsible for letting Paul get by with his teaching. But Gallio was unconcerned about the matter. Sosthenes may have become a Christian (1 Cor. 1:1).

(Acts 18:18-21) Departure for Syria: Paul stayed in Corinth for a while, but eventually sailed for Syria, along with Aquilla and Priscilla. They stopped briefly in Cenchreae, where Paul terminated some kind of vow, the nature of which is not specified. Sailing some two hundred fifty miles due east across the Aegean Sea, they came to Ephesus, the capital city of provincial Asiatic with its population of two hundred thousand. Paul went to the synagogue and reasoned with the Jews. They wanted him to stay longer, but he felt he had to leave--though promising to return, God willing. The apostle set sail for Palestine, a distance of five hundred miles.

(Acts 18:22-23) Jerusalem visit; start of the third journey: the apostle landed at Caesarea and then "went up" and saluted the church in Jerusalem. Note the "up" and "down" references indicating Jerusalem. After a brief visit with the Christians there, he returned to Antioch.

(Acts 18:24-28) Apollos: Luke now turns his attention back to Ephesus, where Aquilla and Priscilla had remained. A certain Jew by the name of Apollos arrived in Ephesus. Luke gives us an array of interesting details concerning this gentleman. He was from Alexandria on the northern coast of Egypt. Apollos is described as an "eloquent" man. The term can denote one "skilled in speech" or one who is "educated." It is likely that both ideas applied to the brilliant Apollos. Too, he was "mighty in the scriptures," the Old Testament writings. He both knew the text and how to effectively employ it in argument. Apollos had been "instructed" in "the way of the Lord." Note the definite article, "the way." There is only one. Following Christ is not a multiple-choice proposition. In addition to his knowledge, Apollos also had zeal.

Within the scope of his knowledge, he had taught concerning Jesus; but his understanding had been limited to that body of truth which accompanied the immersion administered by John the baptizer. John's teaching required a faith in him who "should come after" John (19:4). Since John's immersion was predicated upon a Christ who was to come, and as Apollos was still preaching that message, it must be inferred that the eloquent brother had not been exposed to the full good news that Jesus had arrived already and had accomplished his mission. As much as he did know, however, he courageously proclaimed in the Jewish synagogue. When Aquilla and Priscilla discovered Apollos' limited knowledge and teaching, "they (both of them) took him aside and set forth the way of God more accurately". He was not rebuffed but gladly received the instruction.

Apollos had the urge to head west across the Aegean Sea to Achaia. The Christians in Ephesus were impressed with his abilities, they unselfishly urged him to go forth in this mission endeavor. To show their confidence in him, they wrote a letter of commendation. Since Aquilla and Priscilla had lived in Corinth, their names on the letter would lend weight to the recommendation. When he arrived in Corinth, Apollos was a great help to those who "had believed" (18:8; 20:24).

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Davis Funeral Home's Veteran of the Week

Morgan County Today is pleased to honor Sergeant First Class (SFC) Larry Lichtefeld as the veteran of the week.

One may say that it was SFC Lichtefeld's destiny to serve in the military because he followed in his uncle Larry's footsteps whom he is named after. His uncle Specialist Larry J. Peak, served in the United States Army and gave his life while serving our country in Vietnam which led to SFC Lichtefeld having a strong sense of service instilled within him. SFC Lichtefeld's military career began on December 27, 2006 when he enlisted into the Tennessee Army National Guard. He completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Georgia where he became a qualified Information Technology Specialist.

Throughout his military career he has become qualified in multiple occupational specialties in the United States Army Signal Corps career field to include; Information Technology Specialist, Signal Support Systems Specialist, Electronic Warfare Specialist and Cyber Operations Specialist.

He now serves our state and country as a Recruiting and Retention NCO for the Tennessee Army National Guard. When asked what the highlight of his military career has been, he stated, "being able to serve as a RRNCO and help people change their lives for the good by enlisting themselves."

Not only has SFC Lichtefeld strived for success in the military but

he did the same in the civilian world by earning both an Associate's and Bachelor's Degree in Police Administration at Eastern Kentucky University, along with a Master of Business Administration in Finance at Tennessee Technology University in 2003.

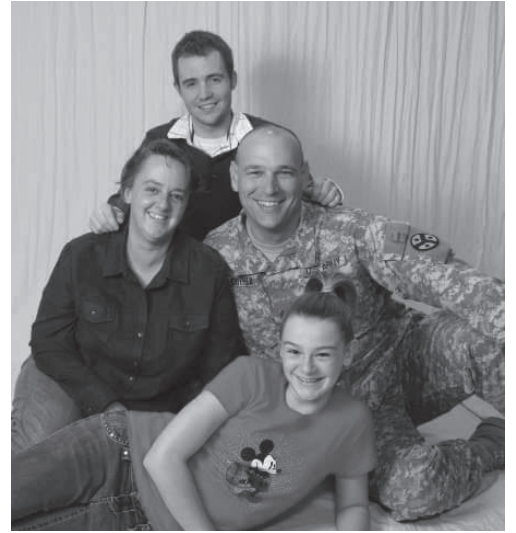
If asked I'm sure that SFC Lichtefeld would say that the key to his success in life has been the love and support of his wife Stephanie. Larry has had Stephanie by his side in loving marriage since

May 11, 1996 and they have been blessed with two wonderful children Cory and Robin.

Cory and Robin are also veterans themselves. Cory served in the United States Army and earned the rank of Specialist.

Robin served in the United States Air Force and earned the rank of Senior Airmen.

SFC Larry Lichtefeld, Morgan County Today, can't thank you and your family enough for your love, support, dedication, and sacrifices you've made for our community, state, and country. Thank you all and God bless!



Law Enforcement Officer of the Week

Presented by Jerry Duncan Ford

This week we will honor and pay tribute to a fallen police officer as the law enforcement officer of the week.

Alan D. McCollum - End of Watch - January 31, 2020.

Please take a moment and remember Officer Alan D. McCollum. Please keep Alan's family in your thoughts and prayers, as today marks the one-year anniversary of his End-of-Watch. Alan was the thirteenth Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) Officer killed in the Line-of-Duty while serving and protecting the City of

Corpus Christi. May God find peace for Alan, his family and the entire CCPD family during this difficult time.

On January 31, 2020 Officer Alan D. McCollum was assisting on a traffic stop on HWY 358, when he was struck by a vehicle driven by an intoxicated driver and was thrown over the barrier. Alan was transported to a local hospital, where he later suc-



cumbed to his injuries.

Alan served with the Corpus Christi Police Department for seven-years and was a valued member of our Honor Guard, SWAT Team and earned a life-saving award.

Alan was a twenty-one-year highly decorated Veteran of the United States Army. Alan was awarded numerous decorations, medals, badges, citations, campaign ribbons; to include being a recipient of the

Bronze Star.

Alan was 46-years-old and is survived by his wife and three daughters.

Let this be a reminder that all the men and women in blue place their lives on the line daily to ensure the safety of others. Their commitment and sacrifices should always be appreciated and honored.

You can find this tribute and others like it on the Ruck for the Fallen Facebook page.

How to track your second stimulus payment



David Zubler

If you haven't received your second stimulus check, you may be able to track it using an IRS payment trace. First, use the IRS Get my Payment portal to see if it shows your payment has already been mailed or direct deposited.

Next you will need to check the date at the IRS Get my

Payment portal to determine whether you should make a request. If the IRS direct deposited your payment and it shows the deposit date was at least five days ago you can request a trace.

If the IRS mailed your stimulus, you can request a trace if it's been more than 4 weeks. A payment trace isn't allowed until February 24 if the check was mailed to a standard address.

If it was forwarded to a new address you will need to wait 6 weeks before requesting a trace. A payment trace isn't allowed until March 10 if the check was mail was forwarded.

For people with a foreign address you will need to wait 9 weeks from the date it was mailed. A payment trace isn't allowed until March 31 if it was mailed to a foreign address.

IRS Form 3911 Taxpayer Statement Regarding Refund is used to make the trace request. You can call, fax or mail the IRS to make your request for a trace. However, you should use only one method.

You can call the IRS at (800) 919-9835 to request a trace. However, you will have to listen to a recorded message before speaking with an IRS employee and you should expect a long waiting time.

You can also mail or fax a completed Form 3911. The IRS provides the following instructions for Form 3911:

Write "EIP" on the top of the form (EIP stands for Economic Impact Payment)

Complete Form 3911 answering all refund questions as they relate to your payment.

When completing item 7 under Section 1:

Check the box for "Individual" as the type or return.

Enter "2020" as the Tax Period.

Do not write anything for the Date Filed.

Sign the form. If you file married filing

jointly, both spouses must sign the form.

If you live in Tennessee, the form should be mailed to:

IRS
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