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WECO Radio: Vol (Network) For Life



From L to R: Goose Lindsay, Ed Knight, John Davis, Bob Kesling, Brad Byrd, Dennis Willard. (Photo Submitted)

C tarting with Bill Battle and Bobby Scott in 1970 and Continuing through this Saturday when Jeremy Pruitt and Jared Guarantano lead the Volunteers onto the field at South Carolina, the Tennessee Vols have a had a fantastic last 50 years and WECO Radio in Wartburg has been there every step of the way.

For WECO General Manager Ed Knight Knight broadcast Tennessee games on the Vol Network is like a dream come true.

"Football time is a favorite time for me," he said. "I grew up listening to John Ward and the Tennessee Vols, and now all these years later we're a part of the Vol Network. I still get a great kick out of listening to our radio station and listening to the Vols. It's fun to be part of something with your station that you really enjoy and I'm a big fan of the Tennessee Vols."

The 2020 season is actually the 51st season for Vol football on WECO and Knight says it might be the strangest due to COVID-19.

"We're starting Tennessee football a month late and that seems odd," Knight said. "When was the last Labor Day weekend that we didn't have Tennessee football? Football tickets are reduced to 20 percent capacity and that seems weird. Not playing a full 12-game schedule and playing a 10-game SEC-only schedule seems weird, but hey it's football and we're ready to get started."

During the past 50 years, Tennessee has won 397 games on the gridiron, included in that tally is 23 bowl victories. Two bowl games stick out to Knight along with any

win over a pair of SEC rivals.

"The high point was the National Championship in '98 and then the Sugar Bowl in '86 was really good," he said. "And it's absolutely great anytime you beat Florida because I'm a fan of the Tennessee Vols and whoever is playing Florida and Alabama."

Knight added some of his best memories have been off the field.

"Getting to meet John Ward and having a good relationship with Bob Kesling is great," he said. "Being a childhood fan of the Vols then having your business being part of the Vol Network is just great."

While it's stations like WECO that have made the Vol Network successful over the years, Knight knows several area businesses and advertisers have made it possible for WECO to be a part of the Vol Network.

"We've had such great support over the years and that makes it possible," he said. "I also want to give a shout-out to John Davis and our title sponsor, Smart Bank, here in Wartburg.

And although no one knows the future, Knight believes the Vols will be on WECO for years to come.

"We've just signed a five-year contract with the Vol Network to extend Vol coverage through 2025," he said. "Never say never, but I hope we never see a time where we don't have the Vols on WECO."

Tennessee's game with South Carolina can be heard on 101.3 FM WECO Saturday with pregame coverage beginning at 6 pm.

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on Social Media.



Students Who Serve as Morgan County Poll Officials Can Enter a New Essay Contest from the Tennessee Secretary of State

Morgan County, Tenn. - Students age 16 and older who serve as poll officials in Morgan County for the Nov. 3 election can earn a college scholarship by entering a new essay contest from the Tennessee Secretary of State.

"This is an incredible opportunity for Morgan County students to possibly win a scholarship while making a difference in our community and being a part of this historic election," said Tim Sweat, Administrator of Elections.

The contest is open to any Tennessee student enrolled in a public, charter or private school or home school association. First, second and third place winners from each of Tennessee's three Grand Divisions will receive TNStars 529 College Savings Program scholarships in the amount of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250. For contest rules and guidelines, visit www.sos.tn.gov/products/civics-essay-contest.

"We are proud to provide Tennessee students with the opportunity to win scholarship money by sharing their election experience in writing," said Secretary of State Tre Hargett. We appreciate the educators and election commissions across our great state who are partnering with us for

this unmatched opportunity for students to see our electoral process in action."

Students who serve as poll officials may help with several critical polling site tasks, including greeting voters, answering questions and processing absentee by-mail ballots. Poll officials are compensated for working on Election Day and for attending required training sessions.

All poll officials, including essay contest participants, are supplied with face coverings, gowns, face shields, gloves and other personal protective equipment and are trained in social distancing protocols.

To apply to be a poll official in your county, visit pollworkers.govotetn.com or contact:

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In Loving Memory

Tuesday, September 22, **2020**

Jimmy H. Lively, 78

Jimmy H. Lively, age 78, passed away peacefully at his home in Wartburg on September 14, 2020. He attended First Baptist Church in Wartburg. Jimmy grew up in the Windrock community of Oliver Springs. He was a Vietnam veteran and served 3 years in the U.S. Army. He worked many years as an IBEW electrician and worked out of the IBEW 270 Local. Jimmy retired from Manufacturing Sciences Corporation after 23 years of service. Jimmy loved spending time with his family and friends and working on a variety of wood-working projects in his shop and was a concrete master. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need.

He was preceded in death by his infant son Donnie, parents Robert and Pauline Lively, father in law and mother in law, Alvin and Virgie Foster, sisters Carolyn Lowe and Debbie K. Lively.

He is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Vickie Live-

ly, sons Mike (Darlene) Lively of Seymour and Brad (Hannah) Lively of Wartburg, granddaughter, Kristin (Brandon) McStay of Knoxville, brothers R.M. Lively, Johnny (Debbie), and Billy; sisters Alice (Leamon) Woods, Charlotte (Lawerence) Woods, Barbara Nell (David) Oran; brother in law Charles (Shirley) Foster; a host of nieces and nephews and many close lifelong friends.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, September 16, 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 Pastor Matt Ward and Bro. Clayton Duncan officiating. Graveside services will be held Thursday, at 11:00 a.m. at Anderson Memorial Gardens in Clinton with Military Honors American Legion Post 149.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Jimmy H. Lively.

S/SGT Robert W. Rushing USMS, 72

S/SGT Robert W. Rushing USMS, born June 25, 1948 in Beaumont, TX, died September 11, 2020 at his home surrounded by his family. He joined the Marines in 1966 then served time in Vietnam from 1967-1969 recipient Purple Heart, Bronze Star and Combat V.

He is preceded in death by his son, Robert Clark Rushing; parents, Eileen Simmons and Bob Rushing; and brother, Leslie Rushing.

He is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Carolyn Rushing; son, Kenneth (Jennifer) Rushing of Lancing, TN; grandchildren: Austin (Cassandra) Rushing, Christopher Rushing,

Katlyn Adams, Logan Grace Rushing, River Rushing, William Rushing, Aiden Rushing, and Arabella Rose Rushing; great-grandchildren: Zoee and Parker Adams, and Damon and Dominick Rushing; sisters: Carolyn Burnett of Pollick, TX, and Arlene Melvin of Knoxville, TN; and brothers: Jimmy Jones of Henderson, TX and James Rushing of Rogersville, TN.

The family is honoring Robert's wishes to be cremated and no services have been scheduled at this time.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Robert Rushing.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Planned Power Interruptions for Burrville, Chestnut Ridge, Coal Hill, Coon Hollow, Deer Lodge, Glades, Meister Hills, Mill Creek, Rugby, West Robbins, Wolf Creek, and members south of the Robbins Brickyard.

Members of Plateau Electric Cooperative in these areas will experience power interruptions while TVA installs new equipment in the Sunbright Substation.

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The new equipment will greatly improve response time in the event of a power

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Sunday morning, Sept. 13, beginning at 12:01 a.m., lasting about 2 hours

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outage.

Tommy Aytes, Sr., 70

Tommy Aytes Sr., age 70 of Lancing, Tennessee went home to be with his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, after a courageous battle with illness, Sunday, September 13, 2020, surrounded by his loving family. Tommy was a man that loved the Lord and loved his family. Tom-

my also loved to go fishing and hunting and enjoyed to be outdoors.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Leonard and Venus Avtes.

Two Brothers: Jerry and Doug Aytes.

One Sister: Ginger Ball.

And one Granddaughter: Brianna Williams.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years: Darlene Elizabeth Aytes. Son: Robert Aytes and his wife Rachael of Wartburg, TN. Daughter: Candy Williams of Special friends: Brendan and Lancing, TN.

Son: TJ Aytes and his wife Kristie of Wartburg, TN.



Grandchildren: Jason, Kristi, Amanda, Tyler, Rhiannon, Jacob, Kaitlyn and David. 11 Great Grandchildren: Hannah, Jack, Grayson, Kaylub, Collin, Bentley, Harper,

Charles, Leighton, Callie and

Sister: Sharon Hixson and husband Roy of Westland, Michi-

Brother: Junior Aytes and wife Carla of Central Lake, Michigan. Brother: Dean Aytes and late wife Rita of Detroit, Michigan.

Sister: Barbara Vann and late husband Mike of Joyner, TN.

Sister: Becky Weeks and husband Dewayne of Tampa Bay, Florida.

Sister: Wanda Copley and husband Walter of Xenia, Ohio.

Debbie Rickens of Wartburg, TN and a host of other family, friends and loved ones.

L.E. Phillips, 79

Mr. L.E. Phillips age 79, of Oliver Springs passed away on Friday, September 18, 2020 at the Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge. He was a retired Coal Miner for many years. He was of the Baptist Faith. Preceded in death by his Mother Lula West Phillips, and Brother Raymond Phillips, and Grandson Herbie Morris.

Surviving are his wife of 23 years Diana Morris Phillips Children: Diana Cuttingham

Herbie Phillips and Mark Phillips all of Cincinnati Stepchildren: Ivanna Givens, William Ellis, Charles Ellis, Louis Ellis and Thomas Ellis. Grandson: Rodney Bell and L.E. Phillips. family of Cincinnati

Grandkids: Tyler Morris, Adam Morris, Telessa Hall, Latisa Fordham

Also surviving are many other grandchildren and great grandchildren

The family will receive friends on Wednesday, September 23, 2020, from 11am-12pm Schubert Funeral Home, Wartburg. Funeral service will follow at 12 pm with Bro. Johnny Bell officiating, internment will follow in the Anderson Memorial Gardens, Clinton.

In Loving Memory of L.E. **Phillips**

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World War II Veteran: William (Bill) Marlow



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paid a visit to one of Morgan County's last living World War II veterans. Corporal William Marlow who lives in the Joyner community was awarded a certificate for his seventy-five years of continuous membership in the American Legion, Post 149. The certificate came from the American Legion headquarters and was presented by Commander Bill Shannon, William told us that he was met by an American Legion member in Wartburg when he got off the bus on his return trip from Europe in 1946. The forceman said, "Billy you need to join the American Legion now. We need you." Billy joined and has been a member ever since.

From here on I will be referring to William as Billy because this is what most people call him. He went into the Army with Steven Crouch, Jimmy Bell, and Glenn Stevens. They had their Basic Training at Fort Hood, a base near Tyler,

frozen so hard it was impossible to dig foxholes). They put him in an available house, hoping that he would get well. They would check on him once in a while. At least he was out of the weather. When he did get well, they put him on guard duty to guard the house he was in for recovery.

When the 8th Division that Billy was in went across the Rhine River into Germany, they were ordered to take a high hill. When they

got up to the top of the hill, they drew machine gun fire and they hit the ground. They called in reinments and a Lieutenant came up with the replacements. He was yelling for the

Lieutenant that if he gave another crazy order like that again he would get it like the two boys did.

The company went over to another ridge and called for more artillery. They found the Germans gone; they were over to the ridge where the Americans had been. Of course, no one was hurt on this ridge. Billy said he had been trained on the machine gun, and could fire one bullet at a time, but ended up as an infantry ri-

American Legion Commander Bill Shannon presenting William Marlow his 75 year continuous membership certificate. (Photo Submitted)

up off

The six legionaires who visited William Marlow on his porch. (Photo Submitted)

Texas. None of the Morgan County boys got to stay together after they left the U.S.

Billy was sent to Belgium when the Battle of the Bulge was just ending. In addition to the Germans the weather was also a bitter enemy. In reading "Band of Brothers" by Stephen Ambose I found out the Western European winter of 1944-45 was the coldest and most bitter one in history. Billy could verify this because I figured out that he was there about the same time that E Company, 506th Regiment, of the 101st Airborne was there. He said they lived in pup-tents, (probably the ground was

their bellies and march on up the hill. As soon as they got up, they were hit by machine gun fire. Two men, one on each side of him, were hit by

machine gun fire. Although they were not killed there on the field, they would die later in the field hospital. Since

they shared a tent together Billy had to write letters to the boys' parents. This had to be hard for a soldier to do, and some eyes were filled with tears. One boy told the

fleman all the time he was fighting the Germans.

The war was winding down, and the Americans were beginning to take prisoners. When one German was handing the rifle to Billy it went off and the bullet passed through his hand.

Billy was taken to the field hospital and from there they took him to an airport where an old beat-up plane was sent

to take them to a better hospital. Right away a door fell off the plane.

The soldier was given an opportunity to return, but they chose to continue on. A motor went out, and before they got to the end of the runway the

Many soldiers were now getting on planes to head home, but poor Billy couldn't go because his papers were left somewhere else and he had to wait seven months before he could return to Wartburg.

They sent him to what they called the replacement depot, and he was suppose to stay there for only three days. An Army Major saw him wondering around there and he knew he had been there longer than three

> days. The Major put him and other soldiers to work handling shipping orders. None of the men had ever been on switchboards or teletype operations. Billy didn't expand on how things went but I can bet things were pretty comical at first.

Billy had no trouble telling us how long he was in the Army. With certainty he said two years, one month, and seven days. There was no doubt about this, and at 94 his man has a sharp long-term memory.

All four of the boys who left Wartburg together in 1944 survived the war, but Billy is the only one still living. American Legion Post 149,

Wartburg want to thank you for allowing us to visit you. The Legionnaires were Commander Bill Shannon, and Vice Commander Mark Kech, Tom Cagley, Chris Way, Harvey Parker, David Payne (all color guards) and Tommy Redmon.

Billy returned to his farm in Joyner and for seventy-five years he has been a hard-working farmer who is well liked and respected in his community. I hope to visit Corporal Marlow again someday.

If any of you readers know of a WWII veteran still living, I would like to know about him or her. (Call me at 423-346-8850)



This was William Marlow's basic training company in 1944. William is in the 2nd row from the bottom and sixth from the left.(Photo Submitted)

second motor conked out. Billy and the other men had to walk all the way back to the airport.

History

Historically Speaking ORNL's Bill Russell: Of mice and mutagens

By Ray Smith - Oak Ridge City Historian

Last week Carolyn Krause brought us an excellent synopsis of Lee Russell's oral history from the archives of the Center for Oak Ridge Oral History. This article also relies on the oral history of Lee Russell and also recalls some information from the Oak Ridge National Laboratory Review which Carolyn edited for 25 years. Enjoy!

In October 1947, as the Russells awaited their FBI clearances before assuming their new jobs in Oak Ridge, a fire in a peat bog near Bar Harbor, Maine, broke out of control. It destroyed much of Jackson Laboratory, where William Lawson Russell had worked for 10 years. The British-born geneticist lost his records, published data, and special strains of mice he had bred for his experiments.

Bill and his new wife Liane (disguised as a boy because women were banned from the fire line) joined volunteer firefighters in battling the blaze. The disaster forced Bill to rebuild his career from scratch while Lee started hers in the new Biology Division of what became Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

Lee met Bill when she was a college student in his summer school at Jackson Laboratory, and he persuaded her to pursue a doctorate in genetics rather than become a medical doctor. He took a job at ORNL because it was the only lab to give Lee a job.

In the Biology Division at the Y-12 Plant, Bill designed mouse cages, food containers, racks, bottle-washing and cage-washing devices for the colony the Russells started with mice obtained from a local veterinarian. By the time Bill retired in the 1980s, the colony had grown to tens of thousands of mice. And he had been named ORNL's first corporate fellow.

Bill's greatest interest as a researcher at the Jackson Laboratory, Lee told Steve Stow 10 years ago in an oral history interview, was to find ways to gauge the relative effects of environmental and hereditary factors on genetic variability. Lee developed a spot test to indicate that a gene in an embryo's spinal cells had been altered (mutated) by radiation to which the mother mouse had been exposed. "If you were expecting an allblack mouse," Lee said, "the newborn mouse might end up with a spot that's light gray or brown, depending on which gene you mutated."

Bill needed a technique for comparing in mice the genetic damage resulting from different types of radiation (gamma and X rays, alpha and beta particles, neutrons), radiation administered very quickly or spread out in time, and radiation delivered to body cells and reproductive cells—the most important variable of all in mutation rates.

So, he developed the "specific locus test" to determine the rate of gene mutations in mice. He selected seven genes at specific loci, or points, in the mouse chromosomes. Six genes determined coat color; the seventh, ear size.

"We looked to see whether radiation could mutate genes that had mutated spontaneously in the past," Lee said. Using 85,000 mice in 1951, Bill was the first to measure a radiation-induced mutation rate in a mammal. He found that the mutation rate in the mouse was higher than that in the fruit fly. As a result, the permissible level for worker exposure to radiation was lowered to one- third of the level set on the basis of fruit fly findings.

Committees the Russells later served on were being formed to recommend radiation levels that were safe for workers and

the public. Exposures to radiation were a concern because of the use of X-rays and radioisotopes for medical diagnosis and treatment, tests of nuclear weapons, and operation of nuclear power plants.

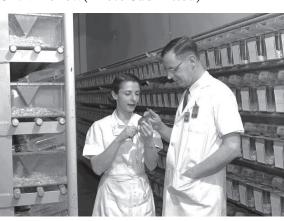
The Russells found that the reproductive



Discoveries Bill made using mice resulted in lowering radiation exposure limits (Photo Submitted)



Bill Russell, first person recognized as an ORNL fellow(Photo Submitted)



Liane (Lee) and Bill Russell, a young couple living a dream (Photo Submitted)



Liane (Lee) and Bill Russell, a portrait of two scientists who knew the special wonder of a shared career as well as family(Photo Submitted)

cells of irradiated male and female mice had different mutation rates. Working with Elizabeth Kelly, they discovered in 1958 that the mutation rate in mice exposed to chronic radiation (600 R over six weeks) was one-third to one-fourth the mutation rate in mice exposed to acute radiation (600 R in six minutes). In an ORNL Review article on the Russells in 1980, Bill said, "The discovery that radiation delivered at low dose rates produces fewer mutations in mice than does the same total dose delivered at a high dose rate suggested the existence of a repair mechanism previously unsus-

Like other geneticists, Bill looked for a threshold dose—an exposure level below which no genetic damage is detected. In 1965 he found a possible threshold in female, but not male, mice. His and subsequent research in the Biology Division uncovered evidence that female reproductive cells can resist or repair genetic damage, even in sperm. Thus male mice exposed to a chemical mutagen and mated with females with this special capability will likely have normal offspring. The 1973 energy crisis and gasoline shortage that resulted from the Arab oil embargo generated interest in extracting

and processing shale oil and building coal gasification and liquefaction plants in the United States. The Russells received funding to explore the genetic effects of chemicals related to synthetic fuel production, using tests they had developed for radiation.

They found in the 1970s that diesel fumes and other hydrocarbons were hazardous mutagens. They wrestled with questions of whether to inject or feed the mice with a liquid chemical or force them to inhale a gas to get accurate results. Another challenge was determining the dose that reaches organs after chemical breakdown.

Bill became a trailblazer in research on the mutagenic effects on mice of energy-related chemicals. His work built on that of a British scientist and her colleagues who discovered in 1942 that mustard gas can cause mutations in fruit

The World Health Organization asked Bill to study the genetic effects of hycanthone, the chemical used to treat schistosomiasis, a parasitic infection afflicting people in Africa and South America. Tests of hycanthone had shown gene mutations in some lower organisms, but Bill found no mutations in his tests on mice. Bill's most significant discovery for chemical mutagenesis research was that of ENU. He had used Lee's spot test on many chemicals, but none of them were as effective in causing mutations as radiation until he tested ethylnitrosourea, or ENU. This cancer drug once used in the Soviet Union is related to diethyl nitrosamine, a powerful mutagen in fruit flies. "ENU turned out to be a miracle!" Lee said. "It's the most potent mutagen in the mouse."

Unlike other chemical mutagens, ENU given in high doses to mice makes many more mutations than radiation can. ENU produces point mutations, or changes in single base pairs in a gene's DNA, whereas radiation knocks out parts of a gene or a DNA segment larger than a whole gene.

ENU has become the world's most used mutagen. Many genetics labs use ENU to screen for multiple mutated genes that predispose mammals to certain diseases. The Russells' marriage marked a turning point in their careers and produced two children. Their mammalian genetic findings were married with other research results, helping protect the health and safety of future offspring.

Thanks Carolyn, for yet another excellently researched article. The Russells certainly were trailblazers in many ways. Their research and discoveries have proven beneficial and will continue to be among the most important in biology. And they did this in Oak Ridge! Thanks Lee for sharing your career highlights in an oral history and for helping us better appreciate Bill!

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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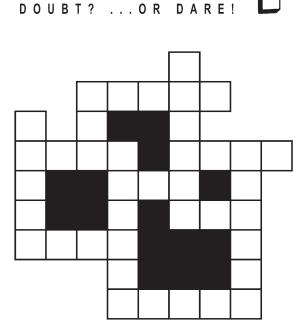
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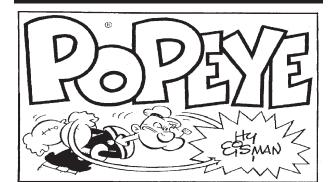


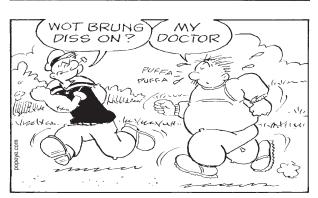
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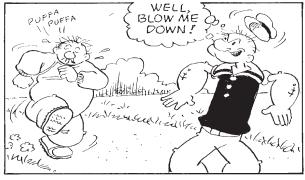
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by Linda Thistle

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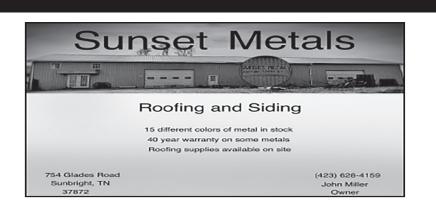
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The Dash

By: MSG. Fred Mize



MSG Fred Mize Yesterday, September 15, 2020, I took part in honoring a fallen United States Marine veteran. I did so along side my fellow Roane County Military Funeral Honor Guard members at Oak Grove Cemetery in Rockwood.

As we were waiting for the veteran's funeral procession to arrive, I looked around at the surrounding headstones as I always do. Like all other times I was taken back by the dates on the headstones but most importantly of the dash in between the dates. I've heard a few people preach about that simple yet all important dash, for that dash represents all that we did throughout our lives from the

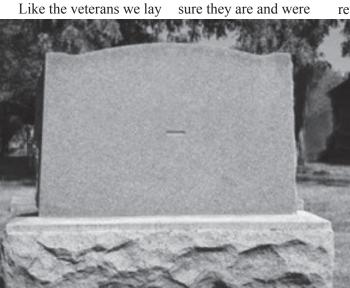
day of our birth to the day of our death. I always notice other characteristics on the headstones such as titles like; mother, father, son, daughter, doctor, governor, mayor, military

ranks, branches of services, and wars served in, etc. Regardless of what descriptions on our headstones that might separate us or the dates that tell how long we lived, the one thing we "all" have in common is the dash between the dates.

The veterans we honor as they are laid to rest, we honor their service to our country but we don't know how they lived all the days of their life. Aside from their military service we actually know very little about their dash.

I want to take this moment to help you focus on your dash. How do you live your life? What will be said about your dash when you stand before God?

plete. Revelation 4:11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were



to rest, we can honor them but we cannot help them when they meet the Lord, once their dash is complete. Veteran or civilian we will "all" meet the Lord once our dash is com-

created. I'm closing with two questions... First, are you living your life so that your

dash brings pleasure to the Lord your creator? Second, are you pre-

pared to meet Him? Below is a beautiful poem written by Linda Ellis about the dash... I read of a man who stood to speak at a funeral of a friend. He referred to the dates on the tombstone from

the beginning...to the end. He noted that first

came the date of birth and spoke of the following date with tears but said what mattered most of all was the dash between those years. For that dash represents all the time they spent alive on earth and now only those who loved them know what that little

line is worth. For it matters not, how much we own, the cars...the house...the cash. What matters is how we lived and loved and how we spend our

So, think about this long and hard; are there things you'd like to change? For you never know how much time is left that still can be rearranged.

To be less quick to anger and show appreciation more and love the people in our lives like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile... remembering that this special dash might only last a little while. So, when your eulogy is being read, with your life's actions to rehash, would you be proud of the things they say about how you lived your dash?

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Around The World and Back Again

with Zack Ballinger

Growth in Wartburg:

I moved to Wartburg, TN when I was 10 years old. Without telling you my age, I moved to the area in 1991 from Battle Creek, MI. There were two main restaurants in town at the time: Hardee's and Partners Pizza. There could have been other ones, but those were the main ones I remember at the time. The town didn't have much and often times you would have to travel to the big town of Oak Ridge, TN for food, retail and other services.

I can't believe the recent growth of Wartburg, TN. It's awesome to see things coming to a small town to serve the community. While it still remains a small town, having choices in business is great for the community. I can't believe how many things have opened in Wartburg, TN over the past couple of years.

I know the new Walgreen's used to be Rite Aid, but I would never have guessed there would be a Walgreens in Wartburg. We also have a lot of great community pharmacies to choose from as well.



Dr. Jonathan Laymance just opened up a Summit Medical Group Clinic. "Hometown Healthcare" for all ages! Full service primary care and urgent care. A native of Morgan County, Dr. Laymance is a board certified family



physician who has been in practice for 7 years at Roane County Family Practice. The community really needed an urgent care clinic and they finally have it.

Morgan County gained a great brewery and coffee place with MOCO brewery. It's owned by veteran locals of the Morgan County community. I love strong coffee and I had always wished Wartburg had a Coffee shop. Now they do! I can't wait to try their coffee. They also have local draft beers on tap. Who would have thought 10 years ago Wartburg, would have a brewery and a coffee shop?

Taco Bell opened their doors! For 20 years, there have been rumors of a Taco Bell opening in the community. Those rumors were finally squashed and now Morgan County has another fast food option with Taco Bell. It almost feels surreal seeing the Taco Bell right across the street from Central High School.

How do small communities continue to add businesses to their community? It's really a simple formula: Support Local Business. It's vital for the community to frequent these new establishments as much as possible. This is how Wartburg, TN will continue to add awesome new establishments.

Don't' forget to listen to The Zack Ballinger Show. 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? The show can be found on iTunes and Spotify: search for The Zack Ballinger Show and you can find all the episodes.

Zack graduated from Wartburg Central High



Zack Ballinger

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 var-

ious topics. Zack has established an ongoing annual scholarship at his Alma Mater, Wartburg, which has inspired others to give back as well.

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Welcome to Fall! Today is the first day of fall, also known as the fall equinox. Equinox means that day and night are roughly equal in length.

The 82nd Annual Pine Orchard Community Fair is in the books. I would like to commend those who worked hard to continue the tradition. Due to our current situation, many precautions had to be put into place but things were handled very well. The 4-H Chicken Show took place Saturday morning. Congratulations to Elijah Branstetter, Ava Smith and Landry Smith on their wins. Several vendors set up to offer a variety of handcrafted items. The weather was great and it was a wonderful day. Congratulations to Robin Kittrell who won the beautiful Dutch Doll Quilt made by ladies in the community.

Congratulations to the Oakdale Eagles on their win against the Wartburg Bulldogs on Friday, September 11. Despite some turnovers in the 4th quarter, the Eagles managed to win by a score of 30-22.

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

Morgan County Tourism Alliance is sponsoring the first annual Scarecrow Showcase. The show will run from October 1st – 31st and the scarecrows will be displayed around the Morgan

County Courthouse Square. The contest is open to all individuals/ families, businesses, schools, churches, non-profit organizations, clubs and government offices in Morgan County and surrounding areas. Prizes will be awarded. This is a great opportunity for folks to get creative. You can learn more by going to Tourism Alliance Facebook page.

Congratulations to Clayton and Nell Redmon who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary September 10.

The Redmon's celebrated a lot of special days in September. Clayton and Nell's great grandson, Cooper Redmon turned one year old September 9. Their granddaughter Mikaela Redmon Bullard celebrated her 30th birthday September 20. Clayton celebrated his 80th birthday September 11. Their grandson Clay Redmon celebrated his 24th birthday September 17. Wishing all of you many more blessed years.

Congratulations to Eric and Liz Goldston who celebrated their 28th anniversary on September 12.

Congratulations to Tyler and Maude Townsend who celebrated their 30th anniversary on September 14. They are the proud grandparents of 3 month old Cora Feezell who is an absolute doll. They are also expecting twin grandbabies in 2021!

Congratulations to Todd

and Megan Moore who celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary September 13.

I somehow missed mentioning William Smith's birthday in the last column. Will turned another year older on September 13. I remember the day he was born and he has been very special to our family since that day. We hope you had a great day Will!

Clara Cole had a good birthday on September 17. Her grandson, Danny and Elysee, visited with take out and cake. Clara said "Any day I manage to stay upright without falling down is a good day." Wishing you many, many more "Upright Days" Clara.

Clara Elizabeth Ruppe turned 6 years old on September 19. More about her celebration in the next column.

Happy Birthday to Ellen Everett who celebrates her birthday today, September 22.

Happy Birthday to Britney Hall who will celebrate her birthday tomorrow, September 23.

Jayla Show turns 13 on September 25! Welcome to the teenage years Jayla!

Happy Birthday to Dennis Hamby who will celebrate his birthday September 26.

Kyle Ruppe will celebrate his birthday September 30.

Roane County Park was the site for the 7th birthday celebration of Baylee Reese Manis, daughter of CE and Bridgett (Holder) Manis of Harriman. Baylee is the great granddaughter of Barbara and Phil Holder of Oakdale. She is the granddaughter of Kenny and Anne (Costello) Holder of Mossy Grove

and Dawn Fallon of Kingston and Charles Manis of Harriman. Everyone had a wonderful time. Baylee loved her gifts (lots of mermaid things...her favorite). Her mermaid tail cupcake cake was a hit as well. She had a great time with all her friends and family even with a wild storm right in the middle of her celebration.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Cheryl Headrick who passed away Friday, September 11. She is survived by her husband of 47 years, Paul Headrick, her son Kristian Headrick, her daughter April Potter and her grandchildren, Alicia Christopher and Ashley Potter. She is also survived by a sister and 3 brothers.

Remember to pray for the many needs around us. There are many in our communities dealing with illness. There are many who are grieving and lonely. Pray for those who are in nursing homes and have been separated from their families. Pray for our churches and pastors, our schools, our nation and our leaders. Most of all pray for the lost.

"It's the first day of autumn! A time of hot chocolatey mornings, and toasty marshmallow evenings, and, best of all, leaping into leaves!"

Winnie the Pooh, Pooh's Grand Adventure

Genesis 3:1-8 "Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: 5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. 6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. 7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. 8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden."

Satan was cleaver enough to steal God's word from the woman and substitute his evil scheam by which he would bring death upon the human family when they sin. (Rom. 5:12b and death by sin.)

Jesus speaking to his disciples: Matthew 13:16-19 "But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear. 17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them. 18 Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. 19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side."

33 A.D. Jesus built the church the kingdom Christ and many souls were translated into the kingdom of God's dear son. Colossians 1:12-15 "Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: 13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: 14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: (Acts 22:16) 15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:" (Jn. 3:5).

Jesus did not add anyone to his church by mere belief only. He did not add anyone to his body the church by them praying the so called sinners prayer. Acts 2:37 "Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?"

The great multitude of Jews and proselytes (Gentils) (Acts 2:10) said: men and brethern, speaking to the apostles, what shall we do? The apostles do not say your faith hath saved you. The apostles said, better still the Holy Spirit said through the mouths of the apostles: Acts 2:38-39 "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. (1 Cor. 6:19; 12:13; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:13-14) 39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off (we Gentils), even as many as the Lord our God shall call." Verse 40, the Holy Spirit chose not to record everything which the apostles had spoken in that assembly. No doubt about it, the other words were words spoken by the Christ such as Matthew 18:3 "And said, Verily I say

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unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven."

Other words would include Matthew 10:32 "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven." All of them would have to confess by mouth (Rom. 10:9-10) their faith before they could be burried with the Savior in water. Acts 2:41-43 "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. 42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. 43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles." Not all of those who were saved were doing signs as it may appear that Mark 16:17 is teaching.

The Lord adds to his one body the church only those who obey the gospel. Those who permit Satan to steal God's word from their heart and rest on faith only are added to other plants by men. Matthew 15:13 "But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up."

Ephesians 4:4-6 "There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; 5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

The letter which the apostle Paul wrote to the Ephesians came from Rome when he was in prision. He met the Ephesians in Acts 19, some 9-10 years earlier and this is when, where and how the Ephesians weresaved by God's grace through faith. Acts 19:1-7 "And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, 2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? (Miraclous gifts by the Spirit, by an apostle laying hands on them was what he came to do for the Ephesions). And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. 3 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? (No one in the first centery after the death and ressurection of Jesus was saved without being immersed into Jesus for remission of sins and no one is saved today without the same.) And they said, Unto John's baptism. 4 Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. 5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. (For remission of their sins. Acts 2:38; 22,16; 1 Peter 3:20-21). 6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. 7 And all the men were about twelve."

No apostle comes to us today to lay hands on us and pray for us to receive miraculous gifts. We must study for the rest of our lives and stay faithful.

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Hometown Heroes



Davis Funeral Home's Veteran of the Week



Specialist (SPC) John Osborne was drafted into the United States Army at the age of nineteen. He fulfilled his term of service to our country from June 5, 1968 – June 4, 1970. He completed Basic Combat Training at Fort Campbell, Kentucky and Advanced **Individual Training at Fort** Leonard Wood, Missouri where he became a Com-

bat Engineer.

Soon after becoming a qualified Combat Engineer John was sent to serve in Vietnam at LZ Hardcore as a member of the 45th Group 14th Engineer Battalion and did so from October 1968 - October 1969. Throughout his tour of duty John faithfully searched for landmines by minesweeping three miles of ground each morning. When needed he served as an infantry soldier.

Upon completing his one-year tour of duty in Vietnam he was stationed at Fort Campbell and completed his remaining military obligation there as a member of a military funeral detail team.

For the past nine years John has honored fallen veterans and their families as a member of the Roane County Military Funeral Honor Guard. He's been a member of the American Legion at Post 50 in Rockwood for the past eight years.

John, Morgan County Today, thanks you for your honorable service to our country and for dedicating your time and energy in the pursuit of honoring fallen veterans and providing comfort to their families. We are also thankful that you raised your son who's now Sergeant Major Jason Osborne and actively serving in your footsteps at Fort Campbell.

Law Enforcement Officer of the Week

Presented by Marla Hines, Circuit Court Clerk

This week's law enforcement officer of the week is Dariel Watson. Dariel has served our state and community as both a correctional officer for the past eleven years and as a monitor with the Morgan County Residential Recovery Court for the past three years. All who have had the pleasure to work alongside Dariel know that he plays an integral part in both roles and routinely goes above and beyond the call of duty within his assigned duties.



Dariel has deep roots in Morgan County. He graduated from Wartburg Central High School and is a

member of Liberty Baptist Church in Wartburg. His close friends and family know Dariel as a dedicated Christian, father, and grandfather.

Dariel, Morgan County Today sends you a warm thank you for all you do and have done for our community in the Department of Corrections and with the Morgan County Residential Recovery Court. Your faith, dedication and loyalty to Morgan County and your family speaks volumes for you and for that we are thankful.

Requirements and Benefits of Home office Small business ownnormal course of business. ers may qualify for a If it is a separate structure that is not athome office deductached to the taxpayer's home. The tax-



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tion that will help them save money on their taxes.

Many people are unaware of one particular tax benefit that an office in the home provides. If you have

an office in your home that qualifies as a principal place of business, you can deduct your daily transportation costs between your home and another work location in the same trade or business. (See Pub. 587) If you don't claim an office in your home, some of your work mileage will be considered commuting mileage, which is nondeductible. When you have an office in your home, all of your work-related mileage is tax deductible. The additional business mileage can have a significant impact on saving taxes.

Taxpayers can take this deduction if they use a portion of their home exclusively, and on a regular basis, for any of the following: As the taxpayer's main place of business. As a place of business where the taxpayer meets patients, clients or customers. The taxpayer must meet these people in the

payer must use this structure in connection with their business

A place where the taxpayer stores inventory or samples. This place must be the sole, fixed location of their business.

Under certain circumstances, the structure where the taxpayer provides day care services.

Deductible expenses for business use of a home include real estate taxes, mortgage interest, rent, utilities, insurance, depreciation, repairs and maintenance, and casualty losses.

Certain expenses are limited to the net income of the business. These are known as allocable expenses. They include things such as utilities, insurance, and depreciation. While allocable expenses cannot create a business loss, they can be carried forward to the next year. If the taxpayer carries them forward, the expenses are subject to the same limitation rules.

There are two options for figuring and claiming the home office deduction. Regular method. This method requires dividing the above expenses of operating the home between personal and business use. Self-employed taxpayers compute this deduction on Form 8829.

Simplified method. The simplified method reduces the paperwork and recordkeeping for small businesses. The simplified method has a set rate of \$5 a square foot for business use of the home. The maximum deduction allowed is based on up to 300 square feet.

There are special rules for certain business

Daycare providers complete a special worksheet, which is found in Publication 587.

Self-employed individuals use Form 1040, and Schedule C to claim the deduction.

Farmers frequently overlook this deduction. Farmers claim this deduction on Schedule F, Line 32.

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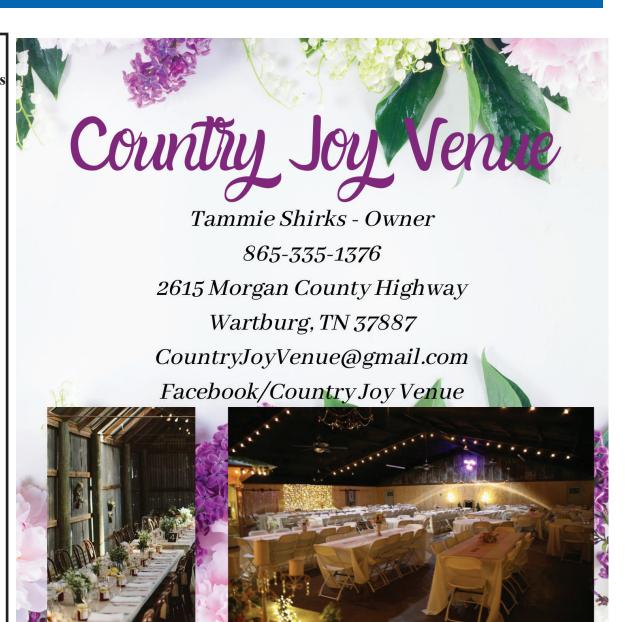
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Hunter Allen was born at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville on Wednesday September 2, 2020 weighing 8lbs 5oz and 20 1/4in long. Proud parents are Justin and Kristin Throneberry of Wartburg. Big sisters are Kailynn and Abigale Throneberry. Grandparents are Karen and Junior Throneberry of Winchester and Lynn and Angie Bunch of Wartburg. Great-grandparents are Wanda Bunch of Wartburg and Paula Freytag of Hillsboro. Great-great grandparent is Naomi Freytag of Wartburg. Aunts and uncles are Doyle and Heather Hudson of Knoxville; Brad and Shana Throneberry of Winchester, Corey Throneberry and Kaylee Throneberry of Winchester. Cousins are Amaiya and Amara Hudson of Knoxville and Rylie and Ryker of Winchester.

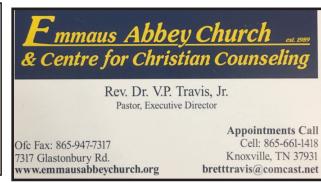




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