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Michael Nance
Columnist

Inflation at the gas pumps is a fact and many Americans are frustrated that inflation continues to soar, despite the many excuses and talking

Is It Time to Start a Garden?

farm irrigation in states like Arkansas is provided via internal combustion engines, combined with over \$4 a gallon diesel for farm tractors in the words of Arkansas farmer Scott Gibson, “We’ve had to make some decisions that we’ve never faced before.”

The final driver for food

his producers to reduce exports, which if he is successful, could spark global inflation in the food market almost immediately.

According to Sylvain Charlebois, director of the Agri-Food Analyst Lab at Dalhousie University this may be a foregone conclusion. Bloomberg reported Charlebois stating: “Over the next 12 months, we are expecting the entire grocery store to be impacted by what’s going on in Ukraine if the conflict lasts.” Kansas Farm Bureau president Rich Felts was also quoted as stating that: “the rapid rise in fertilizer prices is astonishing, that’s not inflation, that’s super inflation.”

In conclusion, our elected leaders had better get inflation under control



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points that resonate from Washington D.C. If you are like me and hoping this will soon end, well don’t hold your breath. The financial indicators, farming reports, and the well-deserved sanctions against Russia all point towards inflation will get worse, before it gets better.

Friday, the Green Markets North American Fertilizer index jumped 16% to a new record high. The potash market has also soared to a record 34% increase. Specifically, reviewing nitrogen prices from a supply demand perspective reveals that costs will most likely continue to increase.

In the 2020 production season, nitrogen costs remained high. The nitrogen market demand is slated for a global demand increase, which will push prices even higher. In 2020, the global Industrial Nitrogen Market was about \$14.3 billion, but is predicted to be worth of \$20.4 billion by 2027.

Fuel prices are yet another driver for inflationary pressures that are soon to find their way to the local grocery store aisles. Considering that

inflation could be the conflict in the Ukraine and the relationship between Russia and the west. Ukraine and Russia represent as much as 25% of the world’s wheat supply. The conflict will certainly have an impact on the world grain markets by early summer. Not to mention, that Russia is one of the world’s largest providers of crop nutrients. Putin is urging

quickly. If not, we could all experience generational significant inflationary effects that will wreck our economy in many areas. To be prudent, we should all prepare our family budgets for food inflation and consider planting our own gardens. Most importantly, we should remember these experiences the next time we go to the voting booth!

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In Loving Memory

Evelyn Jewell Copas, 88

Evelyn Jewell Copas, age 88, of Crossville, Tennessee, passed away on March 12, 2022, at Wyndridge Health and Rehab Facility.



- Renee Sexton and Dove Ann York; Nephews - Eddie Lyons and Roger Lyons; and Several Great Nieces and Nephews.

She was born on September 30, 1933, in Deer Lodge, Tennessee, daughter of the late Ray Garrett and Gertie (Nash) Garrett.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband - John Henry Copas; Sister - Bobbie Kincer; and Nephew - Bill Lyons.

Evelyn worked for the United States Postal Service for 29 years and was of the Baptist faith.

No Services are scheduled at this time.

Arrangements and Care provided by Bilbrey Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

She is survived by her Nieces

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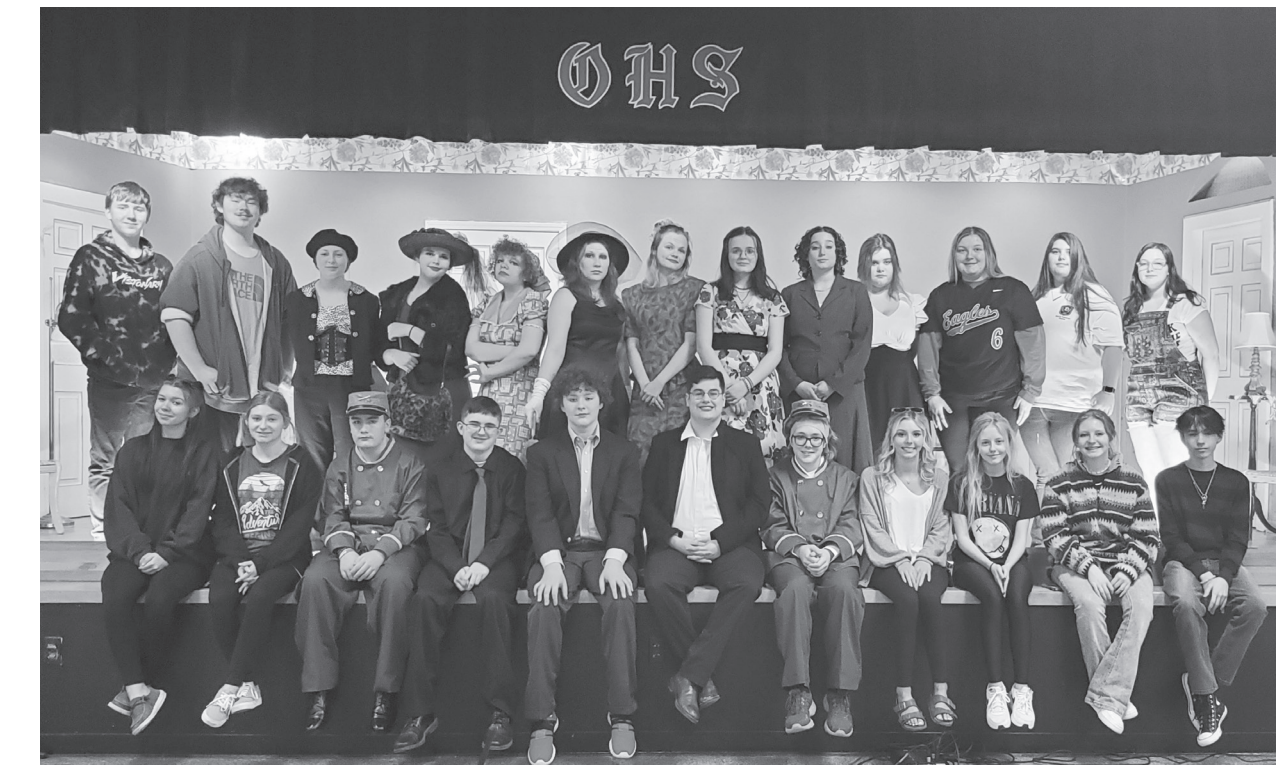
Oakdale's Spring Play Divine Stella Devine by Eddie McPherson

The OHS Drama Club will be performing the hilarious southern comedy Divine Stella Devine by Eddie McPherson. Stella Devine is the aging star of the popular Ritz Theatre. She and her fellow company of actors are preparing for the epic play 'Civil War Darlin's,' written by the theatre's acclaimed playwright in residence, Micollel, who has written starring roles for Stella for 20 years. Ginger, a 'sweet Southern belle' from Georgia, visits a rehearsal to watch her favorite star up close. She adores Stella, she idolizes Stella, she worships Stella and, most of all, she's there to steal Stella's starring role. Pretending to be a struggling waitress who's trying to raise money to get back home, Ginger lies and cons her way into the part written for the famous star.

Meanwhile, Billy, an unscrupulous newspaper reporter looking for a scoop, would love nothing more than to catch Stella throwing a tyrannical fit so he can sensationalize her in a national paper. But in the midst of collecting facts, Billy and his girlfriend Loeta uncover Ginger's evil ploy and set out to uncover her diabolical scheme. Throw in Brad and Chad, a set of twins played by the same person; Trevor, a bad actor (with a bad toupee) who thinks he really is fighting the Civil War; a dim-witted beauty of the stage; an intense director; an overbearing stage mother; and a host of other characters, and you have a fun, delightful comedy that's different than anything you've ever seen before!

Showtimes will be as follows:

Date
Time



Cost Audience
Monday, March 28, 2022
1:00 p.m.
\$2.00
K-4 Student Show
Tuesday, March 29, 2022
1:00 p.m.
\$2.00
5-8 Student Show
Wednesday, March 30, 2022
1:00 p.m.
\$2.00
9-12 Student Show
Thursday, March 31, 2022
7:00 p.m.
\$6.00
General Admission*
Friday, April 1, 2022
6:00 p.m.
\$18.00
Dinner Theater**

Saturday, April 2, 2022
6:00 p.m.
\$18.00
Dinner Theater**

*General Admission Shows will have Concessions available at additional cost, beginning at 6:30 p.m.
**To make reservations for Dinner Theater, call Oakdale School at 423-369-3885. We will begin taking reservations on Friday, March 4, 2022.
Menu for Dinner Theater - Catered by Kelly Shepherd and The Flying Pig BBQ
Pulled Pork/Bun
Grilled Chicken pieces
Cole Slaw
Mac & Cheese
Baked Beans
Banana Pudding
Sweet/Unsweet Tea
Water/Lemonade

Sandra Helton's weekly column

Oakdale Area News

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Welcome Spring! This is my favorite time of year. I love all the blooms, especially wildflowers. The only downside is it is also allergy time.

The Town of Oakdale will hold their 7th annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 9 at Oakdale Park beginning at 12:00 noon. This event is for all ages.

Oakdale School Softball Field is now known as Darlene Headrick Field. The former coach was joined by her family and several former players for a ceremony before the Oakdale/Sunbright game on March 14. She was the Lady Eagle coach from 1986-2003. Congratulations Darlene on a much deserved honor.

The annual "Cousins Reunion" of the Jones/Norris family was held Saturday, March 19. The family gathered at Rankin Chapel Baptist Church Fellowship Hall for a time of reminiscing, fellowship and good food.

Don and Wanda Powers were honored with a 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration Saturday, March 19. Their children hosted the celebration at Pine Orchard Baptist Church Outreach Center. Don and Wanda were married March 17, 1972. They appreciate their family and friends that shared their special day with them.

On Saturday, March 19, White Oak Baptist Church youth, along with several adults, volunteered at Storehouse Ministries in Wartburg. They did a variety of things to help the ministry including cleaning freezers and organizing meat, cleaning

trash and storage bins, cleaning the kitchen, cleaning bathrooms, sweeping porches, raking leaves, vacuuming, organizing and putting away clothes, cleaning windows, assembling toiletry bags and taking things to the thrift store. After a morning of work, they enjoyed lunch at Partner's Pizza.

Belated Birthday greetings to RB Human and Kerry Ruppe who celebrated their birthdays March 21.

Happy Birthday to Gwen Parris and Rachael Clipson Miller who are celebrating their birthdays today, March 22.

Happy Birthday to Preston Davis and Terrance Willis who will celebrate their birthday tomorrow, March 23.

Happy Birthday to my baby sister, Tabitha Hamby, who will celebrate her birthday March 24. Wishing you the best day ever.

Congratulations to Aaron and Macayla Davidson Freytag on the birth of their 2nd son, Walker Lee Cash Freytag. Walker was born Friday, March 18 weighing 8lbs 15oz. He has a big brother, Colton.

Dinner Theater is back this year at the Oakdale School Drama Club! Reservations are open! Just call the school at 423-369-3885 to make your Friday (April 1) or Saturday (April 2) reservation to see the hilarious southern comedy Divine Stella Devine! Cost is \$18 for dinner and a show. The meal will be catered by The Flying Pig. Dinner will be at 6:00 and the show will start at 7:00.

Oakdale students will be able to see the play Monday – Wednesday, March 28 – March 30. The costs will be \$2.00. General admission for the community will be Thursday, March 31 at 7:00. Cost will be \$6.00.

There is a new story in the story walk located in Solomon Park in Wartburg. Together Morgan County is offering a contest for those who visit and details can be found within the story walk. Four pairs of Pigeon Forge attraction tickets will be awarded to four names randomly drawn at the end of the month from all correct submissions.

The Clothes Closet at Pine Orchard Baptist Church will be open Saturday, April 9 from 10:00 – 12:00. Everything is free.

Oakdale Public Library will host Preschool Playtime tomorrow, Wednesday, March 23 from 10:30 – 11:30.

Oakdale Public Library hosted their monthly BINGO game last week. Those who attended had fun and enjoyed the hour of fellowship. The next BINGO will be Wednesday, April 20 at 10:30. Everyone is welcome.

Oakdale Area Volunteer Fire Department will host a pulled pork dinner and silent auction Saturday, April 23 from 3:00 – 7:00 at Pine Orchard Community Center. This will be the first fund raiser in several years so make plans to attend for an evening of food and fun. Anyone wishing to donate items for the auction can contact a volunteer fireman or Sandra Helton.

Morgan County Schools will have Spring Break April 8-14 and observe Good Friday on April 15. Students will return to school on Monday, April 18.

Together Morgan County will host the first meeting of GREATS at Morgan County Schools Central Office today, March 22 from 6:00 – 7:30. GREATS, Guardians Raising Exceptional and Talented Students, is a newly organized program to provide support for relatives raising relatives. This is a totally free program. Together Morgan County will provide a meal for the family along with some fun activities. Gus the Bus will be on site for the children to visit while the adults enjoy a round table discussion. There will be resource information and some give aways. Please share this event with those who might benefit from support. For more information, contact Sandra Helton @ heltons@mcsed.net.

The next Together Morgan County meeting will be Friday, April 1 at 9:00 a.m. Morgan County Schools Central Office. Everyone is welcome to attend to learn more about the work of the collaborative.

As always, there is much to pray about. We have many sick in our communities. Please pray for their health and their caregivers. Pray for our country and leaders as well as all that is going on in the world. Pray for our schools, churches, homes, military, missionaries, those who have lost loved ones recently and for the lost.

Whenever you don't understand what's happening in your life, just close your eyes, take a deep breath and say "God, I know it's your plan. Just help me through it."
Alberto Casing

TCAT Oneida/Huntsville to host signing day April 14th

Tennessee College of Applied Technology Oneida/Huntsville will host a Career and Technical Education signing day on Thursday, April 14th.

A National Career and Technical Education Signing Day will be held Thursday, April 14th at 10 a.m. at TCAT Oneida/Huntsville, located at 355 Scott Highway in Huntsville, TN.

The event is open to all are high school seniors. Students sign letters of intent for the CTE Programs of their choice. Students also have an opportunity to connect with local employers and instructors during the event.

All area high school seniors are eligible to attend if interested in enrolling in one of TCAT's Programs register at www.tcatoneida.edu.

For more information contact Kristi Cornelius at kristi.cornelius@tcatoneida.edu or call 423-663-4900.

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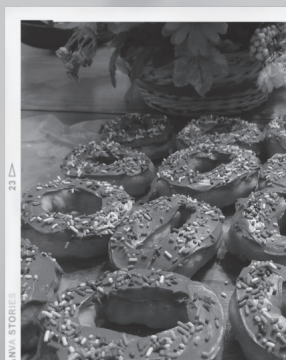
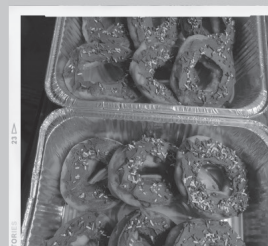
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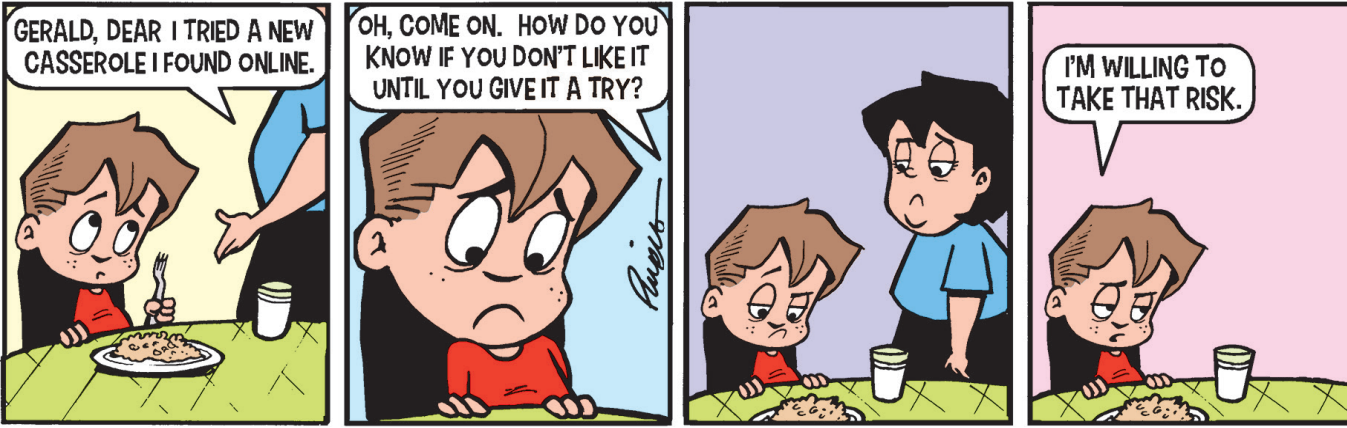
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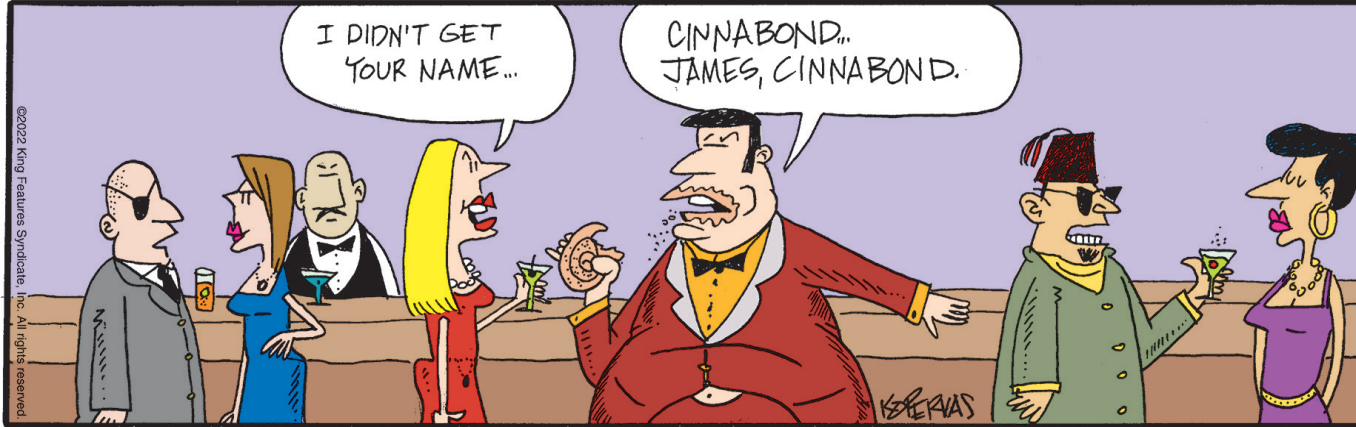
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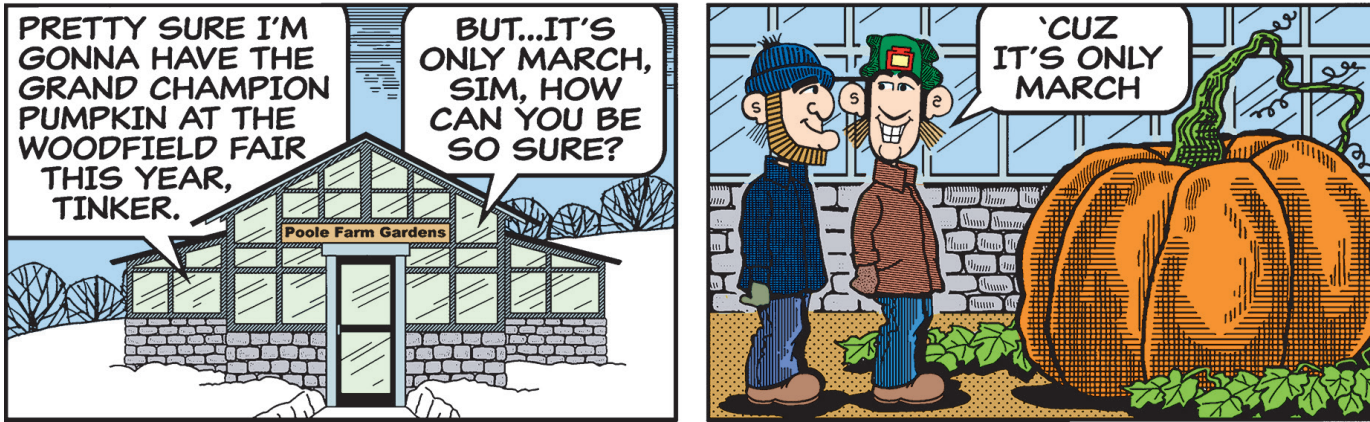
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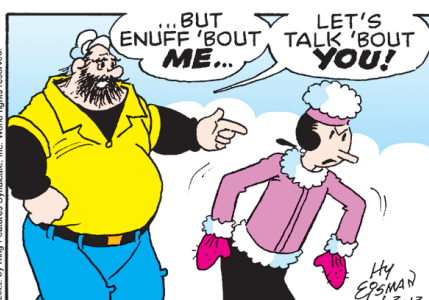
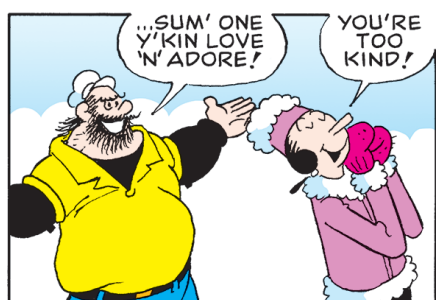
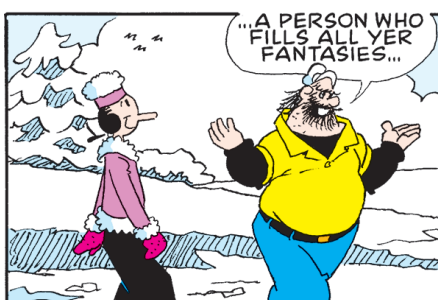
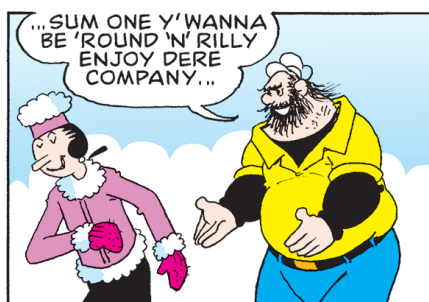
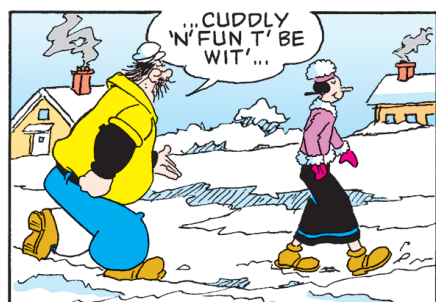
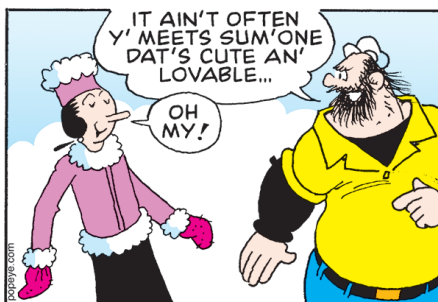
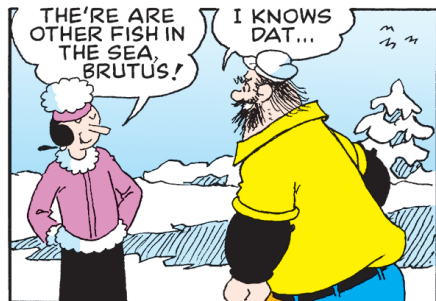
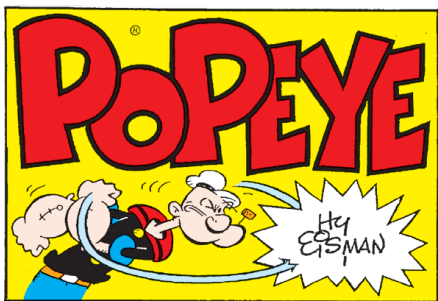
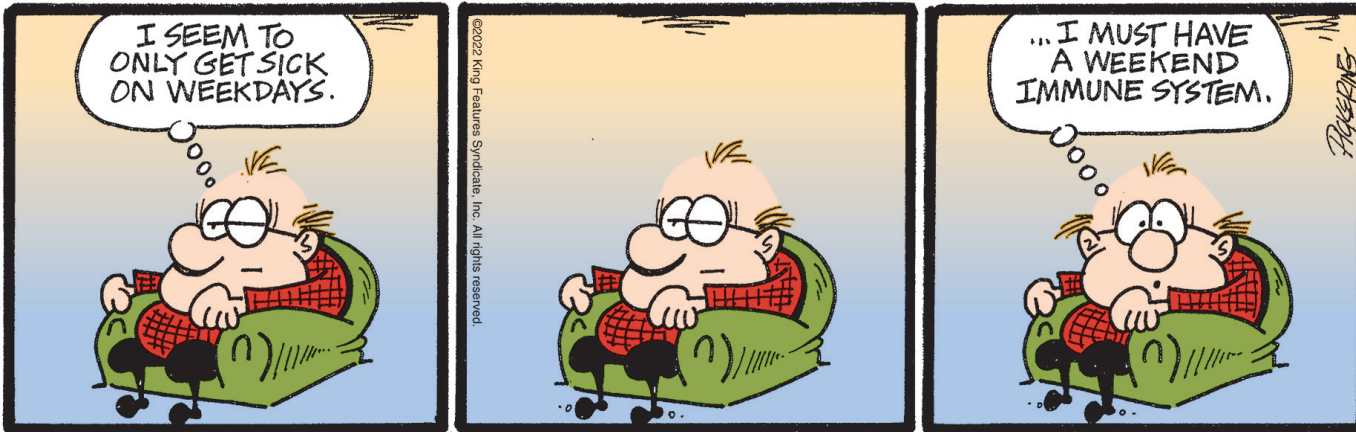
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by Mike Marland



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MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

* On April 6, 1776, the Continental Congress takes the first step toward American independence by announcing its decision to open all American ports to international trade with any part of the world that is not under British rule. It was the first act of independence by the Continental Congress.

* On April 9, 1859, a 23-year-old Missouri youth named Samuel Langhorne Clemens receives his steamboat pilot's license. Clemens would later write under the pseudonym Mark Twain, a boatman's call noting that the river was only 2 fathoms deep, the minimum depth for safe navigation.

* On April 10, 1879, Schandor Herz -- the future John Hertz, the man behind what will one day be the world's largest car-rental company -- is born in present-day Slovakia. In 1923, Hertz bought a fleet of used Ford Model Ts and named the business Hertz Drive-Ur-Self Corporation.

* On April 5, 1955, Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill, the British leader who guided Great Britain and the Allies through the crisis of World War II, retires as prime minister of Great Britain. In the first year of his administration, Britain had stood alone against Nazi Germany.

* On April 7, 1961, President John F. Kennedy sends a letter to Congress recommending that the U.S. participate in an international campaign to preserve ancient temples and historic monuments in Egypt's Nile Valley threatened by construction of the Aswan High Dam.

* On April 4, 1973, the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center officially open in New York City. The buildings replaced the Empire State Building as the world's tallest building, though they would only hold that title for a year.

* On April 8, 1989, California Angels rookie pitcher Jim Abbott, who was born without a right hand, makes his Major League Baseball debut in a 7-0 loss to the Seattle Mariners.

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Tom Redmon
Columnist

The Night I Saw an Angel in Korea - Gene Scarbrough -

Gene Scarbrough, from Oakdale was



a Marine during the Korean War. The editor of his church magazine, "The Shield," asked members to write real life stories of angelic intervention. Gene really came up with a good one. This is his story.

I saw an angel in Wonsan, North Korea in December 1950. It was one of the coldest times of my life. The temperature was twenty-five degrees below zero and had been even colder. At this time the Chinese and North Korean armies were defeating our U.S. military and we were in retreat. We were experiencing a great loss of life. The cold was one of our worst enemies. Some of us had not been issued cold weather gear and we were sleeping on the frozen ground or in snow most of the time.

Gene said that on the night he saw the angel his company was in an abandoned building with a pot belly stove. They had to tear lumber from the sides of the building to burn in the stove that would provide them heat. He said he was awake, standing watch over the fire while the others slept. Suddenly the angel appeared in the form of a little girl. She was a young

Korean girl with dark blue hands and feet. There she stood in a little dress only. Her feet and hands looked like they were frozen. She walked up to the stove and laid both hands on it. Gene said, "Oh, no, no!"

I gave her a pair of wool socks and slipped them on her little arms. I needed another pair of socks to put on her feet and legs so I went to a buddy who

was sleeping to see if he would help her out. When I returned she was gone. I cried.

Gene said he believed that God sent this angel to show him that he was never alone and he would be with him until the end. I had to quit feeling sorry for myself and even though I got frostbite on my feet, hands, and face I gained a new attitude.

After forty-six-years I'm still feeling discomfort but God got my attention. I believe when I see my angel in Heaven, she will be wearing a beautiful white dress with white shoes on her new feet. She may be wearing white gloves to match on her two hands.

- Post Script -

Gene Scarbrough's unit was one of the first ones to be sent to Korea.

These men were thrown into battle when a horde of Chinese came across the Yalu River to join the North Korean Army. The U.S. Army was not ready for this. The extreme cold, below zero many nights, was also a big enemy. We had several men from Wartburg in the battle of Chosin. They had to retreat back across the 38th parallel in the later months of 1950.

Pet Perspective with Ms. Avery Pearl



Ms. Avery Pearl
Pet Columnist

Spring is here! Yay! Everyone is so happy to see you! That's what Mimi and Pap are saying. Well, everyone

is saying it. I still can't figure out who it is, though.

Everytime someone says it I look around and don't see, this Spring person.

Hmm, they must be pretty special. Because the honking geese are back. The rabbits and squirrels are dancing and chasing each other. The fish are jumping. There seems to be so many more birds than there has been and boy are they singing! There are these things buzzing around all the pretty flowers that are popping up. I tried to sniff one. Mimi said to



stay away from that bee, it will sting my nose. She said that will hurt.

The light time lasts longer, now. The bright thing in the sky feels so good on my fur. I love to lay in the grass and soak up all the cozy warmth that comes from it.

I guess Spring really is special for all of this to come come about, just to welcome this Spring person.

Happy Spring, everyone! From Ms Avery Pearl and Morgan County Today. Keep an eye out for my Spring Pet Picture Contest on the Morgan County Today, Facebook Page.

For more of my pet perspectives like, follow, and share my Facebook page: Ms Avery Pearl.

A King's Ransom: Chapter 1



Carol Hall
Author

The sun was making its slow descent across the evening sky. Bronwyn Dumont laid on her back among the tall grasses of the field that sat atop a hill overlooking the village below.

Closing her eyes, she allowed her mind to drift off to far away places and adventures that she knew only existed in her dreams.

She fantasized about towns full of colorfully clothed people bustling down busy streets. She imagined handsome knights on big, white horses engaged in jousting contests. She dreamed of exotic places where people did extraordinary things like paint and write poetry.

A smile spread across her face at the thought of all these enchanting things. Her mother was always scolding her,

telling her she was too fanciful, but Bronwyn knew the world had to hold more exciting opportunities than life in this small, isolated farming village.

Just as her mind conjured up the image of her dream man, voices from the village below drifted up to her.

Snapping out of her daydream, she sat up and looked around.

The sun had disappeared over the horizon, and the fading light of day was almost gone. The farmers would be in from the fields by now, and families would be gathering around their tables for their evening meals.

"Uh oh," she said with a groan, quickly getting to her feet. "I'm going to be late...again."

Dusting the grass off of her skirt, she hurried down the hill.

The Village of Dowgarth sat nestled at the foot of the hill with a large forest on one side and fields of wheat and a variety of vegetables sprawled out over the other.

It was a small, remote village forgotten by time. They still did everything the way it had been done for centuries, but the villagers preferred it that way.

Bronwyn gazed down at the tiny wooden huts with the thatched roofs and let out a deep sigh. Even in the waning light, it looked somewhat depressing.

Gathering up her skirts, she lunged down the remaining stretch of hill until her feet hit the dirt road that ran through the center of the village.

She made her way past the church building and through the outdoor common area, where just a few days ago a big spring festival was held. Even she had to admit it had been a lot of fun. It was one of the few festivals the village held each year, but it was also the most celebrated. It heralded in the beginning of the planting season, and life in the village woke up after a long, hard winter.

She was just about to cut between the blacksmith's shop and the bakery when she heard her name being called.

"Bronwyn!"

"Oh no," she groaned, not bothering to look behind her to see who had called her name. She knew who it was. "Just my luck."

"Hey Bronwyn, wait up," Garrick Renold called out, running up to her.

"Hi Garrick," Bronwyn said, plastering a fake smile on her face. "I can't talk right now. I'm late. Mama's going to skin me alive. I have to hurry."

Garrick Renold was a nice enough young man. Bronwyn liked him for the most part, but the whole village assumed that one day the two of them would marry. Even Garrick believed it. Bronwyn wasn't so accepting of the idea. Though Garrick was tall, well-built with blond hair, she just wasn't attracted to him in a romantic sort of way. They had grown up together. They'd been friends since childhood. She just couldn't see him as anything but a friend.

"I'll walk you home then," he said, taking her elbow in his hand and steering her down the road. "You were up on the hill again, weren't you?"

"Yes," she said, unashamed.

"You know you shouldn't go up there alone," he scolded her. "What if a bear, or a wild cat, attacked you? No one would know. It's not safe to be up there by yourself."

"I know, Garrick," she said. "But sometimes I just need to be alone. I like to go up there to think."

"What do you think about when you're up there?" he asked, curiously.

"All sorts of things," Bronwyn said, evasively.

"Like what?" he pressed.

She looked up at him and rolled her eyes. She didn't like to share her thoughts with anyone. She knew they would just laugh at her and call her a dreamer. Her thoughts were private, but she had to tell him something. She knew him well enough to know that he wouldn't let it go until she did.

"I was thinking of the towns," she said. "Don't you ever want to see what's beyond this village?"

"No, not really," he said. "What's out there that we don't have here?"

"Everything!" Bronwyn said, exasperated. "There's a whole world out there, Garrick. Aren't you ever curious about other places? Other people?"

"No," he said, shaking his head. "I love it here. I don't care what's out there. This is where my grandfather was raised, my father, and now me. I plan on raising our sons here, too."

"Garrick," Bronwyn said, gently touching his arm. "You know I'm not ready to get married. I don't know if I ever will be."

"Sure you will," he said, confidently. "You just need a little more time. You'll come around. I'm sure of it."

Bronwyn just shook her head and continued walking. They'd had this conversation before, but she hadn't been able to get it through his head yet, that she just wasn't interested in him in that way.

They rounded a bend in the road, and Bronwyn's house came into view. She saw her mother standing in the doorway with her hands on her hips. By the stern look on her face, Bronwyn knew she wasn't happy with her.

"I'd better go," she said to Garrick. "Mama's mad for sure this time."

Garrick released her elbow and chuckled as Bronwyn sprinted down the road toward her house.

"Bronwyn Dumont," her mother said in a scolding voice. "Any later and you'd have been walking home in the dark."

"I'm sorry, Mama," Bronwyn said, walking up to her and throwing her arms around her waist. "I know I'm late. It won't happen again."

Her mother clucked her tongue at her and wrapped her arms tightly around her only child.

"What am I going to do with you, child?" she asked, lovingly. "You're too old to take a switch to. It wouldn't do any good anyway."

Rhoslyn Dumont was still a strikingly handsome woman at forty. Her long blond hair was tied back in a neat braid which hung down to her waist. Her slim figure belied the fact that she had given birth to a child eighteen years earlier.

Bronwyn's father had passed away the year before from a sudden illness, but her mother had refused to remarry. She always said that Isembard Dumont was the only man for her, and if she couldn't have him, then she didn't want anyone. Bronwyn found the whole notion very romantic, but was sad that her mother was all alone now, except for her.

Bronwyn was often told that she had her mother's looks, except for her hair. She had been born with a head full of flaming red locks that looked like it was on fire when the sun hit it. Her large eyes were a deep, emerald green, and her mouth was heart shaped with full lips. A true beauty, her mother always said with pride.

"Well, get washed up," Rhoslyn said. "I've had dinner ready for over an hour now."

Bronwyn quickly scrubbed her face and hands in a small bowl of water set on a stump just outside the door.

After making sure she had removed all the dirt from under her fingernails, she stepped into their small hut.

A fire was burning in the fireplace with a small iron pot suspended over it. The rich, hearty aroma of venison stew hung in the air. Bronwyn's stomach made a loud rumbling sound at the enticing smell. Nobody in the village could cook as well as her mother. At least that was Bronwyn's opinion anyway.

Bronwyn pulled a small wooden stool up to the table. Her mother ladled out a heaping portion of the stew into a bowl and placed it in front of her. Bronwyn took that opportunity to cut off two slices of bread from a freshly baked loaf her mother had made earlier in the day. Slathering some homemade butter onto each slice, she slid one across the table toward her mother.

"I didn't realize how hungry I was," Bronwyn said, dipping her spoon into her bowl and lifting the steaming brew to her lips.

"You'd have eaten sooner if you'd been home," her mother chided her with a smile.

"I know," Bronwyn said sheepishly. "I lost track of time."

"You were up on the hill again, weren't you?"

"Yes."

"You need to get your head out of the clouds. It isn't good to daydream so much."

"I know," Bronwyn sighed. "But sometimes..."

"What?" her mother asked.

"I just wish life was more exciting here, is all," she said.

"It would be more exciting for you, if you'd settle down and get married," her mother said, gently. "Having young babes would keep you plenty busy."

"I don't want to marry Garrick, Mama," Bronwyn whined. "I don't feel that way about him. Don't you want me to find someone as wonderful as Papa was?"

"Of course I do," her mother said. "But Garrick is a good man. You could grow to love him." "I don't want to grow to love someone, Mama," Bronwyn said. "I want to fall in love. I want to have the kind of love you and Papa had."

"I want that for you, too," her mother said. "You're only eighteen. You've got time. The right man will come along eventually." Ducking her head, she added, "Soon, I hope."

Bronwyn chuckled behind her hand. "I hope so, too."

They ate the rest of their meal in silence. Bronwyn was thankful her mother didn't insist she marry Garrick. A lot of girls her age were forced into loveless marriages and doomed to a lifetime of misery, both for the man, and the woman. It wasn't a life Bronwyn wanted.

After the meal was cleaned up, Bronwyn kissed her mother goodnight and got ready for bed. Grabbing her straw-filled mattress from the corner of the room, she unrolled it and gave it a couple of hard shakes to fluff it up. The night air had a slight nip in it, so she positioned the bed close to the fire, leaving room for her mother to lay out her bed there, too.

She nestled down into the thick bedding and pulled the hand-stitched quilt up under her chin.

The only source of light in their home was the fireplace. The flickering orange and yellow flames created a warm, cozy glow around the room. Wood embers burning in the hearth put off a sweet smell dulling Bronwyn's senses, lulling her into a deep sleep.

As her mind drifted off, her dreams took her on a wild adventure through a fantasy land of mystery and intrigue. She was having the best time of her life in this make believe world, and somewhere deep in her subconscious mind, she hoped the dream would never end.

A KING'S RANSOM

By Carol Hall



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NOW HERE'S A TIP

By JoAnn Derson

* For moister and softer cookies, use honey as a substitute for a third of the sugar in your cookie recipe.

* And speaking of honey, did you know it has antibacterial properties? Yep! Try rubbing a bit of it over a small cut for faster, more natural healing.

* "Keep venetian blinds from sticking to one another and discourage dust by rubbing them down individually with a sheet of fabric softener. This effect will last at least a month, in my experience." -- S.F. in Alabama

* "Have a headache? Try drinking a couple of glasses of a sports drink. This works for my friends and me. Maybe we just need to be drinking more water, but the sports drinks get us back on track more quickly than medicine most times." -- E.L. in Colorado

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

* Agree with those diehard fans of Pluto who still insist it's a planet? So does New Mexico. Its legislature resolved that Pluto is still legally a planet ... at least whenever it passes over the state.

* During a time of political turmoil, Michelangelo hid in a secret room under Florence's Medici Chapel for three months, passing the time by sketching on the walls. His secret wasn't discovered until some five centuries later, when the museum director stumbled upon the room in 1976.

* Honorary members of the Harlem Globetrotters include Pope John Paul II and Pope Francis.

* The *Rhizanthella gardneri* orchid, which grows entirely underground, was discovered by an Australian farmer in 1928 and generated such excitement that a wax model of it toured the British Isles.

* A hen will eat her own raw eggs if not satisfied with her diet.

* The Mexican language Ayapaneco, or, more properly, Nuumte Oote ("the true voice"), is dying out, and small wonder: Its only fluent speakers number a grand total of two, and they refuse to talk to each other!

* A paired kidney exchange allows people to donate their kidney that wasn't a match for an intended recipient to a stranger in exchange for a kidney that is a match for their

loved one.

* In 2010 a San Diego Chipotle customer in a wheelchair successfully sued the restaurant chain with the claim that their tall order counter denied him the full "Chipotle experience" -- like watching his order being assembled.

* Sand is the most extracted material in the world.

* Actor Joe Pesci was a singer and guitar player in his early 20s and once played in the same band (called Joey Dee and the Starlites) as Jimi Hendrix.

Thought for the Day: "Change your thoughts and you change your world." --Norman Vincent Peale

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* "This time-tested tip will keep your houseplants in the green while you're away from home: Set plants in the bathtub in an inch or less of water. If your flowerpot does not have drain holes, get a short length of cotton rope and feed it from the topsoil to the tub. This will keep plants alive and thriving for a week or more." -- D.R. in Florida

* "Having a hard time cutting out soda? Try this: Every time you reach for a glass of soda, drink a full cup of water first. You will find that your thirst is sated better, and you are not as "thirsty" for that sugar water!" -- F.E. in South Carolina

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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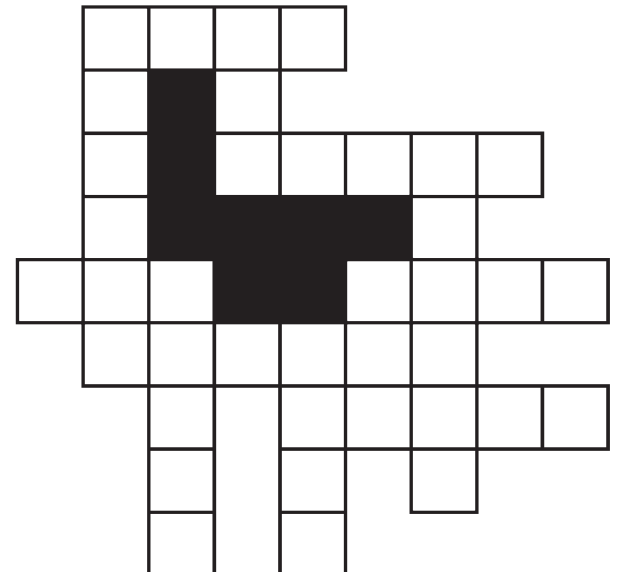
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or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

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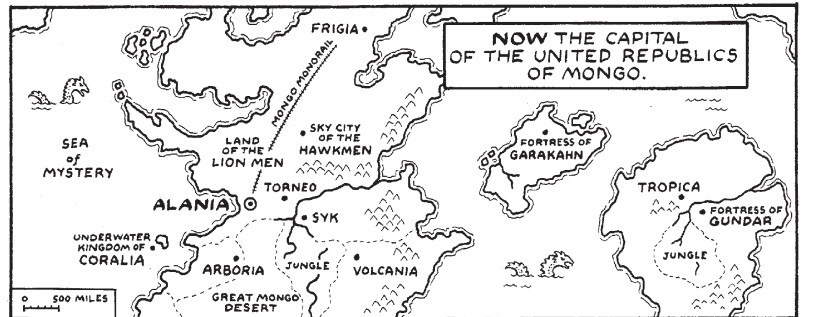
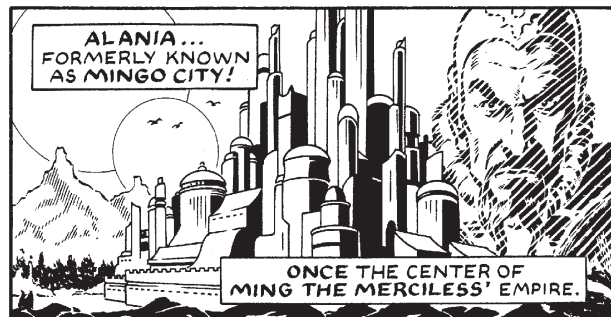
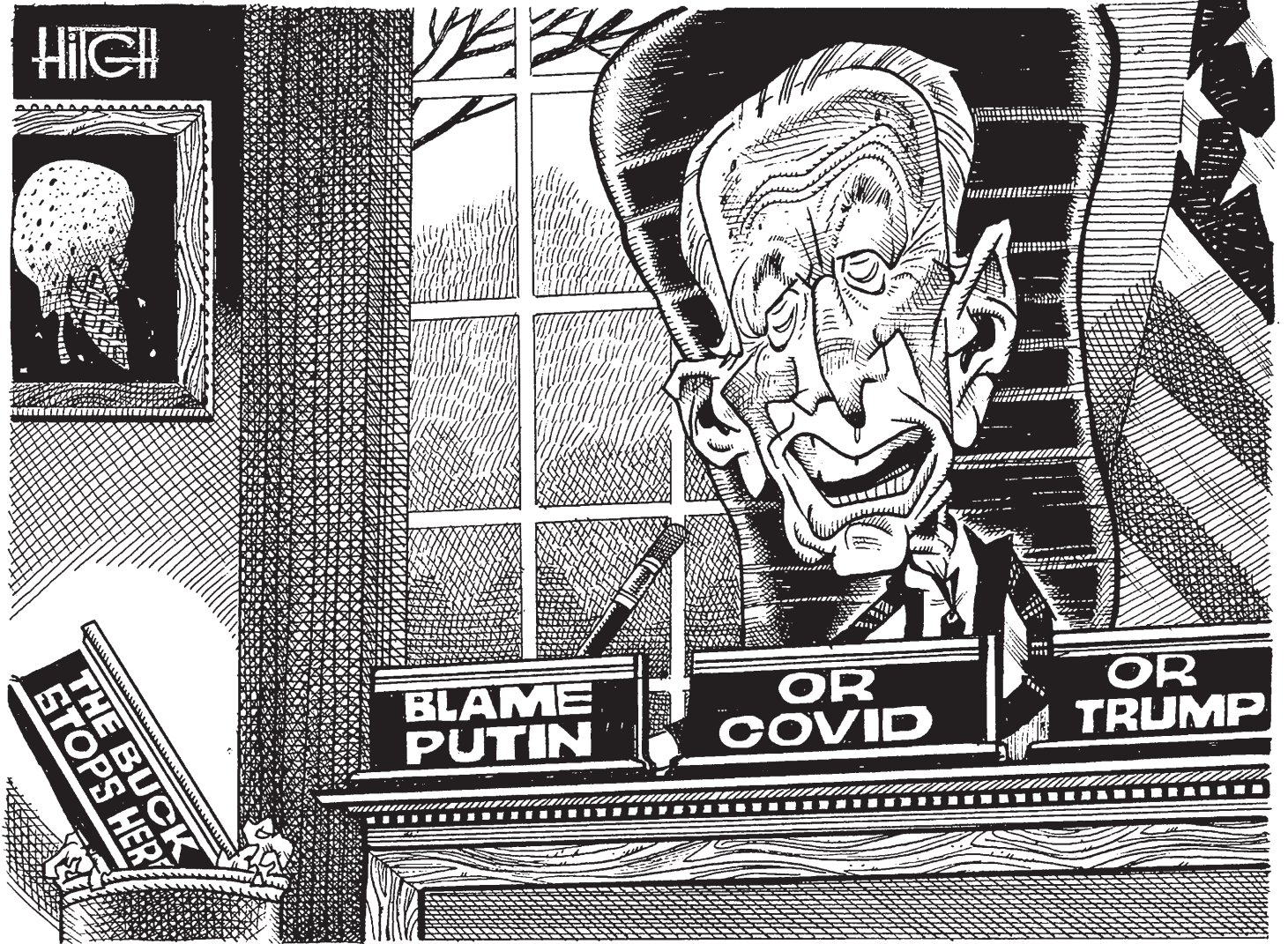
by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Nebuchadnezzar in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. In which book's 34th chapter does the Lord tell Moses to tear down all pagan altars? *Genesis, Exodus, Judges, Ruth*
3. How many books of the Bible (KJV) begin with the letter "G"? 1, 2, 3, 4. *From 1 Kings 9, who built the walls of Jerusalem? David, Solomon, Belshazzar, Nimrod*
5. What angel appeared to Mary and Zacharias? *Haniel, Paschar, Sofiel, Gabriel*
6. From Genesis 4, who invented tents? *Cain, Jabel, Abel, Adam*

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Exodus; 3) 2 (Galatians, Genesis); 4) Solomon; 5) Gabriel; 6) Jabel

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Comfort foods

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Mom's Comfort Food

Try this glorified rice dish once, and I promise, you'll make sure you have leftover rice often!

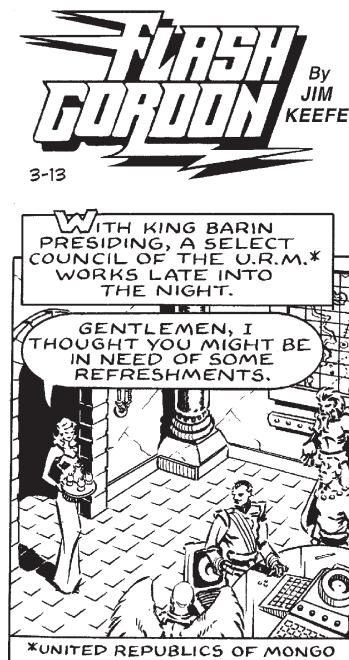
- 1 1/2 cups cold, cooked rice
- 1 (8-ounce) can crushed pineapple, packed in fruit juice, drained
- Sugar substitute to equal 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup seedless green grapes
- 3/4 cup miniature marshmallows
- 3/4 cup reduced-calorie whipped topping

1. In a large bowl, combine rice, pineapple, sugar substitute and vanilla extract. Stir in grapes and marshmallows. Add whipped topping. Mix gently to combine.

2. Cover and refrigerate for at least 15 minutes. Gently stir again just before serving. Makes 6 (1/2 cup) servings.

• Each serving equals: 100 calories, 0g fat, 1g protein, 24g carbs., 9mg sodium, 1g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 1 Starch, 1/2 Fruit.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



"Never give up, Slugg ... especially on

THE RICH LOWRY COLUMN

By Rich Lowry

Trump Didn't Cause the Ukraine War

More than a year into the Biden presidency, Vladimir Putin has invaded a sovereign neighboring country and, of course, everyone knows who's to blame -- Biden's predecessor.

In an instance of misdirection for the ages, a spate of commentary has pointed the finger at Donald Trump for supposedly creating the predicate for Putin's brutalizing of Ukraine.

There's no doubt that Trump has long had an apparently uncontrollable reflex to say warm things about Vladimir Putin. He foolishly mused about pulling out of NATO. And his withholding of aid to Ukraine for a partisan political purpose -- to pressure the Ukrainian government to uncover dirt related to the Bidens -- was a tawdry abuse of power (and led to his first impeachment).

No one should hold Trump up as a paragon, but to blame him for sparking a delayed-fuse geopolitical cataclysm that just happened to explode on Biden's watch is wholly ridiculous.

Trump critic retired Lt. Col Alexander Vindman, who had a star turn as a witness at Trump's first impeachment, says Trump emboldened Putin and left Ukraine unprepared to defend itself. Former U.S. ambassador to Ukraine Marie Yovanovitch says Trump sent the world the message that Ukraine was a mere pawn. A piece in *The New York Review of Books* says Trump "paved Putin's way."

There is no support for this argument in a world where facts and logic -- or basic chronology -- mean something.

First of all, Russia had grabbed Crimea and started a long-running war in Eastern Ukraine in 2014, long before anyone had any idea that Donald Trump would run for president, let alone win. It clearly didn't take Trump to give Putin the idea that he could get away with invading Ukraine -- he invaded Ukraine and got away with it under the administration of Barack Obama, when, by the way, Joe Biden was vice president.

It is now widely acknowledged that the sanctions back then were too timid, a concession that Obama officials let Putin off too lightly. Surely, that must have figured into the Russian leader's calculation whether to invade yet again.

Then, there's the fact that Barack Obama steadfastly resisted providing Ukraine lethal aid -- after it had already been invaded. Bipartisan opposition to Obama didn't move him. He believed deeply in the appeaser's logic that it would be too "provocative" to give Ukraine weapons simply to defend itself.

Again, Trump had nothing to do with this misbegotten decision; indeed, he criticized it.

Trump's offense in 2019 was to delay military aid -- including Javelin missiles -- that Congress had approved for Ukraine, in a reversal of Obama's policy. If Trump never should have engaged in this self-interested gamesmanship, he released the assistance by September 2019.

Another line of argument is that Putin didn't invade Ukraine during the Trump administration because the Russian leader was already getting everything he wanted from Trump, including the destabilization of NATO. The outward expression of Trump's doubts about the alliance, though, largely took the form of loud complaints about European countries skimping on defense spending, which were completely justified.

Indeed, it's perverse that Angela Merkel was made into a great heroine of Western statesmanship at the same time she maintained a pathetic level of defense spending and deepened Germany's energy dependence on Russia in a way that was more dangerous than anything Trump said or tweeted.

And it wasn't Trump who told Biden to execute a humiliating withdrawal from Afghanistan, to give Putin the gift of a summit after he menaced Ukraine the first time, to remove sanctions on the Nord Stream 2 pipeline, to speak forthrightly about Western divisions at a pre-invasion press conference, or to forgo preemptive sanctions.

All of that is on Biden, and all of it -- especially the Afghan fiasco -- had to make an impression on Putin. Now, it may well have been that Putin was undeterrable, but that makes it all the more outlandish and dumb to blame a former U.S. president for his depredations.

Rich Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.

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Donna's Day Creative family fun

by Donna Erickson

April Fools' Day Fun

Have you ever had a crazy, mixed-up day where life feels upside down, backward and inside out? With April Fools' Day around the corner, start planning some capers and silly surprises to create such an off-kilter day for your family. You'll be making memories the kids will never forget.

Here are some ideas to get the wacky side of your brain stimulated for April 1st:

— Come to the breakfast table wearing clothes inside out and backward.

— Say common phrases backward, such as "Fools April Happy."

— Make school sandwiches inside out, with bread on the inside and cold cuts and mustard on the outside.

— Write a lunchbox note with letters reversed in each word.

— Walk to the bus stop backward, or if you carpool, sing a round, such as "Row, Row, Row Your Boat," backward.

— Serve dinner with dessert first and make it an ice-cream sundae. Upside down of course. Here's how:

Set a maraschino cherry, which would normally be at the top of the sundae, at the bottom of a parfait glass. Wedge a round cookie to fit snugly near the bottom just above the cherry.

Carefully break off the outer edge to fit if necessary.

Add big dollops of whipped cream on the cookie. Finally, add ice-cream scoops. Set spoon upside down in the ice cream and serve the upside-down sundae.

— At bedtime, read a backward fairy tale to your kids.

Have you ever cheated and read the last page of a book first, just to see how it all comes out? Maybe that is why



Upside down ice-cream sundae

"The End" by David LaRochelle is so delightful, because he does it for you — no guilt. The book starts at the end of the story and cleverly explains why the book ends — or begins — the way it does.

Confused? Your child will find it great fun, but please don't read the last page first. Start from the beginning, which is the end — I think.

Find more family fun at www.donnaerickson.com. Write to Donna at Info@donnaerickson.com

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VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

Compounded Drugs Can be Rx for Greed

The Department of Justice nabbed a doctor who was licensed in both Texas and Oklahoma for writing drug prescriptions in exchange for kickbacks. The drugs in question were compounded, which are expensive because they are either multiple drugs mixed together, pills made into liquid or drugs made without dyes in them. In this case, the doctor ordered the drugs after a compounding company solicited him, and paid a hefty bribe, to write prescriptions that would be filled by that company's pharmacy. Footing the bill for these pricey drugs was Medicare, TRICARE, CHAMPVA and the Federal Employees Compensation Act Program.

The doctor ran pain clinics in both states, which is a good place to hide specialty drugs. He pleaded guilty and could face paying back \$1.5 million. However, part of his plea deal is that he serves 36 months of supervised probation, with no jail time. One hopes that the judge

doesn't accept that plea. Compounded drugs are potentially dangerous, especially when the participants aren't thinking first of patient safety.

A couple years ago, the major players in another compounding company were caught up in a deadly scheme that caused a nationwide meningitis outbreak, the biggest ever seen by a pharmaceutical drug. They cut corners, shipped in bulk without individual prescriptions, ignored patient safety, misbranded drugs, didn't await sterility test results, let mold and bacteria into their clean-room facility and created drugs with expired ingredients. Almost 800 patients across the country came down with a fungal infection after getting injections of those drugs. Of those, over 100 patients have died.

They also tried, and failed, to hide their activities. They weren't too bright, apparently, shipping drugs to patients named Bud Weiser, Fat Albert, Samuel Adams and others.

All the participants received average prison sentences ... until a federal appeals court decided that the original judge was wrong. One by one the criminals are being resented with extra time added on.

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Historically Speaking

Atomic City Sportsmen Club

By Ray Smith - Oak Ridge City Historian

Oak Ridge's history is like a tightly woven tapestry in a richly colored fabric with each color representing unique historical elements. As Historically Speaking continues to draw upon this uniqueness and as readers continue to contact me with stories, I am truly becoming more and more in awe of our rich history.

On a Thursday afternoon I had another of those great experiences whereby I entered a world that has been something I have known about but never quite experienced personally. Have you ever heard of the Atomic City Sportsmen Club? What do you think this club does? Do you wonder if it is some sort of sports related group? Well, it is not, it is far more important to our community.

I'll bet many of you have heard of this club and I dare say many of you know exactly who members are and what they do. You may even know of someone who has benefited from the generosity of this unique club. You may also know that the Atomic City Sportsmen Club celebrates its 53rd anniversary this year!

The club began when a group of African Americans formed an association in a most unusual and uncomfortable setting and in an equally unusual manner. This club may well have been the only one of its kind as the circumstances that led to its formation were unique to Oak Ridge.

First let me express my appreciation for Larry Gipson. Larry has again opened doors for me that I could not have entered and has introduced me to individuals who would never have known of me. He is my friend.

These men who sat around a small room in the Atomic City Sportsmen Club's current location on Jefferson Circle shared openly with me how their club came to be formed. The simple need for companionship primarily drove the formation of this most unusual organization.

In the beginning the organization being featured in this Historically Speaking column was founded by African American men who came to Oak Ridge in the wake of the Affirmative Action efforts of the major employers in 1969. Now this organization like others in Oak Ridge is diverse in its membership. However, the founders remember well the feeling of isolation they felt when they first arrived in Oak Ridge.

Do you remember that time in the late 1960's? Do you remember the hiring goals for minorities? In the rush to fill the demand, black professionals came here from all over the nation with the offer of good paying jobs.

It is sad to note that their employers would not even consider that they might

like to know where other African Americans were living. But the times were such that the hiring officials were doing what they thought was required to have a more diverse and integrated workplace. I am afraid they did not give a lot of thought to the ramifications of bringing these young professionals to a new environment without any help to find associations with people they would feel more comfortable and accepted.

Many were just placed in the James H. Moore apartments without any thought on the company's part of how that would impact them. There were few blacks around them to associate with and only infrequently did they find companionship with co-workers after work hours. They were

years.

The original founders of the club were Quinton Long of Virginia, Wil Minter of Tennessee, John Mayo of Washington, D.C., Jim Barnes of North Carolina, Horace Miller of South Carolina, John Purnell of Maryland and Chalmers Wilson of Florida. Joe Grey, from Alabama, joined later in 1970. Quinton Long was the first president. They joined together out of a need for camaraderie in a new environment.

One of the first activities planned and executed by the club was a Valentine's Day Dance on February 14, 1970, at the Holiday Inn on Illinois Avenue where the Outback restaurant is now located. This event was so successful that the organization explored ways to utilize funds from the activity to support the disadvantaged in the community.

That first dance most assuredly must have given them a tremendous boost in their self-confidence. They saw that a large segment of the population was interested in events that led to helping charitable organizations. They have continued to rely on this singular principle successfully over the ensuing years.

Their success in planning and executing fund raisers which supported charitable actions led to club to formally organize with the proper credentials and legal standing so they could accept the proceeds. The club formalized and remained a non-profit 501c3 organization focused on charitable activities with emphasis on underprivileged youth.

So, you see, the Atomic City Sportsmen Club, Inc. is not really a "sportsmen's club" as someone might think. Rather the association formed by some young African American men seeking companionship and just someone to talk to who understood what they were going through, quickly turned to much more focused efforts to help others, not just themselves.

It may well have been this singular drive to do something of value for others, especially youth, that most helped these men survive the ordeal of being placed in a community where they had to find a way to fit in. The true and sincere desire to do charitable work just might have given them needed purpose to succeed in spite of all they had to endure.

The Atomic City Sportsmen Club has been a major source of activities, funds, and organizational talent for the local community ever since that auspicious beginning. The focus of the club's efforts has historically been directed toward helping underprivileged youth and remains so today. Several community fundraisers have supported many charitable activities.

In the continuation to this article many of the community fundraisers will be noted.



A lifetime membership in the Atomic City Sportsmen Club, Inc. was presented to Nelson Stephens by Al Guidry (Photo Submitted)



Some of the leadership of the Atomic City Sportsmen Club, Inc., includes from left to right, Jimmy Robertson, Larry Gipson, Chris Hammonds, Jim Barnes, Jim Ware, Martin Perrote, and Al Guidry – regardless of the role assigned, these men are active leaders in our community (Photo Submitted)

isolated and lonely. Their circumstances made it hard to associate with others of the same cultural background.

This unique club began simply enough during the summer of 1969. It started informally as the Oak Ridge Sportsmen Club, but soon changed the name to the Atomic City Sportsmen Club to avoid confusion with an existing club with a similar name. The men I spoke with were proud of the club's accomplishments over the years and are very excited about celebrating the 40th anniversary of the organization this year.

If you are unaware of the organization, I am sure you are thinking "sportsmen club" must mean they are a group who do something with sports, right? Well, I wondered about that too. They just smiled when I asked about it and patiently explained to me what the primary function of the organization has been over these 53

SCOTT COUNTY HIGHLANDERS



Henry: Highlander Success Depends on Leadership

With a Scott High Soccer team loaded with talent and experience beginning the season, Highlander Head Coach Eric Henry said he is looking for camaraderie and strength developed during last season to increase and translate into a dynamic, successful team this year.

"We've got 15 guys on this team that played a lot of good soccer last season," Henry said. "They should get even better this year."

Returning All-District Highlanders Josiah Fladie, Gaven Terry (both seniors) and junior Connor Stanley form the core of one of the deepest rosters Henry said he has had in several years. "We've got some good defenders, including Nolan Cotton, Will Russ and our goalkeeper Adrian Parra, all juniors. Our entire junior class is strong, with Clayton Carroll, Adrian Stanley and Connor Stanley rounding out the group." Henry's sophomores are "high octane" players: Hugo Henry, Andy Blevins, Toby Garrett, Skye Babb, Chase Hamby, Peyton Smith and Luke Bowling. "Hugo, Skye, Toby, Andy all got a lot of minutes last year. These guys were good and did great job last year. I expect a lot from them this season," said Henry.

Henry has nothing but great expectations for Freshmen Aiden Roberts, Landon Harness, Dominic Lewis, Leviance Weatherford and the Dyer brothers, Lucas and Logan.

"I believe I could literally substitute eleven players at a time, and get high level play out of everybody," Henry said.

Another returning member of the team this season will be Assistant Coach Ryan Hoffman, who has been off the soccer field for a while pursuing his Doctorate degree. Henry said, "Having Coach Hoffman back on the field with us is instrumental to our success. His knowledge of the game, and his ability to lead these young guys can't be overstated. It's great to have him back."

Scott High was scheduled to start the regular season Tuesday, March 15 on the road against Campbell County.

"What I'm looking for out of this team is who will step up and lead by example, and have a contagious winning attitude. I look for us to finish at the top of our district this season. Our success rises and falls on player leadership," Henry said.

SCOTT COUNTY HIGHLANDERS

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 Apr. 11 6:00 pm @Anderson Co
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ONEIDA INDIANS



Oneida Goal: Same As It Ever Was

Oneida Head Soccer Coach Derek Keeton said, "This team moves the ball better than any team I've ever coached." Keeton said he has the same expectations for this season's Indian team that he has at the beginning of every season: win the district, win the region and go to the state tournament. Keeton's assistant coaches, Phil Newport and Sarah Hacker share in those expectations.

"We have such a talented squad this season, with four returning All-District players- Matt Brown, Gabe Hacker, Nick Gilbert, seniors and junior Mason Keeton. This team is explosive offensively," said Keeton. His statement was solidified in a recent scrimmage game with Clinton, in which Mason Keeton and fellow junior Luke Barna each booted in three goals for a hat trick. Barna is a first year Indian, after transferring to Oneida from Knoxville West High. Barna was the leading scorer last year on the West team.

Indian seniors Aiden Love and Noah James bring talent and depth to this year's team, along with junior transfer (from Sevier County) Wes Hurst, and juniors Sam Bell and Isaac Martin. Garet Byrd brings outstanding leadership to this year's Indians.

"Our two sophomores, Landon Terry and Kenneth VanHook are strong players, and growing better every time they get on the field. George Kline, who has a very high soccer IQ, will play a large part in this team's success. Will Jeffers and Aidon May are two rising freshmen who are developing quickly," Keeton said.

Another freshman, Levi James, will play a lot of minutes this season. "Levi is super talented, another key to our success this year," said Keeton.

The Indian goalkeeper, Gavin Keeton, having recovered from off-season surgery, brings ability and experience to this team. Coach Keeton said, "I have a lot of confidence in both Gavin and our back-up keeper, Sam Bell."

The Indians were scheduled to begin their regular season of play on Tuesday, March 15 at home against Sweetwater. Head Coach Keeton summed up, "We're still a fairly young team, but we're solid. We'll have some growing pains, but we have depth and talent. I like our chances this season."

Mar. 14	6:30 pm	Sweetwater
Mar. 22	6:30 pm	@Knox Central
Mar. 25	5:00 pm	Gibbs
Mar. 26	9:00 am	David Crockett
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Mar. 31	6:00 pm	Anderson Co.
Apr. 4	6:00 pm	Campbell Co.
Apr. 7	6:00 pm	@Clinton
Apr. 11	6:00 pm	Harriman
Apr. 14	6:30 pm	@Cumberland Ga
Apr. 18	6:30 pm	Northview Academ
Apr. 22	6:30 pm	Rockwood
Apr. 26	6:00 pm	Scott
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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



GABE HACKER



ADRIAN PARRA



Davis Funeral Home's Veteran of the Week

United States Marine, Colonel William Earl Barber served during the Korean War as a member of Company F, 2D Battalion, 7TH Marines, 1ST Marine Division (REIN). Colonel Barber was a Captain during his time serving in the Korean War and was awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions beyond the call of duty for the period of November 28 – December 2, 1950 during the Battle of



the Chosin Reservoir, Korea.

His Medal of Honor citation reads: For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as commanding officer of Company F, Second Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division (Reinforced), in action against enemy aggressor forces in Korea from 28 November to 2 December 1950. Assigned to defend a three-mile mountain pass along the division's main supply line and commanding the only route of approach in the march from Yudam-ni to Hagaru-ri, Captain Barber took position with his battle-weary troops, and, before nightfall, had dug in and set up a defense along the frozen, snow-covered hillside. When a force of estimated regimental strength savagely attacked during the night, inflicting heavy casualties and finally surrounding his position following a bitterly fought seven-hour conflict, Captain Barber, after repulsing the enemy, gave assurance that he could hold if supplied by airdrops and requested



permission to stand fast when orders were received by radio to fight his way back to a relieving force after two reinforcing units had been driven back under fierce resistance in their attempts to reach the isolated troops. Aware that leaving the position would sever contact with the 8,000 marines trapped at Yudam-ni and jeopardize their chances of joining the 3,000 more awaiting their arrival in Hagaru-ri for the continued drive to the sea, he chose to risk loss of his command rather than sacrifice more men if the enemy seized control and forced a renewed battle to regain the position, or abandon his many wounded who were unable to walk. Although severely wounded in the leg in the early morning of the 29th, Captain Barber continued to maintain personal control, often moving up and down the lines on a stretcher to direct the defense and consistently encouraging and in-

spiring his men to supreme efforts despite the staggering opposition. Waging desperate battle throughout five days and six nights of repeated onslaughts launched by the fanatical aggressors, he and his heroic command accounted for approximately 1,000 enemy dead in this epic stand in bitter subzero weather, and when the company was relieved, only 82 of his original 220 men were able to walk away from the position so valiantly defended against insuperable odds. His profound faith and courage, great personal valor, and unwavering fortitude were decisive factors in the successful withdrawal of the division from the deathtrap in the Chosin Reservoir sector and reflect the highest credit upon Captain Barber, his intrepid officers and men, and the United States Naval Service.

Colonel Barber was presented with his Medal of Honor by President Harry S. Truman at the White House on August 20, 1952.

Colonel Barber died on April 19, 2002 in Irvine, CA and is buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

Law Enforcement Officer of the Week

Deputy Sheriff Dominique "Dom" Calata was a man of selfless service. He served his community as a deputy of the Pierce County Sheriff's Department in Washington for six years and six months. He also served our great country as a veteran of both the U.S. Army and of the Washington Army National Guard. In 2020, Dom returned home after a year-long activation and deployment overseas.

At the young age of only thirty-five Deputy Calata gave his life in the line of service on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 when he succumbed to gunshot wounds sustained the previous day while he attempted to serve an arrest warrant as a member of a SWAT Team.

The SWAT Team was assisting the South Sound Gang Task Force with serving the warrant. They were outside of the suspect's mobile home when the suspect opened fire on them. Deputy Calata and a sergeant were both shot and wounded before the subject was killed by return gunfire. Both deputies were transported to a local hospital where Deputy Calata succumbed to his wounds.

Deputy Calata is survived by his wife and their four-year-old son.



Pierce County Sheriff Ed Troyer said, "He passed away with his coworkers, his family, his wife, and his parents by his side, and we were able to get our other deputy who was injured in the room to say goodbye before this occurred." At the same time, some of his brothers and sisters were out keeping the community safe when they heard dispatch announce his End of Watch over their radios.

"Pierce County unit four-four-zero, Pierce County unit four-forty, out of service for the final time. Gone and never forgotten," the alert

said.

Deputy Calata may be gone, but he won't be forgotten.

Even after death, Calata is making difference: his family is donating his organs.

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2 Corinthians: Chapter 11

(2 Cor. 11:1-4) Paul's foolish boasting: With strong irony the apostle continues to oppose his detractors and defend his own apostleship. "I hope you'll be patient with me while I indulge a little foolishness; bear with me," he says. He expresses his affection for the Corinthian saints under the imagery of jealousy. Using the metaphor of marriage, Paul represents himself as a friend of the bridegroom (Christ Jn. 3:29), to whom he has presented the Corinthians (through the conversion process). He felt it was his solemn obligation to keep them pure (v. 2). But his trepidation was undisguised. As the serpent (Satan cunningly deceived Eve (Paul considered her a real, historical person), even so their minds were on the precipice of being corrupted from a sincere and pure devotion to the Lord.

He speaks of him who preached another Jesus, received a different spirit, and proclaimed a strange gospel (v. 4). The passage is difficult and the views of its sense are diverse. It may mean: (a) "If one comes with a better doctrine than I have preached, you would be well-advised to follow him. But none has! You are in error." Or, (b) "You are highly critical of me and my teaching (on the most superficial grounds), yet when a false teacher comes, who is corrupt regarding Christ and his gospel, you are very tolerant of him! Where is the logic in this?"

(2 Cor. 11:5-15) His apostolic status: His adversaries disputed Paul's status as an apostle, but he wanted them to know he is not inferior to any of them, even the most prominent (Gal. 2:9). Most especially he was not inferior to the "false apostles" at Corinth. Paul was accused of being "rude in speech," not a polished orator. He lets that stand. But he was not without extensive knowledge of the Christian system. That had been perfectly transparent to all of them (v. 6).

It amazed Paul that his opponents were so arrogant. His example of humility had produced absolutely no beneficial effect on them. For example, he abased himself so that they might be exalted. This is the application. While his labor among them should have been worthy of financial support (1 Cor. 9:1; Gal. 6:6), to mute criticism, he had refused such. They were not moved by that act of benevolence. How was he sustained? By other churches. Corinth's neglect in this matter was "robbery," though Paul puts himself in the spotlight to soften the blow. The Corinthians had been freeloaders.

When he was with them, there were times when he was in need. But for expediency sake, he would not take advantage of them. Christians in Macedonia had helped in sustaining him (Phil. 4:15-16). But he had not solicited support from Corinth, nor would he. No one would alter his course; he proclaimed it by the truth of Christ resident in him (v. 10). Some apparently accused Paul of not loving them; otherwise he would have taken support. God knew better. His motive was supremely pure. But he would not provide an opening for those who were antagonistic to him (v. 12). The false teachers would like to be able to argue: "Paul takes support; so can we." He would not accommodate that situation.

The factious leaders were false apostles (not having been endowed by the Holy Spirit) (Acts 2; 9:17), and they peddled deceit. They fashioned themselves into apostles (not being constituted such by God), feigning identification with Christ (v.13). They were impostors who, like Simon of Samaria, were able to dupe the gullible. Their tribe lives on in modern-day

Pentecostal charlatan healers. Since Satan is able to appear in a deceptive form (the verb "fashions" suggests a characteristic activity). it is no small wonder that his servants are deceptive as well. But they will suffer punishment commensurate with their evil deeds (v. 15). No specific explanation or illustration is provided underlying Paul's statement about Satan, and speculation is useless.

(2 Cor. 11:16-21) Apostolic credentials: Paul continues his ironical reasoning. He would prefer they not consider him as foolish, lacking in common reasoning ability. But since they were inclined to do so, he will argue in that vein (v.1). He will glory (boast a bit, as fools normally do). He is not speaking as the Lord ideally would have him do, but from their own perception of him (v.17). Since many brag, he might as well himself (v.18). "You, who fancy yourselves as wise people, are delighted to listen to fools. This is evident from the fact that you yourselves tolerate the false teacher who enslaves you, exploits you, takes you captive, and even slaps your face. You charge that I am weak. Alright, tolerate me while I act weak. Since boasting is a weakness, permit me to brag on myself."

(2 Cor. 11:22-33) His sacrificial credibility: Paul begins by obviously referring to the Jewish culprits among his rivals. He touts his ancestry and tribulations, and challenges anyone to match them. He had a celebrated Hebrew pedigree (v.22; Phil. 3:4). "Are my faultfinders ministers of Christ? Let them produce their badges of dedication; here are mine." (a) He labored more abundantly than anyone (v.23). His career spanned some twelve thousand miles of travel. (b) He had been in different prisons (with others yet to come) and had been beaten mercilessly---with 195 stripes on five occasions (Gal. 6:17) from the Jews alone, and with rods by the Gentiles (Acts 16:22-23, 33). (c) He was stoned in Lystra (Acts 14:19). (d) Three times he had been in shipwrecks. Once he was a day and night in the water. This was before the harrowing adventure in Acts 27:1-28:15. (e) Eight times in v. 26 he uses the term perils (a dangerous encounter)---dangers of nature, dangers from men (both outside the church and within). (f) He had been exhausted, without sleep, deprived of food and water, without adequate clothes, and cold (2 Tim. 4:13, which was later. (g) In addition to the external trials, there was the mental stress, his anxiety regarding the churches (including this one!).

He did more that sympathize, he empathized. The former suggests feeling sorry for those in pain; the latter indicates feeling the pain with them. He felt the weaknesses of the weak; he grieved over those who stumbled (v.29). Since he was forced by the circumstances to boast, he would boast in the sources of his most persistent (the verbal force) weaknesses (v.30). How did he endure under such trials? By trusting in the God and Father of the Lord Jesus, who is eternally blessed. God knew that his apostle witnessed to the truth.

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...If a woman has long hair, it is a glory to her; for her hair is given to her for a covering. 2

1 CORINTHIANS 11:15

"Françoise" by Pablo Picasso (1946)

Turning soil

Prepping your soil for the demands of the growing season ahead is key to the success of your garden this year. You want to add in what might be lacking in your soil as your plants begin their growth. If the soil crumbles when you work it around in your hands, then it is ready to till; if it's sticky, it may be too wet. Use a soil testing kit to see what nutrients should be added to your soil, then work the needed amounts into the soil before planting. - Brenda Weaver

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The Silver is Given to Thee



John Burns
Opinion Columnist

In Esther chapter 3, Ahaseurus the king has agreed to let Haman kill all the Jews of the captivity in his realm. The pope in Rome not only provided money to Adolph Hitler for the extermination of the Jews, most European countries turned a blind eye to what was transpiring prior to the outbreak of war. Haman has convinced the advisors over Ahaseurus' 127 provinces to take part in the murders.

Haman requests money from Ahaseurus to carry out the plan in every corner of the empire. The priests were complicit in carrying out this conspiracy. Only Esther stood between Haman and the murder of her people. True believers in Messiah, hid Jews in the holocaust. 97% of the German army which carried out the holocaust was either Catholic or Lutheran.

Silent pulpits in America plagued our nation during the buildup to the events in Europe during the 1930's and 1940's. Harry Truman was vice president, and he said nothing about the persecution of Jews in Germany. He was also a seminary educated preacher out of the Baptist convention. Evil persists where righteous men say nothing!

The American ambassador to Germany prior to WW2 was none other than Roman Catholic bootlegger, Joe Kennedy. He advised FDR not to fret Hitler, he was only a fad. I wonder if Joe talked with the antisemitic pope before he came to this conclusion.

It was no coincidence that Catholics exacerbated the damage to Jews in Europe. Inquisitions begun in antiquity, migrated to the shores of Spain. Isabella and Ferdinand killed more Jews and Christians at the behest of Pope Urban. They provided the pope with a Spanish priest as an inquisitor. He was a Jesuit, and so is the current pope in Rome.

Thomas De Torquemada carried out the murder of innocent believers with ruthless precision. Every Catholic was required to tell on every citizen who did not submit to Rome as absolute authority over all things God. The Huguenots, the Lombards, and many other break-away sects were killed to the point of extinction. All following the pattern of Ahab and Jezebel in ancient Israel.

Murdering Jews and confiscating their property always occurs when pagan governments collapse. It will be no different for the Jews who have not returned to Israel, once the American man of lawlessness is revealed from within the western leg of the revived Roman empire. We are in the first Shmita cycle after the jubilee of 2016.

Is this the fulfillment of the Biblical pattern? Will the American economy collapse, plunging the world into the tribulation of the last days? We shall see very soon. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem and pray for America to return to the God of the Bible.

How we treat one Jewish messiah and king, determines everything about our future in Christ. The book of Esther is an abject lesson on how God views the covenant people, who went down into Egypt as a family and came out a nation. God has not replaced Israel with Christianity.

Ahaseurus has recognized the value of loyalty and truth

which births courage. He recognized Esther had profound faith in her God which made her painfully honest. He was used to dealing with advisors who all had something to gain, and she knew her predecessor was betrayed by these same men. Esther told the king truth and she did it in front of her enemies. This proves she trusted her husband and he trusted her. Esther is a picture of what American church was always meant to be.

Unwavering faith to the God of the Israelites of the Old Testament. Courage to tell our authorities the truth even when most of society is ok with easy lies. The loyalty to be willing to die for our testimony of saving faith in the Jesus Christ of the Bible, and having the mercy and grace of Ahaseurus and Esther. Judging only ourselves as we enquire of God for the courage to confront evil in any form.

Enter the man of God in Esther's life, Mordecai. His name has two ancient meanings. Little Man or worshipper of Mars. This may be an allusion to his Persian name given him, which was a custom when the king brings advisors into the court. To change their names to represent the Babylonian pantheon which revolved around the worship of the sun, the moon, and the twelve zodiacal star constellations of God's Mazzaroth.

Mordecai was a descendant of King Saul and Benjamin. This is the bloodline God labeled son of the right hand. Benjamite's have unwavering faith in God's relationship to the Jewish people, like Benjamin Netanyahu in Israel today. He will call out evil against the Jewish people regardless of personal attacks or opinions. He is fearless and so was Mordecai.

While Satan raised up Haman, God exalted little Mordecai. He gave him the wisdom to understand the ploy hatched to kill Ahaseurus at the hands of his guards. Ahaseurus never forgot it was he who saved the king, and in turn saved the Medo-Persian empire. This event was never far from Ahaseurus' mind.

When Esther is approached by Mordecai with this information, she immediately informed the king. Ahaseurus learned to trust Esther through truth and unwavering courage. The king of the known world trusted one Jewish advisor and we should learn to trust our Jewish King and exalt his people, Israel.

Our story progresses with Haman preparing to kill Mordecai, and Esther preparing to reveal the evil schemes of Haman at a dinner she caters in his honor. Incredible wisdom to uncover evil Haman in front of all the king's advisors and staff. Prophecy reveals that Esther's courage is needed in America as I pen these words. Pray for the Jewish people in America. He was crucified upon a cross of wood, yet he created the hill upon which it stood.

He is returning for his virgin bride very soon. John Burns 1-31-2022

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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.

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Around The World and Back Again

with Zack Ballinger



Zack Ballinger

Why You Need a LinkedIn Profile

When I speak at a college campus, there are a few key takeaways I want every student to comprehend. Whether the topic is job interviewing, career development, passion seeking, job networking, or changes in the workplace, I never escape without saying the same sentence: LinkedIn is the way of the future.

Everyone should have an updated profile on LinkedIn. "Why? Because it hosts more than 600 million professional profiles, which means nearly an unlimited supply of network connections and job opportunities. From seeking a new job to maintaining your personal brand, LinkedIn is an important part of being a full-fledged professional in any industry these days."

LinkedIn is a social media platform where you can connect to other like-minded professionals. LinkedIn isn't Facebook; you need to act professional and remember that what you post here reflects your own personal brand. You can display your skills and abilities through your professional profile.

LinkedIn has a lot of job postings everyday by their own system and recruiters. It's time to build, update, and get active on the LinkedIn platform. LinkedIn allows you to make professional connections with people in your current network, professionals within an industry, professionals within your own company, recruiters, and potentially people at a certain company that interests you.

I volunteer for LinkedIn. I enjoy helping people with their career and I am happy to help answer questions someone may have about a job or industry. It's crazy how many professionals don't respond once I reach out to them. LinkedIn connects me to about four or five professionals or students per week. I always send out a warm message that is the standard default message: "Hi Patrick, Excited to be connected with you on the Career Advice product. Would love to understand more about your background and how I can help. Looking forward to chatting soon."

I would estimate that one out of 30 actually respond. A small number reach out with a greeting and then fail to continue through with an actual conversation. I have been volunteering for about two years. I would say two people have continually remained a part of my network by using this platform. People should take advantage of the service.

There is really no excuse not to have a career mentor now that LinkedIn has changed the game. Do you want to be a computer

programmer? Wouldn't it be useful to connect and ask questions of a person in that industry? Do you want to own your own construction company? Wouldn't you benefit from having a mentor you could ask some business questions to prior to opening your business? Are you trying to change to a completely different career field and find yourself struggling to get your foot in the door? You can find someone in every industry to network with by using the Career Advice product on LinkedIn.

Make a change on your LinkedIn profile and you can vet through thousands of volunteer mentors with great experience in any industry. There's no excuse anymore for people to say, "I don't know anyone", or "I don't have a network or contacts." Because of the LinkedIn Career Advice product, there are no excuses for failing to network. It just takes effort and the willingness for you to do it.

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Did you know LinkedIn provides free mentors and they have a Career Advice product? If you are seeing mentors or advice, the free Career Advice product is a pretty remarkable resource. I actually am a Career Advice vol-



Scout Out Freezer Aisle to Save Time, Money

Life moves fast, and frozen foods have become indispensable for preparing healthy, quick and easy meals. It's possible to equate "quick and easy" with "bad for you" in the freezer aisle because there are many unhealthy options there. But as with all foods, use your common sense and read the nutrition labels, and you'll find healthy, nutritious food.

To be clear: I'm advocating for buying frozen ingredients to make meals rather than processed, ready-to-heat-and-eat meals in boxes. But I don't judge, I always have a frozen lasagna stashed in case of emergency.

Freezing vegetables, fruits, grains, lean meats and seafood preserves their peak nutrition for a long time. According to the Food and Drug Administration, frozen foods are safe to eat indefinitely. The taste may diminish, but the food will remain safe to eat if it stays frozen.

The best thing about frozen food is it saves you money and time. Many items are simply cheaper to buy frozen than fresh. Compared with their fresh counterparts, they're picked and processed at the height of ripeness, then frozen at their peak, sealing in nutrients and flavor. The shelf life is

longer, and availability is year-round. Plus, you must factor in your time. Many items are prewashed, pre-cut and ready to cook.

Here are the best bargains in the frozen-food section:

Fruits — Peak season for most fruit is fleeting. They're fragile in transport, then go bad quickly when you get them home. You can skip all that with frozen fruit, which can be used in smoothies, cobblers, muffins and more. Peaches stay summertime fresh, cherries and berries are available year-round, and mangos are cut and ready to eat.



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Berries on ice at a very nice price.

Seafood — We're supposed to eat more fish, but fresh fish is expensive. Fish that's flash frozen immediately after it's caught is economical. It can actually taste fresher than fish at the seafood counter (which likely was previously frozen anyway). Frozen shrimp is a bargain, as are mussels and scallops.

Vegetables — Comparing price per pound, frozen veggies frequently cost less than fresh. Plus, they're washed and pre-cut. Difficult to prepare veggies — like butternut squash, artichoke hearts or riced cauliflower — are a breeze when pre-cut. Frozen can

be healthier, too. For instance, fresh corn is often genetically modified, while many frozen varieties are non-GMO certified. But skip the veggies with sauce or cheese, as they're highly processed and loaded with calories.

Juice concentrates — Look at your carton of orange juice or lemonade; it probably says "from concentrate." Just buy that concentrate frozen for a fraction of the cost, mix it with water and you have the same thing, just cheaper!

Puff pastry — Here's the secret to a frugal and fabulous gourmet dessert anytime. Puff pastry takes expertise and hours to make, but the frozen stuff bakes up beautifully and makes you look like a rock star. Use it to make flaky tarts, turnovers or fancy desserts. Puff pastry also is great for savory dishes like hors d'oeuvres, cheese puffs or topping a chicken pot pie.

Potato products — The king of side dishes, frozen potatoes are a versatile, quick and easy way to add a wholesome foundation to so many meals. While fresh potatoes are even less expensive than frozen, turning them into dishes like hash browns and French fries is time-consuming. Fries make a sandwich into a meal, and hash browns make breakfast a special occasion. Why make tater tots from scratch when they're so inexpensive to buy?

So, let's chill out while we enjoy the convenience and savings of frozen food.

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David Zubler
Columnist

Congressional lawmakers pushing IRS for answers

Congressional lawmakers are pressing the IRS for answers concerning several issues, including the backlog of millions of unprocessed returns. The group includes Republicans and Democrats from both chambers.

The lawmakers have written to the IRS Commissioner Charles Rettig expressing their concerns about IRS issues.

“We remain concerned that the IRS does not have a comprehensive plan to remedy the numerous problems affecting taxpayers, despite the fact that this filing season is already well underway,” the lawmakers wrote.

The lawmakers want to determine which notices must be issued within a certain timeframe by law and why others still haven’t been suspended. The IRS temporarily stopped more than a dozen different types of automated letters, including some letters for unpaid taxes.

“For example, there is continued confusion about which notices may be unilaterally suspended by the IRS, beyond the notices the IRS has already suspended, among other issues,” the lawmakers said. Clarification has also been asked about the process for penalty abatement for 2020 and 2021 tax returns.

The lawmakers’ letters are supported by many organizations, including the National Association of Enrolled Agents, National Association of Tax Professionals and Association, and Association of International Certified Professional Accountants.

“Since the beginning of tax season, the AICPA, members of Congress, and various organizations representing taxpayers and practitioners have urged the IRS to take significant and meaningful steps to mitigate the anticipated challenges of this tax season,” said AICPA President and CEO Barry Melancon.

“The tax season is well underway, and we hope the IRS will heed the widespread calls for meaningful relief and take the necessary steps to ease taxpayers’ burden and frustration,” Melancon said.

The IRS processes about 12 million more individual returns a year than in 2011. However, the IRS full-time equivalent positions have been slashed from about 95,000 in 2011 to the current level of about 75,000. The reduced number of employees has crippled its ability to provide adequate taxpayer services.

The IRS plans to hire 10,000 workers eventually. The IRS will begin hiring 5,000 new employees in the next few months, which will help process more than 20 million unprocessed returns. Unfortunately, the new employees aren’t likely to help with processing the returns before the April 18 filing deadline.

Congress approved \$12.6 billion for the IRS 2022 budget, which will enable the IRS to hire more employees. The additional employees will improve tax return processing and allow the IRS to better meet taxpayer needs.

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SENIOR NEWS LINE

By Matilda Charles

Waiting Out COVID

An unscientific poll of senior friends and neighbors revealed just what we’ve accomplished during the past two years of this pandemic. The answer: not much.

Mostly, it seems, we’ve been waiting. Waiting for it to be safe to shop in person. Waiting for our clubs and meetings to start up again. Waiting for a visit from family across the country that has feared bringing COVID to our door. Waiting for all the vaccines and boosters to do what they were supposed to do. Waiting to be unafraid again.

In the beginning we were all for following the rules. We seniors are a tough bunch, and we know a lot. We have coping skills that got us through any number of crises life has thrown at us. But this pandemic has brought many of us to our knees. Each person in my hum-

ble survey could, when queried, point to the exact time when the tide turned in their mental health. It was the omicron variant and the additional vaccine booster, when it became apparent that COVID wasn’t going away soon.

For me, a daily to-do list has come in handy. On a sheet of paper I have two columns: one work, one play. In the work column there are household tasks such as doing one load of laundry. In the play column are things like wiping the dust off the piano and learning a new song each week.

On the back of the page are two more columns. One is a list of names, and somebody gets called every day. In the other column is an ever-lengthening list of things that are going right. This one is sometimes hard to fill out, but it gets done, even if it’s only notes like: Completed a crossword puzzle in seven minutes.

Try it. Make your lists, especially if you’ve felt yourself sinking under the weight of this never-ending pandemic.

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FLASHBACK

By Mick Harper

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1. Who released “Give a Little Bit,” and when?
 2. Which artist released “Love Is a Battlefield”?
 3. Who released “Yes Sir, I Can Boogie”?
 4. Why did Billy J. Kramer add the middle initial when he created his stage name?
 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: “This is the moment I’ve waited for, I can hear my heart singing, Soon bells will be ringing.”

Answers

1. Supertramp, in 1977. It first appeared on their “Even in the Quietest Moments ...” album and was later released as a single.
2. Pat Benatar, in 1984. The song netted Benatar a Grammy for Best Female Rock Vocal Performance, her fourth. The Grammys no longer separate by gender in this category.
3. Baccara, a Spanish flamenco dance duo, in 1977. The disco tune became a big hit in Europe and topped the charts in the U.K.
4. John Lennon told him to. The “J” was for Julian, Lennon’s son.
5. “Hawaiian Wedding Song,” by Andy Williams in 1958. The song was from the 1926 Hawaiian “Ke Kali Nei Au” (Waiting There for Thee). It was retitled and has been covered by numerous others, such as Elvis Presley in the 1961 film “Blue Hawaii.”

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 22

Together Morgan County will host the first meeting of GREATS at Morgan County Schools Central Office, Tuesday, March 22 from 6:00 – 7:30. GREATS, Guardians Raising Exceptional and Talented Students, is a newly organized program to provide support for relatives raising relatives. This is a totally free program. Together Morgan County

will provide a meal for the family along with some fun activities. Gus the Bus will be on site for the children to visit while the adults enjoy a round table discussion. There will be resource information and some give aways. Please share this event with those who might benefit from support. For more information, contact Sandra Helton @ heltons@mcsed.net.

Wednesday, March 30

A Staff member from the office of State Representative John Mark Windle will be in Morgan County on Wednesday, March 30, to assist with constituent claims and questions. John Robbins, field representative, will be at the Morgan County Court House from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Those needing assistance are encouraged to visit with Rep. Windle's assistant or phone (931) 879-1695.

April 5: Solid Waste Committee at 6 p.m. at the Road Department

American Legion Events

Friday, March 25

the Legion will be hosting a free chili dinner with all sorts of sides and desserts and are planning to have live music from the Chill Factor from 6:30 pm until 8:30pm. While this event is free to all, donations are always welcome and always appreciated.

Undated Events

Coalfield Genealogical and Historical Society Meets the second Tuesday of every month Senior Citizens Building at 6:00pm

March 22: Audit Committee at 6 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room

March 28: Back Tax Committee at 5 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room

March 29: Solid Waste Board at 6 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room

April 5: Road Committee at 5 p.m. at the Road Department

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Oakdale Middle School Lady Eagles Defeat Wartburg 5-4 in Tiebreaker

By Terry Futrell



The Oakdale Middle School Lady Eagles celebrate their 5-4 tiebreaker victory over Wartburg Central Middle School. [Photo by Terry Futrell]

In a strange afternoon of middle school softball, the Oakdale Lady Eagles defeated the Wartburg Central Lady Bulldogs 5-4 Monday in a game that concluded with a fifth-inning tiebreaker. While the temperature was in the 60s, melting snow surrounded the field and water stood in most of the outfield. Yet, the surroundings did not stop these two teams from putting forth their best and competing in a way that shows a bright future for Morgan County high school softball.

Wartburg led off in the top of the first with a single by Kaylee Ledford, then loaded the bases when Emma Davidson was hit by a pitch and Braylen Melton walked. With the bases loaded and two outs, Redmon grounded into a fielder's choice to retire the side with no score.

Paige Cook led off with a single for Oakdale, then scored on two errors by Wartburg. Emily Smith drew a walk and advanced when Ava Smith was hit by a pitch. With two outs, Emily Smith and Ava Smith both stole home on passed balls to give Oakdale a 3-0 lead after the first inning.

Wartburg again loaded the bases in the top of the second and scored two runs on walks before Landry Smith retired the side on a strikeout. Oakdale could not respond and did not reach base in the bottom of the second. Wartburg pitcher Maddy Hurst ended the inning with a strikeout. Oakdale led 3-2.

Wartburg put three players on base in the top of the third on an error, a walk, and a player hit by a pitch, but one runner was out attempting to steal second, and two runners were stranded on base when Ledford hit into a fielder's choice for the third out. Oakdale added an additional run in the

bottom of the third when Cook stole home to take a 4-2 lead.

Wartburg added a run in the top of the fourth when Melton hit a line drive triple to left field, scoring Maddie Grubb. Melton then scored on a passed ball. After Katelyn Moore led off with a single for Oakdale, Melton struck out two Oakdale batters and a third grounded out with the score tied 4-4 after four innings.

Faced with exceeding the game's time limit, the tiebreaker was implemented in which each team begins the next inning with a runner on second base. Wartburg was unable to advance their runner in the top of the fifth when the first three batters popped out, struck out, and grounded out. Oakdale placed Emma Snow on second, and she advanced to third on a wild pitch. Cook was out on a foul tip. Emily Smith then grounded into a fielder's choice, scoring Snow and ending the game with Oakdale taking a 5-4 victory.

Landry Smith pitched all five innings for Oakdale, giving up two hits and four runs while walking seven batters and recording seven strikeouts.

Maddy Hurst pitched just over two innings for Wartburg and gave up two hits and four runs while walking one batter and striking out four batters. Braylen Melton came on in relief in the third inning and gave up one hit and one run while walking one batter and striking out five batters.

Anderson Pitches No-Hitter to Kick Off Lady Bulldogs 2022 Season

By Terry Futrell

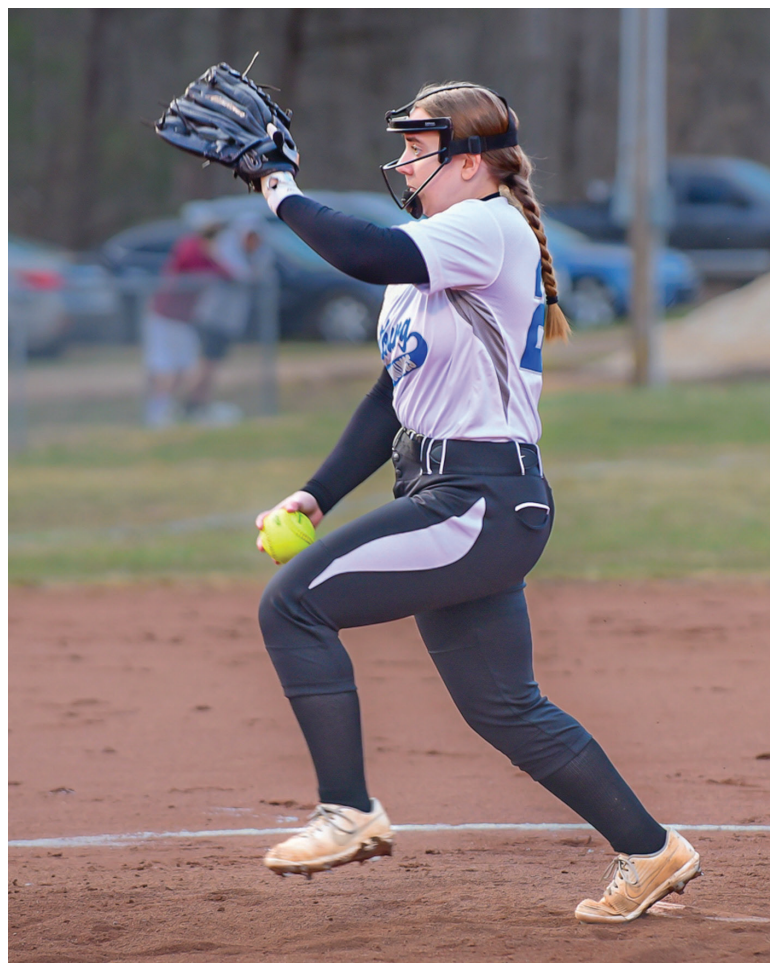
Imagine the pressure when your coach selects you as the starting pitcher in the first softball game of the season. This was the situation faced by Wartburg Central's Cassidy Anderson Tuesday evening as the Lady Bulldogs faced Rockwood in the first game of the 2022 official season. Nervous? She must have been, because Anderson hit the first Rockwood batter with her first pitch, putting a runner on first base. But from that point on, Anderson was

almost perfect, striking out nine of the remaining 13 batters she faced, and allowing no hits while walking no batters as she pitched the Lady Bulldogs to a 13-0 victory over the Rockwood Lady Tigers.

Anderson's teammates provided support by hitting Rockwood pitcher Haleigh Griffis for three doubles and eight singles in three innings. The Lady Bulldogs scored 13 runs on 11 hits, recording five walks, nine RBIs, and only three strikeouts. Kenna Bales hit two doubles and Caleigh Crouch added a double and a single. Kylie Francis, Jade Brooks, Cassidy Anderson, Madison Starkey, Lauren Young, and Maelee Hamby all hit singles for the Lady Bulldogs.

Lady Bulldog fielders did their part by making no errors in the game, compared to five errors for Rockwood.

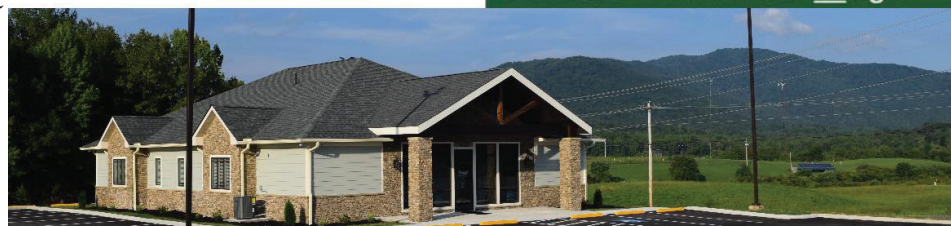
Wartburg scored four runs in the first inning, then added two more runs in the second. The Lady Bulldog offense exploded in the third inning with seven runs. Anderson retired Rockwood batters three-up, three-down in the top of the fourth inning with two strikeouts and a popup, sealing the 13-0 victory for Wartburg.



Wartburg Central pitcher Cassidy Anderson opened the 2022 season by pitching a no-hitter in the Lady Bulldogs 13-0 victory over Rockwood. Anderson also hit 2 for 3 at the plate. [Photo by Amy Redmon Stafford]



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Oakdale Names Softball Field in Honor of Former Coach Darlene Headrick

By Terry Futrell

Dynasty – it is not a word we throw around casually in the sports world, but one that truly describes the softball program developed at Oakdale High School during the years that Darlene Headrick coached from 1986-2003. In recognition of Headrick’s coaching achievements, Oakdale High School named their softball field “Darlene Headrick Field” in a ceremony held before the Oakdale versus Sunbright game on March 14, 2022.

Taking over a fledgling team that had existed for only two years, Headrick was faced with the formidable challenge of developing fundamental softball skills in her players and developing pitchers. This was a tough challenge for a coach who had never played a softball game and for many of her players who also had never played softball before. Headrick previously served as assistant coach for five years and head coach for one year at Victory Christian Academy in Jacksonville, Florida, but had never played on a softball team. There was no community youth softball program at Oakdale at the time, so Headrick was faced with a “green” crop of freshman players each year.

After seven years of development, Headrick’s teams established a remarkable record over the next ten years that exemplifies dynasty. Their accomplishments included:

- A 238-149 win-loss record
- Finishing in the top two in the district for 10 consecutive years – six district championships (1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999), and district runner-up four times (1994, 2000, 2001, 2002)
- Appearing in ten consecutive regional tournaments from 1993-2002 – three regional championships (1993, 1994, 1998), and regional runner-up four times (1995, 1996, 1997, 1999)
- Seven consecutive sub-state appearances from 1993-1999 – won the sub-state in 1998 and appeared in the state tournament

When asked what the most rewarding experience



Darlene Headrick displays the plaque that was presented to her at the ceremony naming the Oakdale softball field in her honor. The field’s new scoreboard with Headrick’s name appears in the background. [Photo by Terry Futrell]

was in her coaching career, Headrick was quick to respond, “Spending time with so many young ladies – close to 150 played for me during those years – spending time with them and watching them improve and compete.”

Headrick stated that her favorite memory was of the 1998 team going to the state tournament. The team won 21 games and beat several large AAA schools – it was an exciting season.

So, how does such an accomplished coach react to having the school’s softball field named after her? In typical Darlene Headrick fashion, she

gave all the credit to her former players, “It is a huge, huge honor, but the honor really belongs to all the girls who played. It is more than I deserve – they are the ones who deserve all the credit.”

Baseball and Softball Roundup

BASEBALL

Coalfield
 3/14 – Defeated York Institute 10-3
 3/15 – Lost to York Institute 0-3
 3/18 – Defeated Sunbright 20-1
 3/19 – Defeated Sunbright 19-0

Oakdale

3/14 – Defeated Oliver Springs 10-0
 3/15 – Defeated Oliver Springs 15-5
 3/17 – Defeated Fulton 10-0
 3/18 – Lost to Pickett County 3-4

Sunbright

3/14 – Defeated Clarkrange 8-7
 3/15 – Lost to Scott High 6-7
 3/18 – Lost to Coalfield 1-20
 3/19 – Lost to Coalfield 0-19

Wartburg Central

3/14 – Lost to Harriman 0-3
 3/15 – Lost to Harriman 4-5
 3/17 – Tied Scott High 5-5
 3/18 – Lost to Van Buren County 3-9

SOFTBALL

Coalfield
 3/15 – Lost to Karns 0-18
 3/18 – Clarkrange (Score not reported)

Oakdale

3/14 – Defeated Sunbright 10-5
 3/15 – Defeated Clarkrange 11-10

Sunbright

3/14 – Lost to Oakdale 5-10
 3/15 – Lost to Oneida 0-15

Wartburg Central

3/15 – Defeated Rockwood 13-0
 3/17 – Lost to Oneida 1-7
 3/17 – Lost to Oneida 1-3

Track and Field

By Tara England

The track and field team had their first meet of the season last night at York Institute. They competed against York Institute, Clarkrange High School, and Scott County High School. They had an amazing time and an amazing showing. The highlights from the evening were as follows:

Seniors:

Caleb Quinney from WCHS
 ---1st in 1600 meters
 ---1st as anchor of the 4x800 relay
 ---5th in 100 meters
 Noah Cox from WCHS
 ---1st as 3rd leg of 4x800 relay
 ---4th in 800 meters
 ---Personal best in Discus
 Charles Conner from WCHS had his personal best in the following
 ---400 meters
 ---Shot Put

Juniors:

Jonah Freels
 ---1st in Long Jump

---1st in 300 Hurdles
 ---1st as the lead leg of the 4x800 relay
 ---2nd in 100 meters
 Isaac Jones had his personal bests in the following
 ---100 meters
 ---200 meters
 ---Shot Put
 Nathan Ward had his personal bests in the following
 ---Discus
 ---Shot Put
 Kendra Massey
 ---3rd in 400 meters
 ---3rd in Shot Put

Sophomores:

Josh Nestle from Homeschool
 ---1st as the 2nd leg of the 4x800 relay
 ---4th in 300 Hurdles
 ---Personal best in Discus

Freshmen:

Kent England
 ---3rd in 400 meters
 ---Personal best in Discus
 Haylee Morgan from WCHS
 ---2nd in 300 Hurdles



Emerson Nichols as she begins the 400 meters and Kendra Massey in background as she just finished her 400 meter heat.

---Personal best in Discus
 Grant Carroll
 ---Big improvements in 300 Hurdles

8th Grader:

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Tax Map 108 Parcel 064.00
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SITUATED in the Fourth (4th) Civil District of Morgan County, Tennessee, and being more particularly described as follows, to wit: BEING Lot No. Forty-Three (43) in the Twin Lakes Estates as shown by plat duly recorded in the Register's Office of Morgan County, Tennessee, in Miscellaneous Book No. 11 at Page 215.

SUBJECT to the Restrictions but including the privileges as duly recorded in the Register's Office of Morgan County, Tennessee, in Miscellaneous Book 11 at Page 217-219.

TERMS OF SALE: Sale will be ten (10%) percent down on the day of the sale, balance due in full within thirty (30) days after confirmation of the Court. There will be a ten (10) day raised bid period. Bidders may register the day of the sale. If you have any questions regarding said property and sale, contact the Clerk & Master's Office at (423) 346-3881. The Clerk and Master does not make any representations or warranties regarding the accuracy of the above property description or title.

This the 18th day of February, 2022.
Christopher Cronk, Office of General Counsel, Division of TennCare
Scott A. Hodge, Administrator for the Estate

BY: ANGELA R. ANDERSON, CLERK & MASTER
Publish: March 15th, March 22nd, March 29th, & April 5th

IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR MORGAN COUNTY TENNESSEE

IN RE THE ADOPTION OF:)
BENTLEY EDWARD LEE WALTON)
DOB: 10/26/2020)

) Docket No. A-6-22

Non-Resident Notice

In this cause, it appearing from the Petition, which is sworn to, that the Respondent, Unknown and Unnamed Father, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee or whose whereabouts are unknown so that ordinary process cannot be served upon him. Said Respondent must file an Answer in the Chancery Court for Morgan County, Tennessee, and with Petitioners' attorney, Jennifer L. Chadwell, whose address is P.O. Box 4038, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831, within 30 days of the last date of publication or a Judgment by Default may be entered and the cause set for hearing ex parte as to Respondent. This notice will be published in the Morgan County Today for four consecutive weeks.

This the 16th day of Feb, 2022.

Attorney: Jennifer L. Chadwell

Entered this the 16 day of Feb, 2022

Frank V. Williams III
CHANCELLOR FRANK V. WILLIAMS III

APPROVED FOR ENTRY BY:

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TENNESSEE COLLEGE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY
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POSITION AVAILABLE
Machine Tool Technology Associate Instructor, Full-time

The Tennessee College of Applied Technology Oneida/Huntsville is accepting applications for the position of Machine Tool Technology Associate Instructor. This will be a day program taught five (5) days per week on the Huntsville campus located at 355 Scott High Drive, Huntsville, Tennessee.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Minimum of Associate degree or equivalent post-secondary diploma from an accredited technical training program in the related field; NIMS certifications are a plus
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- Indication of willingness to establish and maintain positive working relationships with students, staff, and business/industry personnel
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- Ensure compliance with all TBR, institutional, state, and federal requirements

Salary: Commensurate with Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology salary guidelines

*A criminal background check will be required for the selected applicant.

Application Deadline: Open until filled

Applications and Resumes should be submitted online at:
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TENNESSEE COLLEGE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY
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POSITION AVAILABLE
Maintenance Mechanic / Facilities Support Associate, Full-Time

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