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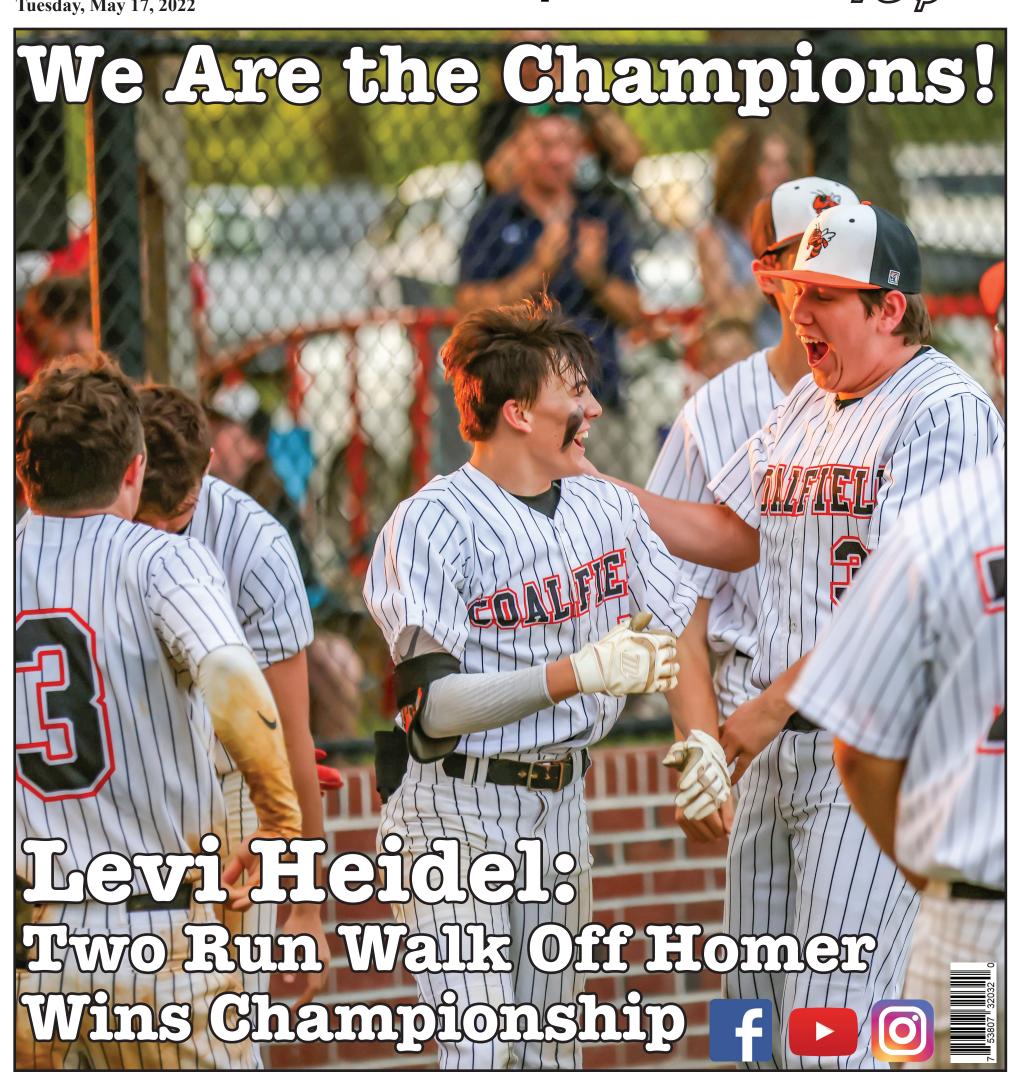
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Know what's below.

Call before you dig.

Ms. Avery Pearl
Pet Columnist

Mimi and I went outside. I stood frozen...something weird is going on. I hear Ricco but, he is no where in sight. I sniff the air. I smell him and I still can't see him.

Ricco's bark is strange. A bark that ive never heard. Ricco is in trouble. I took off. I flew like a flash to Ms Mary's door. She opens it and says Hello, Ms Avery Pearl.

Sorry Ms Mary, I have no time for pleasantries. Ricco is in trouble. I rushed passed her and scurried through her house. So sorry to be rude but, RICCO IS IN TROUBLE. He is nowhere to be found.

Keep barking Ricco, I'm coming! He wasn't in the house. I went passed Ms Mary and back out the door. Mimi apologized to Ms Mary for my bad manners. There I go, off Ms Mary's deck, continuing my search. I hurried through the yard and Mimi said to STOP! Stop, right there little girl! You know not to go to the road. I froze in my tracks and sounded the alarm.

I kept telling them that Ricco was in danger! Well, Mimi said to Ms Mary. Where's Ricco? Ms Mary said she hasn't saw him in a few minutes. Mimi told her that she could hear him bark.

Pet Perspective with Ms. Avery Pearl



Yes! Keep calling
Ricco! We can hear you. Ms
Mary finally said she could
barely hear him. We all
went from there, on a mission. Ricco is lost. We got to
the road. There was no cars.
I went to Ms Gloria's fence.
Ms Mary finally spots Ricco.
He was inside Ms Gloria's
locked gate! How did he get
in? How will we get him?

Poor little Ricco was trapped! He had to be hungry and thirsty. Ms Mary was so worried. We all looked around. Couldn't figure out how he got in and how will we get him out. Ms Mary finally stumbled on a tiny hole at the bottom of the fence.

Ricco could squeeze in but, not out of it. Well, Ms Mary is so smart. She figured out a way to hold it open just enough that Ricco squirmed his way back out of the hole!

Yay! He's FREE! Ricco is safe! Ms Mary was so happy. She kept saying Ms Avery Pearl saved Ricco! She says, that I am a hero.

Well, I don't know about all that. I am just glad that Ricco is back home and on the right side of the road and not trapped in that fence.

Don't worry, Mr Murphy. Ricco is just my friend. You are still my dog-feller and my heart only belongs to you.

For more of my Pet Perspectives go Like and Follow me on Facebook @ Ms Avery Pearl.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

6:00pm

SAVE THE DATE! Morgan County Chamber of Commerce will host our first Morgan County Small Business Symposium with Mike Eppler of Roane State Community College on Tuesday, May 17th at 5:30 pm at Historic Brushy Mountain State Pen. This event will serve as our May Meeting. All Businesses in Morgan County are invited to attend: please get the word out! We will learn about available tools and funding for our businesses and enjoy a great time of networking. Watch for more info and please go ahead and RSVP so that we can get a good dinner count for our Sponsors! RSVP to 423.346.5740 or chamber@morgancountytn.org

DLARMC CHANGE IN MEETING
The Deer Lodge Abner

Ross Center has changed its meeting date. We will now meet on the 3rd TUESDAY of the month at 6 PM. All are invited to attend.

A Staff member from the office of State Representative John Mark Windle will be in Morgan County on Wednesday, May 25, 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.

Undated Events

Coalfield Genealogical and Historical Society Meets the second Tuesday of every month Senior

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Citizens Building at Thursday of every month

at 7pm at the American

Legion in Wartburg

Morgan County Republican Party meets the last

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In Loving Memory

"Doughboy" David Wayne Edwards, 45

"Doughboy" David Wayne Edwards went home to be with the Lord on May 5, 2022. He was born February 28, 1977.

Doughboy was a kind hearted man, he would give anybody the shirt off his back. He always put his kids before anything. His love for his family and friends was never doubted. He loved animals, and music most of all. He loved fishing and pretty much all nature. He loved his cars "sometimes you gotta take a loss to make a gain", something he always said and went by.

He is preceded in death by his grandparent Leslie Edwards.

He is survived by his children Kalib Edwards, Traythan Edwards, JD Shore, Daylen Edwards, Davinity Edwards, Draven Edwards;

grandchild Delilah Edwards; wife Tiffany Edwards; mother Emma Edwards; father Archie & Roxie Edwards; grandmother Lucy Edwards and John & Leda Hawn; brother & sister Donna and "James" Woody, Bobby & Jennifer Edwards, Ray Edwards; niece & nephew Mercedes Rogers and McKenzey Woody and Oliver & Evelyn Edwards, and Camden Edwards.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg from 3:00-5:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 5:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Montgomery Cemetery in Wartburg.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of "Doughboy" David Wayne Ed-

Juanita McCormick, 88

Juanita McCormick, age 88, of McCormick; 1 brother Christo-Harriman passed away May 11, pher (Bud) McCormick; 1 spe-2022 at Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge. She was born May 29, 1933.

Juanita loved her family and spending time with them.

She is preceded in death by her father and mother John L. Mc-Cormick Sr & Grace Potter Mc-Cormick; 4 brothers August Mc-Cormick, George Correl, Rev. John L. McCormick, Jr. and Charles McCormick; significant ing. other Charles Swanders.

Hellena & Bob Nelson, Geneva ta McCormick.

cial brother-in-law Bob Nelson; 1 special niece-in-law Rebecca Nelson and a host of nieces, nephews and special friends.

The family will receive friends Saturday, May 14, 2022 at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg from 12-1:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 1:00 p.m. with Bro. Melvin Howard officiating. Interment will follow in the Potters Chapel Cemetery in Lanc-

Schubert Funeral Home is hon-She is survived by her 2 sisters ored to serve the family of Juani-

Thelma Jean Davidson, 86

Mrs. Thelma Jean Davidson, age 86 of Lancing passed away Friday, May 13, 2022 at the Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge. She enjoyed reading and watching game shows on TV and John Wayne Movies. Most of all being with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and family. She was preceded in death by her husband IJ Davidson.

Surviving are her children: Shirley (Jerry) Gooch Daniel (Carol) Davidson Charles (Jacquelyn) Davidson

Several grandchildren and great-grandchildren

The family will receive friends on Monday, May 16, 2022 from 11am -1 pm Schubert Funeral Home, Wartburg. Funeral services will follow at 1 pm with Bro. Jeff Dyer officiating. Interment will follow in the Smither Cemetery, Robins, TN

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Thelma Jean Davidson.



Ronnie Bertram

Ronnie Bertram passed away Thursday, May 12, 2022 at Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge. Formerly of Sunbright, Tennessee, Ronnie was the son of the late B.J. and Cassie Bertram and brother of the late Sam A. Bertram. After graduation from Sunbright School, Ronnie served in the U.S. Army. After his discharge, he settled in Channahon, Illinois where he married the now deceased Margaret (Peggy) McCoy Bertram and worked for Caterpillar until his retirement. He relocated to Oliver Springs, Tennessee in 2004.

Ronnie loved sports and coached football for many years in both little league and at the junior college level. He loved telling stories of his glory days when he played both basketball and football for the Sunbright Tigers and could still be found there on Friday nights walking the side lines. He loved to cut grass, chew on cigars, and drive fast.

Ronnie is survived by wife Wilma Gosnell; his children, Ronda Scherer (Chris) and Roger Bertram (Dee) both of Illinois, grandsons Nathan and Branden Sherer, Scott Degrace, and granddaughter Lynze Stapleton. Other relatives include Wilma's daughters, Jami Puckett and Paige King (Randy) and grandsons Hayden and Dillon King and Andrew Puckett.

Visitation will be from 4-6 p.m., Monday, May 16, 2022, at Schubert Funeral Home in Sunbright. Service will be at six at the funeral home with interment immediately following at Sunbright Cemetery. Brother Robbie Leach of Beech Park Baptist Church will officiate.

Thank you to the many friends and family who have contacted and offered prayer for the family. We all rest in the peace of our Savior assured that we will see Ronnie again one day

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Ronnie Bertram.

Diana Lynn Jackson

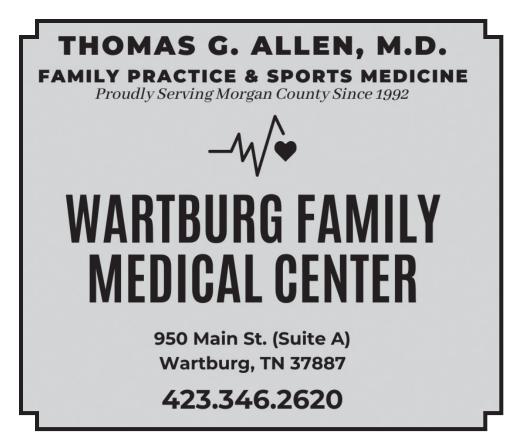
Diana Lynn Jackson, of Wartburg passed away on Saturday, May 14, 2022, at her home surrounded by her family. She was preceded in death by her parents Father; Ralph Wannamaker, Mother; Amelia Hopwood, Brother; Harry Wannamaker.

She is survived by her Fiancé, Johnny Mac Hamby Daughters Angela Ralston and husband James Webb **Heather Myers** Son; Michael Lynch Grandchildren: Jacob, Emily, Lynn Jackson.

and Colton Raiston, Owen Beasley, Matthew Jackson, Terry "Bean" and Ivy Craft, Leightyn and Givliana Pratt Sisters: Kathy Brautigam, Brenda Wright, Mary Ackhart Brother: Ralph Wannamaker. Stepchildren: Johnny Hamby, Regina Hamby, Angela Keyes, Danielle Craft and Nicole Pratt Special Friends: Jerry and Vicky Jones and Jason Rogers.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Diana

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





Sandra Helton's weekly column

Oakdale Area News

email: kvhelton@highland.net



Commencement for the Oakdale High School Class of 2022 will be Friday, May 20 at 7:00. Baccalaureate will be Wednesday, May 18 at 7:00.

May 25 will be an administrative day for Morgan County teachers and the last day of school will be May 26 with schools dismissing at 11:30.

Oakdale Public Library will have BINGO for adults tomorrow, May 18 from 10:30 - 11:30.

The 2022 EAGLE dedication was held Monday, May 9. Zackery Manis, who would have graduated this year, was honored by his school by having the yearbook dedicated in his memory. Some of Zack's family was present for the dedication. Zack will forever be loved by his family, friends and classmates.

Oakdale Preschool Hour met last Tuesday at Oakdale Park. Thanks to Kith and Kin Acres who presented a rabbit program for the children. Mrs. Courtney explained a lot about the rabbits and then let them hold the young rabbits and lead the older rabbit around with a leash. Everyone had a lot of fun.

First Baptist Oakdale will have their 5th Sunday night singing on May 29 with White Oak Trio and Josh Banken singing.

Piney Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School beginning Sunday, June 5 with family night on Friday, June 10. All ages are welcome. Supper will be at 6:00 each evening and classes will begin at 6:45.

First Baptist Oakdale will have Vacation Bible School June 13-17. Time to be announced.

Mt. Vernal Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School June 13-17 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. for ages Pre K – High School.

White Oak Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School July 11-15 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. for preschooler - High School.

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Pine Orchard Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School July 18 – 22 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. for ages 3 - High School.

Condolences to the family and friends of David Newberry who passed way Thursday, May 12. He is survived by his wife Tammy, son and daughter in law Curtis and Debbie Newberry and daughter and son in law Sherry and Kenneth Burgess. He is also survived by his grandsons Joshua and Jacob Newberry, his brothers Johnny and Archie and a host of other family members. Funeral services were held Monday, May 16 and a graveside service are today, Tuesday, May 17 at 12:00 p.m. at Old Mt. Pisgah Cemetery in Rockwood.

Let's continue to pray for all graduates as they embark on new chapters of their lives. Pray for those who have lost loved ones and are dealing with grief. Pray for the sick and their caregivers. Pray for our missionaries. Pray for our churches and pastors, our homes and families, our country and our leaders and pray for the lost.

"Some people could be given an entire field of roses and only see the thorns in it. Others could be given a single weed and only see the wildflower in it. Perception is a key component to gratitude. And gratitude a key component to joy." - Amy Weatherly

A nation that is afraid to let its people judge the truth and falsehood in an open market is a nation that is afraid of its people."

~John F. Kennedy~

Joe Biden's DHS just created a "Disinformation Governance Board" reminiscent of Orwell's "Ministry of Truth" in the book 1984. DHS Secretary Mayorkas said this board will target "disinformation and misinformation," with a focus on elections...In 2018, Jankowicz, the new "Minister of Truth" told Congress that social media giants should reprogram people's behavior at the demands of government!

Any surprise that this is happening just in time for the midterm elections? Are you paying attention yet?



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Tom Redmon Columnist

When You Love Your Job Putnam Sr. High, Cookeville 1967-72

In my 33 years of teaching and administration in public schools I have never tried to be popular. As a matter-of-fact I have never strived for popularity in anything I

have done in life. In teaching I tried to give the students what they would need in life to be better citizens and learn enough of the subject matter, not only to pass a test but to take out into life things they would use to expand their knowledge, get a better job and continue their education in college if they so desired.

Even though the above is true I have been popular at several places where I taught. The biggest surprise for me was in Cookeville, TN. I was hired there in 1967 and most of my college

education was obtained in this town. I had started my teaching career at Deer Lodge in the fall of 1962 and moved to Wartburg Elementary in October 1965. In 1966 we moved to Cookeville so I could complete my college degree. When I got my B.S. I was lucky enough to be hired at the Putnam Sr. High. I always had the feeling that college towns had better schools and could get the top-of-the-line teachers.

To tell you the truth I wondered if I could teach there and be successful.

There were other new teachers there at the Senior High in 1967. Most of them no doubt had a better grade point average than I did. I would have to really work hard to make it here.

The first few weeks went well. I had good lesson plans and I was satisfied with how the students responded in class. My first quiz was good.

The principal Bill May saw me at one of our football games and said that the president of the Cookeville Kiwanis Club would like to see me. He introduced me to him and what he wanted was for me to sponsored the Key Club at the high school. It would be a new club that would be a younger brother of the Circle K Club at Tennessee Tech. I took the club and we had forty members. The boys elected Mark Dryer, President one of the best leaders in high school that I had ever seen or would ever see. I really enjoyed our community and school programs and 1967-68 turned out to be my best school year ever. Our club made the news abut as much as the undefeated football team did. I also sponsored the student

congress.

Wanda, my wife and I joined the First Baptist Church and I was asked to teach the high school level boys. A little later I joined a country-gospel band and my name was getting known in Cookeville. On top of that I was working on my

master's degree at Tennessee Tech. Whether I wanted to become popular or not I was. We purchased a house in a good section of town.

One of the first indications I was liked in Putnam County was when a man who worked for the county approached me. He said, "Redmon, here you come in here from a little county in East Tennessee and in no time, you are popular, and moving up in education. We have some here who have worked hard for years and they can't get recognized. It isn't right." I told him "I wasn't looking for popularity. I love my job and I really love the students here and what I do is mostly for them."

To make it worse in 1969 I was chosen as the young educator of the year. I tried to refuse the honor but Jim Lame of the Cookeville J.C.'s wouldn't accept it. He said, "I have talked to other teachers, students, your principle and parents and they all say Tommy Redmon."

The school board chairman told me I was in line for the principle's job at the Jr. High School. The trouble is I loved teaching and I didn't want the principal job.

I stayed at the Putnam County High School for five years and my popularity was still there when I left. We had lost our good principle and a Colonel Norwood had taken over. He called me into the office one day and I knew right away what he wanted but become of his army rank he hated to ask a little private (so to speak) how I had good discipline and was so well liked. He was having

trouble and a lot of the students didn't have respect for him. One hit him with a snow ball when he crossed the campus. I tried to give him advice but I don't think he accepted it. I said, Colonel Norwood you are no longer in the army. You need to be one of us. These students here are some of the best you'll find. Ease up and smell the roses.

One day in class one of my students asked me if he could talk to me after class. I said, "why sure I always make time

for students."

We sat down and the first thing he said was "Mr. Redmon you might not like this." He said, I work in the lunchroom at Tennessee Tech. I don't think she can get college students to work anymore. I asked him, "Who was the lunchroom supervisor and he said "Ms. White, and she didn't think much of you when you worked for her." I said that's strange she never called me down or told me that I wasn't doing a good job. What is her problem? The student said, "she doesn't understand why you are so popular here." You go back and read Terry Futrell's article about his first year of college when he worked in the lunchroom at the University of Tennessee. He had a supervisor who was like Ms. White, or maybe worse.

For sure I didn't like Ms. White but I never did talk about her to any other workers. She would stand at the end of the line where students would pay for their lunch and see if they got one pea or bean too many. She never smiled or cared if we were having a problem in our classes or at home.

I thought about going to see Ms. White, but then I thought I didn't want to bring one of my students into this and maybe lose his job. I guessed she would be retiring soon and I hoped and prayed she has some better days in her retirement. My days at PSHS and Cookeville sure were good ones and I smiled a lot.

Ms. White if you are still out there, wake up and smell the roses. Some of us love our jobs and it really makes a difference in life.

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Veteran of the Week

Specialist Fourth Class (Sp4c) Raymond Richard "Buzzer" Wright served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was assigned to Company A, 3D Battalion, 60TH Infantry, 9TH Infantry Division.

On September 19, 1968 Sp4c Wright was presented with the Medal of Honor at the White House by President Lyndon B. Johnson for his heroic and fearless actions in combat on May 2, 1967 in Vietnam.

His Medal of Honor citation reads: For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty. While serving as a rifleman with Company A, Sp4c. Wright distinguished himself during a combat patrol in an area where an enemy ambush had occurred earlier. Sp4c. Wright's unit suddenly came under intense automatic-weapons and small-arms fire from an enemy bunker system protected by numerous snipers in nearby trees. Despite the heavy enemy fire, Sp4c. Wright and another soldier leaped to the top of a dike to assault the position. Armed with a rifle and several grenades, he and his comrade exposed themselves to intense fire from the bunkers as they charged the nearest one. Sp4c. Wright raced to the bunker, threw in a grenade, killing its occupant. The two soldiers then ran through a hail of fire to a second bunker. While his comrade covered him with his machine gun, Sp4c. Wright charged the bunker and succeed-



ed in killing its occupant with a grenade. A third bunker contained an automatic rifleman who had pinned down much of the friendly platoon. While his comrade again covered him with machine-gun fire, Sp4c. Wright charged in and killed the enemy rifleman with a grenade. The two soldiers worked their way through the remaining bunkers, knocking out four of them. Throughout their furious assault, Sp4c. Wright and his comrade had been almost continuously exposed to intense sniper fire from the treeline as the enemy desperately sought to stop their attack. Overcoming stubborn resistance from

the bunker system, the men advanced into the treeline, forcing the snipers to retreat, giving immediate chase, and driving the enemy away from the friendly unit so that it advanced across the open area without further casualty. When his ammunition was exhausted, Sp4c. Wright returned to his unit to assist in the evacuation of the wounded. This two-man assault had driven an enemy platoon from a well-prepared position, accounted for numerous enemy casualties, and averted further friendly casualties. Sp4c. Wright's extraordinary heroism, courage, and indomitable fighting spirit saved the lives of many of his comrades and inflicted serious damage on the enemy. His acts were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself and the U.S. Army.

Law Enforcement Officer of the Week

Deputy Sheriff Robert Adam Howard of the Harris County Sheriff's Office, Texas died on May 11, 2022 after his patrol vehicle clipped the back of a semi trailer that was parked on the shoulder of a highway in Houston, Texas.

Harris County Sheriff Ed Gonzalez said Deputy Robert Adam Howard, was a member of the gang unit and was getting ready to begin an operation when he hit the semitrailer.

Sheriff Gonzalez said, "Deputy Howard was funny and outgoing, in addition to being a workhorse. Our hearts are broken."



A second Harris County Sheriff's Office Deputy who was riding a motorcycle was injured while escorting Howard to the hospital, but Gonzalez said that deputy was in fair condition and expected to be OK. He did not have details on how that deputy was injured.

Deputy Howard was only twenty-seven-yearsold, and is survived by his wife, two children, parents, and sister.

Wreath Laying Ceremony at Sunbright Veterans Memorial

A wreath laying ceremony, honoring all Veterans, will be conducted at Sunbright, Tennessee on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.. This ceremony will be con-

ducted by members of the "Run For The Wall" Veterans organization. It will be held at the Veterans Memorial constructed by the vision of Mr. Charles Webb and other members of the community.

This ceremony is one of four scheduled in Tennessee including Parker's Crossroads National Cemetery, Lebanon Veterans Memorial, and Knoxville Veterans Memorial. The mission of RFTW is to promote healing among all Veterans and their families and friends, to call for an accounting of all

Prisoners of War and the Missing in Action (POW/MIA), to honor the memory of those Killed in Action (KIA) from all wars, and to support our military person-



gest organized motorcycle ride of its kind

I am honored to have the opportunity to

assist with the organization of this ceremony continuing the mission of RFTW iN Sunbright, TN. Please make plans to attend. For please information please visit our website www.RFTW.us or email me at ed.butler@rftw.us

Submitted by Ed Butler, TN Assistant State Coor-

dinator with RFTW

in the world.

nel all over the world. RFTW participants ride from California to Washington, DC with this being the 32nd year completing this mission. RFTW is the largest and lon-

NOW HERE'S A TIP

By JoAnn Derson

- * Need a patch for old woodwork? Try mixing paint (whatever color you're using) and flour. Make a paste, fill in the holes and let dry. It's hard like cement, and can be sanded into shape if necessary.
- * Use baking soda to scrub away stuck-on food on your arill. Sprinkle it on the metal brush, and scrub away. If your grate is beyond the power of fire and baking soda, remove it and lay it on the ground on some newspaper. Spray with oven cleaner and let sit (keep pets and kids away from it). Rinse with a garden hose and replace on the grill.
- * When you get near the end of a roll of paper towels, save it to put in your car. Put together a kit with the following items: a small bottle of Windex or other cleaner, a squeeze bottle of water, some wet wipes and the short roll of paper towels. Now you'll always be ready for a quick on-the-road cleanup.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- * During World War II, French actress/dancer Leslie Caron's wealthy family suffered such severe financial reversals that she was once forced to make shoes out of her grandmother's opera gloves.
- * Until 1937, it was illegal for men to be topless in the U.S., even on beaches.
- * Is there a "junk drawer" in your house? If so, you're in good company, as a whopping 80% of Americans have at least one, but the average household actually boasts three. The most common items found in these catchalls are super glue (57%), writing utensils (also 57%) and duct tape (51%). What's in yours?

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- * Gary Kremen, the founder of Match.com, one of the world's largest and most popular online dating websites, lost his girlfriend to a guy she met on Match.com.
- * The origin of the phrase "in the limelight" comes from the early days of theater, when spotlights were produced by directing a flame at calcium oxide, or quicklime.
- * In 1922, Americans consumed around 1,000,000 Eskimo Pies a day, which not only hiked up the cost of cocoa beans by 50%, but also single-handedly lifted Ecuador's economy out of a depression.
- * According to the market research firm Euromonitor International, worldwide chewing gum sales have declined by 15% since 2007, the same

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- * "I have a plastic cup that changes color when the drink is hot. Oddly enough, it changes at the perfect temperature for my baby's bath. So, I fill the tub and toss in the cup. When the cup starts to change back to its original color (blue), I know the bathwater is not too hot." -- P. in Idaho
- * "To remove muffins or rolls from a pan, set it on an old, damp towel for a minute. The steam must loosen the bottoms, because they just slide right out. I thank my mom for this tip." -- Janey R. via e-mail
- * Sprinkle baby powder in dish gloves to help them slide on in an instant.

Send your tips to Now Here's a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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year that the iPhone came out. The firm attributed the decrease to consumers distracted by their phones in checkout lines, where most gum purchases are made.

- * Ichiro Suzuki, baseball's all-time hits leader, learned Spanish solely for the purpose of trash-talking opponents.
- * An "endling" is a term used for the last animal of an entire species. When an endling dies, the species is considered extinct.

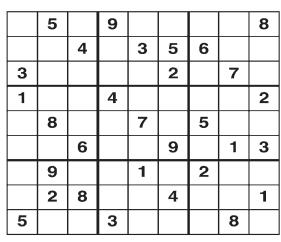
Thought for the Day: "Respect your efforts, respect yourself. Self-respect leads to self-discipline. When you have both firmly under your belt, that's real power." -- Clint Eastwood

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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- 1 Battery fluid 5 Sandwich
- meat 8 Barks
- 12 Leaf
- 13 Out limb
- 14 Ganges wrap 15 Warner -
- 16 Naughtiness
- 18 Flashing disco light
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- cousin 21 Legal wrong
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- bowlful
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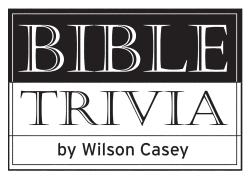
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.



- 1. Is the book of Ezra in the Old Testament, New Testament or neither?
- 2. From Galatians 5:22-23, the fruit of the Spirit is made up of how many traits? 3, 4, 9, 12
- 3. Which son of David had been drinking much wine when he was killed? *Amnon, Kileab, Absalom, Shephatiah*
- 4. From Psalms 114, what do mountains skip like? *Rocks, Children, Rams, Stars*
- 5. Who was the mother of Samuel? *Deborah, Rachel, Sarai, Hannah*
- 6. In Judges 15, who prayed for a drink of water? *Elijah, Jeremiah, Samson, Ezekiel*

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) 9; 3) Amnon; 4) Rams; 5) Hannah; 6) Samson

"Test Your Bible Knowledge," a book with 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in stores and online.

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by Healthy Exchanges

Chicken Fricassee

My grandmother could make something out of nothing ... and often had to! She ran a boarding house during the Great Depression, and she was well-known as a great cook. This is a healthier (and easier) version of one of my favorites.

- 16 ounces skinned and boned uncooked chicken breasts, cut into 4 pieces
- 1½ cups frozen sliced carrots, thawed
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
 1 (10¾-ounce) can reduced-fat
 and -sodium cream of chicken
 soup
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/2 teaspoon dried marjoram
- 2 teaspoons dried parsley flakes
- 1. Spray a pressure cooker container with butter-flavored cooking spray. Evenly place chicken pieces in prepared container and cook uncovered over medium heat for 4 minutes on each side. Sprinkle carrots, celery and onion over chicken.
- 2. In a small bowl, combine chicken soup, water, marjoram and parsley. Pour soup mixture evenly over top. Cover and bring to low pressure. Lower heat to stabilize pressure and cook 12 minutes.
- 3. Remove from heat, wait for pressure to be released, remove cover and stir. For each serving, place 1 piece of chicken on a plate and evenly spoon about 1/2 cup vegetable mixture next to it. Makes 4 servings. Freezes well.
- Each serving equals: 192 calories, 4g fat, 25g protein, 14g carb., 405mg sodium, 2g fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 3 Meat, 1 Vegetable, 1/2 Starch.
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FROM THE PARTY THAT WANTS TO ERADICATE DISINFORMATION



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps





"Take one of these before each meal,

THE RICH LOWRY COLUMN

By Rich Lowry

Scalia Was Right -- Again

Justice Antonin Scalia was among the most prescient Supreme Court justices in American history, and the firestorm over the leak of Justice Samuel Alito's draft opinion overturning Roe is a reminder of it.

In Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania v. Casey, the 1992 Supreme Court decision upholding (and amending) Roe v. Wade, the justices in the majority believed that they could settle once and for all the dispute over abortion.

Scalia thought this was outlandishly wrongheaded and said so in a dissent that looks farsighted 30 years later. Not only did the Court fail to calm the political waters on abortion, it made itself central to the political and moral argument over the issue.

If there's any doubt about that, consider the security fencing reminiscent of the days after January 6 that is now going up around the Supreme Court building. Consider the left-wing group planning protests at the homes of conservative justices. Consider the proposal from Sen. John Cornyn of Texas that justices get 24/7 security details.

It's extraordinary that now, at the very least, the whiff of physical intimidation is part of the Court's deliberations on Roe. Scalia might be surprised by that, but not that abortion has remained a point of contention over the decades, despite the Court's preposterous belief that it could make itself the final arbiter.

In his dissent in Casey, Scalia analogized the Court's jurisprudence on abortion to its decision in Dred Scott v. Sandford, the notorious 1857 case in which the Court denied the petition of a slave named Dred Scott for freedom.

The Court issued a sweeping decision, declaring unconstitutional the Missouri Compromise of 1820 that had banned slavery north of latitude 36 degrees 30' in the Louisiana Purchase. It did this, in part, because it thought it could forge a settlement on slavery that had eluded the political branches.

Instead, the Chief Justice Roger Taney made himself infamous for a decision that, like Roe and Casey, was wrongly decided, that entrenched and extended a profound social wrong, that short-circuited democratic decision-making, and that utterly failed to create political and social peace.

The decision was immediately excoriated by opponents of slavery in the harshest possible terms. They called into question its legitimacy and indeed the legitimacy of the Court itself. Serious and sober-minded men like Abraham Lincoln and William Seward advanced conspiracy theories for how the Court could have arrived at such an atrocious place. (There were indeed improprieties around the Court's deliberations.)

Scalia invoked a portrait of Roger Taney at Harvard Law School by the great painter Emanuel Leutze in 1859. "He sits," Scalia wrote, "facing the viewer and staring straight out. There seems to be on his face, and in his deep-set eyes, an expression of profound sadness and disillusionment." Scalia imagined him despairing at what his ambitious ruling in Dred Scott had wrought and warned the Court against making the same mistake again.

"It is no more realistic for us in this litigation than it was for him in that," Scalia noted, "to think that an issue of the sort they both involved -- an issue involving life and death, freedom and subjugation -- can be 'speedily and finally settled' by the Supreme Court ..."

Rather, Scalia argued, "By foreclosing all democratic outlet for the deep passions this issue arouses, by banishing the issue from the political forum that gives all participants, even the losers, the satisfaction of a fair hearing and an honest fight, by continuing the imposition of a rigid national rule instead of allowing for regional differences, the court merely prolongs and intensifies the anguish.

"We should get out of this area," he urged, "where we have no right to be, and where we do neither ourselves nor the country any good by remaining."

The Court should have listened to Scalia the first time. Now, Alito's opinion opens the way for it, after one of the most catastrophic misadventures in its history, to finally heed his wisdom. Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2021 by King Features Synd., Inc.

Donna's Day Creative family fun

by Donna Erickson

Give Jars in Bloom to Thank a Teacher

As the school year winds down, it's time to show appreciation to a special teacher. Here's a springy idea: Arrange a casual bouquet of flowers with offshoots of your child's creativity.



Kids can show their creativity by decorating glass jars.

First, choose some flowers and greens, such as hosta leaves and herbs for fragrance from your garden, or purchase a bouquet at your market. Let your child trim the stems, loosely arrange the blooms and greens in his hand, and then head for the recycle bin.

The perfect "vase" for the blooms

just may be lurking behind a milk carton. I'm thinking pint-size pasta-sauce jars, but any glass pickle, mayonnaise or fruit jar makes a casual and charming "jar in bloom." Simply wash with soapy water, remove the label, tie twine around the rim, and set the bouquet inside. Add some water and a card, and it's ready to give.

It's also fun for kids to decorate and personalize the jars before adding the flowers. Here are some handmade arty ideas using nontoxic paint pens, ribbon, wire, beads or anything that catches your child's attention in your craft box.

• Compose a jingle or rhyme about the teacher receiving the bouquet and write it on the jar with paint pens. Tie ribbon around the rim and thread a few small beads near the ends of the ribbon to dangle on the jar.

• Use acrylic paints to paint designs or images of the teachers' favorite things.

• Simply write a thank-you greeting directly on the jar with paint pens, and then finish it off with copper wire twisted around the neck of the bottle several times. Arrange a curly willow branch and two or three flowers in the modern vase.

EXTRA IDEA: Painted and decorated jars make attractive containers for displaying kids' summer camp and vacation nature finds. Write the place and date directly on the jar with paint pens and fill with pretty rocks from a lake in Wisconsin, mini pinecones from a woodland walk in Oregon, or sand from a beach in Florida.

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VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

Second Chances for Incarcerated Veterans

We recently had Second Chance Month, courtesy of a presidential proclamation. Its goal was to "provide meaningful redemption and rehabilitation for formerly imprisoned persons." It requires, per the proclamation, a holistic approach that eliminates long sentences, and provides job and education training during incarceration plus opportunities to enter the workforce after release.

What that means for veterans is that the Department of Veterans Affairs is taking action to help vets rejoin society after they've been in prison. In a mutual help program, the Bureau of Prisons, the Social Security Administration and VA benefits will work to ensure that the VA is notified within 30 days of release.

Help for imprisoned veterans includes:

- -- Expanding outreach into prisons to let veterans know about the services they can use and hook up with while still in prison.
- -- A web-based program that prison staff can use to identify veterans

who will need VA services when they get out. The prison staff will need the veteran's name, Social Security number, date of birth and so on to access the site: Veterans Reentry Search Service.

-- Finding "justice-involved" veterans (through outreach by specialists) and encouraging them to access VA services. Those can include pre-release assessments and links to care for social, mental, medical and employment services.

To learn more about the health care services available to veterans released from prison, check the VA website at www. va.gov/homeless/reentry.asp. Scroll down to watch videos about supporting and assisting incarcerated veterans, second chances for incarcerated veterans and suicide prevention. Further down the page are email links for the specialists in each state.

Once they're released from prison, veterans are at risk for homelessness, death from drug overdoses and suicide. Per a U.S. Sentencing Commission study, 67% of incarcerated veterans had mental health problems, and 55% had served in a combat zone. Of those, 41% reported post-traumatic stress and 67% had used illegal substances ... yet 62% had separated from the service with an honorable discharge.

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Historically Speaking History of the Oak Ridge Country Club, Part 2

By Ray Smith - Oak Ridge City Historian

As we continue the history of one of Oak Ridge's historical icons, the Oak Ridge Country Club, Dub Shults, Ward Foster and George Courville brings us the rest of the story. As you will recall, the club started in 1947 and quickly grew into a well-established golf course, but "borrowing" of AEC equipment eventually caught up with the early enthusiasts.

"The club bought the land in the mid-1950s when the AEC began to sell government property to the citizens. Prudential Insurance Company loaned us the

money. The transaction wasn't exactly straightforward, however. Before we could purchase the land, we had to pay AEC a rental fee of \$9,000 for the use of that motorized equipment that we "borrowed" during construction of the second nine. (Don't you just know there is more to this story than is being told – Ray)

"Prudential supplied that money also. The swimming pool was added shortly after we purchased the land and a few years later, the tennis courts and squash

court were built. The course matured into a nice, but not plush venue, pretty and fun to play.

"Many celebrities have played here, including touring pros Patty Berg, Mason Rudolph, J. C. Goosie, Joe Campbell, Sam Snead, and Arnold Palmer. We were rather proud of newly rebuilt greens when Arnold Palmer played an exhibition round here but were brought back to earth when he remarked that we "have a nice course but it needs new greens."

"Today, the Oak Ridge Country Club is represented by Professional Golf Association's Touring Pro Troy Matteson who learned his trade here and Scott Stallings who was Club Champion before turning pro and joining the Hooter's Tour. In November and December of 2009, Scott played well enough in the PGA Qualifying Tournament to earn his player's card for the Nationwide Tour of 2010.

"By the 1990s, the course needed more than new greens...it needed renovation. Robert Cupp, a premier golf course architect, was hired to redesign and renovate the course. Several plans were developed and proposed to the membership. Ultimately, the current course design was selected because it retained the flavor of the old course and yet is enjoyable to golfers of all skill levels.

"The course was closed in April 1995 for major renovation and construction. Holes were re-routed; greens were enlarged and rebuilt, mounding was added, sand bunkers were enlarged in size and number, cart paths were widened, roughs

were sculpted of fescue, multiple tees were added, and fairways were sprigged with zoysia. The sprigging of zoysia fairways was an experiment at the time, and it proved to be quite successful for us.

"Construction lasted sixteen months, during which time members continued to pay monthly dues. Many members also volunteered for a Beautification Committee that worked to enhance the natural beauty of the "new" course. The renovated course while still rough but promising reopened for play on July 12, 1996. Under the leadership and care of Superintendent Guy Hudson, ORCC's golf course matured into one of the foremost golf facilities in East Tennessee.

"The new course layout is a 6,836-



R. E. "Rabbit" Grove, Mickey Mantle, Tom Pace III, Al Tucker, Ray McKenry and John Greer (Photo Submitted)

yard championship venue featuring large bent grass greens, numerous sand bunkers, and tees that will accommodate various skill levels. The course's ambience is both beautiful and pristine. (Another example of an Oak Ridge historic treasure that many of us take for granted, but is rarely found in other communities – Ray)

"As mentioned above, the original clubhouse was the result of a merger between volunteer effort and surplus buildings. It nevertheless grew into a large facility with most of the amenities needed for its place as the leading social venue in Oak Ridge. It was a dynamic place, with restaurant, bars, meeting rooms, dance floor with bandstand, and deck overlooking the pool. Social events were regular affairs. The one thing that the clubhouse lacked was operating efficiency.

"Largely because of that operating inefficiency and the age of the facility, the club decided to replace it with a totally new clubhouse in 1984. The new one would be much smaller, with fewer amenities, and much more cost efficient in operation.

"The old clubhouse was demolished to provide a prominent location for its replacement. Clubhouse operations moved into a mobile home near No. 1 tee during construction. The second clubhouse served the membership with little change until 2007. At that time, a total remodeling and renovation was undertaken.

"On January 23, 2006, the Oak Ridge Country Club sold some 175 acres of land west of the golf course to a local real estate developer. Proceeds from that sale enabled a much-needed and complete renovation of the clubhouse. The work was undertaken promptly in order to avoid capital gains tax on the proceeds of the land sale.

"The membership celebrated completion of its second "new" clubhouse in April 2009, marking the fact that once again the Oak Ridge Country Club had a clubhouse comparable in quality and function with its golf course.

"Over the years, the Oak Ridge Country Club has been fortunate to have a series of exceptional golf professionals since the club's beginning in 1947. These men have played a large part in the

success of the club. They are listed here along with their terms of service.

	1947-49	Bernard
	Beasley	
a to	1950-52	Jake
	Burchfield	
	1952-82	R. E.
	("Rabbit") Grove	
	1983-84	Chuck
	Furbee	
	1985-99	Richard
	("Rich") Spraker	
1122	2000-03	Chris Cox
	2004-09	Richard
("Ric	h") Spraker	
	2009-	Barrett Tanner

"Three Charter Members remain today: Phil Marlino (Inactive), Ward Foster (Honorary), and Jake Horton. Jake continues to be an active golfer, playing or practicing almost daily, and participating in East Tennessee Seniors Golf Association events.

That concludes the history as provided by Dub Shults and written by Dub, Ward Foster and George Courville. I hope you have enjoyed learning more about the historic Oak Ridge Country Club.

Members of the club include golfers from Oak Ridge, Knoxville, Kingston, Clinton, Farragut, Maryville, and Alcoa. The golf course is well known and has cooperated with many organizations over the years to hold golf tournaments there. I have personally been involved in the United Way golf tournaments and found the club to be most helpful to our efforts to raise money for United Way agencies.



Sualim

Carol Hall Author

A King's Ransom: Chapter 7

Bronwyn didn't know how long she had sat there crying when an indistinct sound caught her attention. Straining her ears, she listened.

The sound was faint. Like someone softly humming.

"Hello?" she called out, keeping her voice low. "Is someone there?"

"It's ok," came a higher pitched male voice. "Stop your crying now. It's going to be ok."

"Who's there?" Bronwyn asked, a little fearful.
The voice sounded close. She hadn't realized there was someone else in the dungeon besides her and Alys. She hadn't noticed any of the other cells having an occupant.

"The name's Nicodemus," came the voice out of the

darkness. "What's your name?"

Bronwyn got to her knees and scooted her way over to the adjoining cell. Squinting her eyes, she strained to see inside the cavernous enclosure. Searching for any sign of movement, or any indication that someone was in there, she called out weakly. "Are you in there?"

"I'm here," the voice responded.

Sounds in the dungeon seemed to echo from all different directions. It was difficult to say where the voice was coming from.

"Where are you?" Bronwyn asked. "I can't see you."

"I'm here," came the reply. "In the cell next to you."

"Can you see me?" Bronwyn asked.

"No," the voice said. "I cannot. But I heard you crying."

"I'm sorry," Bronwyn said, sitting back on her haunches. "I didn't mean to disturb you."

She crawled back to her corner and leaned her head on the wall.

"It's quite alright," the voice said. "I just wanted to offer you some comfort. Do you want to talk?"

"Who are you?" Bronwyn asked again.

"I told you, I'm Nicodemus," he said, patiently. "And you are?"

"Bronwyn," Bronwyn replied.

"Hello Bronwyn," Nicodemus said, politely. "It's good to meet you."

You too, Nicodemus," Bronwyn said, halfheartedly. She wasn't in the mood to talk. Especially to someone she couldn't even see. But it was somewhat comforting knowing she wasn't alone down here.

"I saw you come in," Nicodemus said. "It's nice to have a fellow dungeon-mate again. It gets very lonely down here."

"I didn't see you in there when I passed by earlier," Bronwyn said. "Were you sitting in the corner?"

"Yes," Nicodemus said. "I prefer to stay out of sight when the guards are around"

"Why is that?" Bronwyn asked, her curiosity piqued.

"Because I don't want to draw attention to myself," Nicodemus replied. "If they knew I was still here, they might have me done away with."

"Oh," Bronwyn said. "How long have you been down here?"

"Oh my, let's see," Nicodemus said. "I guess it's going on ten years now."

"Are you blind like Alys?" Bronwyn asked. "Is that why you can't see me?" "I don't think so, but I honestly don't know," he responded. "I can see when the

lantern is turned up more, so I supposed my eyesight is still intact."

Bronwyn glanced over at the lantern whose wick was only protruding from

the base about an inch. "Does Alys turn the lantern up very often?" she asked. "It wouldn't seem so gloomy if it was a bit brighter in here."

"She hasn't for a couple of years now," Nicodemus said sadly. "Since she can't see very well, it makes no difference to her. She's only given so much oil to use each month. If she runs out, then it's no light at all for the rest of us. She tries to use as little as possible to make it last."

An icy chill raced up Bronwyn's spine. "I don't ever want to find out what it's like when there's no light down here," she said. "I couldn't imagine sitting down here in total darkness. I'd go mad!"

"It's only happened once since I've been down here," Nicodemus said. "It lasted for several days. It was like being in a tomb. I couldn't see any of my arms or legs in front of me."

Bronwyn pondered his statement for a moment. Any of my arms or legs? How many arms and legs did he have? She thought it was a strange way to say it. Shaking it off as him being stuck in this place for too long, and maybe having lost some of his sensibilities, she decided not to question it.

"Bronwyn?" he asked. "What do you look like? I only got a glimpse of you when you passed by."

"I'm kind of short, with red hair," she answered him. "What do you look like?"

"I have black hair, but I'm considered quite large by most folks," Nicodemus said.

Bronwyn began to imagine a tall, strong, dark haired man. Her dream man, perhaps? The only thing off was his rather high voice. It didn't seem to fit the image. "How old are you Nicodemus?" she asked.

"I don't really know," he said, sounding puzzled.

"You don't know how old you are?" she asked, dumbfounded. "How can you not know? How old were you when you were brought down here?"

"I...uh...wasn't exactly brought down here," he said, hesitantly. "I was born down here."

"Wait...I thought you said you've been down here for ten years," Bronwyn reminded him. "So, you're telling me you're only ten years old?"

"Um...," he said. "Well..."

Bronwyn waited for him to finish, but he didn't.

"Nicodemus?" she called out. "Are you still there?"

No response.

"Nicodemus?"

Still, no response.

Feeling aggravated at his sudden departure from the conversation, she huffed out a breath and leaned back into her corner.

Huddled up on the pile of straw, she suddenly felt so alone. She missed her mother. She missed her home in the village.

Curling up on her side, she cried herself to sleep.

"Rise and shine!"

The sing-song voice floated through Bronwyn's sleep fogged mind.

"Get up, Bronwyn," it called to her. "Breakfast is coming."

Bronwyn blinked several times trying to figure out if the voice was real, or just part of her dream.

"GET UP!" it shouted close to her ear.

Jerking to a seated position, Bronwyn looked around her to see who had yelled in her ear. No one was there. She must have imagined it.

Stretching her arms over her head, she gave a loud yawn. When she closed her mouth, it felt like it was filled with cotton. Smacking her lips together, she tried to moisten the roof of her mouth to prevent her tongue from sticking to it. She realized at that moment she had not had a single thing to eat or drink since the day before

"Hungry?"

Spinning around, she looked for whoever was speaking to her, but saw no one. "Who's there?" she demanded.

At that moment, she heard Alys's scuffling approach in the distance.

Getting to her feet, she walked up to the bars and saw the shadowy figure of the girl as she rounded the corner carrying a small tray.

"Good morning," Alys said when she was within hearing range. She walked over and set the tray on the table next to the lantern. Picking up a small bowl and cup from the tray, she slowly made her way over to Bronwyn's cell.

"Breakfast," she said, as she slid the bowl through the bars, followed by the cup. Bronwyn took the offered items. "What is this?" she asked, looking down into the bowl. The gray mash looked unappetizing.

"It's oatmeal, or so I'm told," Alys said. "It's what's served every morning."

Bronwyn lifted the offensive slop to her nose and sniffed. It sure didn't smell like oatmeal, but she was hungry. Tentatively tipping the bowl to her lips, she let the slimy concoction slide down her throat. "Argh," she gagged. "That's horrible!"

"Better get used to it," Nicodemus said from somewhere indiscernible.

"So you decided to talk again, huh?" Bronwyn asked him, testily.

"So, I see you've met Nicodemus," Alys said.

"Sort of," Bronwyn snorted. "I was trying to have a conversation with him last night when he decided to clam up and stop talking."

"I'll have you know," Nicodemus said, a pout in his voice. "That you asked me a question I didn't have an answer for."

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"You didn't have an answer for?" Bronwyn asked, not sure where to direct her question. "I asked you how old you are. That's not a hard question."

Alys snickered.

"What's so funny?" Bronwyn demanded.

"Nicodemus doesn't count age the way we do," Alys said, still smiling. "So, for him, that is a tough question."

"Am I missing something?" Bronwyn asked.

"Nicodemus, maybe you need to come introduce yourself to Bronwyn," Alys suggested. "Properly, this time."

"Oh, Alys," he sniffed. "I...I'm not sure that's a good idea."

His voice now seemed to be coming from somewhere overhead.

"Come on, now," Alys said, coaxingly. "If you're going to be stuck down here together, you're going to have to get to know one another."

"But...but what if she doesn't like me?" Nicodemus whined. This time his voice was coming from over near Alys.

Bronwyn watched in confusion as Alys leaned toward the bars and whispered in

a low voice. "She'll like you just fine. Give her a chance."
"Who are you talking to?" Bronwyn asked. "I thought Nicodemus was in the

cell next to mine?"

"Nicodemus lives in the cell next to yours, but he's free to roam around any-

where down here he wants," Alys said. "He's sitting on the bars in front of me right now."

Bronwyn dropped the bowl she was still holding and approached Alys suspicionally. Here was a light in a said the bowl she was still the result as a said to be said to be said.

ciously. Her eyes scanned the bars, but with the poor lighting, all she could see was Alys.

"I don't see anyone, but you!" Bronwyn said, accusingly. "I think you've gone stone crazy being down here for so long. There's no one here but you and me!"

"I assure you, I'm not crazy," Alys said, not sounding the slightest bit offended. "I may be sick and almost blind, but I'm not mad."

"It's true," Nicodemus said, his voice now coming from his own cell again. "You're the one who was screaming in my ear earlier, aren't you?" Bronwyn asked. "Since you're able to move so freely from place to place, it had to be you!"

"Yes," Nicodemus said. "I figured you'd want to be awake when breakfast rrived."

"ENOUGH!" Bronwyn shouted, "What's...going...on...here?"

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Columnist

Recently my uncle found an old cigar box and inside was a typewritten note with 1929 as the title. The note contained the following

Michael Nance typewritten text that was obviously a eulogy to a very special person.

The note is as follows with no edits of any kind:

1929 On the morning of July 3 Jimmie Bales left home well

and happy, as usual not thinking of the aful fate that awaited him, or that he was leaving his dear home that he loved so well and took so much pride in for the last time. He went to Nemo to his work as a section hand, worked all day on returning home from his work that evening, he stopped at the river and went in swimming and met his aful fate. It seemed impossible to be

avoided, as his two companions Walter McCormick and

Claude Brown neither one could swim any better than Jimmie. When they made the alarm it was too late life had done expired in three hours later the body was recovered and carried home where the sad scene and great loss was witnessed by his Mother and many friends. Jimmie was 21 years

A Note Titled 1929

old never spent a night away from home in all his life and never gave his Mother and Father a moment of anxiety nor never one sassy word. Always worked and spent his money for the home and family this community mourns his loss as well as his loved ones do. We have very few boys like him. Brother Specard spoke so well of Jimmie saying he had been in his meetings many times and had never disturbed him

away. We pray that God will dwell in the hearts of his loved ones and in the home and that they will prepare to meet him in a better world, and that he will comfort them and help them to see the brighter side. Brother Specard of Madisonville and Rev. Luther Clark of Harriman officiated saying many things of the helpful sweet life that Jimmie lived and how he preached his own funeral by his daily

walk and the many good deeds he done and with kindness to everybody. His grief-stricken Father Mother and Sisters have the tenderest sympathy of all this community. Jimmie was laid to rest in the Wartburg Cemetery on the evening of July 6 May God help us all to prepare to meet Jimmie in a better world.

(By Those Who Loved Him)

If anyone is a relative or knows any more about this note or story, please

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even once. Some time back he professed faith in Christ and we feel sure knowing Jimmie as we do that God don't turn such boys away. Dear Jimmie how we all miss you, but we feel you were too good to stay here or our dear Father who doeth all things well would not have taken you



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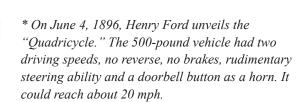


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by Gary Kopervas



MOMENTS IN TIME

* On May 30, 1593, playwright Christopher

Marlowe's activities as a spy for the queen.

as marking the end of the Civil War.

* On June 2, 1865, Confederate Gen. Edmund Kirby Smith, commander of Confederate forces west of the Mississippi, signs surrender terms offered by Union negotiators. The event is regarded

Marlowe, 29, is killed in a brawl. He was nearly denied his master's degree in 1587, until advisers to Queen Elizabeth intervened, referring to his services for the state. Historians later documented

The History Channel

- * On May 31, 1929, Ford Motor Company signs an agreement to produce cars in the Soviet Union. In return, the USSR agreed to buy 72,000 unassembled Ford cars and trucks and all spare parts required over the following nine years.
- * On June 5, 1933, the United States goes off the gold standard, in which currency is backed by gold. All gold coins, gold bullion and gold certificates were to be turned over to the Federal Reserve for the set price of \$20.67 per ounce.
- * On June 1, 1942, a Polish underground newspaper makes public the news of the gassing of tens of thousands of Jews at Chelmno, a Nazi-operated death camp, as told by a young Jew, Emanuel Ringelblum, who escaped after being forced to bury bodies at the camp.
- * On June 3, 1956, in Santa Cruz, California, city authorities announced a total ban on rock and roll at public gatherings, calling the music "detrimental to both the health and morals of our youth and community." Similar bans were enacted in Asbury Park, New Jersey, and in San Antonio, Texas, where the city council was fearful of "undesirable elements."

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Out on a Limb



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland





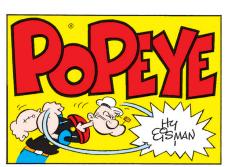
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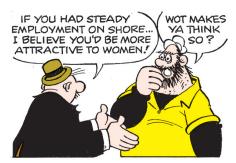


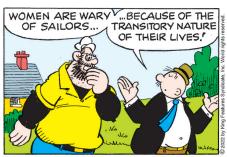






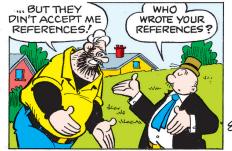


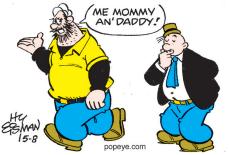
















MCTA to host Tennessee **Mountain Laurel Festival** May 20-21, 2022

Wartburg, Tennessee – The Mountain Laurel is calling and you must come! Springhasth Anniversaryof the sprung on the Cumberland Plateau and planning is underway for the 7 region's highly anticipated Tennessee Mountain Laurel Festival to be heldMay 20-21ontheCourthouse Square in Wartburg, Tennessee. Sponsored by the Morgan CountyTourismAlliance, the Festival has events and activities for people of all ages and interests.

Hike MoCo is organizing the Tennessee Mountain Laurel Festival Hiking Marathonintheweeks leading up to the festival weekend, beginning March 19. Participants haveuntil May21 to complete the miles needed to qualify for the level of participation they select (halfmarathon, full marathon or ultra marathon). An award will be given to thehiker who completes the most miles and all hikers who sign up by April 15 will receiveat-shirt. Therewillalso be a separate photography contest.

The weekend festivities begin on Friday May 20 at 6 PM on the CourthouseSquarewiththeMoCo Mutts Pet Parade followed by a concert by the Southern Steel Bandfrom7-9PM, concluding with a fireworks display by The Brushy Mountain Group. 2nd Annual Tennessee Mountain Laurel Festival 5KRidge

Saturday's activities kick off with the 2 Run. The run begins and ends at the Morgan County Visitor Center, 3804 MorganCountyHighway in Wartburg. Registration and runner packet pick up can be madeonsitebeginning at 7 AM. The race will begin promptly at 8 AM. For online registration, visit www. runsignup.com.

On Saturday, the Courthouse Square and surrounding streets will be packedwithvendors, food trucks and games and activities, including corn

hole, putt putt golf, kids gamesandanew Water Spray Tunnel to cool off. A favorite from last year, ChattanoogaHelicopter Tourswill be offering helicopter rides throughout the day. The Silent Auction has awidevarietyofitems to bid on for purchase. Live musical performances will be held throughout theday. The 62 Ale Trail which consists of the county's three breweries (MoCo BrewingProject, LillyPad Hopyard Brewery and The Beer Barn) will host a beer tasting at the MoCoBrewingProject, 513 Court Street across from the Courthouse beginning at 10 AM. HistoricRugby, Incwill be offering a Tea Tasting with Scones at the Historic Tanner Cafe from 11 AMto 2PM.

They will also bring their antique printing press and you can print your very own2022Tennessee Mountain Laurel Souvenir T-shirt onsite. The Historic Tanners Cafewill alsobe serving ice cream and tours of the newly restored building.

The Tennessee Mountain Laurel Car Show will be held on the square from 10 AMto5PM. Register your car or come view those on display.

We invite you to come and experience this year's Tennessee Mountain Laurel Festival. Gototnmlf.com for more information and we hope to see you here!

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Customer Service Supervisor Highland Telephone Coop., Inc.

JOB TITLE: Customer Service Supervisor

DEPARTMENT: Management

SUPERVISOR:

Highland Telephone Cooperative, Inc., is a provider of local and long-distance telephone service, broadband access, and

GENERAL JOB DESCRIPTION

Customer Service Supervisor is responsible for the day-to-day supervision of CSRs in three locations, as well as responsible for achieving sales, customer service satisfaction and retention goals

MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITES

Achieving sales, customer service satisfaction and retention goals, Proactively leads HTC's transition from "regulated

MINOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Develop, employ, and drive sales plans and teams that meet or exceed sales goals. Implement customer service standardization to ensure all offices are working as one unit. Develop a "Refuse to Lose" mindset to meet customer satisfaction and retention goals. Ensure customers have an outstanding experience both on the phone and in person.

Implement customer service standardization to ensure all offices are working as one unit Identify and present areas for improvement including pricing, bundles, and services

Implement Company's transformation strategy
Optimize workflow/process to maximize both human and system resources

Develop and implement metrics to continuously improve performance and identify tools or training requirements. Develop and implement communication strategy and plan to ensure all employees are informed as needed. Communicate daily CSR goals and monitor individual work performance toward those goals.

Implement sales forecast/reporting for both new and add on sales.

Must be able to work at any HTC location providing support and training.

Assist in selection process and training of new hires and employees transitioning into new CSR positions.

Conducts regularly scheduled department meetings. Occasional travel may be required for meetings and training classes held at another location.

Requisitions CSR materials and supplies as needed

Set up and work at various regional fairs, etc. Performs all other related duties as assigned by management. *

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE JOB

Education

B. S. degree in Business or similar field or equivalent work experience

5+ years of management experience; Telephony experience not a must, but preferred

KEY COMPETENCIES

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Excellent interpersonal and customer service skills
- Excellent sales and customer service skills.
- Excellent organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Excellent time management skills with a proven ability to meet deadlines.
- Strong analytical and critical thinking skills.
- Strong supervisory and leadership skills
- Ability to prioritize tasks and to delegate them when appropriate.
- Ability to function well in a high-paced and at times stressful environment.
- Proficient with Microsoft Office Suite or related software

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Prolonged periods of sitting at a desk and working on a computer

Must be able to lift fifteen pounds at times.

*These tasks do not meet the Americans with Disabilities Act definition of essential job functions and are usually less than 5% of time. However, these tasks still constitute important performance aspects of the job.

INVITATION TO BID

Morgan County Trustee's Office is accepting bids for the following

- 1 Metal Office Desk
- 1 Computer Desk
- 2 Filing Cabinets

Other Specifications are available at Morgan County Trustee's Office In Wartburg, Tennessee or by Contacting Cindi Jones (423)346-3430. Sealed bids should be delivered to Morgan County Trustee's Office P.O. Box 189 and should be identified as "Used Office Furniture Bid". Bid Opening will be Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Trustee's Office of the Morgan County Courthouse in Wartburg, Tennessee. Morgan County reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Morgan County does not discriminate based on race, color, or national Origin in federal and state sponsored programs, Pursuit to Tiltle VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d)



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The Morgan County Highway Department will receive sealed annual bids for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Products must meet all state specifications and be able to comply with all state regulations. ANNUAL BID must be printed on the outside of the envelope on bid. The Morgan County Highway Department is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate. More information can be obtained from the Highway Department office at 3519 Morgan County Highway Wartburg, TN from 7am-5pm, Monday through Thursday. You may also contact us by phone at 423-346-6661.

Sealed bids will be publicly opened on June 15, 2022 at 10am on the following categories: **Asphalt-Hot Mix Emulsified Asphalt Corrugated Metal Pipe Crushed Stone Road Striping** Salt

***The Morgan County Highway Department reserved the right to reject any and all bids. ***

> Joe H. Miller Jr. **Superintendent of Highways Morgan County**







David Zubler Columnist

IRS Destroyed 30 million paper tax documents

A recent audit by the Treasury Inspector General of Tax Administration (TIGTA) discovered that the IRS intentionally decided to destroy taxpayers' documents. An estimated 30 million paper-filed information return documents were destroyed in March 2021.

TIGTA said the IRS destroyed the documents due to its inability to catch up on its backlog of paper-filed returns.

The audit was conducted to determine the reason for the IRS's continued inability to process the

backlog of paper-filed tax returns.

The audit does not claim that 1040 income tax forms from taxpayers were destroyed. However, it reported that informational forms that support the tax filing were destroyed.

Some of the common information forms include W-2, 1099, and 1098, among others. These documents are used by the IRS to conduct post-processing compliance matches to identify taxpayers who do not accurately report their income.

The documents provide information that helps the IRS's Automated Underreporter Program identify people who are not accurately reporting their income. The IRS told TIGTA that when the tax year ends, the information returns such as the various types of Form 1099 can no longer be processed due to system limitations. The system used to process the information returns is taken offline in order to program updates for the following tax season.

As a result of the supporting information being destroyed, the IRS will likely be missing many of the documents required to accurately screen for the accuracy of returns. Additionally, the IRS may be lacking the material it needs for tax audits. However, the IRS can request taxpayers provide copies of documents used to support their income tax returns. Consequently, you could be required to send doc-

SENIOR NEWS LINE

By Matilda Charles

Prepare to Age in Place? Been There, Done That

I read an article the other day encouraging seniors to make plans to age in place. Aging in place means to stay in our own homes as we get older so we can maintain our independence.

Planning for it means making whatever changes are necessary to ensure that our homes are safe. Planning also can include surrounding ourselves with a network of people and services for support.

My first thought was ... that's what we've been doing for the past two years, and we certainly didn't have time to plan for it before COVID sent us all into lockdown. Yet here we are ... we survived.

And how did we do that? We created our own little support networks, mostly by phone

since our meetings were canceled. We checked in with each other when the store finally stocked long-missing items. We baked and left cookies on the porches of those we knew would appreciate them.

We learned Zoom and other online video conference programs so we could have face-to-face meeting with family and friends.

We beefed up our computer skills, at least enough to enable us to place to-go grocery orders at the store or arrange for delivery and to make purchases that Amazon could bring to our door. We roamed YouTube in search of exercise videos for seniors and took free classes of all types.

We took up the scatter rugs that could cause trips and falls because we knew that the EMTs who came to our rescue would be leery of COVID and come through the door fully outfitted in biohazard suits.

We dared to ask questions and learned that the library will deliver books and the pharmacy will mail prescriptions.

All in all, we survived our forced aging in place just fine. We seniors are a tough bunch.

uments to the IRS that you have already provided. The IRS request for these documents can cause huge delays in processing tax returns.

Many tax professionals are extremely upset about the IRS destruction of information. "If they're not putting those into the system, there's going to be discrepancies, which means potential notices that are sent out," said Dan Herron, a certified financial planner and CPA with Elemental Wealth Advisors.

The new TIGTA report stated that the IRS continues to receive large volumes of paper-filed tax and information returns, which require additional costs to process each year. The IRS spent more than \$226 million processing paper-filed tax returns.

Erin Collins of the National Taxpayer Advocate formally directed the IRS to take immediate steps toward implementing existing scanning technology to process paper returns. "Over the past year, the IRS has not made progress in reducing its backlog," Collins said in the directive.

The National Taxpayer Advocate is required by statute to submit a year-end report to Congress that makes administrative recommendations to resolve taxpayer problems. The IRS has taken the position that it is not required to respond directly to them. The National Taxpayer Advocate believes the IRS is required by law to provide direct responses.

David Zubler is a tax accountant and Enrolled Agent in East Tennessee representing clients before the IRS and has over 25 years of tax experience. He is the author of four tax books and is the founder and president of Your Tax Care. The company provides business and tax education to the public at its website, YourTaxCare.com. David can be reached at (865) 363-3019 or contacted by email at zublerdavid@gmail.com.

FLASHBACK

By Mick Harper

- 1. Name the artist who released "You're the First, the Last, My Everything."
- 2. Which group released "Riders on the Storm"?
- 3. How did Beatle Paul McCartney come up with the lyric "Ob-la-di, ob-la-da"?
- 4. Who released "I Hear a Symphony"?
- 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "And then it happened, It took me by surprise, I knew that you felt it too, By the look in your eyes."

Answers

- 1. Barry White, in 1974. The songwriters had penned it as "You're My First, You're My Last, My In-Between." White changed the title and lyrics and released it as disco.
- 2. The Doors, in 1971. It was the last song that singer Jim Morrison released before his death at age 27.
- 3. His Nigerian drummer friend answered a question with the phrase, "Ob-la-di, ob-la-da, life goes on, brah." The Beatles released the song in 1968.
- 4. The Supremes, in 1965.
- 5. "This Magic Moment," by the Drifters in 1960, followed by Jay and the Americans in 1968. Lead singer Jay was "Jay Black," who had been born David Blatt but agreed to legally change his name after the originator of the group, John "Jay" Traynor, left. In 2006, John "Jay" Reincke appeared, the third Jay.

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Around The World and Back Again

with Zack Ballinger

3 Reasons You **Deserve A Raise**

As I travel across the country and speak about job interviewing, there is a common question that usually comes up in every discussion. Students and professional continually ask how to negotiate salary. I talk through negotiation strategies. I get this scenario a lot from professionals: "I am happy in my job, but I deserve a raise." "How do I talk to my boss?" It's a great question. I haven't met a person yet that has said "I don't need a raise or more money." The question to ask yourself is do you deserve a raise? Let's go through 3 reasons why you might deserve a salary increase.

The Company is doing VERY well: You need to conduct a fair assessment on the business health of your current company. If you are working for a company that has filed bankruptcy or has fallen on hard times, it may be financially impossible for them to increase your salary. For example, when the economy shut down

last year, many businesses struggled to keep their doors open. If you were a GM at a hotel, it would be hard to get a raise during an economic hardship. Business owners sometimes are in a difficult situation and may not be making a lot of money. You have to ask yourself, how



well is my company doing? You may be in an exact opposite situation. For example, if you worked at Amazon, you know the company is doing really well. If your company is exceeding revenue targets and flourishing, it may be time for you talk to your manager about a salary increase.

The Research says YOU need a raise: I know many loyal employees who have been in the same job, with the same company for over 20 years. If you find



new employees around the same salary, then it may be time to talk to your manager about a raise. The key in asking for a raise is to have the most research in front of you and demonstrate how you create value for your organization (more in the next section). Find out from job postings, online research, and salary.com. Make sure you have looked at multiple online sites to see what other companies are paying people in your current role. You may conclude your research and find out that your salary is pretty competitive based on your geography, role, and responsibilities. If you find the exact opposite, schedule a time to meet with your hiring manager. Remember to remain calm and don't get too emotional. Present your case with research, facts, and humility. Thank them for giving you the opportunity, let the know you enjoy your work, and present your case in a positive manner.

You Bring VALUE:

What value do you bring to your organization? What do you do for your company that no one else does? How are you excelling in your current role to maximize company revenue? If you don't bring a lot of value to the company, the cold hard truth is you may not deserve a raise. Being at a company, just showing up, and doing the bare minimum isn't justification for a raise. Jill works for a major retailer. She is a corporate buyer; she started 5 years ago and the new products she's ordered has made the company a substantial amount of new revenues. Jill has demonstrated through 5 years how valuable she is to the organization. Jill can sit down with her manager and present a rational business case of a salary increase based on her value she brings to the organization. What value do you create?

Zack graduated from Wartburg Central High School in 2001 and from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville in 2004. Since graduation he has become a TedX Motivational Speaker, Author, and Career Consultant. He travels the world giving back and hosting seminars teaching people on various topics. Zack has established an ongoing annual scholarship at his Alma Mater, Wartburg, which has inspired others to give back as

Visit www.zackballinger.com for more of Zack's travels and events.



Vintage Strawberries and Cream Cake Recipe

May is National Strawberry month, and on May 21 we celebrate National Strawberries and Cream Day, bringing together two favorites: fresh ripe strawberries and homemade whipped cream. While that alone makes a divine dessert, let's add a mildly sweet, vanilla-fragranced cake, and we've just won at life.

This cake is a classic Great Depression-era recipe called Hot Milk Cake. It's a buttery sponge cake made with scald-

ed milk and has a characteristic fine-grained texture, like pound cake. Depression-era recipes were often created out of necessity due to a lack of ingredients and might fall in the shadow of their pre- and post-depression counterparts. But this original recipe holds its own against any vanilla cake recipe. I've included an optional glaze to top the cake; it adds another layer of flavor, but it's perfectly delicious without it.

HOT MILK CAKE WITH STRAWBERRIES AND CREAM

The strawberries:

- pounds strawberries tablespoons sugar

The cake:

- cups all-purpose flour, plus more for the pan

- cups granulated sugar cup whole milk
- cup unsalted butter 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

To make glaze:

- cups powdered sugar
- 1/4 cup milk
- teaspoon vanilla extract

The whipped cream:

- cups heavy cream, chilled
- tablespoons sugar
- teaspoons vanilla extract $1\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoon amaretto liquor (optional)
- 1. Hull and quarter the strawberries; mix them with sugar and refrigerate.
- 2. Preheat oven to 350 F, and grease and flour a standard Bundt pan (or two 8-inch round pans, or a 9 by 13 baking pan). In a large bowl or mixer, cream together eggs and sugar until lightened in color, 3-5 minutes.



You can't beat strawberries and cream over hot milk cake.

3. Meanwhile, in a medium saucepan over medium heat, warm the milk and butter until butter has melted and bubbles start to form around the edge of the saucepan — but don't bring to a full boil. When small bubbles appear, remove from heat. While beating continuously, slowly pour hot milk into egg mixture until incorporated. (Do this gradually so you don't scramble the eggs. That makes no one happy.)

Add the vanilla extract.

4. In another bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder and salt, then gradually mix dry ingredients into wet ingredients. Pour batter into your Bundt pan, and bake for 45-50 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.

5. While the cake is baking, place a metal bowl and beaters in the freezer to prepare to whip the cream. If you choose to add the glaze, in a small bowl, whisk together the powdered sugar, milk and vanilla extract.

6. Remove cake from oven and let cool 10 minutes, then invert onto serving platter. If using the glaze, drizzle it over the top of cake and let set up.

7. Mix the whipped cream ingredients in the chilled metal bowl and beat until soft peaks form.

To serve: Pile the cake high with strawberries and whipped cream and face plant right into all that glorious goodness.

This light and airy recipe is perfect for all your summer entertaining. Add some blueberries and we have a patriotic dessert for Independence Day. Add sliced peaches later in the summer when they're juicy and ripe for late summer perfection. You can cut the cake into cubes and layer the ingredients in a trifle bowl for a spectacular presentation. Or make picnic-perfect individual portions in mason jars for travel.

While National Strawberries and Cream Day is Saturday, no matter how, when or why; you can't beat strawberries and cream over hot milk cake.

Lifestyle expert Patti Diamond is the penny-pinching, party-planning, recipe developer and content creator of the website "Divas On A Dime -Where Frugal, Meets Fabulous!" Visit Patti at www.divasonadime.com and ioin the conversation on Facebook at DivasOnADimeDotCom. Email Patti at divapatti@divasonadime.com

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Mark Keck Announces Candidacy for County Executive

Since the last election he has worked diligently to enhance Morgan County through his involvement with The Morgan County Tourism Alliance for which he is Chairman. One of his campaign pillars is and has been his belief in tourism as a business with un-

limited growth potential here in Morgan County. He believes this more today than ever before seeing the fruits of the all-volunteer organization's success in leaps and bounds over the last 8 years including the opening of "Tanners Historic Café" which not only will draw tourist, it also saved a historic icon for future generations to enjoy just as their parents did.

He has worked diligently as the Morgan County Veterans Service Officer to ensure veterans have someone to turn to for help with the myriad of paperwork and

questions about VA compensation claims, VA health, Health Insurance, Social Security, Office of Personnel Management, and Defense Finance and Accounting Service. Through his efforts many Morgan County Veterans have benefited from the over 13.4 million dollars of VA Benefits awarded to Morgan County Veterans.

He continues to serve his country through his involvement in the American Legion Post 149 as Second-Vice Commander and most recently as Adjutant, responsible for events and building maintenance, reports to State and National American Legion, membership, and a myriad of other duties. Serves as a member of the Honor Guard that is present at the request of the family of those deceased veterans that have gone on to meet



the Supreme Commander.

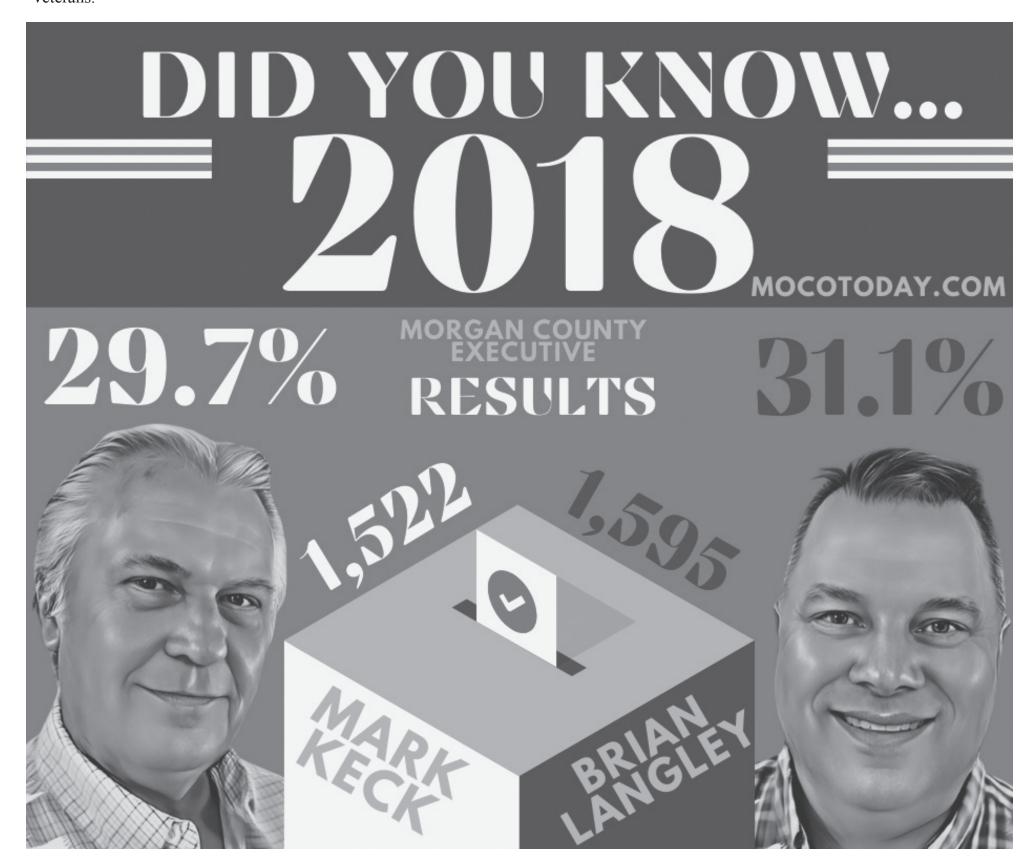
As former Vice-Chairman of the Morg an-Scott Project he is extremely ecstatic about the work that is done by that faith-based group in the helping and caring for our less privileged citizens of Morgan County through work projects, food assis-

tance, utility bill assistance, school supplies and tuition assistance, as well as Remote Area Medical Clinics. He knows all too well the desperate need by many of our citizens.

"One of the most critical issues facing our nation right now are the constant attacks on the traditional family. Addiction, broken homes, and extreme woke-ism have created hurting and pain in families all over our country. Families are the foundation of our country. Strong Families make strong communities. From the courthouse to the White House it is time that we stand up to protect our family institutions from those who would want to destroy them." said Keck

He is a thirty-five-year retired Naval Officer that has been in a leadership role for over thirty-three years of that time. He has built numerous extremely successful teams, managed multi-million-dollar budgets and was part of a group responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of a multi-billion-dollar military national asset. He has numerous awards and accolades in those endeavors while in the Navy.

He is capable, trained, proven and eager to accept the challenges that the office of County Executive presents, and will persevere to do his very best for all the citizens of Morgan County and to enhance the whole county. He is offering "Progress with a Vision" with his campaign because progress without vision can lead to chaos. Mark says, "If you want to be a part of making Morgan County the best, then I am asking for your vote this coming election."



Galations: Chapter 6

(Gal. 6:1-5) Bearing burdens: The previous chapter concludes with an admonition to the churches to walk in harmony with the Spirit's leadership. This section provides some practical applications concerning how such is to be implemented. It is possible for any person to be "overtaken" in a trespass. A "trespass" is a deviation from what is right---perhaps a slip, rather than a resolute transgression. Overtaken may mean the brother was apprehended in the act, or, more likely, being caught up in the sin in a moment of weakness before having time to reflect. Such an unfortunate soul is not to be impulsively thrust aside by the more righteous. Instead, the most spiritual are to restore such a one. This is no task for those who are harsh in the way they generally interact with others. The restoration is to be with gentle care. The restorer cannot be condescending; he must reflect on his own potential vulnerability.

Verse two inoculates against the spirit if isolationism which in effect says: "I have problems of my own; I cannot burden myself with the concerns of others." The Christian must show concern and take time for the burdens of his kinsmen in the Lord (whatever they may be). As the poet John Donne wrote: "No man is an island." In so doing, one fulfills the law of Christ. While Christianity is not a system of legalism, we are under law to Christ (1 Cor. 9:21). Otherwise, the Christian could never sin. Where there is no law, there is no sin (Rom. 4:15; 1 Jn. 3:4).

The child of God must cultivate humility. If one thinks of himself higher than he ought (Rom. 12:3), he is self-deceived, injures his own credibility, and hinders his efforts for doing good. He should never even think of himself in terms of the grandiose! He ought to prove himself by what he does, not what he says. He should make the glorying resident in his work, not by words through which he compares himself to others. Let a man bear his own burden (v.5). There is no conflict between verses two and five.

(Gal. 6:6-10) Sowing and reaping: The theme of bearing burdens is continued, but with a different point of emphasis. This verse has to do with the relationship between those who are taught and the teacher. The student who is receiving a bounty of treasures from a teacher should feel the obligation to communicate with (fellowship with, assist (Rom. 12:13) those who teach them. The teacher spends much time and considerable resources in qualifying himself for this important task, and such should not go unappreciated. This theme is developed extensively in 1 Cor. chapter nine. One cannot, of course, reimburse every person from whom he has learned. But the principle is clear enough. Moreover, there are things to share beyond monetary remuneration, encouragement or assistance in other ways, The Galatian Christians may have had a problem in this area.

The law of sowing and reaping is set forth. What one sows in kind, that he reaps (Mt. 13:24). Similarly, what is sown in quantity is likewise reaped (2 Cor. 9:6). With reference to the kind portion of the equation, the principle applies beyond the material arena. Sowing to the flesh (fleshly indulgence) results in a crop of destruction. One example of such is illustrated by the bumper harvest of disease that

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has been garnered as a result of sexual promiscuity, both heterosexual and homosexual, as well as alcohol and recreational drugs. The wild side of life is profuse with consequences. One may have to pick-up-the-tab, even when forgiven.

On the other hand, those who sow to the Spirit shall of the Spirit (the Spirit is active in the redemptive process) reap life eternal (v.8). There are rich rewards for serving God now (contentment, satisfaction in helping others, etc.), but there also is life (communion with God) eternally, beyond one's temporary residence on this globe (1 Tim. 4:8).

In view of the eternal treasures which result from Christian fidelity, Paul encourages us to maintain diligence. There are many hardships in life (sickness, loss of loved ones, economic crisis, etc.); and terrible as these may be, they are temporary. We must not, therefore, grow weary and give in. Endurance pays. We must look beyond the calendar to the due season when the eternal reward is reaped. In the meantime, let us work whenever we are able, doing what is good toward all people, and particularly those who are needy Christians (v.10; Acts 24:17; 2 Cor. 9:13).

(Gal. 6:11-18) A closing word: Frequently Paul dictated his letters to a scribe (Rom. 16:22; 1 Cor. 16:21; Col. 4:18; 2 Thes. 3:17); in this case, he is personally writing the epistle---at least this latter section.

A final rebuke is launched at the Judaizers; their motive is challenged. By pressing the brothers to be circumcised, they are largely ambitious to make a show in the flesh by their converts, rather than the phony rationalization that they are protecting them from Jewish persecutions on behalf of the cross (v.12). Their facade is transparent. They adopt circumcision (as a matter of salvation obligation (Acts 15:1), but not even they keep the law (5:3). They practice a selective theology. One cannot but be reminded of Sabbatarians who insist that all Christians must keep the Sabbath. Yet they violate numerous Hebrew regulations pertaining to that ancient holy day (Ex. 16:29; 31:12; 35:3). The glory of the Judaizers' efforts is self-directed.

With humility, but firmly, the apostle distances himself from such self-aggrandizing methods. There is but one thing that should be the object of the Christian's glory, and that is in the cross of Jesus Christ, who died for us. Hence, the world stood as if permanently crucified to Paul, and he to it. This reciprocal crucifixion is a strong way of emphasizing that the cross of Christ (that for which it stands) marks a stationary barrier between this apostle of Christ and a thisworld disposition. His goal is heavenward! You Judaizers are fixated on circumcision; I am enthralled with being a new creature. As many as are willing to live by this code, may peace and mercy be upon them, for they are the "Israel of God." Old Israel no longer exists as God's chosen people (3:29; Mt. 21:43; 1 Pet.

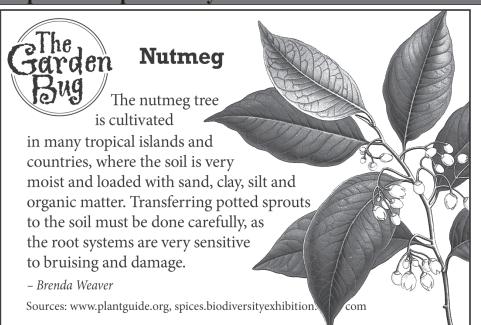
2:9)!

"Trouble me no more. I do not have to prove myself to anyone. My credibility is on my back---in the form of scars" (v.17; 2 Cor. 11:23). His concluding invocation is that Christ's favor might bless their spirit, them personally, as brothers in the Lord. So be it!

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Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land.

Song of Songs 2:12

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Return of the Fallen Ones



John Burns Opinion Columnist

As far as I can see, secular teachers and Bible teachers agree that the oldest civilizations of men in their present form, began between the Euphrates and Nile rivers. What parameters make something civilized?

Men began to worship all Elohim had created within three generations of leaving the Ark as three families. Ham, Shem,

Japheth through whom God inhabited all the earth. We are all descended from one or three of these sons of Noah.

Noah has a name which transliterates into English as the word comfort. Why did Elohim believe Noah was perfect in his generation, was claimed righteous in his generation, and the only man of his generation who found grace in the eyes of God?

With only Elohim's word in Genesis 3 to glean our answer from, we must conclude that God intended to become the seed of the woman to fulfill his plans for humankind. This plan then must be under attack from his eternal enemy, Lucifer: The shining one and leader of an enormous fallen angel army.

Lucifer begins to attack man's bloodline through the mother of all living, Eve. The enemy of God asks a sarcastic question of Eve and he gets her to plant the first seeds of doubt in the woman. Did God Say?

The same question the shining one gets denominational preachers to ask every Sunday? Separating into sects due to translation differences and doctrines formed by men during the church age. This is why God provided the Holy Spirit, for his desire is to get us all to believe in the anointing over our own lives if we confess Jesus Christ as Lord.

God has never changed. He has always desired supernatural Holy Spirit power to demonstrate that Jesus Christ in us should produce mercy in the lives of those we encounter, yet in stead preachers advance a narrative that somehow God has chosen them to judge only others, never ourselves. There is no power in their testimony and the world is hardening to all things Jesus Christ.

God will hold men who claim to be shepherds over his flock accountable for every soul lost to judgement instead of offering mercy. Mercy is to not receive what we all deserve, which is death for death alone earns sin's wages! If you are alive, it is only because of Jesus Christ's mercy. Why would he allow us to offer anything other than forgiveness, mercy and love?

The war we are waging on God's behalf is between the seed of the woman and Lucifer the shining one. We should learn what the Bible says about where and why it began. When you do, you will discern why God offers peace to all those who would believe. Our world will soon be engulfed in warfare on a Global scale again. The Nations seeking warfare are all controlled by Lucifer.

The attack on the bloodline of Eve began soon after she and Adam began to produce female offspring. Genesis 6 says the sons of God went into the daughters of men. In Hebrew it says the sons of God went into the daughters of Adam. Sons of God in the Old Testament is only used of angels. This was a supernatural attack on the daughters of Adam carried out by the fallen angels in Lucifers army.

The offspring of this perversion of creation, were all male and men of renown. Meaning they were all warriors seeking warfare. They are called the Nephillim. In Greek the Gigantes, and in English, fiants.

The reason for the judgement of the flood of Noah was because Lucifer sought to disrupt Eve's bloodline and God's plan to birth Messiah using a pure Jewish virgin. The offspring of daughters born to men, and male fallen angels, all possessed dual DNA. The perversion of the marriage covenant between one man and one woman creating Godly seed was forever perverted.

After the flood, two great civilizations were formed with the worship of these Nephillim as the centerpiece of civilization. It was the Nephillim who first instructed men into building three dimensional structures for worshipping all God created. Every ancient religion venerated the sun, the moon, the twelve-star constellations, and human fertility. The planets were assigned as the homes of the creator God

In Egypt, the Mizraim led men in the construction of the Great pyramids. These were astrological temples with the sun at the center of the Egyptian pantheon. The creator of the sun was called Amun. He was a fallen angel and half human Nephillim who convinced Egyptians to deify women, have incestual relations to keep pure Egyptian bloodlines. The worship of male and female began.

In Sumer, the Annunaki had men build great astrological temples called ziggurats. These temples littered the plains between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. Enlil was the top deity in the Sumerian pantheon. His mother was human and his father was a fallen angel. The primary god of the Sumerians was SIN: The lord of the moon. Islam was born in Sumer.

Sumer would one day cede power to the Assyrian Empire which gave us the foundations for forming modern civilizations. Roads were built around temples. Shops littered these roads leading to education initiatives to ensure all would worship the gods of Assyria. Public education began in Assyria.

Huge Gymnasiums and bath houses sprung up around temple complexes. Statues to the gods littered the streets. Great halls of music to play songs venerating the fallen angels and their master Nebo. Nebo is Lucifer. Nebo becomes the patron deity of Babylon. He begins by making Marduk the creator deity responsible for all other Babylonian gods. To Be Continued

He was crucified upon a cross of wood yet he created the hill upon which it stood.

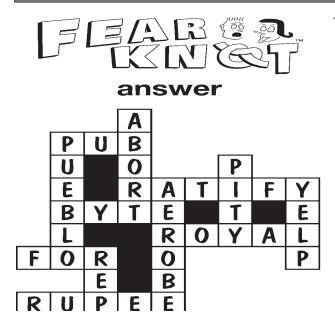
He is alive forevermore and he is returning for his virgin bride very soon. John Burns 4-30-2022

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3.4X Jamie Newport
4.R26 Tom Patterson
5.13 Terry Boshears
6.12 Dustin Stephens
7.J18 James Bridenbaker
8.J4 Josh Nelson-DNS
9.D3 Tyler Phillips-DNS

Sportsman

1.24 Anthony White Jr2.22 Jaylon Shannon3.777 Eric Jones4.Y3 Jimmy York5.30 Gary Lively-DNS

Street

1.51X Pete Wright2.H15 Riley Phillips3.18 Dale Brummett4.44 Micheal Owenby5.2 Bo Smith6.88 Mike Duncan

Dwarf

1.28 Wes Jones
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4.57 Dakota Richards
5.96 Cody Norris
6.92 Nick Hopper
7.92J Johnathan Delk
8.7Ryan Hawn
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12.95Micheal Norris
13.66 Blake Nagy
14.34 Riley Brown-DNS
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Late Model

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Thunder

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1.25 Jordan West
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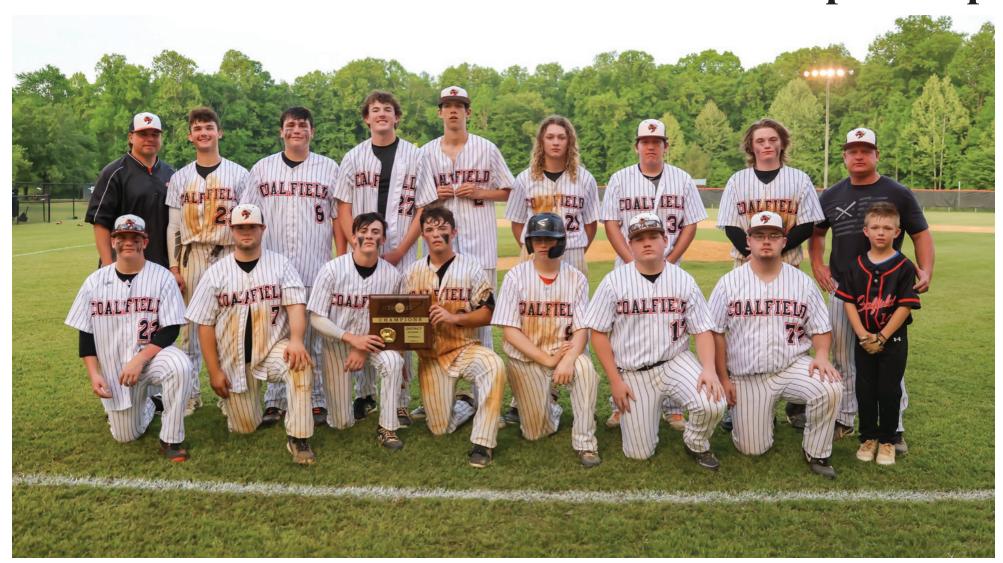




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Coalfield Wins District 3A Baseball Championship



The Coalfield Yellow Jackets pose with their District 3A Championship Trophy. [Photo by Cathy Bird]

By Terry Futrell

The Coalfield Yellow Jackets, ranked No. 8 in the state by MaxPreps, cruised their way to a District 3A championship match with Oneida with overwhelming victories over Wartburg (24-0) and Oliver Springs (12-2). But the Indians proved to be a much more formidable foe – the Jackets had to come from an 8-9 deficit in the bottom of the seventh inning to claim an 11-9 victory over Oneida for the championship. Oneida set the tone for the game in the top of the first when leadoff batter McLorne Love hit a home run. The Indians scored again to take a 2-0 lead. Coalfield's leadoff batter Cole Hines quickly responded with a double to right field. Later in the bottom of the first, Zach Armstrong stepped up to bat with the bases loaded and planted the ball over the centerfield fence to give Coalfield a 5-2 lead.

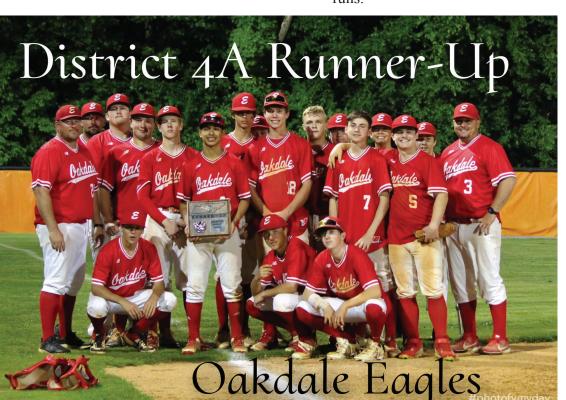
Both teams scored one run in the second and third innings, followed by a scoreless fourth inning. Coalfield led 7-4 going into the fifth inning when Oneida's offense exploded for four runs to lead 8-7. Coalfield responded with

only one run in the bottom of the fifth when Cole Hines doubled to left field and then scored to tie the game at 8-8.

After a scoreless sixth inning, Oneidas Caden Rector led off with a double and later scored to give the Indians a 9-8 lead going into the bottom of the seventh. Cole Hines was again the leadoff batter for Coalfield and tripled on a fly ball to right field. Hines later scored on a sacrifice fly by Levi Brasel to tie the score 9-9 with two outs. Braden Burgess drew a walk to put the winning run on first. Levi Heidel then stepped up to the plate and hit the ball over the right field fence to give Coalfield an 11-9 victory and the District 3A championship.

In three tournament games Coalfield outscored their opponents 47-13. The batting performance by Zach Armstrong, Cole Hines, and Levi Heidel are especially noteworthy. Armstrong averaged .667, hitting six of nine and driving in 13 runs. Hines averaged .750, hitting six of eight and scoring 9 of Coalfield's 47 runs. Heidel averaged .750, hitting six of eight while scoring nine runs and driving in 10 runs. Armstrong and Heidel combined to drive in 23 of Coalfield's 47 runs.

Coalfield hosts Oakdale in the regional semifinals on Monday. Oneida travels to Greenback to take on the Cherokees.



Oakdale Takes Second Place in District 4A Baseball, Earns Regional Berth

After a close 11-10 victory over Midway on Monday in Round 1 of the district tournament, the Oakdale Eagles lost 7-10 to top-seed Greenback on Tuesday. Falling into the losers' bracket, the Eagles once again faced the Midway Greenwave on Wednesday.

The second meeting with Midway was a close battle with the score tied 6-6 as Oakdale came to bat in the bottom of the seventh inning. With two outs and the bases loaded, Joseph Summers was at the plate with the count three balls and two strikes. Summers watched ball 4 fly by and drew a walk, scoring Timmy Holder for a 7-6 victory over the Greenwave.

Both Oakdale and Midway finished the game with six hits and eight strikeouts. Timmy Holder accounted for half the Eagles hits, batting 3 for 3 with a double and two singles.

Immediately after defeating Midway, Oakdale once again faced Greenback for the District 3A championship. The Eagles had no answer for the Cherokees' offense and Greenback took the championship 13-3.

After Greenback took a 1-0 lead in the first inning, Oakdale scored two runs in the top of the second when Tucker O'dell hit a long single to right field, scoring Nehemiah Cooney and Eloy Vera.

Greenback tied the score 1-1 in the bottom of the second, held the Eagles scoreless in the top of the third, then exploded with six runs in the bottom of the third to take an 8-2 lead.

The Cherokees added another run in the bottom of the fourth inning, increasing their lead to 9-2. Oakdale scored an additional run in the top of the fifth when Sydney Gregory reached base on an error, scoring Tucker O'dell from second base. Greenback responded with four runs in the bottom of the fifth to win the game 13-3 and the District 4A championship.

Oakdale travels to Coalfield on Monday to face the Yellow Jackets in the Region 2A semifinals. Greenback will host the Oneida Indians.

Track and Field

By Tara England

The Track and Field Team competed Wednesday at Jefferson County High School in the TSSAA D1 Class A East Sectional. The weather was beautiful and it was a great day to be at the track.

The rules changed for Class A and Class AA this year. Only the top 2 athletes from each event go on to state. In the past, it was the top 4 athletes that went on to state.

Official times cannot yet be shared. All sectional meets must be completed state-wide before official times can be posted online or in the media. However, we do know how the Sunbright (and WCHS) athletes placed on Wednesday. So here are some highlights.

The 4x400 boys relay is the last event of a long day but was worth waiting on. The team of Jonah Freels, Josh Nestle, Isaac Jones, and Caleb Quinney ran their best time ever, set a new school record, and placed 7th overall. It was a beautifully run race!

Jonah Freels placed 4th in the Long Jump and 6th in the 300 Hurdles. Jonah's long jump broke a school record, his record. But he did not just break it, he crushed it.

Haylee Morgan got a new personal record in the 300 Hurdles.

Emerson Nichols was 6th in the 100 meter High Hurdles.

Kendra Massey had her best Shot Put throw of the season.

Noah Cox ran the 800 meters even though he was not feeling well. He has shown amazing determination all season.

Nathan Ward had a big throw in the Discus, but it was not quite enough to make it to the top with all the big throwers in our sectional.

In closing, this team closed its season on Wednesday with heads held high, with an amazing season, and a great showing at Sectionals. When they walk away from any meet, they leave people asking where is Sunbright? They have made friends with new competitors and earned their respect.

As a coach, I burst with pride when I see this group of athletes compete. They are true competitors both physically and mentally. And their attitudes are those that all coaches wish for on their team. Seeing how each of them grows through the season and the smiles on their faces each time they improve is a true blessing.

A special thank you to Caleb Hawn for helping with the throwers this year. Also, nothing could happen without the help of amazing parents. This team truly has amazing parents. They get the athletes where they need to be and cheer them on every step of the way. Finally, thank you to all those out there that have been keeping up with our progress and sharing your encouragement.

Baseball and Softball Roundup

Baseball District Tournament Results

By Terry Futrell

May 9

District 3A Coalfield defeated Wartburg 24-0 Oliver Springs defeated Oneida 11-9

District 4A Oakdale defeated Midway 11-10 Greenback defeated Rockwood 5-4

May 10

District 3A Coalfield defeated Oliver Springs 12-2 Oneida defeated Wartburg 10-9

District 4A Greenback defeated Oakdale 10-7 Midway defeated Rockwood 16-3

May 11

District 3A Oneida defeated Oliver Springs 12-5 Coalfield defeated Oneida 11-9 for District 3A Championship

District 4A Oakdale defeated Midway 7-6 Greenback defeated Oakdale 13-3 for District 4A Championship

Softball District Tournament Results

May 9

13-1

District 3A
Wartburg defeated Coalfield 12-2
Oliver Springs
defeated Sunbright

District 4A Harriman defeated Rockwood 10-2 Midway defeated Greenback 4-3

May 10

District 3A Wartburg defeated Sunbright 12-2 Oliver Springs defeated Oneida 14-2

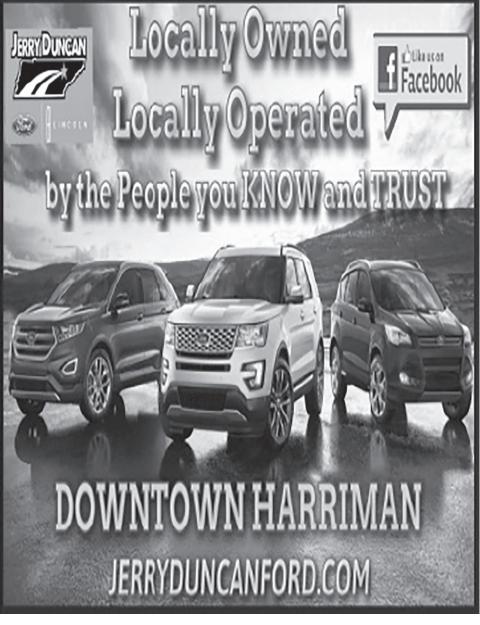
District 4A Harriman defeated Midway 12-1 Greenback defeated Rockwood 11-4

May 12

District 3A Oliver Springs defeated Oneida 6-0 for District 3A Championship

District 4A Midway defeated Greenback 15-6

May 13
District 4A
Harriman defeated Midway 8-6 for the
District 4A Championship



All-District Softball Selections

District 3A

Superlatives

Coach of the Year: Woody Smith, Sun-

bright

Player of the Year: Megan Armstrong,

Oliver Springs

Co-Offensive Players of the Year:

Kelsey Pike, Oneida Jade Brooks, Wartburg

Defensive Player of the Year: Ella Hamp-

ton, Oliver Springs

Pitcher of the Year: Maycee Stephens,

Oneida

Rookie of the Year: Caleigh Crouch,

Wartburg

All-District

Oneida High School - Kelsey Pike, Maycee Stephens, Grace Losey, Chelsey Jeffers, Annaleah Terry, Raven Mullis (Honorable Mention), Julie Lay (Honor-

able Mention)

Wartburg High School - Jade Brooks, Caleigh Crouch, Cassidy Anderson, Edye-Ann Williams, Kenna Bales (Honorable Mention), Maelee Hamby (Honorable Mention)

Coalfield High School - Alexis Morrison, Kadence Jackson, Halle Wilson (Honorable Mention), Chastin Henry (Honorable Mention)

Oliver Springs High School - Megan Armstrong, Ella Hampton, Tayler Jones, Chloe Lackey, Bella Thornton, Sydney Russel, Savannah Ray (Honorable Mention), Cloe Murray (Honorable Mention)

Sunbright High School - Callie Smith, Ashlin Trent (Honorable Mention), Alex Buchanon (Honorable Mention)

District 4A

Superlatives

MVP – Lily Taylor, Harriman Pitcher of the Year – Kendal Mason, Harriman

Offensive Player of the Year – Maddy Hood, Greenback

Defensive Player of the Year – Macie Young, Midway

1st Team Selections

Harriman – Addison Oliver, Anna Garland, Abbie Bullard, Emory Thompson, Hannah Wilson

Greenback – Lauren Morton, Jennifer Jones, Katie Jones, Karli Hammontree

Midway – Chloe Kyle, Cadence Collier, Sara Beth Nickell

Rockwood – Samantha Tilley, Makenzie Minnick

Oakdale - Rhylan Hicks, Hunter Bailey



Highlanders Take Two Huge Wins in Week By Richard Spears



Pictured Left to Right - Scott High Coach Eric Henry & Seniors Pheonix Norris, Gaven Terry, Ira we prepare for the post season."

Marcus, Josiah Fladie

Scott put on a scoring clinic in Tuesday's (May 3) game at home against Northview, coupled with a shutout in an 8-0 finish that saw Head Coach Eric Henry empty his bench and play every HIghlander in the contest.

Scott scored early and often. In the first half, senior Phoenix Norris rifled in the first goal, assisted by sophomore Skye Babb. Minutes later, Babb scored unassisted to give Scott a 2-0 lead. With about 10 minutes left in the frame, senior Gaven Terry took a pass from Toby Garrett and booted in the Highlanders' third goal, score 3-0. That would be the score at halftime.

Senior Ira Marcus, assisted by Dominic Lewis, put the ball in the back of the net for Scott's first goal of the second half. Gaven Terry hit a free kick to give Scott a 5-0 lead, and midway through the second half, Scott junior Will Young drove in a goal, off an assist by freshman Aiden Roberts, giving the Highlanders a 6-0 lead. Ten minutes later, Roberts scored on an assist by freshman Peyton Smith, followed by Smith knocking home a goal, assisted by freshman Lucas Dyer, to give the final score, 8-0. Scott Assistant Coach Dr. Ryan Hoffman said, "It was really good to get our young players some significant playing time. Looking at the way our freshmen and sophomores played, it shows that our team has some really talented players coming on. Everyone played well. Looking forward to

Scott Has Impressive Win Over Greenback

our next game, against Greenback."

In Thursday's (May 5) game against the Green-back Cherokees, the offensive momentum that the Highlanders had established against Northview kept on rolling, as Scott dominated in a 6-2 win at home. In the first 5 minutes, Scott junior Connor Stanley scored the game's first goal, off an assist from Toby Garrett. Senior Josiah Fladie drove in a goal unassisted to give Scott a 2-0 lead. Toward the end of the first half, Greenback got a ball past Scott keeper Adrian Parra to make the tally 2-1. That was the score at the half.

In the second period, Skye Babb scored, with an assist by Hugo Henry, followed by a goal by Highlander

Phoenix Norris to put Scott up, 4-1. Midway through the half, Hugo Henry took a pass from Connor Stanley and nailed it, 5-1

Scott. Ten minutes later, Gaven Terry scored, assisted by Dominic Lewis. Greenback put in one more score, but the stout Scott defense would allow no more as the Highlanders rolled toward the postseason district tournament with a 6-2 win. In comments after the game, Scott Head Coach Eric Henry said,"Greenback has some good players. We had so many nice passes. When you touch the ball that quick, Greenback is at a disadvantage." Scott was scheduled to play Anderson County in the District 5-AA semifinal Tuesday, May 10 at Scott High. The winner of that contest will play the winner of the Kingston vs, Clinton game in the District Tournament championship game Thursday, May 12.

Oneida Rolls Over Karns On the Road

The Indians went to Karns High in West Knox County and pelted the Beavers, 4-1 in a win that Oneida Head Coach Derek Keeton said,"Really helps us as

Oneida's Mason Keeton scored the game's first goal, assisted by freshman Levi James with 25 minutes left in the frame. Ten minutes later, Keeton assisted Gabe Hacker on what Coach Keeton called "a beautiful one touch score," to put Oneida up, 2-0. Karns scored a goal before the half, and at the end of the period the Indians led, 2-1.

Levi James assisted Mason Keeton 15 minutes into the second half to give Oneida a 3-1 lead, followed by another assist by James to Hacker for the Indians' 4th (and final) goal. Coach Keeton said,"Karns never quit. They had 12 shots on goal in the last 12 minutes, but we still got to play everybody. So many of our guys played very well. Wyatt Yancey, Aidan Love, Levi James. Our keeper, Gavin Keeton had 21 saves. This was a fantastic game for us to go on the road and get on turf. Karns is skilled. This team is coming together at the right time and we're having fun." In tournament action, Oneida is scheduled to host either Cumberland Gap or Harriman in the District Championship game on Thursday, May 12.





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