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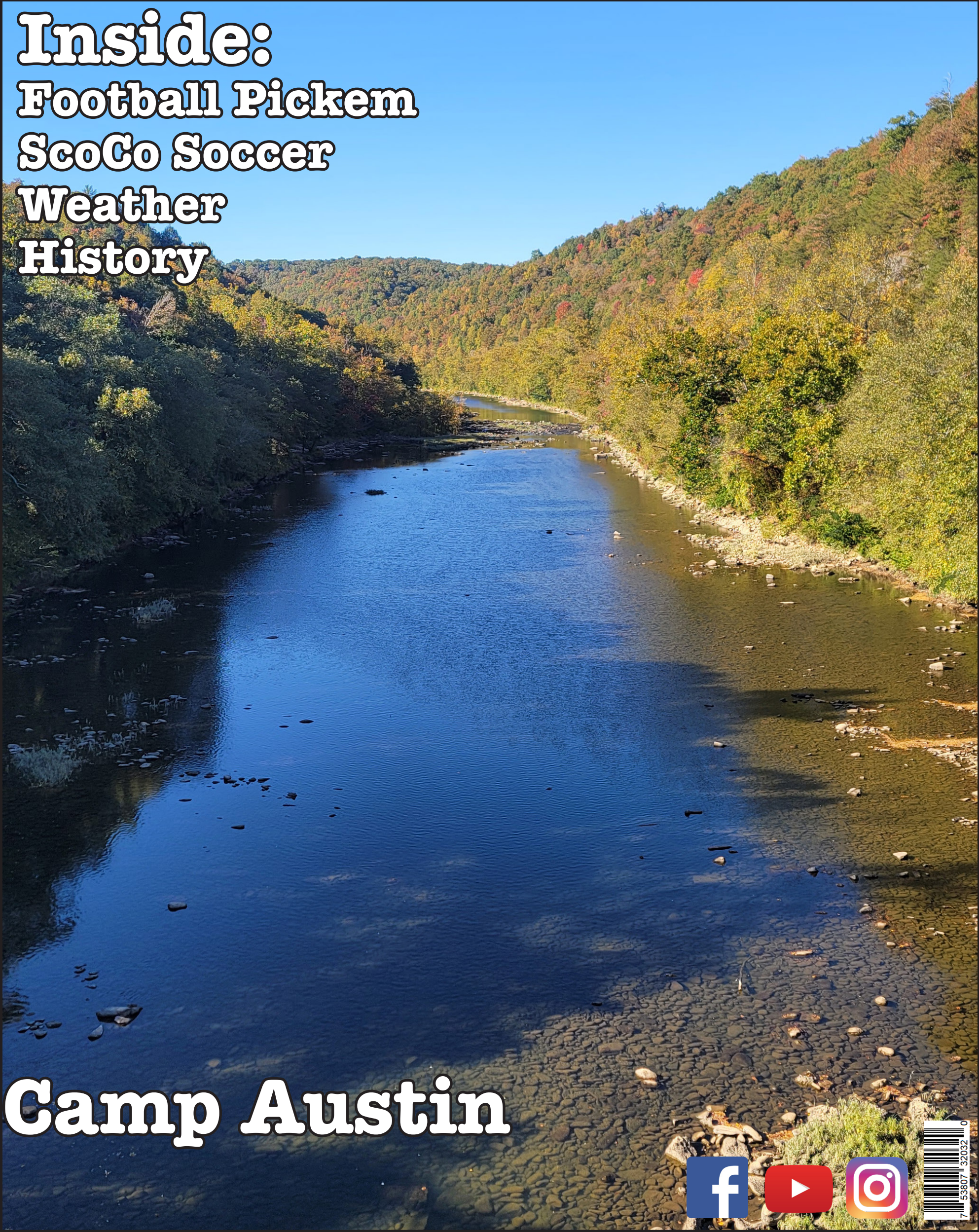
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Ms. Avery Pearl Pet Columnist

Pet Perspective with Ms. Avery Pearl

Mimi and Ms Mary went into panic mode, yesterday. I thought it was kinda funny.

Mimi and I were out in the yard. I was sniffing around, just doing my thing. Mimi was checking the garden.

I heard Ms Mary and Ricco. Wouldn't you know, I just had to be nosey and my nose took me right to Ms Mary's.

Well, Mimi went looking for me. She couldn't find me anywhere. Ms Mary jumped in to help her look. She asked Mr Jim if he had saw me and he said no.

Those women were really getting worried. They didn't know where in the world I could have went in such a short time. They kept yelling for me, to no avail.

Mimi said she was going to get the bottle. That woman, she knows I hate that thing! It is metal and has pennies in it, and sounds like a cowbell. So when Mimi says she is getting

the bottle, I always come running! She got the bottle and I still didn't come, no matter how many times she shook it.

Anywoof, Ms Mary and Mimi were getting a little frantic by that point. They were in Ms Mary's yard. Then, Ms Mary exclaimed, "I want you to look there!" Mimi didn't know what she was talking about. Ms Mary said, "Look at my door!" So, Mimi looked and Ms Mary told her, "Ms Avery Pearl is in my house, looking at us! She must think we are crazy!"

Mimi asked, "How in the world did she get in there?" Ms Mary was laughing, she thought it was funny because I was watching them through the door.

Mimi told me that I scared her and I am NOT supposed to go

in someone's house. Well, I don't know what the commotion was about. After all, I was just sniffing around.

For more of my Pet Perspectives like and follow me on Facebook at Ms Avery Pearl.



WEEKLY WEATHER



Table with 3 columns: Day, Temperature (High/Low), and Weather icon. Rows for Tue 11, Wed 12, Thu 13, Fri 14, Sat 15, Sun 16, Mon 17.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

D L A R M C 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.

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

Morgan County Republican Party meets the last Thursday of every month at 7pm at the American Legion in Wartburg

BINGO for adults is held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10:30 - 11:30.

Our current hours are Monday 10:30-3:00, Tuesday 3:00-7:30, and Wednesday 9:00-12:00.

The City of Sunbright and the Beautification Board will host the annual Trunk or Treat at 120 Melton Dr. Sunbright on October 31st from 5pm to 8pm. Churches, Organization's and Volunteers are welcome to come set up.

Together Morgan County, in partnership with Frozen Head State Park, will host the 3rd annual Christmas Drive Thru on Saturday, December 3 from 10:00 - 1:00 at Frozen Head State Park.

Letter to the Editor:

The Morgan County Community Collaborative known as Together Morgan County is making plans for their 3rd annual Christmas Drive Thru. This will be a Free Drive Thru Event for Families on Saturday, December 3, 2022 at Frozen Head State Park from 10:00 - 1:00. All safety precautions will be in place allowing families to enjoy this holiday event from the safety of their car.

Together Morgan County welcomes all businesses, organizations, churches and school groups to join us in providing holiday cheer to Morgan County Families. Anyone interested in creating a scene can contact Sandra Helton @ heltons@mcsed.net for more information.

Gus the Bus will once again be at the beginning of the drive thru. Peggy Hamby and her elves will be handing out hot chocolate and snacks. Anyone wishing to donate for this give away can contact Ms. Peggy at hamby@mcsed.net.

For those who would like to participate in another way, donations are being accepted of items to be given away. Some suggestions for items are food/toiletries/necessities for families or books, coloring books, pencils/crayons, stuffed animals for children. These are only ideas. "Elves" that would like to assist with distribution are welcome to do so. Also, anyone wishing to assist with traffic control, handing out programs or helping with set up/break down of scenes would be appreciated. This is an excellent opportunity for young people to earn service hours.

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to do a scene, donate items or volunteer on the day of the event. It is appreciated and when working together, we can do more.

Together Morgan County is excited to work with everyone to make this a memorable event for families. Please share this post on your social media as well as with your schools, churches and local businesses.

Sincerely, Sandra Helton Morgan County Community Engagement Coordinator

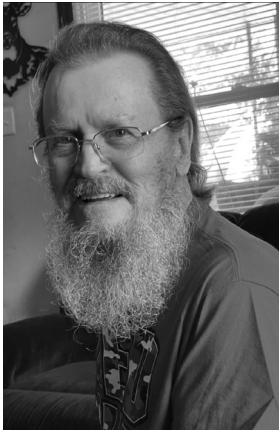
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In Loving Memory

Gerald Rickie "Rick" Lyles

Gerald Rickie "Rick" Lyles went to sleep with the Lord on October 1, 2022. He is no longer suffering from cancer, thank you Lord.



He is preceded in death by his parents Rev. John Henry & Lula Mae Lyles; brother-in-law Roger Duncan.

He is survived by his wife of almost 30 years Janice Lyles; daughters Mina (Barry) Lyles, Winni (Adam) Morris, Gwyn (John) Moore; grandchildren Breanna & Lilliana Ausmus, Mason Morris, Ashley & Amy Moore; great grandchildren Victor, Braxton & Kaylee; step-children James (Daisy) Brown and Stephanie (Toby)

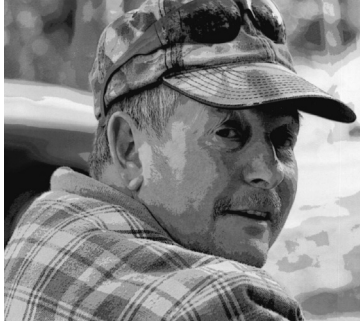
Malone; step grandchildren Brandy Silvianna, Macy, Phoebe & Elijah; step great grandchildren Jasper & Dustin; sister Brenda (Carl) Gibson; nieces Wendy & Holly and a special childhood friend Sonny Kennedy.

The family will receive friends Tuesday, October 4, 2022, at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg from 1-3:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 3:00 p.m. with Bro. David Crowe officiating. Interment will follow in the Western Cemetery in Coalfield.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Gerald Rickie "Rick" Lyles.

Ronald "Cotton" Armes, 70

On Thursday, October 6, 2022, Ronald "Cotton" Armes, loving husband, father and grandfather, was called home to be with the Lord. He was born on February 29, 1952, to Luther and Esther (Ward) Armes of Petros. He married Norma (Kennedy) Armes on December 8, 1978. He retired from D.O.E. in 2015.



He was preceded in death by his father Luther; mother Esther; son Ronald Phillips; brother Bobby; sister Patricia (Armes) Jackson.

He is survived by his wife Norma (Kennedy) Armes; daughter Ra-

chel (Armes) Mize; grandson Eliah Mize; granddaughter Winter Mize; brothers B.J., Tommy, Daryl, Larry, Carlos and Eric; sister Jewel and a host of extended family and close friends.

The family would like to extend special thanks to all who helped to make the days a little brighter with cards, visits, cooking, building, spending nights, calling, caring, and crying.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Ronald "Cotton Armes.

Darrell Seiber, 62

Darrell Seiber, 62, of Harriman, passed away Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Ophia Byrge Seiber; brother Clarence Seiber; grandparents, Ben and Sarah Willie Seiber and Melton and Dora McGhee Byrge. He was of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by fiancée Linda Stockstill of Harriman; sisters Delores Buttram and husband Will, LaFollette, Susan Seiber, Rockwood, and Darlene Wright and husband Randy, Harriman; nieces, Suprina Osborne and

husband Keith, LaFollette, and MyKayla Oakley Buttram, LaFollette; nephew, Adam Wright and wife Rachel, Harriman; great-nieces, Sally Elizabeth Wright and Emma Viola Wright, both of Harriman; great-great nephew, Joshua Neil Blair, Jr. of LaFollette; best friends; Ben, Sherry and Stacey; and also survived by special aunts, uncle, cousins and friends.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Darrell Seiber.

Gregory David VanNorstran, 52

Gregory David VanNorstran, age 52, of Wartburg passed away October 6, 2022 at his home. He was born August 17, 1970 to Frank & Margaret Bingham VanNorstran.



Gregory loved hunting, fishing and ginseng and enjoyed life to the fullest.

He is preceded in death by his parents Frank & Margaret VanNorstran.

He is survived by his son Zachary (Lindsey) VanNorstran; daughter Emily VanNorstran and

significant other Jacob Osborne; grandchildren Willow & Hazel VanNorstran; brother Wendell (Robin) VanNorstran and host of aunts, uncles, cousins and extended family and friends.

The family will receive friends Sunday, October 9, 2022 at Schubert Funeral Home in Warburg from 1-3:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 3:00 p.m. with Bro. Jeff Beard officiating. Interment will follow in the Nelson Cemetery in Catoosa.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Gregory David VanNorstran.

Linda J. Brown Hamer, 68

Linda J. Brown Hamer, age 68, went peacefully on September 27, 2022 at Park West Hospital in Knoxville, TN. She was born in Saint Augustine, Florida to Philip G. Brown, Sr. and Betty Swain Brown. She grew up in Saint Augustine, Florida and was a graduate of Saint Augustine High School. She then became an over the road truck driver. She always lived life on her terms.



She is preceded in death by her parents Philip G. Brown, Sr & Betty Swain Brown; grandparents David & Mary Swain and Lee J. Brown & Edith Brown; son Joshua Harley Moody; great grandson Sawyer Otto McCoig; nephew Austin Brown.

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She is survived by her brother

Philip (Tina) Brown of Palm Coast; niece Candace Brown; daughter Brandy (Eddie) Nyberg of Wartburg; son Joey Moody of Sevierville; grandchildren Kyle E. McCoig, Travis McCoig, David Nyberg, Addison Nyberg, Cody Nyberg, Jonathan Moody and Luna Moody; great granddaughter Nova McCoig.

The family is honoring her wishes to be cremated.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg, P.O. Box 326, Wartburg, Tn 37887 for a memorial service at a later date.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Linda J. Brown Hamer.

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Historically Speaking

Dick Lord: from secret calutrons to cyclotrons for science

By Ray Smith - Oak Ridge City Historian

Carolyn Krause continues her use of Oral Histories found in the Center for Oak Ridge Oral Histories at the Oak Ridge Public Library, web site: <http://www.oakridgetenn.org/department/Library/Departments-%26-Services/COROH>

The ever-increasing amount of interviews being collected are making this archive one a most effective sources of historical information. Carolyn's example shows how research can produce valuable and authentic information to support historical facts in a more interesting fashion. Her story of Dick Lord is one that will captivate the reader and makes learning history fun.

Before getting into Carolyn's story, a word about the "electricity experiment story" from a few weeks back. David Hobson wrote to say his that Dad was a millwright who had worked with Logan Emlet to install the setup in the reactor. David said, "By the way, he told me the light was a Christmas tree bulb and was accidentally dropped and broken after the experiment. He and Logan were good friends."

I also was approached by Dub Shultz who told me about a very large steam whistle that was connected to the Graphite Reactor that was used to produce the steam to blow the whistle.

Now for Carolyn's story about Dick Lord which begins here:

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In some movies the main character embarks on a journey, and in others a stranger comes to town. In real life Richard Lord, a native of New Jersey, was prepared to go on a journey almost 70 years ago to a job offered him in Oak Ridge. And he did come to the Secret City as a stranger, but only after he was able to find it.

In 1943 Lord and his father, who worked in an office for Pennsylvania Railroad in Philadelphia, could not locate Oak Ridge on a map or get information about it. So, he wrote a letter to the company that hired him before he graduated with a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Pennsylvania.

"We can't find Oak Ridge, Tennessee," he wrote. Then he received a telegram that stated, "Report to the Empire Building in Knoxville, Tennessee." That building housed Tennessee Eastman's employment office. Lord finally arrived in Oak Ridge on Nov. 10, 1943, a month after graduating from Penn.

In a March 17, 2011, interview for COROH with local filmmaker Keith McDaniel, Lord relayed his first impression of the town. He recalled machines he had never seen before that scooped up earth in large amounts and moved it. He remembered the dust and mud "that could suck the shoes right off your feet."

Lord did not get the technical job offered him because his security clearance had been lost. So he was placed in the Training Division in town. He worked with Leon Love to teach the young women hired to be "cubicle workers," a term not explained to him.

These girls in their mid-to-late teens were hired to operate the "calutrons" at the Y-12 Plant. These were industrial-scale mass spectrometers, based on Ernest O. Lawrence's invention in Berkeley, California, at the Radiation Laboratory which used huge magnets to deflect uranium ions of two different masses (U-238 and U-235), causing them to separate into different

collectors. U-235 was the first atomic bomb fuel.

Lord and Love taught a little physics to the calutron operators whose jobs entailed "watching meters and adjusting dials," according to Gladys Owens, one of the many workers who had no idea what they were producing. They trained female operators to run machines the men had never worked. Then Lord's clearance came through and he was moved from town to Y-12, where he saw his first calutron. But he was kept on as a trainer.

In an interview for Public Radio International's Bob Edwards Weekend Show on "Alumni of the Manhattan Project," aired Jan. 27, 2013, Lord said, "They had no intention of me finding out what they were doing... When I first saw the equipment, I knew it went into a magnet and I knew it was a separator. I



Famous Calutron Girls photo by Ed Westcott showing Gladys Owens in the front right who worked at Y-12 from January to August 1945 and who returned to Oak Ridge in 2004 to find herself in this picture that she did not remember being made – (Photo Submitted)



I took Gladys out to Y-12 and made her picture sitting on a similar stool. (Photo Submitted)



Richard "Dick" Lord (Photo Submitted)

didn't know right away that we were separating uranium [isotopes]...but there was a lot of talk that went on among small groups who were confident about not being exposed."

"Once you figured out what you were doing, were you at peace with that?" he was asked.

"Oh, absolutely," Lord said. "I was delighted. There has been a lot of talk about how we never should have

dropped the bomb. If you were living in those days, you knew that's what had to happen. I never had second thoughts. (Lord told McDaniel that six of his high school classmates had been killed in World War II.)

"You have a different perspective if you lived through the beginning of the war to the end, as opposed to reading about it in a history book. I remember listening to the Battle of Britain on the radio as it was going on. We feel like we ended the war so there should be some recognition for that."

"What about after the war," the reporter continued, "when the first photographs and newsreels showed up and you saw the effects" of the atomic explosions.

"We were in seventh heaven. We were celebrating."

"Even though it was largely civilians who were vaporized, in some cases?"

"During the war I don't think that mattered," Lord said, pointing out that hundreds of thousands of Japanese had previously been killed in the fire-bombing of Tokyo and other sites. Others have pointed out that a million Americans and a million Japanese would have been killed if the war had not been stopped by the atomic bombs.

In the summer of 1945, Dick and Kay Lord were married. During their honeymoon they heard President Truman issue his ultimatum to Japan: "Surrender or else." Lord knew what was coming.

They experienced the "chaos" in Jackson Square as Oak Ridgers openly rejoiced that the war that killed 54 million people had ended and that Oak Ridge had played a key role in bringing peace.

He worked on a team to try to make Y-12's electromagnetic separation competitive with the new gaseous diffusion process at K-25 for enriching uranium in U-235. The attempt failed, the calutron plant shut down, and Y-12's employment dropped from a high of 22,482 people in August 1945, to fewer than 2,000 people in 1947.

"I was one of the fortunate people to remain employed in Oak Ridge for my whole career," Lord said. "I never left."

After the war, Lord became involved in operating the 86-inch cyclotron located in Building 9201-2 at Y-12 cobbled together from Y-12's excess calutron parts, including the huge magnets. Then the Oak Ridge Isochronous Cyclotron was built at Oak Ridge National Laboratory. Lord moved to ORNL to work on ORIC, where he became an expert on magnet design.

"I was very much involved with the design of its magnet and the magnet coils, which nobody expected to last this long (from 1963 until 2011, when ORIC was shut down)," he told McDaniel.

His sense of accomplishment was enhanced further when he led the effort to inject the ion beam from the Holifield tandem accelerator into ORIC to boost the beam's energy for physics experiments at Holifield. Lord and his wife have enjoyed retirement since 1984, when Union Carbide left town as the government contractor. And he continues to stand his ground even when a stranger, like a reporter for PRI, comes to town.

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Thanks again Carolyn for an excellent excerpt from COROH archives. Thanks also for tying a current interview on Public Radio International to an oral history interview. It is this type of connection that makes our history come alive to the readers.

Putin's Grip on Russia Wavering



Michael Nance
Columnist

The recent news coming out of Russia is telling a story, and it isn't a pleasant one. The Russian War with Ukraine is going badly for Putin and now, his grip on power appears to be slipping. As evidence to the situation in Russia

are the many reports of mass exodus of Russian people fleeing Putin's mass conscription. Putin desperately needs military age citizens to fuel his manpower needs for the War in Ukraine, but it appears the Russian people's patience with the crazed dictator have finally run out. Reports indicate that Russians crossing the border with Finland is escalating day by day and the line to cross the border into Georgia is more than 5 miles long.

But that is not the only sign of distress of his power structure, there are many indicators that Putin's days are numbered.

Wagner Group-Mercenaries for Hire Putin engaged the private military company Wagner on several occasions to support his military needs around the globe. The Wagner Group was formed after the fall of the former Soviet Union and was initially made up of former Special Forces specialists from the various Baltic states. Putin used the Wagner Group in Syria and to supplant his front-line forces in Ukraine. But recent reports indicate that the Wagner Group is now having to seek volunteers from Russian Prisons. The Wagner Group's effectiveness and military acumen will wane significantly because of prison inmates finding their way into their military organization.

Further complicating the Wagner Group, is the western support of providing the HIMARS (High Mobility Artillery Rocket System) to Ukraine. According to reports Ukraine used the HIMARS System to eliminate a Wagner Group headquarters in the Eastern Luhansk region after a Russian War Correspondent inadvertently revealed the group's location.

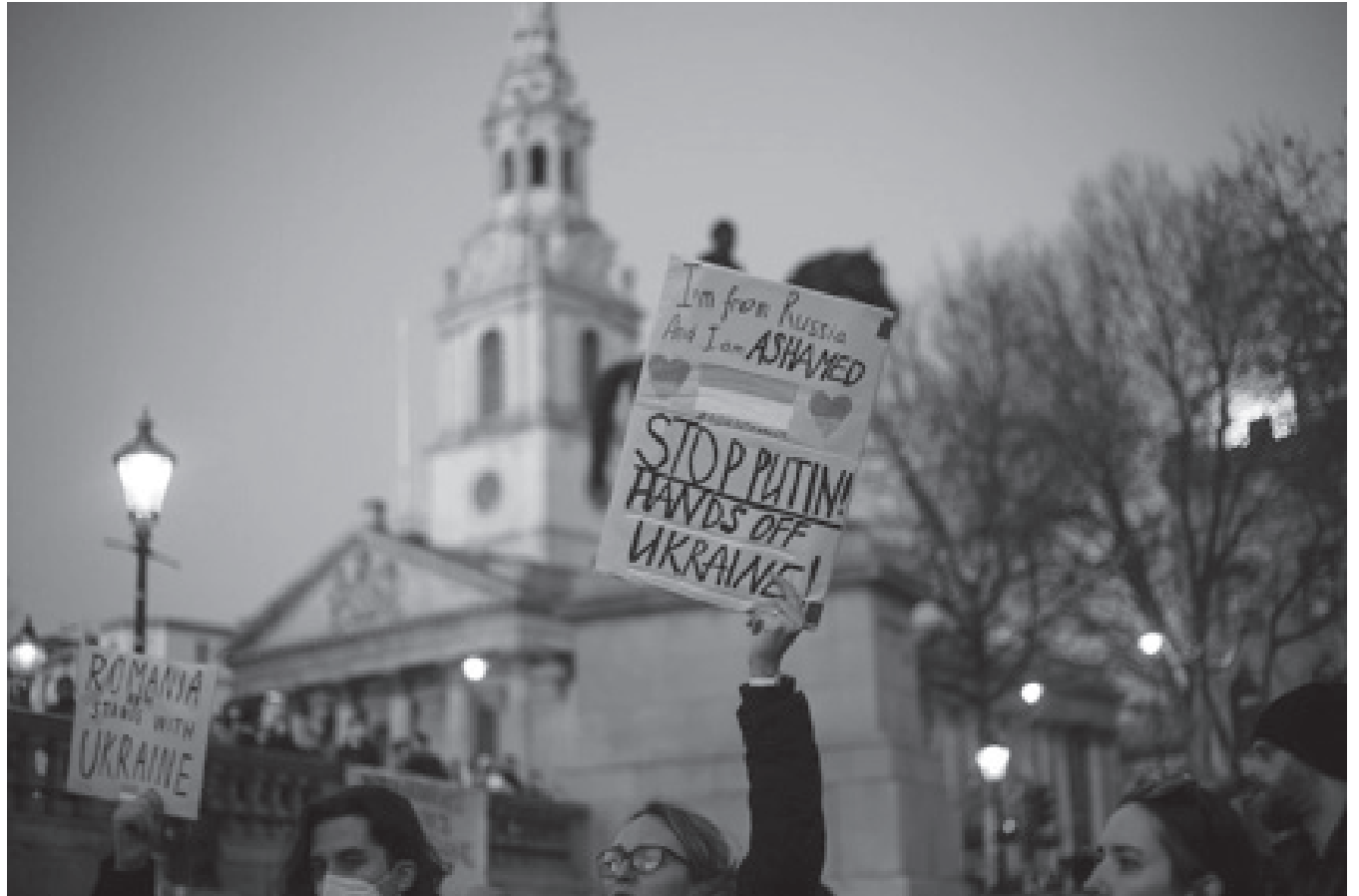
Putin's War on Ukraine has stretched the Wagner Groups capabilities and Ukraine is receiving excellent intelligence on where Wagner group's leaders are positioned on the battlefield. Considering all the variables, the Wagner Group's combat effectiveness is quickly diminishing, which translates downstream into diminishing influence for Putin.

Replacing Military Leaders

With the Ukrainian War going badly, Putin desperately needed to assign blame to somewhere. It appears that he tagged Russian General Dmitry Bulgakov. General Bulgakov was a Deputy Defense Minister who had been in charge of the failed logistics of the Ukrainian Invasion. He was replaced by the brutal commander General Mikhail Mizintsey who commanded the Russian siege at the port of Mariupol. His actions at Mariupol earned him the name of "The Butcher of Mariupol" and official sanctions from the United Kingdom (UK).

UK defense officials also assert that Putin had side-lined another senior defense official, Sergei Shoigu, after many reports that indicated he had "ineffectual and out-of-touch leadership."

Protests, Civil Discontent and Govern-



ment Censorship of Media

Last but not least, the final sign of Putin's waning influence are the many protests throughout Russia. The protests are an apparent indicator of Putin's unpopular military conscription.

According to the Kremlin, "300,000 people with military experience would be called up to support the Special Military Action in Ukraine." Other international news agencies indicate that groups that were previously exempt from conscription such as university students are now being targeted for military service. OVD is an independent Russian human rights media project with the goal of advocating against political persecution. According to this watchdog group, at least 1,332 people were arrested at protests in 38 different Russian cities after a morning address to the nation by Putin in September.

These protests were in response to conscription efforts by Putin.

OVD reported these protests and subsequent arrests which quickly garnered the attention of Putin, who tasked government regulators to block its website. Which is just one of many moves that Putin has taken in a months-long crackdown of independent media.

In conclusion, it is clear Putin is losing his grip on power, day by day, and week by week. If Putin must abdicate his throne in Russia, who will be his successor? That is the question that I am certain many national intelligence agencies are pondering at the moment. Myself, I am just hoping for Christmas without a Ukraine War or Putin! That would be a true Christmas present indeed!

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A King's Ransom: Chapter 16



Carol Hall
Author

It couldn't be.

Elric Bohun? The man she'd met in the forest earlier in the day? What was he doing here? Is this where he lived? If so, he would know she didn't belong. She had to get away before he drew attention to her presence.

Dropping her gaze, she slipped back into the crowd.

"It's about time," Nicodemus groaned. "I was beginning to wonder if you were ever going to leave the gathering."

Bronwyn had been so caught up in the activities of the festival that she had forgotten that Nico-

demus was stuffed up under her hair. His voice caused her to jump.

"Sorry," she said, as she darted around people trying to get through the crowd.

When they had successfully escaped the festival, Bronwyn ducked around the side of the shoemaker's shop and stopped, peeking around the corner to make sure they weren't being followed.

"What are you doing?" Nicodemus asked. "Who are you hiding from?"

"Elric," Bronwyn whispered. "Remember him from this morning?"

"One of the men on horseback?" Nicodemus asked. "What's he doing here?"

"I don't know," Bronwyn said, impatiently. "Maybe he lives here."

"Was the other man with him, too?" Nicodemus asked.

"I didn't see him," Bronwyn said. "But I'm sure he's here somewhere."

"What do we do?" Nicodemus asked. "Are we still going to pilfer and pillage for some food and clothes?"

Bronwyn sneaked a peek around the corner again, but the light from the festival didn't reach this far, making it almost impossible to see more than a few feet in front of her.

"Yes," she said. "I still need clothes, and I don't know about you, but I'm famished."

"So..." came a voice from the darkness behind Bronwyn. "You plan on stealing from these fine folks?"

Bronwyn's sharp intake of breath sounded like a hiss.

Nicodemus squealed and scrambled back under her hair.

"I...who...what?" Bronwyn stammered.

"I saw you in the crowd," Elric said, calmly. "Across the circle from me. It took me a moment to realize it was the bewitched girl from the forest, but once I saw your wild, red hair, I knew."

"What are you going to do?" Bronwyn asked, fear etching her words.

"Are you going to turn me in?"

"For what?" Elric asked. "Being hungry?"

"For attempting to steal," Bronwyn clarified.

"I didn't catch you trying to steal anything," he said. "Seems to me you were only talking about it. Which brings me to my next question. Who were you talking to?"

"Uh..." Bronwyn hesitated. "No one."

"So," Elric said, questioningly. "You truly are possessed by a forest spirit? Is that why you talk to yourself?"

"I'm not possessed, and I wasn't talking to myself," Bronwyn said. She didn't want him to think she was deranged, or out of her mind. But could she tell him the truth?

"Then, how do you explain your behavior?" Elric asked, suspiciously.

"You were acting boggle-minded in the woods, and I know I just heard you talking to someone."

Bronwyn heaved out a deep sigh. "I was talking to my friend," she admitted. "His name is Nicodemus."

"Annddd, where is Nicodemus now?" Elric asked, looking around.

"He's sitting on my shoulder," Bronwyn said, leaning her head in that direction.

"Uh huh," Elric said, clearing believing she was either lying, or she honestly was out of her mind.

"Nicodemus," she said, giving in. "Come out please. Let Elric see you."

"I don't want to, Bronwyn," he said, barely above a whisper.

Elric must have heard him because he backed up a step. "There really is someone sitting on your shoulder?" he asked, sounding a bit fearful.

"Nicodemus, please," Bronwyn said. "Introduce yourself to this kind man."

"Fine, but if he freaks out and tries to hurt me, I'm going to be mad," he said, with a huff.

"You're starting to worry me, m'lady," Elric said, taking another step back. "What's on your shoulder?"

Nicodemus crawled out from under her hair, but his dark appearance made it hard for Elric to see him.

"Come a little closer," Bronwyn told him. "He's down where you can see him now. He's black, so he's hard to see in the dark."

Elric reluctantly took a step forward and leaned in, trying to see whoever,

or whatever, was sitting on Bronwyn's shoulder.

Nicodemus took another step forward. "Hello, sir," he said.

Elric squinted his eyes, then flinched, jumping back to where he previously stood. "Is that..." he started to say. "Is that a spider?"

"Yes," Bronwyn said. "Elric, meet Nicodemus. Nicodemus, meet Elric."

Bronwyn thought Elric was going to pass out. Even in the faded light, he looked pale and green around the mouth.

"It's ok," Bronwyn assured him. "He won't hurt you. He's a very nice spider."

"Um...ok...uh," Elric sputtered. "I've never heard of a talking spider before."

Bronwyn laughed. "Neither had I till I met Nicodemus."

"Is he the reason you were acting so crazy in the forest earlier?" Elric asked.

"As a matter of fact, yes," Bronwyn said, chuckling. "He crawled up the back of my leg, and it tickled. I'm really sorry about that."

"That explains a lot," Elric said, starting to calm down. "Whatever you do, don't show him to Merek, though. He's deathly afraid of spiders."

"I'll remember that," Bronwyn said. "Now, onto the matter at hand. What are you going to do with me?"

"What?" Elric asked, still eyeballing Nicodemus. "Oh, you mean about the stealing thing?"

"Yeah, that," Bronwyn said.

"Nothing," Elric said. "But I'd like to help you out."

"How?" Bronwyn asked.

"I'm staying at the Inn," he said. "You can come to my room, and I'll make sure you get plenty to eat."

Bronwyn gasped. "Sir," she said, aghast. "I can't waltz up to your room and just walk in. People will think...people will assume..."

"Oh," Elric said, shaking his head to clear it. He was still focused on Nicodemus. "I'm sorry. I should have realized that. I could sneak you in. That way no one would know."

"Ok..." Bronwyn said. "But what then? You'll feed us, then what?"

"Bronwyn, I only want to help you," Elric said sincerely. "I only have honorable intentions. I know you must have a story. I want to learn what's going on with you. I want to help."

"What about me?" Nicodemus asked. "Can I come, too?"

"I won't come without Nicodemus," Bronwyn said, adamantly.

"Of course," Elric said. "Seems you two are a matched set."

"Indeed, we are," Nicodemus said.

"Ok, then," Elric said. "There's a ladder outside my window. I'll go to my room and open the shutters. You two hide in the alley until I call you up. No one should be out and about yet. They're all still over at the festival. We should have plenty of time to sneak you in before anyone sees."

"Thank you, Elric," Bronwyn said.

"No problem," he replied. She could tell he was smiling, even though his face was hidden in shadow.

Elric led the way to the Inn, keeping to the dark alleyways, as Bronwyn followed.

They didn't pass a single soul on their way.

Even so, they managed to keep their conversation to a minimum in case some passerby happened to cross their path and wondered what they were up to.

They rounded a corner and slipped down a tight walkway between two buildings. When they emerged out the other end, they took a left and came to a tall, two story building. A ladder clung to the side of the wall, leading up to a window on the second floor.

"Wait here for me," Elric said. "I'll call down for you when I get inside."

Bronwyn fidgeted on the spot while she and Nicodemus waited for Elric to let them in. The darkness seemed so oppressive under the shadow of the building. Every little noise made her jump, thinking someone coming. Wringing her hands, she kept casting glances up to the window waiting for him to call down to them.

At last, she heard the shutters unlatch and creak open. Then Elric's voice drifted down to them. "Bronwyn?" he whispered down to her. "Come on up. Go slow, and be careful."

Bronwyn scaled the ladder up to the window, with Nicodemus clinging tightly to her shoulder. When she reached the top, Elric helped pull her inside.

As soon as her feet hit the floor, Nicodemus jumped down from her shoulder onto the bed.

The loud, piercing scream that filled the room caused Bronwyn to nearly jump out of her skin.



Davis Funeral Home's Veteran of the Week



Sgt. Parks

Our local patriot and veteran Benny Parks moved from Anderson County to Gobey, Tennessee with his family in 1951. Benny learned the meaning and importance of hard, honest work by the example of his dad who worked as a coal miner as many other local fathers, brothers, and sons did at the time.

The Parks family has a long line of patriots and veterans. One of Benny's uncles served in the U.S. Navy between twenty-five and thirty years. Benny's two older brothers also served in the U.S. Navy and his younger brother served in the U.S. Army.

Benny was drafted in the U.S. Army on December 27, 1965, at the young age of nineteen. His military career began at Fort Benning, Georgia where he completed Basic Combat Training. After basic training he was sent to Fort Knox, Kentucky where he graduated from Advanced Individual Training and became a qualified cavalry scout.

After AIT graduation he was assigned to serve as a cavalry scout in the 3RD Armored Cavalry Regiment in Baumholder, Germany. During his time in the 3RD Armored Cavalry Regiment he spent most of his time in a M114 Command and Reconnaissance Carrier which was a 15,000 lbs. Vietnam War-era tracked armored fighting vehicle that had a main armament of a 50-caliber M2 machine gun. He is thankful to have been blessed to have served in Germany during the Vietnam War.

By the end of his two years of military service he earned the rank of E-5/Sergeant before ending his military career on December 26, 1967.

Just days after returning home from the army Benny only owned an old car and had less than \$70.00 in his pocket. Regardless of what he didn't have, he knew what he wanted most in his life, and that was for his girlfriend Shirley to be his wife. They immediately married and he's never looked back.

Benny and Shirley still call Morgan County home and we at Morgan County Today are thankful they do. He is an active member of the American Legion Post 149 and the Morgan

County Honor Guard.

Thank you, Benny, for your service to our country. We pray that you and Shirley enjoy many more years together.



Law Enforcement Officer of the Week

Deputy Sheriff Blane Lane with the Polk County Sheriff's Office, Florida was shot and killed on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 while serving a felony warrant in Polk City, Florida.

He and three other deputies were invited into the subject's trailer to serve the failure to appear warrant for a previous narcotics charge. While Deputy Lane and three other deputies checked the mobile home the wanted subject walked into the room and pointed a gun at them. The deputies immediately fired at the subject but one of their rounds went through a wall and struck



Deputy Lane in the shoulder.

Deputy Lane was transported to Lakeland Regional Health Medical Center where he succumbed to his wound.

The subject, a convicted felon, was shot twice and is expected to survive. She has been charged with second-degree murder.

Deputy Sheriff Lane had served with the Polk County Sheriff's Office for one year. He was only twenty-one-years-old and is survived by his three-year-old child.

Property Tax Relief for Seniors

Pushing for and passing legislation allowing more Senior Citizens to qualify for Property Tax Relief.



NOW HERE'S A TIP

By JoAnn Derson

 * Candy, candy and more candy. Halloween is just around the corner, and some of us like to offer a non-candy alternative to our door-knocking ghouls and goblins. Here are three that I have been successful with: pencils, erasers and glow sticks/bracelets. -- JoAnn

* Post-Halloween sales are a great time to pick up imagination-stimulating accessories and outfits for the dress-up bin.

* "Young children often love the act of pumpkin carving, but apart from letting them scoop out the seeds (which is FUN), there's not a safe way to let them help with the cutting. I recommend purchasing a small pumpkin for the little ones to decorate with markers or paint." -- W.F. in South Carolina

* "Baby lotion is great to have around on Halloween,

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

* Boxing heavyweight champion Jack Johnson invented the household wrench in 1922.

* The movie title "Death Wish III" was changed to "Death Wish 3" after a survey conducted by the Cannon Group revealed that nearly half of Americans couldn't read Roman numerals.

* Tom Hanks' brother Jim voices "Toy Story's" Woody when his sibling is too busy.

* A hat that doubles as a weapon? Sure, if you're a gum-leaf skeletonizer caterpillar, which wears its old molted heads on top of its noggin and uses them to bat away predators!

* The human jaw can clench with 250 pounds of force.

* Those chocolate-covered caramel candies we fondly know as Milk Duds were originally intended to be perfectly round. But when machines in 1928 couldn't produce them consistently, the misshaped goodies were called "duds," hence their unusual name.

* From the "nothing like planning ahead" files: CNN has prepared a doomsday video, to be played by the last surviving employee. In 2009, a former intern posted the footage online. It shows a low-resolution video of a U.S. Army band playing a mournful rendition of "Nearer My God to Thee."

* The center of the Milky Way tastes like raspberries and smells like rum.

* In the 1970s, Chrysler advertised its luxury cars as containing "Corinthian leather." But spokesman Ricardo Montalban admitted on "Late Night with David Letterman" that the term really meant nothing, as said leather was actually sourced out of New Jersey.

* Romania's Movile Cave, isolated from the outside world for more than 5 million years, contains more than 30 species not found anywhere else on Earth.

* In the 1700s, "bitch the pot" or "standing bitch" was English slang for hosting a tea party.

 Thought for the Day: "Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud."
 --Maya Angelou
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because it can be used to remove face paint. Masks can restrict children's vision when trick-or-treating, so face paint is a better way to go. Use a washcloth and baby lotion to get that paint off quick." -- A.V. in Oregon

* Choose a battery-powered candle for your carved jack-o'-lanterns. You can leave it on longer, even when you aren't home. And it's much safer than a true flame.

* "Give any costume that your kid wants to wear for Halloween the 'dance test.' Have him or her put on the costume and dance around. If the child is tripping over the hems or the accessories are cumbersome, a change is in order." -- M. in Michigan

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

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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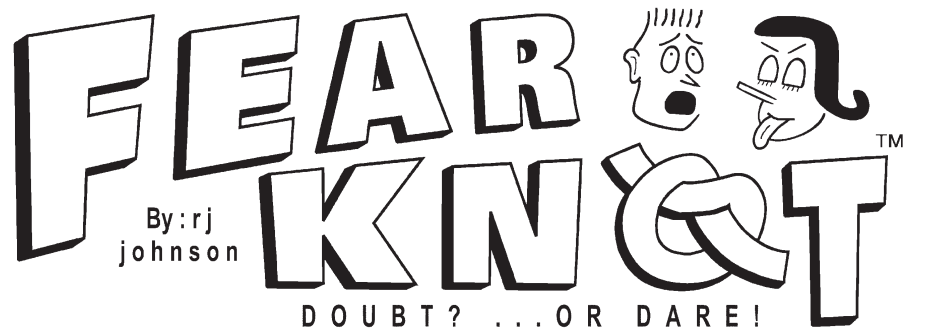
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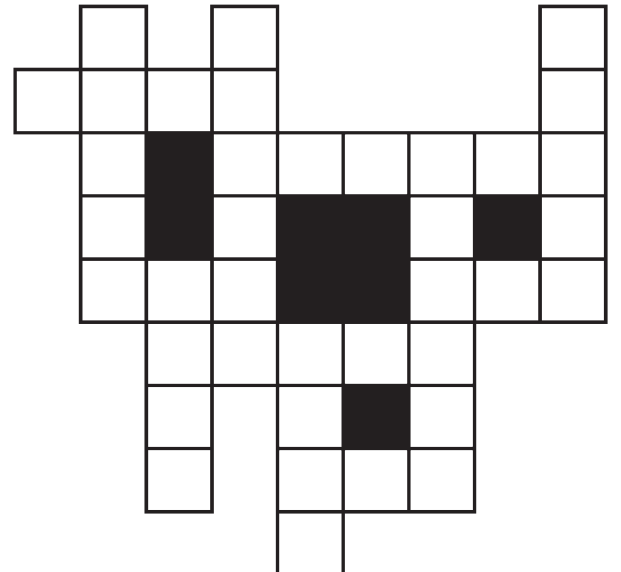
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or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

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Song of Solomon in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Genesis 19, who prepared a meal for two in Sodom? *Lot, Abel, Ishmael, Hagar*
3. What was the more commonly known name of Hadassah? *Ruth, Esther, Sarah, Michal*
4. From Proverbs 16:18, "Pride goeth before ...?" *Failure, Lust, Destruction, Forgiveness*
5. What caused the death of Samson's wife? *Poisoned, Fell off a cliff, Pushed from a tower, Burned*
6. Who was the father of Jacob? *Moses, Isaac, Abraham, Noah*

ANSWERS: 1) Old, 2) Lot, 3) Esther, 4) Destruction, 5) Burned, 6) Isaac

"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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Fall Flea Season

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My cat Isaiah often gets fleas in the late spring through summer, but by September the fleas are usually gone. This year, he still has fleas, even as we get into the chillier October month. What can I do to drive the fleas out? — Maddy in Biddeford, Maine

DEAR MADDY: While flea activity tends to drop during the colder months, chillier weather isn't a guarantee that they'll go away. A number of factors could keep them around, conceivably, all year. Things like a constantly warm environment in which to live (your house) or a higher than usual flea population (this can vary from year to year).

To really get rid of Isaiah's fleas, you'll need to treat him and tackle possible flea problems inside the house.

Treat Isaiah with a flea treatment, available at the pet store or from the vet. Perfumed soaps aren't good alternatives; they can dry and irritate his skin.

Wash or replace Isaiah's bedding, and wash any furniture upholstery, blankets or other items where he likes to lounge for long periods.

Treat the carpet with a flea preventative, available at the pet store or online. Put Isaiah into a safe room and sprinkle the treatment into the carpet as directed, then vacuum it up. The treatment will take care of any live fleas or eggs hiding in the carpet.

If your cat spends time outdoors, consider making him an indoor cat. This will reduce the chance of him contracting fleas outside and bringing them into the house.

Send your tips, comments or questions to ask@pawscorner.com.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN AND BEAR IT



"I'm getting more and more wishes for hybrid flying carpets."

THE RICH LOWRY COLUMN

By Rich Lowry

Hispanics Weren't What Progressives Thought

One of the most significant events in American politics is that Hispanics are, in effect, deciding that they are working-class voters rather than ethnic-grievance voters.

This is so momentous because it means that Democrats can't rely on the monolithic Hispanic voting bloc they imagined would guarantee them an enduring electoral majority, and that the shift to the Republicans may be just beginning (the migration of working-class whites to the GOP has been happening over the course of a couple of generations).

An NBC News/Telemundo poll of Hispanics has Democrats ahead of Republicans in the battle for Congress 54-33%. That's a healthy lead, but it's down from prior polls. Democrats led among Latinos by 42 points in October 2012, 38 points in October 2016, and 26 points in October 2020. Detect a trend?

Republicans don't have to win Hispanics outright to change the calculus of American politics, only eat into Democratic margins.

In specific places, they are doing even better. A Sienna College poll shows Gov. Ron DeSantis and Sen. Marco Rubio, both running for reelection in Florida, above 50% among Hispanics. A new poll for The Nevada Independent has Republican Adam Laxalt, challenging Democratic incumbent Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto, down by only 2 points among Hispanics.

It wasn't supposed to happen this way. Progressives had Hispanics pegged as "non-white" voters, which meant they'd be animated by the same worldview as Black Americans and become nearly as immovably Democratic. The arbiters of such things even cooked up a new term for Hispanics, "Latinx," to signal their assimilation into the hothouse world of "woke" politics, with its kaleidoscope of genders and other bizarre priorities.

Hispanic is an incredibly wide-ranging category including people from different countries and regions who may have lived here for generations or just got here recently.

Generalizations are inevitably simplifications, but it's safe to say they don't have much in common with Black Americans, who went through the uniquely searing experience of enslavement and systematic discrimination. Within memory, Black people had to fight for the basic legal protections of citizenship, whereas many Hispanics got here after 1980, when the most fundamental civil rights struggles had already been won.

In a piece for Spectator World, the Republican pollster Patrick Ruffini argues that Hispanics are tracing the basic trajectory of white Catholics as they assimilate, move to the suburbs, and hew to traditional values out of fashion with the nation's elite.

Analyst Ruy Teixeira has noted the clashing cultural attitudes of "strong progressives" and Hispanics. According to Echelon Insights survey, 66% of progressives reject the idea that America is the greatest country in the world; 70% of Hispanics disagree. Asked whether racism is built into our society or comes from individuals, 94% of progressives say it is systemic, and 58% of Hispanics say it is from individuals. The same divides are evident on transgender sports, defunding the police, and the importance of hard work.

The picture is of a constituency that is going to be skeptical of a party that made excuses for the 2020 riots premised on the notion that America is fundamentally corrupt, or that is on board the rush to embrace a nonbinary future. Needless to say, this is not FDR's Democratic Party, which had such a hold on white Catholics for so long.

On the cultural questions in the Echelon survey, Hispanics are much closer to working-class voters than the "wokesters." This shouldn't be a surprise since about 80% of Hispanics over age 25 don't have a four-year degree, whereas hyper-progressives are disproportionately college-educated. Like other working-class voters, Hispanics are focused on the economy, and give President Biden failing grades.

TITLE: None of this means the Hispanic trend toward Republicans is inexorable. Rather, it shows that, despite Democratic hopes, these voters are up for grabs, and their support has to be earned like that of other Americans.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review..

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24-Hour Refrigerator Vegetable Pickles

On a recent afternoon when my son texted me to check in, I nimbly replied with sticky fingers, "I'm preoccupied with taking pics of pints of pickled" While laughing at the preponderance of P's, I accidentally pressed "send." He immediately wrote back, "Pickled PEP-PERS? ... ha!"

OK, so I may have left the peppers out of this recipe, but keeping with the "Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled ..." verse that took us back to his childhood, I simply replied, "perhaps." Wordplay and food play are interchangeable with kids, no matter their age.

Preparing pickled veggies this time of year is the perfect antidote for using and enjoying the abundance of fresh, tender and tasty produce in our gardens and markets. You and your kids can create jars full to stack in the refrigerator in less than an hour for a month of tasty sides. Discover, like my family, that the vegetables will be sweet like bread and butter pickles, but will pack more flavor than the traditional grocery-store fare.

Here's how to "pickle it" all:

24-HOUR PICKLES

Makes 6 pints

For the brine:

5 cups distilled white vinegar

5 cups sugar

2 tablespoons kosher salt
1/4 cup mustard seed
1 tablespoon celery seed
1 tablespoon black peppercorns
6 bay leaves
Fresh dill (optional)

For the vegetables:

3 cucumbers, sliced in discs or quartered lengthwise
6 medium carrots, peeled and quartered lengthwise
2 big handfuls of green beans
1 medium cauliflower, broken into pieces
2 onions, halved and sliced

1. In a saucepan, combine the first six brine ingredients and bring to a boil, stirring until sugar is completely dissolved.

2. Place the vegetables in a large bowl.

3. An adult should pour the hot brine mixture over the vegetables. Cool. Transfer equally to six clean jars, tucking a bay leaf and dill (if you choose) in each one. Screw lids on tightly and place in the refrigerator.



4. Refrigerate for 24 hours before serving. Keep refrigerated and use within one month.

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VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

Medical Scammers Caught

Thieves must think they're smarter than the rest of us. Until they're caught, that is, and have to give up all their ill-gotten gains and spend time behind bars. Here are a few examples:

The president of a medical testing company has been convicted of paying kickbacks, misleading investors and committing health-care fraud for pushing an allergy test.

He made several outlandish claims to investors along the way:

-- That his company was valued at \$4.5 billion and that his little test could show nearly any disease just using a few drops of blood when it wasn't actually a diagnostic test at all.

-- That Dr. Fauci had required testing for Covid and allergies at the same time, which was handy, because the scammer also claimed that his allergy test could test for Covid.

-- That he was on the list to receive the Nobel Prize.

The scammer was convicted of a whole list of crimes and could face five to 20 years in prison on each of the scams. A back-of-the-envelope calculation shows 115 years in prison.

Then we have yet another health-care fraud, this time for genetic cancer testing. The owner of a chain of laboratories paid kickbacks for referrals who sent him patients who didn't actually need the test he was providing. The scammer submitted 325,000 claims and received over \$26 million in payments.

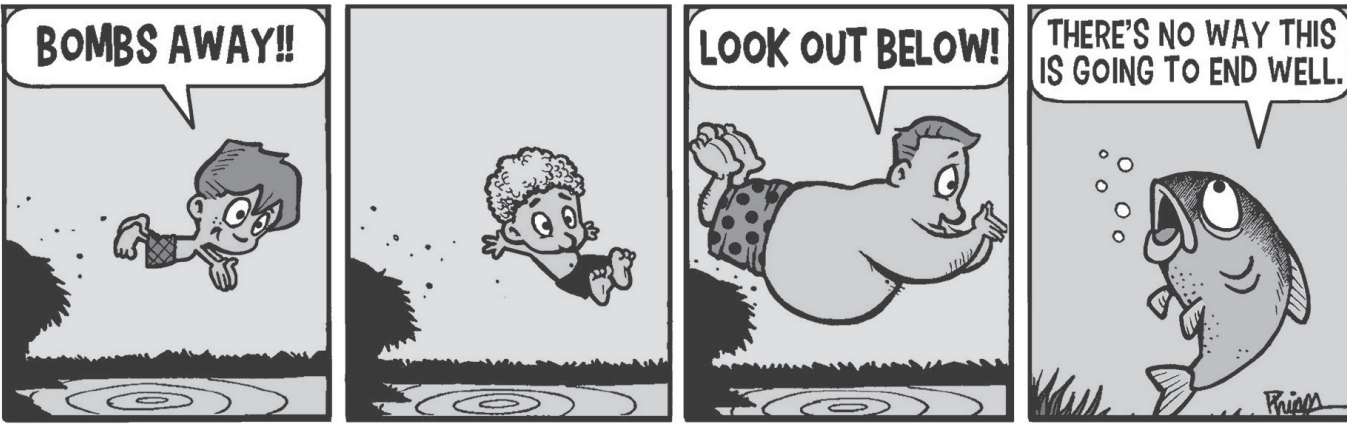
And yet another thief, this time a chiropractor, targeted health care in the durable medical equipment niche: crutches, hospital beds, canes, walkers, wheelchairs and more -- all supposedly prescribed through telemedicine visits. It involved bribery of doctors who approved the medical equipment. Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (CHAMPVA) was just one of their targets, and the scammers collected over \$10 million from that one source alone.

Unfortunately, the head thief in this scam only got four years in the slammer. He will, however, be minus \$3 million he has to pay back and \$10 million in restitution when he gets out.

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



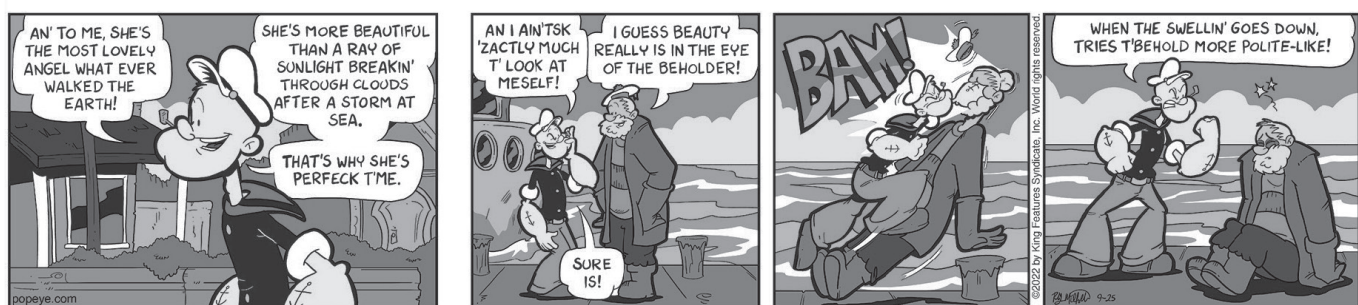
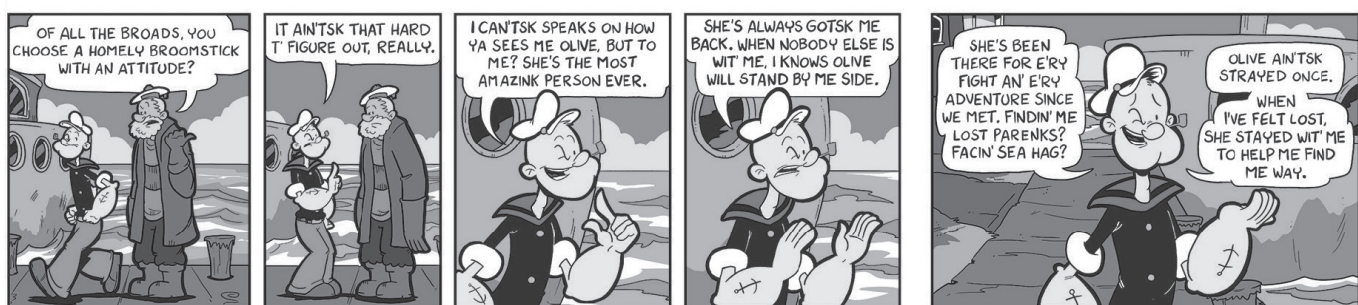
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

* On Oct. 30, 1864, the town of Helena, Montana, is founded by four gold miners at a location they called Last Chance Gulch. Miners flooded to the area by the thousands, finding \$19 million in gold in four years. By 1894, Helena was the capital of Montana.

* On Oct. 26, 1881, the Earp brothers battle the Clanton-McLaury gang in a shootout in a vacant lot behind the O.K. Corral in Tombstone, Arizona. The gunfight only took 30 seconds, but 30 shots were fired and several were killed. Two were charged with murder, but a judge later found them not guilty.

* On Oct. 27, 1904, the New York City subway opens. The line traveled 9.1 miles through 28 stations. More than 100,000 people paid a nickel each to take their first ride. Today there are 26 lines, the longest running 32 miles.

* On Oct. 24, 1921, from among 77,000 United States servicemen killed on the Western Front during World War I, the body of the first soldier to be honored is selected in the French town of Chalons-sur-Marne. Four bodies were selected to become the Unknown Soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

* On Oct. 29, 1969, Bobby Seale, a member of the "Chicago Eight," is gagged during his murder trial on orders of the judge to stop Seale's outbursts. The "Chicago Eight" were charged with crossing state lines to cause anti-war demonstrations in Chicago. Seale was eventually sentenced to 48 months in prison for the outbursts alone, but the murder portion of his trial ended with a hung jury and the contempt charges were dropped.

* On Oct. 25, 1983, President Ronald Reagan orders 2,000 Marines to invade Grenada to protect the 1,000 Americans there at the time, many of them students at the island's medical school. Codenamed "Operation Urgent Fury," the fighting was over in four days.

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Scott Shuts Out Fulton At Home As Lady Highlanders Make Turn to District Tournament

By Richard Spears



The Fulton Lady Falcons didn't bring a full team to Scott for Thursday's (Oct. 6) game, but in a 10-on-10 contest, Lady Highlander Head Coach Eric Henry got to play his younger players for most of the game, as Scott bested Fulton 7-0 on Senior Night. "I appreciated Fulton coming over, even without a full squad, since we had senior night honors planned for our team," Henry said. Scott seniors Zoey Terry, Abby Reynolds, Katie Tucker, Chloe Tucker, Olivia Rector and Kaitlyn Butts started the game, and Henry began putting in subs midway through the first half. Senior Hannah Daggs, who missed playing this season due to injury was also honored.

Six minutes into the game, Kaitlyn Butts, named the District Defensive Player of the Year, started the scoring by hitting a penalty kick. Four minutes later, Lady Highlander senior Olivia Rector made it 2-0 with a long kick from midfield. At the 24:10 mark, Rector launched another guided missile for a goal to put Scott up, 3-0. That was the score at the half.

Senior Zoey Terry hit 2 quick goals in succession in the first 12 minutes of the second half, and Scott led Fulton, 5-0. With 25 minutes left in the contest, Lady Highlander Riley Lantz booted home a goal. Three minutes later, Scott's Onna Bowling put the finish on the shutout victory by drilling a precision shot into the net, and the Lady Highlanders led Fulton 7-0. That was the game's final score. As later announced, Scott senior Chloe Tucker was honored as the District Co-MVP for the season. Scott would start the District Tournament at Highlander Field against Kingston on Saturday, October 8.

Prior to Scott's win against Fulton, the Lady Highlanders played a tough, physical Alcoa team at Highlander Field Tuesday (October 4) and fell, 3-0. Scott Head Coach Eric Henry said, "I told them this would be an intense, hard fought game. We needed a good tune-up for the District Tournament, and this was it."

Lady Indians Defeat Scott, Battle to Tie At Cumberland County to End Regular Season

Oneida's Kenlee Duncan put the Lady Indians up, 1-0 over Scott midway through the first half of Oneida's home game Thursday (September 29), and that would be the score at the end of the period. In the second frame, Oneida's Claire Burress, assisted by Kamryn Kennedy, made it 2-0 ten minutes into the half. Four minutes later, Oneida's Alexea Jones drove home a goal to widen the lead to 3-0. At the 20:18 mark, Kamryn Kennedy scored Oneida's fourth goal. Lady Indian sophomore Lydia Kline made it 5-0 with a goal 2 minutes later, followed with a score by Oneida's Ali Smith to complete the 6-0 win over the Lady Highlanders. Oneida Head Coach Phil Newport said in comments after the game, "We created a lot of shots, and played very well on defense. This game is always intense, but I felt we just got into a rhythm and took advantage of our shot opportunities." Scott Head Coach Eric Henry told the Morgan County Today, "We didn't play well. Our passes were soft, not on target. Our younger players got to play a lot, so it was good experience for them."

In their final regular season game, Oneida traveled to Cumberland County Monday, October 3, and fought to a 1-1 tie with the Lady Jets. Oneida Head Coach Phil Newport told the Morgan County Today, "We outshot them 21-3 in the game, we were just off on our shots." Oneida's Claire Burress, off an assist from Emilee Sexton, scored the lone Oneida goal. "I wasn't terribly disappointed, because we generated a lot of offense," Newport added. The Lady Indians prepared to begin the post season, with the first District Tournament game scheduled at Hoffman Field on Tuesday, October 11 against Rockwood.



PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



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ZOEY
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John Mark Windle voted for legislation that reduced the sales tax on food.



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Around The World and Back Again

with Zack Ballinger

MY NEW BOOK THIS FALL: DON'T BE A ZOMBIE: HOW TO FIND A CAREER YOU LOVE

The skies were dark with rain clouds that filled the horizon. The thunder could be heard every few minutes, punctuated with quick flashes of lightening. It was a cold, early spring day in Knoxville, TN. The rain slowly drizzled all morning and evolved into strong storms in the afternoon. The day felt like a scene from a movie. The darkest rain cloud seemed to follow me the entire day.

My dress socks were soaked from accidentally stepping in mud puddles all day long. I finished work and returned home around 4:30pm. I gathered several pieces of mail from my mailbox, opened my garage, and parked my car. I didn't bother looking at the mail. I was too exhausted—not physically, but mentally.

I took off my wet dress shoes and slogged upstairs to my bedroom. I didn't even take off my suit, tie, or dress pants. I lied down in bed, pulling the comforter cover over me. I laid my head in my pillow, placed my hands over my face, and asked myself, "How can I escape this job? How can I continue to do this work?" How can I con-

tinue to deal with this boss?"

I remember that day like it was yesterday, even though it was over a decade ago. I tried to figure out how to get out of this mess. The mess was my job. I hated my job and it had begun to take a mental, physical, and emotional toll on my health. I was hopeless and spiritually bankrupt. I felt as though I had no purpose in life and knew I was keeping a job for financial motivations.



My health began to decline, and my once-extroverted personality slowly evolved into an introvert. I stopped communicating, taking phone calls, and avoided social interaction. The worse part no one knew, including my family, friends, and co-workers, was that I dreaded going to work every single day. I didn't get along with my boss and he was making life absolutely miserable for me—both at work and outside of the job.

Fast-forward to 2020 and life for me is much dif-

ferent. I love what I do on a daily basis. I can't imagine going back to that dreary day 10 years ago. I wish the new me could have spoken to the old me back on that day. He would have said, "Not every day is easy and sure there's always challenges, but you have never been this satisfied in a career. You WILL discover your passion, and this will all be a memory."



Zack Ballinger

I discovered my passion and I want to help you do the same. I know what it's like to get up every morning, hit the snooze button six or seven times, lie there in dread, use all your energy to stand up and get out of bed, sulk and moan in the shower, and feel the angst knots in your stomach driving to work. I know what it's like to be under stress, pressure, and with the feeling that there's no way out of this situation. Not liking your job in the US is a very common trend; 70% of Americans feel this way in their current jobs.

In, 2014, I wrote the book, "The Hot Seat: How to Meet the Challenge of a New Era in Job Interviewing". As I started to teach job interviewing workshops, classes, and presenting keynote speeches, I noticed a common theme of questions at the end of my events: Not many people liked their current jobs. In addition, no one really knew what they wanted to do and had no passion in their life. They also had no clue where to begin to find the solution.

Most of the questions they posed weren't even related to job interviews, but rather focused on finding your passion and purpose in life. "What should I do with my job?" "How do I find a career I love?" "How do I change jobs?" I found myself giving career coaching rather than job interviewing advice. I wrote this book because I believe strongly that we were meant for so much more.

I wanted to give people hope, provide a road map, and encourage you along your career journey. Life is too short to spend one-third of your life working in a career you despise. It's time to find your true passion and purpose in your career field. My book will take you from a dream to a career. This comprehensive manual is designed to help you find work you love. Are you ready to make a change? Let's begin the journey.

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Simple Tricks Make Acorn Squash a Treat

It's autumn, and acorn squash are in season, delicious, versatile, frugal and fabulous!

Some people find preparing squash daunting. I get it — the rind is hard to cut through and there are all those gooeey seeds!

I felt the same way until I learned a few tricks. First, for hard-skinned squash, if you pierce them a few times and microwave for two to three minutes, they're much easier to cut in half.

Second, everything is easier to cut with a sharp knife. If you can upgrade only one thing in your kitchen, invest in a quality chef's knife.

Third, to easily remove the seeds, use an ice cream scoop. The sharp edge cuts through the stringy stuff, making removal a breeze. Armed with these tricks, preparing squash becomes a treat.

Sweet or savory? Acorn squash can be prepared either way, and both are wonderful. For a sweet squash, rub the exposed surface of the squash with butter and sprinkle with a little salt. Place a 1/2 tablespoon each butter and brown sugar (or more, I won't tell) in the center and roast, uncovered. You also could add maple syrup, cinnamon or pumpkin pie spice.

For savory squash, brush with olive oil, sprinkle with salt and pepper and roast. Optionally, you can place

a little fresh herb (sage, rosemary or oregano) in the center with a pat of butter or splash of oil and roast uncovered.

ROAST ACORN SQUASH

Total Time: 50 minutes
Yield: 1 squash or 2 servings

1 acorn squash
1 tablespoon olive oil or butter, divided
Salt and pepper

Arrange oven rack in the lower-middle position of the oven. Preheat to 400 F. Wash your squash. Working from the tip toward the stem, slice it in half. Scoop out the seeds and place, cut side up, onto a baking sheet or baking dish.

Since the size of squash varies from 2 to 3 pounds, the roasting time will



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Use leftover veggies for this sweet or savory squash.

also vary. Check for doneness beginning at 50 minutes. It's cooked when it's soft and easily pierced by a fork. When cooked, the squash will have liquid in the center. Let the squash rest to reabsorb that liquid.

To turn a squash into a complete meal, fill the center with stuffing, or stuff the center with filling. I'll leave that for you to decide. Either way, here's a master recipe you can vary to your heart's content to make

scrumptious stuffed squash dinners all season long.

MIX AND MATCH STUFFING

1 to 2 cups vegetables
1/2 to 1 cup rice
1/2 to 1 cup cooked protein
1/4 cup optional add-ins

Roast squash according to directions above. While the squash is cooking, prepare your stuffing. Depending on the size of your squash, you'll want between 2 to 3 cups stuffing. In a skillet, saute 1 to 2 cups mixed diced vegetables, such as onion, garlic, celery, peppers, zucchini, mushrooms, spinach, practically anything. This is a perfect use for leftover veggies.

Add 1/2 to 1 cup cooked white or brown rice. Next, add 1/2 to 1 cup cooked protein to the mix. Examples are any kind of sausage, hamburger, chicken or soy-based vegetable crumbles. Yet another use for leftovers.

Lastly, add optional goodies to customize your dish. You could add cheese (Parmesan, mozzarella, feta, pepper jack), some crunch (nuts, sunflower seeds, pepitas), fresh herbs and dried fruit (raisins, cranberries, apricots). Stir it all together in the skillet. When the squash is cooked, mound the filling into the squash and return to the oven for 10 minutes.

Serve with flourish and devour your ultimate autumn comfort food.

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David Zubler
Columnist

Beware of texting scams

The IRS is warning everyone of a recent increase in texting scams aimed at stealing your personal and financial information. Con artists are using texting scams (known as smishing) to pretend to be the IRS.

In the last few weeks, IRS simulated smishing has increased exponentially.

Smishing campaigns target cell phone users and often offer fake COVID relief, tax credits, or help setting up an IRS online account.

In the latest activity, scam texts often ask you to click a link where phishing websites will try to collect your information or potentially send malicious code onto your phones.

“This is phishing on an industrial scale, so thousands of people can be at risk of receiving these scam messages,” said IRS Commissioner Chuck Rettig. “In recent months, the IRS has reported multiple large-scale smishing campaigns that have delivered thousands – and even hundreds of thousands – of IRS-themed messages in hours or a few days, far exceeding previous levels of activity.”

You should report these scams to phishing@irs.gov. When you report scams to the IRS, it enables them to report the scam to the appropriate service providers for action, protecting other people who might receive a variant of the same scam.

The IRS tries to stop online fraud. However, criminals are constantly creating new tactics to exploit more victims. They are known to use algorithms to automatically create hundreds or even thousands of fraudulent domains. For example, a recent strategy used just three dozen bogus or stolen email addresses to make over 1,000 fraudulent domains.

“Particularly in these cases, the best offense is a good defense,” said Rettig. “Taxpayers and tax pros need to remain constantly vigilant with suspicious IRS-related emails and text messages. And if you get one, sending the IRS important details from the text can help us disrupt the scams and protect others.”

Reporting fake IRS texts to the IRS allows security professionals to track and help stop these scams. When reporting scam texts, the IRS prefers that you include both the body of the message and the sender’s information in one text or email. Copying the actual text into an email is preferred. However, screenshots can be sent if necessary. You can also scam SMS/text messages by copying and forwarding them to wireless providers via text to 7726 (SPAM). Reporting scams helps the IRS to spot and block similar messages in the future.

The IRS will never send you emails or text messages asking for personal or financial information or account numbers. Emails and texts claiming to be the IRS should always be a red flag.

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SENIOR NEWS LINE

By Matilda Charles

Storing Food When There’s No Space

During the past two years when I stocked up on grocery staples, I ended up with canned foods and dry goods stored in three different places around the house.

I’d have to check all three places to be sure I grabbed the green beans with the nearest expiration date. Pasta was the same. Worse was when I discovered that I wasn’t having spaghetti for dinner after all because I’d used the last of the pasta and only thought I had one more tucked away somewhere.

Enter the internet and the wide selection of kitchen storage products available.

I wish I’d known of this two years ago: a metal stacking unit that holds 36 cans. I put it on the buffet in the dining room, all cans in easy reach around the

corner from the kitchen.

Not having a pantry, I’ve pulled the hall coat closet into service, moving the hangar bar close to the ceiling and opening up the whole bottom half of the space for four rows of wire shelving and baskets for dry goods and envelopes.

And when all seems lost, when you have no pantry and no basement, when your coat closet can’t be reconfigured, there are still handy places you can store food. A small bookcase will hold cans. Slide a few baskets under an end table. Cereal keepers are smaller than boxes. A row of clear canisters for envelopes will let you see what you have at a glance.

The immediate benefit of having alternate storage places is that it opens up space in your cupboards for currently used items. The box of instant rice and the jar of peanut butter will all be right in front of you.

For more ideas to organize your food, search online (especially Amazon and the big-box hardware store near you) for food storage for small spaces.

Remember to get a black marker to write expiration dates in big letters!

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FLASHBACK

By Mick Harper

- 1. Which Rod Stewart song has a verse with spoken French lyrics?**
- 2. How many films did the Beatles make? Name them in order.**
- 3. What was Brook Benton’s real name?**
- 4. Who had a hit with “Afternoon Delight”?**
- 5. Name the song that contains these lyrics: “Sittin’ here eatin’ my heart out waitin’, Waitin’ for some lover to call.”**

Answers

- 1. “Tonight’s the Night (Gonna Be Alright),” 1976. The spoken lyrics were done by Swedish model and actress Britt Ekland, who was Stewart’s girlfriend.**
- 2. There were five: “A Hard Day’s Night” (1964), “Help” (1965), “Magical Mystery Tour” (1967), “Yellow Submarine” (1968) and “Let It Be” (1970). Of the list, “Magical Mystery Tour” was the least well received, likely because it didn’t even have a script, it was shown on BBC in black and white, and worse, it came out the day after Christmas.**
- 3. Benjamin Franklin Peay. His first chart topper was “It’s Just a Matter of Time” in 1959.**
- 4. Starland Vocal Band, in 1976.**
- 5. “Hot Stuff,” by Donna Summer in 1979. The song topped global charts, hitting No. 1 in Japan, Canada (on three charts), Australia, Switzerland and on four charts in the U.S.**

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2 Thessalonians Chapter 2

(2 Thes. 2:1-12) The coming apostasy: The apostle now addresses another end-time issue about which they were confused (1 Thes. 4:13). It concerned the final coming of Christ to judge the world and the saints' gathering unto him. He pleads that they be not "quickly shaken" (unsettled) or agitated by false ideas regarding this terminal event, either by "spirit" (a false teacher) (1 Jn. 4:1), by word, or by a written document, as if it were divine in origin. The theme in question is whether the coming of the Lord "is just at hand" (v.2). Most modern translations reflect the perfect tense of the verb, hence whether "the day of the Lord has arrived." How could anyone possibly have believed the coming of Christ had occurred already? Obviously certain false teachers had spiritualized the concept, just as the radical preterists do today in claiming that the second coming occurred in A.D. 70 with the destruction of Jerusalem!

They were to guard themselves against deception. The Lord's return was not on the immediate horizon. First, there would begin to be "the falling away," a definite apostasy (1 Tim. 4:1; Heb. 3:12). The Calvinistic rationalization that these "apostates" were merely professors of the faith who had never been genuine Christians is entirely without substance. Resulting from this apostasy eventually would be a sinister character called "the man of sin" (his prevailing character), "the son of perdition" (deserving of punishment), and "the lawless one" (one who flouts divine law v.3, 8).

It is clear that this evolving apostasy was not yet identifiable by the early Christians. Three points must be made: (a) This "man of sin" is not to be identified as a solitary character; rather, it is a movement, personified by a sinister class of beings. (b) There is no basis for the theory that this is the fictional Antichrist of dispensational premillennialism. (c) The language was descriptively and chronologically ambiguous enough so that the prophecy did not nullify warnings about being constantly prepared for the Lord's return. This is extremely important to appreciate.

This movement, though developing out of the Christian system, actually was in opposition to God and true worship. It was religiously corrupt. The system would feign itself to be "the temple of God" (a divinely orchestrated enterprise) and would boast of the prerogatives of deity (v.4). The apostle reminds them that he previously had given them a degree of instruction regarding this matter (v.5). He further declares that this as-yet-undisclosed lawless one is already in an early stage of development; however an oppressive force---"that which restrains" (neuter; a secular impediment)---is holding back the godless movement to a degree (v.7). At the appropriate time, however, the "lawless one" would be revealed (v.6). According to the divine schedule, this diabolic movement would be destroyed by the word of Christ and reduced to nothingness by the Lord's arrival (v.8).

One identifying feature of this enemy would be its claim of supernatural works, wonderful powers that were set forth with the claim of divine "signs," but in reality were nothing more than "lying wonders," unrighteous feats of "deceit" for gullible people who were not disposed to receive a "love of the truth" in order to be saved (v.9-10). Paul makes a curious statement, seemingly so out of character for God. He "sends a working of error, that they should believe a lie,"

This is a common biblical idiom, however, whereby the active voice is put for the passive for the sake of emphasis. God never "sent" a lie; lying cannot be a part of his holy character (Tit. 1:2; Heb. 6:18). Instead, when men lack honest hearts, he permits them to go their reckless ways and believe lies. (For similar examples of this "idiom of permission," see Jer. 4:10, Ezek. 20:25; Mt. 6:13.) Those who have pleasure in unrighteousness and believe not (obey not) the truth will be "judged" (condemned).

Various theories are set forth to identify the "man of sin", pagan mythology, Satan, a principle of evil, Judaism, a Roman ruler, and the so-called future Antichrist. None of these fits Paul's catalog of descriptive. Neither paganism, Satan, Judaism, nor a Roman emperor were apostates from the Christian religion. The principle of evil" is too abstract for the language of the apostle. The future "Antichrist" theory does not conform to the reality that Paul's "man of sin" was already in embryonic operation at the time of his writing. Nothing fits all the details of the prophecy more precisely than the religious departure from the New Testament pattern (Acts 20:29); 1 Tim. 4:1; 2 Tim. 4:1, etc.) that fully manifested it eventually in Catholicism (with its different branches---Roman, Greek, and Anglican), together with the Protestant movement that came from that pagan/pseudo-Christian conglomerate. Though Protestantism was a noble effort, it still carried much of the baggage of the "mother of harlots" (Rev. 17:5).

(2 Thes. 2:13-17) Thanksgiving and prayer: Paul tenderly reminds these brothers of his prayerful interest in them; he is thankful for them, for they are his beloved brothers in the Lord. They had been "chosen in Christ" (Eph. 1:4). It was not the "unconditional election" of Calvinism, but the choosing of a "type" of people, namely those who would be lovingly responsive to the Lord's will. They further are depicted as saved, sanctified of the Spirit, and believers of the truth.

These expressions precisely conform to parallel truths that make the following affirmations: (a) Faith in gospel truth is required of those who would belong to God (Mk. 16:16). (b) The operation of the Spirit through inspired Scripture (Eph. 6:17; "gospel" in v. 14) motivates to obedience (Jn. 3:3-5; 1 Cor. 12:13). (c) There must be an expression of one's faith in submitting to the water of baptism (Acts 2:38; Eph. 5:26; Tit. 3:5). (d) The sum of this produces cleansing, or salvation, the equivalent of being "chose." (e) The ultimate reward is in obtaining the "glory" of Christ (v.13-14).

They thus were to "stand fast" and continue holding to the inspired traditions (3:6) which they had been taught by specially endowed men of God, whether personally or by means of epistle. Paul's letters carry an authority equal to that of his words in person.

The apostle concluded this section with a prayer that is addressed to both Christ and the Father. Jesus is honored as "Messiah" and "Lord," and the Father is praised as him who "loved us" (the past tense focuses upon the cross) and gave us "eternal comfort"; this promise stands in contrast to the temporal comforts of this life. "Good hope" is a qualitative hope that finds its fulfillment in heaven. These are accessed through the "grace" system (Rom. 5:1). Surely these promises would establish them (and us) with "comfort" in our hearts, and motivate us toward "every good work and word" (v. 16-17).



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The Garden Bug

Planting in autumn

Gardeners often think that fall is too close to bitter winter weather to plant a young tree, but cooler temps and autumn rain help to establish roots before they must contend with extreme heat or drought of the following summer. New roots establish more quickly in a hole that is 1) roughly twice the diameter of the tree's root ball, and 2) a depth that allows the tree to stand at the same level as the nearby soil, so that water does not pool around the trunk. - Brenda Weaver

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May the Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers; may He not leave us or forsake us, that He may incline our hearts to Himself, to walk in all His ways and to keep His commandments and His statutes and His ordinances, which He commanded our fathers.

1 KINGS 8: 57,58

TO THE VOTERS OF MORGAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE: You are hereby notified that by call of Senate Joint Resolution No. 2, Senate Joint Resolution No. 10, Senate Joint Resolution No. 80, and Senate Joint Resolution No. 55, the proposed amendments must be submitted to a vote of the people on November 8, 2022. In the same order as the proposed constitutional amendments will be placed on the ballot, the following contains the text of Senate Joint Resolution No. 2, Senate Joint Resolution No. 10, Senate Joint Resolution No. 80, and Senate Joint Resolution No. 55:

SUMMARY OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

This amendment would add a new section to article XI of the Tennessee Constitution to make it illegal for any person, corporation, association, or the State of Tennessee or its political subdivisions to deny or attempt to deny employment to any person because of the person's membership in, affiliation with, resignation from, or refusal to join or affiliate with any labor union or employee organization.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article XI, of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to the right to work.

WHEREAS, Senate Joint Resolution No. 648 of the One Hundred Eleventh General Assembly, known as the "Right to Work Amendment", which proposed amendment of Article XI of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to the right to work, was considered and agreed upon by a majority of all the members elected to each of the two houses, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals; and

WHEREAS, such resolution proposing such amendment was published in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, protecting the right of Tennesseans to join or refuse to join a labor union or employee organization is a fundamental civil right; and

WHEREAS, this right to work has played a crucial role in Tennessee's thriving economy; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a two-thirds majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article XI of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language as a new section:

It is unlawful for any person, corporation, association, or this state or its political subdivisions to deny or attempt to deny employment to any person by reason of the person's membership in, affiliation with, resignation from, or refusal to join or affiliate with any labor union or employee organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee, the foregoing proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people at the next general election in which a governor is to be chosen, the same being the 2022 November general election, and the Secretary of State is directed to place such proposed amendment on the ballot for that election.

ADOPTED: April 29, 2021

SUMMARY OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10

This amendment would add to article III, section 12 of the Tennessee Constitution a process for the temporary exercise of the powers and duties of the governor by the Speaker of the Senate—or the Speaker of the House if there is no Speaker of the Senate in office—when the governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office of governor. While a Speaker is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the governor, the Speaker would not be required to resign as Speaker or to resign as a member of the legislature; but the Speaker would not be able to preside as Speaker or vote as a member of the legislature. A Speaker who is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the governor would not get the governor's salary but would get the Speaker's salary. The amendment would also exempt a Speaker who is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the governor from provisions in the Constitution that would otherwise prohibit the Speaker from exercising the powers of the governor and from simultaneously holding more than one state office.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article II and Article III of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to the exercise of the powers and duties of the Governor during disability. WHEREAS, the welfare and stability of the State are best served if a qualified person with govern-

mental experience is immediately available to assume the powers and duties of the office of Governor when the Governor is unable to do so; now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a two-thirds majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article III, Section 12 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language immediately following the current language in the Section:

Whenever the Governor transmits to the Secretary of State, the Speaker of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, a written, signed declaration that the Governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office, the powers and duties of the office of Governor shall be temporarily discharged by the Speaker of the Senate as Acting Governor, or if that office is unoccupied, then by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as Acting Governor, until the Governor transmits to the same officials a written, signed declaration that the Governor is able to discharge the powers and duties of the office.

Whenever a majority of the commissioners of administrative departments of the Executive Department transmits to the Secretary of State, the Speaker of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written, signed declaration that the Governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office, the Speaker of the Senate shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting Governor, or if that office is unoccupied, then the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting Governor, until the Governor transmits to the same officials a written, signed declaration that the Governor is able to discharge the powers and duties of the office.

Whenever a Speaker is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor, such Speaker shall not be required to resign the Speaker's position as the Speaker or to resign as a member of the general assembly and shall retain the Speaker's salary and not receive the Governor's salary, but such Speaker shall not preside as Speaker or vote as a member of the general assembly during the time the Speaker is Acting Governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is proposed that Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language immediately before the period at the end of the Section:

except as provided in Article III, Section 12 with regard to the Speaker of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is proposed that Article II, Section 26 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language at the end of the Section:

This section shall not apply with regard to the Speaker of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor under Article III, Section 12.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee, the foregoing proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people at the next general election in which a governor is to be chosen, the same being the 2022 November general election, and the Secretary of State is directed to place such proposed amendment on the ballot for that election.

ADOPTED: May 4, 2021

SUMMARY OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 80

This amendment would change the current language in article I, section 33 of the Tennessee Constitution, which says that slavery and involuntary servitude, except as punishment for a person who has been duly convicted of crime, are forever prohibited in this State. The amendment would delete this current language and replace it with the following language: "Slavery and involuntary servitude are forever prohibited. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an inmate from working when the inmate has been duly convicted of a crime."

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 80

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article I, Section 33 of the Constitution of Tennessee, to prohibit slavery and involuntary servitude.

WHEREAS, Senate Joint Resolution No. 159 of the One

Hundred Eleventh General Assembly, which proposed amendment of Article I of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to prohibiting slavery and involuntary servitude, was considered and agreed upon by a majority of all the members elected to each of the two houses, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals; and

WHEREAS, such resolution proposing such amendment was published in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, freedom from slavery and involuntary servitude is a right of every individual within the United States and any place subject to its jurisdiction, which right is secured by the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly ratified the Thirteenth Amendment in April 1865; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a two-thirds majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article I, Section 33 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

Section 33. Slavery and involuntary servitude are forever prohibited. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an inmate from working when the inmate has been duly convicted of a crime.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee, the foregoing proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people at the next general election in which a governor is to be chosen, the same being the 2022 November general election, and the Secretary of State is directed to place such proposed amendment on the ballot for that election.

ADOPTED: May 4, 2021

SUMMARY OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 55

This amendment would delete article IX, section 1 of the Tennessee Constitution, which prohibits ministers of the gospel and priests of any denomination from holding a seat in either House of the legislature.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 55

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article IX, of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to disqualifications.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a two-thirds majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article IX, Section 1 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by deleting the section.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee, the foregoing proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people at the next general election in which a governor is to be chosen, the same being the 2022 November general election, and the Secretary of State is directed to place such proposed amendment on the ballot for that election.

ADOPTED: April 27, 2022

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What My Wonderful Wife Brought Me More Precious than Gold



Tom Redmon
Columnist

I remember like it was yesterday when my children were born. We were struggling financially, but with a lot of hard work and the help of the Lord we were able to provide for them. Every one of them was special and the day each one of them came into the world was a special day for me and their mother. I would like to tell you, Robin's story.

Our First Born

I was an eighth-grade teacher at Central Elementary in 1963. Wanda was a secretary for an insurance firm in Sunbright. I can remember her saying to me in November of that year, Tom I would like for you to go to Sunbright with me and tell John Broyles, her boss, that she was pregnant. She just couldn't tell him because she had only had the job for three months and they really liked her. She was such a good worker.

I drove up to Sunbright after school one day and met with John. He was very understanding and told Wanda she could work as long as she liked. He congratulated us on starting a family.

We lived in a three-bedroom mobile home. It was blue and white and we had purchased a lot of one acre from my mom and dad to start our homestead. By today's standards it wasn't much but for us it was home for five years. We struggled but so did a lot of young couples back then. I remember eating with mom and dad a lot and I remember how lean the summers were. I was a teacher and we only got paid for nine months of the year. To supplement our income, I worked as a photographer-reporter for the Morgan County News.

I didn't know how we would do with another mouth to feed but neither did I worry about it. I was excited.

So, the time got closer for our firstborn to come into the world and some of the women in the community got together and had a shower for Wanda. It was held at the Capistrano Restaurant on U.S. 27. Wanda got so many nice things I couldn't believe it. I had to make two trips with our 1958 Chevrolet to haul them to our mobile home. I can still picture Wanda sitting there in her pretty blue dress opening presents with a big smile on her face. The people were so gracious. God is good!

The weekend of March 21-22 came and on Saturday night we were playing cards with mom and dad. Wanda couldn't get comfortable. Mom commented that it wouldn't be long until that baby comes. On Sunday, we skipped church because Wanda just didn't feel like she could sit through a service. On Monday, when I came home from



school, Wanda told me that she felt like it wouldn't be long.

Back in those days they didn't allow the husband to stay in the room with the mother-to-be. I had to stay in the lobby and walk the floor with another expectant father by the name of Paul Potter. I was really nervous and I drank a lot of coffee out of the machine.

Dr. Cunningham was Wanda's doctor and he had a missing earlobe, but he was a good doctor to Wanda and I liked him. We fully trusted him during the pregnancy, and despite the cost we were able to get

her the best care.

Somewhere between eleven and twelve the nurse came down to the lobby and told both Paul and I that we were fathers of two lovely babies... both girls. I asked her how Wanda was and she assured me she was fine. I breathed a sigh of relief and I was glad it was over. I thanked the Lord for a good delivery.

I'll never forget the first time I saw Robin Renee. There she laid in a bassinette situated between two other bassinettes. She had to be the prettiest baby I had ever seen. She had a pretty skin tone and a lot of hair. The other babies didn't compare with ours.

They let me go into Wanda's room and talk to her a few minutes before I drove home to Wartburg. I kissed her on the cheek and told her, "I love

you, Mama." She smiled through all the pain that she had endured.

As I drove home, I thought of the wonderful miracle called birth. Here is a living human being that I have helped bring into the world, and God had seen that she was healthy. She has five fingers on each hand and five toes on each foot but most of all she had a brain that was normal and someday she too would be able to reproduce and provide another miracle.

In three days, we brought Robin home. As she grew into a fine young lady, she was a daddy's girl. Wanda would dress her up in frilly little dresses and we both showed her off with pride.

Today as I look back on that wonderful day of March 23, 1964 with pride, I then look at what she had become and I am again so proud for she is a fine young woman... and yes, a wonderful mother too.



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John Burns
Opinion Columnist

After the Harpazo

The most misunderstood Biblical doctrine, is also the one most preachers avoid to their congregation's loss. To understand why the rapture had to occur, is to understand our God, who delights in making and keeping his promises.

The Bible is filled with patterns that lead us to understanding our faith walk. Denominational churches are comfortable holding the world accountable to New Testament theosophy and judgement, while they themselves deny 87% of scripture. At the heart is antisemitism and Greek eugenics.

Jesus Christ was promised by God that he would receive an inheritance and a reward for his death, burial, and resurrection.

Jesus Christ promised reward is a virgin bride taken from all of the nations of the earth. The reason he returned to his father's house to build us a mansion, is because he had to fulfill the Levirate marriage covenant required before a king can receive his kingdom.

Messiah's bride, is identified as a virgin bride which in the Bible is a woman who has not worshipped the pagan gods of this earth in any form. Christmas venerates Lucifer, Easter venerates Ishtar, the bunny rabbit fertility deity. Valentine's Day pollutes the love of God, by confusing it as having to do with Eros, the Roman god of eroticism.

Ecclesiastes proves Jesus Christ never celebrated his birthday. He is the only baby nurtured in the womb of a virgin Jewish girl, born for the single purpose of dying. He wrote the day in advance he was to be crucified. He told our story about the removal of the bride, before the wrath of God is revealed, when he called Noah and his family into the ark. He calls us home, through the cross!

With the collapse of the American dollar now imminent, will Israel be forced to take on the world all by themselves? Pragmatism in politics will require Israel to go on the offensive. Iran has been allowed to develop nuclear weapons by a very naïve and determined socialist demigod at the helm in America.

Our next election will be held while America is filing for bankruptcy and defaulting on its own debt. The dollar will be devalued and hyperinflation will lead to severe famine here in America. Government as God will be found wanting.

Denominational churches will find themselves defending their tax shelters. Business as usual for amillennial churches who denied Jesus Christ's Jewish future in favor of Roman calendar worship. Antisemitism will grip denominations as they once again turn to blaming the Jews to aid the Government in separating them from their property and eventually their lives.

The Psalm 83 war will see Israel finally finish the conquest of Joshua. What Joshua failed to do, led to the times of the Judges, ending with Samuel. Samuel would kill Agag, because Saul did not. His descendants, would persecute Israel many times in history. The failure of the king that men chose, had to be fixed by the king God chose.

The book of Judges ends with Israel's enemies controlling parts of the land God wanted cleansed of all pagan influence. The seven cities that plagued the Judges, still plagues Israel today, and once again the house of the moon god has its capital in Jericho.

The Palestinians control the same cities the descendants of Agag and the other Nephillim offspring controlled. Look to the Palestinians to again worship these men of renown very soon. Jesus Christ prophesied, such as in the days of Noah, so shall the coming of the son of man be.

As Israel looks to Levitically purify the land, they will also begin the building of the millennial temple in the city of David. It sits a few hundred meters south of the dome of the rock. Soon the priests in Israel who are descendants of Aaron and Zadok, shall repent and look once again to God's blueprint.

The world around Israel will look to unite the house of the sun god in Rome, with the house of the moon god in Babylon under a Shiite Mahdi who has waged a war against the Sunni's. I believe the eagles of war shall begin to gather in the valley of Jezreel, stretching from Israel to the west bank of the Euphrates River.

A western leader, out of the western leg of the revived Roman empire, will unite antisemites under the banner of antichrist, which I believe is the Shahada of Islam worn by Hezbollah and the IRGC in Iran. The Shiites have believed their Mahdi has been alive in occultation since 1979 and our introduction to the Ayatollah in Iran.

The religion of Babylon will unite under a secular world leader under the control of Lucifer himself who will form a satanic trinity and exalt himself, above all that we humans call God.

Babylon on the Euphrates, and Mystery Babylon, the whore that sitteth upon many waters, will both be dealt with by God himself, one never to be inhabited again, and one relegated to the annals of religious history!

As Israel finally consolidates the land, and begins to build our Messiah's temple, the world around them will be looking to consolidate power under one government where the entire religious pagan pantheon will be accepted for a time. A treaty with Israel of some sort, will be ratified by the United Nations which by this time has moved its Roman Catholic and Muslim headquarters to Babylon and Baghdad.

After three and a half years, the satanic trinity will break the covenant and look to gather all the armies of the world who have flown the eagle, to battle, and they will gather in Assyria between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. Where the carcasses lie, there the eagles shall be gathered.

The bride is in Heaven receiving her mansion, and her crowns, as she prepares to return with Messiah to destroy all the nations of the earth who ever tried to stop the plan of God of placing Jesus Christ on the throne of David for 1,000 years. In Jerusalem.

But take heart, you still have martyrdom at the hands of the satanic trinity, by which you will enter heaven at the end of the millennial reign of Messiah on Earth!

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, 6-5-2022

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

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

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

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Rep. Windle Visits Communities in Schools program at Wartburg High School

Representative John Mark Windle recently visited Wartburg High School to learn more about the Communities in Schools of Tennessee (CIS of Tennessee) program, an affiliate of the national organization working to ensure every student, regardless of race, zip code, or history of marginalization has what they need to succeed in school and beyond. CIS of Tennessee works with Wartburg and three other high schools in Morgan County: Coalfield, Oakdale, and Sunbright.

All four of the CIS of Tennessee site coordinators (Mandi Jonquet at Wartburg, Kalea Derry at Coalfield, Courtney Boido at Sunbright, and Cameron Bruse at Oakdale) met with Rep. Windle to discuss their work to establish one-on-one relationships with students and help them navigate issues and move beyond barriers in the classroom, at home, and in the community. CIS of Tennessee site coordinators are based at their respective schools and work with local service providers to help connect students and families with critical resources like food, clothing, housing, healthcare, counseling, transportation, and more.



Mandi Jonquet, the site coordinator at Wartburg, showed Rep. Windle the hygiene and clothes closets that she maintains at the school so that students who need clothing or supplies are able to access what they need. The site coordinators also discussed the social-emotional and behavior

She found out his real father's last name and went back to ask again using that name – but was told they couldn't share it because his mom owned money.

"We were literally pulling our hair out, trying to figure out what we were going to do, what our next step was," Jonquet said.

A cousin advised her to call Rep. Windle's office, and his staff person immediately told her that the state should not be withholding his birth certificate because the mom owed money, and intervened to help clear up the issue.

"His staff was amazing... if they had not stepped in and held me, we would probably never have gotten anything accomplished," Jonquet noted.

issues that they see with students, and how they work with students to overcome those challenges. The site coordinators also highlighted their respective college and career readiness activities.

Jonquet was able to personally thank Rep. Windle for his office's help in making sure that one of her students who graduated last year was able to go to college. She recounted the story of a student who was applying to TCAT as a senior but needed his birth certificate – and the courthouse didn't have one on file that matched his name.

the student to the social security office, and to get his driver's license so he could get back and forth to TCAT, where he is thriving today.

"Having to tell a kid that their real name is something different than what they've gone by for 18 years is heartbreaking... it was just a whirlwind of emotions," Jonquet said. "If he hadn't come up that he wanted to go to college, which I pushed him to do because he is such a good student to do something, he would've never known that his name was changed."

Correct birth certificate in hand, Jonquet was able to take

TCAT starts Culinary Arts Program Senator Yager announces \$788,000 in federal grants to support highway safety enforcement and education efforts in District 12



Do you love to cook or bake? Do you want to learn more? Are you interested in a career in the restaurant industry? This unique and exciting program for adults may be for you!

Morgan County Career & Technical Center is pleased to announce a partnership with Tennessee College of Applied Technology Oneida/Huntsville for an adult program in Culinary Arts. This is a 1296-hour program which will be held from 4:00 pm until 9:00 pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Students will learn Safety and Sanitation for the commercial/culinary kitchen. They will also learn baking, cooking and hospitality, food preparation, commercial kitchen skills, knife skills and Garde Management. This includes salads, hors d'oeuvres and some international cuisine.

Our instructor, Sarah Shanks, is a Certified Chef with 33 years of experience in teaching, banquet catering, corporate restaurants and fine dining. Chef Shanks began her career as a teenager in a small-town deli. Through years of immersion in the food industry and education, Chef Shanks became a member of the culinary team at one of East Tennessee's finest dining establishments at Cherokee Country Club. Mentoring and training at the post-secondary level has long been a goal for Chef Shanks. She is excited to begin this endeavor with TCAT Oneida/Huntsville in her culinary journey!

Classes start on October 27th and space is limited. To register please visit www.tcatoneida.edu or call (423) 663-4900. Financial aid is available for those who qualify.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – State Senator Ken Yager (R-Kingston) made the following statement regarding \$788,000 in federal grants to support highway safety enforcement and education efforts in District 12:

"I'm thrilled District 12 counties are receiving nearly \$800,000 in federal highway safety grants. This funding will support crucial enforcement efforts that will improve the safety of our roadways, including high visibility enforcement of traffic safety laws as well as enforcement of driving under the influence laws. The funding will also support highway safety education programs and public awareness campaigns. I thank the Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) for distributing these funds and for all their work in reducing traffic crashes, injuries and fatalities throughout the state." Tennessee Highway Safety Office's press release on the grants is copied below: Tennessee Highway Safety Office Announces \$24.5 Million in Federal Grant Funds to Support Highway Safety Education and Enforcement Efforts across Tennessee

TENNESSEE – Today, Sept. 29, the Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) announces \$24.5 million in federal grant funds to be distributed statewide from the National Highway

Traffic Safety Administration for the 2022 – 2023 Federal Fiscal Year. Click here to view the list of grant awards and recipients: <https://bit.ly/3CdiiaA> "The purpose of this funding is to support the various programs and campaigns necessary to improve the safety of Tennessee roadways," said THSO Director Buddy Lewis. "The THSO values every partner sharing our mission to save lives. Without their participation, our initiatives would be ineffective." Over 350 federal grants exceeding \$24 million in total have been awarded to law enforcement agencies and highway safety partners across Tennessee. Approximately \$3 million in media grant funds will be allocated for statewide highway safety education and public awareness campaigns.

Every year, traffic safety advocates, non-profit organizations, emergency response personnel, law enforcement, district attorneys' offices, and other state agencies across Tennessee seek funding through grant applications offered by the THSO. Applicants who meet the required data-driven criteria and highway safety standards are awarded grant funds to support the THSO's mission to reduce traffic crashes, injuries, and fatalities. For more information about the THSO, please visit www.tntrafficsafety.org.

Oct. 11 is the Last Day to Register to Vote for the Nov. 8 Election

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE October 11, 2022

MORGAN COUNTY Tenn. – Morgan County residents who want to cast a ballot in the Nov. 8 State and Federal General Election must register to vote by 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2022.

“In the upcoming election, Morgan County voters will have the opportunity to cast their ballot for Governor, Amendments to the Tennessee Constitution, the 3rd Congressional District and Tennessee House of Representatives District 41, Municipal Elections for Sunbright- Alderman and Oliver Springs- Mayor, Alderman Ward-1, Ward-2, Ward-4,” said AOE Tim Sweat. “To cast a ballot in this election, you must register to vote.”

Registering to vote, updating or checking your registration status is fast, easy and secure with the Secretary of State’s online voter registration system, GoVoteTN.gov. Using a computer, phone or tablet, any U.S. citizen with a driver’s license or a photo ID issued by the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security can register in minutes at GoVoteTN.gov.

Paper voter registration applications are available to download on GoVoteTN.gov or at the Morgan County Election Commission office. Completed paper voter registration applications must be mailed to the Morgan County Election Commission or submitted in person. Mailed voter registrations must be postmarked by Oct. 11.

The Morgan County Election Commission is located at the Courthouse room 105, 415 N Kingston St, Wartburg, TN 37887 or mailed to PO Box 266, Wartburg, TN 37887. Voters can drop off completed registration forms or register in person Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Election Day registration is not available in Tennessee. Voter registration forms submitted or post marked after October 11, 2022 will be held for registration and eligibility to vote in elections after November 8, 2022.

“It has never been easier to register to vote, update their registration, get accurate election information, or cast a ballot in Tennessee,” said Secretary of State Tre Hargett. “The first step to making your voice heard on Election Day is registering to vote.”

Early voting for the Nov. 8 State and Federal General Election starts Wednesday, Oct. 19, and runs Monday to Saturday until Thursday, Nov. 3. The deadline to request an absentee by-mail ballot is Tuesday, Nov. 1.

The Morgan County Election Commission and the Secretary of State’s Division of Elections are Morgan County’s trusted sources for accurate election information. For the latest information about the Nov. 8 election, from the Morgan County Election Commission visit our website MorganElections.com, or see our notices in the Morgan County Today newspaper

For more information about registering to vote and other election information, visit GoVoteTN.gov or contact the Morgan County Election Commission 423-346-3190, email: Morgan.Commission@TN.GOV, or visit MorganElections.com.

Morgan County voters, Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2022, is the voter registration deadline for the Nov. 8 State and Federal General Election. Visit GoVoteTN.gov to register to vote or update your registration in minutes. #GoVoteTN #YourVoteMattersTN

ELECTION NOTICE
EARLY / ABSENTEE VOTING
TN STATE / FEDERAL / MORGAN COUNTY GENERAL AND MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

THE MORGAN COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION WILL BE OPEN FOR EARLY VOTING FOR ANY ELIGIBLE VOTER TO CAST A BALLOT BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE AT THE MORGAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 415 N. KINGSTON ST., WARTBURG, TENNESSEE AS FOLLOWS:

- October 19-21: 9 A.M.-4 P.M. •
- October 22: 9 A.M.- 12 NOON
- October 24-28: 9 A.M.- 4 P.M. •
- October 29: 9 A.M.- 12 NOON
- October 31-November 1: 9 A.M.-4 P.M. •
- November 2-3: 9 A.M.- 6 P.M.

THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN PERSON OR BY MAIL POSTMARKED FOR THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 ELECTIONS WILL BE OCTOBER 11, 2022.

VOTERS ARE REQUESTED TO PLEASE CONTACT THE ELECTION OFFICE TO ALLEVIATE ANY DISCREPANCY OR QUESTION REGARDING YOUR REGISTRATION, ADDRESS, OR POLLING PLACE. ADDRESS CHANGES CAN BE MADE NOW, OR DURING EARLY VOTING, OR ON ELECTION DAY BY COMPLETING A FAIL-SAFE FORM. VOTERS MUST VOTE IN THE PRECINCT IN WHICH THEY RESIDE.

MAPS OF THE DISTRICTS AND PRECINCT BOUNDARIES CAN BE FOUND AT: <https://controller.tn.gov/office-functions/pa/gisredistricting/redistricting-and-land-use-maps/redistricting-maps.html>, and <https://apps.cot.tn.gov/DPAMaps/Redistrict/Maps?county=Morgan&district=Precinct%20Maps>.

AT THESE WEBSITES, VOTERS ALSO HAVE THE ABILITY TO CHECK THEIR STATUS AND PRECINCT WITH A MAP OF POLLING PLACE LOCATIONS. REGISTERED VOTERS WHO WILL BE UNABLE TO GO TO THEIR POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY MAY VOTE BY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS:

- VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE
- BEGINNING OCTOBER 19TH THROUGH NOVEMBER 3RD, A VOTER DESIRING TO VOTE BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE SHALL GO TO THE MORGAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE POLLING SITE, PRESENT A VALID PHOTO ID, SIGN AN APPLICATION TO VOTE, AND CAST THEIR VOTE. THE LAST DAY TO EARLY VOTE BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE IS NOVEMBER 3, 2022 AT 6PM.

PHOTO ID REQUIREMENT FOR ALL VOTERS AT POLLS:

All voters must present a Federal or TN State issued photo ID. The ID must contain the voter’s name and photograph. For more information regarding exceptions, acceptable and non-acceptable proof of photo ID, please contact our office or you may visit the Tennessee Division of Elections web site: <http://www.GoVoteTN.com>. Acceptable PHOTO IDs include: TN driver license with your photo, Department of Safety and Homeland Security

photo ID, TN hand-gun carry permit with your photo, United States Military photo ID, United States Passport, or any photo ID issued by the federal or TN state government (excluding college student IDs). Registered voters that do not have a valid PHOTO ID may add a photo onto an existing driver license or obtain a photo ID for voting purposes at no cost from the Tennessee Department of Safety at any participating driver service center. Also, the Morgan County Clerk office will add a photo onto an existing driver license for a fee. Under the voter ID law, in order to get a photo ID for voting purposes, voters must show the following documentation to the Driver Service Center examiner: Proof of citizenship (such as a birth certificate); and, two proofs of Tennessee residency (such as copy of a utility bill, vehicle registration/title, or bank statement). REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR TN STATE OR FEDERALLY ISSUED PHOTO ID WITH YOU WHEN YOU APPEAR TO VOTE. THIS APPLIES TO BOTH EARLY VOTING AND ON ELECTION DAY.

2. VOTING BY MAIL
IN ORDER TO VOTE ABSENTEE BY MAIL, A VOTER MUST MEET CERTAIN LEGAL QUALIFICATIONS. A VOTER WHICH REGISTERED OR VOTED PREVIOUSLY IN PERSON, DESIRING TO VOTE ABSENTEE BY MAIL, SHALL IN WRITING OR PRINT OVER HIS SIGNATURE EITHER IN PERSON AT THE ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE OR BY MAIL, FAX, OR E-MAIL WITH AN ATTACHED DOCUMENT WHICH INCLUDES

A SCANNED SIGNATURE, REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT. SUCH REQUEST FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT MAY BE RECEIVED NO EARLIER THAN AUGUST 10, 2022 AND MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1, 2022 AT 4:00 PM. THE REQUEST FOR AN APPLICATION CAN SERVE AS AN APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT IF IT CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING:

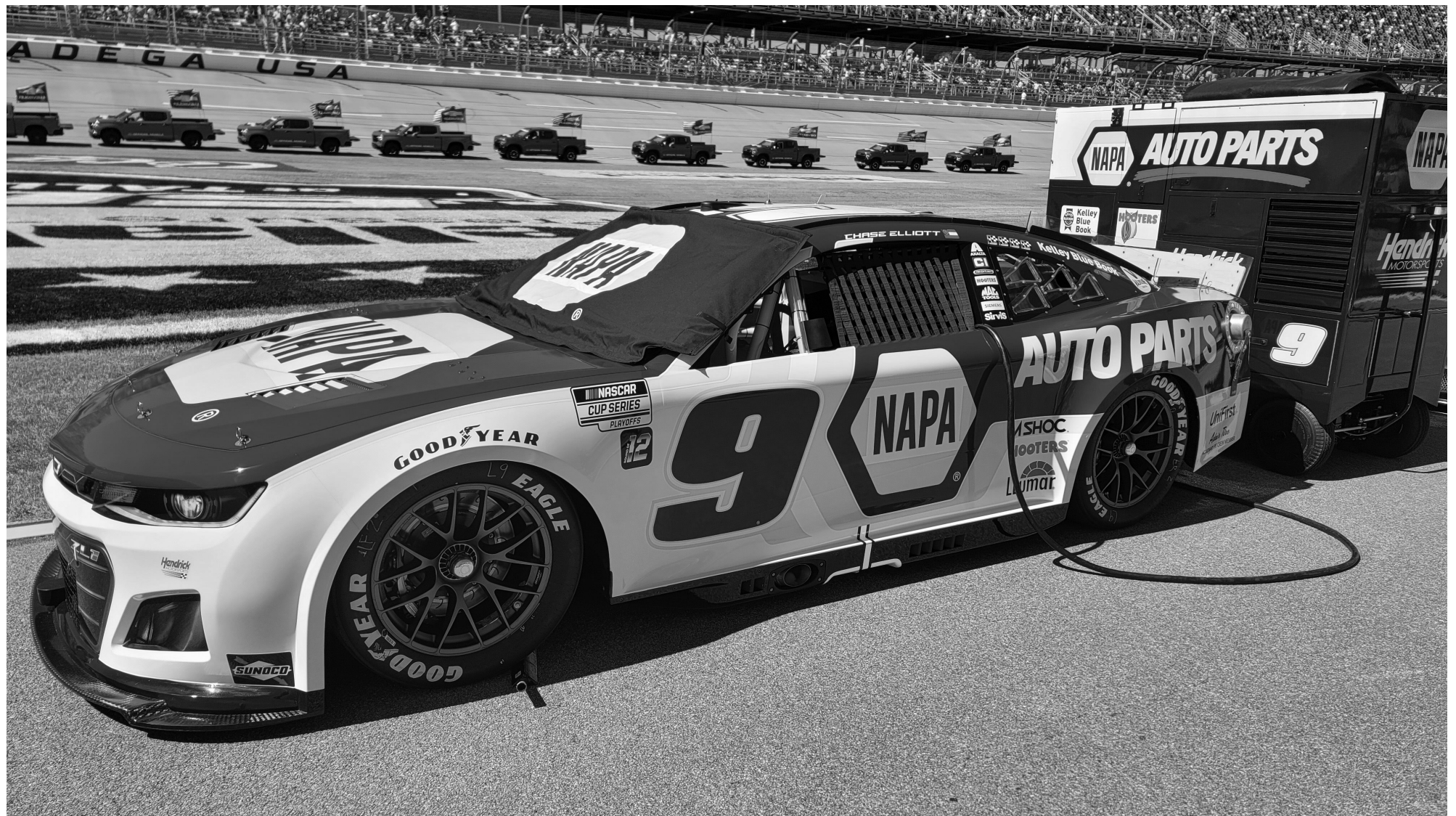
NAME, ADDRESS OF RESIDENCE, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, DATE OF BIRTH, ADDRESS OF DESTINATION TO MAIL THE BALLOT (IF REASON FOR VOTING IS OUTSIDE OF COUNTY), THE ELECTION THE VOTER WISHES TO VOTE IN, THE VALID REASON THE VOTER WISHES TO VOTE ABSENTEE, AND THE VOTER’S SIGNATURE.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT EARLY VOTING, PLEASE CONTACT:

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