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Love your neighbor and get your vaccination.

National Farmers' Market Week underway

By **Melanie Schwartz**
Market manager
It's National Farmers' Market Week!

Now in its 25th year, this annual celebration highlights the vital role farmers' markets play in our nation's food system.

To celebrate our market, we will be launching a new logo, hosting a chili competition, and offering new market T-shirts for purchase.

We invite all members of our community to come and enjoy the opportunity to connect with our vendors and entrants while casting a vote for their favorite chili recipe.

You can also expect to find the first muscadines of the season and the return of the food truck, Joji's Crazy Fruits, at the market.

Join us at the Howard County Farmers' Market in Nashville this Friday, Aug. 9, from 7-11 a.m., or until vendors are sold out.

To see a full list of this week's vendors and their offerings, visit the Howard County Farmers' Market Facebook page.

Blood drive to be held Thursday at Center Point

The Moonlighters Extension Homemakers Club will sponsor a LifeShare blood drive on Thursday, Aug. 8.

The drive will be from 2-7 p.m. at the Center Point Community Center.

Donors are asked to bring their donor card or other identification.

For more information, call Cindy Harding at 870-451-3179.

A drawing will be held at the end of the blood drive, and one donor will receive a certificate for two free burgers, fries and drinks compliments of the Center Point Store.

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Husqvarna buyer begins transition

Officials of Phoenix Investors are gathering information about the newly purchased Husqvarna property in Nashville as the transition period from one owner to another begins.

Last week, Phoenix announced that it had bought Husqvarna's industrial properties and a solar farm. The company will prepare the sites for visits from prospective buyers.

The properties are located at 630 Hwy 27 Bypass, 1 Poulan Drive and 139 Old Airport Road, all of which were previously owned by Swedish manufacturing giant Husqvarna.

The strategic acquisition adds more than 815,000 square feet to Phoenix's portfolio, which now exceeds 78 million square feet nationwide.

Husqvarna, known for its lawnmowers, trimmers, gardening tools and chainsaws, decided in July 2023 to close its Nashville-based plants as part of a strategy to consolidate operations and reduce its carbon footprint.

The company plans to complete the phase-out of these properties by the end of 2024.

Layoffs will begin in September.

Andreas Rangert, presi-

dent of Husqvarna Forest and Garden, NA, said, "We're proud to partner with an experienced real estate firm so dedicated to transforming manufacturing facilities. We trust Phoenix Investors will bring significant growth and opportunity to Nashville and its community."

The acquisition includes three buildings available for lease to new users:

- 630 Hwy 27 Bypass: This 351,763-square-foot warehouse facility, constructed in 2017, features 4,240 square feet of office space, 25 dock doors, clear heights of 37' 4", and 488 parking spaces.

- 1 Poulan Drive: Spanning 299,885 square feet on 101.82 acres, this manufacturing facility, built in 1976, includes 16 dock doors, clear heights up to 36' 8", a 6,600-square-foot cafeteria, and a kitchen area.

- 139 Old Airport Road: Just five miles north, this 165,046-square-foot property sits on 49.76 acres. Constructed in 1998 and 2000, it includes a 22,998-square-foot shop, 4,320 square feet of office space, 12 dock doors, 12 overhead doors, additional land for expansion,

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News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER

ON THE COURT. Scrapperette junior Allie Sartin plays against Arkadelphia in a pre-season tournament Thursday, Aug. 1, at Henderson State University. The Scrapperettes will open the season Tuesday, Aug. 20, at Hot Springs Lakeside. (More pictures, page 8A.)



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CHECKING ON THE HEAT. Coach Shawn Jackson, manager Genesis Pryor and manager Jacee Martin check the wet bulb temperature during practice Monday, Aug. 5, at Scrapper Stadium.

Scrappers begin fall camp Monday; preparations lead to season opener Aug. 30

By **John R. Schirmer**
News-Leader staff

With the start of school July 29, the Nashville Scrappers have wrapped up their summer workout schedule. Fall camp for the team began Monday, Aug. 5.

"The summer went great," Coach Shawn Jackson said Monday. "As far as our work, I'd give us a 'B' for the summer. The kids show up. They work hard."

The Scrappers "worked on the fundamentals - throwing, catching, running, blocking, tackling."

With the start of camp, the Scrappers have things in place. "Now, we have to polish as we move ahead," Jackson said.

Senior high and junior Scrappers practiced together during the summer. "I'm impressed with the junior high kids. There were no complaints. I'm excited," Jackson said.

The Scrappers will practice late in the day until further notice, Jackson said, to comply with the Arkansas Activities Association's guidance on wet bulb globe temperature, a measure of heat stress in direct sunlight. The air temperature was expected to hit triple digits with a 107 heat index Tuesday and Wednesday and remain in the upper 90s the rest of the week.

The Scrappers will have a busy schedule leading up to the season opener Aug. 30.

The Back-to-School Bash will be held Friday, Aug. 16, at Scrapper Stadium, with the time to be announced.

Nashville will host Hot Springs Lakeside Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in an Arkansas Activities Association benefit game.

The season will begin when

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'Cheese heads' proud of Wisconsin's famous product

By **Don Hall**
News-Leader staff

Wisconsinites are not from Earth.

They look remarkably similar to earthlings, just a little fluffier and with broader smiles, but they actually come from a planet in a galaxy far, far away that doesn't have cows. At some point in their intergalactic travels, they stumbled upon our small world and discovered cows, and then milk, and then—shazaam!—CHEESE!

People from Wisconsin love cheese. Period.

Their license plates say, "America's Dairyland," but make no mistake, their only interest in milk is to produce cheese.

They aren't even embarrassed by their alien addiction to cheese, but proudly refer to themselves as "cheese heads" and wear funny-looking hats in public that look like a huge chunk of cheddar plastered on top of their head. They are proud of their cheese, and they think it is the most perfect food in the entire universe.

If cheese is the most perfect food, then the most perfect snack

for Wisconsinites is a concoction made from the by-products of cheese making and produced in bite-sized pieces of raw cheese that they call "cheese curds." I shudder to think what that means in their alien language, but Wisconsin residents can't get enough of this alleged "food" that tastes the way feet smell.

Wisconsinites love their cheese, and they are dedicated to producing as much of it as possible. If the state of Wisconsin were a country, it would rank fourth in the world in cheese production at 2.86 billion pounds a year.

In addition to that, they make another three billion pounds of curds. That's a lot of cheese. And it's not just the quantity; it's the variety. More than 600 types of cheese are made in Wisconsin. That's more than double the amount produced by the runner-up state of California. There are web sites dedicated to helping you find which cheese is right for you. Cheese, cheese, cheese.

Wisconsin is a cheese lover's paradise. But there is a price to pay to live there. With snowfall of 55



News-Leader photo/DON HALL

TRIP TO WISCONSIN. Jaree Hall of Nashville stands by the welcome sign at Green Bay, Wisc.

inches per year, the average high temperature in Wisconsin in January is 20 degrees, with an average low of 1 degree. To Arkansans, that sounds brutal, but to space aliens who have crossed the expanse of the galaxy and endured the cold of deep space in order to get to Cheese Heaven, that's downright balmy.

And the payback for winter is summer. The average high temperature in July is 78 degrees, with an average low of 55. Pack a jacket or a sweater and enjoy.

Something else Wisconsinites'

home planet apparently lacks is corn; hence their obsession with planting corn anywhere there is sun, soil and sky. Corn is planted up to the edges of towns and within an inch of the right-of-way along the highways.

Unlike the flat expanse of Illinois that has corn fields stretching to the horizon, Wisconsin, with its rolling hills, is a patchwork of plots planted wherever the land is not too steep for a tractor to negotiate.

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Obituaries

Nella Linda Camberen

Nella Linda Camberen, age 81 of Nashville, Ark., passed away on Sunday, Aug. 4, 2024. She was born on May 1, 1943 in Welch, Va., to the late Ernest Whitt and Dora McCoy.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Jean Steele, and two brothers, Elzie Whitt and Donald Whitt.

Survivors include: her daughter, Kim Keeton and husband, Richard; four grandchildren, Zach Reeves, Kayla Reeves, Josh Reeves and Chance Keeton; several

great-grandchildren; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2024, at Restland Memorial Park in Nashville with Jamie Erby officiating. Services are under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home of Nashville.

You may send an online sympathy message at www.latimerfuneralhome.com.

Mea Te'Teauna Heard

Mea Te'Teauna Osha' Lee Heard, 23, of Nashville died July 24, 2024.

She was born Nov. 22,

2000, the daughter of Keith and LaQuita Heard of Nashville.

She earned a Bachelor of Science degree at Ouachita Baptist University.

Survivors include: her mother and father; siblings Keith Heard Jr., Raven Heard, and Braylon Gentry.

There will be no visitation. Funeral services will be Sunday, Aug. 11, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Maranatha Baptist Church in Nashville. Burial will follow at St. Like Cemetery in Ozan. Arrangements by McFadden & Hitchye Funeral Enterprises, Hope.

FINANCIAL FOCUS by Josh Tice, Edward Jones Investments

Afraid of outliving your money?

Do you worry about running out of money during your retirement years? If so, how can you help prevent this from happening?

In the first place, if you have this type of fear, you're far from alone. Consider this: 58% of retirement savers from all age groups, including current retirees, say that outliving their assets is their greatest retirement fear, according to a study by Cerulli Associates, a financial services research organization.

This type of fear can certainly affect your quality of life when you retire. Still, there's no need to panic — because you can take steps to help prevent the running-out-of-money scenario.

Here are a few to consider:

- **Know how much you'll need during retirement.** You need to get a clear picture, or at least as good an estimate as possible, of how much money you'll need to support your retirement lifestyle.

Once you do retire, some costs, such as transportation or other work-related expenses, might go down, while others — medical expenses, in particular — will likely go up. The fear of

running out of money, like many fears, is caused largely by what you *don't* know, so having a good sense of how much you'll need in retirement can help reduce your anxieties.

- **Build financial resources before retirement.** You're probably at your peak earning capacity in the years close to your retirement, so consider contributing as much as you can afford to your IRA and 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan.

- **Maximize your Social Security payments.** You can start collecting Social Security as early as 62, but your monthly benefits will be larger if you can afford to wait until your full retirement age, between 66 and 67. (Payments will "max out" at age 70.)

- **Re-enter the workforce.** Going back to work in some capacity is one way to possibly help build retirement resources and delay taking Social Security. If you have a particular area of expertise, and you enjoyed the work you did, you might be able to go back to it on a part-time basis or do some consulting. You could boost your cash flow, and potentially extend

your contributions to an IRA and to an employer's retirement plan.

- **Cut costs during retirement.** Possibly the biggest cost-cutting measure is downsizing — are you willing and able to move to a less expensive area or scale down your current living space?

Of course, this is an emotional decision, as well as a financial one, and downsizing isn't for everyone, but it might be something to at least consider. As for the lesser ways of reducing expenses, take advantage of senior discounts, which are offered in many areas, including entertainment, public transportation, restaurants and retail establishments.



COFFEE ANYONE? Among the overflow of vendors at the Farmers' Market in Nashville, Friday, were Lucas and Sarah Reeder who brought a variety of coffee that they roasted and ground in their home at Delight.

Nashville sailor participates in annual multi-nation exercise in Pacific Ocean

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii -- Airman Jhalon Finley, a native of Nashville, serves aboard USS Carl Vinson, a U.S. Navy warship operating out of San Diego, Calif., and participating in the biennial Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise in and around the Hawaiian Islands.

Finley graduated from Nashville High School in 2018. "My hometown taught me that, regardless of the situation, it's important to remain true to yourself," said Finley. Finley joined the Navy one year ago. Today, Finley serves as an aviation support equipment technician.

"I joined the Navy to position myself better for my future," said Finley.

As the world's largest international maritime exercise, approximately 29 nations, 40 surface ships, three submarines, 14 national land forces, over 150 aircraft and more than 25,000 personnel will participate in RIMPAC 2024. This exercise provides a unique training opportunity that helps participants foster and sustain cooperative relationships that are critical to ensuring safety at sea and security on the world's oceans. RIMPAC 2024 marks the 29th exercise in a series that began in 1971.

The relevant, realistic training program includes, gunnery, missile, anti-submarine and air defense exercises, as well as amphibious, counter-piracy, mine clearance operations, explosive ordnance disposal and diving and salvage operations.

Finley plays an important role in the exercise. "During RIMPAC, my role involves supporting aviation equipment squadrons, maintaining gear, and ensuring it meets operational standards," said Finley. "It's great that we're all together, practicing the skills we use out here."

"Serving in the Navy means living the life I want and enjoying freedoms that some countries do not have," said Finley. "Service also allows me to contribute to global peacekeeping efforts."

Finley is grateful to others for helping make a Navy career possible.

"I want to thank my recruiter for getting me started and helping me during my first couple of months here. I would also like to thank my family and friends, who support every decision I make, whether good or bad," added Finley. "I would especially like to thank my mom and dad; they are my number one supporters. They are always there for anything I need."



AT SEA IN NAVY EXERCISE. Airman Jhalon Finley on the flight deck of the USS Carl Vinson aircraft carrier.

Center Point food pantry will close August 17-21

For the first time in its 20-year existence the food pantry at the New View Church of Christ in Center Point will be closed from Saturday, Aug. 17, reopening on Saturday, Sept. 21.

The New View congregation is now located in the former Center Point Church of Christ building.

For more information contact Doris Coulter at 870-845-3531 or 870-200-7941.

Many events planned for annual Tollette homecoming

The annual Tollette Homecoming has many events planned for the event which is scheduled for Wednesday thru Sunday, Aug. 14-19 with programs nightly beginning at 7 p.m.

Registration will be 6-6:30 each day. Gold and purple t-shirts in honor of the Howard County Training School Tiger athletic teams will be on sale.

Saturday of the homecoming is Family Day. The parade starts at 10 a.m., and there is a \$5 donation entry fee.

President of the Tollette Homecoming Committee is Carolyn Green.

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THE CECIL "BIRDDOG" HARRIS MEMORIAL
EARLY FILES

Tales from Howard County's history reprinted in honor of longtime staff historian and photographer, Cecil Harris.
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Nashville High School girls in twirling clinic at ASU. They include (front row) Diane Twitty, Debbie Powell, Susie Jamison, Susie Millwood and Maureen Renard; (back row) Karen Snodgrass, Barbara Beth, Jane Dyer and Debbie Darling. August 1973.

119 years ago: August 1905

The little sons of Dr. J. L. Bell of Belton were driving the cows to pasture last Wednesday morning. The younger one, about five years old, fell into an old well that was almost full of water, and but for the timely actions of his brother who is about 12 years old would have drowned in a few minutes. The older brother's attention was given when he saw his younger brother's hand sticking above the water and he pulled him out.

(Adv.) Elegant new line of hats just received. A complete line of shoes, clothing, etc. Dildy and Tinny.

Capt George M. Clark has had some pet squirrels for several years and a few days since one of them gave birth to three little squirrels. The little fellows look very much like little rats and the mother squirrel is very jeal-

ous and will fight a stranger who approaches too near the cage. She will eat from the hand of Mrs. Clark, but will not allow a man to touch her or the young ones.

80 years ago: August 1944

From Ft. Benning, Georgia, Pvt. Charles Turley, son of Mrs. E. B. Turley of Route 1, Nashville, Arkansas, has won the right to wear Wings and Boots of United States Army Paratroops. He has completed four weeks of jump training, during which he made five jumps from planes in flight. The last was a tactical jump at night involving a combat problem and landing.

67 years ago: August 1957

The 121st annual meeting at the Methodists' famous Center Point Camp Meeting Grounds will begin Friday, August 16 lasting through August 22.

Meetings were first instituted back in 1822 by John Henry, the pioneer who founded the settlement of Mound Prairie at Washington.

"Every man should be a woman ten months" is a statement attributed to 1,234,567 women.

34 years ago: July 1990

A twenty-three-year-old painter was injured Tuesday in a tall fall from the County Museum. Bobby Crawford from Route 4, Nashville suffered a broken right foot and left leg in the fall which occurred about 9:30 a.m. He was given emergency treatment here and was transported to a Texarkana hospital.

Crawford reportedly was working on the steeple of the building which is the former Presbyterian Church and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Public Record of Howard County

Items or documents that were filed, issued or recorded at the Howard County, Ark., courthouse during the period of July 25-31, 2024 include the following:

Marriage Licenses
(Marriage licenses cost \$60 at the County Clerk's office)

No marriage licenses issued during the period.

Civil Court
CV24-75, July 25. Citibank, N.A. vs. Ewing Bradford. Debt.

Domestic Relations Court
DR24-90, July 25. Daniela Sierra vs. Evan Quintanilla. Order of protection.

DR24-91, July 29. Brett W. Ellsworth vs. Lindsay N. Ellsworth. Divorce.

Criminal Court
CR24-62, July 29. State of Arkansas vs. Jeremie T. Barton, 37, black male, Clingan Country Road, Nashville.

CR24-63, July 29. State of Arkansas vs. Jamarous Stewart, 22, black male, 515 E. Parker, Nashville; POCS, class D felony.

CR24-64, July 29. State of Arkansas vs. Timothy Walker, 22, black male, 316 E. Shepherd, Nashville; resi-

dential burglary, class B; 1st degree terroristic threatening, class D; 3rd degree battery, misdemeanor.

CR24-65, July 30. State of Arkansas vs. Andrew L. Alexander, 18, black male, 574 Jordan Rd., Nashville; breaking or entering, class D.

CR24-66, July 30. State of Arkansas vs. Ernest Bingham, 24, white male, 714 Graves St., Apt. 121; 3rd degree domestic battery, class D.

Land/Property Transactions

Quitclaim Deeds

July 26. Timothy Wade Pinkerton and wife, Dena Pinkerton and Debra Lynn Kitchens and husband Roger Scott Kitchens; to Larry Pinkerton and wife, Belva Pinkerton; aggregate 8.5 ac. in S9 T6S R28W.

Redemption Deeds
July 25. State of Arkansas; to LaQuania Jacobs, Nashville; 0.34 ac., 509 Henderson St., City of Nashville; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$947.25.

July 25. State of Arkansas; to Act Now Realty, LLC, Pine Bluff; Lot 1, 104 Buckeye St., Mineral Springs (Tol-

lette); delinquent taxes and penalties of \$126.49.

Beneficiary's Deed
July 26. Orilla Ann Jackson, widow of Sammy F. Jackson; to Lonnie Jackson and Jan Marks; 0.25 ac. part of Block 56, town of Mineral Springs.

Warranty Deeds
July 25. Charles Richmond and wife, Donna Richmond; to Charles Smith and wife, Sue Smith; 10 ac. in S21 T10S R28W. \$71,000.

July 26. Loyd Woodruff and Denise Woodruff, husband and wife; to William Rector Rafter; Lots 1-2-3, Block 12, Pine View Addition, Howard County. \$5,000.

July 31. (Special) NEW REZ, LLC, dba Shellpoint Mortgage Services; to Bryan D. Billings; Lots 18-19 Rolling Hills Subdivision, Howard County, aka 119 JB Steel Road, Nashville. \$87,500.

July 31. Roy Conrad and wife, Kim Conrad; to Joshua Irvin Jackson and Alexis Michelle Byers; Lots 52-53-54, Block 2, R.L. Hayes Addition, town of Nashville. \$95,400.

Pleas entered; sentences issued in Howard County criminal court

During the regular day for criminal court in Howard County Wednesday, July 31, one defendant was sentenced after pleading guilty to two separate criminal cases.

James Harberson, 46, white male, Nashville, was charged May 19, 2023, with drug possession and drug delivery, class D and B felonies respectively; on June 5 he was charged with theft of property, a class C felony.

He was sentenced to a combined five years in the Arkansas Department of Correction (ADC) with a further five years suspended imposition of sentence.

One other defendant pleaded guilty and was sentenced.

Mary Smith, 39, black female, Mineral Springs, was charged with aggravated assault, class D felony. She was sentenced to five years of probation and a fine of \$2,000.

Trial dates set
Dates for pretrial motions and jury trials were set for three defendants who pleaded not guilty.

Jeremy Barton, 37, black male, Nashville, is charged with a class D felony, drug possession.

Pretrial motions will be heard Oct. 30. His bond was

reduced to \$10,000.

William E. Chambers, 60, white male Nashville, is charged with delivery of a controlled substance with penalty enhanced by proximity to a church during the offense. Pretrial motions will be heard Sept. 25.

A date of Oct. 30 was set for pretrial motions for Ernest Bingham, 24, white male, Nashville, who is charged with 3rd degree battery, a class D felony. His bond was reduced to \$5,000 and he was ordered to have no contact with the alleged victim.

On the bench Wednesday was Judge Tom Cooper.

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Point of view

His bloody nose

Worried as Hog football opener gets nearer

(DEAR READER: It's too hot to write and think at the same time, so I am submitting this column from Sept. of 2019. If you don't like it go complain to our town's Unofficial Downtown J-Turn Enforcement Officer. And by the way, we are 22 days away from the Razorbacks' first upset loss.)

IF YOU ARE READING this after the trusty U.S. Mail delivered your newspaper on Wednesday then the Nashville City Police and Howard County SWAT Team should have finally and forcibly dispersed the good-sized crowd which clogged Main Street in front of the 'Nashville News-Leader' office for several hours that morning.

There were about 120 people and they were there to see the #1 Fair Weather Razorback Football Fan's reaction to his team's wonderful and satisfying Saturday exhibition in Oxford, Miss. Another disappointment, yet not so surprising.

They were expecting to read something volcanic about the Hogs in the Mine Creek Revelations newspaper column. The mob had bought out every copy in every newspaper stand in Nashville, Mineral Springs, Dierks, Delight, McNab and Murfreesboro. They were obviously disappointed at the absence of volcanic writing, and that only added to their curiosity. What's up?

The #1 Fan foiled the curious crowd for awhile by coming and going through an alley and a little-used back door. But pretty soon the crowd caught on, and about half of them ran around to the alley hoping for a glimpse of him sneaking in to work. They wanted to witness the rumored wounds for themselves.

"Is he bleeding from the nose and ears again?" they shouted.

They wanted to see if the #1 Fan was bleeding from his nose and ears, as they had expected-and-or-hoped. It is called the Hog Stigmata and it has happened pretty frequently in the last 7-8 years -- ever since Interim Head Coach John L. Smith wowed Hog fans with his expertise. Sigh. Ole Miss 31, Arkansas 17.

Finally, the #1 Fan went out to face the crowd.

A hush fell, and the #1 Fan spoke with surprising calm: "I hope you'll all go home so that the police can return to their all-important responsibility of hassling J-Turn offenders here in the Central Business District. I'm not going to say anything bad about the Hogs."

"But are you bleeding from the nose and ears?" they yelled.

"Please, I'm not going to sink to the lowest level and write something critical of those kids. They, and their coaches, are trying so hard. They deserve another 8-10 years to show some improvement."

But a question lingers: How did the crowd know that the #1 Fair Weather Razorback Football Fan sometimes bled from the nose and ears after yet another stupid loss?

A blabby college radio announcer let it slip. It seems that the #1 Fan was once pressed into making an unpaid speech out at the college when the scheduled (paid) speaker couldn't raise his bail and missed the appointed time. The #1 Fan happened to be present because the college was giving away free donuts with sprinkles.

The college asked him to speak on ethics and honesty. After the speech (and by all accounts it was a fine one), one member of the audience asked how the #1 Fan felt about getting beat by Toledo (this was before he got the title of #1 Fair Weather Razorback Football Fan), and blood suddenly began spurting from his nose and ears. There is no scientific, or medical explanation.

"We want to see you to bleed from the nose and ears!"

He denied that he was bleeding from the nose and ears even though there were suspicious wads of cotton stuffed into those orifices. It made him sound sorta nasal and his hearing was now even worse.

Disappointment swept over the mob. Some of them began leaving, muttering among themselves and throwing their homemade banners to the ground.

Also the crowd seemed to get happy feet when the SWAT team fired a few rounds over their heads.

Not everyone gave up. There was a film crew from one of the cowardly lying British television propaganda news networks, and they rudely forced their way into the newspaper office.

They cornered the editor, Mr. John R. Schirmer, and asked "Is the #1 Fair Weather Football Fan bleeding from his nose and ears, or not?"

Mr. Schirmer looked out from behind his computer screen and calmly answered that the #1 Fan was behaving professionally. "I am not aware of any time he has acted inappropriately."

That didn't appease the lying network crew and they rushed to confront others in the office.

"Louie has always conducted himself in a manner that reflects well upon this community, our great nation and this newspaper," Pam and Tracy Jo said, "Even after losing to such teams as Louisiana-Monroe and the Citadel and Colorado State and Little Sisters of the Poor."

But our John Balch hunkered down behind his computer and refused to comment other than to huff: "I'm not going to lie for him again."

So, this newspaper declines to answer the very real question: "Did he bleed from the nose and ears after the Hogs stoopidly lost another winnable game?" After all, we have ethics and honesty.



HE SAID: "I love those who can smile in trouble, who can gather strength from distress, and grow brave by reflection. 'Tis the business of little minds to shrink, but they whose heart is firm, and whose conscience approves their conduct, will pursue their principles unto death." Leonardo da Vinci, inventor and artist



SHE SAID: "Security is mostly a superstition. It does not exist in nature, nor do the children of men as a whole experience it. Avoiding danger is no safer in the long run than outright exposure. Life is either a daring adventure, or nothing." Helen Keller, teacher



SWEET DREAMS, Baby

Mine Creek Revelations



By Louie Graves

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State grants offered to schools in attempt to curb cell phone use

By State Sen. Jimmy Hickey Jr.

As the 2024-2025 school year begins, the state Education Department is making grants available to Arkansas school districts to help implement cell phone restrictions in the classroom.

Prohibiting or restricting cell phone use by students is complex, because they can be necessary for learning and doing research.

However, recent studies clearly indicate that the mental health of some young people can be adversely affected by the amount of time they spend every day watching a screen. Rather than socializing face-to-face with fellow students and teachers, they are immersed in social media. They can be more vulnerable to bullying, and their self-confidence can be fragile.

In early July the governor and the Education Secretary announced that the state would make grants available to local schools to alleviate the unfolding crisis of "youth depression, anxiety and isolation" caused by excessive cell phone use among juveniles.

The grants can be used to pay for mental health services, via telehealth technology. It also is being used for secure pouches in which students lock away their cell

phones during the day. Each pouch costs about \$30. Teachers and other school personnel will have special magnets that unlock them.

According to a spokesman for the Education Department, more than 200 Arkansas school districts are interested in taking advantage of the grant program. Many schools already had policies limiting students' use of cell phones for non-academic activities.

The enrollment in Arkansas schools from kindergarten through twelfth grade is about 475,000. In the upcoming school year an estimated 200,000 students will be in pilot programs that limit cell phone access during the day.

Accurately measuring results will be a key component of the policy to restrict cell phone, and that takes time. There are studies, and plenty of anecdotal evidence, indicating that students improve their academics if they're more engaged with their teacher and fellow students.

However, in order to fully measure any benefits from restricting cell phones, it will take at least one full school year and probably more to compile changes in test scores. The effect on students' mental health is even more difficult to accurately gauge.

Therefore, the pilot program includes an ongoing survey by the Office of Education Policy at the University of Arkansas to examine how restrictions on cell phones affect the mental health of students. The theory is that limiting young people's exposure to social media will improve their mental health.

School districts that have already limited cell phones in classrooms report positive results, not just in academics but also in student behavior. Some school districts will begin by limiting cell phones in middle schools because that is when many students get their first devices, and begin forming online habits.

School Lunches

School districts implement a policy every year for collecting money from students for lunches and snacks. It is not as simple as it may appear at first glance because some students get behind in their payments, and schools must continue to provide them with the same meals that all students get.

Schools may not stigmatize students who are behind in payments, such as by making them wear wrist bands. School nutrition policies must comply with Act 428 of 2019, the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act.

Boosting access to dental services

By U.S. Sen. John Boozman

One of the keys to living healthier, longer lives is access to quality care and treatment. Without a strong supply of medical professionals in our communities to provide that help, we will struggle to fully achieve this goal.

We're actively working to strengthen the healthcare workforce in Arkansas and retain the professionals trained in our state. In recent years, an expansion of medical training is preparing the next generation of doctors. The latest example will serve to enhance the availability of oral health care as The Natural State's first school of dental medicine is launched. Last month, we celebrated the groundbreaking for this facility that Lyon College is proudly forging in partnership with other health entities.

A study by the Arkansas Center for Health Improvement found access to dentists, particularly in rural areas, is limited. In 2019, 11 counties had a dental provider shortage and two counties had no active dentist.

Establishing the Lyon College School of Dental Medicine to address this shortfall is a solution our state needs and is embracing with excitement.

This year Congress passed,

and the president signed into law, legislation that funds Arkansas health projects including a critical investment to make this project a reality. I was proud to advocate for federal funds to support dental education in our state because it's an important component of overall health.

It's taken a lot of hard work and dedication to get to this point. From the leadership of Batesville's Lyon College to the committed professionals in the community and across the state who have supported this initiative, the vision to enhance the resources and services available to Arkansans to promote both health and wellness has been evident and convincing.

I am particularly proud of Lyon College's enthusiasm and persistence. The impact this decision will have on the future of Arkansas is significant -- expanding access to dental care by generating a pipeline of dental professionals who will practice here at home and further enriching the quality of life in communities across all 75 of our counties.

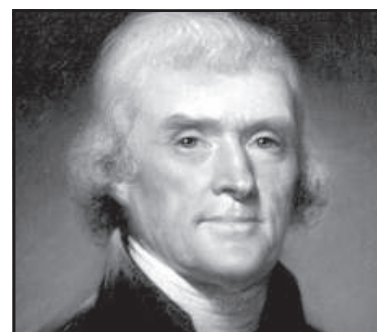
The broad support for this endeavor demonstrates our collective desire to advance this vital form of healthcare in a truly meaningful way. Ensuring more Arkansans have access to dental services they

need will help prevent long-term dental challenges in our communities. This is especially critical for our children, as good oral health practices established early can lead to a lifetime of better health outcomes.

I applaud Lyon College for its unwavering commitment to taking on this mission and moving us one step closer to our goal. The school anticipates admitting its first class of dental graduate students next year at its new Little Rock campus. I've been pleased to support this great example of an educational institution leading the way to solve a pressing need in our communities.

The groundbreaking signals a healthier, brighter future we are building together for Arkansas. I am grateful to all those whose contributions have helped pave the way, as well as the many supporters of this major project and all Arkansans for their shared passion for improving access to oral healthcare.

Together, we are making history and setting the foundation for a healthier, happier Arkansas. I look forward to following the progress and welcoming future dental professionals to our state to deliver excellent oral and dental care to their families, friends and neighbors.



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Thomas Jefferson, 1787
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The legendary Lambeau Field, home of the Green Bay Packers, is one of many attractions in Wisconsin. The stadium has hosted numerous NFL showdown games.

Cheese

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Corn is everywhere. A few acres here, a few more there. Add it all together, and you have 3.7 million acres of corn.

Also unlike Illinois, there are actually trees in Wisconsin. Admittedly, they are as foreign as the alien's home planet to the eyes of this Arkie, but they are beautiful and plentiful. There are trees on the ridges, trees around the houses, trees along the sides of the gravel roads leading from farm to farm, and trees along the many creek beds.

Seriously, Wisconsin is a

wonderful place to visit in the summertime. With more than 58,000 farms and more than 6,000 dairy farms, it's an agricultural marvel. The towns are beautiful and the people are friendly. From the state capitol of Madison to

La Crosse, from Eau Claire to Oshkosh and north to Green Bay, you'll love Wisconsin. But whatever you do, don't say anything bad about cheese or curds or about immigrants from outer space. It could be dangerous.



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Jaree Hall of Nashville visits the first house in the world fully lit by electricity, installed in Appleton, Wis., by Thomas Edison.

Sale

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and an onsite solar farm with a capacity of +/- 0.7 MW.

"The City of Nashville and I are excited to be working with Phoenix Investors on filling the Husqvarna facility. We look forward to all the opportunities ahead. The city is committed to helping bring new industry and jobs to our area," Mayor

Larry Dunaway said.

"On behalf of Developing Howard County, I am pleased to welcome Phoenix Investors to Nashville," said Vanessa Weeks, Howard County economic development director.

"Their acquisition of the Husqvarna facility means we gained a strong partner as we continue to aggressively market and recruit industries to our community. I look forward to working with them in the weeks ahead," Weeks said.

Phoenix plans to imple-

ment a capital improvement plan to attract high-quality industrial users to the area.

"Plant closures are always challenging for a community," said Frank P. Crivello, founder and chairman of Phoenix Investors. "Our mission is to revitalize these facilities and bring new opportunities to the people of Nashville."

Anyone with leasing inquiries may contact Phoenix Investors Senior VP, Acquisition and Leasing Kurt Jensen at 414-269-5183, according to a statement from Phoenix.

Football

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Magnolia comes to Scrapper Stadium Friday, Aug. 30, for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff in a non-conference game.

Nashville will visit Hope Sept. 6 in another non-con-

ference game.

Dardanelle will replace De Queen on the non-conference schedule Sept. 13.

The Scrappers will have an open date Sept. 20 before beginning the District 7-4A schedule Sept. 27 at home against Arkadelphia.

The remainder of the regular-season schedule

includes the following:

- Oct. 4 at Fountain Lake
 - Oct. 11 Bauxite
 - Oct. 18 at Ashdown
 - Oct. 25 at Haskell Harmony Grove
 - Nov. 1 Malvern
 - Nov. 8 at Genoa Central
- The Class 4A state playoffs will begin Friday, Nov. 15.



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Carter Barker and Abari Williams collide during the Scrappers' first day of fall camp Monday, Aug. 5.



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Coach Kirby Adcock watches the Scrappers in action late Monday afternoon during practice at Scrapper Stadium.

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If you have questions, please contact Kelly Windham at judge@howardco.org or call 870-845-7500 or 870-845-7501.

Special speaker lined up for 65th Paraloma Homecoming Aug. 9-11

The 65th anniversary Paraloma Homecoming weekend will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 9-11.

On Friday there will be a talent show, and catered foods, among other activities.

On Saturday there will be a bus tour of Paraloma community including the cemetery. A special speaker

will be Dr. Carl B. Mack, an engineer and civil rights activist.

The homecoming will conclude on Sunday.

Events include a memorial service, lunch, a parade and color guard, and a car show.

For more information contact Morris Johnson, 816-308-1685, or Phyllis Rogers, 501-951-5918.

Broadband townhall meeting Aug. 31 for Pike, Howard counties to present latest upgrades, discuss new map

The Arkansas State Broadband Office has announced it will host broadband town hall meetings throughout the state from Aug. 20-31.

The meeting for Pike County is set for 3 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 31 in Murfreesboro, which will also include attendees from Howard and Montgomery counties.

The office will present the latest updates regarding the next round of broadband infrastructure grants (funded through the BEAD Program), with a focus on information for grassroots stakeholders (such as timelines and processes), including immediate action items for local officials (letters of support and how they work). The office will also distribute a contact list

of internet service providers (ISPs) operating in and around each county, with the intent of having local officials contact ISPs to build relationships, gauge interest in BEAD, etc.

State, county, and local officials, as well as county broadband committee members, ISPs, business owners, nonprofits, and interested residents are encouraged to attend.

At each meeting, the broadband office will present the latest BEAD updates and conduct a comprehensive Q&A session. Office staff will also be on hand to assist residents with understanding and using the new Arkansas State Broadband Map, which can be viewed at register.broadband.arkansas.gov/register/bead/map?



GOLD CERTIFICATES FOR LOCAL PHARMACISTS. Jacque Howard (at left) and Karon Baxley were recently presented with honorary Gold Certificates from the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy to commemorate their 50 years as licensed pharmacists. "Your 50 years as a pharmacist is a commendable achievement, and your profession is better because of dedicated pharmacists like you," wrote John Clay Kirtley, executive director of the state board. Howard has worked at Power Pharmacy her entire career, starting in 1974, and still works there three days a week while Baxley spent 14 years at Nashville Drug; 23 years operating his own pharmacy, Mineral Springs Pharmacy; 11 years and three months at Walmart; and five years at Power Pharmacy with a year and a half of semi-retirement in the count.

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Garcia, Lorie, 51, Horatio, \$195 BF, no driver's license/expired license; \$240 BF, speeding

Hamilton, Jarod Last, 22, Hope, guilty of fictitious vehicle tags/license, fined \$245; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Lorenzo, Zaid, 19, Nashville, \$290 BF, speeding

Minnis, Matthew Brian, 30, Vivian, La., guilty of fictitious vehicle tags/license, fined \$245; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Sanders, Nayland D., 51, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$3,545 owed, committed to jail for 30 days; guilty of DWI#3, fined 2,560, sentenced to 90 days in jail, license suspended and must complete DWI screening

Seavers, Blake A., 36, Nashville, guilty of possessing open container of alcohol in vehicle, fined \$220; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Smith, Mary, 40, Nashville, guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,075 and license suspended for six months; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$285

Taylor, Richard Earl, 25, Nashville, guilty of no seat belt, fined \$70; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345

Wilkerson, Teresa K., 52, Murfreesboro, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$2,190 owed, committed to jail-conditional release; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Wine, Laray D., 29, Pine Bluff, \$230 BF, speeding

City of Nashville

Baltzell, Sheldon, 28, Nashville, guilty of failure to present insurance, fined \$50

Barragan, Ramon, 53, Nashville, \$240 BF, speeding

Brockman, James Lawrence, 29, Nashville, \$245 BF, speeding

Copeland, James, 36, De-light, \$230 BF, speeding

Cruz, Kiara, 19, Nashville, \$230 BF, speeding

Flowers, Keanay S., 20, Nashville, guilty of failure to present insurance, fined \$145

Gonzalez, Yanine C., 33, Nashville, guilty of failure to present insurance, fined \$50; guilty of allowing unauthorized person to drive, fined \$245

Hernandez-Amador, Juan, 29, Nashville, \$195 BF, running stop sign or light; \$245 BF, failure to appear; \$195 BF, no driver's license/expired license; \$195 BF, running stop sign or light

Hostetler, Justin, 41, Nashville, \$195 BF, running stop sign or light

Hostetler, Luxson, 19, Nashville, \$195 BF, expired vehicle tags/no tags

Hunter, Regina Lynn, 42, Fulton, guilty of failure to pay registration, fined \$210; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Hupp, Brandon C., 38, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$753 owed; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445

Jefferson, Marcus D., 36, Nashville, guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$560; guilty of theft of property, fined \$660; guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,075 and license suspended for six months

Johnson, Katherine L., 62, Nashville, guilty of DWI, fined \$1,110, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI educational course; guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,075 and license suspended for six months

King, Donald R., 55, Nashville, \$220 BF, possessing open container of alcohol in vehicle

Lopez, Juan, 60, De Queen, \$195 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Luna, Jose, 35, Nashville, guilty of no driver's license/expired license, fined \$195

Marin, Dominic Carlos, 20, Carlsbad, Calif., \$525 BF, violating of city ordinance-no door to door sales permit

Parker, David A., 46, Nashville, \$220 BF, public intoxication

Pineda, Educardo, 46, Nashville, guilty of possession for sale-dry area, fined \$500

Pineda, Margarita, 63, Nashville, guilty of possession for sale-dry area, fined

\$500

Seavers, Blake A., 36, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445

Shephard, Latasha A., 46, Nashville, \$215 BF, speeding; \$215 BF, improper passing

Stewart, Corey, 46, Umpire, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$930 owed; guilty of criminal trespass, fined \$270; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Trammell, Maurica, 21, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$683 owed; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Trimble, Orlandis, 36, Childress, Texas, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license fined \$125; guilty of failure to present insurance, fined \$125

Tyodore, Antonio, 39, Wickes, \$240 BF, speeding; \$195 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Walker, Ashli B., 43, Nashville, guilty of running stop sign or light, fined \$195; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$125

Ware, Justin Devante, 31, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445

Zuniga, Maria, 52, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445

City of Dierks
Lopez, Oviedo Jose, 38,

Dierks, \$220 BF, drinking on highway

Medino, Solano, no age listed, Dierks, \$220 BF, drinking on highway; \$195 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Weston, Daviona A., 21, Little Rock, \$270 BF, speeding; \$245 BF, failure to appear

City of Mineral Springs
Alfaro, Jaime, 45, Mineral Springs, \$655 BF, third-degree assault on family member

Gonzalez Ponce, Ruben, 52, Col Francisco, \$345 BF, careless or prohibited driving; \$245 BF, failure to appear

Bench Trials

City of Nashville
Jackson, Jerry L., 79, Nashville, criminal trespass, under advisement for six months to dismiss

Walker, Timothy, 22, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$1,170 owed, committed to jail for 30 days



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I'm so excited about going back to school. Each time classes start it's a new beginning for everyone. I'm going to study a little extra and finish all of my work.

I'm packing ahead to make sure that I have everything ready. I'm going to try something new this year - maybe join the swim team.

Items for School
Fill in this puzzle with items you may need!

People at School

Welcome to a new year!

Read the clues to fill in this puzzle with 6 people who help to keep a school running smoothly:

- challenges us to play our very best as a team
- keeps the whole school running smoothly
- serves us nutritious meals
- keeps everything sparkling and in working condition
- gets us to school on time
- challenges us to learn more and more

Classroom Jobs
There are a lot of jobs to be done to make the classroom run smoothly. Can you organize these jobs into alphabetical order?

librarian, recycler, gardener, line leader, door holder, pet caregiver, chair stacker, recess helper, teacher's assistant, calendar attendant, homework collector, computer technician

The Missing Drumsticks

Uh-oh! Start

End

Help Forest find his drumsticks in time for his drum lesson!

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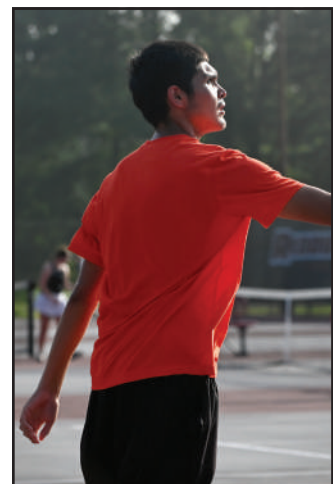
Addison Tate



Rylee Backus



Colby Clay



Luis Bustamante



Newcomers Layla Sirmon and Ayden Howard recorded their first wins as Scrapperettes Thursday afternoon, Aug. 1, in a pre-season match at Henderson State. The Scrapperettes will open the season Tuesday, Aug. 20, at Hot Springs Lakeside.

Nashville tennis
 Aug. 20 at Lakeside
 Aug. 22 Arkansas High and Magnolia, away
 Aug. 29 Hope
 Sept. 5 at Fountain Lake
 Sept. 10 at Lake Hamilton
 Sept. 12 Malvern
 Sept. 17 at Hope
 Sept. 19 at Arkadelphia
 Sept. 26 Fountain Lake
 Sept. 28 De Queen/Mena away
 Sept. 30 Arkadelphia, Senior Night
 Oct. 7 District tournament
 Oct. 14-15 State tournament

SPORTS LEADERS

Players of the Week as selected by The Leader sports department

Area football teams

Football players hit the field Monday, Aug. 5, for the first day of fall camp. Most had participated in summer workouts since May. The Arkansas Activities Association reminded coaches and managers to monitor the wet bulb globe temperature, a measure of heat stress in direct sunlight. The AAA guidance set a maximum wet globe reading for practice sessions. Teams will continue to practice, along with holding scrimmages and participating in AAA benefit games leading up to their season openers to be played in late August.



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CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR. May Bell Parsons Davis (at left) accepts her bronze replica of the Rosie The Riveter Congressional Gold Medal of Honor from Camden Mayor Charlotte Young during a ceremony/family reunion Saturday in Glenwood. Davis, who resides in Oklahoma, is a Howard County native and a "real-life Rosie The Riveter."



POSTHUMOUS AWARDS. May Bell Davis' two sisters, Florene Thompson and Hazel Ward, were also awarded bronze replicas of the Rosie The Riveter Congressional Gold Medal of Honor as accepted by their children, Paula Thompson and Larry Ward.



REPRESENTING ARTRA. President of the American Rosie The Riveter Association Laura Wright (at left) with her mother, Vicky Wright, traveled to Arkansas from Oklahoma to attend Saturday's ceremony and make a presentation.



SPECIAL AWARD FOR DAUGHTER. Glenda Gail Parker of Virginia, daughter of May Bell Davis, was also recognized Saturday by Camden Mayor Charlotte Young.

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The story behind the Rosie the Riveter Congressional Gold Medal

On April 10, 2024 in Washington D.C., the Rosie the Riveters of WWII were awarded, collectively and symbolically, a Congressional Gold Medal. This honor represents many years of work on the part of American Rosie the Riveter Association (ARRA) members Mae Krier and the late Phyllis Gould, a couple of real WWII Rosies who proved that, "We Can Do It!" Two dozen living Rosie the Riveters, members of ARRA and all around 100 years old, attended the ceremony at the United States Capitol, by invitation from the Speaker of the House.

American Rosie the Riveter Association (ARRA) members Mae and Phyllis led a years-long campaign for the Congressional Gold Medal honor for the Rosies. In addition, during that period, ARRA member Mae Krier also secured Congressional recognition of March 21 as National Rosie the Riveter Day.

Our friends at the Rosie the Riveter Trust in Richmond, CA coordinated with the Office of the Speaker of the House to bring 27 Rosies, including ARRA Rosies & members, from across the nation to participate in the ceremony.

Many thanks to the generous sponsors who made the ceremony possible, including Premier Sponsor the Gary Sinise Foundation, and sponsors The Boeing Company, The International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Local 549 and Local 92, Kaiser Permanente, Northrop Grumman, United & CSX, as well as all the individual donors who helped make this once in a lifetime trip for the Rosies possible.



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51st Dierks Pine Tree Festival



ON THE ROAD. Members of the Dierks Pee Wee Football team throw candy during Saturday's parade down Main Street.



ABOVE:
Cross Cost Competition
 1. Jeff Jones & David Bimbo
 2. Rodney Allen and David Bimbo
 3. Clifton Ward and Bradley Lowrey, who also won the Chain Saw Competition in front of Nathan Burgess
AT LEFT:
Loader Competition
 1. Shane Hill 2. Ryan Reid
 3. Clay Skaggs



BRING UP THE REAR DURING SATURDAY'S PARADE



ON THE MOVE. Mutton buster Riverlynn Leslie competes in the Friday night's round of Mutton Bustin'.



SHEEP PROBLEMS. Blayklee Janes takes a tumble Friday night.



ALL SHINED UP. Some of the entries of the festival's car show at the city park.



THE MICHAEL STOKES BAND. (From left) Gene Simmons, Keith Johnson, Stokes, Eric Wingfield and Zack Shankles perform Friday night at the Pine Tree Festival.



Guess the Load Weight Winner Marty Morris

Cornhole Tournament Winners
 Anthony Hill & Justin Jerrell
Runners-Up
 Shane Rothenberger & Bebo Stone

Photos by Nikki Fields, Kaitlin Miller & John Balch

BAKING/FOOD CONTEST WINNERS

- Jams/Jellies
 1. Linda Staggs (Newhope) Muscadine Jelly
 2. Lana Holley (Dierks) Peach Preserves
 3. April Mashburn (Little Rock), Strawberry Preserves
- Salsa/Relish
 1. Dallee Graham (Dierks), Salsa
 2. LaJeana Jones (Dierks) Salsa
 3. Linda Staggs (Newhope) Salsa
- Pickles
 1. Lana Holley, Sweet Pickles
 2. Linda Staggs, Sweet Pickles
 3. LaJeana Jones, Sweet Pickles
- Cakes
 1. Jennifer Sander (Wickes), Chocolate Peanut Butter
 2. Linda Staggs, Pineapple Upside Down

- Cupcakes
 1. Claire Stapp (Dierks), Oreo
 2. Cathy Pugh, Butter Pecan
- Apple Pie
 1. LaJeana Jones, Apple Pie
 2. Lana Holley, Apricot Fried Pies
- Chocolate Pie
 3. Bennie Faye Alsabrook (Dierks), Chocolate Pie
- Refrigerated Desserts
 1. Lana Holley, Banana Split Cake
 2. Erika McBride (Dierks) Coconut Cream Cookies & Brownies
- Snickers Doodle
 1. Cathy Pugh, Snicker Doodle
 2. Dale Paul (Dierks), White Cranberry
 3. LaJeana Jones, Brownies

Overall Winner Linda Staggs

Top Mutton Busters

- Friday Night** 1. Adalyn Moore 2. Emerson Smith 3. Kendall Jordan
Saturday Night 1. Annabell Hendricks 2. Emory Halcombe 3. Austin Greene

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Dierks native regional Teacher of Year finalist



Tammy Lites

A De Queen educator and Dierks native has been recognized as one of the top in Arkansas.

The Arkansas Department of Education recently announced Tammy Lites, a math teacher at De Queen Middle School, is one of 14 Arkansas educators selected as regional finalists for the 2025 Arkansas Teacher of the Year. Lites was recognized earlier this year as both the 2024 De Queen Middle School Teacher of the Year and overall De Queen School District Teacher of the Year.

Lites, as well as the 13 other regional finalists, were recognized Aug. 5 at the Governor's Mansion.

Lites, formerly Krantz, is a 1990 graduate of Dierks High School and is starting

her 28th year in education. She taught in the Dierks School District for 14 years.

"Each of these educators represents some of the best in teaching for Arkansas," ADE Secretary Jacob Oliva said. "I congratulate each on achieving this honor and look forward to continued excellence from them both inside and outside the class-

room."

The regional will each receive a certificate and a \$1,000 prize provided by the Walton Family Foundation.

The Arkansas Teacher of the Year program participates in the National Teacher of the Year program and recognizes Arkansas educators for their outstanding teaching and leadership skills.

Annual Delight Music Fest to feature 7 acts Sept. 28

The Delight Music Fest has announced its entertainment schedule for the upcoming event set for Saturday, Sept. 28 at the Delight City Park.

The gates will be open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the park for the event. In addition to the live music offerings, vendors, food, bounce houses, train rides and raffle drawings will also be offered.

Admission will be \$5 for all attendees 12 years and older, \$2 for ages 5-11 and free for ages four and under.

Vendors interested in being a part of the festivities can get more information by calling Vincent Henry at (870) 723-5447.

- The bands participating will be:
- 10-10:45 a.m. -- Open Mic
- 11-11:45 a.m. -- Marlin Taylor
- 12:15-1 p.m. -- Third Channel
- 1:30-2:15 p.m. -- Clark Campbell
- 3:15-4:30 p.m. -- Bear Creek Boys
- 5:00-5:45 p.m. -- David Garcia
- 6:15-7:30 p.m. -- Pike 6
- 8:00-9:30 p.m. -- Billstown

Glenwood woman sentenced Monday

A Glenwood woman was sentenced to probation Monday in Pike County Circuit Court after she plead guilty to one of her original five charges.

Autumn Sample, 32, was sentenced to six years of probation, fined \$2,500 and must complete an outpatient program for one count of theft of property.

Sample had three separate felony cases filed against her in May which included three counts of theft of property, one count of residential burglary and one count of breaking or entering.

The other charges were "nolle prosequi" which means the prosecution no longer wants to pursue the charges against the defendant.

The charges stem from thefts from her family in September 2023.

Also on Monday, Zachary Collins, 38, of Murfreesboro, plead not guilty to the charge of second-degree sexual assault and an Oct. 28 pretrial date was set.

Collins was charged and arrested the last week of July on suspicion of rape of a minor child from 2000 to 2005.

A 30-year-old Murfreesboro man is expected to be official charged this week with three counts of distributing, possessing or viewing of matter depicting sexually explicit conduct involving a 13-year-old girl, according to Investigator Jason McDonald.

Brandon Kyle Parks is currently in custody in Pike County after making his first court appearance Monday. He is set to hire an attorney and return to court Aug. 12 for formal arraignment.

Parks' case involves a juvenile girl who sends nude pictures of herself to men. Parks was apparently one of many men the girl shared pictures with in 2023. Parks admitted the juvenile sent pictures to his phone but that he deleted them when he received them. The pictures were sent in December 2023 and were reportedly found on his phone in March 2024.

AG&FC clarifies nonresident deer dog regulations, early archery hunt

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission today approved a dozen clarifications to regulations passed during May's Commission meeting. While most changes were simple clarifications in wording, four changes may affect hunters during upcoming deer and turkey seasons.

The first change was the reinstatement of a \$100 nonresident turkey permit that can be purchased by holders of a Nonresident Annual Hunting License. The Commission adopted a separate \$325 Nonresident Turkey Hunting License in May to allow hunters only interested in turkey hunting to save money compared to purchasing a \$410 annual license and \$100 turkey

permit. The previous permit was accidentally stricken from the code, but today's action reinstated it, allowing nonresidents two options for turkey hunting licenses in Arkansas.

The second set of revisions clarifications clarified that handguns used during the new alternative firearms season are required to be non-semi automatic and shoot straight-walled cartridges .30 caliber or larger to match the requirements for rifles during this season.

Arkansas's new early archery deer hunt also saw a clarification during today's meeting. The code was modified to ensure hunters could only legally harvest a single buck and no does during this three-

day hunt preceding regular archery season.

Finally, a regulation concerning nonresidents who use dogs to pursue deer in Arkansas saw a clarification at today's meeting. According to the newly modified code, nonresidents using dogs to chase deer, whether for training purposes or hunting, may only do so during the final nine days of regular modern gun deer season in those private and public land zones where it is legal to pursue deer with dogs.

They also will be restricted to a limit of one deer while using dogs.

All regulation changes passed today were formally presented during the Commission's June 20 meeting.

Pike County man killed in July 31 wreck

A Pike County man was killed in an early morning wreck on Highway 355 in Hempstead County on Wednesday, July 31.

Kenneth Ross Davis, 70, of Murfreesboro died in the crash.

According to the preliminary report from the Arkansas State Police, Davis was driving a 2017 Peterbilt loaded with logs

southbound on Highway 355 between Saratoga and McNab when he left the roadway and overturned. He was pronounced at the scene by Hempstead County Coroner David Peters.

The wreck occurred at 3:30 a.m. and State Trooper Akari Alexander reported conditions were clear and dry at the time.

Langley VFD fundraiser set for Aug. 31

The Langley Volunteer Fire Department will host its annual fundraiser fish fry Aug. 31. The meal starts at 5:00 followed by an auction at 6:00 and the Bear Creek Boys at 7:00.

The cost of the meal will be by donation.

Chances will be sold on \$500 for \$5 per ticket or five for \$20 and a Ruger Predator 308 for \$5 per ticket or five for \$20.

Proceeds will go toward funding the purchase of equipment for the department, first responders and EMS.

Nashville 'Bootleggers' arrested, cited after search

On July 31, the Nashville Police Department executed a search warrant at 616 West Clark Street in Nashville after several reports of alcohol "bootlegging" at the residence.

Reports received stated that many of the bootlegger's customers were minors.

Approximately 1,300 cans and bottles of alcohol were seized as a result of the search.

Two arrests were made at the residence: Margarita Pineda, 63, and Eduardo Pineda, 46, both of Nashville.

They were both charged with misdemeanor possession for sale in a dry county and transported to the Howard County Jail. The couple plead guilty to the charges Aug. 2 n Howard county District Court and were fined \$500 each.



NEWLY CERTIFIED OFFICER. Murfreesboro Police Officer Brandon Copeland graduated from the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy on Aug. 2.



Murfreesboro Diamond photo

SUNDAY FIRE IN MURFREESBORO. An unattended kitchen appliance after a late breakfast Sunday at the home of Jenny Smith on Highway 19 North apparently resulted in a fire that completely destroyed the home. Fire department from Nashville, Delight and Nathan responded to the blaze.



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Open House Aug. 13

South Pike County School District Superintendent: 'Quick but productive' summer ahead of Aug. 15 student start date

By P.J. Tracy

Murfreesboro Diamond
As the calendar flipped to August, the South Pike County School District is prepared to welcome students back from the summer break.

Students will return to campus on Thursday, Aug. 15, with open houses at the schools set for Tuesday, Aug. 13 from 5-7 p.m.

In the meantime, teachers are making final preparations for the 2024-2025 school year starting this Thursday, Aug. 8 with in-service options, then with all employees on campus beginning Monday, Aug. 12. School Superintendent Tanya Wilcher said the district was "excited to get back" after a summer that was "quick ... but productive and busy, which kinda made it go faster."

Wilcher denoted the progress of the baseball and softball fields near campus, as well as improvements to the track facilities that included the eradication of the "snake pit" low area behind the pole vault pit. Extra dirt was added to the area as well as improved culvert system and rerouting water in coordination with Pike County Judge Eddie Howard.

While noting there won't be a "new" track, the current track area will be graded for improvement before the spring semester along with the addition of a storage building to house the mats

that were purchased last school year. Teachers have been on staff training and prepping for new curriculum offerings including English Language Arts that began for a few grades last school year but will now encompass grades K-8. Additionally, the sciences will see new curriculum. "The teachers are really excited, because they've not had new textbooks and things in like 10-12 years in some cases," Wilcher stated.

The remainder of the floor tiles have also been removed, leaving the polished concrete in its stead, paid for with Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds.

"It will save us down the road, but it's also a huge mess to get where we needed to get," Wilcher said with a laugh. The robotics program, which was previously offered to younger students, will now be expanded to the high school level and classes in game design will also be offered, now allowing students to earn completer status in the computer sciences during the course of their school careers at Murfreesboro.

Traci Jones was named the new cross country coach to replace the departing coach Kevin Alexander, while Mark Wiley has reported that he has his largest tennis team in years.

Wilcher is investigating

the possibility of obtaining grants funds to resurface the Murfreesboro tennis courts later this fall at the old city park. The courts have not been worked on in the past nine and a half years.

An effort to restore a parent-teacher organization (PTO) is also ongoing for the upcoming school year.

"It's been years since we've had [a PTO]," Wilcher stated, noting that an interest table would be set up for parents at the upcoming open house.

The school is also working with Dawson Co-Op to reestablish the ABC program.

Wilcher confirmed that the Pre-K Head Start programs in both Delight and Murfreesboro that were under CADC control will not be reopened.

"I would love for both communities to have the ABC program, which has traditionally just been on an existing school campus. It is the long range goal [of Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders] for all children to attend pre-K schooling and for all public schools to have a program.

"There just isn't the funding out there to hire the extra people, and we'll have to work through all the red tape to get there."

An application can be found on the school website for parents interested in the ABC program at drive.google.com/file/d/1bpC-

South Pike County School District 2024-2025 Calendar

August 8, 12-14	District Professional Development (Aug 14 Flex Day)
August 13	Open House
August 15	First Day of School
September 2	Labor Day – No School
September 4	Early Release/Professional Development (2:12 pm)
September 12	Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00-6:00)
October 2	Early Release/Professional Development (2:12 pm)
October 11	End of 1 st Quarter (41 days)
October 14	Columbus Day – No School
November 6	Early Release/Professional Development (2:12 pm)
November 14	Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00-6:00)
November 25-29	Thanksgiving Break – No School
December 20	End of 2 nd Quarter (44 days)
Dec 23-Jan 3	Christmas Break – No School
January 6	Professional Development Day- No Students
January 7	Students Resume School
January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr Day – No School
February 5	Early Release/Professional Development (2:12 pm)
February 6	Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00-6:00)
February 14-17	Mid-Winter Break – No School
March 5	Early Release/Professional Development (2:12 pm)
March 7	End of 3 rd Quarter (41 days)
March 24-28	Spring Break – No School
April 2	Early Release/Professional Development (2:12 pm)
April 10	Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00-6:00)
April 18	Good Friday - No School
April 25	No School
May 2	No School
May 9	No School
May 15	End of 4 th Quarter (40 days)

Possible Makeup Days - Feb 14, April 25, May 2, May 9, May 16

Alternate Calendar based on minutes.



Murfreesboro Diamond photo

WORKING ON BIG DRAINAGE PROJECT. Motorists should try to avoid travel on North Maple Avenue in Murfreesboro, as the road is subject to closure as work continues on a large-scale drainage project by the city of Murfreesboro.

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Azemas, Tyrone A., 41, Garland, Texas, \$367 BF, overweight

Cogburn, Anthony Lloyd, 30, Glenwood, guilty of failure to pay, \$2,505 owed

Cogburn, Jarrod N., 21, Glenwood, guilty of failure to pay, \$590 owed; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$205; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$205

French, Pantera Jose-

phine, 18, Hot Springs, guilty of disorderly conduct, fined \$205

Heady, Jerry W., 49, Glenwood, guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$325; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$315; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$205; guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$325

Williams, Samantha Lynn, 57, Madison, \$125 BF, driving left of center

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Fugutt, David, 45, Murfreesboro, guilty of failure to pay, \$810 owed; guilty of refusing to submit to chemical test, fined \$145; guilty of open container in vehicle, fined \$240; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$225

Arkansas Game & Fish Commission

Arismendez, Edward N.,

42, Beeville, Texas, \$320 BF, fishing without license non-residential

Berry, William J., 36, Houghton, La., \$220 BF, insufficient PFD

Bench Trials
Pike County
Golden, Lillie J., 58, Lockesburg, \$500 BF, abuse of athletic contest official

Pendergast, Tommy, 29,

Nashville, third-degree battery, under advisement to dismiss, fined \$480; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

AG&FC
Sulsbury, Brandi L., 29, Texarkana, no ski area, un-

der advisement for 90 days to dismiss, fined \$220

Ward, Douglas G., 59, Newhope, possession of controlled substance, under advisement for one year to dismiss, fined \$1,075

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SEALED PROPOSALS addressed to Mayor Larry Dunaway, City of Nashville, AR, 426 North Main Street, Nashville, AR 71852, will be received until **11:00AM (Local Time) on Thursday, August 22, 2024** for furnishing labor, equipment, materials, supplies, and supervision necessary to rehabilitate an existing elevated water storage tank (400,000-Gallon) by removing and replacing interior and exterior paint systems, performing miscellaneous repairs, and installing a mixing system. Bids will be opened and read aloud at such time at Nashville City Hall located at 426 North Main Street, Nashville, AR.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS may be examined without charge at the office of the Engineer, 1163 Main Street, Suite 104, Vilonia, AR 72173, or at Nashville City Hall, Nashville, Arkansas. Bidding documents may be purchased from Engineer at a cost of \$50.00 by calling (501) 504-2455 ext. 102 or by email to tfoster@ce-associates.biz. No refunds will be made.

A CERTIFIED OR CASHIER'S CHECK, or an acceptable bid bond in the amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid shall accompany each bid as a guaranty that, if awarded the contract, the bidder will promptly enter into a contract with the City of Nashville, Arkansas and furnish bonds on the forms provided.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER OR BIDDERS will be required to furnish a Performance and Payment Bond, each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible surety company authorized to do business in the State of Arkansas that is satisfactory to the Owner.

BIDDERS ARE expected to inspect the site of work and to inform themselves of all local conditions. The time of completion shall be **Seventy-Five (75) Working Days** excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

BIDDERS ARE ADVISED that Arkansas State Contractor Licensing Law applies to this project. Subcontractors are also required to be licensed according to Arkansas State Law. Evidence of licensure shall be provided to the Owner prior to signing the contract.

NO BID may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least **Thirty (30) calendar days**.

IN CASE of ambiguity or lack of clearness stating the price in the bids, the City of Nashville, Arkansas reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid.

THE CITY OF NASHVILLE, ARKANSAS reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any or all informalities, and to award the contract to the bidder or bidders who, in the opinion of the Owner, offers the proposal to the best interest of same.

CONTRACTORS are cautioned that qualified bids will be subject to rejection.

CONTRACTORS are specifically advised that any person, firm, or other party to whom it is proposed to award a subcontract under this contract must be acceptable to the Owner.

PAYMENT of this publication is the responsibility of the City of Nashville, AR in the amount of 196.00.

Nashville, Arkansas
Larry Dunaway, Mayor

(CN: 7, 8)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PIKE COUNTY,
ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF KENNETH EUGENE DRAPER
55 PR-24-53

NOTICE OF PROBATE-INTESTATE

Last known address of decedent: 127 Ranch Rd, Nashville, Arkansas 71852
Date of death: September 18, 2023

Lesia Young was appointed the Administratrix of the Estate of Kenneth Eugene Draper by order dated July 19, 2024. All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published the 7th day of August, 2024.

Lesia Young, Administratrix, by
Aaron R. Brasel, ABN 2009138
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(AB: 7, 8)

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY,
ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: HELEN BERNEICE FARLEY
31 PR-24-57

NOTICE OF PROBATE-TESTATE

Last known address of decedent: 1502 N Walters Ave, Dierks, Howard County, Arkansas 71833
Date of death: June 6, 2024

An instrument dated February 6, 2023, was on August 1, 2024 admitted to probate as the last Will of the above named decedent, and the undersigned has been appointed Executor thereunder. A contest of the probate of the Will can be effected only by filing a petition within the time provided by law. All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published the 7th day of August, 2024.

Bobby Farley, Jr., Executor, by
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(BD: 7)

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY,
ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
WIRTA FAYE MCATEE, DECEASED NO. 31PR-24-56

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTRIX AND FILING OF CLAIMS

Last known address of decedent: 106 West Gay Street, Franklin, TX 77856
Date of death: 01/06/2016

The undersigned, Linda Sue Lenarduzzi, was appointed Executrix of the ancillary estate of the above-named decedent on the 24th day of July, 2024.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the ancillary estate.

This notice first published this 31st day of July, 2024.

Linda Sue Lenarduzzi, Executrix
BY: Victor Martin, ABN 2018116
Attorney at Law
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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY,
ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF
JAYDEN DESAUN PENAGRAPH, &
JAYVREN MICHAEL PENAGRAPH, minors 31 PR-24-12
NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: DEMARIO TIRRELL TALLEY

On Wednesday, September 4, 2024, commencing at 9 am or as soon thereafter as may be heard, a hearing will be held on the Petition for Adoption in the above-styled matter. This Petition is filed by Devoria Penagraph, and is a formal request for legal action to seek the adoption and thus termination of your rights. This hearing will take place at the Howard County Courthouse, Courtroom, located at 421 N. Main Street, Nashville, Arkansas, 2nd Floor Courtroom.

If you object to the Petition, you should file a written response with the Clerk of Howard County, Arkansas, at the following address: 421 N. Main Street, Nashville, 71852. If you fail to appear at the hearing, a Judge may enter orders or decrees which terminate your rights to the children referenced above.

_____/s/: Aaron R Brasel
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(AB: 5 -8)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA)

USDA – Farm Service Agency
Notice of Availability
Construction of a Large CAFO, Arkansas
Draft Environmental Assessment

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency (FSA) announces they will be completing an Environmental Assessment for the expansion of an existing poultry farm that would result in a large CAFO. The farm is located in Section 3, Township 9 south, Range 28 west, Howard county, Arkansas. The primary objective of the activity is to construct (2) broiler houses.

FSA is accepting written comments on the potential effects of the proposed project on protected resources and the human environment through 8/30/2024. Information regarding this project can be reviewed in person at the following USDA Service Center: 101 S. Washington St. Nashville, AR 71852 and can be found online at <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/state-offices/Arkansas/index>. Comments should be submitted in writing to Adam Kaufman at Farm Service Agency, 419 West Gaines Street, Monticello, AR 71655.

All written comments will be carefully considered, and no action concerning the project shall be taken until the agency has completed an environmental review and issued a final decision. All who provide written comments will be informed of the decision when it is made. The Final Environmental Assessment will be made available and underlying documentation may be examined upon request.
(DB: 6, 7)

PUBLIC NOTICE

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY,
ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: LINDA JACKSON SMITH 31 PR-24-51
NOTICE OF PROBATE-TESTATE

Last known address of decedent: 576 Jackson Rd, Dierks, Howard County 71833
Date of death: July 12, 2024

An instrument dated February 8, 2011, was on July 17, 2024 admitted to probate as the last Will of the above named decedent, and the undersigned has been appointed Executor thereunder. A contest of the probate of the Will can be effected only by filing a petition within the time provided by law.

All persons having claims against the estate must exhibit them, duly verified, to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the estate.

This notice first published the 7th day of August, 2024.

Terry Lee Smith., Executor, by
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Colors are green and gold for the new school year at 'Mule Shoe'



JonDavid Amerson

Steady growth at MS partly due to school's tech programs

Interim superintendent JonDavid Amerson will know in August if the 'interim' is removed from his title at Mineral Springs. Amerson has served as high school principal for four years but moved to the spacious superintendent's office in July with the suspension of then-Supt. Billy Lee. Amerson is also brimming with enthusiasm for the 2024-25 school year in Hornet Land. He cites the steady enrollment growth of recent years, and says much of it is due to the 'career tech' program which introduces

students to such varied employment fields as welding and retail management. He expects high school enrollment to be about 207 this year; elementary enrollment will probably be about 203. "Our trajectory is shooting way up," he says. Members of the district school board include: president William Dixon, board members Ray Hawkins, Jr., Ricky Gamble, Xavier Vaughn, Barnado Thomas, Dorothy Vaughn and Mike Erwin.

Mineral Springs faculty for the 2024-25 school year

The faculty for the 2024-25 school year at Mineral Springs includes:

Elementary School
 Lizeth Chavelo, 4-5 grade math
 Rhonda Conway, Sp. Ed, K, 2
 Janet Cook, literacy specialist
 Olivia Coulter, Kindergarten
 Ruby Dean, principal
 Lisa Duren, 3 language, social studies
 Tasha Fant, dyslexia specialist
 Vivi Gallardo, 3 math, science
 Christine Green, art
 Audra Griffin, librarian
 Heather Hainen, 2 language, social studies
 Tamara Hankins literacy specialist
 Taylor Hathcock, physical education
 Regina Huskey, curriculum specialist
 Melissa Johnson, 4-5 science
 Katelyn Kirkham, 6 math
 Kimberly Lacy, 1st language, social studies
 Aubrie Lance, kindergarten
 Casey Long, kindergarten
 Christopher Mannis, music, band
 Amanda Muse, 6 language, social studies
 Cindy Ratliffe, ALE K-6
 Amanda Shanks, 1st language, social studies
 Jackie Shurden, Sp. Ed
 Mary Trimble, 5 language, social studies
 Sherry Turley, Sp. Ed, therapy
 Ashley Walston, 2 math, science
 Lauren Wilson, 4 language, social studies
 Amanda Woodley, counselor

High School
 JonDavid Amerson, principal
 Bron Bell, tech
 Robert Bullock, ALE
 William Dixon, 7-8 math, sports
 Samantha Fant, counselor
 Shelly Furr, history
 Stacey Gaddis, assistant principal
 Daniel Gentry, tech
 Phillip Gentry, history, sports
 Christine Green, art
 Amanda Harris, dyslexia, testing coord.
 Zachary Harris, Sp. Ed, sports

Heath Harrison, agri
 Jason Hathcock, athletic director, sports
 Marion Hedrick, English
 Cara Lamb, Sp. Ed 9-12
 Keontae Larry, sports
 Dre Lawson, sports
 Jeremy Lee, science, greenhouse
 Taylor Lee, computer science
 Rebecca Loe, English
 Margaret Macon, 7-9 algebra, math
 Tami McElrath, ALE
 Carla Smith, English
 Aide Soto-Sanchez, English
 Shelby Thornton, business

ness
 Quinton Thornton, math, geometry
 Cavangla Wade, Cosmetology
 Jacob Warford, sports
 Jessica Williams, science, sports
 Janilo Woodley, sports
Administration
 JonDavid Amerson, superintendent
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Mineral Springs School District 2024 - 2025 CALENDAR

- Aug. 12-16, 19..... Teacher In Service Days
- Aug. 15 Open House
- Aug. 20 1st Day of School
- Sept. 19 Parent Teacher Conference
- Sept. 27 Homecoming
- Sept. 21 Parent Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 25 End of 1st 9 Weeks
- Nov. 26-29 Thanksgiving (No School)
- Dec. 24-Jan3 Christmas (No School)
- Jan 7 School Resumes
- Jan. 10End of 2nd 9 weeks
- Feb. 13 Parent Teacher Conferences
- March 14End of 3rd 9 weeks
- March 25-28 Spring Break(No School)
- April 18 Good Friday(No School)
- May 9 Graduation
- May 23..... Last Day of School
- May 26-30 Inclement Weather Days

Contact Information

- 870-287-4746 Elementary
- 870-287-4747 High School
- 870-287-4748 Administration

MINERAL SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

BACK TO SCHOOL Important Information!

Open House: August 15 from 2:00-6:00 pm for Elementary and High School (Come enjoy FOOD & PRIZES)

First Day of School: August 20th

Mineral Springs School District is excited to welcome back students for the 2024-2025 school year!

The Mineral Springs School District is committed to providing your student with a learning environment where everyone can thrive academically, socially and emotionally. The MSSD staff members are here to help each student succeed, so please do not hesitate to reach out for assistance or guidance. WE are here to support students and families!

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