





# Obituaries



**Floy Jean Linville Reed**

Floy Jean Linville Reed was born in Nashville, Ark., April 27, 1947, and passed away Sept. 11, 2025, at UAMS in Little Rock, Ark., at the age of 78, surrounded by family members.

She was born into the family of Miley and Della Martin Linville, along with a sister, Inell Linville and four brothers, Leon, Jerald, Burl and Archie Linville all deceased from the Howard and Pike County areas. Survived by a sister Majorie Worley (Claude) of Dierks, Ark.

Better known to family and friends as Jean, she had an unique family structure. Brothers married sisters,

and after a heart-breaking death shortly after Jean was born it was necessary for her to live with her Uncle Riley and Aunt Pearl Linville and their family. Their children considered her a sister and loved her as they did the other siblings. That included four brothers, Ray of Nashville, Ark., Leroy of Umpire, Ark., Buiel and Tom Linville both of Nashville, Ark., and three sisters, Evelyn Poole of Camden, Ark., Ella Sue Campbell of Nashville, Ark., and Peggy Stone of Murfreesboro all deceased. Survived by a brother Noel Linville (Eileen) of Nashville, Ark.

This is the family Jean lived with until she married Jimmy Gilbert (deceased). They had three children, Jimmy Dale Gilbert (Amanda), Sandy Gilbert and Stacy Gilbert all of Nashville.

After the death of her first husband Jean married Perry Reed (deceased). This extended her family even more bringing three stepsons, Greg Reed (Leah), Joey Reed (Amy) and Jason Reed (Dede) into the group.

Jean is leaving behind the highlights of her life in 12 grandchildren and 18 great-grandsons. They brought joy to her heart and a beam in

her eye every time she was around them.

Jean was a member of the 1965 graduating class of Nashville High School and soon after that married Jimmy. She was a hard worker at whatever she was doing. A few of the places she worked were the Rainbow Learning Center where she took care of the babies, Rita's Flowers and Nashville High School Cafeteria. In her spare time she enjoyed arranging and planting flowers, sewing, and especially quilting. She enjoyed gatherings with family and friends and catching up on life's happenings. She was one in a million Lady and will be truly missed by many.

Above all Jean loved her Jesus and was saved earlier in her life. She was a faithful member of Midway Baptist Church in Nashville, Ark., and always looked forward to the fellowship with other members.

Visitation will be Sunday, Sept. 14, 2025, between 5-7 p.m. at Latimer Funeral Home, Nashville, Ark. Graveside services at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Hwy. 26 and Mt. Pleasant Road on Monday, Sept. 15th, 2025, at 2 p.m. with Bro Keith Mays Officiating and Prayer by Mark Smith.



**ALL ABOUT DAR.** Elizabeth Wilson Overton, chapter regent of the Mine Creek-Paradclifta Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, spoke to the Nashville Rotary Club last Wednesday about the organization's mission to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism. DAR was organized in 1890. "DAR is a living memorial of the American Revolution," she told Rotarians. She was accompanied by Carrie Lewis McGaha of Horatio who is the chapter's treasurer and is also state chaplain. The Rotary Club meets at noon on Wednesdays in Room 101 at UA-Cossatot.

## FINANCIAL FOCUS

### Look at your financial situation holistically

By Josh Tice,  
Edward Jones Investments

When you plan a trip, you consider not only the destination but also the climate, activities that interest you, transportation needs, anticipated costs, best time to go and coverage for your work, home or pets. It's a holistic approach — looking at your trip from a variety of angles.

It's wise to apply that same holistic thinking when you plan for your financial future — that is, bringing into the picture all elements of yourself.

Here are some things that may affect your financial strategy:

- Your views on helping your family – Your decisions about helping your family are clearly going to be a major part of your financial strategy, and this is true at virtually all stages of your life. When your children are young, you'll need to decide if you're going to save money for their college education, and if so, how much, and in what investments. When they're young adults, you may also need to decide how much financial support you're willing to provide for major expenses such as down payments on a new home or a new car. And when you're drawing up your estate plans, you'll need to consider how and when to distribute assets to your children, grandchildren or other family members.
- Your personal beliefs – As someone with civic, ethical and moral concerns, you may feel compelled to make charitable gifts throughout your life and then make philanthropy part of your legacy. To accomplish these objectives, you'll want to include gifting techniques in your financial strategy today and your estate plans for tomorrow. Of course, for the estate-planning component, you'll need to work with your

tax and legal advisors.

- Your purpose in life when you retire – Having a purpose can bring fulfillment beyond financial security. Leading up to retirement, your purpose may involve providing for your immediate family, bringing value to your profession or contributing to your community. When you retire and step off your career path, you're entering a new world of possibilities. How will you define, and live out, your new sense of purpose at this stage of your life? Do you seek to broaden your horizons by traveling around the world? Or spend more time volunteering? Can you pursue hobbies that give you a chance for self-expression? Each of these choices will carry different financial implications for how much you'll need to accumulate for retirement and how much income you will need to take out each year from your retirement accounts, such as your IRA and 401(k).
- Your health – Your physical and mental health can play big roles in your financial plans and outlook. On the most basic level, the healthier you are, and the better you take care of yourself, the lower your health care bills will likely be during retirement, which will affect the amount you need to put away for health care. And you also may need to prepare for the costs of long-term care, which can be enormous — in fact, a private room in a nursing home can easily cost \$100,000 per year, according to Genworth, an insurance company.

It can be challenging to weave all these elements into a single, unified vision, so you may want to get some help from a financial professional. But, in any case, be prepared to look at your situation holistically because, when putting together a lifetime's financial strategy, every part of your life matters.

### Miss of Notre Dame-Texas A&M game common to most contest entries

This week's winner in the newspaper's football 'Pickin' contest is T'Otis Trimble of Nashville who hit correctly on 9 of 10 picks. In last week's contest, every entry picked Arkansas and Nashville to lose. Otherwise, the most missed game was Texas A&M's win over Notre Dame.

Trimble wins a combo meal at Starz Family Restaurant.

Scores of the games in the contest:

Fordyce 51, Mineral Springs 0  
Dierks 61, Parkers Chapel 24  
Hope 25, Ashdown 19 (OT)  
Arkadelphia 36, Lake Hamilton 28  
Alabama 38, Wisconsin 14  
Georgia 44, Tennessee 41 (OT)  
Texas A&M 41, Notre Dame 40  
LSU 20, Florida 10  
Ole Miss 41, Arkansas 35  
Dardanelle 28, Nashville 26

### Outsideburning, fireworks under a 'ban' issued by Hempstead County judge

Hempstead County Judge Jerry T. Crain has issued a 'burn ban' in the county due to a lingering dry condition. The ban includes all outside burning and fireworks and continues until the ban is lifted. A similar ban has not yet been announced for Howard County.

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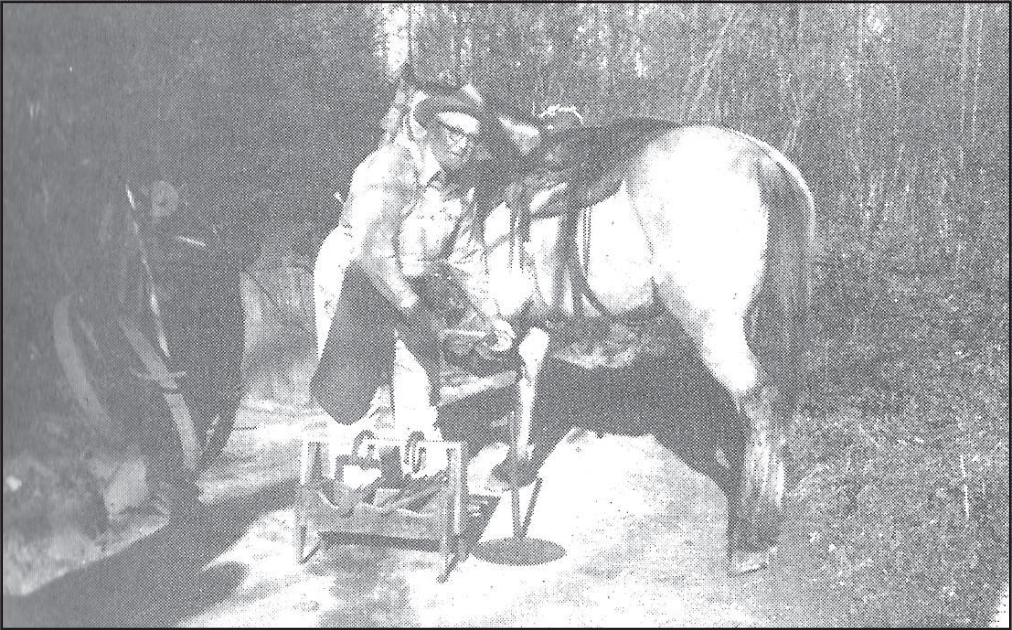


THE CECIL "BIRDDOG" HARRIS MEMORIAL

EARLY FILES

Tales from Howard County's history reprinted in honor of longtime staff historian and photographer, Cecil Harris.  
September 19, 1938 - December 15, 2012

Compiled by Patsy Young



Grady Wakley of Umpire shoes Butch Morris' horse, 1976. (from *The Unfinished Story of North Howard County*)

123 years ago: September 1902

We are informed that Williamson Bros. will, at an early date, begin work on their tram road from Moor’s Spur near Gilliam to a point in Howard County, and that they will put in a large band mill with planers at some point on the Cossatot River . It is quite probable that the road will be extended to Nashville via Centre Point. County examiner W. H. Latimer is conducting an examination of teachers in Centre Point today. There are only seven applicants for licenses to teach. The people living in the vicinity of a dive house kept by Mary and Ada Wesson are getting very tired of the nightly carousals occurring there, and an effective remedy is apt to be applied at an early date if better order is not maintained.

79 years ago: September 1946

Opening the home season at Scrapper Field Friday night, the 1946 Scrapper

model was in regular Scrapper form and trounced the Horatio Lions 53 to 7 and thrilled one of the largest crowds ever to witness an ordinary football game here. Sparked by Bohannon, the entire eleven went into action at the opening whistle and did not quit until the final whistle blew.

Howard County’s draft quota for October has been fixed at two white men, and this call has been filled by boys who have volunteered and are now in the service. They are Winfred Owen Stone and Rufus Eugene Moses, both of Nashville.

(Adv.) Pazo alleviates soreness and itching due to simple piles. 75¢ Nashville Drug

63 years ago: September 1962

Howard County peach growers Tuesday night will hear a proposal for contract growing for the Gerber Food Company plant at Ft. Smith. Gerber Foods recently announced plans for a mammoth foods plant

at Ft. Smith using Arkansas fruits and vegetables.

Floyd R. Smith of Mineral Springs has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force upon graduation from officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas. He is the son of Mr. And Mrs. Grady Smith of Mineral Springs and is married to the former Delorse Grubbs of Forrest City.

43 years ago: September 1982

James Edward McJunkins from Saratoga has been selected for inclusion in the 1982 edition of “Outstanding Young Men of America.” The program is endorsed by the United States Jaycees and recognizes the achievements and abilities of young men between the ages of 26 and 56 years.

(Adv.) Nashville Junior Auxiliary Thrift Shop, 440 North Main, (Behind old Assembly of God Church), Store hours: Friday 9-12 and 3:30-6, Saturday 9-12. Low prices. Coats and sweaters.

# Public Record of Howard County

Items or documents that were filed, issued or recorded at the Howard County, Ark., courthouse during the period Sept. 03-10, 2025, unless noted otherwise:

**Marriage Licenses**  
(*Marriage licenses cost \$60 at the County Clerk's office*)  
Sept. 04. Taylor Lane Walker, 23, Dierks, and Katelyn Alice Pace, 22, Nashville.  
Sept. 05. Shaquille Dameyon Hamilton, 31, Mineral Springs, and Mynissa Shadell T. McDonald, 32, Mineral Springs.  
Sept. 08. Michael Lloyd Gates, 60, Nashville, and Robin Machelie Corbell, 57, Nashville.  
Sept. 08. Trevear Scott Gulley, 63, Nashville, and Quonya Lynetta Coulter, 64, Nashville.

**Civil Court**  
CV25-100, Sept. 03. Charles Smith vs. Kevin Smith, et al. Petition for partition.  
CV25-101, Sept. 04. Unifund CCR vs. Rita Arnold. Debt.  
CV25-102, Sept. 08. Velocity Investments, LLC vs. Rowena Willis. Debt.  
CV25-103, Sept. 10. America’s Car Mart vs. Jamar Moore. Debt.

**Domestic Relations Court**  
DR25-71, Sept. 09. Benjamin Witherspoon vs. Britany Witherspoon. Divorce.  
DR25-72, Sept. 10. Shannon Upton vs. Kenneth Shane Upton. Divorce.  
**Criminal Court**  
(NOTE: POCS = possession of controlled substance; PODP = possession of drug paraphernalia; DOCS = delivery of controlled substance)  
CR25-80, Sept. 08. State of Arkansas vs. Angel Enrique Yanez, 32, white male, Gurdon; theft of property, class C felony; breaking or entering, class D.  
CR25-81, Sept. 08. State of Arkansas vs. Ryan Scott Holland, 47, white male,

Shreveport, La.; POCS, class B; POCS, misdemeanor; Possession of open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle, misdemeanor.

CR25-82, Sept. 10. State of Arkansas vs. Edward C. Walker, 66, black male, 509 E. Henderson, Nashville; 3 counts DOCS, penalty enhanced by habitual offender status.

**Land/Property Transactions**  
**Quitclaim Deeds**  
Sept. 05. Betsy Holder; to Betsy Stokes; 5 ac. in S7 T7S R28W. \$10.  
Sept. 08. Warren Leonard Fox; to Warren Leonard Fox, Trustee of the Warren Leonard Fox Living Trust; 0.11 ac. in S17 T10S R27W, aka 219 W. North St., Mineral Springs.

Sept. 09. Margaret Macon; to Elvin Wilson and Kaylee Wilson; Lots 1 thru 4, Block 10, Holly Addition, town of Dierks. \$6,000.  
**Fiduciary’s Deed**  
Sept. 08. Danny White, Administrator of the estate of Charles Ollie White, deceased; to Danny White; Lot 7 and part of Lot 8, Block 12, Holly Addition, town of Dierks.

**Executrix’s Deed**  
Sept 08. (Ancillary) Suzanne O’Neill, acting ancillary executrix of the estate of Robert Barry Neece, deceased; to Suzanne O’Neill; 120 ac. in S19 /S30 T8S R27W.

**Administrator’s Deeds**  
Sept. 09. Leaman Ray Edwards, administrator of the estate of William Glen Edwards; to Leaman Ray Edwards and Sherry Stoneking; 15.56 ac. in S35 T9S R28W.

Sept. 09. Leaman Ray Edwards, administrator of the estate of William Glen Edwards; to Leaman Ray Edwards and Sherry Stoneking; 6 ac. in S34 T9S R28W.

**Redemption Deeds**  
Sept. 04. State of Arkansas; to Martha Brown, Saratoga; 0.03 ac. in S8 T11S R27W, Tollette; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$169.16.

Sept. 04. State of Arkansas; to Martha Brown, Saratoga; 3.24 ac in S9 T11S R27W, Tollette; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$480.24.

**Beneficiary’s Deed**  
Sept. 05. Betsy Stokes; to Mark H. Brown and descendants of Alison H. Broyles; undivided 1/2 interest in 5 ac. in S7 T7S R28W.

**Warranty Deeds**  
Sept. 08. Phillip M. Jones and wife, Kimberly A. Jones; to Cole Smith and wife, Brittany Smith; 5.07 ac. in S1 T8S R27W. \$5,000.

Sept. 08. Charlotte A. Holins; to Rose M. Hopkins and Barbara Burris and Charles M. Hopkins, Jr., joint tenants; part of Lots 5-6, Block 14, SREDC Addition, town of Nashville. \$15,000.

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Troy Built Zero Turn XP 50 In.	2016 40 Ft. Big Tex w/Ramps	2011 GMC Sierra 1500 Crew Cab
Bad Boy 54 In. Zero Turn	(30) Curved Panels	4x4 (Clean)
16 Ft. Landscape Trailer, New Floor, w/Gate	(15) 12 Ft. Sheep & Goat Gates	24'x6'8" Gooseneck Stock Trailer
2005 Nissan Altima	(25) 16 Ft. Cattle Stock Gates	Job Box
Old John Deere Drill	(25) 12 Ft. Cattle Stock Gates	Wooden Cabinets/Shelves
'96 Dodge 3/4 Ton Super Cab, 5 spd, 302,000 Miles	New Holland TN 65 Tractor	Lincoln 220 Crackerbox Welder
Misc. New Jeep and GM Wheels	John Deere Round Baler	20 Ft. Gooseneck Stock Trailer
2006 Chevy 3/4 Ton Flatbed plus Trip Hopper Feed Box, Gas, 4x4	7 Ft. Off Set Disk Pull on Wheels	Swisher 22 Ton Gas Powered Wood Splitter
New Trailers, Tires and Wheels	New Lithium Battery Golf Cart w/Roof and Roof & Rear Seat, Backup Camera (Nice)	3 Sets of 20 6'x8' Insulated Panels
New 18 Wheeler Tires	Electric Golf Cart w/Rear Seat	12' x 70" Tandem Axle Trailer, New Tires, Floor, Paint and Lights
New Skid Steer Tire	SS Steel Hog Feeders	(2) 5'x5' Deer Blind Platform 5 Ft. Tall
Used Skid Steer Tire	3 Pt. Hyd. Wood Splitter (Like New)	All Metal w/New Wood Floor
16 Ft. Tandem Trailer Pipe Top w/Ramps	Skid Steer Chipper Shredder	5 Ft. Box Blade w/Teeth, Heavy Duty 5 Ft. Cutter
1 Set of New Mega Ramps	Fire Pit	5 Ft. Woods Finish Mower
2 Sets of Ornamental Gates	7'x14' Cargo Trailer w/Ramp	Cooler Fans
5 Roll a Round Tool Boxes w/Tools	Lots of Misc. Tools	235 Massey Ferguson, Nice, Diesel
16 Ft. Enclosed Trailer, Insulated w/Fold Down Door	Antiques	2007 Ford F-150, Automatic, Cold Air, Runs Good (Plenty of Miles)
12 Ft. Enclosed Trailer w/Ramp Door	Chevrolet 1 Ton Box Tool Truck	2004 Gooseneck Cattle 6'x24'
(4) 16 Ft. Bull Gates	Skid Steer Tree/Post Puller	1995 Ledwell Feed Auger Trailer
(4) 12 Ft. Bull Gates	M Farnall Tractor	2001 Chevy Z-71 Ext Cab (New Transmission)
Assorted New Tires	New Clevis	Miller 250 Bobcat w/Leads (runs welds great)
5 1/2 Inch Pipe	AGT Industrial MX 12R Mini Excavator	Hyd. Lift Gate For Box Trailer
(15) 4 1/2 Inch Pipe	New Chains and New Binders	Rear End & Transmission For 4000 Ford, All In Tack
(5) 3 1/2 Inch Pipe	(2) 20 Ft. Metal Gooseneck Top Horse/Stocks Combo	John Deere Quick Hitch
(15) 3 Inch Pipe	Big Tex 40 Ft. w/Mega Ramps (Nice)	3 Pt. Bale Fork
(2) 5 Ft. Hay Feeder	Pindall Hitch Pole Trailer	Air Compressor Sand Blaster on Trailer w/Hoses
New Prifert Metal Feed Trough	Komatsu D37 E. Dozer, 6 Way Blade	
Cow/Hay Rings	(2) Pallets of Cleated Rubber Flooring for Cattle Trailers	
Horse Hay Rings	New Scratch and Dent Gates - All Sizes	
2 Spike Bale Bed	7'x16' Cargo Trailer w/Ramp Door	
2 7/8 Pipe	4020 John Deere	
Weld On Skid Steer Blanks	18 Ft. Kearney Car Hauler - Less than 400 Miles (Like New)	
Skid Steer Hookup Bale Spear	2012 2500 4x4 Crew Cab, Leather (Nice)	
Smoker on Wheels	JD Z930 60 In. Cut Zero Turn Mower	
New 20'x12' Metal Livestock Shed	(2) 5 Ft. 3 Pt. Cutter	
10 Ft. Drag Type Cutter, Needs 1 Gearbox	3 Pt. Herd Spreader	
3 Pt. Chisel Plow 10 Ft.	3 Pt. 9 Tooth Tiller 7 Ft.	



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# Point of view

## Shot in America

### Much misinformation and anger over shootings

YES, I AM STILL HERE peeking out my window on Main Street, and when I stumble through my keyboard to produce this column each week I try to be amusing. But, lately I’ve strayed too often into serious stuff.

Must do so, briefly, this week.

It’s all this shooting. First, the two children in Minnesota who were literally in a church service at the start of their school day. Next, the podcaster guy who was murdered on a college campus while he was speaking to students.

Mine Creek Revelations

By Louie Graves

Frankly, I had never heard of the Kirk guy before he was assassinated. I cringe when I see comments from people who celebrate his death and, equally, the others who think he almost walked on water.

When did we become so spread apart and hostile to people who have different opinions?

I saw a preacher’s online comment that the U.S. has had 57 times more school shootings than the entire rest of the civilized word combined.

Our schools? I know for a fact that extra steps are taken here to keep the schools safe from shooters because I deliver copies of the newspaper to local schools every Wednesday morning. I have to be ‘buzzed in’ at each school and I walk through a metal detector. Plus, I’ve been doing this for 20 years and the folks in the administrative offices -- through the miracle of video equipment -- recognize me before they let me in.

The guy who was killed at the Utah college, ironically, had previously said it was sad but some lives would be lost in order to defend the 2nd Amendment. I saw that clip on the news several time.

The governor of Utah and the President of the United States unfortunately jumped to conclusions about the shooter that were later questioned.

Their statements just perpetuated misinformation and hate.

Things are not going to get better unless someone buttons his lip.

I am sorry Charlie Kirk was murdered. But the flag shouldn’t be lowered to half staff to honor a divisive podcaster, whether or not you supported his vision. That honor is reserved for others.

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A CLOSE CALL. It’s a wonder I manage to stay out of the court news. The article might say “indecent exposure.”

Our trash carts are emptied on Tuesdays here in Nashville. Normally, when I go home from work the Waste Management company truck has already been by and the cart is empty.

Last week I went home a bit early. I still had a styrofoam cup full of iced tea.

I went out streetside to drag the cart back to my carport, and the cellphone in my pocket chirpped. So, I had the cup of tea in one hand and was dragging cart with the other.

I was afraid to miss a call and I couldn’t let go of the cart, so I tucked the styrofoam cup between my shoulder and my third and fourth chins.

It was a real important phone call from a candidate who has changed his tune about exposing the names on the Epstein List. Somehow I managed to talk to the candidate, drag the cart and hold onto my tea all at the same time. Too bad it wasn’t on video.

I had high hopes of reaching the privacy of the carport just a few steps away.

As I made my way one of the suspenders clips holding up my pants unfortunately came aloose and the pants began to fall slowly.

I still had high hopes of getting to the carport without exposing my red Razorback Hog Wild boxer shorts, but that hope was getting remote.

The candidate still wanted to talk about anything other than the Epstein List, and the ice tea began to slosh down the front of my shirt.

As the pants went south, I spread my knees in hopes of slowing the slide of the shorts. It made me waddle instead of walking normally.

So here I was, was waddling furiously toward the carport, iced tea sloshing down my tummy, and the candidate rattling along in my ear.

Things I couldn’t get worse, I stoopidly said to myself.

Why, oh why, did I tempt fate like that?

I heard some tires screech. It was a neighbor lady who was stunned at this sight of me waddling and dragging the trash cart.

She finally regained her composure and made her getaway with a burst of speed. Tires squalled.

Unfortunately she ran over another neighbor’s trash cart just up the street.

I got to the carport without losing my pants. I returned the trashcart to its rightful place, and I even managed to save a bit of the iced tea.

Two days later the city sent me a bill for the neighbor’s smushed trashcart. At least I didn’t make the court news in the paper.

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MORE THINGS I LEARNED from opening an email: “Chickens. The only animal you eat before they are born and after they are dead.”

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WORD GAMES. I love oxymorons: She finally relented and went on a blind date. He turned out to be Pretty Ugly.

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HE SAID: “We the people are the rightful masters of both Congress and the courts, not to overthrow the Constitution but to overthrow the men who pervert the Constitution.” Abraham Lincoln, 16th President of the United States

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SHE SAID: “When he said we were trying to make a fool of him, I could only murmur that the Creator had beat us to it.” Ilka Chase, socialite and TV personality

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SWEET DREAMS, Baby

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## Legislation to improve maternal health already showing results in Arkansas

**By State Sen. Jimmy Hickey Jr.**

Earlier this year the legislature enacted broad measures to improve maternal health care in Arkansas, and progress is already being made.

Act 140 of 2025, also known as the Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies Act, makes maternal care more available for women of all ages and socio-economic categories.

Act 140 has an important provision known as “presumptive eligibility,” which means that whenever a woman is pregnant she automatically becomes eligible for Medicaid.

That provision provides immediate prenatal care for women during an important period of their pregnancy, especially considering that it takes about 45 days for an ordinary Medicaid application to be processed.

The provision took effect on June 1 and since then more than 2,230 women have been classified as presumable eligible for Medicaid.

Another provision in Act 140 is called “global unbundling.” It reverses a Medicaid regulation that reimbursed physicians, clinics, hospitals and other medical providers under a so-called “global payment” system.

The state Medicaid program would reimburse providers with a large check for a bundle of services provided.

Now, thanks to Act 140, Medicaid reimburses physicians with separate payments for prenatal care, postnatal visits and other services related to the healthy delivery of newborn babies. Pregnant women are covered for up to 14 prenatal and postnatal visits.

Global unbundling began July1, according to a report by the state Human Services Department presented to the Joint Senate and House Committees on Public Health.

Another change increases reimbursements by 70 percent to physicians who deliver babies and provide prenatal and postnatal care.

The increase is significant, considering that in some years, almost half of the births in Arkansas are covered by Medicaid. The rule change means that Arkansas Medicaid will spend an additional \$38 million on maternal health care.

Act 140 will allow midwives, doulas and community health workers to be reimbursed by Medicaid, but those changes will not take effect until 2027.

Elected officials knew that

changes were necessary, because Arkansas was consistently near the bottom in numerous rankings of maternal health and infant mortality.

It was proposed by the governor and originally introduced as Senate Bill 213. Its two Senate co-sponsors were the chair of the Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor and the chair of the Senate Rules Committee. The governor and both Senate co-sponsors are women, although three of the five House co-sponsors are men.

Arkansas is also improving maternal health care through a program called the Maternal Life360 Home Program, in which the state contracts with hospitals to care for pregnant women with high medical risks. So far, four hospitals have signed up.

Since the first of August 114 women have received maternal health services through the Maternal Life360 program.

Arkansas is promoting a smart phone app, called Pregnancy +, for expectant mothers. It’s free and it has links to local health care sources, hundreds of articles with advice on motherhood and tools for keeping track of doctor appointments.

## Education the key for U.S. success

**By U.S. Rep. Bruce Westerman**

Since the beginning of time, humanity has sought out knowledge and wisdom.

The ability to gain a greater understanding of the world around them ensured our ancestors' success, safety, and survival.

Over time, as humanity has continued to learn, society has developed, and tools and resources for building and farming have become more sophisticated. Advances in healthcare, agriculture, and the economy have also been made possible.

Education is integral to our nation's future, and our students returning to school is essential for providing our young people with the tools they need to lead us toward a brighter future.

In his own back-to-school address in 1988, President Ronald Reagan said the following:

“Jefferson and the Founders believed a nation that governs itself, like ours, must rely upon an informed and engaged electorate. Their purpose was not only to teach all Americans how to read and write but to instill the self-

evident truths that are the anchors of our political system -- truths, to quote Jefferson, such as: ‘All men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.’”

For our nation to continue to prosper, we must raise future generations to develop an understanding of civics, learn about not only our nation’s history but world history, and, most importantly, learn about the pillars upon which our nation’s government was built.

Creating the best environment for students to learn such things has become a top priority as I represent the Fourth District of Arkansas in Washington.

Earlier this year, it was a great privilege to introduce the Focus on Learning Act, a bipartisan piece of legislation requiring the U.S. Surgeon General to complete a study that considers the effects of cell phone use among students aged K-12 and how it impacts their mental health and academic performance.

Cell phone use has already been

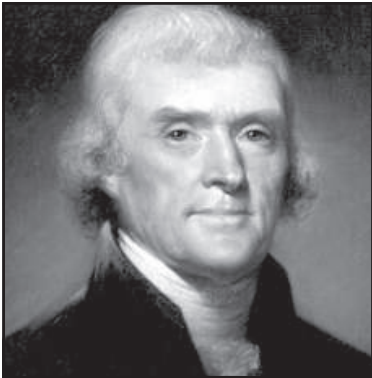
proven to cause major disruptions in the development of young people’s minds and creates barriers to an effective educational experience.

It is encouraging to see Arkansas lead the charge at the state level to address the challenges cell phone use in the classroom causes, not just for students but for school staff and teachers.

As I continue to serve my friends and neighbors in Congress, efforts like these will always remain a priority, and the support from colleagues on both sides of the aisle is encouraging and appreciated.

Our nation is blessed with an abundance of opportunity. In order to secure these opportunities for our children and ensure a greater future for our nation, education remains an important key.

My deepest hope is that this school year, students will be eager to learn, teachers will lead with compassion and dedication, and families will surround their students with support and instill values that will not only benefit their child but ultimately their communities.



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# Town

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Air-conditioned and with stainless steel fixtures, they are entirely modern. But they're still outhouses. But cool outhouses.

The six or eight wooded blocks around the courthouse are a testament to how a small town can completely revitalize its downtown.

There are shops, restaurants, boutiques, bars, and other interesting small businesses on the tree-lined streets. Muddy Jake's Sports Grill, the Vino lounge, Nonna Faye's Italian Kitchen, the Redneck Bar and Grill, and the Corner Grub House (happy hour 4-6, appetizers are huge and half-price), it's a busy place.

A few blocks from downtown is The Oaks Bed and Breakfast.

Built in the 1930s and enlarged in the '60s, it's a beautiful B&B with three large guest rooms. Owner Allison Thesing will be your cook for breakfast.

Allison is not a native Texan. She grew up in California, but her father wanted to live "someplace greener." Upon visiting Sulphur Springs, he decided to move.

Allison, a high school sophomore at the time, was not thrilled, but that changed. She and her husband Ben now have five kids who are growing up in Sulphur Springs. "Ever since moving here," Allison shares, "I've never wanted to live anywhere else."

Sulphur Springs is somewhat surprising.

What you see from the interstate will not make you want to slow down, and I wouldn't recommend a week's vacation there. But if you have an hour or two, or even a night or two, consider stopping in for a visit.

It's one of the many unexpected places you can find across our country that make exiting the Interstate worthwhile.



Jaree Hall outside one of the "freestanding restaurants" (outhouses).



Downtown Sulphur Springs, Texas, offers a number of restaurants, a small park, a veterans' memorial and other attractions.



The Redneck Bar and Grill is located in downtown Sulphur Springs, Texas, and is situated on one of the town's tree-lined streets.

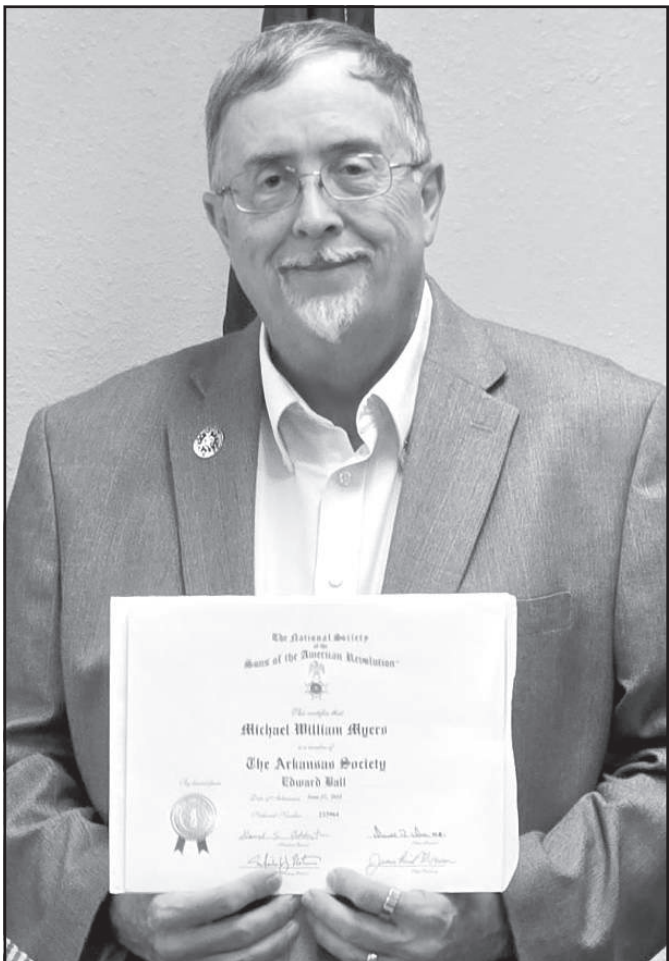


The bronze statue is part of the veterans' memorial in Sulphur Springs.



The Oaks Bed and Breakfast in Sulphur Springs was built in the 1930s and enlarged during the '60s.

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**SAR MEMBER.** Michael Myers of Nashville was inducted recently into the DeSoto Trace Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. He and four other inductees validated that their direct ancestors fought or contributed to gaining American independence from Great Britain, leading to the founding of the United States.

# Retail

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Specific services and resources offered during Retail Academy include customized training, peer analysis, demographic overviews, a retail marketing guide, networking opportunities, and access to online courses.

"Rural communities need intentional support in retail recruitment because it is a vital part of a holistic economic development strategy," said Lacy Beasley, president of Retail Strategies.

"AEDC understands the importance of equipping rural Arkansas towns with the tools to compete, and their support allows these six communities to participate in the Retail Academy program. We've seen proven success from communities that have gone through the program in past years, and we are excited to continue that momentum so Arkansas can capture more national retailers and restaurants. These investments lead directly to stronger sales tax revenue, increased property values, new jobs, and ultimately an enhanced quality of life for residents."

# JPs

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JPs approved the measure unanimously by voice vote. JP Kerry Strasner, who made the motion, called it "last resort funding."

Other items before the quorum court:

Howard Memorial Hospital Chief Operating Officer Stacy Harberson told the court that HMH board member Gabriel Green was leaving the board, and that Miranda Serrano of Nashville had been nominated as his replacement. The JPs voted unanimously for the nomination.

The court got a fuller explanation of Resolution 2025-10 to participate in the Tax Back program enabling

the new industrial owners of the former Husqvarna warehouse to get a one percent tax refund on building materials purchased in Howard County but outside of Nashville where the warehouse is located. The Nashville City Council has already passed a similar ordinance.

Developing Howard County executive director Vanessa Weeks briefly updated the court on recent activities of the organization.

Justices present for September's meeting included D'Ann Henderson, Don Marks, Juanita Jackson, Kerry Strasner, Elizabeth McDaniel and Janet O'Neal. Other constitutional offices were County Judge Brent Pinkerton, Sheriff Bryan McJunkins, Tax Assessor Cindy Butler, Treasurer Sheri Mixon and County Clerk Keri Teague.



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# Sports

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**CAUSE FOR CELEBRATION.** Outlaw Rhett Simmons (at left) gets fired up after his onside kick was recovered by the Outlaws and Jason Bailey (at right) celebrates after an interception Friday night in The Holler.

## Dierks Outlaws go big for homecoming

“We did play a football game,” said Dierks Outlaw Coach Paul Ernest said of the atmosphere surrounding homecoming Friday night in The Holler. “Not particularly well, but an ugly win is better than a pretty loss.”

The Outlaws dispatched the Parkers Chapel Trojans 61-24 to get the homecoming win on a night that also included the school district receiving a \$5,000 check as part of T-Mobile’s Friday Night 5G Lights sweepstakes.

“Defensively, we have to get better at communicating our checks to unbalanced sets and get lined up properly,” Ernest said. “Tackling was not good at all and we let them dictate the physicality.”

The Outlaws forced five turnovers Friday with two resulting directly in defensive scores with Ben Ernest and Maclane Smith “scooping and scoring” fumbles. Jason Bailey and Mason Smith each had an interception and Tomas Salgado recovered an onside kick.

The Outlaw suffered some injuries that will need to be assessed over the open week and “do our self-scouting to better focus on the areas we

need to most improved and what we need to eliminated from the offensive call sheet,” Ernest added.

“Overall, it was a good night. We won 2 of 3 win statistics with turnover margin and explosive plays but lost the missed tackles battle which resulted directly in their 24 points. We’ll have to get better in this area if we hope to extend our season and make a push into the playoffs.”

Parkers Chapel was first on the scoreboard Friday night, putting up 8 points with 10:22 left in the first quarter. Dierks responded a minute later when quarterback Peyton Boeckman hit Maclane Smith for a 20-yard touchdown to leave the Outlaws trailing 8-6.

The Trojans put eight more points in the board in the first half with a nine-yard rushing play.

PC would score only eight more points in the second quarter while Dierks piled up 30 with scores from Drake Thatcher, Boeckman to Ernest for a 54-yard TD with Kolton Gadury with the two-point run.

Boeckman also connected

with Maclane Smith for a 43-yard TD and Gadbury with a 7-yard TD pass.

The Outlaws added 13 more points in the third quarter with a 47-yard fumble recovery by Ernest and Maclane Smith with a 70-yard fumble recovery. Thatcher wrapped up the Outlaw scoring in the fourth quarter with a two-yard rush.

Dierks gained 342 yards of offense with Boeckman hitting 10/20 passes for 217 yards and five TDs. The Outlaws rushed 18 times for 125 yards and two TDs.

The rushing game was led by Thatcher with nine carries for 85 yards and two TDs followed by Boeckman with seven carries for 26 yards and Maclane Smith with one for 17 yards.

Mason Smith and Braydon Foran topped the Outlaw tackle chart with six solo stops each followed by five each from Boeckman and Thatcher.

PC was held to 280 yards of offense with 220 on the ground and 60 via the passing game.

The Trojans were penalized 12 times for 73 yards while the Outlaws were flagged five times for 42 yards.



**ON THE FLY.** Dierks Junior High Outlaw cheerleader Amelia Kirby performs during halftime of the Outlaws’ Homecoming win over Parkers Chapel.

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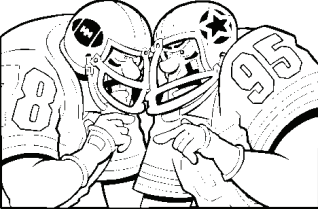
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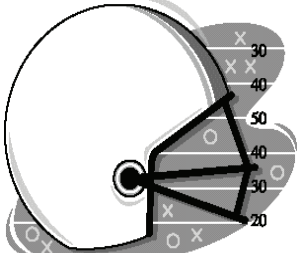
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Idabel,Okla. at Ashdown	Idabel	Idabel	Idabel
Hope at Prescott	Hope	Prescott	Prescott
Harding at Southern Arkansas	Harding	Harding	Harding
Arkansas Tech at Ouachita Baptist	Ouachita	Ouachita	Ouachita
Henderson State at UA-Monticello	Henderson	Henderson	Henderson
Florida at Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami
South Carolina at Missouri	Missouri	Carolina	Missouri
Arkansas at Memphis	Arkansas	Memphis	Arkansas
Mineral Springs at Quitman	Quitman	Quitman	Quitman



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Scrapper defenders converge on the Dardanelle Sand Lizard ball carrier Friday night, Sept. 12.



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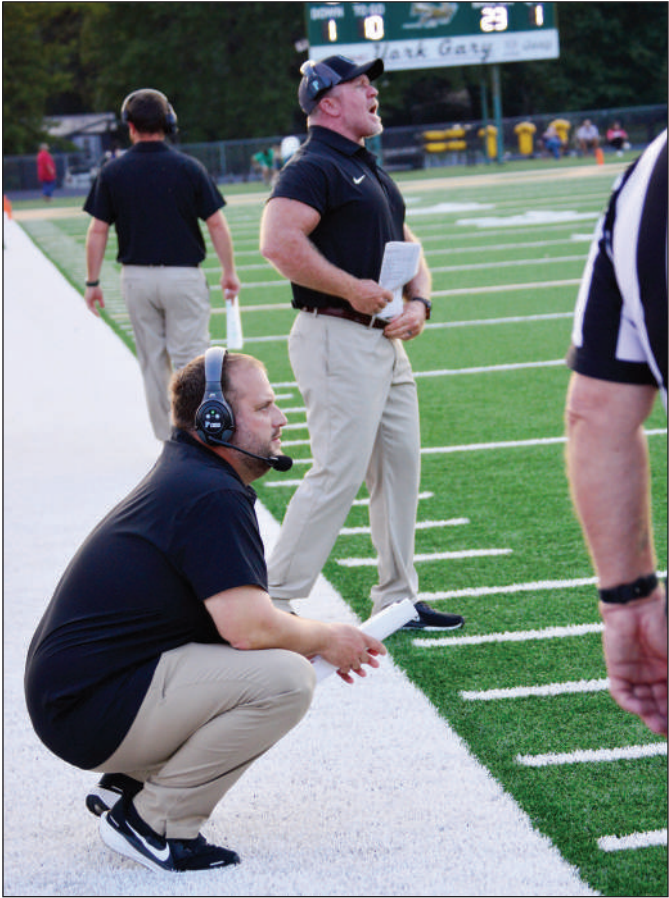
## 0-2 Hornets fall to Redbugs 51-0

The Mineral Springs Hornets dropped their home opener Friday night to the Fordyce Redbugs, 51-0. But Hornet Coach Jarrod Jackson said the team showed improvement from last week's 61-0 beating by Bismarck.

"Offensively, we produced 100 more yards of offense

vs. last week," Jackson pointed out. "I thought our kids competed hard and for four quarters."

The 0-2 Hornets, who will get on the road this Friday to Quitman, gained 136 yards on offense with 58 yards passing and 69 yards rushing.



## Rattlers to face Genoa Central for homecoming

The Murfreesboro Rattlers used an off week to shore up some deficiencies shown during their first two games of the season, and now are set to face off against Genoa Central this Friday night.

The game will also mark the 2025 homecoming contest for Murfreesboro High School.

The afternoon session of the homecoming ceremony will be from 2-3:15 at Rattler Stadium.

The annual homecoming parade will the start at 3:30 p.m.

The parade will accept participants in antique cars, pee wee football and cheer squads, business floats, pageant royalty and ATVs/side-by-sides.

In order to participate in the parade a form at the school's website, rattlers.org, must be completed by Thursday, Sept. 18 at noon.

ATVs and side-by-sides must be

driven by 16 years or older and all participants must follow all traffic laws.

From 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. floats may be parked in the designated area by the bus barn on Friday.

The evening ceremonies will precede the game start at approximately 6:15 p.m.

The Rattler coaching staff feels good about the week off – being able to fix some issues after two games and allowing players to regain some health.

Genoa Central is 1-1 on the season, opening with a 16-8 win over Spring Hill and a close 27-26 loss at Fouke last week. Murfreesboro lost to Fouke 44-38 in their last action.

The Dragons are a much-improved team over last year, boasting good size and an offense both capable of spreading the ball around the field or running a deceptive run game.

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Tucker Dixon (2) and Blake Moody celebrate after Dixon scored against Dardanelle Friday night, Sept. 12. The Sand Lizards held on to win 28-26.



Cheerleaders prepare for “Final Countdown” to start the fourth quarter at Dardanelle last Friday night.



Team captains at Dardanelle include Tucker Dixon (2), Brayden Erby (20) Makhi Johnson (9) and Jamison McIntosh (71).



Cheerleaders and fans sing the NHS Alma Mater before the game.



Linemen clear the way for a big gain by Tucker Dixon (2).

# Scrappers, Dardanelle battle down to the wire

**By John R. Schirmer**  
News-Leader staff  
DARDANELLE - The Nashville Scrappers gave Dardanelle all the Sand Lizards wanted before falling 28-26 in a non-conference road game Friday night, Sept. 12.

The Scrappers and Sand Lizards were tied at 14-all going into the fourth quarter, but Dardanelle held on for the win.

“It was a heart-breaker,” Coach Brad Chesshir said, “but I’m extremely proud of our football team. We knew we were preparing for one of the top teams in Class 4A.” The Sand Lizards were first or second in most rankings going into the game.

The Scrappers “knew there would be long travel. Our kids handled it the right way,” Chesshir said of the three-hour trip to Yell County.

“We’ve come a long way since the Magnolia game,” Chesshir said. “That says a lot about our coaches and kids and their resiliency.”

Dardanelle took a 14-0 lead early in the game. “Our kids reacted the right way. They responded to adversity” and cut the lead to 14-6 at halftime.

The contest was tied at 14-14 to start the fourth quarter. “We got after it. The game plan on both sides of the ball was good, and we executed it effectively,” Chesshir said. “We had opportunities to

win but couldn’t. Going into the bye week, we understand that we gave that game away.”

The Scrappers “have a little momentum” coming off the Dardanelle game. “It’s not a moral victory, but I saw a lot of good things. Now we have to work on getting better,” Chesshir said.

“You can’t have three turnovers and have drives that stalled in the red zone.”

For the game, the Scrappers had 489 yards total offense compared to 216 for the Sand Lizards.

Quarterback Jacoby Hopson ran the ball 25 times for 213 yards. Tucker Dixon had 163 yards on 31 carries.

On defense, Lucas Aylett recorded eight tackles and a sack. Abari Williams had eight tackles and two tackles for losses.

Despite the success on offense and defense, “There were moments in the game that killed us. As coaches, we have to get our kids in a position to finish,” Chesshir said.

“The offense moved the ball well, but three turnovers put us in a bad position, two times in the red zone. The defense was fairly good after it was 14-0. Then in the fourth quarter, Dardanelle ran a speed option pass. All our kids bit on the run, and Dardanelle scored on a wide-open reception” to go ahead 28-14.

Still, “Our kids continued

to fight. We came back and scored two touchdowns. We missed the PAT on one and went for two on the other but fumbled the snap,” Chesshir said.

“These are things that we can control that didn’t go our way and put us in a bad position.”

Chesshir said he has “no doubt that we will bounce back and continue to grow. We have some momentum moving forward” into the bye week.

The Scrappers’ next game will be Sept. 26 at Arkadelphia, the state’s other top-ranked 4A team.

During the open date week, the team will “spend a lot of time correcting things that we have not done well. We’ll work on fundamentals and conditioning” through Thursday, with lifting and running on Friday. A lot this week will focus on us,” Chesshir said.

Scraper fans traveled well on the journey to Dardanelle, according to Chesshir. “I’m appreciative to the community for showing up. We had a really good crowd for such a long-distance game. That says a lot about our community.”

With the District 7-4A race set to begin at Arkadelphia, “I see so much potential that this team has,” Chesshir said.

“I’m fired up to coach them and excited” about the coming games.



Jacoby Hopson (15) runs past the Dardanelle defender in last week’s non-conference game against the Sand Lizards.

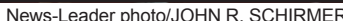


The Scraper band performs during halftime Friday night, Sept. 12, at Dardanelle.



Brayden Erby (20) and Makhi Johnson (9) drop Dardanelle quarterback Creed Vega for a loss near the goaline Sept. 12. The game was tied 14-14 going into the fourth quarter, but the Sand Lizards held on to win 28-26.





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**FIND NEW ROADS**



Nonprofit recognizes county nurse as Student of Month

Statewide nonprofit Arkansas Single Parent Scholarship Fund (ASPSF) is proud to recognize Miracle Haislip as the September 2025 Student of the Month.

This summer, Haislip graduated from UA Cossatot as a licensed practical nurse (LPN). Finishing in the top three of her class, she was inducted into the national honor society Phi Theta Kappa for her academic excellence.

Haislip’s journey to nursing began with her grandmother, who raised her and inspired her passion for caregiving.

“We were like two peas in a pod,” Haislip said.

“With her being in and out of the hospital, I got to see a lot and learn a lot from such a young age. Of course, I wanted to take care of my grandmother the way she always took care of me. My passion for helping others — nursing others to good health — sparked then, and ever since, I knew nursing was for me.”

When Haislip learned she was pregnant with her daughter, Kenedi, now 2 years old, she decided to return to her hometown in Howard County and pursue her education.

“I knew going back to school would motivate me to work harder,” she said.

Haislip first received an ASPSF scholarship in Spring 2023, after learning about the program through Cossatot’s Career Pathways Program. The scholarship and ASPSF’s wraparound services supported her through her studies as she balanced motherhood and school.

She used her scholarship checks to pay for utilities, nursing supplies, and child care for Kenedi. ASPSF’s workshops taught her new information, and she appreciated the extra resources they provided.

Today, Haislip is working as a full-time geriatric nurse at Little River Nursing & Rehab and works as needed at The Blossoms Rehab & Nursing Center in Nashville, building the career she once only dreamed of.

But her journey hasn’t been without challenges.



Miracle Haislip with daughter Kenedi

“A big challenge I overcame was ‘mom guilt,’” Haislip said. “During nursing school, I missed a lot of big moments — first steps, new words, birthdays. I felt terrible, but I knew in the end I was doing this for her, so she can have a great life.”

Already, Haislip’s sacrifice is reaping rewards for her daughter, Kenedi.

“My daughter is only two, but I have noticed when I would study my textbooks at home, she would be more interested in her books and learning new things!” Haislip said. “She’s recently

moved up an age level at her day care due to her doing so well.”

ASPSF is honored to walk alongside Haislip in her educational and career journey. By providing flexible scholarships and wraparound services such as mentoring, workshops, and community connections, ASPSF empowers single parents like Haislip to stay in school, graduate, and build brighter futures for their families.

For more information, visit [aspsf.org](https://aspsf.org) or contact Kate Adcox at [kadcox@aspsf.org](mailto:kadcox@aspsf.org) or 501.393.2454.



**GROCERY STORE PROGRESS IN MURFREESBORO.** Work on the future Chimney Rock Grocery has begun in Murfreesboro at the site of the old Piggly Wiggly building located at 298 Maple Street. Building owner Jack Bonds said the gutting of the building would be complete this week, with inside construction starting late this week or early next week. The planned site of the store changed after bids placed construction of a new building with frontage on South Washington Street prohibitively high.

Apply now for special youth deer hunt on Dierks Lake

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Dierks Lake Project Office is accepting applications for a special youth deer hunt at Dierks Lake Nov. 1-2.

Six permits will be issued to hunters ages 6-15. Applicants must submit a completed form by Oct. 10. Applications are available at the Dierks Lake Project Office, located at 246 Jefferson Ridge Road, or by calling (870)

286-2346. A random drawing and hunter notification will occur on Oct. 13.

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# Howard County Fair & Livestock Show Results

(Continued from Last Week)

## Howard County Fair and Livestock Show

### - Dairy Cattle Showmanship

- Class 1 - Senior Showmanship (14-19)  
1 Asher Howard  
Nashville  
2 Caleb Whisenhunt, Nashville  
Champion Senior Showman  
Asher Howard

## Howard County Fair and Livestock Show

### - Dairy Cattle Show

- Class 1 - AOB  
1 Asher Howard  
2 Caleb Whisenhunt  
Champion AOB  
Asher Howard  
Reserve Champion AOB  
Caleb Whisenhunt  
Overall Champion Dairy Female  
Asher Howard

## Howard County Fair and Livestock Show

### - Dairy Goat Showmanship

- Class 1 - PeeWee Showmanship (0-4)  
1 Mattis Jackson, Dierks  
1 Ripley Kinnu Murfreesboro  
1 Otis Icenhower  
Class 2 - Beginner Showmanship (5-8)  
1 Olivia Poulton Nashville  
Tommy Icenhower Dierks  
Liam Ewing Nashville  
Benjamin Icenhower Dierks  
Easton Marshall, Nashville  
Willow Ewing Nashville

### Champion Beginner Showman

OLIVIA POULTON

- Class 3 - Junior Showmanship (9-13)  
1 Avery Mascarenas Nashville,  
2 Arlee Howard Nashville  
3 Anita Faye Kinnu Murfreesboro  
Briley Ford Umpire  
Jolene Mobbs Nashville  
Paisley Mobbs Nashville  
Scarlett Allen, Dierks  
Bin Walston, Nashville  
Journey Jackson, Dierks  
Wyatt Young, Nashville

### Champion Junior Showman

Avery Mascarenas

- Class 4 - Senior Showmanship (14-19)  
1 Asher Howard Nashville  
2 Rhett Young Nashville  
3 Creedence Graham Dierks  
Cheyanne Marshall Nashville  
Delaney Ford Umpire  
Lillian Trombley, Murfreesboro  
Ayden Howard Nashville  
Emelia Trombley Murfreesboro

### Champion Senior Showman

Asher Howard

## Howard County Fair and Livestock Show

### - Senior Dairy Doe Show

- Class 1 - AOP Senior Doe under 2 years  
1 Arlee Howard Nashville  
Class 2 - AOP Senior Doe 2 years  
1 Asher Howard Nashville  
Class 3 - AOP Senior Doe 3 years  
1 Ayden Howard, Nashville

### Champion AOP Senior Doe

Asher Howard

### Reserve Champion AOP Senior Doe

Ayden Howard

- Class 4 - Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe under 2 years  
1 Emelia Trombley Murfreesboro  
2 Lillian Trombley Murfreesboro  
Class 5 - Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe 2 years  
1 Ayden Howard Nashville  
Briley Ford, Umpire  
Class 6 - Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe 3 years  
1 Delaney Ford Umpire  
Class 7 - Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe 4 years  
Briley Ford Umpire  
Class 8 - Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe 5 + years  
1 Delaney Ford Umpire

### Champion Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe

Emelia Trombley

### Reserve Champion Nigerian Dwarf Senior Doe

Ayden Howard

- Class 9 - Nubian Senior Doe 2 years  
1 Rhett Young Nashville  
2 Wyatt Young Nashville  
3 Avery Mascarenas Nashville, AR  
Class 10 - Nubian Senior Doe 3 years  
1 Arlee Howard Nashville

### Champion Nubian Senior Doe

Arlee Howard

### Reserve Champion Nubian Senior Doe

Rhett Young

- Class 11 - Toggenburg Senior Doe under 2 years  
1 Asher Howard Nashville  
Class 12 - Toggenburg Senior Doe 2 years  
1 Ayden Howard Nashville  
Class 13 - Toggenburg Senior Doe 4 years  
1 Asher Howard Nashville

### Champion Toggenburg Senior Doe

Asher Howard

### Reserve Champion Toggenburg Senior Doe

Asher Howard

### Best in Show Senior Doe

Asher Howard

### Reserve Best in Show Senior Doe

Arlee Howard

### 3rd Overall Senior Doe

Asher Howard

### 4th Overall Senior Doe

Emelia Trombley

### 5th Overall Senior Doe

Rhett Young

## Howard County Fair and Livestock Show

### - Junior Dairy Doe Show

- Class 1 - AOP Junior Doe 3-6  
1 Asher Howard Nashville  
Class 2 - AOP Junior Doe 6-9  
1 Paisley Mobbs Nashville  
Champion AOP Junior Doe  
Paisley Mobbs  
Reserve Champion AOP Junior Doe  
Asher Howard

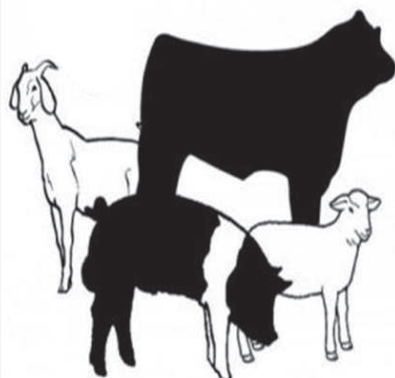
### Class 3 - Nigerian Dwarf Junior Doe 0-3

1 Emelia Trombley Murfreesboro

### Class 4 - Nigerian Dwarf Junior Doe 3-6



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1 Briley Ford Umpire

Class 5 - Nigerian Dwarf Junior Doe 12-18

1 Delaney Ford Umpire

2 Anita Faye Kinnu Murfreesboro

Champion Nigerian Dwarf Junior Doe

Delaney Ford

Reserve Champion Nigerian Dwarf Junior Doe

Anita Faye Kinnu

Class 6 - Nubian Junior Doe 3-6

1 Avery Mascarenas Nashville

2 Rhett Young Nashville

3 Tommy Icenhower Dierks,

4 Benjamin Icenhower Dierks, AR

Class 7 - Nubian Junior Doe 6-9

1 Olivia Poulton Nashville

2 Avery Mascarenas Nashville

3 Lillian Trombley Murfreesboro

4 Arlee Howard Nashville

5 Emelia Trombley Murfreesboro

6 Bin Walston Nashville

7 Anita Faye Kinnu Murfreesboro

Class 8 - Nubian Junior Doe 12-18

1 Arlee Howard Nashville

2 Arlee Howard Nashville

3 Easton Marshall Nashville

4 Wyatt Young Nashville

Class 9 - Nubian Junior Doe 18-24

1 Creedence Graham Dierks

2 Journey Jackson Dierks

Champion Nubian Junior Doe

OLIVIA POULTON

Reserve Champion Nubian Junior Doe

Arlee Howard

Class 10 - Saanen Junior Doe 3-6

1 Asher Howard Nashville

2 Ayden Howard Nashville

3 Jolene Mobbs Nashville

Class 11 - Saanen Junior Doe 12-18

1 Creedence Graham Dierks, AR

Champion Saanen Junior Doe

Creedence Graham

Reserve Champion Saanen Junior Doe

Asher Howard

Class 12 - Recorded Grade Junior Doe 3-6

1 Arlee Howard Nashville

2 Asher Howard Nashville

3 Ayden Howard, Nashville

Class 13 - Recorded Grade Junior Doe 12-18

1 Cheyanne Marshall Nashville

2 Cheyanne Marshall Nashville

Champion Recorded Grade Junior Doe

Cheyenne Marshall

Reserve Champion Recorded Grade Junior Doe

Arlee Howard

Best in Show Junior Doe

Cheyenne Marshall

Reserve Best in Show Junior Doe

Creedence Graham

3rd Overall Junior Doe

Delaney Ford

4th Overall Junior Doe

OLIVIA POULTON

5th Overall Junior Doe

Paisley Mobbs

Howard County Fair and Livestock Show

- Dairy Buck Show

Class 1 - AOP Buck

1 Asher Howard

2 Asher Howard

Champion AOP Buck

Asher Howard

Reserve Champion AOP Buck

Asher Howard

Class 2 - Nigerian Dwarf Buck

1 Delaney Ford

2 Lillian Trombley

3 Briley Ford

4 Briley Ford

5 Willow Ewing

6 Liam Ewing

Class 3 - Nigerian Dwarf Buck

1 Delaney Ford

Class 4 - Nigerian Dwarf Buck

1 Delaney Ford

2 Briley Ford

Champion Nigerian Dwarf Buck

Delaney Ford

Reserve Champion Nigerian Dwarf Buck

Delaney Ford

Class 5 - Nubian Buck

1 Avery Mascarenas

2 Ayden Howard

Class 6 - Nubian Buck

1 Arlee Howard

2 Scarlett Allen

Class 7 - Nubian Buck

1 Avery Mascarenas

Champion Nubian Buck

Arlee Howard

Reserve Champion Nubian Buck

Avery Mascarenas

Best in Show Buck

Delaney Ford

Reserve Best in Show Buck

Arlee Howard

Howard County Fair and Livestock Show

- Hair Sheep Showmanship

Class 1 - Beginner Showmanship (5-8)

1 Cohen Mobbs

Champion Beginner Showman

Cohen Mobbs

Class 2 - Junior Showmanship (9-13)

1 Paisley Mobbs

Kaden O'Brien

Sarah White

Champion Junior Showman

Paisley Mobbs

Class 3 - Senior Showmanship (14-19)

1 Vivian White

Maddie Medlin

Parker Webb

Addison Brewer

Champion Senior Showman

Vivian White

Howard County Fair and Livestock Show

Wool Sheep Showmanship

Class 1 - PeeWee Showmanship (0-4)

1 Arleigh Harrison

1 Stetson Wright

Class 2 - Beginner Showmanship (5-8)

1 Hesston Wright

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## Practical Tips for a Tidy Home

By Angie Freel  
HowardCounty Extension Agent/FCS

September 17 marks National Professional Housecleaners Day, a time to recognize the hardworking individuals who help keep our homes clean, organized, and healthy. Whether you're hiring a professional or tackling chores yourself, maintaining a tidy home is more than just aesthetics—it's about creating a peaceful, functional space that supports well-being.

In honor of this day, here are seven expert-approved tips to help you keep your home neat and manageable year-round:

1. Start Small, Stay Consistent

Cleaning doesn't have to be overwhelming. Focus on one room or task at a time. A 15-minute daily routine—like wiping counters, putting away clutter, or sweeping—can prevent messes from piling up.

2. Declutter Regularly

Less stuff means less to clean. Set aside time each month to donate, recycle, or toss items you no longer use. Use the "one in, one out" rule to keep clutter in check.

3. Create Cleaning Zones

Divide your home into zones (e.g., kitchen, bathroom, living room) and assign specific days to tackle each. This makes cleaning more manageable and ensures no area is neglected.

4. Use the Right Tools

Invest in quality cleaning supplies—microfiber cloths, a good vacuum, and eco-friendly cleaners (or make your own) can make a big difference. Keep tools accessible so you're more likely to use them.

5. Make It a Family Affair

Get everyone involved! Assign age-appropriate chores to kids and share responsibilities with other household members. Cleaning together builds teamwork and lightens the load.

6. Tidy As You Go

Clean up messes as they happen. Wipe spills immediately,

put items back after use, and do a quick tidy before bed. These small habits prevent bigger messes later.

7. Celebrate Progress, Not Perfection

A tidy home doesn't have to be spotless. Focus on progress and celebrate small wins—like an organized drawer or a freshly made bed. A little effort goes a long way. Whether you're deep-cleaning or simply straightening up, every step counts toward a healthier, happier living space.

**Recipe of the Week**

If you're looking for a delicious but unique cake, look no further than the Adult division Best of Show cake from the Howard County Fair! Thanks to Dana Newberg for sharing her recipe.

**Dana's Key Lime Cake**  
Cake:

1 ½ cups sugar  
2 cups all-purpose flour  
½ teaspoon salt  
½ teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon baking powder

1 teaspoon lemon juice  
¾ cup orange juice  
1 (3 oz.) package lime gelatin  
5 eggs  
1 ½ cups vegetable oil  
½ teaspoon vanilla

Glaze:  
1 cup lime juice  
1/3 cup powdered sugar

Frosting:  
1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese (softened)  
1 stick butter (softened)  
4 cups powdered sugar  
1 cup chopped pecans  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Cake instructions: Blend cake ingredients at low speed until moist, then 2-4 minutes at medium speed. Pour into three round 9" pans that have been greased and floured. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes. Let cool briefly, then turn them out and poke holes in them with toothpicks.

Glaze instructions: Mix of 1 cup lime juice and 1/3 cup powdered sugar until smooth, then drizzle over the three warm cakes.

Frosting instructions:

Beat softened cream cheese and butter until creamy, slowly add powdered sugar, vanilla, and chopped pecans (or save to sprinkle on top). Frost one cake; stack the 2nd cake on top, frost the second cake; stack the 3rd on top, then frost the third cake.

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Jackson Nance

## South Pike County student recognized by ASMSA

The Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts (ASMSA) recently recognized Jackson Nance, who participated in ASMSA's Talent Identification Program (ASMSA-TIP) in 2024-2025 and earned the Recognition designation for their above-level testing performance.

ASMSA-TIP provides middle-grade students from across Arkansas the opportunity to challenge themselves through above-level testing and enrichment experiences.

Students who qualify for the Recognition designation have achieved ACT scores that meet or exceed college readiness benchmarks in one or more ACT subject areas.

In 2024-2025, ASMSA-TIP served 432 sixth- through eighth-grade students and 119 Gifted and Talented educators across the state. Ultimately, 190 students submit-

ted ACT scores to ASMSA TIP, with 106 students qualifying for the Recognition designation. Families of recognized students were invited to celebrate their students' achievements during an in-person recognition ceremony at ASMSA's campus in Hot Springs on Sept. 6. For more information about ASMSA-TIP and its programs for sixth- through ninth-grade students in Arkansas, visit [asmsa.org/tip](https://asmsa.org/tip).

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All in The Fall!

I love the excitement of the fall. Leaves drop from the trees. Some birds flock together to fly south for the winter. Animals gather seeds and nuts to eat during the cold winter months. Children play soccer, football and other fall sports. Some people pile logs for fires that will take off the evening chill in their homes. Families start to cook more hot meals, and bake more goodies in the oven! Yum!

Some things fall "down" during the autumn season and some things go "up". Read the clues in the 2 puzzles to find out what!

Falling Down ...

1. get out sweaters when these fall

2. the scurrying \_\_\_\_\_ tumbled down into their burrows

3. roasted over a fire and eaten

4. clusters of \_\_\_\_\_ hang down heavily on their vines

5. crisp and fresh! pies! sauce!

6. fields of \_\_\_\_\_

7. rake them up!

8. umbrellas, raincoats needed

9. coats the grass and windowpanes

10. fall from mighty oak trees

Going Up ...

1. stacking \_\_\_\_\_ in piles for heating

2. picking \_\_\_\_\_ to dry for fall bouquets

3. flocking together to fly south

4. kicked up over the goal post

5. piled into silo for winter feeding of animals

6. harvest \_\_\_\_\_ rising into the sky at night

7. \_\_\_\_\_ of baking pies, hot cider

8. milkweed pods open and their \_\_\_\_\_ float away

9. \_\_\_\_\_ from fires warming houses

10. squirrels pick up \_\_\_\_\_ to store

A Soft Landing!

If I have to come down in the fall, I want to have a soft landing. Help me fall into the pile of leaves!

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**RED, WHITE & BLUE COOKOUT.** Diamond Bank hosted a cookout for area first responders and city and county workers, last week at the Nashville City Hall. Above, members of the Center Point Volunteer Fire Department show up for their meal which was served by (below) Gray Richard of the Hot Springs Diamond Bank branch and Jaycee Spoo, Diana Parker and Heath Wallis of the Nashville branch.



## M'boro gearing up for Fall Festival Oct. 25

Murfreesboro Chamber of Commerce's Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, Oct. 25, and Robin Cox will be the vendor coordinator. A flyer is available at the Gypsy Underground Flea Market or at Harvill Insurance for vendors that wish to participate. A parking spot location will cost \$25, with a \$5 additional charge for electricity. Vendors may prepay to the Chamber of Commerce at P.O. Box 166, Murfreesboro, AR 71958 or drop off at either the Gypsy Underground or Harvill Insurance. Vendors of any type are welcome, but limited to one each for items such as Tupperware, Pampered Chef or Sentsy. Vendors may set up between 1-2 p.m. Vendor applications are due by October 20. The festival will close down the square around noon on Oct. 25 to traffic and will officially take place from 2-6 p.m. with a costume contest for both kids and animals, a weenie dog race and conclude with the Trunk or Treat event.

OCTOBER 25, 2025

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## Tourism commission applies for ATV trail grant; car show this weekend

The Murfreesboro Advertising and Tourism Commission last week discussed the grant recently applied for by the City of Murfreesboro from the Arkansas Department of Parks, Tourism and Heritage to help fund local ATV route development from the city to Lake Greeson.

The grant awards can be up to \$500,000, but it was noted that was unlikely and the commission on hoped for half that amount.

Commission chairman Jamie Terrell credited commission secretary Jane Fugitt with "98% of the work" on the application. Fugitt said the application was complete and received by the state office.

The commission also discussed their partnership with DNT Media of Benton, who currently produces content for the digmurfreesboro.com website designed to attract tourism to the area.

It was noted that some monthly filming sessions had been missed, but that one was scheduled for this month.

"There are other companies and we can change -- according to the original agreement with DNT Media [the City of Murfreesboro] owns the website and all of its content," said Terrell.

It was agreed that some prices from other companies would be obtained and presented to the board. The commission pays DNT Media \$4,775 per month.

After a long discussion about the Parks, Tourism and Heritage board meeting scheduled for this week in Murfreesboro and the Crater of Diamonds State Park, and all of the individual details to be accomplished, the meeting has since been canceled for a lack of a quorum willing to be present at the meeting.

Boardmember Kirk Stone discussed the fourth annual Keith Stone Memorial Car Show set for Murfreesboro on this Friday and Saturday, Sept. 19-20.

Friday night will have a Show and Shine, Cruise and Poker Run starting at 6 p.m. on the Pike County Courthouse Square. The poker run will encompass around 12-13 miles at start between 6:30-7 p.m. depending on the number of cars entered. The will also be oldies music played on the square that evening.

The car show is set for Saturday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on the square, with a \$20 entry fee. This year there will be two \$500 grand prize drawing winners at the event and a participant's choice award.

Other features of the event include door prizes for those who enter cars, a 50/50 pot, DJ Matt Gunter playing classic tunes, Hotwheel races for kids and a coloring contest sponsored by Diamond Park Speedway. There will also be a few vendors set up at the event -- more were welcome to attend -- and a bounce house if he could find a provider.

He said shirts had been ordered from Henderson Graphics and Printing in Delight and would be sold at \$20 each. He also planned to sell leftover shirts from last year's event at \$8-10.

Stone, who previously received a budget from the commission, will purchase door prizes from local vendors, stating he would have door prizes aimed specifically at women this year.

He also noted the grand opening of Flying S Barbecue at the event after Stone and his family purchased the former food truck from Lotta Bull Barbecue in Delight.

The square will be closed to traffic on Saturday during the event.

Stone said he expects car owners from the local area as well as from Hot Springs, Little Rock, Benton and Texarkana.

There is also planned for tractor clubs to be in attendance and a steam engine.

For more information about entering in the event, call Stone at (870) 703-7365.

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## Upcoming courses at James Black School of Bladesmithing

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Founded to celebrate the legacy of James Black, creator of the original Bowie Knife, the school blends craftsmanship, tradition, and hands-on education in a setting where history runs deep. Students gain practical, high-skill training in everything from forging and handle construction to the intricate creation of Damascus steel blades.

“This isn’t just a course in metalwork,” said Jennifer Teresa, UAHT Dean of Technical and Industrial Programs. “It’s an immersive experience where art, history, and technique collide.”

Courses are taught by world-class master bladesmiths, giving students direct access to expertise that is hard to find anywhere else. Whether you’re a hobbyist, aspiring knifemaker, or a veteran looking to explore a new path, the James Black School of Bladesmithing provides a foundation rooted in quality and precision.

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**WIN IT AT THE TRACTOR SHOW.** This Mini 4020 tractor, which was on display during the Howard County Fair & Livestock Show, will be raffled off during the annual Rusty Relics Antique Tractor Club Show on Sept. 27 from 9-3 p.m. at 4224 Yorks Chapel Road in Nashville.


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## PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF: BILLY R. BEAN, SR. 31 PR-25-41

**NOTICE OF PROBATE-TESTATE**

Last known address of decedent: 1652 Cornbridge Rd, Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas  
Date of death: June 30, 2025

An instrument dated June 2, 2025, was on July 22, 2025, 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 September 10, 2025.

Billy R. Bean, Sr., Executor, by  
Aaron R. Brasel, ABN 2009138  
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Nashville AR 71852  
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(AB: 12, 13)

## PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PIKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF: JERRY DEAL

55 PR-25-47

**NOTICE OF PROBATE-TESTATE**

Last known address of decedent: 2375 Nathan Rd., Nashville, located in Pike County, Arkansas.  
Date of death: August 23, 2025

An instrument dated February 12, 2024, was on September 10, 2025, admitted to probate as the last Will of the above named decedent, and the undersigned has been appointed Executrix 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.

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Promise Davis, Executrix, by  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE ESTATE OF §  
ZOELLA SMITH, § No. 31PR-25-53  
DECEASED §

**NOTICE**

Last known address: 10 Evergreen Street, Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas

Date of Death: July 4, 2025

Notice is hereby given that VOSCIA L. WALKER was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of ZOELLA SMITH, Deceased, on September 2, 2025, and Letters of Administration were issued to VOSCIA L. WALKER on September 3, 2025.

All persons having claims against the Estate must exhibit them, duly verified, addressed 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 is first published on September 10, 2025.

Estate of ZOELLA SMITH, Deceased  
c/o Robert B. “Brad” Crayne  
ROSS & SHOALMIRE, PLLC  
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(pd: 12, 13)

## PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE ESTATE OF  
ANTOINETTE “TONI” SUE BRADFORD,  
CAUSE NO. : 31PR-25-32  
DECEASED

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND FILING OF CLAIMS**

Last known address of decedent: 1407 North Main Street, Nashville, Arkansas, 71852  
Date of death: February 6, 2023

An instrument dated September 3, 2009, was on September 6, 2025, admitted to probate as the last Will of the above named Decedent, and Eva Ann Bradford Hintze has been appointed Independent Executrix 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 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. Provided that claims for injury or death caused by their negligence of the Decedent shall be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of the notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in such estate.

This notice first published September 17, 2025

Respectfully submitted,  
Fredye L. Alford  
Brandon Trueman Eckhart  
Eva Ann Bradford Hintze, Independent Executrix  
(pd. 13, 14)





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