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Love your neighbor and get your vaccination.

Pumpkin patch, sale of mums underway

Nashville Community Gardens will have a pumpkin patch and mum sale through Oct. 31 next to Diamond Bank on Main Street.

Hours include 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday.

Proceeds will be used for local projects.

Farmers' market to be open on Friday

By **Melanie Schwartz**

This week at the Farmers' Market, shoppers can expect to find farm-fresh eggs, honey, baked and canned items, crafts, and plenty of seasonal favorites like okra, peppers, green beans, and various greens.

It's also a great time to start thinking ahead to holiday gifting.

The market's hand-made soaps, crafts, and home-baked treats make thoughtful gifts while supporting local growers and makers.

New vendors are always welcome, and registration is open for anyone interested in joining for the remaining fall markets.

The market is open Fridays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 110 S. Washington St. in Nashville.

Civil War events set at Washington

On Saturday, Nov. 1, Historic Washington State Park, in partnership with the Nevada County Depot Museum, will host "Town in Conflict," a look at the many aspects of life during the Civil War.

The day will begin with a reenactment of the 1864 Skirmish at Prairie D'Ane Battlefield at 11 a.m. This was the closest battle to Washington. There will be an admission fee of \$10 per vehicle to view the battle.

Following the battle, programs will begin at 1 p.m. at Historic Washington State Park about life on the home front. The day will conclude with a Civil War Period Ball at 7 p.m.

Admission for Historic Washington events is \$10 per adult and \$6 per child (ages 6-12).

SWA PAWS to hold fund-raiser Saturday

SWA PAWS, a local animal rescue group in Southwest Arkansas, is planning a fund-raiser Saturday, Oct. 18, from 4-7 p.m. at Midtown Social, 117 East Howard St., in Nashville.

Admission is \$5 per person, and kids under 12 years old will be admitted free.

The Paws and Dogs event will feature a high stakes chili cook-off with all sorts of chilis made by local cooks to sample and taste, a dunking booth with local celebrities including doctors, policemen and coaches ready to be dunked for a cause, as well as a hot

dog eating contest, a dog costume contest, and cool face painting by some talented artists.

A live auction will be held as well.

Attendees are reminded to take along cash because some of the voting is done for the contest winners by the total of cash donations.

All proceeds will go to SWA PAWS to help pay spay and neutering fees for adoptions at Animal Control and for the future low-cost spay and neuter clinic to be held here in Nashville.

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READY FOR FUND-RAISER. Volunteers are preparing for the SWA PAWS event Saturday, Oct. 18, from 4-7 p.m. at Midtown Social in Nashville. They include (front row) Colton Couch, Mulligan, Maddex Pope and Caddie; (back row) Linda Stiver, Jodi King, Nikki Ray holding Benson, Gayle Castleberry, Rocky, Deb Young, Leah Hainen, Terry Young and Brenda Watson.



TYSON TEAM AT GOLDEN GATHERING. The Tyson cooking team volunteered all day at the Golden Gathering Thursday, Oct. 9, at the Nashville City Park. The cooks include Dale Patrick, Josh Arnold and Roger Chambers.

Filing period for '26 primary to open Nov. 3

By **Louie Graves**

News-Leader staff

The two-week filing period for the 2026 Preferential Primary Election begins Nov. 3 and ends Nov. 12.

Arkansas voters will see a considerable list coming up for national, state, judicial district, school district and some municipal positions.

Howard County Clerk Keri Teague says that the ballots could be large. Voters must choose Republican, Democratic or non-partisan ballots.

Among local elected positions which are open for the party primaries are:

- County constitutional offices -- county judge, sheriff & collector, county clerk, treasurer, tax assessor, circuit clerk and coroner; also quorum court seats.

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Scrappers defeat Miners, will host Ashdown Friday

By **John R. Schirmer**

News-Leader staff

The Nashville Scrappers remain undefeated in District 7-4A after a 27-12 victory at Bauxite Friday night, Oct. 10.

With the win, the Scrappers are 3-0 in district, 4-2 overall.

"It was a good conference win," Coach Brad Chesshir said. "It's good to be 3-0 in conference. That's one more step toward a conference title. We haven't done that in five years. It's important to the kids and me."

With four district games left in the regular season, "The opponents will be tough," Chesshir said.

"It's always good to win on the road. Bauxite is a tough place to play. It's tough to win at 'the Pit,'" Chesshir said.

The Scrappers scored on their first three drives on their way to a 21-0 lead.

Then, with Bauxite facing fourth

and short, "We gave up a touch-down," Chesshir said. "We weren't lined up properly. That's on me."

Overall, the Scrappers "moved the ball well. We had 460 yards total offense, with 274 for Bauxite," including 112 rushing. Most of the Miners' passing yards "came on that one play" when they scored on fourth down.

The Scrappers lost two fumbles, Chesshir said, with Bauxite committing one turnover.

Nashville's offense "stalled a few times. We got to the 10-yardline and ended up third and long. We took a shot" at the endzone instead of attempting a field goal. "It didn't work out," Chesshir said.

Along with the turnovers, Chesshir said the Scrappers "shot ourselves in the foot on negative plays and penalties." They were flagged four times for 25 yards.

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News-Leader photo/DEDE ROBINSON

ON THE MOVE. Jacoby Hopson runs the ball as he looks for a receiver Friday night, Oct. 10, at Bauxite. The Scrappers defeated the Miners 27-12. (More pictures, page 9A)

The best band that you never heard of

By **Don Hall**

News-Leader staff

He had spent his entire professional life in the music business. He had been a conductor, an arranger, a sound engineer, a producer, and a studio musician, but it was 2014 and the time for retirement was getting close.

He had worked with some of the best instrumentalists and singers in the nation, and he decided to give himself a retirement present: a song.

His favorite song of all time was an old Chicago tune most folks had never heard of, "A Brand New Love Affair," and he would

give himself a recording of that song, made with his friends.

He had to write out all of the music—it wasn't even in print—but he and his friends made the recording, and he put it on YouTube. It went viral, and requests came pouring in, begging him for more.

By the way, the city he had spent his career in was Moscow, the nation was Russia, and his name is Leonid Vorobyiv.

The band, officially formed in 2018, goes by the name of Leonid and Friends, and the band members are all from countries that were formerly



News-Leader photo/DON HALL

BLAST FROM THE PAST. The band Leonid and Friends performs recently in Bossier City, La. The musicians perform hits from the 1970s.

part of the Soviet Union.

And if you like Chicago; Earth, Wind, and Fire; Steely Dan; Blood, Sweat & Tears; Chaka Khan; Tower of Power, and others, then you have a new favor-

ite band. And, as the saying goes, "They ain't from around here."

Originally touring only in Russia, Leonid and Friends did their first U.S. tour in 2019, doing three

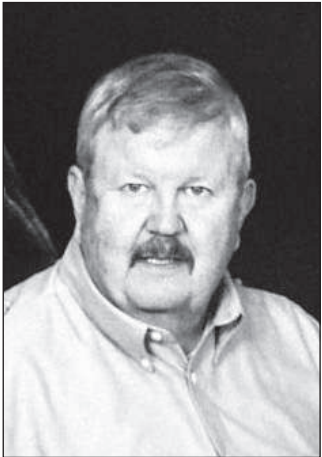
sold-out tours that year alone.

Yes, they are that popular. They tour extensively in the United States now, they

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Obituaries



David Clinton Byers
On Oct. 7, 2025, David Clinton Byers, age 75, left this earth in Jonesboro, Ark., and will be reunited with his son, Brad, in heaven. David was born on Oct. 5, 1950, in Hope, Ark. He lived in Hope until moving 27 miles up the road to Nashville, Ark., after marrying the love of his life, Joy Boyette Byers on June 15, 1969. They were married for 56 years.
Their life together was not idyllic, to say the least. They experienced much pain and sadness with the accidental death of their 8 1/2 year old son, Bradley Byers in 1983. Thankfully, they also had the perfect son, David Clinton “Davey” Byers, Jr., who continues to give them much joy and support. When David retired 12 years ago, they began a “new life” as David and Joy moved to Phoenix, Albuquerque, and ultimately Jonesboro, three years ago.
Being in the same place with Davey and his wife, Kim, brought them new experiences that David cherished. And eight years ago, he became “Poppa” to Maddux Bradley Byers, which brought more happiness to his life, than can be described,
David was the owner of Byers Auto for several years and retired from the United States Postal Service. He was especially proud of his service as a member of the volunteer fire department. He loved the people he got to associate with in both careers and loved talking about Nashville, Ark., to people he met on their journeys the past few years.
To say he was a fan of Nashville Scrapper Baseball is an understatement. With the advent of the internet, social media, and the News-Leader, he was able to keep up with every game, every player and Coach Slayton. He did miss the camaraderie of the guys at Wilson Park or attending away games.
David loved the Atlanta Braves and when moving to Arizona shared some of that love for the Diamondbacks, attending several games. He

was a member of the Church of Christ.
He was predeceased by his son, Bradley Delma Byers; his father Herbert Clinton Byers; his in-laws; Delma Boyette and Frances Smith Boyette; his brother and sister-in-law, Ralph Byers and Delagene Byers and a brother, Phil Byers. Special pets that he missed were Bear, the sweetest black lab on the planet, and cats, Shooter and Chelsea.
David is survived by his wife, Joy Boyette Byers, his son David Clinton “Davey” Byers, Jr and his wife, Kim Richards Byers and his grandson, Maddux Bradley Byers.
Survivors also include his half-sister, Laura Virginia Page, his nephews Blake Byers and Brock Byers and his brother-in-law Del Boyette and a host of cousins and friends.
Graveside services under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home, will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11, 2025, at the Restland Memorial Park in Nashville, with a reception to follow at the Howard County Housing Authority Community Room, 1010 South Pope Street.
Pallbearers are Ken Allen, Scott Baker, James Dyer, Randy Lewis, Mike Reese, Gerald Roberts, Mike Russell, and Kyle Slayton.
The family would appreciate memorials to the Northeast Arkansas Baptist Charitable Foundation, Attn: Luke Brodell, AED Fund, P.O. Box 1960, Jonesboro, AR, 72403.
link: [Luke Brodell Community AED Fund](#).

William T McLaughlin, Jr.
William T McLaughlin, Jr., was born April 9, 1944, and passed peacefully from this earth on Oct. 12, 2025, at his home. Mr. McLaughlin was a long-time resident of Nashville, Ark., and a member of the Sunset Church of Christ.
He was a graduate of Nashville High School (Class of 1962) and a Graduate of Henderson State University (Class of 1968) with a Degree in Business Administration.
Travis went on to marry his wife of 52 years, Deborah McLaughlin, on Dec. 30th



1972.
In his earlier years Travis was enlisted in the National Guard and served locally as Justice of the Peace in Howard County, Ark. He enjoyed cattle farming and being out on the farm.
Known as “Pop” to his grandchildren and “Travis” or “Billy Travis”, to others, spent many years as an Insurance Agent for Farmers Insurance, following in his father’s footsteps, working side by side for around 50 years with his wife “Debbie”.
Travis was a hard worker who, after selling his cattle worked at Walmart for 16 years to earn additional income.
When he was not working, he enjoyed television, reading books and newspapers as well as going for walks. He enjoyed people and his daily social interactions. He would help anyone in need.
Travis was preceded in death by his Mother and Father, Bertha McLaughlin and William McLaughlin Sr., and a Brother-in-Law Sandy Stokes. Mother and Father-in-law, Iretha and Wallace Scoggin.
Travis leaves behind his wife, Deborah McLaughlin. Two daughters, Amber McLaughlin of Nashville, Ashley Willard Husband Kelsie Willard of Nashville. One son William McLaughlin III of Nashville. One nephew Kyle Stokes and Wife Kim and family Ulm, Ark. Grandchildren include Kason and Kameron Willard of Nashville.
Graveside services will be 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 15, at Restland Memorial Park, with Dr. Glen Lance officiating, under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home in Nashville.
You may send an online sympathy message at [www.latimerfuneralhome.com](#).

FINANCIAL FOCUS

Be ready for possible dementia

By Josh Tice
Edward Jones Investments
More than 7 million Americans have Alzheimer’s disease, according to a 2025 report from the Alzheimer’s Association. The emotional toll of watching a loved one struggle with the memory loss, depression, anxiety and cognitive decline is already overwhelming — but the financial burden can be significant too. Hopefully this disease will never touch your family, but it’s important to be financially prepared just in case. By planning to cover long-term care costs and creating a financial strategy for caregivers, you can help protect your family’s financial well-being.
Expenses related to Alzheimer’s and other forms of dementia can be extensive. Families often face ongoing medical treatment costs, medical equipment purchases, home safety modifications, prescription drugs and personal care supplies. Long-term care represents one of the largest health care costs not covered entirely by traditional Medicare, making advanced planning crucial.

age for beneficiaries with dementia, and only those diagnosed can enroll.
• Identify assets and debts. Create a comprehensive picture of your family’s financial position, including bank accounts, investments, property and debts such as credit cards, mortgages or lines of credit. You’ll need this if you take over financial management for a loved one.
• Ensure legal documents are in place. Work with an attorney to establish crucial documents like a durable power of attorney for finances and health care decisions. These documents should be created before someone is diagnosed or when they’re just starting to show early signs of Alzheimer’s, so they can understand what they’re signing. Waiting until cognitive ability declines makes the process more challenging and may require court proce-

dures for conservatorship.
• Consider a living trust. A living trust can hold financial assets and property while a successor trustee, like a trusted family member, manages money and makes investment decisions. While complex, these trusts can provide valuable protection for families dealing with a parent or older relative experiencing dementia.
• Look for tax benefits. Caregivers who pay care costs out of pocket may qualify for tax credits and deductions. These benefits vary by state, so consult with a tax advisor about your eligibility.
• Consider protective measures for early stages. If a loved one is showing signs of Alzheimer’s or other dementia, you may want to set up auto-pay for bills, and open joint checking accounts.



AT NASHVILLE ROTARY CLUB MEETING. Claire Hendry and Dalton Manlove represented the Scrapper Band at Wednesday’s Rotary meeting. Both are seniors who plan to participate next year in band at their respective colleges -- Hendry at OBU and Manlove at SAU. They were with Jacob Happy, now in his second year as director of the NHS band. Happy spoke about recent band competitions and coming events. A guest was Eric Perez, assistant principal at NHS. The club meets at noon Wednesday in Room 101 at UA-Cossatot.

Perfect picking wins newspaper contest

Tim Dean of Nashville hit on all 10 of his 10 picks and won the newspaper’s football contest, last week. It was the first perfect 10 of 10 entry in the contest this year. He wins a combo meal from Starz Family Restaurant.
Scores of games in the contest:
Nashville 27, Bauxite 12
Arkadelphia 49, Fountain Lake 7
Malvern 55, Ashdown 14
Mineral Springs 6, Foreman 0
Junction City 43, Gurdon 0
LSU 20, South Carolina 10
Texas A&M 34, Florida 17
Texas 23, Oklahoma 6
Tennessee 34, Arkansas 31
Murfreesboro 52, Dierks 23.

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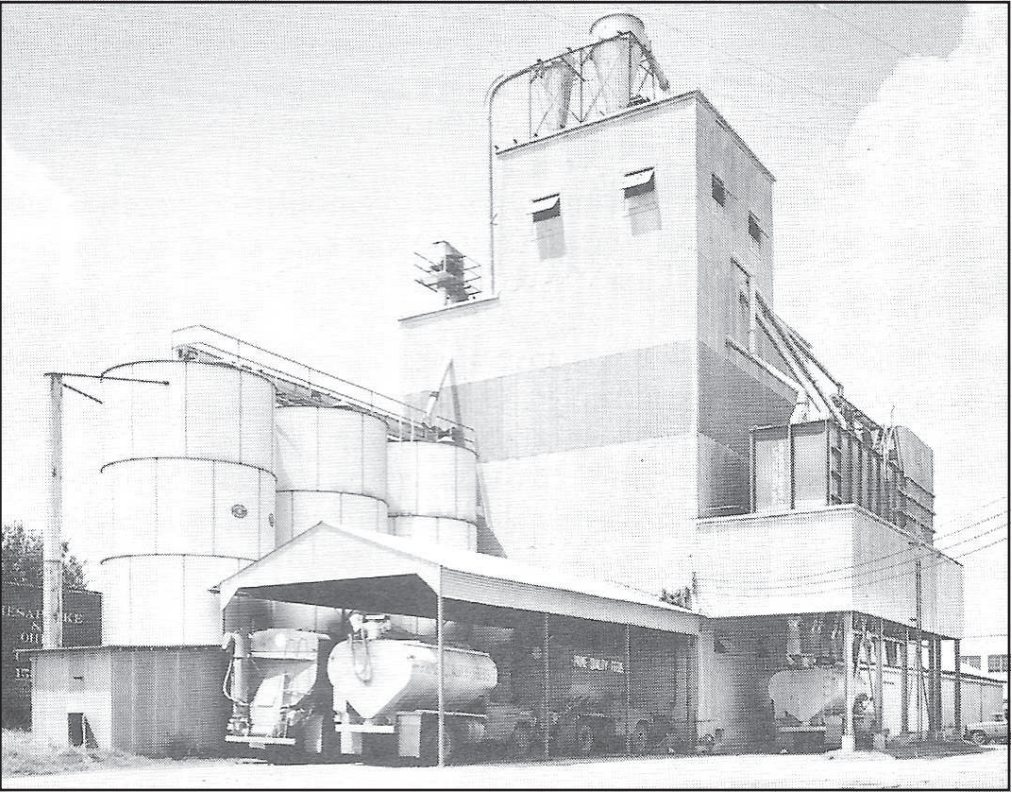


THE CECIL “BIRDDOG” HARRIS MEMORIAL

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



Cameron Feed Company's feed mill, the first large feed mill built in Nashville, 1956

123 years ago: October 1902

From Centre Point is reported the new schoolhouse in District 5 was burned by incendiaries last Thursday night. This was the second loss by fire of the schoolhouse in this district within two months. Sometime since two districts consolidated making District 5. There was much opposition to the consolidation, but a new school building was erected in the middle of the new district, but it was burned when it was almost finished. Another building was built, but it too was burned last Thursday night.

The telephone line from this city to Westbrook was finished last Saturday afternoon. It is thought that the lines being built to Saratoga will also be in operation Friday night or Saturday.

79 years ago: October 1946

Travis (Buster) Hearn was found guilty of manslaughter by a jury in the Pike County Circuit Court

Thursday for the killing of Alton Walls on September 7 near Highway 7 at the Tokio intersection. Hearn was given five years for killing Walls, who was shot by Hearn following a drinking party and a gambling game in which Walls struck Hearn. The trial started Tuesday, and the verdict was reached Thursday afternoon.

(Adv.) Formal Opening Friday October 4th. Nashville’s Newest and Finest Store. Dillard’s. Complete with most of the hard-to-buy items you have wanted so long to buy. Don’t forget the date, October 4th.

63 years ago: October 1962

Howard County had one athlete with a ringside seat at the Yankees-Giants battle which ended with the New York club winning on a 1-0 shutout in the seventh game at Candlestick Park. Carl, better known as “Sonny,” Boles is a native of Center Point, and his parents still reside there. Center Point

is still home, although he has traveled widely since he went to Childress Junior High School at Nashville.

At the age of 26 he will get his big chance to prove his handball talents in the major leagues when he goes to Phoenix, Arizona for spring training with the Giants, champions of the National League.

43 years ago: October 1982

The skeleton of a woman has been found in a wooded area near U.S. Highway 67, six miles southwest of Hope. Authorities, who have not identified the woman believe she has been dead about six months. The woman is believed to have been elderly, weighting about 125 pounds and was about five feet, six inches tall.

A “Haint Happening” is scheduled at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, in the Liberty Baptist Church. Fun and games will be among the evening’s activities which are geared for all ages.

Pleas heard; sentences imposed

Judge Bryan Chesshir heard three guilty pleas and handed down sentences during last Wednesday’s session of criminal court for Howard County.

He also took one not guilty and one not true plea, and set dates for trials for those defendants.

Guilty pleas were from:

Andrea Seng, 32, white female, Hope, who was charged with DWI #4, an unclassified felony. She was sentenced to a year in the Arkansas Department of Correction (ADC) plus a fine of \$900.

Jason Pettit, 47, white male, Dierks, was facing two felony drug charges which were amended, and one misdemeanor which was not pursued by the prosecution. He was sentenced to four years in the ADC plus a further two years suspended imposition of sentence.

Blake Seavers, 37, white male, Mineral Springs,

was facing a class Y felony substance delivery charge which was amended to class B. He was sentenced to 10 years in the ADC.

Trial and pretrial motion dates were set for two defendants.

Vincent Fisher, 63, black male, Nashville, is charged

with failure to register as a sex offender. Motions will be heard January 14, 2026. He is in jail here with bond set at \$25,000.

A probation revocation trial was set for Oct. 22 for Tyler Kelly, charged with failure to meet the terms of his probation.

Public Record of Howard County

Items or documents that were filed, issued or recorded at the Howard County, Ark., courthouse during the period Oct. 2-8, 2025, unless noted otherwise, included the following:

Marriage Licenses

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

Oct. 3. Marlon Deon Graves, Jr., 22, Washington, Ark., and Diana Azucena Garcia, 23, Mineral Springs.

Oct. 3. Jonathan Ray Reich, 28, Nashville, and Trinity Marie Contini, 28, Nashville.

Oct. 3. Dyllon Blaze Wright, 19, Dierks, and Hailey Nevaeh Smith, 18, Lockesburg.

Oct. 6. Jerrod Allen Miller, 34, Mineral Springs and Ashley Renae Bierden, 33, Mineral Springs.

Oct. 6. Jacobreious Jacarveon Walker, 21, Odesa, Fla., and Chloe Jymeshia Graham, 23, Mineral Springs.

Civil Court

CV25-109, Oct. 2. Credit Acceptance vs. Johnson Carter. Contract.

CV25-110, Oct. 7. Ford Motor Credit vs. Earl Christopher. Debt.

CV25-111, Oct. 8. Troy Capital LLC vs. Donald Maynard. Debt.

Domestic

Relations Court

DR25-81, Oct. 2. Nora Hernandez vs. Jose Hernandez. Divorce.

DR25-82, Oct. 3. State of Arkansas Office of Child Support Enforcement vs. Marcus Brannon. Support.

DR25-83, Oct. 8. State of Arkansas Office of Child Support Enforcement vs. Terrance Haywood. Support.

Criminal Court

(NOTE: POCS = possession of controlled substance; PODP = possession of drug paraphernalia; DOCS = delivery of controlled substance)

CR25-86, Sept. 23. State of Arkansas vs. James Younger, 44, white male, 184 Blue Bayou Rd. South, Nashville; furnishing prohibited articles, class B felony; POCS, misdemeanor.

CR25-87, Oct. 3. State of Arkansas vs. Vincent Fisher, 63, black male 605 W. Henderson, Nashville; failure to comply with registration as a sex offender, class C.

CR25-88, Oct. 3. State of Arkansas vs. Lucky Cole Larson, 28, black male, 132 JB Steele Rd., Nashville; filing false report with law enforcement agency, class D; defrauding a secured creditor, class D.

CR25-89, Oct. 3. State of Arkansas vs. Bobbi Parker Lawson, 29, white female, 132 JB Steele Rd., Nashville; filing false report with law enforcement agency, class D; fraudulent insurance act, class D.

Land/Property Transactions

Redemption Deeds

Oct. 3. State of Arkansas; to Glen and Rosemary Whitmore, Nashville; 0.16 ac., Lots 22-24, Block 2, Sybert Addition, City of Nashville, aka 421 S. Washington St.; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$571.13.

Oct. 8. State of Arkansas; to Darrell A. Guthrie, Jackson, Tenn.; part of Lot 5, Summit Addition, Nashville; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$422.30.

Quitclaim Deeds

Oct. 7. Teresa Teague and husband, Randy D. Teague;

to Taylor Teague and wife, Hailey Teague; 5 ac. in S18 T9S R27W.

Oct. 8. Larry Marion; to Amanda Marion; Lot 9, Fairway Estates.

Warranty Deeds

Oct. 2. Haley Davis and husband, Nick Davis; to Kristin Faith Chandler; 0.9 ac. in S1 T10S R27W. \$90,000.

Oct. 3. Sandhill Investments, LLC, through managing member Doris Castleberry; to Debbie Hicks; 0.26 ac., part of Lots 11-12-13, Block 6, Old Town of Nashville. \$50,000.

Oct. 7. Carla Reid and Donnie Reid, wife and husband; to Donnie and Carla Reid, Co-trustees of the Reid Family Revocable Trust; 6 tracts in S22/S23/S26/S27/S28 T5S R28W.

Oct. 7. Tyna Barnes; to Flight Investments, LLC; 4.93 ac. in S9 T10S R27W. \$50,000.

Oct. 8. Edrie Crisp, surviving spouse of Tonnies O. Crisp, deceased; to Jim Bob Hockaday and wife, Sherri Hockaday, and Jacob Eudy and wife, Kelsey Eudy, as joint tenants; property in S15 T10S R28W. \$84,000.

Oct. 8. Kayla Cogburn Chesshir and husband, Bryan Chesshir; to Marlene Cox; property in S23 T9S R27W. \$185,000.

Oct. 8. James Tollett and wife, Rebecca Tollett; to Alma Navarette Alvarez; 0.4 ac. in S20 T10S R27W, plus manufactured home. \$43,000.

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There will be a fee of 3.6% to use a debit or credit card added to your total. It will be the taxpayer's responsibility to make sure that they pay all the correct parcels relating to them. The Howard County Tax Collector's office **WILL NOT** be responsible for any parcels that were not paid.

BRYAN McJUNKINS

Sheriff and Collector of Howard County

Point of view

School songs rock

Mineral, Murphy and Outlaw tunes have history

YES, I AM STILL HERE peeking out my window on Main Street, and today I address an important small town topic: School Songs.

It’s almost like the Holy Trinity of high school rivalries. Dierks. Murfreesboro. Mineral Springs. Three towns that know for sure that the best years are when their hometown football team whips their rivals.

The Dierks Outlaws and the Murfreesboro Rattlers have already played one leg of that three-part tradition. This year the Rattlers prevailed.

The Rattlers and the Mineral Springs Hornets will end the regular season with a Thursday night game, Nov. 6, and the week before that the Outlaws and Hornets collide in an all-Howard County match.

They’ve played many times, and many times the overall winner was also district champ. There have also been many upsets. Other teams have moved in and out of that conference but ‘our three’ have stuck.

One thing the teams, schools and fans have in common is that words to the school songs were written by students. I looked up the facts in an old article.

Mine Creek Revelations

By Louie Graves

A Grand Old School

The late Jackie Simpson Dyer wrote the words to the Dierks song in 1945 or ‘46 during study hall. She told me she had heard other schools singing their songs, and decided that Dierks needed one, too. “We might have been little, but we were loud and we were the Outlaws,” she told me. She put the words to the music of a familiar tune, “Our Director,” which is a piece heard at all kinds of school functions.

Jackie told me that as they sing the song, the students and fans wave their right index finger for Number One.

*Ever will we sing thy praises
Ever will we think of thee.
As a school of pleasant hours
And a school of pleasant memories
We love you dear old Dierks High School
We think you are supreme
Because you’re such a grand old school
We hold with high esteem.*

Our Colors Mean Loyalty

The late Mary Jo Gentry Green and her friend, the late Glenette Sanders, went to a Future Homemakers of America state convention in 1947. Mary Jo told me that the delegates all stood and sang the FHA song which was to the tune of ‘Brahm’s Lullaby.”

The girls returned home determined to write a Mineral Springs school song. “The words just tumbled out,” She told me. The girls took it to the school’s legendary music teacher, Marjorie Copeland, who promoted it among the student body.

Students and fans often wave their arms in time to the music.

*Dear Ole Mineral
How we love you
We will always be true.
Our colors green and gold
Mean loyalty to you.
Dear Ole Mineral
How we love you
As in days of our youth.
As we live, as we work
You will guide us in truth.*

A Student’s Humble Love

This year on a Thursday night, rival teams from about 20 miles apart will play at Mineral Springs.

The Murfreesboro Rattlers have their own original school song. Both the words and the tune are original, according to the late Opal Cooley, a student at about the time the student body voted in 1939 to adopt the song by the late Welton Meeks and Betty Jean Callaway. Our John Balch dug up some of the song’s history for this newspaper.

The Murfreesboro school bookkeeper managed to save some official scrapbooks from a disastrous fire in 1997. Among the treasured papers was a copy of the student body’s vote to adopt the school song.

Students are supposed to stand a certain way, holding one hand behind their back and holding the other hand palm out. Sometime over the years the students added a ‘fang’ signal with two fingers at the end of the song.

*A student’s humble love we bring
Our Alma Mater we will sing
We’ll love and cherish ‘til we die.
All glory to thee Murphy High.
For faith and hope and loyalty
Fond mem’ries that around thee cling
Our hearts are pledged to thee we sing
All glory to thee Murphy High.*

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We’ll be faithful and true. I’ll write about the Nashville High School song at another time. Alma Mater is Nourishing Mother in Latin.

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HE SAID: “Wise men speak because they have something to say; Fools because they have to say something.” Plato, Greek philosoper

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SHE SAID: “Feelings of worth can flourish only in an atmosphere where individual differences are appreciated, mistakes are tolerated, communication is open, and rules are flexible - the kind of atmosphere that is found in a nurturing family.” Virginia Satir, American author and family therapist

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State transportation department keeps data on highway congestion, crashes

By State Sen. Jimmy Hickey Jr.

In 2019 the legislature passed Act 789, directing the Arkansas Department of Transportation to collect information on the most congested highways in the state, as well as the stretches of road with the highest frequency of crashes.

The purpose is to provide legislators with the data they need to make informed decisions on funding of highway construction and maintenance.

To comply with Act 789 of 2019 the Department collects traffic data at approximately 9,200 locations across the state. The 10 most congested roads in urban areas are all within Pulaski County. The most congested road in a rural area is also in Pulaski County. However, it is the only rural road in Pulaski County to make the list.

Benton County had five congested rural roads on the list of the most congested roads. Three were stretches along Highway 59; the other two were along Highways and 72 and 62.

Baxter County had two highways on the list, both were short stretches on Highway 62. Wash-

ington County also had two rural roads on the list, both on Highway 16.

The Department also analyzed data from accident reports to identify the five locations in every county that had the highest number of crashes.

During an eight-year period from 2015 through 2022 the average expenditure of highway funds, per Arkansas resident, was \$303 a year. The average varies widely depending on the Congressional District, from a high of \$363 in the First District of east and north Arkansas to \$215 in the Third District in the northwest corner of the state.

The average expenditure per person in the Fourth District, in southern and western Arkansas, was \$365 a year. In the Second District of central Arkansas, state and federal highway funding averaged \$269 per person.

The First District had more than 6,600 miles in the state highway system. The Fourth District had more than 6,400 miles. The Second District had 1,700 miles and the Third District had 1,900 miles of highway maintained by the state.

In state Fiscal Year 2024 the total of federal and state spending on highway maintenance and preservation was almost \$800 million. Highways in the First District had the most funding - \$298 million. In the Fourth District the funding amount was \$261 million. In the Third District highway funding totaled \$247 million and in the Second District it was \$97 million.

Calculations constantly change for a variety of reasons, such as adding lanes to a busy highway. For the same reasons, the cost of maintenance and construction varies on a per mile basis, depending on the type of highway. In 2024 the Transportation Department spent \$405,000 per centerline mile in the Third District, compared to \$70,000 per mile in the First District, \$84,000 per mile in the Second District and \$53,000 per mile in the Fourth District.

The state maintains 16,392 miles of roads while the 75 counties maintain 65,540 miles. There are 17,234 miles of city streets. It’s important to remember that 94 percent of all heavy truck traffic is on state highways.

National parks vital to America250

By U.S. Sen. John Boozman

As we approach America’s 250th birthday, Arkansans – and all Americans – have much to celebrate. From our admirable founding ideals and democratic values, to the incredible beauty of the landscapes that dot the map coast to coast, the United States is exceptionally blessed.

Every day, Americans and visitors from around the world come to enjoy and experience what Katharine Lee Bates eloquently described as “purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain” in her iconic poem and song, “America the Beautiful.”

The desire to preserve our unique lands and geographic features inspired the creation of national parks — a first-of-its-kind concept that, following the establishment of Yellowstone as the world’s first national park in 1872, kickstarted a global movement.

America’s national parks provide the opportunity to experience and explore the lands that contribute to our rich natural beauty and helped shape our history. From the towering redwoods in California, stoic presidential faces etched into Mount Rushmore, and the hallowed grounds at Gettysburg — countless places of significance span our nation and inspire awe.

The Natural State is the proud home to many such jewels that characterize our national park sys-

tem and public lands. Arkansans and their families enjoy a variety of recreational activities, such as fishing or kayaking down the country’s first national river, our cherished Buffalo River, and enjoy the unique thermal waters and history preserved at Hot Springs National Park — the oldest site under continual management by the National Park Service.

We also have a storied connection to the Butterfield Overland Trail, now preserved as a national historic trail. I was proud to lead the push for that designation over many years and achieve its formal adoption in 2023. The route, from 1858 to 1861, was used by the Butterfield Overland Mail Company to transport U.S. mail and passengers between St. Louis, Memphis and San Francisco. The longest stagecoach operation in history, it boasted over 3,500 miles of curved, “oxbow” trail spanning California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee and Missouri.

Beyond its logistical role connecting people, goods and services amid our pioneer era, the trail embodies the American spirit of exploration and industry. It will be memorialized for years to come as another example of the intertwining of our heritage with nature and the outdoors.

Similar examples are found in communities and states across the

country, underscoring the link between our lands and legacy.

Fostering a deeper appreciation and understanding of quintessential American landscapes is a fitting way to celebrate 250 years of the United States. Public lands, national parks, historic sites, memorials, battlefields and more all help tell our story and invite us to uphold this purpose in the centuries ahead.

That is not a political issue. And I was pleased to introduce bipartisan legislation designed to punctuate it by marking September 17, 2026 – next Constitution and Citizenship Day – as a fee-free day for all sites managed by the Park, Fish and Wildlife, and Forest Services as well as Bureaus of Land Management and Reclamation. The Semiquincentennial Tourism and Access to Recreation Sites (STARS) Act is an extension of my efforts championing expanded access to the outdoors for current and future enthusiasts while spreading the benefits of adventure and education to more Americans.

As we count down to the historic 250-year milestone for our country, now is a great time to plan a visit — be it down the street, across the state or anywhere between our shores.

Our journey deserves celebration among the outdoors and historic sites that continue to unite and amaze us.



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Thomas Jefferson, 1787
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Band

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sell out every concert, and they are amazing.

The band tours with 11 singers and instrumentalists. That’s a bunch. I had the chance to hear them in Charleston, S.C., in 2024, and then two months later I went to a concert by the real deal, Chicago and Earth, Wind, and Fire, in North Little Rock. Who was better? The Russians, hands down.

On a recent Sunday night, they were at Live casino in Bossier City. They are better than ever. These studio musicians have turned into exceptional performers.

If you doubt how good they are, then prove it to yourself. A quick search of YouTube will pull up dozens of videos by Leonid and Friends. Pick any of them; they’re all great.

One thing that shows the musical mastery of these musicians is the way their recordings are done.

Instead of laying down individual tracks which are then combined, they do studio live recordings, playing and singing into open mikes, just like they would in a concert. There’s no room for a wrong note, and you won’t hear any. That’s a level



News-Leader photo/DON HALL

Leonid Vorobyiv performs with his band recently in Bossier City. Leonid and Friends officially formed in 2018.



News-Leader photo/DON HALL

Igor, “the best drummer in Russia,” plays in Bossier City with Leonid and Friends during their tour of the United States. The group includes 11 performers from the former Soviet Union.

of musicianship unheard of in this age of digital magic—they get it right the first time.

If you came of age in the ’70s, or if you just love classic rock, then do yourself a favor. Listen to Leonid and Friends on YouTube.

You’ll very occasionally hear a hint of an accent, but you won’t mind, you’ll be so transfixed by the music, and you’ll be transported back in time to the days of long hair, bell bottoms, white patent leather platform shoes, and rock and roll as it was meant to be.

All delivered to your ears by modern technology and a bunch of Russians. Go figure.



News-Leader photo/DEDE ROBINSON

DEFENSE. Scrapper defenders stop the Bauxite Miner in Nashville’s 27-12 victory.

Game

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“We have to do a better job of not getting behind the chains. Analytically, your chance of scoring goes way down,” Chesshir said.

Bauxite is “a good football team. I expect them to make some noise the rest of the season and get in the playoffs,”

For the Scrappers, Tucker Dixon “ran the ball well. He carried 36 times for 229 yards and two touchdowns. Hop [Jacoby Hopson] had a good night,” running the ball 22 times for 130 yards and a touchdown. He also completed 5 of 8 passes for 105 yards and a touchdown.

Bryce Perrin caught two passes for 62 yards and a touchdown. Cortez Cooper picked up 32 yards on one reception. Davonte Gilliam and Gauge Applegate caught one pass each for six and five yards, respectively.

Chesshir gave “a shout out to our offensive line - Jamison McIntosh, Jace Wright, Luke Lacie, Carson Kirby, Aiden Bradley, De’Shawn Hawkins, Karson Chambers at tight end. We had 355 yards rushing. The guys up front did some blocking. Tucker and Hop give them a lot of credit.

They’re improving every week.”

Scrapper receivers “are blocking their tails off. Our receivers are creating blocks for the running game. That’s how selfless they play. Our guys play together as a team,” Chesshir said.

On defense, Abari Williams was the leading tackler with nine, including three tackles for losses.

Lucas Aylett had seven tackles, two TFLs and a pass break-up.

Aiden Bradley had five tackles, two TFLs. Makhi Johnson also had five tackles with three TFLs.

Hayden Gray, Trendon Northcross and Brayden Erby recorded four tackles each. Erby also had a TFL and a sack.

Other tacklers included Cortez Cooper, Jaydon illiamson, Blake Moody and Jailyn Staggars. Gilliam intercepted a Bauxite pass

Ashdown

The Scrappers will continue their District 7-4A schedule when Ashdown comes to Scrapper Stadium Friday, Oct. 17, for a 7 p.m. kickoff.

“It will be good to be back home,” Chesshir said. Counting the pre-season scrimmage at Hot Springs Lakeside, Nashville has participated in seven events, with two at home.

In the latter part of the season, three of the next four games will be at Scrapper Stadium, starting this week.

“It’s good to play Ashdown at home. I’ve been in this game seven different times - three as a player and four as defensive coordinator,” Chesshir said.

The Scrappers “must play hard and execute” against the Panthers.

“Records don’t matter. I expect them to play their best game against us,” Chesshir said.

Ashdown runs the Spread offense, “air raid passing. The quarterback throws well and moves really well. We have to contain him. Bryan French is their best receiver. They run big plays with him. Maybe on one play he’s an outside receiver; on the next a running back.”

The Panthers “will spread us out. We have to be good in the secondary, mix up our coverage and be disciplined. We have to create some negative plays,” Chesshir said.

Ashdown’s defense “will be multiple in terms of coverage. They will try to come after us. I expect them to load the box on our running game. We have to get better with our blocks.”

Chesshir looks for “an old Ashdown/Nashville game. I’m expecting a good crowd.”

Paws

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Filing

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- City government offices from the towns which have chosen to be in the partisan election, including Nashville and Mineral Springs.
- Any school district zone

Organizers urge residents to “come join us for a fun evening of food, fun and fund-raising. This is a great opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of animals in our community.”

Those who are unable to attend but would like to support SWA PAWS may send donations to SWA PAWS, PO Box 125, Nashville, AR 71852.

or at large seats which may be open, including Nashville, Mineral Springs and Dierks districts.

Some candidates must file in Little Rock.

The national offices include senator and representative.

Arkansas offices include governor, lieutenant gover-

nor, secretary of state, treasurer, auditor, land commissioner and attorney general.

District non-partisan offices include: district judge and prosecuting attorney.

Voting for the Preferential Primary Election will begin with early voting Feb. 16.

Election day will be March 3.

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For questions, you may call the Housing Authority Office at (870) 845-1080.

Urgent Notice for Pecan Orders!

Due to Federal Government Shutdown - Mine Creek Conservation District Office is closed! You can pick up pecan order forms at the office front door or call 870-845-8448 to place orders. Orders already placed through email need to call 870-845-8448 to reorder because we can not access that email.

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Deadline to place an order is October 24, 2025.

Orders will arrive second week in November.

City of Nashville Job Opening

The City of Nashville will be taking applications for the an **Animal Control Officer**. Applications can be turned in to City Hall until October 22nd.

Requirements include, but are not limited to:

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Interested persons may obtain an application at the Nashville City Hall, 426 N. Main St., Nashville, AR 71852.

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Wednesday October 29th

Come ride “Otis” the mechanical bull, starting @ 5 PM

A release form must be signed and if you are under the age of 18 it must be signed by a parent.

Home&Heart

Preparing Homes for Fall: Focus on Seasonal Safety, Enegery Efficiency

By Angie Freel
Howard County Family & Consumer Science

As cooler temperatures settle into Arkansas, October is the ideal time for families to prepare their homes for the changing season. While many associate fall with pumpkin spice and leaf piles, it's also a critical time for seasonal home maintenance. Simple tasks can prepare and winterize your home without breaking the bank.

Energy Efficiency = Budget Relief

Seal Drafts

- Use weather stripping or caulk around windows and doors.
- Install door sweeps on exterior doors.

by a few degrees and wear layers indoors.

- Use a programmable thermostat to reduce heating when you're asleep or away.

Reverse Ceiling Fans

- Set ceiling fans to rotate clockwise in winter to push warm air down into the room.

Insulate Water Pipes

- Wrap exposed pipes with foam insulation to prevent freezing and bursting.
- Consider insulating your water heater with a blanket kit.

Use Curtains Wisely

- Open curtains during the day to let in sunlight and close them at night to retain heat.
- Use thermal curtains for added insulation.

Check Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors

- Replace batteries and test devices to ensure safety during increased heater use.

Clean Gutters and Downspouts

- Prevent ice dams and water damage by clearing leaves and debris.

Schedule a Free Energy Audit

- Contact your local utility company to see if they offer free or low-cost energy audits.

Recipe of the Week

These muffins are naturally sweetened with apples and applesauce, making them a great option for those watching their sugar intake.

Sugar-Free Apple Cinnamon Muffins

Makes: 12 muffins
Prep Time: 15 minutes
Bake Time: 20–25 minutes

Ingredients:

- 1 ½ cups whole wheat flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- ¼ tsp salt
- 2 large eggs
- ½ cup unsweetened applesauce
- ¼ cup vegetable oil or melted coconut oil
- ½ cup milk (dairy or unsweetened plant-based)
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup finely chopped apples (peeled if preferred)
- Optional: ¼ cup chopped walnuts or pecans

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly grease a muffin tin. In a large bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon, and salt. In another bowl, beat eggs, then mix in applesauce, oil, milk, and vanilla. Add wet ingredients to dry ingredients and stir until just combined. Fold in chopped apples and nuts (if using). Spoon batter into muffin cups, filling each about ¾ full. Bake for 20–25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool in pan for 5 minutes, then transfer to a wire rack.



50-YEAR PIN. Curtis Turner Jr. received his 50-year pin from the Masonic Lodge #662 of Glenwood. Pictured with Turner (center) is lodge president Roger “Bimbo” Flemens (right) and lodge second vice-president Jim O’Neal (left) presenting Turner with the pin and certificate. The lodge in Murfreesboro consolidate with the Glenwood lodge approximately 20 years ago.

Howard County deputy hurt, De Queen man arrested

A Howard County deputy was hurt and a De Queen man arrested on Thursday, Oct. 9 following an incident on Highway 371, according to Chief Deputy Joey Davis.

Davis reported that around 6 a.m. on Oct. 9, Deputy Todd Tallant responded to a report of a “vehicle ramming a car” on Highway 371. When the deputy arrived on the scene and was turning around to make contact with the victim, the suspect’s truck hit his police vehicle.

Deputy Tallant was transported to a Texarkana hospital for treatment of undisclosed injuries and has since been released, according to Chief Deputy Davis.

The victim at the scene told officers that the suspect vehicle had rammed her and the driver had came back to the scene and “approached her car aggressively, making inappropriate sexual gestures and tried to talk her into getting into his truck.”

Davis reported that the suspect’s truck was found in the ditch a few miles up the road. Members of the Howard County Sheriff’s Department, the Nashville Police Department, the Arkansas State Police and the 9th West Drug Task Force began searching the area.

A short time later, Dylan Jared Cardoso, 26, of De Queen, was located a short distance from his truck and taken into custody.

Cardoso was initially housed in the Howard County Jail but has since been moved to the Pike County Jail. Charges are pending in the case, according to Davis.

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ABRAM IN EGYPT
ABRAM HAS ACCEPTED THE GIFTS OF PHARAOH, AND NOW, PHARAOH HAS SENT HIS MESSENGER TO ABRAM, ASKING THAT SARAI, HIS BEAUTIFUL "SISTER," BE BROUGHT TO PHARAOH'S PALACE....

...HAVING ACCEPTED PHARAOH'S GIFTS, ABRAM CAN NOT REFUSE THIS ROYAL REQUEST....

ALL THAT I HAVE FEARED HAS COME TO PASS!

...AND SO, WITH A FORLORN HEART, ABRAM WATCHES HIS WIFE, KNOWN TO PHARAOH AS HIS "SISTER", LEAVE....

LET JOY AND SONG REIGN IN MY HOUSE, FOR THIS IS A HAPPY DAY!

BEHOLD, O PHARAOH-LIVE-FOR-EVER, THE BEAUTIFUL WOMAN FROM THE EAST HAS ARRIVED!

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OUTLAWS @ RATTLERS.

(Above) Rattler return man Kale Burns and back-up Dierks Outlaw quarter Maclane Smith (#4) in action during Friday night's game at Rattler Stadium.



Rattlers roll Dierks Outlaws in crucial conference game

The Murfreesboro Rattlers (4-2, 2-1) picked up a crucial conference victory over the Dierks Outlaws (3-3, 1-2) 52-23 last Friday night at home.

Murfreesboro would take an 8-0 lead in the first quarter following a six-yard pass from Kade Caldwell to Cale Humphry. Isaac Kuykendall would catch the following two-point conversion.

Just into the second quarter, MHS would jump out to a 16-0 lead on a 32-yard pass from Caldwell to Kale Burns. Aiden "Bubba" Stinson would add the two-point conversion reception.

On the ensuing drive the Outlaws would drive deep into Rattler territory, but were held to a 27-yard field goal by Braydon Foran to cut the score to 16-3.

Late in the half, MHS would extend their lead to 24-3 after Caldwell found Stinson for a 84-yard touchdown pass. Alex Parker would convert the following conversion on the ground.

To open the second half scoring, the Outlaws would land a Peyton Boeckman 33-yard touchdown pass to Drake Thatcher to cut the score to 24-10 after a Foran extra point.

The Rattlers would answer back on their next possession on a 50-yard rushing TD by Burns that moved the

score to 30-10.

Dierks would answer approximately one minute later on a 60-yard rush by Thatcher. Following the successful PAT attempt by Foran, the game was set at 30-17.

MHS would expand the lead to 52-17 with touchdown passes from Caldwell to Kuykendall on their next three drives – 5-yards, 8-yards and 30-yards. Kuykendall would also catch passes after two of the touchdowns for conversions.

After the final Rattler score, Thatcher would complete his trifecta for the Outlaws with a 66-yard kickoff return for a touchdown to set the final score.

The Outlaws would accrue 225 total yards – 134 yards through the air on a 16/34 performance along with 91 yards rushing on 15 attempts.

The Rattler defense would collect three turnovers in the game with a pair of fumble recoveries and an interception.

MHS racked up 499 yards of total offense with 347 yards passing on a 20/40 effort, and 152 yards on the ground on 28 rushing attempts.

The Outlaw defense would force a sack, a fumble and an interception in the contest.

Dierks was penalized four times for 48 yards, while MHS had only two infractions for 11 yards.

The Rattlers also greatly controlled the time of possession in the game, bolstered by 10 first downs and a 8/16 conversion rate on third down. Dierks would collect six first downs, but was 2/10 on third down.

THIS WEEK

The Outlaws will travel to Junction City to face off against the Dragons (5-1, 3-0). Junction City soundly defeated Gurdon 43-0 and has outscored its opposition 125-6 in three weeks of action since their 37-28 loss to Smackover.

Murfreesboro will travel to Stamps to take on the Lafayette County Cougars (1-5, 0-3) this Friday night. After getting blown out 47-17 at Dierks and 47-7 against Gurdon, the Cougars participated in a 58-34 barnburner loss last week at Spring Hill.

COACH'S COMMENTS

Rattler head coach Jay Turley called the victory over the Outlaws a "great win" in the annual grudge match.

"I thought we played with real high intensity, and was probably our best defen-

sive effort of the year, minus two big plays. Overall, I was really pleased."

He said the Rattlers were able to expose some blown coverages and hit some big plays against Dierks.

"I don't think we ran the ball as well as we could have, so we will have to get that fixed."

He also felt the team could have separated themselves by not scoring as much as they could have in the first half, then experienced their "usual third quarter lag" to open the second half. "I don't know how to fix that," Turley said candidly of his team's sluggish openings following halftime.

"We were able to answer and kind of put the dagger in the heart there at the end with some big plays," Turley said after his team hit some long passes and began to run the ball more effectively in the third quarter. "So, I feel good about that."

Having already looked past one opponent by his own admission, Turley feels his squad won't look past Lafayette County this week to the important conference clash next week at home versus Junction City.

MS Hornets pick up first win of season

The 2025 Mineral Springs Hornets got their first win of the season on Friday night with a 6-0 homecoming win over the Foreman Gators.

The Hornets were 0-5 coming into the conference game with Foreman and Hornet Head Coach Jarrod Jackson couldn't be more pleased with his team's efforts.

"I'm really proud of how our kids competed Friday night," Jackson said. "We came away with a 6-0 win over Foreman on homecoming and it was a hard-fought football game from start to finish."

Jackson added that the Hornets played "extremely hard and showed a lot of toughness for four full quarters."

Jackson called the Hornet shutout defense on Friday "outstanding" and said that side of the ball "kept answering the bell all night long, even when we put them in some tough situations. They bowed up and found a way to get stops when we needed them most."

On offense, Jackson said

there were some good moments, particularly early in the second quarter when they mounted a drive capped by a short touchdown run from quarterback Keithen Dixon that was the difference in the game.

"We still have things to clean up, but I'm proud of the effort and the way our guys continued to fight for each other."

Jackson declared the game against Foreman as "a great win for our team and community on homecoming night."

The Hornets gained 119 yards of rushing against Foreman and QB Dixon completed 5/12 passes for 98 yards.

Dixon also led the rushing with 14 carries for 56 yards followed by Keian-drian Nunally with seven carries for 49 yards.

Nunally also pulled in two passes for 34 yards and Brandon Allen had two catches for 67 yards.

The Hornets will get back on the road again Friday night to face the Gurdon Go-Devils.



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MS HORNET QB Keithen Dixon scored the six points needed Friday night at beat Foreman, 6-0, for a homecoming win.

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District 7-4A road win

Scrappers defeat Bauxite 27-12, run conference record to 3-0

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Kynlee Shackelford cheers at Bauxite.



Trendon Northcross (1) leads the charge as Scraper defenders close in on the Bauxite Miner in Nashville's 27-12 win Friday night, Oct. 10.



Tucker Dixon picks up yards for the Scrappers in their District 7-4A victory at Bauxite.



Cortez Cooper (12) goes at it with the Bauxite defender last Friday night.



Jacoby Hopson sets up a pass for the Scrappers in their victory at Bauxite.



Drum major Klaire Hendry waves from her perch atop the Scraper cheerleaders.



Bryce Perrin runs to the endzone on a touchdown pass from Jacoby Hopson.



Coach Brad Chesshir makes his point.



Myles Hawthorne (6) breaks up a Bauxite pass in Nashville's 27-12 victory.



Heiland Tatum-Gaines and the Scraper band perform at halftime Friday, Oct. 10.

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Jakari Starr (1) takes off on a touchdown run against Bauxite Thursday, Oct. 9.

NJHS drops home game to Bauxite

Bauxite edged the Nashville Junior High Scrappers 22-21 in a District 7-4A game Thursday night, Oct. 9, at Scrapper Stadium.

The loss was the first of the season for Nashville (4-1).

Jakari Starr ran the ball 18 times for 183 yards and scored two touchdowns for the Scrappers.

Mack Arnold carried 7 times for 15 yards.

He also completed 3 of 9

pass for 34 yards and a TD.

Zee Beasley had 2 receptions for 19 yards.

Al Green had 15 yards on 1 catch.

Nashville had 212 yards total offense against Bauxite.

Defensively, the Scrappers recorded 49.5 tackles, led by Bo Dean with 12.

Malik Gilliam had 9.5, with 5 tackles and a fumble recovery for Kiron Johnson and 4 tackles for Al Green.

Other tacklers included Braiden Friend, Caleb Mounts, Jahce Curry, Davion Gamble, Bay Nolte, Kallen Horn, Parker Webb, Yerik Hernandez, Beasley, Jaylon Thomas and Royce Johnson.

Bauxite also won the seventh grade over the Scrappers 22-12.

Nashville's only win of the night was a 28-6 decision for the eighth graders.

The Scrappers will visit Ashdown Thursday, Oct. 16.



News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER
The junior high band performs at halftime of last week's home game against Bauxite.



News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER
NJHS cheerleaders sing the school Alma Mater before the Bauxite game Oct. 9.



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Coach John Martin watches the play in the second quarter of Nashville's district game against Bauxite Thursday, Oct. 9, at Scrapper Stadium.

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Team captains Timothy Martin (5), Abraham Valazquez (60) and Adrian Perez (59) return to the sidelines after the coin toss.

SPORTS LEADERS

Players of the Week as selected by The Leader sports department

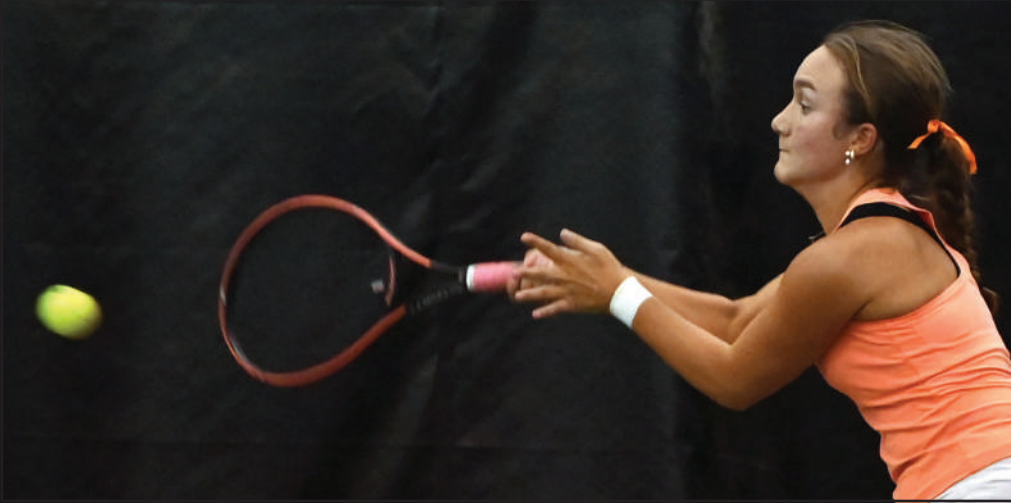
Mineral Springs Hornet Head Coach Jarrod Jackson



First-year Mineral Springs Hornet Head Coach Jarrod Jackson led the Hornets to their first win of the season Friday night 6-0 over Foreman for a homecoming win.



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News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER
Allie Sartin (above) and doubles partner Rylee Backus (below) compete against Hope in the semifinals of the District 7-4A tournament Oct. 6 at Ouachita Baptist University. Sartin and Backus were the district runners-up and advanced to this week's state tournament at the University of the Ozarks in Clarksville.



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Orfael Rosas (above) and Edwin Pizarro (below) played in the doubles division of the District 7-4A tournament at Ouachita Baptist last week.





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BIG TIME IN THE CITY PARK. The annual Golden Gathering held last week in the Nashville City Park brought out a big crowd of participants and vendors, as well as an Elvis impersonator, lots of prizes and lots of poodle skirts and sweaters.

M'boro SAC
lunch fundraiser
this Sunday

A Sunday Lunch fundraiser will be held at the Murfreesboro Senior Activity Center (SAC) this Sunday, Oct. 19.

The meal, sponsored by the Murfreesboro First United Methodist Church, will be served starting at 11:30 a.m.

The cost of the meal is by donation, with proceeds going toward the SAC.

Gov't shutdown
alters pecan
ordering process

Due to the federal government's shutdown, Mine Creek Conservation District's Office is now closed.

However, customers can pick up pecan order forms at the office front door or call (870) 845-8448 to place orders.

Orders already placed through email need to call the above number to pre-order because the staff cannot access that email.

Nathan VFD BBQ

The Nathan Volunteer Fire Department will hold their annual barbecue fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 25 at the Nathan Firehouse starting at 5 p.m.

The meal will cost \$10 each and additional donations will be welcomed, dine in or carry out options available.

The department will also raffle off a Savage Axis 350 Legend and an Echo chainsaw/trimmer. Tickets for the raffle are \$5 each or 5/\$20.

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Calhoun, Demarcus Montrell, 43, Richardson, Texas, \$15 BF, non-payment of fines

Cox, Trenton C., 46, Murfreesboro, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$615 owed

Dildy, Joshua R., 33, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360

Green, Ruthie R., 20, Mineral Springs, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$2245

Horn, Jeffery G., 50, Glenwood, \$230 BF, speeding

Johnson, Isaac K., 23, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$705 owed; guilty of expired vehicle tags/no tags, fined \$195; guilty of fictitious vehicle tag/license, fined \$245; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460

Johnson, Jaquan, 43, Ozan, \$275 BF, speeding

Kelley, Justin, 32, Nashville, \$275 BF, speeding

Martin, Theresa, 49, Saratoga, \$670 BF, failure to vacate upon notice; \$245 BF, failure to appear

Ortiz-Saurez, Gilberto, 55, Grannis, \$195 BF, no driver's license/expired license; \$245 BF, failure to appear; \$245 BF, failure to appear

Stewart, Jamarcus, 32, Nashville, guilty of first-degree criminal mischief, fined \$1,075; guilty of first-degree criminal mischief, fined \$1,368

Stokes, Chassity P., 35, Dierks, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445; guilty of no child restraint, fined \$195; guilty of no seat belt, fined \$85; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$260

Thomas, Emagiyea E., 21, Nashville, \$255 BF, speeding

Venable, Ashley J., 36, Texarkana, Texas, guilty of no driver's license/expired license, fined \$195

Whitmore, Derico D., 44, Blevins, \$160 BF, no proof of liability insurance

Wilson, Carlessa S., 32, Nashville, guilty of no driver's license/expired license, fined \$210; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360

City of Nashville

Batson, Harriet D., 56, Mineral Springs, guilty of shoplifting, fined \$460; guilty of theft of property, fined \$660

Bohannon, Vernon, 59, Nashville, guilty of shoplifting, fined \$425

Cardona, Haziel Y., 20, Hope, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$1,595 owed; guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460

Coburn, Savion, 25, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360

Collier, Edlexus Jakeem, 33, Texarkana, Texas, \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license; \$360 BF, no proof of liability insurance

Ester, Corliyah C., 22, Ozan, guilty of no vehicle license, fined \$200

Green, Korionte Q., 24, Hope, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460; guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months

Hall, Justice, 30, McCaskill, guilty of obstructing government operations, fined \$370

Harris, Adam Jozsef, 27, Dierks, \$50 BF, failure to present insurance

Howard, Lan, 63, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$160; \$45 BF, no seat belt; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$260

Jacobs, Flora, 56, Nashville, \$460 BF, driving on suspended or revoked license

Johnson, Isaac K., 23, Nashville, guilty of protection from secondhand smoke, fined \$220

Maldonado Aguilar, Junior, 33, Nashville, \$245 BF, speeding

Nicholson, Corey A., 35, Ashdown, \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Pettit, Jason S., 47, Nashville, guilty of shoplifting, fined \$435; guilty of resisting arrest, fined \$910; guilty of fleeing, fined \$510

Rodriguez, Tristian S., 22, Glenwood, \$245 BF, speeding

Sackett, Troy, 19, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$110; guilty of failure to pay registration, fined \$110

Scott, William, 32, Nashville, \$210 BF, run-in stop sign or light; \$260 BF, failure to appear

Shabazz-Goodspeed, Elmalik, 46, Texarkana, guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months; guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$575; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460

Shepard, Latasha A., 47, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$160

Webb, William C., 57, Prescott, \$160 BF, no proof of liability insurance

City of Dierks

Henry, Asheila, 18, Texarkana, guilty of allowing unauthorized driver, fined \$260; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$260

Hills, Casie, 35, De Queen, \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Lopez, Diego Alfonso, 31, De Queen, \$255 BF, speeding

Newman, Elizabeth Renee, 64, Broken Bow, Okla., \$210 BF, expired vehicle tags/no tags; \$65 BF, failure to present insurance; \$245 BF, speeding

Nieves, Ricardo L., 27, Texarkana, Texas, \$275 BF, speeding; \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Pettit, Jason S., 47, Nashville, guilty of theft of services, fined \$310

City of Mineral Springs

Green, Ruthie R., 20, Mineral Springs, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$380 owed

Johnson, Monterey J., 31, Fulton, guilty of possession of controlled substance, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months

Wagner, Edward D., 37, Texarkana, Texas, \$210 BF, running stop sign or light

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Bayles, Christina M., 48, De Queen, \$235 BF, fishing without license; \$260 BF, failure to appear



2.71-CARAT HOPE DIAMOND

Indiana visitor unearths 2.71-carat ‘Hope Diamond’ at Crater of Diamonds State Park

Dewy White of Paoli, Ind., visited Crater of Diamonds State Park on Oct. 2 and found a beautiful 2.71-carat white diamond.

White and his wife embarked on the road trip of a lifetime with Crater of Diamonds State Park as their first stop. The couple spent two days digging and sifting in the park's 37.5-acre search area before moving on to their next destination. Having created a lasting memory, the couple revisited the park on their return trip for three more days.

With some screens he had bought on his way into Murfreesboro, White started digging in the Canary Hill area by the south wash pavilion. "A very nice gentleman I met on my first day out here suggested that area," noted White. "He seemed like he knew what he was doing, and it looked like a nice, shaded spot."

White spent most of the day dry sifting, a process where dirt is broken up by hand and sifted through mesh screens without water. Getting excited at every piece of quartz and calcite he found, White finally spotted something that looked different than everything he had seen.

Before the rock even hit his screen, White spotted the glimmering gem in his shovel and immediately knew he had found something special. Saying "thank you, Jesus!" he hopped up and wasted no time bringing the gem directly to the park's rock and mineral identification table.

While park staff verified his diamond, White called his wife and told her about what he had found. White described his diamond like nothing he had seen before. "It looked like a metal piece of glass," he said. "The minute I saw it in my shovel, I knew."

His 2.71-carat white diamond is round and about the size of a pea.

Many visitors choose to name the diamonds they find at Crater of Diamonds State Park. White chose to name his diamond the Hope Diamond, simply because he had hoped they would find one.

Before leaving, White expressed his gratitude to the kind people he had met in the search area, saying he wishes to thank the person who showed him where to go.

White's Hope Diamond is the fourth-largest diamond registered this year. As of this publication, 414 diamonds have been registered at Crater of Diamonds State Park this year.

Quick Facts about Crater of Diamonds State Park

Diamonds come in all colors of the rainbow. The three most common colors found at Crater of Diamonds State Park are white, brown and yellow, in that order.

In total, over 75,000 diamonds have been unearthed at the Crater of Diamonds since the first diamonds were discovered in 1906 by John Huddleston, a farmer who owned the land long before it became an Arkansas State Park in 1972.

The largest diamond ever discovered in the United States was unearthed in 1924 during an early mining operation on the land that later became Crater of Diamonds State Park. Named the Uncle Sam, this white diamond with a pink cast weighed 40.23 carats. It was later cut into a 12.42-carat emerald shape. The Uncle Sam is now part of the Smithsonian's mineral and gem collection and can be seen at the National Museum of Natural History.

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Parcel 2 - Wednesday, October 22 from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

Parcel# 073-00020-001: **0.36AC +/- WESTMORELAND DR., CALE, ARKANSAS 71828, Nevada County** (- 11-13-21 Cale City Metes and Bounds containing .36ac +/-)

Parcel 3 - Open House viewing Wednesday, October 22 from 10:00 a.m. until noon

Parcel# 073-00046-0017570: **.40AC +/- W/1160 SQ FT FRAME HOUSE, 757 WESTMORELAND DR., CALE, ARKANSAS 71828** (11-13-21 CALE CITY METES & BOUNDS in FRL PT NE NWA, as is

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MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED. Jerry and Tina Thompson are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter, Tiffany Thompson, to Sovichea Ngeth. Tiffany is a 2009 graduate of Delight High School, and is employed by McFarland Eye Care in Hot Springs. Sovichea is a 2010 graduate of CE Byrd High School in Shreveport, La., and is employed by Oaklawn Casino in Hot Springs. The wedding ceremony took place Sunday, Sept. 28, in Hot Springs, where they reside.

Tasty treats offered up for Pike County 4-H fundrasier

Pike County 4-H is bringing a delicious opportunity to the community this fall by partnering with Texas Roadhouse to sell their famous dinner rolls and cinnamon butter as part of their annual fundraising efforts.

Community members can place orders for fresh, frozen dozens of Texas Roadhouse Rolls, complete with the chain’s signature honey cinnamon butter, to bake at home. Orders will be accepted until October 24, with pickup scheduled for November (exact date to be announced at a later date).

“Everyone loves Texas Roadhouse rolls, so we’re thrilled to be able to offer

them while supporting our local 4-H youth. This is a win-win for everyone, you get restaurant-quality rolls for your holiday table, and you’re helping support kids right here in our community,” said Shannon Ballard, Pike County 4-H program assistant.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will help cover costs for educational programs, livestock projects, leadership events, and summer camps. The 4-H program continues to offer youth across the county opportunities to grow in areas like agriculture, science, civic engagement, and healthy living.

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- One Dozen Frozen Rolls – \$8
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Quantities are limited, so the club encourages early orders.

Pike County 4-H thanks the community in advance for its continued support.

For more information or to place an order, contact any 4-H member or Pike County Extension Office @ 870-285-2161. You can also email your order to sballard@uada.edu.

Fall from horse fatal to elderly Saratoga rider

On Sept. 29, Hempstead County deputies Cayman Cato and Johnny Weaver were dispatched to 200 Dogwood Lane in regards to a medical emergency. A caller advised that 79-year-old female Ann Frick’s horse had showed up at their house without Ann.

Deputy Cato made con-

tact with Ann Frick’s daughter.

The daughter stated that Ann’s horse showed up at the house with Ann not on the horse and her husband, David, went looking for Ann and found her laying off to the side of the horse trail bleeding and unable to move.

Ann’s daughter stated they called Pafford as soon as her husband found her. The daughter also stated they have no idea how long Ann has been in the woods.

Fricks was air lifted to LSU in Shreveport where she later succumbed to her injuries.

Poultry Growers: Have you check your water lines lately?

By John Lovett
University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture
Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station

Water quality could impact the kind of microbial populations in poultry drinking water lines and lead to the buildup of a biofilm that can harbor pathogenic bacteria like Salmonella, according to a new study.

Biofilm is a thin, slimy layer made up of long-chain carbohydrates, proteins, fats and other substances that serve as a sort of cocoon for microscopic bacteria. These biofilms form regardless of water quality, according to Tomi Obe, an assistant professor of poultry science with the Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station and the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences.

“If you have good water quality, that doesn’t mean you don’t want to understand what’s in your water lines and in the biofilm,” said Obe, who is also a member of the food science department and the Arkansas Center for Food Safety. “We want to know what’s in the biofilm, and how that can contribute to the persistence of pathogenic bacteria.”

A recent study by Obe, with lead author Tolulope Ogundipe, DVM, who recently completed a master’s degree from the poultry science department under Obe’s advisement, examined two groups of poultry houses. One group of five houses had historically normal sulfur-iron water and another group of five houses had historically high sulfur-iron water. Between the two groups, the researchers found there were no major differences in the quantity of Salmonella incidence. However, there were differences in the microbial makeup of both the poultry litter on the ground and in the biofilms within the poultry water drinking lines.

The study showed that a Bacillus species with probiotic properties was more prevalent in the biofilms of poultry house water lines with a historically normal sulfur-iron content, and a pathogenic Bacillus species was more prevalent in the biofilm of water lines in the historically high sulfur-iron content group.

Additionally, the one farm showing a low level of Salmonella in the biofilm was also the farm with the highest quantity of Salmonella in the litter. Although that farm was in the historically high sulfur-iron water group, another farm in that group had the lowest quantity of Salmonella in its litter.

“It’s hard to say that one group is good compared to the other,” Obe said. “We just observed different microbial populations, and we’re saying the water quality can impact the kind of microbial population that we see in the water line.”

The study, titled “Differences in microbial composition of litter and water line biofilm of broiler farms as influenced by water quality history,” was recently published in Poultry Science. Other co-authors of the study include Samantha Beitia, University of Arkansas Ph.D. student in the poultry science department, and Li Zhang and Xue Zhang, assistant professors of poultry science and animal and dairy sciences, respectively, both with the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station at Mississippi State University.

Effective removal of biofilms is “crucial for controlling Salmonella at pre-harvest poultry production,” the study noted.

Pipeline monitoring

Although the microbial load of drinking water is monitored regularly at the source on broiler farms, Obe said not much has been done to assess the inside of drinking water pipelines for the presence and composition of biofilm despite it being a control point for Salmonella.

The study noted that while maximum recommended levels for poultry drinking water are less than 0.3 parts per million for iron and 200 ppm for sulfate, sulfate concentrations of 50 ppm or more in combination with high levels of magnesium and chloride in water could negatively affect bird performance. Water containing high levels of iron and manganese supplied in commercial poultry houses can also serve as nutrients for the survival of some pathogens. This is problematic, the study added, especially for farms in rural areas that use well water and have a history of such water quality issues.

Poultry farmers will often add a water filtration system to help reduce the mineral content; however, routine water line microbial analysis is not a common practice, Obe said.

“We don’t often think of it, but water is a very important nutrient, and routine monitoring of water lines should be important to the poultry industry — not only the quality but the content as well,” Li Zhang said. “We didn’t expect a big difference in quality, but the water source apparently does affect biofilm content.”

Obe and Li Zhang said they are considering the potential for adapting “sight glasses,” or small windows that let viewers see inside pipelines, for visual monitoring and access to swab and analyze microbial content.

Pike County’s ‘Do Not Trick or Treat’ list released

As Halloween approaches, the Pike County Sheriff’s Department is reminding families to stay alert and informed.

In accordance with Arkansas law, the department is releasing the official “Do Not Trick or Treat” list for Pike County.

The list includes Level 3 (High Risk) and Level 4 (Sexually Dangerous) offender.

The individuals at the following locations should not participate in Halloween activities, including handing out candy, decorating or having contact with children on Halloween night:

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Arkansas’s alternative firearms deer hunting season opens Oct. 18

Many Natural State deer hunters will head to the woods for the first time on Saturday with a new shooting iron in their hands for the state’s alternative firearms season. Introduced last deer hunting season, the alternative firearms season expands muzzleloading season to include a few new options for hunters to carry.

In addition to muzzleloaders, hunters participating in the alternative firearms hunt will be able to use non-semi-automatic rifles that fire straight-wall centerfire cartridges.

Specifically, these are the options available to hunters this alternative firearms deer hunting season:

Muzzleloading rifles with a barrel 18 inches or longer and of .40 caliber or larger;

Muzzleloading hand-guns with barrels 9 inches or longer and at least .45 caliber if they shoot conical bullets 200 grains or heavier, or .530 caliber if shooting round balls;

Large bore air rifles at least .40 caliber that shoot a single, expandable slug, produce at least 400 feet/pounds of energy at the muzzle and are charged from an external tank; and

Non-semiautomatic centerfire firearms (including non-semiautomatic hand-guns with barrels 4 inches or longer) that fire a straight-walled metallic cartridge .30 caliber or larger.

No shotguns are allowed during the alternative firearms season, nor are automatic or semi-automatic rifles.

During the hunt’s opening year there was some confusion about the legality of drop-in conversions to limit the functionality of AR-platform rifles. To clarify, simple drop-ins that prevent cycling or tweaks to the firearm to render the semi-automatic function inoperable are not enough to be legal. Conversion kits must replace the entire upper portion of the firearm with an obvious bolt action visible from a distance to be used during the alternative firearms season.

Both shotguns and semi-automatic rifles are legal to use during modern gun seasons, so owners of these firearms can still enjoy them during a portion of the deer hunting year, but for alternative firearms season, they must still stay in the gun safe. The season still opens new opportunities and is by no means a restriction on previous years. It’s apparent that many hunters have enjoyed this expansion.

Arkansas deer hunting records showed a substantial increase in harvest during the alternative firearms season last year with 21,665 deer checked. Muzzleloaders accounted for 11,284 of those deer, which was in line with the previous year’s total of 11,992 deer checked. The alternative firearms harvest appeared to nearly match that muzzleloader component with 10,356 deer taken by straight-wall cartridge. Twenty-five deer taken with big-bore air rifles rounded out the total alternative firearms harvest last year.

The increase in alternative firearms harvest was followed by a decrease in the opening weekend harvest of modern gun season, with nearly 9,000 fewer deer checked than the opening weekend of modern gun season in 2023.

When the final numbers were tallied at the end of the year, the 2024-25 season showed a slight increase from the year before, with 200,285 deer checked, well within the typical range of the season’s harvest totals during the last decade.

Area wrecks claim lives of three people

Three area fatal accident have been reported by the Arkansas State Police.

The first fatal accident happened around 6:12 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, on Highway 71 in Sevier County. According to the Arkansas State Police report, Otis Henson, 80, of Nashville, was killed when his 2008 Audi struck the rear of a 2023 Kenworth truck stopped in the center turn lane on Highway 71.

Henson was pronounced dead at the scene. No other injuries were reported.

Another crash happened in Clark County near Amity on Oct. 7.

Bryant Earl Taylor, 48, of Scot,t died after losing control of his 2025 Polaris ATV on Amity Landing Road around 7:53 a.m.

Investigators reported the ATV left the roadway, struck a tree, and ejected Taylor from the vehicle. The crash happened in foggy conditions, but the road surface was dry at the time.

The third fatal accident occurred Wednesday in Montgomery County. The crash took place on Highway 8 East at approximately 3:03 p.m.

According to the state police, Jeffery Wilkerson, 63, of Caddo Gap, was driving a 2010 Hyundai Elantra eastbound when the vehicle left the roadway, hit an embankment, and overturned. Wilkerson was killed in the crash. Weather conditions were cloudy and roads dry at the time.

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Chatter and I are at a dinosaur dig. We're visiting a **paleontologist**, a person who studies prehistoric life (from a time before things were written down and recorded). She tries to figure out what the earth and animals were like and how animals lived long, long ago.

How is this done? People look for, dig up and study fossils. Fossils are bones, footprints or other traces of animals and plants in rocks or in the ground that have been under a lot of pressure for long periods of time. One scientist, Sir Richard Owen, used the word "dinosaur" to name the giant animals that were alive during the Mesozoic Era: Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous periods. Dinosaurs died out by the Era's end.

We Dig Dinosaurs!

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Read the clues to learn about each dinosaur. Then, fill in the puzzle:

1. *Spinosaurus* – was the largest meat-eating dinosaur (about three times larger than the T. Rex!); had large "fan" of _____ on its back

2. *Stegosaurus* – bony plates stuck out of its back; had a _____ tail

3. *Archaeopteryx* – name means "_____ bird;" oldest bird discovered

4. *Velociraptor* – only about 2 feet tall; middle _____ is large and sharp

5. *Pteranodon* – not truly a dinosaur, _____ lizard with 25-foot wingspan

6. *Deinonychus* – name means "_____ claw;" up to 5-inch long claw

7. *Ankylosaurus* – four-ton dino was almost 35 feet long; its back was covered with _____ plates; its tail could smash things with 43,000 pounds of force

8. *Parasaurolophus* – amazing sense of _____ helped this dino notice sounds of predators from miles away; made a loud foghorn-like noise to warn its family of danger

9. *Tyrannosaurus Rex* – best-known dinosaur; its bite was 15 times stronger than an _____

10. *Triceratops* – one of largest _____ dinosaurs; has three on its head

11. *Sinornithosaurus* – this dino's name means "Chinese bird lizard"; _____ was only the size of a _____

12. *Sauroposeidon* – largest dinosaur; 60 feet tall; 100 feet long; one neck _____ is 4 feet long.

A Dino-sized Mistake!

During the 1800's there was a lot of competition between two fossil hunters - Othniel Charles Marsh and Edward Drinker Cope. They spent all their money trying to outdo each other. A dinosaur skeleton that Marsh found was put up in museums and labeled. Later, people found out that it had the body of a young *Apatosaurus* and the head of a completely different dinosaur called *Camarasaurus*.

Follow the dots to see this dinosaur.

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The mistake was discovered only after this dinosaur had become a favorite. Fill in the missing letters to spell its name:

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY,
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IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: RUBY LAVON PANCHERZ
31 PR-25-60

NOTICE OF PROBATE-TESTATE

Last known address of decedent: 9051 Greenhouse Rd, Cypress, Harris, Texas
Date of death: August 9, 2025

An instrument dated July 28, 2005, was on October 10 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 October 15, 2025.

Thomas Leon Pancherz, Executor, by
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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY,
ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: BOBBY JOE FARLEY, SR.
31 PR-25-37

NOTICE

Last known address of decedent: 620 N Main Street Dierks, Arkansas 71833

On June 30, 2025, an Affidavit for Collection of Small Estate by Distributee was filed with respect to the Estate of Bobby Joe Farley, Sr., deceased, with the Clerk of the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Howard County, Arkansas, under Ark. Code Ann. §28-41-101. The legal description of the real property listed in the Affidavit is as follows:

Pt. SE Corner NE ¼ of NW ¼ Beginning at Point 86 ½ yds. North of SE Corner of NE ¼ of NW ¼ of Sec. 30, Twp. 7 S R 28 West, running North 45 ¼ yds., thence West 107 yds. To point in East line Public Road thence South East Side of said Road 45 ¼ yds., thence East to point of beginning, containing one acre, more or less

AND;

A part of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 30 Township 7 South, Range 28 West, described as follows: Beginning 238 feet South of the Northeast corner of the said 10 acres and extending 158 feet South, thence West 275 feet, thence North 158 feet, thence East 275 feet to point of beginning, containing 1 acre, more or less.

AND ALSO;

A part of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 30, Township 7 South, Range 28 West, described as follows: Beginning 396 feet South of the Northeast corner of the said 10 acres and extending 229 feet South, thence West 275 feet, thence North 229 feet, thence East 275 feet to the point of beginning. Thereby conveying 1.45 acres, more or less.

All persons having claims against the Estate must exhibit them, properly verified, to the Distributee or her attorney within three months from the date of first publication of this Notice, or they shall be forever barred and precluded from any benefit in the Estate. Provided, claims for injury or death caused by negligence of the decedent shall be filed within six 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 on October 8, 2025

The name and address of the Distributee or attorney is:

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(AB: 16, 17)

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY,
ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: JOSEPH WAYNE ASHFORD
31 PR-25-58

NOTICE OF PROBATE-TESTATE

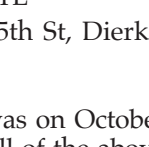
Last known address of decedent: 510 W 5th St, Dierks, Howard County, Arkansas
Date of death: August 24, 2025

An instrument dated March 13, 1998, was on October 10 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 15th day of October, 2025.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY,
ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: FLOY JEAN REED 31 PR-25-57

NOTICE OF PROBATE-TESTATE

Last known address of decedent: 797 Highway 355 N, Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas
Date of death: April 25, 2024

An instrument dated April 10, 2025, was on October 2, 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 October 8, 2025.

Greg Reed, Executor, by
Aaron R. Brasel, ABN 2009138
Post Office Box 813
Nashville AR 71852
(870) 845-4100 – Telephone
(AB: 16, 17)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications Being Received:

Medical or ministerial students from a fifty (50) mile radius of Nashville, Arkansas may apply for financial aid from the Marion J. Copeland and Hazel Hill Copeland Memorial Trust Funds. Grants for the 2025 – 2026 school year are available and applications should be made at this time.

To be eligible to receive a grant from the Copeland Trust, a person must justify financial need, be from a fifty (50) mile radius of Nashville, Arkansas, attend an accredited graduate school in preparation for a discipline in medicine or the Christian ministry. Religious denomination is not a criteria for selection.

Perpetual Trust is administered by the pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Nashville, Arkansas. The trust is under the direction of a Board of Managers of the First United Methodist Church. The primary criteria for receiving a grant are financial need, to be enrolled or accepted in a graduate school of medicine or theology and be from a fifty (50) mile radius of Nashville, Arkansas. Undergraduate students do not qualify under the terms of the trust.

Persons desiring to apply for grants from this Trust should request application forms from the Pastor, First United Methodist Church, 1403 W. Sunset, Nashville, Arkansas 71852.
(FMC:16, 17)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The estate of Glenn Dossey is selling at auction the property known as tract 1 consisting of 68+- acres located on Schaal Rd Mineral Springs 71851 in Howard Co located in 36-10-28 parcel #001-04628-0000 legal E23.33SWSW (23.33AC;SESW exc RR SE COR(39.50AC); 5.5 AC in SWSE. The auction will be online at toddmorrisauction.com. Auction will close Nov 18 at 6pm central time. Listing agent Gary Fant and Associates Real Estate 870-584-7725. Terms of sale are cash with 10 percent non refundable down payment at end of sale and remaining balance due at closing within 30 days.
(GF: 16 - 18)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Nashville Public Schools will be taking bids on the following vehicle:

- 2025 Chevrolet Silverado/GMC Sierra 1500 RST 4 WD
- Bucket seats
- 3.0 Liter Duramax Diesel
- Trailer Camera
- Spray-On Bedliner
- Safety Package

Bids will be due October 30, 2025.
(NSD: 17, 18)



Mineral Springs Homecoming Queen Sarai Canales
Hornet Escorts: AK Olden & Brandon Allen



Maid of Honor Jameia Erby
Hornet Escorts: Christian Matlock & Treyvon Porter

2025 Mineral Springs High School Homecoming Royalty



Senior Football Maid Madison Adams
Hornet Escorts: Keithen Dixon & Camarion Stuart



Senior Class Maid Juliana Salazar
Hornet Escorts: Decayveon White & Christian Chambers



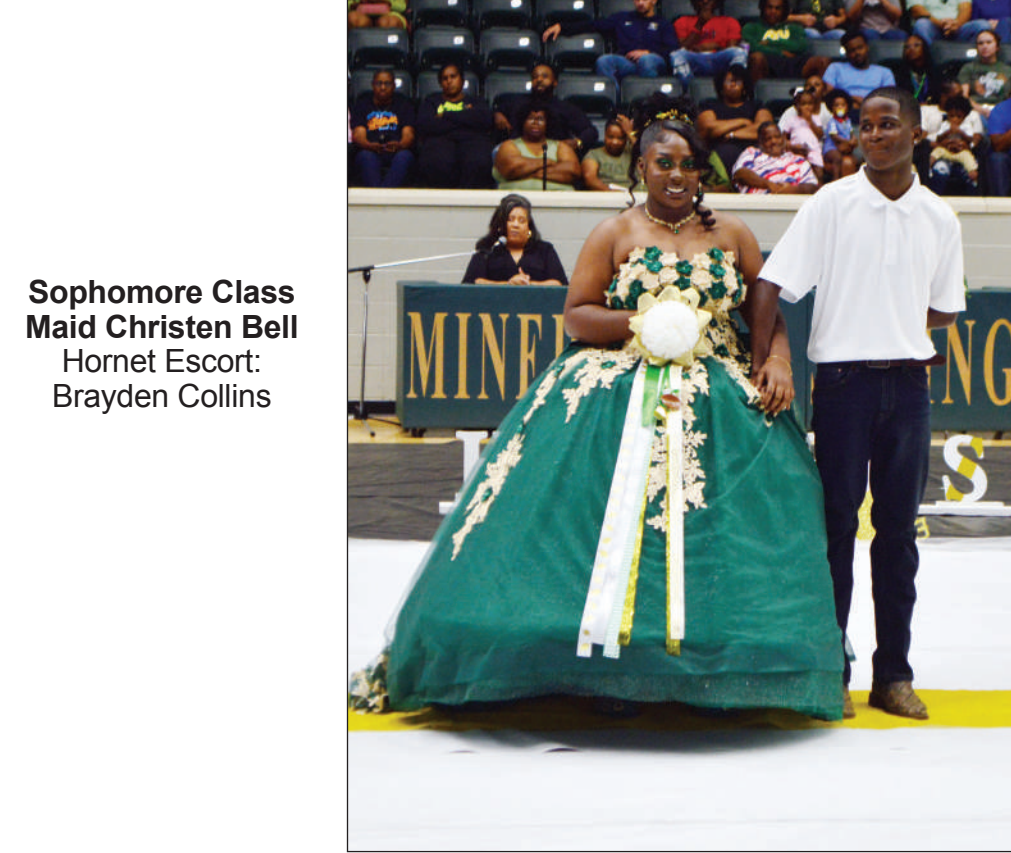
Junior Football Maid Rihanna Collins
Hornet Escort: David Garcia



Junior Class Maid Kadynce Harris
Hornet Escort: Wesley Kuykendall



Sophomore Football Maid Kailey Thomas
Hornet Escort: Bryce Thomas



Sophomore Class Maid Christen Bell
Hornet Escort: Brayden Collins



Homecoming Attendants
Kylan Walker & Leslie Sitzes

Congratulations to the Mineral Springs Hornets Homecoming Court!

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