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### OPINION 4A

Love your neighbor and get your vaccination.

### Holiday shopping coming to market

Shoppers this week can expect a great selection of fresh greens, persimmons, honey, eggs, baked goods, canned items, and handcrafted gifts and décor — perfect for the fall season and early holiday shopping.

The market is also participating in the upcoming shop local campaign sponsored by the Nashville Chamber of Commerce, encouraging everyone to support hometown growers, bakers, and makers.

Finally, vendor registration is now open for our Holiday Market on December 6. Those interested should head to the Howard County Farmers' Market Facebook page and click Sign Up.

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

### Veterans Day events set Nov. 11 in Nashville

Veterans are offered breakfast and souvenirs on Veterans Day, Tuesday, Nov. 11, at the Nashville campus of UA-Cossatot.

The recognition event is from 9-10:30 a.m. in the campus lobby. All veterans of armed forces are invited.

At 11 a.m. Tuesday, the annual tribute to veterans will take place at the monument on the Howard County courthouse lawn.

Following the program, veterans are invited to lunch hosted by the Daughters of the American Revolution organization.

Lunch will be served at the Carter Day Training Center on North Main, Nashville.

There will be a program highlighting the 50th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War.

11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month

### **Inside the News-Leader**

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THE BIG MILLION DOLLAR REVEAL. Former NFL All-Pro tight end Rob 'Gronk' Gronkowski (on screen) announces that Dierks High School had won the T-Mobile Friday Night 5G Lights contest for a \$1 million football stadium transformation during a watch party at the school Thursday morning, Oct. 30. Pictured celebrating is Krystal Green (center), who is credited with the idea of DHS pursuing the T-Mobile sweepstakes grand prize. See more inside this issue.



News-Leader photo/DON HALL

UP FOR RE-ELECTION. Howard County Judge Brent Pinkerton said Monday that he will run for re-election in 2026.

### **Howard County judge** to seek re-election in '26

By Don Hall

News-Leader staff

On Monday, Nov. 3, Howard County Judge Brent Pinkerton announced that he was running for re-election.

As most of you know, a "county judge" in Arkansas doesn't wear robes and sit behind a desk in a courtroom. The judge might have an office in the courthouse, but Judge Pinkerton's courtroom is a white Chevrolet truck with the Howard County logo on the doors.

"Every morning, when I see that logo, it reminds me of who I work for. At the end of the day, when I get out and close the door and see the logo, it reminds me again of who I work for. It's a very humbling experience."

Just what does a county judge

This job is to be the CEO of the county," Pinkerton said. With an operating budget of almost \$4 million, he's in charge of the 20-25 employees of the road department and four more in the sanitation department.

The upkeep and maintenance of all of the heavy equipment, as well as maintaining the courthouse,

county health unit, Senior Adult Center, and any other countyowned property is his responsibility as well. It's a big job.

And a big part of Pinkerton's job is to travel the roads of the county to make sure that they're in good repair.

"People have one road that matters to them," says the judge. "I understand that. And their road matters to me, but so does every

other road in the county." Roads are expensive. State aid is a division of the Arkansas Department of Transportation. Each year, the state turns back tax dollars to counties to pay for qualified

projects. 'For the last 15 years, we've received between \$95,000 and \$225,000 each year for state aid projects," Pinkerton said. The county can let that money accumulate over a few years to pay for

big projects. When Judge Pinkerton took office, Howard County's state aid fund had been completely

"I'm in year three of my first

See Judge • Page 5A

### Scrappers win Halloween battle, 7-4A title

By John R. Schirmer News-Leader staff

MALVERN - The Nashville Scrappers rolled up two "firsts" Halloween night at Malvern.

Nashville defeated the Leopards for the first time since 2020 and won the District 7-4A championship for the first time since 2020.

The Scrappers' 35-14 win over the Leopards sends them into this week's regular-season finale against Genoa Central with a 7-2 record overall, 6-0 in district. Kickoff at Scrapper Stadium is set for 7 p.m., with Senior Night starting around 6:30 p.m.

The Malvern game didn't start off as the Scrappers wanted it to. "We came out slow defensively," Coach Brad Chesshir said. "They [the Leopards] scored on a quarterback run on the first play," putting the home team on top 7-0.

"It's football. Our guys knew what happened and how to fix it," Chesshir said. The Scrappers went on to 21-7 lead at halftime.

The Leopards scored early in the second half, but Nashville pulled away to win by three touchdowns.

Offensively, the Scrappers had 13 first downs to one for Malvern in the first half. However, they committed two turnovers.

"Give credit to the Malvern defense. They had some movement up front that we didn't expect. They took away some of our run game," Chesshir said, but [Bryce] Perrin and [Jacoby] Hopson had a good night running. They're similar to Tucker [Dixon] in how



**HALLOWEEN FUN.** Nashville students dressed for the Halloween match-up of orange and black vs. orange and black Friday night, Oct. 31, in Malvern. The Scrappers defeated the Leopards 35-14 to win

physical."

the District 7-4A championship. More pictures, page 9A.

Dixon was sidelined by an in-

jury in the Bauxite game. Malvern "made some throws that hurt us, but we knew what we had to do," Chesshir said. Scrapper defenders went on to force three Leopard turnovers, including interceptions by Davonte Gilliam

they play. They're not afraid to get and Cortez Cooper, and a fumble recovery by Brayden Erby. Gilliam scored on his interception.

Abari Williams made 10 tackles against Malvern and had two tack-

les for losses. Makhi Johnson had eight tack-

les, two TFLs, two sacks and forced Erby recorded six tackles with three TFLs and a fumble recovery. Jaydon Williamson made six tackles, two TFLs and forced a fumble.

Johnson, Erby and Williamson are all defensive linemen, and all four of the leading tacklers "played extremely well," Chesshir said,

See Malvern • Page 5A

## **Obituaries**



Catherine Ann

"Cathy" Willard Oct. 1, 1951 – Oct. 29, 2025 Catherine Ann "Cathy" Willard passed peacefully in Nashville on Oct. 29, 2025, surrounded by her devoted family. Born on Oct. 1, 1951, Cathy lived a life full of love, faith, and family.

She was the cherished wife of Paul Willard, and a devoted mother to Shannon Williams of Aledo, Texas, and Donna Pearce of Hot Springs, Ark. She is also survived by her loving sonsin-law, Michael Williams of Aledo, Texas, and the late Michael Pearce, who preceded her in death.

Cathy's heart overflowed with love for her grandchildren — Austin Williams of Edmond, Okla.; Slade Williams of Aledo, Texas; Megan Williams Alotta of Springtown, Texas; Hayden Banister and Brett Banister of Pea Ridge, Ark.; Jarrett Banister of Springdale, Ark.; and Kenley Pearce of Hope, Ark. She also adored her great-grandchildren — Makenna Williams, Maverick Alotta, and Wells Banister — who will forever cherish her gentle love and

Čathy was preceded in death by her father, Lynn Jones; mother, Frances Jones; and her beloved grandmother, Elbia Dildy. She is also remembered by her step-sons Mike Willard and Kelsie Willard of Nashville; her sisters Judy Conley, Kay Chaney, Shirley Boyea, and Carol Stepp; her brothers Jerry Don Jones and Bobby Jones; and her best friend, Iovce Harris, who shared a lifelong bond of love, laughter, and friendship.

filled with warmth, faith, and the comforting aroma of her excellent cooking. Her family never missed a holiday together, and those gatherings — filled with her laughter, love, and delicious meals — will remain treasured memories for all who knew her.

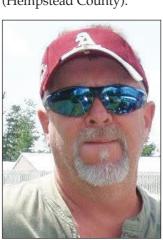
Most importantly, Cathy

Scores of the games:

winner in last week's newspaper contest.

would want her family and friends to know that her heart belonged fully to Jesus Christ. She found peace and strength in her faith and would want those she loved most to find comfort in knowing she is now home with her Savior. She asks that her family not mourn her passing, but instead celebrate her life.

Graveside services will be held 1 p.m., Monday, November 3, 2025, at the Ozan Cemetery in Bingen, Ark. (Hempstead County).



James 'Skip' Hobbs

James "Skip" Hobbs passed away peacefully in his home on Oct. 29, 2025, in Nashville, Ark., surrounded by his family.

Born on June 9, 1960, in Atlanta, Ga., Skip's life was a testament to the joy and laughter he brought into the lives of all who knew him. Skip was a devoted family man, deeply loved by his beloved wife, Brenda Crisp Hobbs of 40 years. His legacy lives on through his children, James Corey Hobbs and wife Holly Noel Hobbs, and Morgan Kay Hobbs, both of Nashville. His five grandchildren, Kaylee Bree Baxley, Kason Dale Baxley, James Noah Hobbs, Maci Kay Hobbs, and Nate Patrick Hobbs, will forever cherish the moments and the memories they shared with their Pop.

Skip was preceded in death by his father, Sonny Hobbs, and is survived by his mother, Martha Hobbs of Nashville, Ark., sister, Cristie Hobbs of Nashville, Ark., cousin Karyn and her husband Randall West of Atlanta, Ga., as well as a Cathy's home was always large host of other family members and friends who will miss him dearly.

Skip's working years were spent operating heavy equipment for Briar Gypsum for 46 years, from which he retired. His buddies knew him as "Capt'n", who spent most of his time keeping the young ones in line. On his days off, you could find him

was an avid Elvis fan even before he became the biggest rock star in the music sitting in his shop, eating snacks, grilling, and watching the razorbacks play.

Although the outcome of

most games left him disap-

pointed. He found joy in the

simple pleasures of life, such

as playing a round of golf

with his wife and friends

at the Nashville Country

Club, hunting at the Nashville Hunting Club, eating

lunch with Brenda (usu-

ally at Poblanos), and most

importantly, spending time

with his family, especially

be held on Sunday, Nov. 9,

2025, at 2 p.m. at The Living

Rock Church in Nashville

with Bro. Joe Kelley officiat-

Telma Laverne

Trelma Laverne Robert-

son passed away in Rogers,

Ark., on Nov. 1, 2025, at In-

Chapel, Ark., on Nov. 30,

Laverne was a stay-at-

yard, walking, and traveling

with the family. She was a

woman of great faith and

longed to meet her Lord in

the last several weeks of her

nisfree Nursing Center.

Robertson

A memorial service will

his grandchildren.

During her later years she was living with her son David and daughter-in-law Lisa for six months in Memphis and then to Rogers, Ark., to live with her daughter Anita. She remained with Anita until she entered the nursing home in Rogers.

Laverne was preceded in death by her beloved hus-

two just to spoil them. She band, Ray Robertson; her many nieces and nephews. parents, Homer Huffman and Nola Shelton; sister Carolyn Cook, and granddaughter, Jenny Rausch.

She is survived by her daughter Anita and husband Earl Rausch, son David Robertson and wife Lisa, brother Harvey Huffman, grandchildren Lisa Rausch and husband Bertram Lyons, Frank Robertson and wife Kellyn, David Lee Robertson and wife Dena, and greatgrandchildren, along with

Graveside funeral service for Mrs. Robertson will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025, at Green's Chapel Cemetery, with Rev. Bobby Neal officiating under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in De Queen.

The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. until service time.

You may leave a condolence online at www.wilkersonfuneralhomes.com.

### <u>FINANCIAL FOCUS</u>

### A financial roadmap for veterans

The transition from military to civilian

Now in its second year, Veteran Saves

Understand the financial shift. If you've recently re-entered civilian life, it's important to identify any gaps between your income and expenses. A key part of this gap often comes from the loss of military allowances, such as the Basic Allowance for Housing and Basic Allowance for Subsistence. You may also lose commissary and exchange privileges where groceries and

Health benefits represent another shift. While you received health care through

Build a budget. Getting a clear picture of your finances helps you make informed expenses and savings to understand your

One strategy you may find useful is the 50/30/20 rule. With this, you divide your monthly take-home pay into three parts: 50% for needs like housing, utilities, food and insurance, 30% for wants and 20% for savings and debt repayment.

Take essential financial steps. Your monthly budget should include building an emergency fund, paying down highrate debt and saving for retirement. It may help to use budgeting apps that categorize expenses and identify areas where you can cut back when necessary.

Building an emergency fund becomes even more critical during transition. Aim for three to six months of cash savings to provide a safety net for living expenses while you establish your civilian career.

Don't overlook the available retirement planning tools. Even if you will have a pension, you might consider putting money into an IRA, or a 401k if one is available to you through a new employer, or into stocks and bonds to keep building toward your long-term goals. It's also important to obtain a current Social Security statement since active-duty military pay FICA taxes.

\Move forward with confidence. As Veteran Saves Week reminds us, small steps lead to lasting change. Your service has prepared you to overcome challenges - financial planning is just another mission you're equipped to complete successfully.

### entering civilian life By Josh Tice **Edward Jones Investments**

life brings countless adjustments. It also marks a good time to review how you're taking charge of your financial future. Veteran Saves Week is Nov. 4-7 and an opportunity to focus on building financial confidence and creating a solid foundation for your new chapter.

Week centers around one core message: No matter where you are on your financial journey, small steps can lead to lasting change. Here are a few tips to help:

goods were purchased tax-free.

TRICARE on active duty, you might be eligible for TRICARE for Life and Veterans She was born in Green's Administration benefits, but you may still need to supplement this coverage with a 1935, the daughter of Homer group health care plan from your employer Huffman and Nola Huffor purchase it independently.

home Mom who loved cookdecisions. Look at your monthly income, ing, sewing, working in the

### Sunday food sale is church benefit

A variety of Mexican food favorites will be on sale Sunday, Nov. 9, in a benefit for St. Martin's Catholic Church.

life. When her grandchildren came along, she enjoyed The food sale will be at the Dollar General having them for a week or store in Nashville. Items include pupusas,

tamales, tacos, and tortas prepared by church members.

The sale will begin after the end of Sunday morning mass or at about 10 a.m. The public is invited.

## **Together We Can Prevent Substance Misuse**

### November is the Month for Awareness, Action, and Hope.

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### Retired teachers to meet Nov. 12;

Hard week for football pickers

Mineral Springs 46, Dierks 22 Spring Hill 20, Murfreesboro 14

Bauxite 72, Ashdown 44 Texas 34, Vanderbilt 31 Oklahoma 33, Tennessee 27

Kentucky 10, Auburn 3 Ole Miss 30, South Carolina 14 Georgia 24, Florida 20

Mississippi State 38, Arkansas 35 Nashville 35, Malvern 14

By correctly picking 8 of 10 contests plus having the best 'tiebreaker' prediction, Willie Trimble of Nashville was the

speaker will be genealogist The Howard County Retired School Employees organi-

program on genealogy.

zation will meet Wednesday, Nov. 12. The meeting will be in the Howard County Fair Building, and will begin at 10 a.m. Mike Myers will present a

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### **Public Record of Howard County**

Items or documents that were filed, issued or recorded at the Howard County, Ark., courthouse during the period Oct. 23-29, 2025, unless noted otherwise, included the following:

#### Marriage Licenses

(Marriage licenses cost \$60 at the County Clerk's office)
Oct. 23. Kollin James
Rosenbaum, 20, Lockesburg, and Alexia Madison Adams, 18, Lockesburg.

Oct. 24. Alan Lynn Clements, 29, Nashville, and Lauren Elizabeth Hoen, 24, Nashville.

#### Civil Court

CV25-117, Oct. 24. Kino Financial vs. Jessica Empty.

CV25-118, Oct. 27. LVNO Funding LLC vs. Tera Whitmore. Debt.

CV25-119, Oct. 28. LVNO Funding LLC vs. Marissa Boozer. Debt.

CV25-120, Oct. 29. Velocity Investments vs. Demarco Piggee. Debt. CV25-121, Oct. 29. Veloc-

ity Investments vs. Lanisha Washington. Debt. CV25-122, Oct. 29. Chris

Tedford vs. Guabagno, et al.

Petition to quiet title. CV25-123, Oct. 29. LVNO Funding, LLC vs. Helen

White. Debt.

#### Domestic

Relations Court DR25-86, Oct. 28. Char-

O'Neal Logan. Divorce.

Criminal Court

(NOTE: POCS = possession

maine Logan vs. Jackie

of controlled substance; PODP = possession of drug paraphernalia; DOCS = delivery of controlled substance)

CR25-96, Oct. 27. State of Arkansas vs. Dalton Billings, 26, white male, 1491 Old Center Point Road, Nashville; POCS; class D felony.

CR25-97, Oct. 27. State of Arkansas vs. Elezar Johnson, 51, back male, 417 E. Runnels, Mineral Springs; DOCS, class B, enhanced by proximity.

CR25-98, Oct. 27. State of Arkansas vs. Dylan Cardoso, 26, white/Hispanic, De Queen; variety of felonies including arson, residential burglary, theft of property, second degree battery, aggravated assault, DWI, leav-

ing the scene of an accident. CR25-99, Oct. 27. State of Arkansas vs. Franklin Roy Mitchell, 40, white male, 607 Mineral Springs; failure

Items or documents that to register as a sex offender, class C, enhanced by prox-

#### Land/Property Transactions Fiduciary's Deeds

Oct. 23. Michael Edward Moore and Teresa Lynn Moore, Co-trustees of the Michael Edward Moore Revocable Trust; to John Todd Moore and Kelley Ann Moore, Co-trustees of the Moore Family Revocable Trust; Lots 1-2-3, Block 25, Town of Dierks.

Oct. 23. Terry R. Moore and Julia B. Moore, Cotrustees of the Moore Family Revocable Trust; to John Todd Moore and Kelly Ann Moore, Co-trustees of the Moore Family Trust; Lots 1-2-3, Block 25, Town of Dierks

Oct. 24. Clayton C. Carlton and Brian G. Carlton, Co-administrators of the estate of James Garland Carlton, deceased; to KMC Properties, LLC; 2 tracts in S35 T9S R27W. \$647,053.90.

Oct. 27. Clayton C. Carlton and Brian G. Carlton, Co-administrators of the estate of James Garland Carlton, deceased; to William Robert Bonner and Megan Renee Bonner, husband and wife; 20.768 ac. in S13 T9S R27W. \$285,000.

### Redemption Deeds Oct. 28. (Forfeited prop-

erty sold at auction) State of Arkansas; to Aguero Properties LLC, Oklahoma; Lot 10, Block 27, SREDC Addition, City of Nashville, aka 1211 S. Hutchinson. \$11,000.

Oct. 28. (Forfeited property sold at auction) State of Arkansas; to Aguero Properties LLC, Oklahoma; Lot 9, Block 27, SREDC Addition, City of Nashville, aka 1207 S. Hutchinson. \$\$1,500.

Oct. 28. (Forfeited property sold at auction) State of Arkansas; to Jimmy Miller, Nashville; Lots 11-12, Block 27, SREDC Addition, City of Nashville. \$1,500.

Oct. 28. (Forfeited property sold at auction) State of Arkansas; to Jimmy Miller, Nashville; Lots 7-8, Block 27, SREDC Addition, City of Nashville. \$3,500.

Oct. 28. (Forfeited property sold at auction) State of Arkansas; to Mona Ann Swihart, Kirby; Lot 4, Block 12, City Rural Addition, Pineview, aka 109 Pelican Lane, Mineral Springs. \$1,100.

Oct. 28. (Forfeited property sold at auction) State of Arkansas; to Chris Tedford, Ozark, Ark.; 0.09 ac. Murray's 1st Addition, City of Display 6465.27

Dierks. \$465.27.
Oct. 28. (Forfeited property sold at auction) State of Arkansas; to MAW Properties 2028 LLC, Pilot Point, Texas; part of Block 52, McCullough's Addition, City of Mineral Springs, aka 312 Center Street. \$17,000.

#### Quitclaim Deeds

Oct. 27. Kohnie Kennedy and husband, Justin Kennedy; to Kennedy Family Trust; Lot 10, Blue Bayou Estates Subdivision, Howard County.

Oct. 29. Leta Crisp, widow of Thomas Crisp; to Steven Finigan and wife, Rebecca Finigan; 6.29 ac. in S36 T8S R27W.

Oct. 29. (Correction) Rita Stewart and Terry Stewart; to K&K Legacy, LLC; 223 N. Crawford St., Block 46; Town of Mineral Springs

Oct. 29. Heather Applegate and husband Kyle Adam Applegate; to Alton Dale Bennett and wife, Melinda S. Bennett; 6.0479 ac. in S8 T9S R27W.

Oct. 29. Alton Dale Bennett and wife, Melinda S. Bennett; to Tammie D. Jamison and Melinda S. Bennett, Joint Tenants; 6.047 ac. in S8 T9S R27W.

#### Warranty Deeds

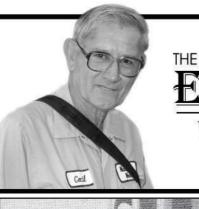
Oct. 24. (Special) Brian Carlton and Clayton Carlton, Trustees of the Carroll C. Carlton Revocable Trust; to KMC Properties LLC; 7.74 ac. in S35 T9S R27W. \$410,000.

Oct. 24. (Special) Carop Leasing, Inc.; to KMC Properties, LLC; 12.8 ac. in S35 T9S R27W. \$1,400,000.

Oct. 28. (Forfeited property sold) State of Arkansas; to Bradley J. Garner, Mena; 1 ac. in S12 T11S R28W, at auction. \$2,000.

Oct. 28. (Forfeited property sold) State of Arkansas; to Nathan Rayford Hellums, Glenwood; 2 ac. in S7 T11S R27W, at auction. \$2,500.

Oct. 29. Donald Charles Buchanan, Co-trustee of the Buchanan 1992 Living Marital Trust; to Thomas E. Byrd and Margaret C. Byrd, Co-trustees of the TMB Revocable Trust Agreement; 50 ac. in S24 T8S R27W. \$170,000.

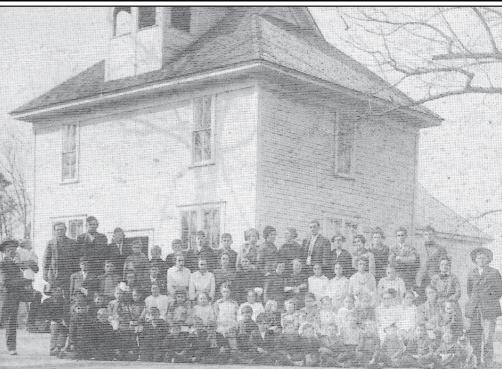


THE CECIL "BIRDDOG" HARRIS MEMORIAL

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** 



Center School circa 1930
123 years ago: October

A.A. Stewart of Pike County was convicted at Washington Monday of carnal abuse and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. An appeal to the Supreme Court was granted. His bond was fixed at \$5,000, which was readily made.

The following cases of importance have also been disposed of: Joe Battle for keeping a drug store open on Sunday, fined \$10; Grant Scott assault with intent to kill, one year in the pen; two cases of liquor law violations against Ike Pardue, were dismissed at the cost of the defendant.

A little child of J. M. Humphreys, who resides a short distance from Nashville, was painfully burned last Monday. The child was left alone in a room, when it crawled to the fireplace, and its clothes were ignited.

79 years ago: October 1946

The American Legion and Legion Auxiliary will meet at the Hut in this city Tuesday night at 7:45 o'clock for the purpose of electing officers and attending to any other business. Two important pieces of businessconnecting gas to the hut, and the erection of a marker to the memory of deceased veterans of World Wars One and Two - will be up for consideration. Some moving pictures of much interest to you will be shown.

Miss Carlisle Ellis and Sim and Sam Ellis, who are attending Henderson State Teachers College, Arkadelphia, spent the past weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Ellis of Nashville.

### 63 years ago: October 1962

When the USS Kearsarge crewmen lifted Astronaut Walter Schirra and his capsule aboard, a Nashville man, stuck out his chest and said, "That's my old ship."

Actually, Johnie McKee, Jr, minister of the Church of Christ for the Black community here, owns a plank in the United States proud carrier.

He owns the plank because he was a member of the original crew when the *Kearsarge* was launched in 1944 at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

### 43 years ago: October 982

A four-year-old child apparently shot himself in the hand, Tuesday, with a pistol from the glove compartment of his mother's car. The child was taken to Memorial Hospital where he was treated for the wound and transferred to a Texarkana clinic

According to the police report, the child's mother was out of the car at 7:25 a.m. when the child got the pistol from the compartment. The car was parked on Clark Street near the Lone Star Donut shop.

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### Alford Family Estate Auction 1617 Hwy. 26 East, Delight, AR 71940 Saturday, November 8th at 10:00 a.m.

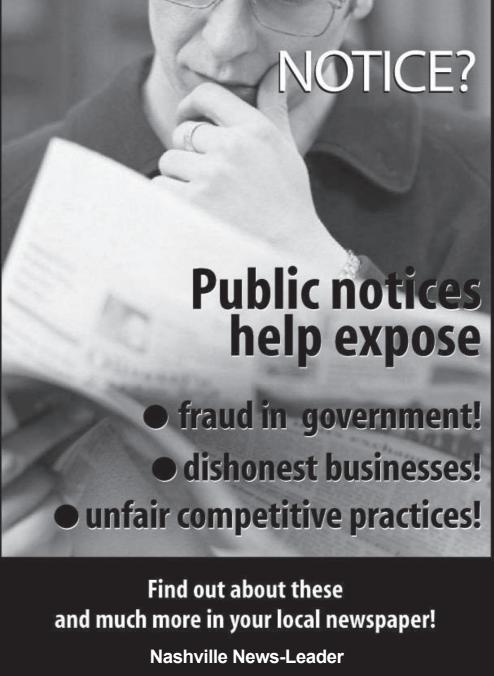
Todd Morris Auction Co. has been commissioned to sell at public auction the estate of J.W., Norene, and Larry, Jr Alford. This is an auction you do not want to miss!

1986 Dodge Power Ram 250 gas engine - dual gas tanks, original miles, with title (not running - stored in barn), 2008 Chrysler Town & Country - 149,686 miles, 4.0 Liter - runs, 2013 Dodge Grand Caravan 136,098 miles, runs and drives, 1968 Honda P50 MC w/title - gas powered dirt bike, Dolly, Fishing Poles, Hand Tools, Hobart Electric Portable Welder, John Deere M Series Tractor Serial #M-55245, Flower Pots, Queen Bed and Night Stand, Dresser, Armoire, Chair, Queen Bed & Dresser, Antique Chest, Dresser and Cedar Chest, Antique Full Size Bed, Knick Knacks, Antique Record Player, Vac Cleaner, Dining Table& 4 Chairs w/Leaf, 8 Track Console, Bar Stools, Chair, Kerosene Heater, Couch, Records, Decor, Sewing Machine, Handicap Equipment, End Tables, Kitchen Items, Gas Dryer & Washer, Hobart Welder, Old Bell, Misc. Tools, DeWalt Chop Saw, Metal Shelves, Table Saw, Ridgid Nail Gun, Craftsman Belt Sander, Log Bed Frame, Tool Box, Snapper Mower, Live Trap, Briggs and Stratton Chipper/Shredder Gas Powered, Chicken Wire, Antique Push Plow, Generator, Push Mower, Dolly, Gas Cans, Plus, Many More Items!

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## Point of view

# Sniffing salt air Writer finally gets around

## to ranting about his trip

YES, I AM STILL HERE peeking out my window on Main Street, and I wasn't kidding when I wrote last week about being unable

to whip out a column. I got back from my annual Gulf of Mexico foray early Sunday night and I was facing a mountain of emails and articles that needed to be written -- so Mine Creek Revelations was put on the back burner.

By my count this was the 18th trip to Gulf Shores since Julie and I took Jane's ashes to a nearby beach place called Dauphin Island. Jane and I vacationed there many years. She loved the place and told me I should spread her ashes at water's edge on the beach there.



Daughter Julie does most of the driving. We always keep up with landmarks and experiences of the trip.

- Loretta, the voice for my buggy's GPS, took us through Mobile by skipping the I-10 tunnel and going over some low bridges and thru industrial areas. But on the way back she took us through the tunnel. Also, she pronounces the city's name like the gasoline brand, Mobil. We don't fully trust Loretta yet because last year she took us home via some peckerwoods Louisiana highways that resembled game trails. That route added at least an extra hour.
- Unlike last year we didn't see a single car with a Trump bumper sticker, or a single Trump yard sign. On our last day, however, a young man in a red Trump baseball cap came in the restaurant. I am sure that Alabama is still Trump country, just maybe not as expressive as the last couple of years.
- On our way home we usually stop at the nice Louisiana rest stop located just a mile or so inside the state line. This year the rest stop was closed and the I-20 service roads going into it were barricaded.
- Once again my driver said in mock humor as we passed the I-20 sign for Mound, La., "I don't see the mound." Well, when we got home I Googled "Mound, La.," and learned that we were just looking in the wrong direction. There were originally seven large Indian mounds nearby dating back to 1200 Anno Domini. Only two mounds are left. One of the original mounds was bulldozed and carted away for fill for the I-20 construction, and the others were plowed under by Peckerwood farmers. Mound, La., may have lost those priceless historical possessions, but it was rewarded as the site for the Vickesburg-Tallulah Regional Airport. Tallulah, as I previously written, is easily Louisiana's version of the Black Hole of Calcutta.
- We try to schedule our visit to Gulf Shores when crowds aren't in town messing up traffic and restaurant waits. We thought we had avoided crowds again, but noooooo. There was a huge group of old Jimmy Buffet 'Parrot Heads' having a convention. They call themselves MOTM which stands for Meeting Of The Minds. Just a bunch of old hippies. One of them told me that they were going to be back in Gulf Shores every year, so now Julie and I need to find a different weekend for our own trip.
- Another 'first.' Next-to-last day was the windiest we had ever experienced. Even the ferry to Dauphin Island was closed for a day. I wouldn't want to be on that ferry during high winds.
- But the wind didn't smell like salt air. In fact, it wasn't until the last night with wind whipping into our faces that we could smell salt air. Why is that? I always say I look forward to smelling the salt air, but I probably never stand in the right place.

ONE THING you can safely say about the Razorback football team: They are dependable.

Admit it. At halftime when the Hogs were ahead, you were se-

cretly dreading the fourth quarter. If the job isn't offered to Petrino, I hope we can lure some young

up-and-comer from lower divisions.

### I AM SOOOO LUCKY.

Every year at the first cold front, I worry that when I thrust my

arms into the sleeves of my jacket for the first time. I just know that I will find a Black Widow or Brown Recluse spider

nest. I'm showing no ill effects so far so I must not have been bitten. The jacket has been on a clothes hanger in a dark closet since the end of last winter. A perfect hiding place for Black Widows or Brown

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MORE THINGS I LEARNED from opening an email: We know the speed of light (670,616,629 mph), so what's the speed of dark?

WORD GAMES. I love oxymorons: Football coaching for the Razorbacks is a 'MINOR CRISIS.'

HE SAID: "There is nothing in a caterpillar that tells you it's going to be a butterfly." R. Buckminster Fuller, architect

SHE SAID: "I think that tolerance and respect and compassion and empathy is who my faith instructs me to be. I don't have to agree with you to love you, respect you. And I think that I can bring more people to Jesus by how I live." Jasmine Crockett, Congresswoman and lawyer (licensed to practice in Arkansas and Texas)

SWEET DREAMS, Baby

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### Game and Fish Commission lowers trout possession limit at four fisheries

On October 16, 2025, The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) temporarily cut back the daily trout possession limit in the state's four most significant cold-water fisheries. Production losses were caused by poor water quality, due to low oxygen levels and higher water temperatures at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Norfork Hatchery. Loss of trout was in the millions. In early April, the AGFC's Jim Hinkle State Fish Hatchery also suffered extensive damage from flooding on the Spring River, multiplying the trout farming losses. The Jim Hinkle State Fish Hatchery is recovering but only working at 50 percent capacity probably until April of 2026.

With the significant losses at two hatcheries, the AGFC Commission was presented with several options to relieve the problem. The Commission decided that the best approach was the most restrictive, a 120-day emergency order that was made effective immediately. The loss raised a red flag about whether there would

**By State Sen. Jimmy Hickey Jr.** be enough stocked trout available for the four cold-water fisheries in the coming months. At the next Commission meeting in January 2026, they will determine if trout production is adequate or they may issue a second 120-day emer-

> The emergency proclamation calls for catch-and-release of all trout, 45 miles of tailwater below Bull Shoals Dam to the White River's confluence with the North Fork River, as well as catch-andrelease only on the entirety of the Norfork Dam tailwater. The trout waters below the White River-North Fork River confluence, from the Norfork Access boat ramp to the Highway 58 bridge at Guion, will have a two-trout-only limit with normal length and daily limits, only one trout over 14 inches.

> The Norfork Hatchery trout stock enhances a portion of the total rainbow trout in Greers Ferry Dam's tailwater, known as the Little Red River. It also provides stock for the Beaver Lake Dam tailwater, known as the Upper White River. Under the order, anglers in

trout up to 14 inches in length and

must release all other caught trout. The AGFC Trout Management Coordinator explained, "I just stress to the public that this is a temporary thing. We do not have any intention for this to be a longterm change to the regulations and the fishery. But it would be the protective thing to do right now." The economic impact is also an important factor. Typically, the winter months are slower for resorts in the area. Hopefully, the trout populations will have some time to recover, but it may be longer than anticipated.

In southeast Arkansas, AGFC has a new lease agreement on a wildlife management area on a 730-acre island for hunting and fishing. The lease includes the whole island and 10 acres around Wargo Landing, known as a popular boat launch to access the Arkansas and Mississippi Rivers. The lease is for one year until next June, however, the Commission is pursuing grant funding to acquire the property and plans to make

### Free speech an essential right for everyone in United States

The Media Institute

The recent Free Speech Week was an opportunity for media groups, schools, universities, and community groups to promote free speech and freedom of the press through their own activities during

The goal was to celebrate free speech and the First Amendment, rather than promote any political or ideological point of view.

It was intended to be a unifying celebration for all Americans by us all." at a time when speech often has become a divisive force.

the press have been under fire in unprecedented ways this year. These challenges remind us that the First Amendment is a fragile freedom indeed," said Media Institute President Richard T. Kaplar.

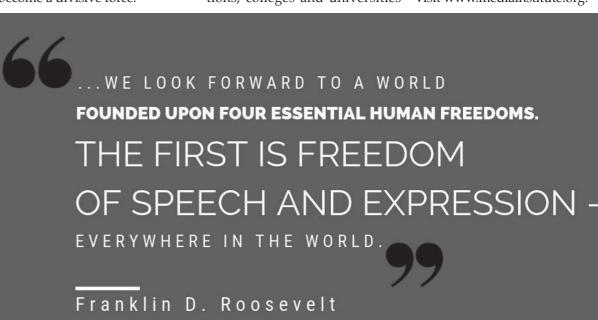
"We hope that celebrating Free Speech Week reminds all Americans that the right to speak and publish freely is at the very heart of our democracy - it's a freedom that needs to be cherished and extolled

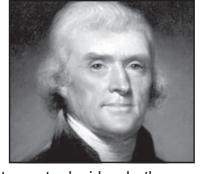
In addition to media organizations, colleges and universities

"Free speech and freedom of across the country participated actively, giving students and professors an opportunity to discuss the meaning of free speech at a time when that freedom has come under heavy fire on many campuses.

Free Speech Week was created in 2005 by The Media Institute, which continues to provide promotional support and manages the FSW website.

The Media Institute is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization specializing in communications policy and the First Amendment. Visit www.mediainstitute.org.





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Nashville High School students wave to Scrapper band members during a send-off Monday afternoon. The band went to Little Rock for state competition. Results in next week's News-Leader.



Seniors Rayleigh Harmon and Landyn Tompkins (above) and Elli Wallis, Hayden Gray and Tucker Dixon (below) show their support for the Scrapper band during Monday's sendoff.



### Malvern

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from page 1A holding Malvern to 39 total

rushing yards. "We played the run ex-

tremely well," according to Chesshir.

"sealed the deal for a one down. seed in the playoffs and the conference title." Chesshir

The Scrappers will host the loser of this week's game between Pocahontas and

Highland when the Class 4A state playoffs begin Friday, Nov. 14.

Against Malvern, Hopson ran the ball 23 times for 176 yards and a touchdown.

Perrin rushed 33 times for 160 yards and two TDs.

Hopson was 3 of 12 pass-Friday night's win ing for 40 yards and a touch-

Cooper caught a 26-yard pass for a touchdown. Karson Chambers had a 16-yard

For the night, the Scrappers had 18 first downs.

They ran the ball 56 times for 336 yards and passed for 40 yards.

The Scrappers were penalized six times for 55

They lost the ball twice. Defensively, Williams

was the leading tackler with 10, followed by Johnson with eight, Erby and Williamson with six each.

per, Aiden Bradley, Hayden Gray, Jailyn Staggers, Trendon Northcross, Gilliam and Perrin.

### Genoa

The Genoa Central Dragons are 1-8 overall, 0-6 in district. They lost to Arka-

delphia 63-0 last week. "I have a lot of respect for the coach [Phillip Binkley], Chesshir said.

"I give him credit for continuing to coach the kids every day.

For the Scrappers, "This Other tacklers were Lucas week is about us. We have vlett, Josh Walker, Coo- to get better as we prepare for the playoffs. We need to continue to grow as we get ready" for statewide competition, Chesshir said.

### **Judge**

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four-year term in office. This year I had enough money through state aid to do a road project in Howard County. We did a resurfacing of 3.2 miles of Bright Star road from Tollette to the Schaal road intersection. Total cost was about \$440,000.

'This coming year we'll spend more money on paving than we have in a long time," the judge adds. "\$1.1 to \$1.2 million. We'll be doing not entire roads, but sections." County money will be used to repair roads near Umpire, Buck Range, and between Saratoga and Columbus.

In addition to the road projects, the county, over the last three years, is staying ahead of future needs. "I listen to people. They want their roads graded more often."

With the arrival of a new grader that's on order, the county will have five graders working daily whenever the weather permits. The goal is to keep the roads in good shape, and rural residents will see graders more often on their gravel roads.

The county has also replaced 40% of its dump trucks, added a second sidearm bush hog, and is planning to purchase a knuckle boom truck in the coming

A big "Thank You" from Judge Pinkerton goes out to the people of Howard County for making purchases like those possible. For several

years, Howard County residents paid a special sales tax to pay for the new Howard Memorial Hospital That tax was scheduled to end, but

Howard County residents voted to extend it to benefit the county and the towns in Howard County.

Because voters approved the continuation of the hospital sales tax, "Howard County and every municipality will receive extra revenue that they haven't had in the past," the judge said. The county's portion alone will be about \$1 million each year.

Other notable achievements for Howard County over the last few years include the addition of six hangars at the airport, paid for primarily by state grant money, that are now producing \$20,000 of income annually.

More importantly, by providing hangar space and increasing the number of aircraft based at Howard County Airport, the county will be receiving, starting in 2026, \$150,000 dollars yearly from the Federal Aviation Administration for maintenance and improvements at the airport.

"We've reached out to the state aeronautics commission to see if we could get a grant for another couple of hangars, a storage building, and a pilot's lounge," Judge Pinkerton said.

The pilot's lounge would give cross-country travelers, in private or corporate aircraft, a place to rest for a while before continuing their flight.

What would you like the voters of Howard County to know about your three years in office and about your candidacy for re-election? "Thank you for the op-

portunity to be the Howard County judge. It's been a privilege to serve. We've gotten a lot done together, but there's a lot more that we can do."

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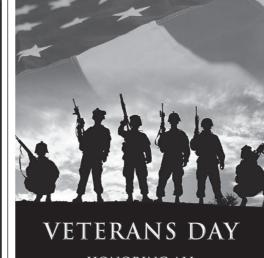
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HOLD IT HIGH. MS Hornet Coach Jarrod Jackson holds the Howard County Cup up among his players after beating Dierks Friday night in The Holler. The two 3-2A teams battled it out for the cup, which is proudly sponsored by The Nashville News-Leader.

### Hornets surprise Outlaws with 46-28 Howard County Cup win Dierks expected to wrap season at Gurdon, Hornets to host Rattlers

their trophy case but they also pretty much knocked (1-8/0-5). the Dierks Outlaws out of a 46-28 upset in The Holler Friday night in Dierks.

Head Coach Jarrod Jackson following the big conference and played with a lot of

pride and energy all night." The coach added his players really wanted the Howard County Cup back in football team." Mineral Springs "and the

quarters, they earned it." The Hornets improved to them into points. 3-6 overall and 3-3 in conference play.

"I'm really proud of our right now as a football team."

The Hornets will host the Murfreesboro Rattlers to end the regular season Fridayconference.

For the Outlaws (4-5/2-4)

The Mineral Springs Horthee conference standings 2/7 yards and one TD. nets not only secured the down below the MS Hornets Howard County Cup for and Foreman (4-5/2-4) and just above Lafayette County

the 3-2A playoff picture with with a mindset of honoring our seniors while preparing the young kids for the "Our kids and coaches offseason and next year. I were extremely focused all expect Gurdon to play hard, week," said first-year Hornet be well-coached and fight for their playoff lives."

Coach Ernest said miswin. "I felt like our players takes were costly in the bought into the game plan Howard County matchup on a cold, damp Ayers Field with "too many to beat a good football team and Mineral Springs is a good

The Outlaw offense way they competed for four turned the ball over five times and MS turned four of

The Hornets earned 282 TDs and three interceptions. yards of offense, splitting between the passing game with team and where we're at 103 yards and the rush with

32 attempts for 179 yards. Hornet quarterback Keithen Dixon led the rushing with 21 carries for 72 yards night. The Rattler are 5-4 on and two touchdowns and the season and are also 3-3 in also hit 9/14 passes including a TD strike. Adding to the rushing total were and Coach Paul Ernest, the freshman Jamerian Staten season will likely wrap in with 5/62 yards and one Gurdon (5-4/4-2) this Thurs- TD, Nunally with 4/32 yards

Dixon's pass receivers yards, Keiandrian Nunally with 3/24 yards and one 'We're going into Gurdon TD, and AK Olden with 2/23

> Freshman Hornet Carter Steward led the MS tackle chart with 10 solos stops followed by Nunally with nine and Camarion Stuart with six. The Hornet defense had three interceptions in The Holler, including one each from Staten, Decayvion White and Damoney Nolan. White returned his pick for

The Outlaws had 382 yards of offense with 234 coming via the pass and 148 on 39 rushing attempts.

Dierks QB Maclane Smith hit 17/40 passes with two

Dierks' receivers included en Ernest 7/7 for 88 vards and one TD, Treaton Alexander 2/2 for 32 yards and one TD and Thatcher 4/5 for 64

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vards. Madison Hill caught 2/3 passes for 28 yards and included Staten with 4/56 Peyton Boeckman added 2/2 for 22 yards. Drake Thatcher led the

Outlaw ground game with 14 carries for 98 yards and one TD followed by QB Smith with 23 carries for 48 yards and one aTD.

Eligah Hawthorne led the Outlaw defense with seven solo stops followed by Tomas Salgado, Maxton Greene and Mason Smith with four each.

The Hornets were penalized 11 times for 77 yards and the outlaws were flagged six

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2/10 on third downs and fourth downs. MS had eight the Outlaws earning 19.

Mineral Springs' offense posted 16 points on runs by Carter Steward and Cortney Thomas and their defense blanked the Outlaws in the in the fourth on a one-yard first quarter. The Outlaws got on the board in the second quarter when QB Smith hit Ernest for a 17-yard TD. MS responded with a 14yard TD pass to Nunally for minute left when Smith hit

a 24-6 lead at the half. The Hornets opened the reception.

times for 45 yards. MS was second-half scoring with a 61-yard rushing TD by Dierks was 7/16 and 1/2 on Thomas. MS' defense then scored on White's pick-six first downs in the game with interception. Dierks answered with a 20-yard TD run by Thatcher but the Outlaw trailed 38-14 going into the final quarter.

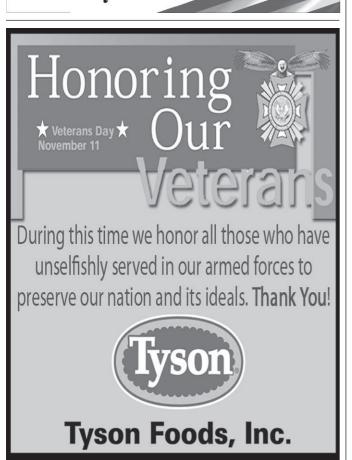
Dierks QB Smith scored run that was answered with a 15-yard TD run by Hornet Olden.

The final points of the game came with just over a Alexander for a 21-yard TD

### **NOTICE:**

The Rattlers@Mineral Springs game day has been changed from Thursday to Friday night The Dierks Outlaws will play at Gurdon Thursday Night







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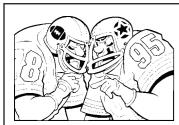




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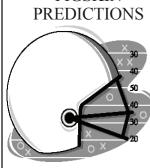
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Haskell Harmony at Bauxite	Bauxite	Bauxite	Bauxite
Ashdown at Fountain Lake	Ftn Lake	Ftn.Lake	Ftn.Lake
Southern Mississippi at Arkansas State	ASU	ASU	ASU
Texas Tech at Kansas State	TTech	TTech	TTech
Georgia at Mississippi State	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia
Texas A&M at Missouri	A&M	A&M	A&M
LSU at Alabama	Bama	Bama	Bama
Auburn at Vanderbilt	Vandy	Vandy	Vandy
Genoa Central at Nashville	Nashville	Nashville	Nashville



News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER Jacoby Hopson (15) looks for a receiver during Nashville's 35-14 road win over Malvern Oct. 31. With the win, the Scrappers won the 7-4A conference championship and the district's top seed going into the state playoffs starting Nov. 14 in Nashville.

of the Leader office, or email screenshot of newspaper entry to tracy@nashvilleleader.com or mail your entry form to PO Box 205, Nashville, AR 71852 (must be postmarked by Friday). Only one entry per person per week. No copies please.

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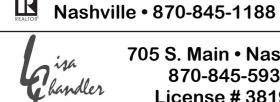
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### Rattlers fall to Spring Hill Bears on the road, heading to MS Friday night

The Murfreesboro Rattlers lost to Spring Hill on the road 20-14 last Friday night, setting up a crucial game this week at Mineral Springs.

The Rattlers now sit at 5-4 overall and 3-3 in conference

Head coach Jay Turley has said for the past few weeks he preferred the Rattlers remain in control of their own destiny. That fact remains for the Rattlers – with a win Friday, they would earn a playoff berth as the 3-2A conference's fourth seed. Should the Hornets prevail, the Rattlers will conclude the 2025 season and watch the playoffs from afar.

Mineral Springs holds a 3-6 record overall and a 3-3 mark in conference. The Hornets have improved greatly as the season has gone along after an 0-5 start. They defeated Dierks 46-22 on the road last week.

The winner of Friday's game would travel to either Hampton or Carlisle, depending on this week's results, with Hampton holding the tiebreaker over Carlisle in a head-to-head victory earlier this season.

### This weekend at Cossatot River State Park-Natural Area

Saturday, Nov. 8 Leaf Peep Hike

9a.m. Harris Creek Trailhead

As the days get shorter, and nights grow longer and cooler, biochemical processes in leaves begin to paint the landscape with nature's autumn palette. Hike the Harris Creek Trail with a park interpreter in search of fall colors in the trees. This is a 3.5-mile round trip hike rated moderate

Saturday, Nov. 8 Survival Skills

3p.m. Sandbar Campground

Do you know the rule of 3? Join a park interpreter and earn basic fire starting skills, orienteering, and more!

Sunday, Nov. 9

Orienteering

10a.m. Visitor Center Amph.

No service at your campsite? No worries! Forgo the online map and learn how to use a compass with a park interpreter. We will discuss how to brush up on basic compass skills. (Program best suited for adults and kids 12+)

Sunday, Nov. 9 **Fall Watercolors** 

11a.m. Low Water Bridge

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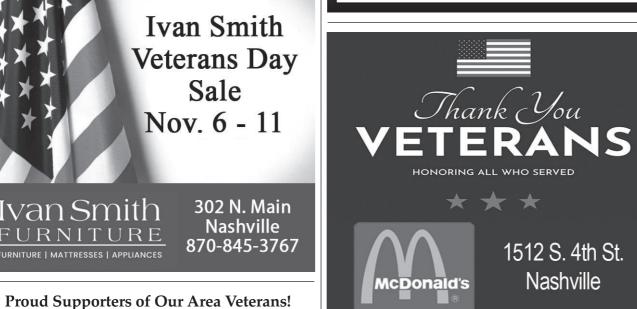
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Bryce Perrin (11) scores for the Scrappers in their 35-14 victory over Malvern Halloween night. With the win, Nashville secured the District 7-4A championship.

# Halloween treats for Scrappers with victory over Malvern



Cortez Cooper scored for Nashville in the second quarter of last Friday's win



The Scrappers take the field at Malvern Halloween night ahead of their 35-14 win

over the Leopards. With the victory, Nashville earned the district championship and a number one seed going into the Class 4A state playoffs. The Scrappers will host Pocahontas or Highland in the opening round Friday, Nov. 14



Wearing their Halloween costumes, Scrapper cheerleaders and students dance at the pep rally Friday afternoon, Oct. 31, at Scrapper Gym. The pep rally preceded Nashville's win over Malvern, which sealed the District 7-4A title for the Scrappers, their first since 2020.



Jacoby Hopson (15) passes to Bryce Perrin Halloween



Abari Williams (33) tackles the Malvern Leopard Oct. 31 in Nashville's road victory. The Scrappers will wrap up the regular season Nov. 7 at home against Genoa.



Luis Flores (13) kicks the PAT off the hold by Hayden Gray in the Scrappers' 35-14 victory over the Malvern Leopards.



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News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER DaVonte Gilliam (3) and Jailyn Staggers (0) stop the Malvern ball carrier during the

Scrappers' road win over the Leopards.

### Junior Scrappers win district title

High Scrappers won the for 25 yards. District 7-4A championship by defeating Malvern 20-12 Thursday night, Oct. 30, at Scrapper Stadium.

Coach John Martin was named the 7-4A Coach of the Year.

Scrapper defenders forced two turnovers against the Leopards. Zee Beasley intercepted a Malvern pass, and Bo Dean forced a fumble which was recovered by Lucas Lowrey.

Mack Arnold completed 7 of 12 passes for 24 yards.

The Nashville Junior He also ran the ball 8 times tackles and a sack. Malik Jakari Starr had 25 carries

for 155 yards and all three Scrapper touchdowns. Dean caught one pass for

eight yards. Beasley made five receptions for 11 yards, and Al Green had one catch for 5

For the night, the Scrappers had 204 yards total offense, including 180 rushing and 24 passing.

Green was Nashville's leading tackler with 8.5.

Bo Dean (2), Braiden Friend (56) and Caleb Mounts (17) tackle the Malvern Leopard.

Mike Aylett and Dr. Glenn Lance called the Nashville Junior High games on KMTB.

Kiron Johnson had 7.5

Gilliam made 5 tackles and

a sack. Dean had 6 tackles.

Other Scrapper tacklers were Caleb Mounts, Bay Nolte, Braiden Friend, Royce Johnson, Yerik Hernandez, Jahce Curry, Beasley and Lowrey.

The Scrappers ended the season 8-1.

Nashville went 3-0 against Malvern last Thursday night. The seventh graders defeated the Leopards 12-12, and the eighth graders won 28-14.

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OUACHITA

Gerry Crowder, former women's basketball coach at

Ouachita Baptist University, was inducted into OBU's

Athletics Hall of Fame last week. Crowder is the school's

all-time winningest women's coach. Among his former

players is Magen Scrivner, NJHS Scrapperette basket-

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The Nashville Junior Scrappers won the District 7-4A championship Oct. 30.



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Coach John Martin was named 7-4A Coach of the Year after the game. The coach and his family include daughter Kinley, wife Kayla, Coach Martin and daughter Jacee.



Jakari Starr (1) takes off on a touchdown run with help from Jacob Hale (65) and Ace McKinnon (58). The Scrappers defeated Malvern 20-12.

NJHS Scrappers, District 7-4A champs, 8-1 overall record Coaches John Martin, Zac

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Players of the Week as selected by The Leader sports department

Bryce Perrin, Nashville



Bryce, a Scrap**per junior**, ran the ball 33 times for 160 yards and two touchdowns in Nashville's 35-14 road win over Malvern Halloween night. He also saw time on defense and posted a tackle.



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### Against All Odds: Dierks High School secures nearly 2 million votes to win T-Mobile Friday Night 5G Lights contest

The votes are in and after an electrifying run that invotes cast nationwide for the Top 25 finalists, T-Mobile named Dierks High School the Friday Night 5G Lights champion — a title that comes with a \$1 million field upgrade.

In a microcosm of what makes small-town America special, the community of 900 rallied together to scrap, hustle and inspire people across the world to join its cause. After securing nearly 2 million votes, Dierks joins 2024 winner Inola, Okla., as proof that determination and hard work can catapult the biggest underdog to victory.

Now in its second year, Friday Night 5G Lights continues to celebrate community, connection and the unstoppable energy of smalltown pride that high school football inspires. From kickoff to the final vote, this year's competition went bigger, better and bolder, with more than 2,100 schools stepping up for their shot at the grand prize.

"This year took everything up a notch, with more schools, more votes and more heart," said Jon Freier, president, T-Mobile Consumer Group.

The Spirit That Won It All

cluded more than 8 million is a way of life. This tightknit community has always packed the stands on Friday nights to cheer on the Outlaws. And this season, that hometown pride caught national attention thanks to students' incredible push on social media, beginning with why they deserved the win along with highlighting their school spirit during pep rallies and home celebrations

They also brought some serious energy for Friday Night 5G Lights social challenges, like "Magenta Week" where DHS students danced in the "Mannequin Challenge," where even elementary students joined the ac-

The support poured in from every direction — the stands, the sidelines and across the state — turning this campaign into a true community movement that soon stretched well beyond

That wave of small-town spirit kept building as students used their growing online momentum to rally support from across the country, and it worked. Encouragement poured in from big names like Arkansas Governor Sarah Huckabee, former NFL running back Dar-

In Dierks — population Larry The Cable Guy and just under 900 — football Jeff Foxworthy, NASCAR racer Austin Dillon, former NFL player and University of Arkansas quarterback Matt Jones and Miss ArkansasKennedy Holland.

"Dierks High School showed up in a big way for this year's Friday Night 5G Lights contest," said Patrick Mahomes, three-time Super Bowl MVP and Friday Night 5G Lights ambassador. "The energy, the community, the spirit, that's what Friday Night Lights is all about. I can't wait to see their wellearned field upgrade!"

On average, supporters cast their votes for Dierks an average of five times each, a testament to the dedication and heart this small town poured into every click, share and challenge.

A Win Worth a Million For more than 20 years, the Outlaws' stadium has gone without any upgrades, but that's all about to change.

As this year's grand prize winner, Dierks will receive a major stadium transformation valued at \$1 million along with a Gronk Fitness weight room renovation, consultation with stadium experience experts, an all-expenses-paid trip to the SEC Championship Game on Dec. 6 for 16 school repren McFadden, comedians resentatives and a tailgate

party revealing the finalized upgrades in 2026 — all designed to give the Outlaws' home field a high-tech glow to match their grit.

"The Outlaws brought their A-game and hustled their way to the top with their unbelievable determination and passion these past few weeks," said Rob Gronkowski, four-time Super Bowl Champion and Friday Night 5G Lights ambassador. "They showed up big time and now they'll have the stadium they deserve."

"I think what makes this win so special is how seen our community feels," said Paul Ernest, Outlaw head football coach. "In a small town, kids sometimes hear it's time to give up those big dreams. But this win from T-Mobile tells them the opposite — it says it's okay to keep dreaming, to keep fighting for those astronaut and rock star moments. And that's a beautiful thing."

Small Towns, Big **Spirit Across the Nation** 

While Dierks took home the grand prize, the race came down to the wire with Lebanon High School in Oregon neck and neck with Dierks until the very end, rallying its community with nearly 1.5 million votes.

Both communities turned out in full force, generating

Nov 14th 9:45am-12:00pm High School Gym Once in a lifetime celebration!

MORE CELEBRATION PLANNED with a community rally to be held Friday, Nov. 14 at DHS gym.

3.4 million votes just between Dierks and Lebanon alone. It became a true horse race to the finish, showcasing the incredible spirit, determination and support that define small-town America. For their effort, Lebanon High School will receive \$100,000 as the runner-up,

while Dexter Regional High School in Maine will take home \$50,000 for its thirdplace finish.

In all, the Top 25 schools received over \$1 million, helping fund upgrades, celebrations and future projects that will help empower their communities.

### **Veterans** Day event **Nov. 11** at M'boro SAC

A Veterans Day program will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. in the Murfreesboro Senior Adult Center (SAC) Building.

The SAC is located at 120 E. Court Street in Murfreesboro.

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### **HOME&HEART** November is Diabetes Awareness Month

By Angie Freel **Howard County Family** & Consumer Science

A close family member was recently diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes. He took this news very seriously and made great efforts at educating himself. He learned what foods to eat and has radically changed his diet resulting in normalized blood sugar levels and was able to completely eliminate high blood pressure medication.

He's not alone in his diagnosis. November marks National Diabetes Awareness **Month**, a time to shine a light on a chronic condition that affects over 345,000 Arkansans—roughly 13% of the adult population. In parts of Arkansas where access to healthcare and healthy food options can be limited, the impact of diabetes is especially

This year's national theme, "It All Matters," reminds us that every step—whether it's learning about risk factors, supporting a loved one, or making healthier choicescontributes to the fight against diabetes.

Understanding the Local Impact

Diabetes is more than just a blood sugar issue. It's a leading cause of heart disease, kidney failure, blindness, and amputations. In Arkansas alone, the cost of diagnosed diabetes exceeds \$4.9 billion annually, including medical expenses and lost productivity. How You Can Help

Get screened: If you have a family history of diabetes or are over age 45, talk to

your healthcare provider about getting an out November.

**Support others**: Join or start a local support group. Sharing stories and strategies can make a big difference.

Take Action. If you are diagnosed with diabetes, educate yourself and take the steps to manage your blood sugar with healthy food as much as possible.

**Spread awareness**: Use hashtags like #DiabetesAwareness and #KnowYour-**Numbers** on social media to educate others.

Diabetes doesn't have to define a person's life. With education, support, and early intervention, individuals can live full, healthy lives. Let's use this month to come together as a community and take action because in the fight against diabetes, every effort matters.

Residents of Howard County are fortunate; we have access to a great hospital and access to free or low-cost diabetes education programs. November 6, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Howard Memorial Hospital (HMH) lobby, you're invited to a free Diabetes Health Fair where you can get practical tools for managing the disease, get you're A1C checked, and including sample a delicious diabetic dessert, Pumpkin No Bake Cheesecake, prepared by local dietician and health fair host - Denise Graves.

While you're visiting, be sure to stop by the HMH cafeteria and enjoy a tasty, diabetes-friendly meal. These special meals will be available every Thursday through-

November 6 – Seasonal Baked Cod Pouch with Brown Rice

November 13 – Unstuffed Eggroll November 20 - Roasted Chicken with

Vegetables and Cranberries

November 26 – Slow-Cooker Beef Stew Recipe of the Week

Seasonal Baked Fish Pouch

Foil or parchment pouches are an easy way to make perfectly cooked and seasoned fish with vegetables. By sealing the edges of the pouches, you'll seal in all the moistness. The result—lots of savory sauciness in the pouch after cooking, with no clean up! Thank you to Denise Graves for providing this week's recipe!

#### **Ingredients**:

4 cups of bite-size non-starch vegetables, like broccoli, peppers, yellow squash, zuc-

6 teaspoons of extra virgin olive oil

½ teaspoon of sea salt, divided 16 ounces of white fish, like halibut or cod (divided into 4 (4 ounce) fillets

1 shallot, finely chopped 4 teaspoons lemon juice, divided

1 teaspoon of dried herbs like rosemary

Preheat the oven to 425° F. Cut a sheet of parchment paper or aluminum foil into 4 (12-inch) square pieces.

Top the right half of each square with, in order: 1 cup vegetables, 1½ tsp oil, a dash (about 1/16 tsp) of salt, 1 fish fillet, 1 Tbsp

shallot, 1 tsp lemon juice, ¼ tsp herbs, and a dash of salt.

Fold the left side of each square over the ingredients. Seal the edges well. Place the pouches on a baking sheet. Bake for 18 minutes, until the vegetables are tender and the fish is flaky, with an internal temperature of at least 145° F. Let the fish stand for about 5 minutes, then carefully open the pouches and serve, in or out of the pouch.

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### Cattle markets react to proposed tariff changes; consumer beef prices expected to remain steady in the short term

By Ryan McGeeney U of A System Division of Agriculture

While recent headlines suggesting changes in U.S. tariffs on South American beef imports are raising eyebrows and nudging markets,

the fundamentals of supply plan to lower beef prices for

Donald J. Trump suggested a James Mitchell, extension

and demand will remain American consumers was intact for beef producers in in the works. The proposal Arkansas and elsewhere for involves expanding the tariff the foreseeable future, cattle rate quota on Argentinian market experts said Monday. beef from 20,000 metric tons On Oct. 16, U.S. President to 80,000 metric tons, said

Beef prices in the U.S. have risen in recent years largely as a result of shrinking supply and steady demand. The U.S. total beef cattle inventory is at its lowest since 1951, with about 94.2 million head.

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would still be a minuscule portion of the overall U.S. beef market. A September report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture forecast U.S. beef imports at 5.4 billion pounds — just over 18 percent of total U.S. beef consumption.

However, Mitchell said, discussion of raising the Argentinian beef tariff quota is only one of several factors making cattle producers nervous.

"There are also talks of easing feeder cattle import restrictions on Mexico, which were put in place because of the New World Screwworm in Mexico," Mitchell said. "Yesterday, news broke about discussions of easing tariffs on Brazil. Brazil has been a high market for U.S. beef imports the last few years as well.

that markets are having to sort through," he said. "This has significantly impacted

economist for the University the futures market — and these markets are all connected. The futures market He said that while this is going to have an impact would quadruple the on cash prices, although amount of Argentinian beef it's too early to tell how big entering the U.S. market, it an impact that will have, but a negative impact is expected.

Feeder and live cattle futures fell significantly over the 12 days following the Argentinian tariff announcement. The Chicago Mercantile Exchange December live cattle futures contract, for example, fell from about \$247 per hundredweight on Oct. 16 to about \$224 on Oct. 27. During that same timeframe, CME November feeder cattle futures fell from about \$380 per hundredweight to below \$339.

is already cutting into pro- have to start feeding hay in grocery prices.

'We're already importing quite a bit of beef, as a part of overall consumption," he said. "But anything that "That's three proposals moves the market is going to impact profitability in either direction.

"Part of the problem is markets learn more."

that this is happening at a very bad time of year for our producers," Mitchell said. "Most of our cattle operations have cows that calve in the spring, and those operations are selling calves in the fall. To the extent that these events spill over into the cash market and impact those cattle prices negatively, that will impact profitability."

Beef prices in the U.S. have risen in recent years largely as a result of shrinking supply and steady demand. The U.S. total beef cattle inventory is at its lowest since 1951, with about 94.2 million head. The declining herd size, Mitchell said, is partly due to ongoing drought conditions, which make it more expensive to maintain herds through the winter.

"Droughts that impact fall grazing are a big problem and could stall some herd expansion," Mitchell While market speculation said. "It impacts when you ducers' profitability, Mitchell and decisions about heifer said that consumers won't retention and how many likely notice much change cows to keep through the fall and winter.

> "It's still going to be a record year for profitability," he said. "This isn't going to turn balance sheets from black to red. The fundamentals are still there, but we all need to pay close attention as







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### **Howard County** deputy clerk announces bid for office

**Howard County Deputy** Circuit Clerk Alana Miller has announced her plans to seek the office of Howard County Circuit Clerk. The following is Miller's announcement:

"After a lot of thought, prayer, and discussions with the people I trust most, I've decided to announce my candidacy as the Republican candidate for Howard County Circuit Clerk. I am currently a deputy in the Circuit Clerk's office here in Howard County. During my time in this office, I've gained a strong understanding of all the computer programs and systems essential to the daily operations of the office. I promise to bring a blend of professional experience, compassionate service, and competent leadership to the office, while continuing the path of advancements already put in place by the current Circuit Clerk, Angie Lewis, along with the support of the current staff.

This community means so much to me, while it is not the community where I was raised, it is the community I have chosen to live in and grow my family. I am running for Circuit Clerk because I believe in the power accountability, and compas-



Alana Miller and husband, Verton

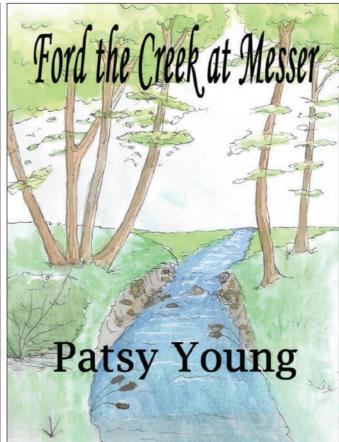
local government. I am committed to bringing my skills and experience to serve the people of Howard County with integrity.

'My husband, Verton Miller, is a lifelong resident of Howard County, and takes great pride in volunteering in his community. He is a member of the Center Point Volunteer Fire Department and Nashville Fire Department. We are members of Center Point Missionary Baptist Church.

"I want to continue to bring a spirit of honesty,

Clerk's office should be a place where people feel confident that their needs will be met and their questions answered- not just processed, but truly helped. "Over the coming

months, I'll be available in the community-listening, learning, and sharing my vision of how the office can work best for everyone in Howard County. I'd be honored to earn your support, your vote, and to hear your ideas. Together we can continue making a positive difference. Thank you for believing in me and in the of efficient and accessible sion to the job. The Circuit future of our community."



HOWARD COUNTY AUTHOR'S NEW BOOK OUT. Ford the Creek at Messer, a historical adventure novel written by Patsy Young is now available at Reese's Mercantile in Dierks, Life's a Hoot at Nashville and Gypsy Underground in Murfreesboro. It is also available online at Amazon Books. The setting is Howard County, Arkansas in 1943. There is a shortage of men as they go to fight in foreign lands. German prisoners of war arrive in Southwest Arkansas to work in timber and on peach orchards. What happens when one prisoner walks off the work detail on Murray's Peach Orchard, fords Messer Creek and stumbles upon three innocent children at the creek? Young is the author of a memoir, Lochridge Place, that documents growing up in rural Arkansas in the 1950s. She is included in the new release of An Arkansas Anthology, a collection of writings by Arkansas authors. She has won several awards for her work. This month The Ozark Writing League awarded her first-place honors for an article on growing up rural. Her first novel is based on facts and information she gleamed from older residents of Howard County. Except for Aunt Lou and Uncle Charlie, the characters are all a figment of her imagination.

### Circuit clerk to retire after 23 years of county service

News 3B

Howard County Circuit Angie Lewis has announced her plans for retirement. The following is her announcement, which includes an endorsement for her "trusted" deputy clerk:

"Tȟank you citizens of Howard County for allowing me to serve you for the last 11 years. In 2014, you elected me to this post and I have done my best to bring this office into the digital world. When I went to work in the Circuit Clerk's office almost 23 years ago, we didn't even use internet. Our office is completely digital now and your real estate and court records have never been more secure. I have utilized grants to make sure that we have top notch

equipment and tech support. "Î am 62 now and Î feel it's time to retire from fulltime public service. I would like to do some writing and photography and enjoy my golden years here on the ranch.

"I am endorsing my trusted deputy Alana Miller to run in my place.

"She and her husband live in Center Point and she worked at the Hempstead County Courthouse before she came to work in Howard County. She knows all of the complicated computer programs that we use in our office and the five accounting systems as well as the jury software that we use.

"She's honest, hard working and eager to help all the citizens of Howard County."

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### Dierks art program enters national 'Custom Cruiser' contest

Votes needed to determine winner

Dierks High School is proud to participate in the nationwide Crosley Custom Cruiser Contest, where students from over 200 high schools across the U.S. have transformed the iconic Crosley Cruiser Record Player into original works of art. The Outlaw community is invited to support our students by voting from November 3–7.

How to Vote (Nov. 3-7)

- Visit: crosleyradio.com/cruiser-contest
- Browse entries in five geographic regions
- Vote once per day in each region
- Share + encourage community support

Regional winners determined by public vote will move forward to the national judging round. Then, a Crosley panel will evaluate creativity, craftsmanship, and thematic storytelling to select the Grand Prize

#### **Prizes**

- Grand Prize: \$2,500 for the school's art program + up to 25 Cruiser Record Players for the participating
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Place: \$500 for the school's art program
- Best Social Media Video: \$500 for the school's art program + up to 25 Cruiser Record Players for the participating students

The contest promotes hands-on creativity and supports the arts at a time when many school programs face limited funding. It also encourages students to see music not just as entertainment, but as something that brings people together.

"Getting vinyl into the hands of the next generation isn't just about nostalgia — it's about giving students a tangible, tactile connection to music," said Andrea Wellkamp, VP of Product Development and Merchandising at Crosley. "There's something powerful about holding a record, placing the needle, and really listening. It teaches patience, care, and shared experience. These students aren't just creating art, they're becoming part of music culture in a real and meaningful way."

"We wanted this contest to encourage communities to come together to lift up young artists," said Keith Starr, President of Crosley. "When people vote, they're not just choosing a design, they're showing students that their creativity matters."

#### **About the Contest**

Originally piloted in Kentucky in 2024, the Custom Cruiser Contest has expanded to a national initiative supporting art classrooms across the United States. Crosley sent participating schools a Cruiser Record Player on which they could draw, paint, or more to create a design the world has never seen before. The schools get to keep the record player along with donated vinyl. This year's theme, "Band Together," encourages students to interpret unity, collaboration, culture, and the power of music in their own visual styles.

Each school submitted:

- 7 images of their customized Crosley Cruiser turntable • A short design statement explaining their inspiration
- **About Crosley Radio**

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Karen Allen's Class -- Javier Bearden, Ethan Hale, Samuel Hernandez, Savannah McElyea, Teagan Sanders, Madelyn Teague, Anna Troutt.

Kayla Coulter's Class-- Bryson Hill, Cataleya Marshall, Naomi Sanchez, Ava Williams.

<u>Dana Darling's Class -- Morgan Gills</u>, Jameson Shaver, Lillian Smith, Isaiah Teresa.

Kaitlyn Hanney's Class -- Kacen Holliman, Winter Wallace, Kade Linhoff, Tripp Troutt, A'jiah Miller, Jehsey Jones, Melody Capetillo, Kambryn Womack, Alexander Cardona, Juliette Sullivan, Madani Valente.

Jennifer Hill's Class -- Daleyza Fraire, Taiya Hall, Brandon Holmes, Mason Willingham.

Becky Horne's Class -- Enrique Alonso, Baylor Casper, Andrea Castro, Ethan Darling, Melany Hughes, Braven Hunter, Jaxon Morrow<u>.</u>

#### Third Grade All A

<u>Julie Backus' Class</u> -- Ari Briggs, Miriam Dowdy, Jostin Garcia, Audrey Gunter, Kiptin Horn, Drake McAdams, Francisco Pizarro.

Haley Davis' Class -- Oakleigh Pedron, Jazlyn Sanchez. <u>Tesla Gills' Class</u> -- Kora Bagley, Lathen Watts, Connor Brackeen, Haven Goodwin, Ryan Jones, Braxton Lewis, Bryson Seavers.

Heather Harmon's Class -- Kelsyn Scrivner, Rayner Johnson, Baylor Brasel.

Jennifer Johnson's Class -- Lexi Bohn, Phuong Nghi Dinh, Luke Scott, Nathan Topor, Brayden Venable.

Brittany Moore's Class -- Sophia Harris, Sarai Hernan-

Virginia Schwope's Class -- Isaac Bean, Blake Benson, Quade Dinger, Laylah Green, Layla Grissom, Millie Petty, Eleanor Pierce, Tripp Turner.

#### Second Grade A & B

Karen Allen's Class -- Graham Askew, Veronica Hernandez, Amir Walker, Khylie Jones, Hudson Mote, August

Kayla Coulter's Class -- Grant Boyce, Evan Chandler,

The Honor Roll for the first nine-week grade period has Evelyn Fuentes, River Hugg, Leonidas McGhee, Lailah Moore, Aleida Ornelas, Ethan Phillips, Alan Rodriguez, Trenton Smith, Clay Sullivan, Miriam Tollett.

<u>Dana Darling's Class</u> -- Mason Clay, Noemi Escamilla, Amari Fultcher, Charlie Harris, Etta Hawthorne, Ariana Hunter, Khyrie Jones, Kanden Keels, Anniston Mcgee, Eli

Kaitlyn Hanney's Class -- Ma'Kayla McNeal, Bishop Green, Marcus Reid Montgomery, Leonardo Hines, Michael Barker, JaLyric Gulley, Jennifer Hill's Class -- Kutter Clay, Everleigh Gardner,

Lorenzo Hines, Cason Lockhart, Maxton McCauley, Madeline Mendez, Jayden Patel, Jenna Watson.

Becky Horne's Class -- Faithlyn Harris, Matthew Hawkins, Ahian Mendoza, Andres Navarrete, Aubrey

#### Third Grade A & B

<u>Julie Backus' Class</u> -- Sadie Bailey, Deangelo Finley, Tyree Gulley, Adalynn Langston, Mateo Medina, Avery Myers, Jaylynna Rather, Galo Salazar, Zahara Walker, Fisher Westfall.

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Green, Zoe Nunez, Karson Rosenbaum, Francisco Pineda, Mateo Ruiz. Heather Harmon's Class -- Caeli Zaragoza, Amelia Solo-

rio, Harley Sharp, Wyatt Roberts, Kayden Johnson, Jordan Harberson, Daleyza Gomez, Kyleck Dansby.

Jennifer Johnson's Class -- Brody Backus, Kyla Benson, Maeslyn Berruquin, Aylan Hernandez, Emma Joy Jacques, Mateo Pacheco, Javier Sanchez, Sophia Simmons, Pam

Brittany Moore's Class -- Hunter Dean, Aiyden Farris, Kennedy Ginda, Jeremiah Hibberd, Joshua Land, Joaquin Padilla, Liam Paz, Gavin Roberts, Oaklyn Self.

<u>Virginia Schwope's Class</u> -- Reed Chesshir, Alex Fraga Hernandez, Katherin Garate, Brayson Griffin, Jack Griffin, Victoria Murillo, Olivia Poulton, Rhodey White.

Second and third grade counselor is Vicki Cook.

#### Pike County HAM Radio Club to meet Nov. 8

Pike County HAM Radio Club will hold its November meeting at Terri's Place in Murfreesboro. The meeting will start at 9 am on Saturday, Nov. 8. Any resident interested in attending the meeting and learn more about ham radios is invited to attend.



- 2. in the U.S. there are over three \_\_ members (including adults); worldwide there are 10 million girls and adults in 146 countries
- are grouped by grade: Daisies (K-1), Brownies (2-3), -8) Seniors (9-10) A
- 4. they meet in groups at schools, churches and homes and are led
- by adult scout leaders who help them \_ 5. Girl Scouts keep learning and doing; they earn
- and wildlife while having fun hiking, camping 6. they learn about \_
- skills by selling cookies and earning money 7. they gain 8. they take field trips to visit places and mingle with \_ and respectful...
- 9. Girl Scouts try to be honest, friendly, caring, \_ tips, how to live well, and even learn some first aid service projects, like food drives, are high on their lists
- 12. Girl Scouts work to "...make the \_

#### motor for our robot again. Fill in the blanks to spell the names of some of the badges girls can work Learning and on and earn. Then, find and circle all of the subjects in the "badge." TNKP ELERTHL **Earning!**

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(Above) Tim Quinn, left, and Bryon Crow, right, won the two \$100 raffledrawing prizes awarded during this year's fundraising event for Ozan

Rural Volunteer Fire Department. Ozan Fire Captain Scott Garringer is presenting the awards.

The grand prize winner was Logan Johnson (at right), who won a 360 Buckhammer Rifle, presented below by Fire Chief David Stallsworth.



### Holiday Craft Sale in two M'boro locations

The third annual Murfreesboro Holiday Craft Sale is set for Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Murfreesboro Municipal Building and Murfreesboro Senior

In addition to all the great gift purchase possibilities, attendees will also be able to satisfy their hunger with Kirk Stone's Flying S Barbeque onsite as well as Pike County 4-H serving up biscuits and gravy for the early shoppers and snacks plus hot dogs in the municipal building kitchen.

A few spaces are still left for vendors, event director Robin Cox said, noting an effort to make things exciting for both vendors and attendees.

"We try to keep a good variety of crafters with not

many vendors with repeat items. Some vendors may have items in the same category but also have other items as well. Multi-level marketing companies or retail sells are not allowed."

If you are interested in being a vendor, email Darrenandrobin3@gmail.com you will be sent an application.

"Please help support these local crafters by coming to shop on November 15," Cox said, noting that vendors would be from mostly southwest Arkansas – Nashville, Glenwood, Pearcy, Hope, Arkadelphia and Ashdown. "We try to keep it local handmade."

Items that can be purchased will include quilts, woodworking, paintings, sublimation items such as tumblers, t-shirts, goat milk soaps, jewelry, toys, ceramics, tallow balms, essential oils, crocheted plushies and Christmas ornaments/décor. Homemade goodies such as macaroons, sourdough bread, freeze-dried candy, jams/jellies and cookies and candies will also be available for pur-

The event will also draw for door prizes - a pair of \$25 Texas Roadhouse gift cards will be given away. Registration will be accepted at both venues, so attendees are encouraged to enter once at both locations. You need not be present to win.

Pike County 4-H will also be on hand selling various brittles, Texas Roadhouse rolls and honey butter as part of their ongoing fundraising campaigns.

### Murfreesboro sex offender arrested in Glenwood park

A Murfreesboro man has been charged in Pike County with being a sex offender at a playground.

Timothy Allen Tigue, 52, was charged Oct. 31 with being a registered offender prohibited from entering a water park, swimming area or children's playground contained within a public park. Tigue made his first court appearance Monday and pleaded innocent to the charge. A Jan. 12 pretrial date was set.

According to case information, a Ğlenwood city officer was patrolling at the by the officer and arrested. Caddo River public access in Glenwood when the officer saw Tigue's vehicle parked at the access. The officer knew Tigue to be a Level 3 sex offender and had encountered him at the John Benjamin park where Tigue was informed of a change in the law that prohibits him from being present in a public parks that are maintained by the city.

Tigue was parked by another vehicle and was in the passenger seat of that vehicle when approached

Also on Oct. 31, felony charges of residential burglary, theft of property and criminal mischief were filed against William Young, 53, of Glenwood.

According to case information, Young was arrested in connection to a break-in on Coker Street in Glenwood in March during which items were stolen that included gold plated dinnerware, jewelry and internal parts from an antique grandfather clock.

### Seven Pike County defendants enter guilty, 'true' pleas Monday

Richard Lemons, 37, of

Seven defendants were sentenced Monday in Pike County Circuit Court.

Austin Swanger, 28, no address available, pleaded "true" to violating the terms of his probation and was sentenced to six years in the Arkansas Department of Corrections (ADC) with three years suspended.

Natosha Homan, 39, of Glenwood, pleaded "true" to violating the terms of probation and guilty to possession of drug paraphernalia and was sentenced to six years in the ADC with three years suspended.

Bonnerdale, pleaded guilty to fleeing and possession of a firearm by a certain person and was sentenced to 10 years in the ADC with five years suspended.

Springs, pleaded guilty to possession of methamphetamine with purpose to deliver and was sentenced to  $10\,\mbox{years}$  in the ADC with five years suspended.

Kevin Stockton, 37, of Glenwood, pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance and drug para- of mental health services.

phernalia and was sentenced to six years in the AD with two years suspended.

Ryan McKamie, 31, of Kirby, pleaded guilty to failure to register as a sex offender and was sentenced to 120 days in the Pike County jail Britney Haney, 28, of Hot and fined \$2,000 plus a sex offender fee.

> Matthew Montgomery, 46, of Hot Springs, pleaded guilty to felony terroristic threatening and was sentenced to five years of probation, fined \$1,500 and ordered to complete two years

### Commodities coming to Murfreesboro Nov. 19

Bank will distribute TEFAP USDA Food Boxes directly from their truck on Wednesday, Nov. 19, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. or until all boxes have been distributed.

Recipients must come inside the Murfreesboro Municipal building located at 204 E. Main St. to check in. Check-In starts at 7:00. Once checked in, recipients will go back to their vehicle and proceed to line up along 2nd Ave & Owens St. towards First United Meth-

Harvest Regional Food odist Church. Food boxes Municipal building. Next will be loaded directly into Mobile Pantry is scheduled vehicles from the back of the for Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2026.

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NOTICE

Last known address of decedent: 1002 N. 15th Nashville, Arkansas 71852

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This notice first published the 29th day of October, 2025 Barbara Peeples, Persona Representative HYDEN, MIRON & FOSTER, PLLC - James W. Hyden,

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**PLAINTIFF** No. 31CV-25-6

**DEFENDANT** 

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WARNING ORDER

FREDRICK TROTTER

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HOWARD COUNTY CUP RETURNS TO MINERAL SPRINGS. After a two-year absence, the Howard County Cup was back in the MS Hornet trophy case this week after the Hornets upended the Dierks Outlaws, 46-28, in the annual battle between Howard County's two Class 2A football teams.



SPECIAL MEETING. Mine Creek-Paraclifta DAR Regent Elizabeth Wilson Overton, Arkansas State Society DAR Regent Charline Person Manning, State DAR Chaplain Carrie McGaha, Gilbert Marshall DAR member DiAnn Hopper with founding member Mrs. Edith Smith seated.

### Local DAR chapter honors organizing member

The Mine Creek-Paraclifta per, State Chaplain Carrie Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution celebrated its 65th anniversary with a reception on Oct. 18, at the E.A. Williams Chapel and Historical Museum i̇̃n Nashville.

The museum offered a details and historical displays. A special exhibit was highlighted and information about the chapter's legacy and the nation's upcoming 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary—America 250! The Chapter was hopeful that Mrs. Edith Hendrix Smith of Horatio—the chapter's only surviving organizing member would be able to event. However, the threat of bad weather prevented her from attending.

On Oct. 28, the Arkansas State Society DAR Regent, Charline Person Manning, her daughter, Di Ann Hop-

McGaha and Mine Creek-Paraclifta Chapter Regent Elizabeth Wilson Overton came to honor Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Smith was joined by her daughter, Margaret Ann

During the visit, Mrs. fittingly historic setting with Smith was presented with a its beautiful architectural Certificate of Appreciation, recognizing her many years of devoted service to DAR and to her community. The gathering was filled with laughter, storytelling, and admiration for Mrs. Smith's lifelong accomplishments. At 93 years young, Mrs. Smith remains as sharp and spirited as ever. Many may be surprised to learn that attend and be honored at the she piloted a solo flight at and the community she has just fourteen years old! She long called home.

also recalled chaperoning a 1953 high school senior trip to Europe that lasted more than fifty days—when much of the continent was still recovering from World War II.

Mrs. Smith's roots run deep in southwest Arkansas, where her husband, Wilburn Smith, served the community for decades through his work at Horatio State Bank, a family institution since 1956. Her life reflects the adaptability and strength she believes are the keys to longevity. Though her many accomplishments are chronicled in The Descendants of Daniel Hendricks genealogy book, her true legacy lives on in her family



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