

DEFENSE. Scrapper defenders converge on the Magnolia Panther (44) Jan. 16 at Scrapper Arena.

Obituaries



Minor Tallant Chaney
Minor Tallant Chaney, age 79, of Murfreesboro, Ar., passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2026, at his home. He was born Jan. 27, 1946, in Murfreesboro, Ark., the son of the late Erve and Mary Tallant Chaney.

Mr. Chaney was a member of First Christian Church in Murfreesboro. Minor enjoyed being a Gideon and loved disbursing Bibles to area children and Air BnBs for many years. He was a proud Army Veteran serving in the 1st Calvary Air Division where he was awarded an Air Medal and Purple Heart. He enjoyed being reunited with many of his Army Comrades after several years. Minor was a sheetrock finisher by trade working in this industry for 55 years and built many houses for his relatives and neighbors. He enjoyed the outdoors and hunting especially turkey hunting.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Sherri Jean Chaney; two brothers, James Ballard and wife Atha, and JC Ballard; one sister, Irene Price and husband Hall; sister-in-law Betty Blackwood and husband Bill; niece Marsha Molnaird; and nephew Mobie Price.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Patsy Chaney of Murfreesboro; one son, Dennis Chaney and wife Jill of Murfreesboro; two grandchildren James and Jacob Chaney that were the light of his life; one sister-in-law Georgia Ballard of Murfreesboro; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 15, at Latimer Funeral Home in Murfreesboro.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m., Friday, Jan. 16, at the First Christian Church in Murfreesboro with Brian Doyle and Kevin Corcoran officiating; burial will follow in Kelley Cemetery under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home in Murfreesboro.

Pallbearers will be Randy Posey, Will Posey, Taylor Posey, Micah Brown, Kevin Gosnell, Jody Chaney, and Curt Beavert.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Jerry Kizzia, Doug Brown, Stan Magg, Joe Burns, Kenneth Laird, and any of his Army Veteran comrades.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Gideons International, Howard County Children’s Center, or Kelley Cemetery.

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



Harold (Hal) Lee Cornish

Funeral services for Mr. Harold (Hal) Lee Cornish, age 90 of Marshall, Texas, are scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 20, 11 a.m., at the Temperanceville Baptist Church, with Bobby Fischer officiating. Internment will follow at the Temperanceville Cemetery. Mr. Cornish passed away on Jan. 15 in Waco, Texas.

He was born Sept. 25, 1935, in Nashville, Ark., the son of the late Carl and Cavie Cornish. He grew up in Nashville and was affectionally known to friends and family as “Uncle Sonny.” He then attended the University of Arkansas, where he earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees. While studying at the University of Arkansas, Mr. Cornish worked in Baytown during the summers, where he met the love of his life, Joyce Alexander. They were married on Aug. 9, 1958, in Baytown, Texas. After graduating from the University of Arkansas, he began his career in the United States Air Force as a Second Lieutenant. Mr. Cornish was discharged from the military as a captain and began his career with Thiokol Corporation, where he retired after more than 30 years. Mr. Cornish has lived in Marshall, Texas, since 1984, moving from Utah. Mr. and Mrs. Cornish moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico, after marrying, then moved to Brigham City, Utah, after Mr. Cornish’s time in the service. He was a member of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Marshall. He served on the Board of Trustees, including serving as President of the Board, at East Texas Baptist University. In 2022, East Texas Baptist University awarded Mr. Cornish an honorary

doctorate degree in recognition of his commitment to the university. Hal Cornish was a longtime member of the Marshall Rotary Club, including serving as president. Mr. Cornish served as the chairman of the Board of Directors for the Marshall Economic Development Corporation. He was also a long-time member of the Marshall Regional Arts Council, a Past President and Charter Member of the local Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors, Past District Chairman of the Boy Scouts of America, and served on the Board of Directors of Marshall Festivals, Inc. Mr. Cornish was named Citizen of the Year of Marshall in 2021. Hal’s favorite role, by far, was as “Pappom” to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mr. Cornish is preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Cornish; his parents, Carl and Cavie Cornish; and his sisters, Louise Hodges and Marie McCrary.

Mr. Cornish is survived by son, Kevin Cornish and wife Joy of Waco, Texas; Grandchildren, Brittany Sutton and husband Cody of Elysian Fields, Amanda Endsley and husband Sean of Waco, Texas, Andrew Cornish and wife Nicole of Athens, Texas, and Cole Cornish of Waco, Texas; great grandchildren, Kinsler, Bexar, Grace, Easton, Rip, and Joseph.

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Carla Denise McCool

Cala Denise McCool, 37, beloved wife, mother, daughter, and sister passed away Jan. 16, 2026, surrounded by love at her home in Texarkana, Ark.

Cala was born May 17, 1988, in Little Rock, Ark., to Darby Neaves and Glenna Neaves. She arrived 10 minutes earlier than her twin sister, Camelia. She spent most of her childhood in Ogden, Ark., where she loved playing outdoors and spending time at her Aunt Kita and Uncle Robert’s house with her cousins Madi and Micahla. She moved to Nashville, Ark., when she was 16 where she graduated high school in 2006.

Cala shared a once-in-a-lifetime bond with her twin sister Cami. They were connected in a way only twins can understand, an unspoken language, and a closeness that never wavered. Alike in some ways and complete opposites in others, they shared laughter, honesty, and even the ups and downs of their journey together. Through every season of life they were each other’s anchor, finding strength and comfort in their shared faith in the Lord. The love that they had for each other will remain within Cami always.

Cala would say her life truly began in 2012 when her father introduced her

to the love of her life Jesse McCool. They fell in love immediately and eloped just 9 weeks later, despite both families thinking it was a little crazy. They were confident in the love God had placed between them. Jesse loved Cala with unwavering devotion, especially through her illness, caring for her, and waiting on her hand and foot. She bragged about Jesse every time his name came up in conversation. He rarely called her Cala. She was always his “Gorgeous.” Cala would often say that Jesse loved her the way Jesus loves the Church and she lived securely in that love everyday of their 13 years together.

In 2015, the blueberry of her eye, Malakai Aaron (Kai) was born. He was her pride and joy. Nothing brought her more happiness than being his Momma. Cala chose to leave her job at Farmers Bank so she could homeschool Kai, and she treasured that time they spent learning together side by side. They made many friends through homeschooling. They were active in TEACH and TRACE and enjoyed going on many field trips and adventures. Art museums were one of their favorite places to go. She loved watching him build his Lego collection piece by piece and proudly displayed them all over their living room. She encouraged his love of art and was so proud that he is extremely gifted in playing the piano, a gift that runs deep in both sides of Cala’s family. Her love and prayers for Kai will follow him all the days of his life.

Cala was a member of Providence Baptist Church where she volunteered as their bookkeeper for many years. She loved her church family deeply, especially her Pastor, Jeff and his wife Jenny. Cala’s love and dedication to her church were evident to everyone that knew her. Her faith was a guiding light in her life and Providence Baptist is where she found truth, joy, and spiritual growth.

She loved her nieces and nephews dearly and enjoyed watching them in all their activities. When she left her job at Farmer’s she loved that six of her nieces and nephews got off the school bus at her house every single day. That little bit of time spent with them each day meant so much to her and she cherished it greatly.

Cala enjoyed many things such as playing cards, hosting Bible studies, watching movies, and cooking for her family and friends. Especially if she could host them at her home. She loved junking, going to garage sales, and spending time in the kitchen with her mom baking all the special family recipes. She had a passion for music like her Dad and they went to many concerts together. She loved traveling with friends and the many trips taken with her sisters.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Glen and Donna White, Bill Neaves, and Ardis Hayes; her brother, Atticus Neaves; and her uncle, Micah Neaves.

She is survived by her loving husband, Jesse McCool; her son, Malakai; her father, Darby Neaves, and his wife Patti of Ogden, Ark.; her mother, Glenna

Neaves of Nashville, Ark.; and her grandmother, Charlotte Neaves of Ogden, Ark. She is also survived by her twin sister, Camelia Neaves of Seabrook, Texas; her sister, Shana Smith of Hot Springs, Ark.; brothers Trey Smith (Courtney) of Hot Springs, Ark., Matt Smith (Laura) of Texarkana, Ark., Dylan Davis (Jamie) of Red Lick, Texas, and Naaman Neaves of Ogden, Ark.

Additional survivors include her father-in-law, Mark McCool of Texarkana, Ark.; her mother-in-law, Virginia MacGregor, and her husband Don of Texarkana, Ark.; her sisters-in-law Naomi Whittingham (Doug), Rebecca Willis (Calvin), and Grace Olvera, all of Texarkana; Sarah Mauldin (Shane) of Little Rock, Ark.; and Anna Vermillion (Lance) of Nacogdoches, Texas; and

her brother-in-law Jacob McCool (Sarah) of Moscow, Ida. She is also survived by many treasured aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

Cala lived with a great faith and longed for every person she encountered to know the hope and joy she found in Christ. She loved the Lord with all her heart. Her life was a true testament to her unwavering faith and strength. Now, she has gone Home where she is finally face to face with the source of all her strength, joy, and peace.

A funeral service is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 23, 2026, at 2 p.m. at Fellowship Bible Church in Texarkana, Texas. Burial to follow at Shiloh Cemetery in Texarkana, Ark., with Jeff Allen officiating.



SUPPORTING ALL SCRAPPER SPORTS. Gaye Graham, president of the Scrapper Booster Club, talked to the Nashville Rotary Club last week, detailing the group's support of all Scrapper sports and explaining the fund-raisers which pay for athletic activities. The club is supervised by a board of directors made up of corporate sponsors, and it is audited annually by the Arkansas Legislative Audit Division. Graham talked about ways the club raises funds, principally by corporate sponsors. She said that she is wearing a Houston Texans shirt in honor of her son-in-law who is an assistant coach for the NFL team.

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Lockesburg church will host ‘Ladies Gathering’ with food, entertainment, Feb. 7

Grace Country Church in Lockesburg will host a Ladies Gathering “Through the Fire” on Saturday, Feb. 7. Admission is \$20 and may be paid at the door by cash, check or credit card. The event will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., and will include door prizes and auction items. Breakfast and lunch are included.

One of the auction items is a quilt in memory of Hazel Rome.

Headliners will be LeAnn Hart and Tammy Whitehust.

For reservations call or text Christy 870-828-0049. The public is invited, but childcare is not available.

The church is located at 526 Hwy. 371, Lockesburg.

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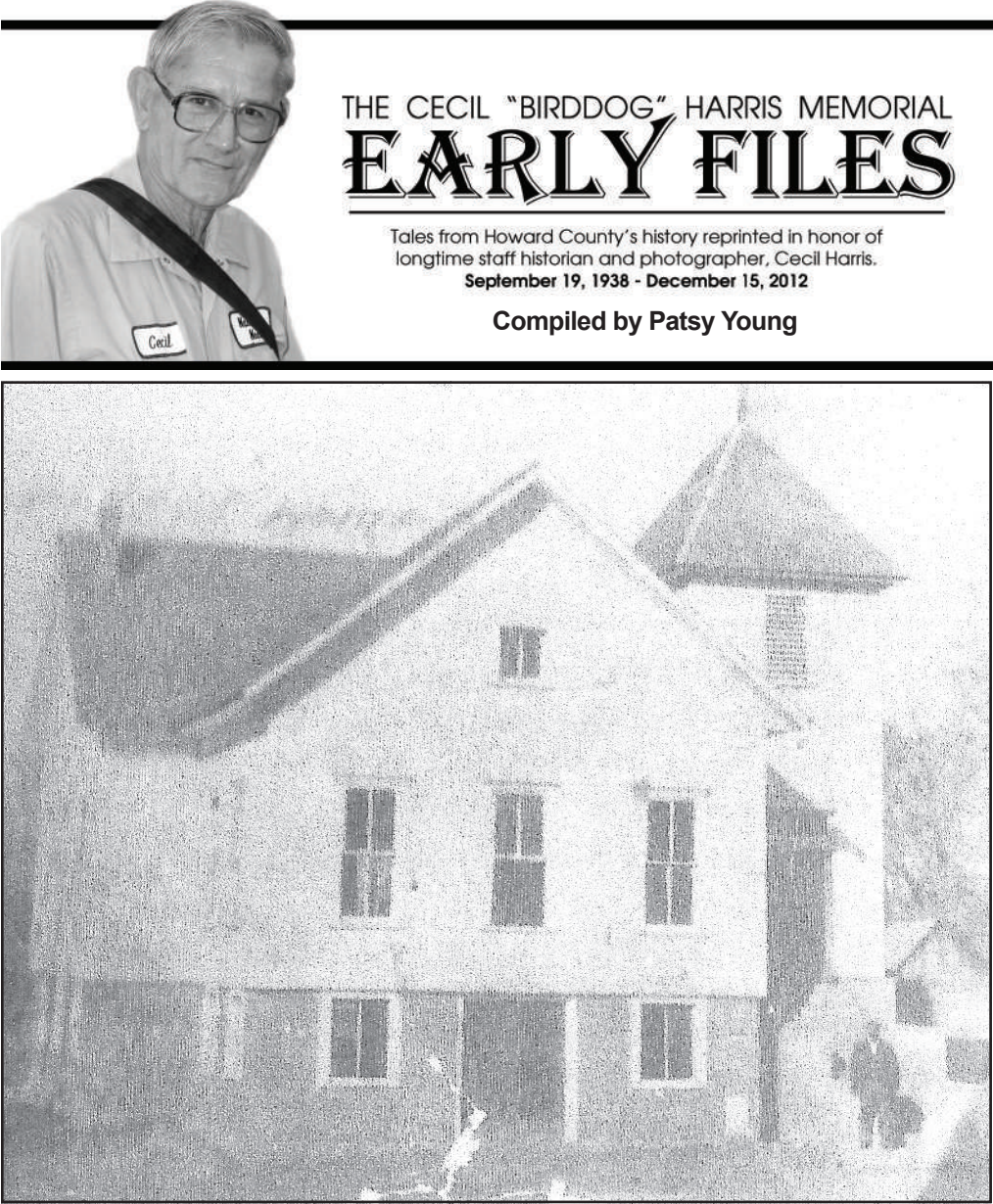
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The Wesley Chapel Methodist Church of Center Point, established in 1892. Still had services into the 1980s.

124 years ago: January 1902

The preparations for the convention of the General Daughters of the Confederation are going merrily on here in this city. The only fear entertained by the local chapter that it would be unable to secure accommodations for the visiting daughters, has been dispelled through the energetic work of the accommodation committee.

The visiting daughters have been placed in the best boarding house in the city and some in homes of Nashville residents.

The store of T. Williams & Co. situated near the depot at Washington was entered by burglars last Saturday night, and a small quantity was taken. The entrance to the building was made through the front window.

70 years ago: January 1956

Monday the local jail looked like a convention hall; between the city mar-

shal and the sheriff's office, eight fellows had free board and lodging, but all were in for minor counts. Including four for imbibing too freely of spirits, a transient for a rubber check, and three counts who sought shelter in Ransom Williams' barn but made the mistake of using a bale of hay for a fire.

Jack Thomas found he still had some speed afoot when he chased one of the out-of-town youngsters, Monday. What really concerned Jack and Ransom was that the barn could have caught fire, along with its contents of hay.

63 years ago: January 1963

Donald R. Tabor, airman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Audie A. Tabor of Dierks, Arkansas, is serving aboard the antisubmarine warfare support aircraft carrier *USS Kearsarge*.

The *Kearsarge* was the recovery ship for astronauts Commander Walter Schirra and Major Gordon Cooper.

Her home base is Long Beach, Calif.

(Adv.) Electric blankets repaired \$5 each, guaranteed. Bring or ship to McCulloch Appliance Co., 102 Olive Street, Texarkana or Buck Telford 104 South Washington, Nashville. Phone 60.

43 years ago: Jan. 1983

Crucial subjects will be before the Quorum Court Tuesday, but the JPs may be working without the help of the county's chief administrator. Judge Conrad Bagley was being treated Wednesday at Memorial Hospital for a broken pelvic bone. He became painfully ill Monday and entered the hospital that day. Recently he had suffered two spills, one from a horse.

(Adv.) Horse Auction at the Nashville Livestock Commission Hwy. 4 South, Nashville. Every second Saturday of each month, Tack starts at 6 p.m. For further information contact Johnny Stone.

Public Record of Howard County

Items or documents that were filed, issued or recorded at the Howard County, Ark., courthouse during the period Jan. 8-14, 2026, unless noted otherwise, included the following:

Marriage Licenses
(*Marriage licenses cost \$60 at the County Clerk's office*)
Jan. 8. Robin Ray McMorris, 59, Murfreesboro, and Agnes Fern Rose, 62, Murfreesboro.
Civil Court
CV26-06, Jan. 8. Capital One, NA vs. Jimmy D. Sullivan. Debt.
CV26-07, Jan. 13. Capital One vs. Jessica Moreno. Debt.
Domestic Relations Court
DR26-04, Jan. 7. Sarah L. Cox vs. Brock Cox. Divorce.
DR26-05, Jan. 8. State of Arkansas Office of Child Support Enforcement vs. Jamico Snowden. Support.
DR26-06, Jan. 9. Terrie Anderson vs. Dustin Golden. Order of protection.
Criminal Court
CR26-01, Jan. 12. State of

Arkansas vs. Adam Ray, 31, white male, 702 W. Sunset, Nashville; 2nd degree domestic battery, class C felony.
CR26-02, Jan. 12. State of Arkansas vs. Nickolas Lemons, 32, white male, 507 Jones, Nashville; fleeing, class C.
CR26-03, Jan. 12. State of Arkansas vs. Austin Jones, 26, white male, Conway; POCS, class C; tampering with physical evidence, class D; fleeing and resisting arrest, both misdemeanors.
CR26-04, Jan. 14. State of Arkansas vs. David Martinez, 29, Hispanic male, 912 Peachtree, Nashville; 5th offense DWI, unclassified felony.
Land/Property Transactions
Quitclaim Deed
Jan. 9. Kelly Scott, Jr., and wife, Ramona Scott; to Kelly Ryan Scott; 10 ac. in S14 T9S R27W.
Jan. 9. Randy Neeley; to Martin Morgan and Terra Morgan, husband and wife; 1/2 interest in property in S7 T11S R27W.

Jan. 12. Chance King; to Tasha King; 2.5 ac. in S36 T8S R29W.
Beneficiary Deed
Jan. 12. Harold L. Cornish; to Kevin Cornish; aggregate 47.25 ac. S16 T9S R27W.
Warranty Deed
Jan. 8. Gene Stinson, Jr., and wife, Patricia Stinson; to H&H Properties, LLC; aggregate 27.75 ac. in S4 T10S R27W. \$185,000/
Jan. 9. Randy Neeley; to Martin Morgan and Terra Morgan, husband and wife; 5 tracts in S6/S7 T11S R27W. \$1,000,000.
Jan. 13. Sarah Piercy, fka Sarah Isabel Cothren, and husband Phillip Piercy; to Danyelle Hill; 2.34 ac. in S18 T8S R28W.
Jan. 14. Leigh Ann Thompson Boss, survivor joint tenant and spouse of John Charles Boss, Jr., deceased; to William D. Greenwood and Crystal Greenwood, husband and wife; 2 ac. in S26 T6S R28W. \$59,000.

Pleas entered; trial dates set in criminal court session

Of the five defendants who pleaded guilty or true to felony crimes here last Wednesday, Jan. 14, one was facing three cases and he received a sentence on all three to be served concurrently.

Elezar Johnson, 52, black male, Mineral Springs, had three separate drug possession charges. He was sentenced to 20 years in the Arkansas Department of Correction with a further 20 years suspended imposition of sentence.

The others received sentences from Judge Bryan Chesshir, including:

William Blount, 48, white male, Nashville, received a sentenced six-year suspended imposition of sentence after the state did not pursue two other charges. He was fined \$500.

Dillon Ray Schooley, 32, white male, Delight, pleaded guilty to two charges, and another charge was not pursued in return for the plea. He was sentenced to six years in the ADC plus a suspended imposition of

sentence of 14 years.

Thomas Miller, 36, white male, Nashville, was charged with drug possession.

He was sentenced to 90 days in a regional punishment facility, five years of probation and a fine of \$1,500.

The lone true plea was by Vanessa Rundle Smith, 37, white female, Wickes, who was charged with failure to meet the terms of her probation on a 2022 conviction for drug possession.

She was sentenced to 60 days in a regional punishment facility.

Trial dates set

Dates for trials and for pretrial motions were set for five defendants who pleaded not guilty or not true.

The not true plea was by Donte Gilliam, 25, black male, Nashville, who was charged with failure to meet the terms of his probation on a 2023 conviction for residential burglary. His probation revocation trial will be March 4.

Trial and motion dates were combined for Nickolas Lemons, 32, white male, Nashville. Motions will be heard March 4, and he will be held without bond. He faces a case of criminal fleeing, and of felon in possession of a firearm.

Adam Ray, 31, white male, Nashville, also faces two separate felony charges. A trial date has already been set for a drug possession charge, and he now also faces a class C felony charge of second degree domestic battery.

For the latter his motions date is March 4.

Austin Jones, 26, white male, Conway, has an April 8 date for motions. He is charged with a drug possession along with tampering with evidence, plus two misdemeanors.

Charges were not pursued against Takendric Hopkins, 25, black male, Nashville, who had been charged with aggravated assault and criminal mischief.

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YES, I AM STILL HERE peeking out my window on Main Street, and I want to let you in on a little secret.

Well, not so little. It’s pretty big. And heavy. Heavy and hard for one man to hold up unaided for long periods of time.

One of the most popular parts of the annual Nashville Chamber of Commerce awards banquet for the past two years has been the live auction of some of the donated items.

The most popular of those items has been a laaaaarge Italian Creme Cake lovingly baked, iced and donated by Tim Pinkerton who is retiring as chamber executive director after this year’s banquet.

Mine Creek Revelations

By Louie Graves

It is a great thing to see what has evolved. When someone wins the bidding battle, they turn around and donate the cake back to be auctioned again. This happens over and over, again.

It’s a swell cake. Everyone thinks so.

And did I mention that it is large and heavy? I took a picture of Tim holding the cake during the bidding which went on and on and on, etc. The picture was in the newspaper, and anyone could tell that it wasn’t all that easy for Tim to stand up in front of the audience and hold the laaaaarge Italian Creme Cake for as long as the bidding took. He leaned against the wall for extra support.

He’s baked and donated for two years, and his cake(s) have brought in a total of \$10,100 which has been donated to the Junior High cheer-leaders who served the meal.

On behalf of our community I thank Tim Pinkerton who retired from his bank job but hung around to manage the Chamber of Commerce and serve on many boards and committees.

And do a little baking.

MY MEDAL for military service during the Vietnam War is a replica of the South Vietnamese flag -- yellow with three thin red stripes in the middle and green stripes on the borders.

I say this because I was worried about what kind of medal would be given out to veterans of the Greenland War which is soon to be proclaimed by our king.

The Greenland flag is a strange red-and-white thing.

Instead, our warriors might get a medal fashioned after the flag of Denmark which right now is in possession of Greenland.

But no worries. I’m fairly sure our king knows what he’s doing. I’m sure the leaders of European countries understand our takeover would be in Greenland’s best interest. Arkansas’s entire courageous Capitol delegation goes along with the King’s way of thinking.

With all this talk of war don’t let yourself get distracted lest you forget about Epstein.

A CNN poll out this week says that just 6% of Americans are happy with the government’s prompt release of Epstein evidence and believe the government is holding some stuff back.

I don’t trust CNN completely, so I put the actual percentage at 7% or 8% tops. This is what those ungrateful Scandinavian countries get for stealing the king’s Nobel Peace Prize.

WHERE IS SHE? I sometimes still lose sleep over the whereabouts of Amelia Earhardt and Jimmy Hoffa.

If you have any information please call the Lost Sleep Hotline.

Does anyone have the Lost Sleep Hotline number? I’ve lost my only copy. I was up all night looking for it.

WONDERING. Last week one our space missions met with some trouble, as I am sure both of my regular readers were aware.

The four astronauts had to return early due to a medical emergency, NASA said.

All four emerged from their space capsule and were taken on stretchers directly to the recovery ship’s sickbay. The stretcher thing was said to be standard procedure, but NASA wouldn’t say which astronaut was afflicted by what affliction.

I have a pretty good idea.

Just leaving early and returning for a nighttime landing in the middle of the Pacific Ocean was enough to make the astronauts age by about 20-30 years.

I dearly hope that the recovery ship’s sickbay had a competent Senior Citizens Nose and Ear Hair team to treat this serious problem suffered by at least one member of our elite space team.

It makes me grateful that they didn’t make their forced landing in the field outside Howard Memorial Hospital WHERE THERE IS NO NOSE AND EAR HAIR CLINIC (emphasis mine).

I’d say more about this but I’m sure you wouldn’t be interested.

MORE THINGS I LEARNED from opening an email: SKELETON -- A bunch of bones with the person scraped off.

WORD GAMES. I love oxymorons: I asked her if she wanted to go out with me and I got a definite maybe.

HE SAID: “Sometimes all you need is just for somebody to believe in you in order to be able to accomplish maybe what you never thought you could.” Drew Brees, NFL quarterback

SHE SAID: “Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul -- and sings the tunes without the words -- and never stops at all.” Emily Dickinson, American poet

SWEET DREAMS, Baby

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Arkansas receives U.S. grant aimed at helping early childhood education

By State Sen. Jimmy Hickey Jr.

The Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) announced a new \$14.7 million federal grant aimed at strengthening early childhood education and expanding access to high-quality learning programs across the state.

The federal grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is for the Preschool Development Grant Birth Through Five. The grant is intended to advance the state’s early childhood education system over the next year through several key initiatives.

The first initiative is strengthening statewide coordination among families, educators, Head Start programs, and school districts to build a unified system.

The second is to support the LEARNS Act implementation through the ongoing transition to a single early childhood system, which includes improving data systems and supporting the early childhood workforce.

The third initiative is expanded access, increasing the availability of high-quality early learning op-

portunities for children from birth to age five, regardless of their location.

Creating local partnerships for collaborating with local lead organizations to ensure educational plans reflect community-specific needs is the fourth initiative.

The final initiative is Higher Education involvement. The program is collaborating with the University of Arkansas at Little Rock which recently received \$4.2 million of the funding to help expand these early childhood initiatives across the state.

This most recent award brings Arkansas’s total federal Preschool Development Grant funding to approximately \$54.25 million since 2019.

Secretary of Education Jacob Oliva said, “The grant will help strengthen coordination and ensure children across the state have access to strong early learning opportunities, regardless of where they live.”

ADE has also been awarded two competitive Education Innovation and Research (EIR) grants from

the U.S. Department of Education, totaling nearly \$25 million over five years, to study and strengthen literacy instruction and improve outcomes for all students, especially those in rural communities.

Arkansas is the only state to receive more than one award, affirming the state’s investments in strong literacy foundations through the LEARNS Act.

One of the EIR federal grants awarded to Arkansas, worth nearly \$15 million, will be used to evaluate high-impact tutoring initiatives at rural schools.

The project will be used in partnership with a virtual tutoring program, Air Reading. Stanford University will independently evaluate the program to determine its impact.

A separate grant totaling nearly \$10 million will be used to study a program that teaches early literacy skills in partnership with the University of Florida Literacy Institute. Together these grants build on Arkansas’s recent investments to strengthen literacy statewide through the LEARNS Act.

State accepts fed health care funds

By U.S. Sen. John Boozman

Health care is an increasingly difficult landscape to navigate, particularly in rural communities.

That is a reality for 1.3 million Arkansans – roughly 45 percent of our population – who live, work and raise families away from urban or suburban communities.

Across the country, millions of Americans face similar challenges.

Our state’s doctors and nurses work tirelessly to provide medical care that saves, prolongs and improves our quality of life, especially for rural residents. The good news is that more help is on the way.

The recent announcement that Arkansas will receive more than \$208 million through the federal Rural Health Transformation Program in 2026 will make a big difference.

This program was established through the Working Families Tax Cuts, legislation I supported and helped pass into law last year.

The legislation is designed to strengthen rural healthcare systems with a specific focus on outcomes, quality and access.

My Republican colleagues and I were pleased to champion this common sense effort to address the substantial challenges facing

patients and healthcare providers in rural areas.

The program includes a \$50 billion investment in rural health nationwide, and each of the 50 states applied for and will receive funding, underscoring the widespread understanding that rural health care requires sustained and increased attention.

Arkansas is receiving an out-sized funding commitment that places us in the top 20 states nationwide and will be well utilized through a variety of targeted initiatives.

The Healthy Eating, Active Recreation, and Transformation (HEART) program will improve health outcomes through community-driven approaches that focus on nutrition and physical activity.

The Promoting Access, Coordination, and Transformation (PACT) program will use this investment to increase efficiency and data sharing in rural communities to support specialty care.

The Recruitment, Innovation, Skills, and Education for Arkansas (RISE AR) program will strengthen our rural medical workforce.

The Telehealth, Health Monitoring, and Response Innovation for Vital Expansion (THRIVE) program will strengthen telehealth

services and technology-enabled monitoring, which we know is key to expanding access to quality treatment.

I look forward to seeing these investments support health care delivery, modernize tools and infrastructure, and enhance approaches to sustain health outcomes, in order to make a discernible impact in every corner of the state.

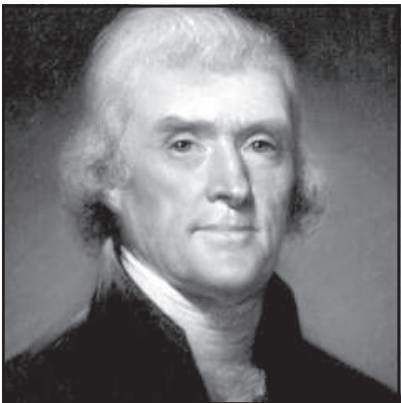
As a former healthcare provider, I know firsthand how important it is to ensure quality care is available close to home.

I have been proud to work across the aisle on solutions that improve the system for both patients and providers. This program is another significant step toward that goal.

Across the nation, more than 66 million Americans reside in areas defined as rural.

We must ensure rural communities are thriving, with adequate resources to address all types of needs from maternal and infant health to specialty care, behavioral health and more being an integral part of the formula for success.

This monumental investment in rural health will help meet clear needs and transform the way rural Arkansans receive lifesaving care.



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Banks, Alexia Lashay, 23, Texarkana, Texas, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$1,005 balance
Clark-Winslow, Keliuna, 20, Texarkana, Texas, \$210 BF, no driver’s license/expired license; \$265 BF, speeding
Culp, Devin, 27, Nashville, \$45 BF, no seat belt
Erwin, Jason A., 50, Cove, \$265 BF, speeding
Cupp, Brandon C., 39, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$2,458 balance; committed to jail;-suspended conditions
Jordan, Montez, 30, Ashdown, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460
Kelly, Jason Lee, 46, Dierks, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$1,350 balance
Kesterson, Tiffany D., 36, Mineral Springs, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460; guilty of obstructing government operations, fined \$385
Lemons, Levi Edward, 23, Grannis, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360; guilty of possession of open container of alcohol in vehicle, fined \$235
Lively, Dewey W., 22, Nashville, \$255 BF, speeding
Moreno, Ricky, 22, Mineral Springs, \$245 BF, speeding
Perez, Selena, 27, Nashville, guilty of no driver’s license/ expired license, fined \$210; guilty of no child restraint, fined \$210; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$260
Sykes, Renetta Dianne, 41, Nashville, \$360 BF, no proof of

liability insurance
Wakefield, Joel D., 55, Nashville, \$235 BF, possession of open container of alcohol in vehicle
Wright, Christopher L., 40, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$590 balance
City of Nashville
Aguilar, Emmily A., 14, Ozan, \$210 BF, no driver’s license/ expired license
Belcher, Jaylan, 23, Wilton, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$555 balance
Brown, Derrick, 35, Nashville, \$360 BF, no proof of liability insurance
Burr, Jason A., 28, Hot Springs, \$15 BF, non-payment of fines
Burton, Devarrio D., 28, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460
Collier, Candy R., 37, Ozan, guilty of no vehicle license, fined \$185
Cox, Raymond, 42, Murfreesboro, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$1,390 balance; committed to jail-suspended conditions; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$260
Dean, Olivia, 20, Nashville, speeding, under advisement to dismiss, fined \$305
Garner, Terrence R., 38, Nashville, guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months
Gilreath, Joe, 20, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360
Gray, Kenneth M., 51, Nashville, no contest, third-degree assault, fined \$350 and no-contact order for victim
Grayson, Terry Jr., 44, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460; guilty of DWI, fined \$1,125, credited with time served, license

suspended and must complete DWI educational course
Green, Stefan Arkell, 29, Nashville, \$15 BF, non-payment of fines
Cupp, Brandon C., 39, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360
Johnson, Thomas B., 54, Texarkana, \$235 BF, drinking in public; \$235 BF, possession of open container of alcohol in vehicle
Kesterson, Tiffany D., 36, Mineral Springs, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460
Lanier, Owen, 36, Ben Lomond, no contest, possession of marijuana, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months
Maleski, Christie, 50, Texarkana, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$2,295 balance; committed to jail-suspended conditions
Perez, Selena, 27, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$285 balance
Roberson, Preston, 57, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$3,410 balance
Smith, Brandon, 39, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460
Starr, Jatora L., 42, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360
Stewart, Michael M., 22, Washington, \$200 BF, no vehicle license
Wright, Christopher L., 40, Nashville, third-degree domestic battery, under advisement for six months to dismiss; second-degree interfering with emergency communications, under advisement for six months to dismiss
Yerger, Domynic MJ, 39, Nashville, no contest, non-payment of fines, \$1,930 balance; no contest, failure to appear, fined \$245; no contest, failure to appear, fined

\$245; no contest, shoplifting, fined \$410; no contest, failure to appear, fined \$285; no contest, second-degree terroristic threatening, fined \$525
City of Dierks
Bahena, Kelli, 36, De Queen, \$160 BF, no proof of liability insurance
Barba, Edward A., 18, De Queen, \$255 BF, speeding
Casas, John P., 27, Little Rock, \$255 BF, speeding
Flora, Steven B., 23, Washington, Okla., \$255 BF, speeding
Jones, Tyler, 37, Texarkana, Texas, \$265 BF, speeding; \$260 BF, failure to appear
Shipp, Rachel M., 38, Sparkman, \$210 BF, no driver’s license/ expired license
City of Mineral Springs
Edwards, Shelby K., 25, Ashdown, guilty of following too close, fined \$210
Iacovelli, Terrance T., 22, Texarkana, guilty of no driver’s license/ expired license, fined \$210; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360; guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$575; guilty of possession of controlled substance, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months; guilty of possession of controlled substance, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months; guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$575
Nutt, Keamon K., 25, Ashdown, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460
Smith, Kevin W., 51, Mineral Springs, guilty of violation of ignition/interlock device, fined \$360; guilty of no tail or brake lights, fined \$210; guilty of DWI#2, fined \$1,675, sentenced to seven days in jail, license suspended and must

complete DWI educational course
Arkansas Game & Fish Commission
Smith, Christopher M., 46, Mountain Pine, \$235 BF, motorized vehicle restricted in WMA
Bench Trials
Howard County
Jackson, Jerry L., 80, Nashville, guilty of harassment, fined \$385 and no-contact order issued for victim
City of Nashville
Alexander, Donterries L., 26, Mineral Springs, second-degree assault on family or household member, under advisement for six months to dismiss
Jacoby, Tyler Lee, 18, Nashville, guilty of careless or prohibited driving, fined \$360
Lemons, Nicholas E., 32, Nashville, guilty of resisting arrest, fined \$910; guilty of non-payment of fines, \$5,280 balance; committed to jail for 30 days
City of Dierks
Davis, Christopher E., 34, Dierks, second-degree terroristic threatening, under advisement for one year to dismiss and no-contact order issued for victim
Gastelum, Rogelio, 28, Dierks, second-degree terroristic threatening, under advisement for one year to dismiss and no-contact order issued for victim
Nolan, Brittany N., 36, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined %160; second-degree terroristic threatening, under advisement for one year to dismiss and no-contact order issued for victim
City of Mineral Springs
Lemons, Nicholas E., 32, Nashville, guilty of driving left of center, fined \$195

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Dierks’ Ayers Field to get artificial turf makeover with \$1M prize money

By John Balch
News-Leader staff

The Dierks School Board voted last week to renovate Ayers Field in artificial turf and add new visitor bleachers with the \$1 million T-Mobile sweepstakes prize money.

The decision was made during a special board meeting held on Jan. 14 and the measure was approved by unanimous vote.

Board Vice President Jeffrey Mounts took to social media following the meeting to announce and defend the decision to go with turf instead of a natural grass playing surface. He said “extensive research” by the Dierks Athletic Booster Club and

the district’s coaching staff resulted in the switch and that the quoting process will begin immediately.

Mounts also posted that artificial turf is more expensive “on the front end” but several factors resulting in the decision including safety, ongoing maintenance, and multiples uses for a turf field.

The artificial surface will include a “shock pad” for added protection against injury and the district is looking for avoid an artificial option that does not involve a concrete base.

Mounts further posted that the artificial turf will have a warranty and “the upkeep

is minimal compared to natural grass maintenance.” Replacing the turf is expected to be expensive in the future and will require the district to put back money with some funds expected to be raised through field logo sponsors and fundraisers, according to Mounts.

“Not putting concrete underneath would allow grass to be installed if wanted/needed at the of the turf’s useful life,” he added.

Board President Jaron Tipton also commented online about the decision and said replacing the artificial turf in “10-15 years from now” would cost around 40-50 percent of the initial installation costs.

“Accounting for inflation, we know that number may be a little higher, but we have a plan in place moving forward to prepare for that.”

Tipton added, “We knew this money wasn’t going to go as far as we needed it to do everything we would like to do. Ultimately, we feel like this is by far the best decision for all the kids in our district.”

The school district won \$1 million stadium renovation along with a Gronk Fitness weight room renovation from former NFL all-pro high end Rob “Gronk” Gronkowski, who personally delivered the prize money to Dierks High School last November.

Pike County District Court

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Ayers, Aaliyah Cole, 17, De Queen, \$140 BF, speeding

Brown, Pedro Bustos, 26, Nashville, guilty of failure to pay, \$2,745 balance

Buck, Austin L., 29, Kirby, \$45 BF, no seat belt

Burnett, Deborah Gene, 57, Benton, guilty of expired vehicle license/tags, fined \$125; guilty of fictitious license sticker, fined \$105; guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$325; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$315

Chambly, Brandon L., 47, Umpire, \$150 BF, speeding

Cogburn, Jacob Dempsey, 21, Glenwood, \$140 BF, no driver’s license; \$150 BF, speeding

Cogburn, Trina, 37, Glenwood, guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$340; guilty of failure to maintain control with accident, fined \$240; guilty of disorderly conduct, fined \$235; guilty of public intoxication, fined \$235

Collins, Shayla J., 33, Murfreesboro, guilty of failure to pay, \$1,305 balance; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$205; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$205

Coulter, Belinda D., 45, Nashville speeding, under advisement for 60 days to dismiss

Diaz, Darwin, 21, Glenwood, \$140 BF, no driver’s license; \$140 BF, speeding

Fox, Jeremy Stephen, 45, Bonnerdale, \$180 BF, speeding

Francis, Ceji Shyan, 38, Glenwood, guilty of failure to register tags/expired, fined \$140; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$330

Graves, Cheyenne D., 29, Norman, \$140 BF, commercial driver’s license required

Hamilton, Kaden Wade, 23, Delight, \$140 Bf, no vehicle license; \$330 BF, no proof of liability insurance

Hamrick, Brock Adam, 33, Delight, \$140 BF, failure to register tags/expired

Hemnbey, Thomas Dillin, 28, Delight, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$330

Jacobs, Aerik Anthony, 26, Hot Springs, guilty of failure to pay, \$645 balance

Jones, Elisha Carlotta, 32, Bryant, \$200 BF, speeding

Jones, Nicholas N., 19, Glenwood, \$140 Bf, speeding

King, Chase Allen, 24, Glenwood, guilty of failure to pay, \$460 balance

Nooner, Joyce Ann, 72, Hot Springs, \$150 BF, speeding

Plumlee, Shyra Marie, 18, Glenwood, guilty of terroristic threatening, fined \$515

Reyes, Jackeline Navarro, 28, Hot Springs, \$140 BF, no driver’s license

Rhodes, David R., 47, Nashville, guilty of failure to pay, \$410 balance

Santana, Ramon A., 52, Hot Springs, \$140 BF, no driver’s license; \$140 BF, speeding

Shuck, Thomas Dylan, 21, Glenwood, \$140 BF, no motorcycle endorsement on license; \$240 BF, failure to maintain control with accident

Stanek, Kymberly, 23, Nashville, \$325 BF, driving with suspended license; \$205 BF, failure to appear

Stewart, Craig W., 55, Glenwood, guilty of failure to pay, \$590 balance

Sullivan, Brittany Leann, 30, Prescott, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$125

Swarengin, Mena Michael, 20, Ashdown, guilty of possession of controlled substance, fined \$1,090 and license suspended for six months

Tigue, Timothy Allen, 53, Murfreesboro, \$170 BF, speeding

Voan, Justin Alan, 22, Norman, guilty of failure to pay, \$890 balance; \$205 BF, failure to appear, \$205 BF, failure to appear

Welborn, Gary Arthur, 66, Springdale, \$140 BF, improper passing

Williams, Stevie Darnell, 38, Hot Springs, \$200 BF, speeding

City of Murfreesboro

Bailey, Melody E., 21, Murfreesboro, guilty of failure to pay, \$1,140 balance

Butler, Bailie’s Gail, 19, Hope, \$160 BF, speeding

Funderburk, Felicia Lane, 33, Arkadelphia, guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$635

Haley, Brittany, 37, Dierks, guilty of failure to pay, \$450 balance

Jackson, Joey R., 56, Saratoga, \$45 BF, no seat belt

Nuttall, Dusty, 49, Nashville, \$105 BF, failure to present insurance

Phillips, Timothy Mason, 54, Murfreesboro, \$170 BF, speeding

Rauch, Casey L., 38, Murfreesboro, guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$360; guilty of failure

to appear, fined \$240

Runnels, Terry Jeanette, 50, Nashville, \$170 Bf, speeding

Arkansas Game & Fish Commission

Dreher, Donald Paul, 68, Hot Springs, \$385 BF, failure to tag game

Ivey, Daniel D., 40, Ocala, Fla., \$385 BF, hunting from roads prohibited in WMAs

Maxey, Wesley C., 35, Ozan, guilty of hunting/fishing on revoked or suspended license, fined \$635; guilty of structures on WMAs, fined \$385; guilty of baiting or hunting on baited portion of WMA prohibited, fined \$635; guilty of big game checking requirements, fined \$385; guilty of big game checking requirements, fined \$385; guilty of big game checking requirements, fined \$385; guilty of big game checking requirements, fined \$385; guilty of big game checking requirements, fined \$385; guilty of game animal daily bag/possession limit, fined \$635; guilty of hunting/fishing on revoked or suspended license, fined \$885;

guilty of hunting/fishing on revoked or suspended license, fined \$885

O’Neal, Kendal L., 64, Kirby, \$635 BF, hunting from road

Owen, Randy L. II., 22, Texarkana, \$260 BF, public intoxication

Pierson, Christopher J., 46, Ocklawaha, Fla., \$385 BF, hunting from roads prohibited in WMAs

Poole, Michael Lyn Jr., 43, Williston, Fla., \$385 BF, hunting from roads prohibited in WMAs

Singletary, Justin R., 38, Ocala, Fla., \$385 BF, hunting from roads prohibited in WMAs

City of Glenwood

Akard, James Ryan, 38, Nashville, \$170 Bf, speeding

Boss, Leigh A., 58, Newhope, \$170 BF, speeding

Buttrum, Rodney Lee, 46, Mountain Pine, \$160 BF, speeding

Cogburn, Anthony Loyd, 31, Glenwood, guilty of criminal trespass, fined \$210; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$240; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$240; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$240

Diaz, Aquiles R., 43, Smyrna, Ga., \$160 BF, speeding

Hampton, Tristan Austin, 29, Kirby, guilty of speeding, fined \$170

Hicks, Kevin Lee, 48, Lenoke, \$160 BF, failure to register tags/expired

Holmes, Jendarius Deshun, 21, Hot Springs, guilty of speeding, fined \$220

Jacobs, Aerik Anthony, 26, Arkadelphia, guilty of failure to pay, \$350 balance

King, Chase Allen, 24, Glenwood, guilty of failure to pay, \$4,705 balance, committed to jail for 30 days

McCann, Tiffany Lynn, 31, Glenwood, \$160 BF, driving while license restricted

Villalobos, Marisol, 20, Nashville, \$350 BF, no proof of liability insurance

Wehunt, Cadence Veronica, 21, Caddo Gap, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$120

Bench Trials

City of Glenwood

Falcon, April, 44, Glenwood, guilty of third-degree battery, fined \$500 and no-contact order issued for victim

Guyton, Lacy Jean, 50, Glenwood, guilty of third-degree battery, fined \$500, sentenced to six months in county jail, credited for time served; guilty of harassing communications, fined \$470

Howard County Launches New Mass Notification System to Enhance Community Safety

Howard County has partnered with Regroup to launch a new mass notification system designed to keep the community informed and prepared during critical events. This advanced platform delivers urgent updates through phone calls, text messages, emails and more—ensuring fast, reliable communication when it matters most.

From severe weather and road closures to emergencies and community alerts, the system provides real-time notifications that help safeguard families, businesses, and residents. Powered by Regroup’s trusted technology, the platform strengthens Howard County’s ability to respond quickly and effectively to any situation.

“We’re committed to keeping our community safe and informed,” said Howard County Judge Brent Pinkerton. “This system gives us the tools to share critical information instantly, so everyone can take the right steps to protect themselves and their loved ones.”

Howard County encourages all residents to register today to stay prepared and connected. Together, we can build a more resilient and informed community. https://embeds.regroucloud.com/orgs/howardcoem/channels/howard-county-residents/signup_embed

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Howard, Pike counties team up for SWA Homesteading Conference Feb. 21

NASHVILLE -- Howard and Pike County Extension will present the 2026 Southwest Arkansas Homesteading Conference on Saturday, Feb. 21.

The event will be held at the University of Arkansas Cossatot campus, located at 1558 US Hwy. 371 in Nashville.

Registration for the event will start at 8:30 a.m., with the program running from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.


There is a \$30 registration fee to attend the conference. A meal will be included for those that register by Feb. 15.

Participants may register for the event via the QR code (pictured) or by visiting https://uada.formstack.com/forms/southwest_homesteading.

Topics at the event will include: composting, high tunnel/greenhouse management, dutch oven cooking, pie crusts, foraging for edible food, water bath canning, pressure canning and sourdough. More topics will be added before the event.

Additionally, this year's event will include a kid's camp for ages 5 years old and up. Cost for each child

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\$30 Registration Fee

Register using the QR Code or this link:
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Meal Included in Registration.
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The University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture is an equal opportunity institution. If you require a reasonable accommodation to participate or need materials in another format, please contact the Pike County Extension Office at 870-285-2161 as soon as possible. Dial 711 for Arkansas Relay.


TOPICS

- Composting
- High Tunnel/ Greenhouse Management
- Dutch Oven Cooking
- Pie Crust
- Foraging for Edible Food
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- Pressure Canning
- Sourdough
- And More Topics to be announced!

KID'S CAMP

- Cost: \$25 per child
- Ages 5 and Up
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will be \$25 and is the perfect addition to parents/guardians attending the

conference.

Kid's camp activities will include freezer jam, candles

and mini barn quilts.They will be served pizza for lunch and snacks.

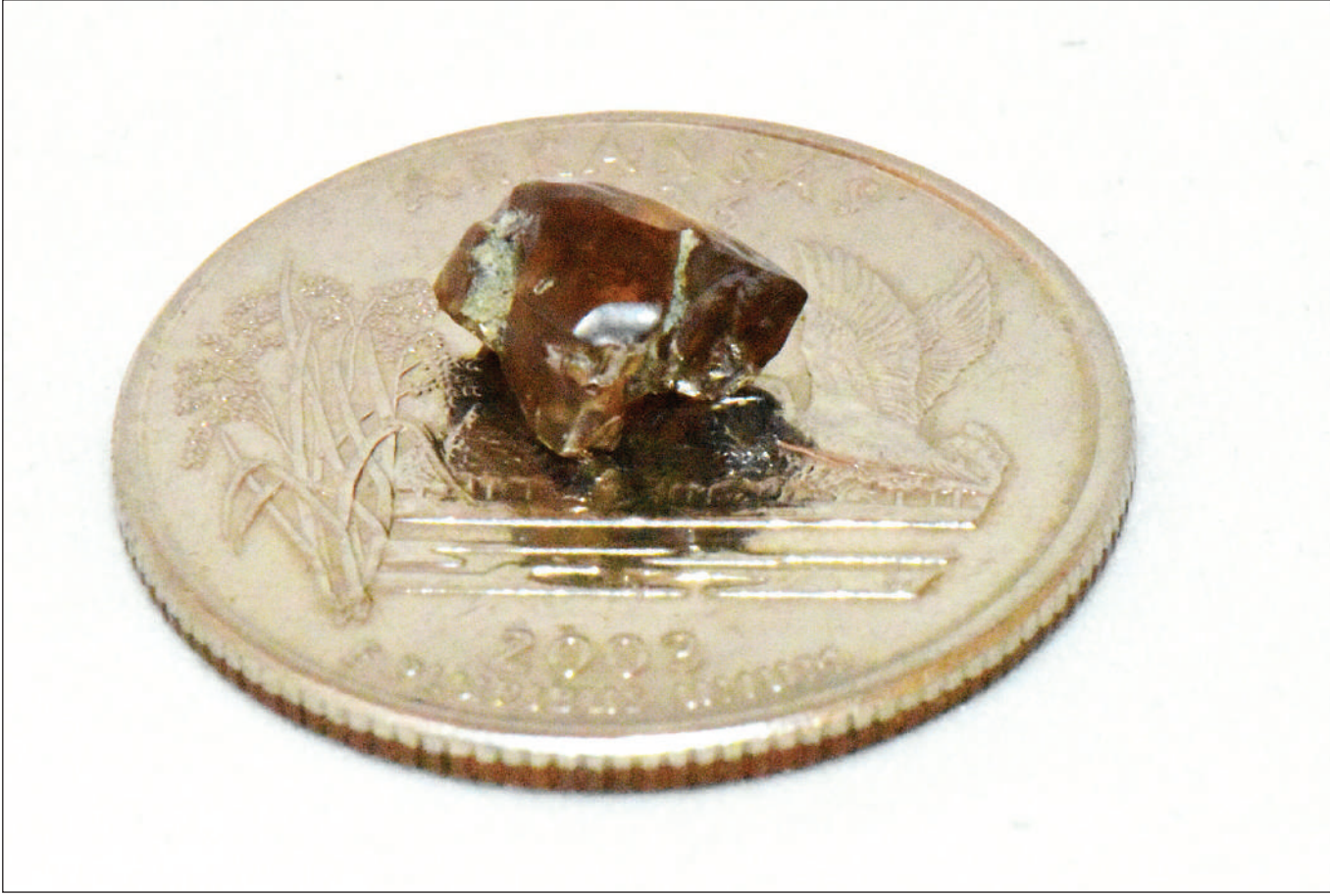


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BIG BROWN DIAMOND. A Texas family found this 2.09-carat brown diamond on Dec. 30, while visiting the Crater of Diamonds State Park in Murfreesboro. The family included dad James Ward, wife Elizabeth and sons Adrian and Austin. According to Assistant CDSP Superintendent Waymon Cox, the Ward diamond “is about the size of a corn kernel, with a dark yellowish-brown hue and a beautiful, metallic luster characteristic of all Crater diamonds.”

2 sentenced in Pike County criminal court

Two defendants were sentenced last Monday in Pike County Circuit Court for violating the terms of their probation.

Reid S. Jordan, 31, of Soper, Okla., pleaded “true” to the charge of probation revocation, originally stemming from charges of breaking or entering and theft of property. His probation was

extended by three years.

Cameron Stevens, 21, of Amity, also pleaded guilty to the charge of probation revocation, stemming from charges of fleeing and possession of a controlled substance.

He was sentenced o 10 years in the Arkansas Department of Corrections with four years suspended.

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UA Cossatot inducted into Arkansas Latino Hall of Fame

UA Cossatot has been selected as a 2025 inductee into the Arkansas Latino Hall of Fame, earning statewide recognition for its role in expanding access to higher education and workforce training in Southwest Arkansas.

UA Cossatot is Arkansas's first and only public Hispanic-Serving Institution, a designation awarded to colleges and universities where at least 25 percent of the student population identifies as Hispanic or Latino. The institution was recognized for its commitment to student success, educational access, and workforce development opportunities that serve both traditional and non-traditional students across the region.

The Arkansas Latino Hall of Fame honors individuals and organizations whose leadership, service, and achievements have made a lasting impact on Arkansas and its Latino community. UA Cossatot was selected alongside five other inductees in the 2025 class.

“This year's inductees reflect the strength, resilience, and leadership of the Latino community across Arkansas,” said Gina Gomez, executive director of Centro Hispano and a board member of the Arkansas Latino Hall of Fame. “Their collective impact spans education, business, science, civil rights, and the arts, and their stories continue to inspire future generations.”

Other 2025 inductees include Dr. Eddie Ochoa, a pediatrician and professor at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences; Dr. Argelia Lorence, a professor of metabolic engineering at Arkansas State University; Al “Papa Rap” Lopez, an award-winning songwriter and inspirational speaker; LULAC, the League of United Latin American Citizens; and Familia Montes, founders of La Huerta restaurants.

The 2025 Arkansas Latino Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony is scheduled for March 6 at the Clinton Presidential Library in Little Rock. Tickets and sponsorship information are available through the Arkansas Latino Hall of Fame.

The Arkansas Latino Hall of Fame recognizes outstanding contributions by Latinos and Latino-serving organizations whose work strengthens communities and advances opportunity throughout the state.

Pike County 4H's ‘Not So Newlywed Game’ fundraiser set for Feb. 6

Pike County 4-H will present their popular “Not So Newlywed Game” fundraiser on Friday, Feb. 6.

The event will be held at the Murfreesboro Senior Center beginning at 6 p.m.

The meal will consist of a taco bar and dessert.

Tickets to the event are \$10 individually or a table of six for \$60. They may be purchased at the door the night of the event or in advance at the Pike County Extension Service office at 100 Court Street in Murfreesboro.

The event will also feature a silent auction and door prizes.

The four couples participating in the event will be Marty and Mistie Arivett, Matthew and Toni Humphry, Bubba and Jenny James and Blake and Ashly Simmons.

Entertainment for the event will feature Ethan Pickett, Jaycee Heaston, Hadee Wilson and Keeli Partee.

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DIERKS@MURFREESBORO. The Dierks junior Lady Outlaws and both senior high teams picked up wins over Murfreesboro for a complete sweep on Jan. 13 in Pike County. Junior Lady Outlaw Scarlett Nuttall (above left) locks down a Lady Rattler defender in a 30-19 win; (center) senior Lady Outlaw Savannah Tedford hits a 3-pointer in Dierks' 79-13 win; and senior Outlaw Elijah Hawthorne under the basket in a 63-51 win.

Class 1A Region 7 Girls Basketball Standings <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Blevins 14-112. Mount Ida 11-53. Mineral Springs 7-74. Umpire 11-95. Oden 9-96. Nevada 4-167. Kirby 2-18	Class 1A Region 7 Boys Basketball Standings <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Nevada 11-42. Blevins 11-13. Kirby 7-24. Mineral Springs 10-65. Oden 7-106. Mount Ida 6-87. Umpire 1-16	Class 2A Region 7 Boys Basketball Standings <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Foreman 12-02. Cutter-Morning Star 13-93. Dierks 13-74. Caddo Hills 15-85. Spring Hill 6-106. Murfreesboro 5-117. Mountain Pine 2-138. Horatio 0-14	Class 2A Region 7 Girls Basketball Standings <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Dierks 16-52. Cutter-Morning Star 11-123. Horatio 8-74. Mountain Pine 6-95. Caddo Hills 12-136. Spring Hill 9-107. Murfreesboro 4-148. Foreman 1-12
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Fly fishers to gather Feb. 6-8 in M’boro for flies, fellowship, fun

The ArkLaTexOma Fly Tyers & Fly Fishers (ALTO) will present their “Home Waters 2026 -- A Celebration of the Little Missouri River” conference Feb. 6-8, in Murfreesboro. The event will be held at the Murfreesboro Municipal Building, 204 E. Main Street. Admission is free to all who wish to attend.

Anyone interested in attending is invited to join ALTO members for a weekend of tying, fishing, fellowship and fun. The event will feature expert tyers, vendors, seminars, and raffles.

The groups welcomes all tyers to demonstrate their skills and also to help with instruction at a “beginners’ table”.

“We want this to be an all-inclusive event open to the most advanced tyers as well as beginning tyers that want to tie their first fly,” said the event’s press release.

In addition to some exceptional tyers, the event will see several FFI Certified Casting Instructors available for some beginner instruction, or if your cast just needs a little tune up.

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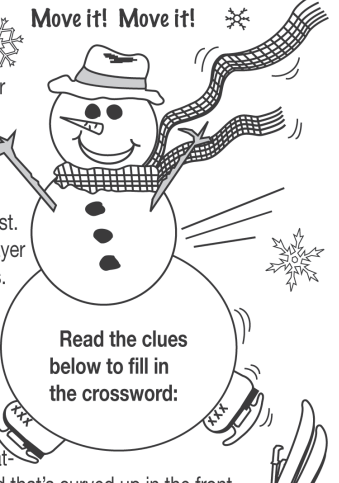
So, what is your excuse for just sitting there like a lumpy pillow? Whaaaaat?



Cool Winter Action!

“It’s cold outside”? Yes, of course it is. It is *wintertime*. In areas of the country where it snows a lot or ponds freeze over, kids can get exercise outdoors skiing or ice skating. In areas where it’s colder, but there’s no snow, kids can still hike, walk, and play a bit of basketball! During the winter we can find many things to do inside to keep physically active. Bowling and dancing are two of my favorite indoor pastimes. I hope my puzzles help you to think of things that will get you up and keep you moving all winter long.

Move it! Move it!



Read the clues below to fill in the crossword:

1. gliding on ice using metal blades

2. coasting down a snowy hill on a long, flat-bottomed, wooden sled that’s curved up in the front

3. cheering and watching trained sled dogs _____

4. warmly lined child’s winter wear

5. pressing snow together to form _____

6. twirling down a snowy hill on a round _____

7. putting on special footwear and walking across deep snow without sinking


8. sliding down snowy hills on a small, steerable wooden and metal “coaster”

9. sliding downhill, with a long, narrow board on each foot

10. building and dressing _____

11. riding a motorized vehicle on snow


12. riding in a horse-drawn _____



1. When the air cools and I become a “cloud on the ground,” I am _____

O G F _____

I can’t see!



2. When I pass through very cold air and fall gently to the earth, I am _____

S O _____


W N _____

3. The air warms and I disappear or _____

E A O A E _____

T P _____

R V _____



No Snow? Keep on the Go!

If it’s cooler where you live, but there is no snow, there are lots of activities to keep you on the go! My friend in North Carolina rides his bike when the roads are dry. My cousin in Texas plays basketball.

If the weather is lousy, think about places that have indoor rinks, gyms or rooms for playing sports and exercising. Your local recreation department might have a list of fun activities in which you can take part.

The activities below have 2 of the same letter missing. Can you study the words to fill in the missing letters?

1. basketba _ _ _

2. ex _ _ rcise vid _ _ os

3. inli _ _ e skati _ g

4. vid _ _ o game danc _ _ mats

5. dance le _ _ _ ons

6. vo _ _ _ eyball

7. swi _ _ _ ing



8. dru _ _ _ ing

9. te _ _ _ is

10. k _ _ r _ te

11. so _ _ _ er

12. bowli _ g ten pi _ _



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Little River	6,850	4,266	3,288	151,279	1,128	1,284	4,240	1,693	27,345	201,373
Pike	290	336	5,872	123,157	1,808	2,144	4,885	2,426	28,630	169,548
Sevier	7,396	352	1,780	189,898	1,828	1,066	5,600	2,829	28,350	239,099
State Total	\$1,164,540	\$636,865	\$1,267,506	\$40,054,638	\$527,880	\$697,154	\$1,510,055	\$761,392	\$9,532,421	\$56,152,451
Some figures are rounded up to nearest dollar/State totals are estimates							SOURCE: Arkansas Lottery Commission			

Legendary audio leader Klipsch to celebrate 80th anniversary in 2026

Klipsch kicked off its year-long 80th-anniversary celebration at the 2026 Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

In 1946, Paul W. Klipsch (PWK) began handcrafting speakers in a tin shed in Hope, Ark., to create a sound that was bigger, clearer, and more alive than anyone then thought possible. He established acoustic principles that pioneered American hi-fi and shook the foundations of music playback. His patented horn-loaded speaker designs became legends, and his vision turned Klipsch into one of the most coveted brands in audio history.

In honor of its milestone, Klipsch has planned a series of

activities including the debut of its limited 80th anniversary logo, a series of commemorative merchandise, limited edition products unveiling later in 2026, and a VIP tour event at the factory in Hope.

“Paul’s legacy, as always, is at the heart of our DNA,” said Paul Jacobs, President and CEO. “I’m beyond proud of the extraordinary innovation our team puts forward year after year to preserve his legacy with products that continue to define and inspire new generations of audio enthusiasts across the world.”

Aside from the global stage, CES is special to Klipsch as one of PWK’s last major public events. In recognition of his contributions to

the industry, Paul W. Klipsch was posthumously inducted into the CTA Hall of Fame’s Class of 2004.

Jacobs continues, “I can think of no better stage on which to take a bow for 80 years of shaping the audio industry and the consumer electronics industry at large. We celebrate not only a legend, but an extraordinary passion of the community that has carried this brand forward for eight decades.”

Every day, Klipsch honors its humble beginnings, from its headquarters in Indiana, to its factory in Hope, Ark., and offices around the world.

And across the street from the Hope factory, dedicated to sharing the Klipsch story, is the Klipsch

Museum of Audio History, a 501(c)(3) organization that is one of the few museums dedicated to audio. This time capsule, open to the public, houses exhibits that span PWK’s extraordinary life, including priceless artifacts from the dawn of hi-fi. The Museum’s mission is to restore, preserve, maintain, and display audio artifacts and archival materials for historic purposes, while conducting pertinent historical research, and hosting educational activities and events that use PWK’s science of sound to foster interest in STEM education.

Each year, in celebration of PWK’s birthday, the Museum hosts a gathering, that originally

began as an appreciation lunch for the factory workers. This year’s event, March 6-7, will be the biggest to date, in celebration of 80 legendary years and will include a rare opportunity to tour the factory and the hallowed grounds where the Klipsch legacy began. Follow the Museum’s Facebook page for more information.

As one of the oldest audio companies the US—and the only one to claim the longest-running loudspeaker production with the Klipschorn—Klipsch remains governed by science. “My theories on audio and audio reproduction will be proven wrong only when the laws of physics change,” said Paul W. Klipsch.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: CLEATHA LAMB 31 PR-26-6

NOTICE

Last known address of decedent:
810 N 8th Street Nashville, Arkansas 71852

On January 7, 2026, an Affidavit for Collection of Small Estate by Distributee was filed with respect to the Estate of Cleatha Lamb, 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:

Lots 18, 19, 20, and the West 12 ½ feet of Lot 21 in Block 44 of the Town of Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas, according to the Official Plat thereof.

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 January 14, 2026

The name and address of the Distributee or attorney is:
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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: LLOYD HARRISON ASHLEY 31 PR-26-10

NOTICE OF PROBATE-INTESTATE

Last known address of decedent: 504 Cornbridge Road, Mineral Springs, Howard County, Arkansas
Date of death: November 26, 2025

Michael W. Ashley was appointed the Administrator of the Estate of Lloyd Harrison Ashley, by order dated January 14, 2026. 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 21st day of January, 2026.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF: JIMMY ROGERS TALLANT 31 PR-25-69

NOTICE OF PROBATE-TESTATE

Last known address of decedent: Blue Bayou, Nashville, Howard County, Arkansas
Date of death: August 28, 2025

An instrument dated March 6, 2018, was on November 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 January 14, 2026.
David Tallant and Keith Tallant, Co-Executors, by
Aaron R. Brasel, ABN 2009138
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PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Dierks School District, Dierks, Arkansas, will receive sealed bids for football field renovations.

Mail bids to:
Dierks High School
ATTN: Grover Hill/School Board
P.O Box 124
Dierks, AR 71833

Bid Submission:
Sealed bids will be received until 12:00 p.m on February 4, 2026. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud during Februarys school board meeting.

Bid Security:
Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond or cashier’s check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid.

Performance & Payment Bonds:
The successful bidder will be required to furnish performance and payment bonds in accordance with Arkansas law.

Right to Reject:
The Dierks School District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive irregularities, and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the District.

Non-Discrimination:
Bidders must comply with all applicable state and federal laws, including non-discrimination requirements.

If you have any questions, contact Grover Hill at 870-286-2191 or at grover.hill@dierksschools.org.
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HOWARD COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS Guy Cooper Kroll and Anna Kate McKinnon with the special pet blankets recently delivered to an area shelter.

Howard County 4-H delivers handmade comfort to area shelter pets

By Samantha Horn
Howard C ounty Extension Agent
4-H/Staff Chair

Howard County 4-H youth Anna Kate McKinnon and Guy Cooper Kroll recently demonstrated the spirit of community service by delivering handmade pet throws to a local animal shelter. These throws were made back in late summer by several of the Howard County 4-H members. This thoughtful gesture aims to provide warmth and comfort to pets awaiting adoption.

The project is part of Howard County 4-H’s ongoing commitment to leadership, citizenship, and hands-on learning. By creating and donating pet throws, these young members are not only helping animals in need but also learning the value of compassion and volunteerism.

“4-H teaches youth to give back to their communities,” said Samantha Horn, Staff Chair. “Anna Kate and Guy Cooper’s efforts show how small acts of kindness can make a big difference for animals and the people who care for them.”

The donated throws will be used by the shelter to keep pets cozy during their stay and will accompany them to their new homes, offering comfort during the transition.

Howard County 4-H encourages youth to engage in projects that benefit their communities while developing life skills. For more information about joining 4-H, contact Howard County Extension Office at 870-845-7517.



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Name of Nominee: _____
Nominated By _____

Nominated For: (Check One)
____ **Man of The Year**
____ **Woman of the Year**
____ **Orange & Black Award**

(Someone in schools who has contributed to the community, or
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Short narrative for why this person should receive the award:

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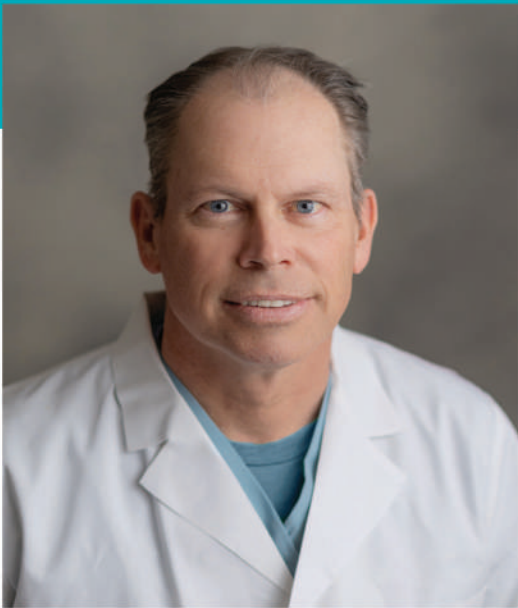
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News-Leader photo/DEDE ROBINSON
Blake Moody (22) defends on a Hope shot attempt in Nashville's 69-35 home win over the Bobcats Jan. 13.



News-Leader photo/DEDE ROBINSON
Kayla Bretado scores against Hope during Nashville's 67-21 conference win over the Lady Bobcats.



News-Leader photo/DEDE ROBINSON
Cortez Cooper controls the ball against Hope in Nashville's District 7-4A victory.



News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER
Karstyn Scrivner greets young fans as she takes the home court before Nashville's 74-48 win over Magnolia.



News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER
Nashville cheerleaders keep the crowd fired up Friday night, Jan. 16, at Scrapper Arena.



News-Leader photo/DEDE ROBINSON
Jailyn Staggers (24) shoots a free throw Jan. 13 against the Hope Bobcats at Scrapper arena.



News-Leader photo/DEDE ROBINSON
Angel Watson (4) puts up a shot over the Hope defender in Nashville's victory Jan. 13.



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Bo Bell (23) goes up for a score Tuesday, Jan. 13, in Nashville's home win over Hope.

Last week
Scrappers
Nashville 69, Hope 35
Magnolia 70, Nashville 50
Scraperettes
Nashville 67, Hope 21
Nashville 74, Magnolia 48
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SPORTS LEADERS
Players of the Week as selected by The Leader sports department

Area hosts for regionals and state

Three area schools were selected Jan. 15 to host regional and state tournaments during the spring. Nashville will be the site for the Class 4A South Regional basketball tournament. Murfreesboro will be the location for the Class 2A-4 baseball and softball regional. Nashville will host Class 4A state baseball and softball. Mineral Springs will be the site for the Class 1A state track meet.



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