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Love your neighbor and get your vaccination.

### Art center to conduct kids camp June 22-26

The Elberta Art Center will continue a tradition of more than 20 years with the annual summer art camp from Monday, June 22 through Friday, June 26.

The camp will be from 10 a.m. until 12 noon each day, and is for children grades 1-6.

The \$40 fee includes all art supplies needed, and each child will be able to take home their own original work of art at the close of camp.

### All-day singing set June 21 at Milford

The annual "All Day Singing" at Milford Union Church will be Sunday, June 21.

The event will begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by a potluck lunch at noon.

The church is located southeast of Lockesburg off Hwy. 317 on Milford Road.

For more information contact Frankie Slaton, 870-784-6272.

### Center Point Homecoming to be held July 3-5

The bi-annual Center Point homecoming will be July 3-5.

Registration will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday, July 3, and resume at 10 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Headquarters will be at the Center Point Community Center, 210 N. Center Point St.

Early bird registration is \$45; after that registration will be \$55.

Information may be mailed to Carolyn Jefferson, 184 Texas St., Nashville, AR 71852.

### First day of summer Sunday, June 21 Longest day of the year

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**INDUCTEES FOR 2026.** The Scrapper Hall of Fame and Hall of Honor inducted 17 members Saturday night, June 13, at Midtown Social. Inductees or their representatives include Skip Moody representing his late grandparents E.T. and Louise Moody, Jennifer Hill Kendrick and Allison Hill Worthen representing their father the late Jim Hill, Larry Teague, Karen Turley Garcia, Chris Benson, Deb Tackett, Rick Baker, Katie Wesche, Tessa Ray Jamison, Clint Reed, Woody Futrell, Ivory Johnson, Anita Stuckey, Willie Moe Henry, Willie Scott and Kyle Slayton. More pictures from the induction banquet may be found on page 7A of today's *News-Leader*.

## A Scrapper family reunion

### Halls of Fame, Honor hold induction ceremonies



News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER

Hall of Honor inductee Larry Teague

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

Saturday night's Scrapper Hall of Fame and Hall of Honor induction at Midtown Social had some of the makings of a family reunion.

Some of the inductees and their families drove for hours to get here for the event.

Teammates who hadn't seen each other in years swapped stories about the "good old days," perhaps enhancing them as the night went on.

There were slide shows and videos to watch, evoking even more memories, just like a reunion.

And there were the honored Scrapper family members themselves, the 11 inductees into the Hall of

Fame and six into the Hall of Honor.

Former Nashville teacher, coach and administrator Dr. Tom DeBlack introduced all of them to a crowd of about 300, relating stories about their "glory days" and their lives after high school.

#### Busy night

When the guests arrived, they first looked over the outdoor displays of awards, newspaper clippings, Scrapper uniforms and other memorabilia.

Then, it was time to go inside for the Walk of Honor, dinner and the program.

During the Walk of Honor, Superintendent Doug Graham introduced the inductees who made their way to the front as Scrapper football players, coaches

and current Hall of Fame and Hall of Honor members welcomed them.

Johnny Wilson gave the invocation for the meal, followed by the introduction of the Hall of Fame steering committee, administration and school board.

Graham recognized the corporate sponsors, including York Gary, Tyson Foods, Rush Truck Center, Architecture Plus, Print Mania, Crawford Construction, Red River Credit Union, Cintas, First State Bank, Scrapper Booster Club, Pafford Ambulance Service, Paul Ray Trucking, Shelter Insurance, Hollis Heating and Air, Hendry Oil, Double J Excavation, and BoomBoom Floor Service.

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**BOYS STATE.** Nashville High School Boys State delegates include Luke Dowdy, Lucas Muncy, Lucas Pennington, C.J. Logan and Roland Schwope. Muncy was elected justice of the peace for Cotton County. Logan was named associate justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court, and Schwope was elected state representative. Boys State was held at the University of Central Arkansas.



**GIRLS STATE.** Nashville High School delegates to the Arkansas Civic Leadership Institute include Anna Kate McKinnon, Kinley Martin, Lauren Ferguson and Lyla Brinkman. The institute was held at the Arkansas State Capitol.

## JPs approve intermodal ordinance for county

**By Louie Graves**  
News-Leader staff

In its brief meeting for June, Monday, the Howard County Quorum Court approved an ordinance to join the Red River Intermodal Authority.

The organization exists to work for funding to make the Red River navigable to commercial and barge traffic all the way to Index outside of Texarkana.

Several southwest Arkansas counties including Little River, Lafayette, Hempstead and Miller are members.

The authority extended an invitation to Howard and Sevier Counties to join for economic growth.

County Judge Brent Pinkerton said he had conferred with County Attorney Aaron Brasel and that the ordinance "looked good."

County JPs unanimously approved the ordinance to join.

Also approved unanimously was an ordinance to reimburse the County Clerk's office for expenditures related to the Preferential Primary Election in March.

All JPs were in attendance as were the county's constitutional officers.

## Stand Up set July 4

Country music star Neal McCoy will be the headliner for the Stand Up for America patriotic celebration Saturday, July 4, at the Nashville City Park.

Among McCoy's hit songs are "No Doubt About It," "Wink," "Billy's Got His Beer Goggles On" and "The Shake."

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# Obituaries



**Peggy Nell Parson Manning**

Peggy Nell Parson Manning, age 83 of Umpire, Ark., passed away on Saturday, June 13, 2026, at the Blossoms of Dierks. She was born on June 7, 1943 in Athens, the daughter of the late Jimmie and Inez Parson.

Peggy worked as a switchboard operator for Weyerhaeuser in Dierks, Ark., for many years. She later worked for and retired from the US Postal Service. She loved sports and was an Umpire Wildcats basketball player and enjoyed watching all 3 of her kids do the same. She loved her family and always took very good care of them. She loved to type and to go walking. She loved to go to Church and she loved to sing. She will be missed terribly by her family and friends.

In addition to her parents, Jimmie and Inez Parson, Mrs. Manning was preceded in death by her husband, Don Manning, and her only sister, Patty Parson.

Those left to cherish her memory include her three children and their spouses: Charles Manning and his wife, Tina, of Alexander, Ark., Carla Reid and her husband, Donnie, of Athens, Ark., and Cheyne Manning and his wife, Rikki, of Umpire, Ark.; Six Granddaughters: Vanessa (Brian) Sampson of Benton, Ark., Alden Manning (DeWayne) Fox of Hot Springs, Ark., Kyla (Justin) Gilbert of Kirby, Ark., Sarah (Carlton) Norris of Little Rock, Ark., Caleigh Manning of Fayetteville, Ark., and Faith (Cassi) McCauley of Newhope, Ark.; Four Great-Grandchildren: Rylee Cobb of Alexander, Ark., Alexis Sampson of Benton, Ark., Keidan Gilbert of Kirby, Ark., Eliza Jane Norris of Little Rock, Ark.; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at the Athens Church of Christ.

Funeral services will begin at 3:00 p.m. at the Athens Church of Christ with Scott Kitchens, Michael Howard and Brian Finn officiating. Interment will follow in Athens Cemetery, under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home of Nashville.



**William Dean Murray**

William Dean Murray, 73, of Nashville, Ark., co-owner of Murray and Company Realty, went to be with the Lord on June 14, 2026. He was born on May 29, 1953, in Nashville, Ark., to the late William Thaddeus Murray and Christine Shankles Murray.

Dean is survived by his loving wife of 40 years, Carol Murray; his children, Kara McMillan, Jesse Gomez (Juan), Kristi Wall (Kamby), Tracey Cagle (Chad), Stacey Murray, Julie Murray, and Thad Murray; 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant son, Jacob Boone Murray.

The family will receive friends during a visitation

at Nashville Funeral Home from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 19, 2026. Funeral services will be held at Nashville Funeral Home at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 20, 2026.

Dean will be remembered for his devotion to his family, his faith, and his service to the Nashville community. His memory will be cherished by all who knew and loved him.



**Bruman 'Jerry' Gerald Busby**

Bruman "Jerry" Gerald Busby passed away on June 13, 2026, at home surrounded by friends and family at the age of 76. Jerry was born on June 9, 1950, in Laurall, Miss., to Bruman and Mildred M Busby.

Jerry grew up in Carnac, Texas, and later moved to Nashville. Jerry was employed at Husqvarna and worked as a maintenance electrician for 36 years until his retirement in 2015.

It was there that he met his wife Carolyn. They married Oct. 27, 1981, and have enjoyed 44 years together.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Bruman and Mildred Hallett Busby, one brother Steven Busby of Independence, Kans.

He is survived by his wife Carolyn Busby; a sister-in-law Betty Busby of Kansas, Suzie (Mark) Rathbun of Henry III., four children Jeremy (Stacey) Busby, Tyra (Gary) Hughes, both of Nashville, Michael Funderburke of Lockesburg, James and Marci Busby of Dallas.

Four grandkids, Todd (Kathryn) Hughes, Abbie (Tom) Hughes, all of Nashville Ark., Kristen Busby of Maumell Ark., and Brayden Funderburke of Conway Ark.

Five Great Grandkids Cooper and Kip Cogburn, Baylee Smith, Madilynn and Melany Hughes all of Nashville.

And one special chihuahua, his best friend Katie.

And three very special caregivers, Ambe, Holly and Tonya, and a wonderful host of Dierks Hospice nurses.

Jerry was a loving husband, father, grandfather and special friend to many. He had a heart of gold and loved the Lord. He was a member of Liberty Baptist Church.

Services will be held graveside at Liberty Baptist Church, on June 16, 2026.



**James Morris Ross**

James Morris Ross, age 83, of El Dorado, Ark., passed away on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, in Little Rock, surrounded by his family. He was born on June 12, 1942 in Hope, the son of the late George Ross and Lena Friddle Ross.

After graduating from Nashville High School, James served in the United States Army as a clerk before returning home to work as a bookkeeper and tax preparer at George Castleberry Bookkeeping in Nashville, Ark. On June 4, 1965, he married Irene Brown Ross of Mineral Springs, Ark., and together they built a life and raised their family in El Dorado.

James spent his career with the United States Postal Service in El Dorado, where

he worked as a mail carrier, window clerk, and in office management before retiring after 43 years of service.

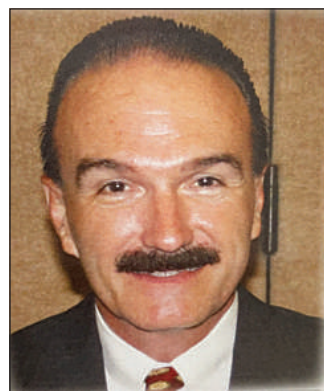
Family was important to James. He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren and kept in regular contact with them. Whether in person or over the phone, he was always interested in what was going on in their lives.

James will be remembered as a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and veteran.

In addition to his parents, James was preceded in death by his infant son, James Michael Ross and his sister, Mary Emily Hughes, niece Belinda Hughes Lowe, and great niece, Katlyn Grace Key.

Those left to cherish his memory include his loving wife of 61 years, Irene Brown Ross; his two children and their spouses, James Randall "Randy" Ross (Kristy) and Michele Ross Daugherty (Brian); two grandsons, Jackson Ross Daugherty and Cole Ryan Daugherty; his brother Kenneth Ross (Linda); as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A graveside service will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at Sardis Cemetery at 10 a.m., with Bro. Bryan Bixler officiating. Services are under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home of Nashville.



**Steve Clarence Savage**

Steven Clarence Savage, 64, of Tulsa, Okla., concluded his courageous battle with brain cancer on June 14, 2026.

He exemplified positivity through his battle and inspired everyone fortunate enough to know him.

Steve was born on Sept. 9, 1961, in Nashville, Ark., to Clarence and Erma Louise Dildy Savage. He resided in Tulsa, Okla., for the past 25 years, having also lived in Fayetteville, Ark., Joplin, Mo., and Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.

He was a 1979 graduate of Nashville High School. He received degrees from the University of Arkansas and Missouri Southern State University.

His career in transportation lasted nearly 40 years and he retired as Director of Transportation for MRC Global.

Steve loved golf and all his golfing buddies. He followed his father's love of aviation and earned his private pilot's license. He trained to be a marathon runner and he ran his first marathon in 2006. He ran 19 marathons over his lifetime.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Steve is survived by his wife of 39 years, Renee Savage of Tulsa, Okla. He is also survived by his 105 year-old aunt, Ollie Mae Gardner of Texarkana, Ark., and many cousins.

Graveside service will be Saturday, June 20, 2026, at 11 a.m. at Bluff Springs Cemetery, under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home, Nashville.

**Amanda Reese Smith**

Amanda Reese Smith, 98, of Nashville, died June 13, 2026.

She was born Oct. 28, 1927, in Nashville, the daughter of the late J.B. Reese and Mattieula Tolleson Reese.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Uthel Lee Smith.

She was a member of First Baptist Church, Nashville.

Survivors include: her daughter: Frances Jane Wal-

drop and husband Greg of Nashville; also grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 2 p.m. at Restland Cemetery with Ed McCrary officiating.



**Travis Glenn Gregory**

Travis Glenn Gregory, age 89 of Center Point, Ark., in Howard County, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Monday, June 8, 2026, at Overton Brooks VA Medical Center in Shreveport, La. He was born in Pisgah, Ark., on April 6, 1937, and was a graduate of Delight High School, class of 1956. He immediately enlisted in the United States Air Force and

served his country honorably for 20 years, including his service as a Vietnam War veteran. He married Rema Jo Westfall in December of 1959, and their travels took them to various military assignments around the globe during his service, and eventually settled down in Center Point, where they built their own home, remaining there for the 33 years of their marriage. Travis was a member of the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, Ark.

Following his military retirement, he worked at the Crater of Diamonds State Park, Howard Memorial Hospital, in construction of residential homes, and with the Pilgrim's Hatchery. He loved to hunt, fish, and raise various animals and fowl. He was quite a skilled craftsman in leather work, woodworking, and the making of jewelry. When you drove by his place, rarely did you not see him outside on his tractor cutting and baling hay or cleaning fence rows.

Travis was preceded in death by his parents, Seborn

Gregory and Flora Belle (Laurent) Gregory. His first wife, Rema Joe (Westfall) Gregory; and second wife, Bessie Rose (Jones) Gregory; an infant son, Randy Wayne Gregory; three half-brothers, Loyd Russell Taylor, Ira Lindell Taylor, and Ted Taylor; two sisters, Audie Marie Stueart and Cecil Faye Calley. He is survived by one son, Seborn S. Gregory of Center Point; one daughter, Nellia Williams and her husband, Robert, of Nashville; five grandchildren, Cassie A. Lichtenberg (Donnie), Jessica B. Smith (Neil), Travis Gilbert Gregory (Jenny), Stephanie D. West (Adam), and Travis Neil Williams; and 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

A private family graveside service is planned in Palestine Cemetery, Kirby, Ark., in Pike County. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Palestine Cemetery, c/o Priscilla Reid, 440 Palestine Rd, Amity, AR 71921, or Palestine Cemetery, c/o Gwenn Turner, P.O. Box 32, Kirby, AR 71950.



**PAFFORD AMBULANCE SERVICE.** A trio representing the company spoke to the Nashville Rotary Club, last Wednesday. From left, Crystal Gray, communications director; John Gray, operations director; and Robbie Seastrunk, operations manager for southwest Arkansas. Crystal Gray detailed the workings of the area's 9-1-1 system. Rotary president-elect Bobby Miller presided. The club meets at noon Wednesdays in Room 101 at UA-Cossatot.

## Early church theme of VBS at Ridgeway

"Paul and the Underground Church" is the theme of Vacation Bible School this summer at Ridgeway Baptist Church.

VGS will be June 22-25, from 6-8:30 nightly. Parents may register their child at [www.myvbs.org/rbcnashville](http://www.myvbs.org/rbcnashville) or on the first night of VBS.

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**EARLY FILES**

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

Compiled by Patsy Young



The Echols Timber Co. team went undefeated in 1979 and earned the league championship. Team members and coaches include (front row) Rodney Baxley, Jeffery Edwards, Brent Flaherty, Allen Brown and Doug Catt; (back row) Coach Harold Spigner, John D. Dickinson, Keith Couch, Jay Worthington, Steve Spigner and Freddie Brown. The team was treated to a hamburger supper sponsored by Cleo Echols. During the event, Echols was presented the championship trophy.

**134 years ago: June 1892**  
James Raymond, representing the W. L. Douglass Shoe Company, said at Arkadelphia last Saturday that he would give a premium on the virtue of all southern girls over 14 years of age. He got his face slapped and was egged and stoned out of town. His company has discharged him.

Jerome Fisher entered the room of Miss Fannie Dooley at Texarkana, Texas, just before daylight Wednesday morning and allegedly committed a fiendish outrage on her person. He was caught and identified, and at last reports a mob was gathering to hang him.

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here Wednesday. Owner Carl Freel said some silver was left in a cash register and as far as he could tell no merchandise was missing.

He said he thought entry was made by a slender person or youth who could slip through a narrow window frame of a broken window which is approximately seven feet above the floor level.

**60 years ago: July 1966**  
A "hot rod" chase in the wee hours Tuesday morning was expensive for both parties. Mayor Bill Holliday later fined a Nashville youth a total of \$450 on five traffic charges. A city police car was damaged \$215 worth because of a mishap during a two-hour chase and search.

The night's adventure on the highway lasted from about 1 a.m. to 3 a.m. The youth's swift driving in a souped-up hot rod brought City Marshall Ira Green of

Mineral Springs on his trail, as well as Officer Pete Gathright of Nashville.

Gathright first pursued the youth toward Mineral Springs and the police car hit 115 MPH and skidded into a guardrail amounting to \$215 in damage.

Marshal Green spotted the hot rod and gave chase, sending the vehicle back toward Nashville. About 3 a.m. Nashville officers heard the hot rod coming and Officer Gathright, armed with a shotgun, took a position out on Main Street near the First National Bank. The youth stopped at the sight of the armed officer.

He was tried in court Tuesday and charged with five violations - no tags, no driver's license, reckless driving, eluding officers and failure to stop for a red light. The fine was one of the heaviest traffic penalties ever given in local court.

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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 June 4-10, 2026, unless noted otherwise, included the following:

**Marriage Licenses**  
(Marriage licenses cost \$60 at the County Clerk's office)  
No marriage licenses issued during the period.

**Civil Court**  
CV26-99, June 9. Catherine Davis vs. Colton Swain. Real estate partition.  
CV26-100, June 5. LVNV Funding vs. Versialene Bearden. Debt.

**Domestic Relations Court**  
No Domestic Relations cases filed since DR26-54, June 3.

**Criminal Court**  
(NOTE: POCs = possession of controlled substance; PODP = possession of drug paraphernalia; DOCS = delivery of controlled substance. Defendants are innocent until proven otherwise.)  
June 5. (Correcting name,

No Criminal Court cases filed since CR26-38, May 29.

**Land/Property Transactions**  
**Quitclaim Deed**  
June 5. Quinn Osborn; to Joseph Osborn and Amber Osborn; aggregate 10.6 ac. in S34 T7S R28W.

June 8. Joe Lee Hardin III; to Kim Moix; properties in S5 T10S R27W.

**Distributee Deed**  
June 8. Linda Pate, distributee of the estate of Cleatha Lamb, deceased; to Linda Pate, Brenda Spradling and Patrick Lamb, joint tenants; Lots 18-20 and part of Lot 21, Block 44, town of Nashville.

**Warranty Deed**  
June 4. Timothy W. Pinkerton and wife Dena R. Pinkerton; to Jason L. Harrison and Jesse N. Harrison, tenants in common; property in S27 T9S R27W, part of lot 3, Pleasant Mountain Addition to Town of Nashville. \$225,000.  
June 5. (Correcting name,

special warranty deed) Jordan Mike Pope; to Vivian Sue Pope et al; 2.387 ac. in S17 T11S R27W. \$0.00.

June 5. Christopher Shane Graham and wife Laykon Graham; to Dustin Joel Smith and wife Morgan Danielle Smith; 4 tracts in S2 T8S R29W. \$1,400,000.

June 8. Sharon Snow; to Sharon Snow trustee of the Sharon Snow Irrevocable Trust; Lot 1 and part of Lot 2, Block 5, Murray's 2nd Addition, town of Dierks.

June 8. Felicia Ann Merrell, and Holi Markarvich and husband Aaron Markarvich; to Jimmy Dale Carver; part of Blocks 19-20 and Johnson and Old Lee Streets, 1.208 ac., city of Mineral Springs. \$40,000.

June 10. John J. Wilson Jr. and Ruth O. Wilson, his wife; to Lloyd Woodruff and Denise Woodruff his wife and Samantha Woodruff, joint tenants; 15 ac. in S24T9S R27W. \$101,000.

**Public hearing set on grant applications**

A public hearing required for application for grants from the Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program will precede

the monthly meeting of the City Council, Monday, June 22.

The hearing will be at City Hall at 11:45, preced-

ing the council meeting at noon. The public is invited to attend and to give suggestions for uses of the ACEDP funds, if granted.

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**Notice of Surplus (used equipment) for Sale:**

Sealed Bids are being taken by the Mine Creek Conservation District for the purchase and removal of surplus used equipment.

**Item #1 — Used 2020 Bull Creek Hog Trap (all inclusive) Minimum Bid - \$4,500**  
BP Trap with trailer, 2 gates, 9 panels, 1 walk thru panel, Solar Panel 1 - 12 V Marine Battery

**Item #2 — Used 2022 Bull Creek Hog Trap Minimum Bid: \$5,000**  
Electronic Package 1 - 12 V Marine Battery Live view Camera System with output Gate drop 150 W Solar Panel with Charge Controller; Omni Directional Antenna

**Game Changer Pro:**  
Trailer with 3,500 lb. Axle; Hinge panel with spring pin locks for transportation; Front, rear and easy lift hinge panel jack; includes drive in anchors and pins; all gates and panels are 5'6" tall with 2x4 welded wire mesh; camera and antenna pole - 4 Gates with Electronic Latch, 8 Panels which included one walk thru gate.

**Item #3**  
2020 Ozark Mfg. Trailer (With Title)

All equipment is sold "As is, Where is" with no express or implied warranties. Equipment may be inspected by appointment at the Mine Creek Conservation District located at 101 S. Washington St., Nashville, AR 71852 (9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday). For Appointment Contact Louise Morris at 870-845-4121 Ext. 3 Bid forms may be picked up at the District Office.

Sealed bids must be submitted in a physical envelope clearly marked on the Outside or **"SEALED - BID - SURPLUS EQUIPMENT"** to prevent accidental early opening. Seller reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities, and to accept the bid deemed most advantageous to the district. Terms of Sale Cash or Cashier's Check. Bids will be received at the Mine Creek Conservation District Office 101 S. Washington St., Nashville, AR 71852 until 3:00 p.m., June 26, 2026. The bids will be opened and read aloud at the Mine Creek District Director's Monthly meeting in July. Late Bids or electronic bids will be rejected.

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# Point of view

## A topless habit

### Messy eaters should do more to avoid food stains

YES, I AM STILL HERE peeking out my window on Main Street, and one of the pleasures of my life at this point is a weekly lunch with some of my classmates.

Our regular group includes Ronnie Yates, Loy D. Dildy and sometimes Tim Freel. Together we comprise about a fourth of the surviving male members of the NHS class of 1961. We used to be joined by Ray Blakely, Joe Ball and Jack Lovelis, but sadly they're gone now.

Lately, we've been meeting on Thursdays in the back room at the Center Point Store.

Center Point is actually the old stomping grounds of classmate Yates who went into the Air Force after college. He served a dozen years and exited as a Captain. He flew huge jets. After he got out of uniform he was a private pilot for a famous rich family. He's the most physically fit of our group. He takes off on long-distance coastal trips on his Harley. Long distance for my bladder these days is a one-way trek to Center Point for lunch.

Loy D. is related by blood or marriage to nearly all of Howard County. He's a retired pharmacist. In my mind he is STILL the captain of the Scrapper football team.

Tim founded a bank; operated businesses; and served as administrator at our community's beloved Howard County Children's Center. Now he's mostly a duck hunter.

We meet for lunch, and the 'regulars' at the Store are now accustomed to seeing us. Some of them still sneer, though.

I believe the regulars recognize me because I'm the one with food stains on the front of his shirt. It's because with old age comes drooling.

Food staining is not actually a new thing. It started several years ago when I began taking lunch home to eat alone.

I realized that at the rate of about one per day my shirts were getting permanent food stains on the front. After some deep thought I came to the conclusion that the only way to avoid the waste of a shirt was to take it off while eating.

There was no way I would be a neater eater, but there was nothing to keep me from being a bare-chested one.

No problem. I was home alone. No witnesses. No shame.

#### A Habit

But then shirtless eating became a habit. I started taking off my shirt anytime I had lunch. Home or not, alone or not.

Problems arose, naturally. Dining topless resulted in complaints from UA-Cossatot cosmetology students when the Rotary Club met there during the lunch hour.

The folks at McDonald's said I could take off my shirt but only in the drive-thru line when ordering with their app.

At Starz Family Restaurant, employees at the take-out window told me that I had really let myself go. I thanked them for the compliment even though I was already sucking in my tummy.

I told myself: "Ignore those cruel comments, and just think of all the shirts you're saving."

I patronize just about all of the food places in town, so I asked the high school language teacher to tell me what "por favor ponga la camisa" means.

She said it's Spanish for "please put your shirt on." That's what I hear at all of our Mexican places.

I've had some embarrassing confrontations at local events.

JA's Breakfast with Santa was disaster. Syrup and chest hair.

The Peach Blossom Festival crowds booed and pointed when I walked down the middle of Main Street shirtless with my snow cone.

The Chamber of Commerce has asked me to skip the next ribbon-cutting and community coffee.

I'm afraid this isn't over. I dread getting my usual halftime cheeseburger at the Band Boosters concession window at Scrapper Stadium. Especially in cold weather in the playoffs.

That yellow mustard really stands out on the front of my orange hoodie.



DO EITHER of you recall my recent column about the annual Pacific Ocean current? Well, perfessers now say it is "El Niño," and it portends a very hot summer followed by a very cold winter.



HOME OF THE BRAVE. More than a dozen 'No Kings' protestors Sunday afternoon. They reported no shouted obscenities from passing motorists who had a different viewpoint.



MORE THINGS I LEARNED from opening an email: The circus is finding it hard to recruit new clowns --- they're all in Congress.



WORD GAMES. I love oxymorons. "It was an Open Secret which candidate Arkies would support in the election."



HE SAID: "I have embraced crying mothers who have lost their children because our politicians put their personal agendas before the national good. I have no patience for injustice, no tolerance for government incompetence, no sympathy for leaders who fail their citizens." Donald Trump, 45th and 47th President



SHE SAID: "Success makes so many people hate you. I wish it wasn't that way. It would be wonderful to enjoy success without seeing envy in the eyes of those around you." Marilyn Monroe, actress Marilyn, has it really been 50 years?



SWEET DREAMS, Baby

Mine Creek Revelations



By Louie Graves

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## Legislators play host to Boys State during annual leadership meeting

By State Sen. Jimmy Hickey

On May 29, the Arkansas State Capitol welcomed delegates from Arkansas Boys State. These young men were here to learn through meetings with constitutional officers and mock legislative sessions.

Founded in 1940, Arkansas Boys State is an immersive civics education and leadership summer experience for rising high school seniors.

Former Boys Staters include former President Bill Clinton, former governor and ambassador to Israel Mike Huckabee, White House Chiefs of Staff Mack McLarty and Jack Watson Jr., United States Senators Tom Cotton and John Boozman, and former Arkansas Chief Justice John Dan Kemp.

The students spent the week at the University of Central Arkansas campus in Conway. According to the Arkansas Boys State website, delegates are assigned to a political party, city, and county.

Throughout the week, the students administer this mock government: they run for office, draft and pass legislation, solve municipal challenges, and engage with constituents. It is considered one

of the largest Boys State programs in the nation. Nationwide, about 25,000 young men participate in Boys State each year.

Over 500 students arrived at the Capitol on Friday, ready to put what they'd learned into action. On the Senate side, the mock session was gavelled in after a quick visit from United States Senator Tom Cotton.

It was interesting to see what topics were on the minds of the Boys State senators. The group debated and voted on bills covering various topics, including:

Additional taxes on junk food to incentivize healthier options

Mandated reading test for 8th graders, with tutoring for those who fail, to help ensure better literacy before the students enter high school. Tutoring would be performed by school faculty or by older students, who could earn required community service hours in return.

A "Freedom to Earn" act that would cut state income taxes to a three percent rate for both individuals and corporations

Encouraging the construction of mixed-use buildings in com-

munities around the state. The bill states that "mixed-use zoning increases the density, walkability, and supply of affordable housing," and that it encourages "third places, which are social environments outside of the home, work, or school that serve as anchors of community life."

Senators Alan Clark, Steve Crowell, Breanne Davis, Jonathan Dismang, Ben Gilmore, Kim Hammer, Bart Hester, Matt McKee, and Brad C. Simon were on hand to answer questions and advise the boys on the finer points of legislation.

Senator and President Pro Tempore Bart Hester summed up the experience for the young men in the chamber. "Now that you know what is involved in the process of governing," he said, "remember that any time you hear about legislation or any other news that affects you, dig in and learn more about it. Don't form your opinion from headlines or social media sources that are designed to anger you."

It was a pleasure hosting the Boys Staters and we look forward to hearing more from these young leaders in the future.

## U.S. leads effort against malaria

By U.S. Sen. John Boozman

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), malaria takes the lives of more than 600,000 people each year, making it one of the deadliest infectious diseases on earth.

Although it was eradicated in the United States over more than years ago, this mosquito-borne illness remains a leading cause of death worldwide, disproportionately affecting young children and pregnant women.

During my time in Congress, I have had the privilege to travel throughout Africa, where I saw firsthand the devastation malaria leaves in its wake. In 2022, 95 percent of all reported malaria cases and 96 percent of malaria-related deaths occurred on the continent.

These numbers are staggering and heartbreaking, especially because malaria is preventable, treatable and curable.

Fortunately, Americans from all walks of life — from elected officials to charitable organizations — are dedicated to making a meaningful difference.

As a member of the U.S. House of Representatives representing Arkansas's Third Congressional District, I served on the Foreign Affairs Committee and, with my former colleague Rep. Donald Payne (D-NJ), founded what is now the Congressional Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases

Caucus in 2008. Working together, we helped build a bipartisan effort to advance policies aimed at eradicating malaria, specifically by bolstering humanitarian relief programs that save lives and simultaneously build goodwill towards the U.S. around the globe.

Malaria can be prevented through low-cost interventions such as insecticides, treated bed nets and antimalarial drugs. Medication to protect against the disease has proven incredibly effective. With these advancements, the world is closer than ever to ending malaria in our lifetime.

It has been inspiring to see how the fight to eliminate malaria has resonated with both Democrats and Republicans over many years. The consensus around fighting malaria comes from a shared belief that it is a practical and worthy object of our attention, time and resources.

For as long as I have been involved with this issue, I have been encouraged to witness the extreme compassion and generosity embodied by the American people in their support for this effort. The rest of the world and particularly developing countries look to the U.S. for leadership and assistance, and in turn, we have been able not just to supply our resources and attention but also organize and rally lasting support from other nations.

One major force in the fight

against malaria has been the U.S. President's Malaria Initiative (PMI), which celebrates its 20th anniversary this year.

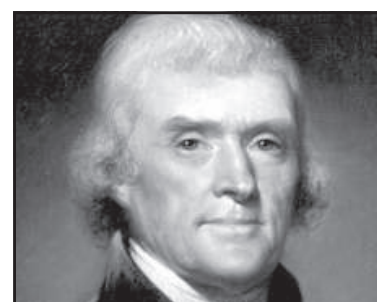
The program, established by President George W. Bush, has reduced malaria deaths by around one-third, largely due to the focused partnerships between local governments, stakeholder groups, faith communities and charitable organizations.

Today, the United States is the largest donor to global malaria efforts and due to our involvement, 47 countries have been certified as "malaria-free."

The PMI represented a powerful commitment to turn the tide against malaria in Africa and around the world, which it certainly did. I remain grateful for the support President and Mrs. Bush demonstrated for this fight as well as the congressional effort I was blessed to help lead.

Ultimately, saving lives from malaria helps pull nations out of poverty, reduces instability and enhances U.S. diplomacy. Eliminating malaria is a critical step in fostering economic growth and even further reducing the need for future, costly humanitarian assistance.

I'm pleased that we continue to build off these efforts and that Americans are engaged with fighting infectious disease and lifting communities around the world.



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Thomas Jefferson, 1787  
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## Hall of Honor

Dr. DeBlack told about the Hall of Honor inductees' accomplishments, followed by acceptance videos from the new members or their representatives

The inductees included the following:

**Jim Hill - Jim Hill**, a member of the NHS Class of 1956, served in public office and state leadership roles in Arkansas for more than a decade. He represented Nashville in the Arkansas General Assembly from 1993-2009. He served as president *pro tempore* of the Senate 2003-2004. He was appointed by Gov. Mike Beebe to the War Memorial Stadium Commission and by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture to the National Beef Board. Hill was inducted into the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Hall of Fame and was named Nashville Man of the Year in 2007.

Daughters Jennifer Hill Kendrick and Allison Hill Worthen accepted the award for their father.

**E.T. and Louise Moody - Elbert Thomas (E.T.) Moody** was hired by the Nashville School District in 1921. Over the course of the next 46 years, Moody served as a teacher, coach and superintendent. During his early years with the district, his wife Louise Moody coined the nickname "Scrappers" for the school's athletic teams and selected orange and black as the school colors. Both the name and the colors remain in use today.

E.T. Moody's 46 years of service to Nashville schools and its athletics programs remain among the most significant contributions in the district's history.

Accepting the award for E.T. and Louise Moody was their grandson, Skip Moody.

**Deb Tackett - Deb Tackett**, NHS Class of 1974, is an educator and school administrator with a 39-year career in education, including 36 years with the Nashville Public Schools. At Nashville Junior High, she served as assistant principal for four years and principal for 12 years. She received the 4NAC Outstanding Educator Award for her leadership and service in education. She graduated from Henderson State University, earning both a BSE and MSE, and was a member of Delta Zeta Sorority.

At NHS, Tackett served as Scraper band majorette and Student Council president.

She is an active member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and a



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**INDUCTION NIGHT.** Inductees into the Scrapper Hall of Honor and Hall of Fame stand in front of a packed house at Midtown Social Saturday night, June 13. The Hall of Honor added six members, with 11 for the Hall of Fame.

long-time volunteer at First Baptist Church of Nashville.

**Larry Teague - Larry Teague**, NHS Class of 1976, is a businessman and long-time public servant from Nashville. The owner of Teague & Teague Insurance, he served six years in the Arkansas House of Representatives and 14 years in the state Senate, representing southwest Arkansas with a focus on rural development, public service and state policy. He also served as an alderman for the City of Nashville.

Teague's legislative work earned multiple honors, including the Rural Advocate of the Year in 2002, the Advocate of Justice Award from the Arkansas Prosecuting Attorneys Association in 2011, and Outstanding State Legislator Award from the Arkansas State Employees Association in 2011. He was named Legislator of the Year by the Arkansas Forestry Association in 2013.

**Katie Wesche - A member of the NHS Class of 1959**, Katie Wesche is an educator and academic leader with a long career in teaching, administration and education development in Arkansas. She graduated from Harding University in 1963 and later earned a Master of Administration in 1977. She completed superintendent certification through the Arkansas Department of Education via the University of Central Arkansas in 1988. She was the first female administrator in the Nashville School District.

Wesche's work focused on instructional improvement and leadership development. She became a certified instructor for the Program for Effective Teaching in 1983 and earned multiple recognitions throughout her career, including the Nashville PTA Outstanding Educator Award 1984-85 and the Harding University Outstanding Alumnus Award in 1988. She received



Johnny Wilson gives the invocation.

the Distinguished Leadership Award from the Arkansas Leadership Academy in 1997 for her contributions to education and professional development.

## Hall of Fame

**Rick Baker** served 24 years as a coach in Nashville, building one of the state's most successful athletic programs. As head junior high football coach, his teams recorded nine undefeated seasons and a 65-game winning streak. As head senior boys track and field coach, he led Nashville to 15 district championships and nine state indoor and outdoor championships. In 2007 he was named Arkansas Outstanding Track and Field Coach of the Year and in 2023 the Arkansas Track and Field Official of the Year. Last month, he was inducted into the Arkansas Track and Field Hall of Fame.

**Chris Benson - Chris Benson**, NHS Class of 2001, was a standout football and track athlete. In football, he was named AAA All-Star game Defensive MVP in 2001, Nashville/Howard County All-Star 1998-2000, and selected to the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* Super Prep All-Arkansas Team at defensive back in 2000. He earned First Team All-District 7AAA honors in 1999 and 2000 and was a two-time All-State selection. He was named to Hooten's Class AAA Super Team.



Superintendent Doug Graham welcomes the crowd.

In track and field, Benson was a three-time All-State athlete, three-time outdoor state champion and two-time indoor state champion. He received the Joe Lee Goodrum Award for the outstanding track athlete in 2001 and set school records in decathlon points, the 3200-m relay and triple jump. He also qualified for the Meet of Champions three times.

At Ouachita Baptist University, Benson was a three-year starter and a defensive captain.

**Woody Futrell - Woody Futrell**, NHS Class of 1958, was a multi-sport athlete, competing in football, track, basketball and baseball.

In football, he wore No. 22 and played tailback and safety in Coach Dwight Jones's single-wing offense. Nashville posted a 29-4-1 varsity record during his career. The 1955 team finished 10-0-1, ranked No. 1 in Arkansas in Class A and 6 overall in the state, compiled the school's first 400-point season, and recorded seven shutouts, with a 13-13 tie against Hot Springs the only blemish.

The 1956 team finished 9-2, and Woody played a crucial role in one of the most celebrated games in Scrapper football history, a 40-6 win over No. 1 ranked DeWitt. In that game, Woody twice caught DeWitt star Harold Horton from



Dr. Tom DeBlack introduces the inductees.

behind. Horton claims it was the only time that happened other than in his high school career.

The 1957 team went 10-2, including another win over top-ranked DeWitt and a victory over Hope on Thanksgiving Day. That team finished 12th in the state overall.

In track, Futrell set school records in 1958 in the 100-yard dash at 10.1 seconds, and the 220 dash, 23.6 seconds. He also competed in the long jump and on the 440- and 880-yard relay teams. He qualified for the first Meet of Champions in 1958.

Futrell went on to play tailback at Henderson State University.

**Willie Moe Henry - Willie Moe Henry**, Class of 1996, was a four-sport athlete and three-year letterman. In his senior year, he earned All-State honors in three of those sports and All-Conference recognition in the other. He was named 1995 Scrapper MVP and Mr. NHS and was selected to the 1996 All-Star football game.

He earned a football scholarship to Arkansas Tech University, where he was a four-year starter from 1996-1999. His 1999 team was inducted into the Arkansas Tech Hall of Fame.

After college, Henry served as head baseball coach at Shiloh Christian



Athletic Director Bunch Nichols closes the program.

High School from 2014-19, leading teams to a 2016 state championship and three runner-up finishes. He is currently the head football coach at Van Buren High School.

Tech Coach Steve Mullins said Henry had "a high football IQ, great attitude, showed up to play."

**Tessa Ray Jamison - Tessa Ray Jamison**, a member of the NHS Class of 2005, was a three-sport athlete, including track and field, softball and golf. In track and field, she was a 2003 state champion and three-time All-State selection 2003-05. She held the school record in the 800-m at 2:23.61. She earned the Betty Floyd Track Award in 2002, 2004 and 2005, was named the Outstanding Distance Runner 2004-05, Outstanding Sprinter 2005, Outstanding Track Performer 2005 and Gatorade Player of the Year 2005.

In softball, she was a three-time All-District selection, two-time All-Region selection, three-time Golden Glove winner and had multiple All-Star nominations.

In golf, she was a two-time Outstanding Golfer of the Year in 2003 and 2005 and two-time All-State golfer in 2004 and 2005.

Tessa earned a softball scholarship to Henderson State University, where she set a school record with 39

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Ryan Stuckey and his mom, Hall of Fame inductee Anita Stuckey, stand by a display of memorabilia from her 40 years at Nashville High, including 25 years as cheer coach.

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stolen bases in a season.

Ivory Johnson - A member of the Class of 1995, Ivory Johnson was a multi-sport athlete at NHS. In football, he earned All-District honors 1993-95, All-Conference honors 1993-95 and was named All-State in 1995.

After high school, Johnson continued his football career at the semi-professional level, playing for the Springfield Rifles 2003-2004.

Clint Reed - Clint Reed, NHS Class of 1997, was a football and baseball standout and a key contributor to other championship teams at Nashville High.

In football, he was a three-year starter and two-time All-Conference selection. He was part of the 1995 state runner-up team and the 1996 state championship team, earning recognition as Senior Class MVP.

In baseball, Reed was a two-year starter, earning All-Conference and All-State honors. He set a school record for ERA and received the 1996 Brad Byers Award for performance and leadership. His coach, Frank Puryear, called him one of the best pitchers he ever coached.

Reed was a three-year starter as an offensive lineman at Arkansas Tech, and his 1999 team was inducted into the Arkansas Tech Athletics Hall of Fame. Coach Steve Mullins said Reed was a "team leader and a great center."

Willie Scott - A member of the Class of 2000, Willie Scott excelled in football, basketball, and track and field at NHS.

In football, he was a three-year letterman, two-time All-State selection, and team co-captain. He was named 1999 MVP on the state runner-up team. He set the school record for receiving

touchdowns in a career and ranked second in single-season touchdowns.

In basketball, Scott was a three-year letterman and earned All-Conference honors 1998-1999. In track and field, he was a three-year letterman and two-time All-State selection 1998-1999.

His honors include the Arkansas Sports Medicine Super 7 team 1999, KATV All-Arkansas All-Star team 2000, Joe Lee Goodrum Track Award 1998 and the Scrapper Award in 2000.

Scott played college football at Arkansas Tech, where Mullins said he was "a versatile wide receiver, great route runner and always competed."

Kyle Slayton - Kyle Slayton is a championship football and baseball coach with 544 career wins in 25 years, including 438 at Nashville High School.

His teams won five baseball state championships, including Fouke in 1999 and Nashville in 2007, 2017, 2018 and 2019. He also coached on four football state championship teams in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2015.

He was named ABCA Regional Coach of the Year in 2017 and 2018 and ABCA National Coach of the Year in 2018.

He was inducted into the Southern Arkansas University Hall of Fame in 1971.

Anita Stuckey - A member of the NHS Class of 1967, Anita Stuckey was a Nashville cheerleader for six years and continued her cheerleading career at the University of Central Arkansas, where she graduated in 1971.

She spent 25 years as NHS cheer coach, leading the program to the 1994 AAA State Championship Award. Several of her girls became National Cheerleaders. She was named Arkansas and Regional Coach of the Year in 1999 and National Coach of the Year in 2001.

From 1991-2001, Stuckey

served as a National Safety Certifier for Arkansas cheer coaches, certifying more than 600 coaches statewide.

She worked 40 years as an NHS teacher and was named Arkansas Regional Teacher of the Year.

Stuckey thanked Dena Tollett for arranging her table and Susan Renfrow for helping with her video. She also thanked her cheerleaders for "all the wonderful memories" she will always cherish. She wants each of them to remember, you will always be her girls.

Karen Turley Garcia - Karen Turley Garcia, NHS Class of 1973, was a standout basketball player for the Scrapperettes from 1968 to 1973.

She was a four-time All-District selection, MVP and played in the All-Star game. During her career, she helped lead teams to four district championships and an Arkansas state runner-up finish. She was recognized in Who's Who as Most Athletic.

Turley earned a basketball scholarship to the University of Arkansas at Monticello, where she played for four years. At UAM, she was named an Outstanding College Athlete of America, became a Campus Favorite, made the Dean's List and earned All-AWISA Conference honors.

She played on teams that finished as AWISA runner-up in 1976 and AWISA champions in 1977.

She was inducted into the University of Arkansas at Monticello Athletic Hall of Fame in 2024.

Assistant Superintendent Tate Gordon and steering committee member Tem Gunter presented plaques to the inductees.

Following the introductions, Athletic Director Bunch Nichols made closing remarks, followed by inductees and audience singing the NHS Alma Mater written by Amy Holcombe Ball Johnston.



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Citizens gathered on Isaac Perkins Boulevard in Nashville Sunday afternoon, June 14, to mark No Kings Day and Flag Day. The group carried signs dealing with the nationwide No Kings event and with Flag Day, an annual observance.

# Stand Up

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Gates will open at 4:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 each for ages 13 and up. Children ages 6-12 will be admitted

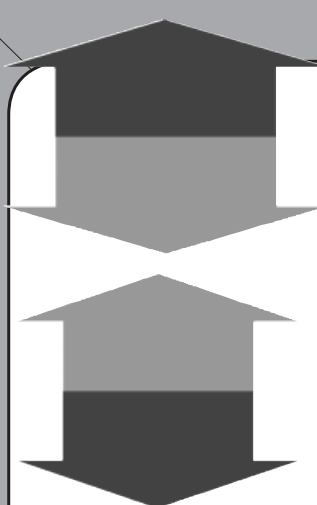
for \$10. Those ages 5 and under will be admitted free.

Tickets are available from the Nashville Chamber of Commerce. They may also be purchased from the chamber website at nashvillearcc.com or by scanning the QR code in the Stand Up for America ad on page 6B.

The Stand Up event will include food trucks, bounce houses, face painting and music.

There will be a fireworks display after McCoy's performance.

For more information, call the chamber office at 870-845-1262.



## Nashville's City Sales and Use Tax For April 2026

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# Halls of Fame, Honor hold inductions

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Current and former Scrapper baseball coaches visit at the Hall of Fame induction Saturday, June 13, at Midtown Social. They include former coaches Johnny Wilson and Frank Puryear, inductee and former coach Kyle Slayton, and current coach Zach Stewart.



Hall of Fame inductee Woody Futrell and family members look over the memorabilia at his table before the banquet. The group includes Caroline Kesterson, Avery Kesterson, Futrell, Anna Kesterson Hart, Tera Lea Kesterson and Rick Kesterson.



Hall of Fame inductee and former cheer coach Anita Stuckey (back row, fifth from left) and many of "her girls" gather at the banquet Saturday night.



Jon Wesche (left) and Kerri Wesche Davis (right) escort their mom Katie Wesche as Hall of Honor inductees are introduced.



Hall of Fame member Maurice Johnson (left) congratulates his brother, 2026 inductee Ivory Johnson, at the ceremony Saturday night, June 13.



Hall of Honor inductee Deb Tackett (fourth from left) visits daughter Heather Tackett Wardle (left), and friends Regina Ray, Deb Young and Terry Young.



Inductees Clint Reed, Willie Scott, Kyle Slayton, Karen Turley Garcia, Ivory Johnson and Tessa Ray Jamison await their introductions last Saturday night.



Hall of Fame members Jay Turley (left) and James Turley (right) congratulate their sister Karen Turley Garcia after her induction Saturday night.

Scrapper Hall of Fame, Hall of Honor induction  
Saturday night, June 13  
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# The past comes alive for NHS students

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The AP/Concurrent U.S. History class at Nashville High School visited the Old Fire Station and other Howard County Museum facilities on a field trip during the spring semester.



Lucas Muncy and Ava Basiliere stand beside the dinosaur footprints at the museum.



Students look over the displays at the 1912 E.A. Williams Chapel Museum on Second Street in Nashville.



Howard County Historical Society president Freddie Horne (right) welcomes the class to the museum.



De Quincy Staggers (above) and Kinley Martin (right) try their luck playing a pump organ as Freddie Horne tells them about the instrument which dates back to the 1800s.



Roland Schwope looks over a Howard County centennial celebration coin from 1973.



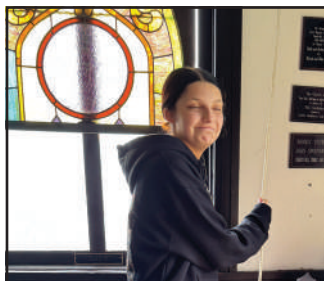
Lauren Ferguson plays a piano donated to the museum by her family.



C.J. Logan sits behind the wheel of a classic cab as Rihanna Stewart and Natalie Soto watch.



Assistant Principal Eric Perez checks out an antique manual typewriter at the Sybert Street campus.



Lily Arbutnott rings the museum bell.

72 days remaining in the Countdown to the Scrappers' first game Aug. 28 at home against Bismarck.

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## SPORTS LEADERS

Players of the Week as selected by The Leader sports department

Scraper Hall of Fame, Hall of Honor inductees

The Hall of Fame and Hall of Honor inducted 17 members Saturday, June 13, at Midtown Social. Hall of Fame inductees include Rick Baker, Chris Benson, Woody Futrell, Willie Moe Henry, Tessa Ray Jamison, Ivory Johnson, Clint Reed, Willie Scott, Kyle Slayton, Anita Stuckey and Karen Turley Garcia. Hall of Honor inductees are Jim Hill, E.T. and Louise Moody, Deb Tackett, Larry Teague and Katie Wesche.

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## The Winter Bear

### Nashville author's new book now available

By John Balch  
News-Leader staff

For his third book, Nashville author Jason Horn is taking the reader out of Hell's Valley and into Fairbanks, Alaska to meet *The Winter Bear*.

The new self-published book is now available on Amazon and sees Horn deviating from his first two books, *Crossing Paths* and *The Dark Path Home*, a two-part Western set in the mid-1800s and loaded with factual events and recognizable local names and places.

"This one is a thriller," said Horn about *The Winter Bear*, which he added is "a real thing" in Alaska when grizzly bears come out of hibernation, eat and go back in. But here's the twist:

"My bear, I wanted a bear that came out and did not go back in," Horn said.

The bear, which goes on a rampage and killing spree, is the main character along with "Sheriff James" and "Trip Gage," a freshly-released inmate looking to get on with his life despite a tense relation with the

sheriff. Bodies are starting to pile up. The two men have got to come together to do something.

"Can they bring down this murderous grizzly before more are victims?"

"This book has a really big plot twist," Horn said, "and I try to do that with all my books to have little surprise."

Horn said the book opens like a Western, "but chapter two, boom, it turns into modern-day times."

Horn was actually born in Fairbanks in 1973 and moved to Nashville soon after with his parents, Kenny Horn and the late Debbie Webb Horn. Both parents were avid readers and Horn said it was Dad who encouraged him to write the stories "he knew I had in my head."

Horn has come a long way since his first book, which he wrote in longhand. Now, with an assist from wife, Allison Ball Horn, he can "hunt and peck" his way around a keyboard. Horn recalled his Dad reading those longhand drafts of the first book to his mother, whose sight had diminished due to

diabetes.

Like most writers, there are more stories ready to come out of Horn. He already has his fourth book, *Ringgold*, waiting in the wings and there is even a teaser about it toward the end of *The Winter Bear*.

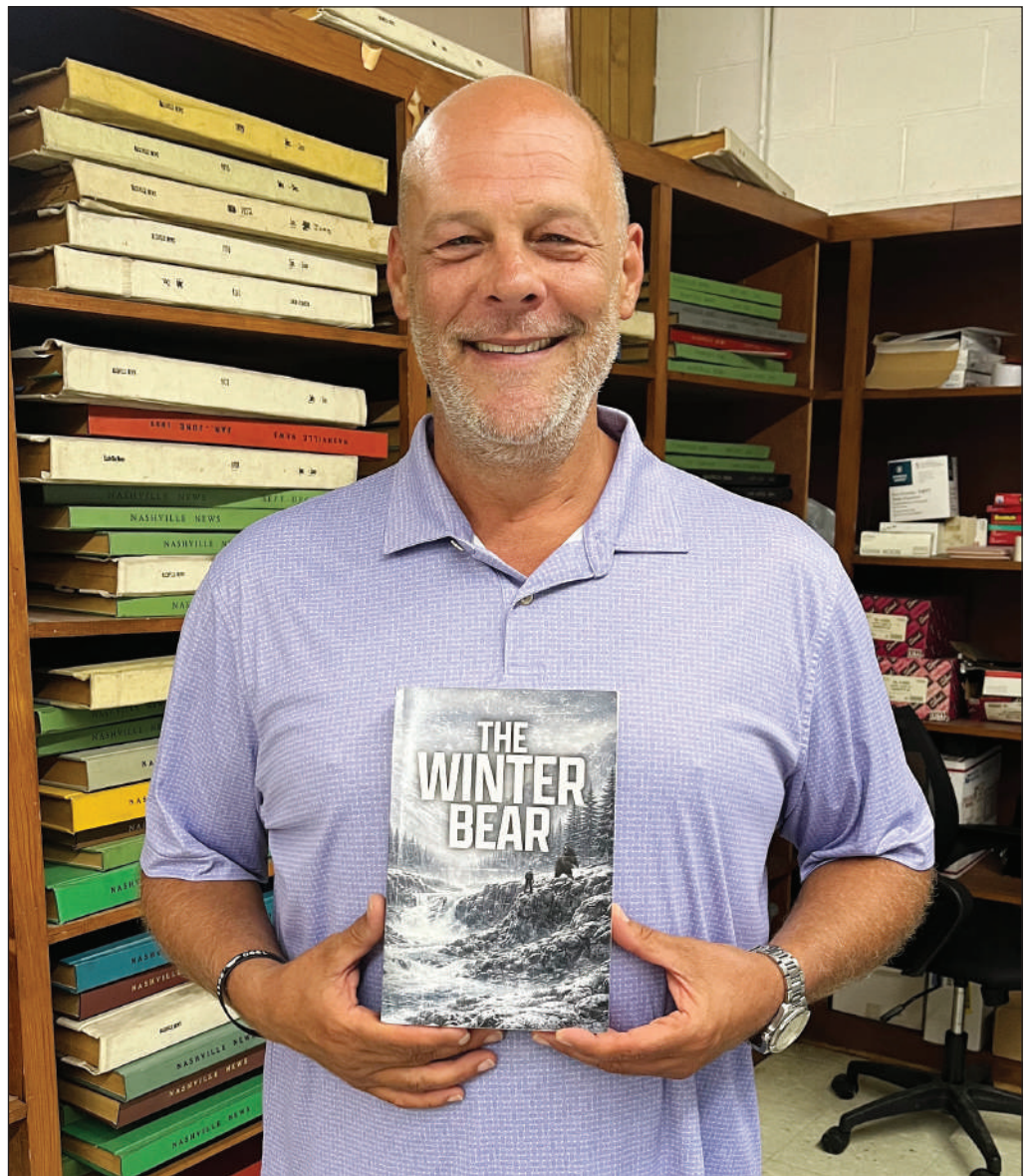
The fourth book will return readers to familiar pages of Hell's Valley.

Horn plans to hold a book-signing in the near future once some readers have got the new book. As of Monday morning, at least one person had already downloaded and read the new book.

"I've already got a nice text and phone call," Horn said, adding that he doesn't expect to get rich writing books but he is going to continue when the urge hits.

"I'm not James Patterson, but when people come up to me in town and tell me they just finished my book, and they liked it, that makes me feel pretty good."

*Note: Horn's second book, The Dark Path Home, is expected to be back on Amazon in the near future.*



Nashville Author Jason Horn and his new book, *The Winter Bear*

## Pike County native finishes first runner-up in Miss Arkansas Pageant

On Saturday night, June 13, Antoine native and Miss Dogwood LilliAnn Nunley was chosen first runner-up in the Miss Arkansas Pageant in Hot Springs.

Nunley is the daughter of A.J. and Nicole Bienusa and Robin Nunley, and the granddaughter of the late Roosevelt Williams and Sally Williams of Antoine. Earlier in the preliminary judging, she won both the Evening Gown and Overall Health and Fitness competitions.

Nunley is a student at the University of Arkansas and a part of the Women's Track and Field team. After graduation from the UofA she will be entering law school.



LilliAnn Nunley of Antoine

## HC fairground facilities now available to rent

The Howard County Fair Association has announced the fairground facilities are now available for rent. The facilities and rates include:

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Rose Johnson of Farmers Bank & Trust

## Reception set for June 30 to honor teller for 26 years in banking

Farmers Bank & Trust is proud to celebrate the career of Rose Johnson, lead teller in Nashville, as she retires after 26 years in banking.

Known for her warm personality and strong connection with customers and co-workers alike, Johnson previously served in a variety of customer-dedicated roles, including head teller, lead customer advocate, and assistant branch manager. During her time in financial services, Johnson has earned numerous employee recognition awards, including Sales & Service awards in 2019 and 2020, and multiple Next Level Heart Awards for going above and beyond normal work duties during her time at Farmers Bank & Trust.

Upon retirement, Johnson stated she will miss her days spent among fellow employees the most.

"They are family," she said. "We've shared laughs, hugs, and tears — both happy and sad, and I treasure every one of those moments."

Nashville Market President Kelly Chambers added: "Rose is one of the warmest people you will ever meet. She has a gift and an ability to build genuine relationships with customers, and the support she has for her teammates will leave a lasting impact on our Nashville branch for years to come."

In retirement, Johnson plans to rest, travel, spend more time with family, expand her crafting hobbies, and volunteer in her community.

A reception will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon, June 30, at the Farmers Bank & Trust Nashville branch (420 S. Main St.). The public is invited to attend.

## Daisy planning celebration July 3 with fireworks, live music, food

The town of Daisy will host a 250th American anniversary celebration on July 3.

The event will feature live music, fireworks, a classic cookout with burgers and hot dogs and refreshments provided by the Daisy Free Will Baptist Church.

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# Howard County District Court

June 11, 2026

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### Howard County

Archer, Breia C., 23, Conway, guilty of leaving scene of accident, fined \$360

Baca Vega, Zenon, 45, Hope, \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Chrisp, Gonzollis, 73, Ozan, guilty of possession of marijuana, sentenced to 90 days in jail to concurrent with felony charges

Davis, Clarissa, 42, Mineral Springs, \$975 BF, unlawful distribution of sexual image or record

Johnson, Damarquion T., 26, New Boston, Texas, \$50 BF, failure to present insurance

Lamb, Michael C., 39, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines; \$355 balance

Lima, David J., 19, Nashville, \$255 BF, speeding

Martinez Gumenta, Rosebeth, 37, Nashville, guilty of refusing chemical test, fined \$275; guilty of DWI, fined \$1,125, credited with time served, license suspended and must complete DWI educational course; guilty of no driver's license/expired license, fined \$210

Myrick, Shelby L., 25, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines; \$3,463 balance

Perez, Nestor Morales, 35, Bradenton, Fla., \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Pupo Benitez, Yoannel, 28, Fort Worth, Texas, \$245 BF, speeding

Sanders, Taveon D., 18, Murfreesboro, \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Shuffit, Brendon, 23, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines; \$245 balance

Sweat, Anna Beth, 19, McCaskill, \$255 BF, speeding

Terrell, Stephanie Ann, 61, Lockesburg, \$265 BF, speeding

Thomas, Lyndsey Jo, 26, Mena, \$445 BF, driving on suspended or revoked license; \$245 BF, failure to appear

Wallace, Steven M., 38, Hope, guilty of non-payment of fines, committed to jail; \$842 balance

Ware, Jimmy, 44, Texarkana, Texas, \$245 BF, speeding; \$260 BF, failure to appear

White, McKinlee L., 16, Antoine, \$360 BF, leaving scene of accident

Wingrove, Emery, 69, Nashville, \$435 BF, third-degree endangering welfare of minor

Wilkerson, Ricky L., 62, Ozan, guilty of non-payment of fines, sentenced to 30 days in jail; \$4,395 balance; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Abalos, Karla, 20, Russellville, guilty of no driver's license/expired license, fined \$210; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360

Andaluz, Alexis Diaz, 30, Mineral Springs, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460; guilty of following too close, fined \$210; guilty of resisting arrest, fined \$925; guilty of drinking on highway, fined \$235

Archer, Breia C., 23, Conway, guilty of DWI, fined \$1,125, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI educational course

Burton, Devarrio D., 29, Nashville, guilty of no child restraint, fined \$210; guilty of no seat belt, fined \$85

Couch, Cameron A., 31, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460 and sentenced to five days in jail-suspended

DeLon, Eric, 21, McAllen, Texas, \$275 BF, speeding; \$260 BF, failure to appear

Flores, Luis, 17, Nashville, \$265 BF, speeding

Foran, Brad C., 39, Dierks, guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$575; guilty of DWI, fined \$1,125, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI educational course; guilty of drinking on highway, fined \$235

Gray, Justin Gage, 29, Monticello, \$275 BF, speeding

Hernandez, Dora Elia, 42, De Queen, \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Moore, Corey Darel, 52, Mineral Springs, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$360; guilty of expired vehicle tags/no tags, fined \$210

Parker, William J., 68, Nashville, \$50 BF, failure to present insurance

Perez, Brenda Y., 24, De Queen, \$265 BF, speeding

Richard, Lateeshia, 41, Nashville, \$285 BF, criminal trespass

Robinson, Jay Deion L., 18, Texarkana, guilty of no driver's license/expired license

Spears, Chloe Lynn, 22, Murfreesboro, guilty of speeding, fined \$245; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$260

Staggers, Naivaighn, 17, Nashville, \$15 BF, non-payment of fines

Taft, Brittany, 38, Dierks, guilty of non-payment of fines, sentenced to 30 days in jail; \$3,730 balance

Thomas, Gregory Lee, 42, Nashville, \$195 BF, \$245 BF, failure to appear

Torres, Candy Grace, 43, McCaskill, guilty of use of phone while driving, fined \$145; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Valladares, Rony, 54, Nashville, \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Wallace, Steven M., 38, Hope, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$460; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$260

Whitmore, Porsha R., 37, Nashville, guilty of third-degree battery, fined \$675 and no-contact order issued for victim

Biddle, Joshua Keith, 18, Ashdown, \$210 BF, no driver's license/expired license

Knight, James A., 21, Hot Springs, \$275 BF, speeding

Kokozov, Dennis, 37, Irving, Texas, \$265 BF, speeding

Arce, Kaylie, 29, Mineral Springs, guilty of no driver's license/expired license, fined \$210; guilty of no child restraint, fined \$195; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

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## Storm spotter class Saturday in Kirby

The Pike County HAM Radio Club will host a SKY-WARN storm spotter class on Saturday, June 20 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Kirby School Cafeteria.

Attendance is open to the public, regardless of club affiliation or license status.

Attendees will need an Internet capable device. The club will have a short meeting afterward.

For more information, contact Mark Reed at 903-701-5954 or mark.reed.ii@gmail.com.

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2000	GMC	2 Ton Digger Truck	3126 CAT	94,603	6 Speed Manual	Diesel	1GDM7H1C5YJ527974	2000-04
2008	GMC	1-1/2 Ton C500 4x4 Basket Truck	Duramax	151,985	Automatic	Diesel	1GDE5C3928F409026	2008-10
2001	Ford	1-1/4 Ton F450 4x4 Basket Truck	7.3L	145,481	Automatic	Diesel	1FDXF47FX1EB11198	2001-21

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**NO SERIOUS INJURIES LAST WEDNESDAY.** An accident practically under the spotlight at the intersection of North Main and Bishop Street/Isaac Perkins Bypass, resulted in minor injuries to the two drivers. The accident occurred at about 10 a.m. on June 10 when a 2015 Ram pickup truck apparently turned in front of an oncoming loaded log truck owned and driven by Leon Nelson, 46, of Hope. Police declined to identify the 17-year-old juvenile driver of the pickup. The load of logs did not spill as the larger truck pushed the pickup into an intersection light pole. Both vehicles needed to be towed from the scene. The juvenile driver was taken to the hospital by private vehicle. The police report said that both drivers had a green light.

## Arkadelphia woman sentenced for sexual assault of Centerpoint student, 15

An Arkadelphia woman was sentenced Monday in Pike County on a sexual assault charge involving a relationship with a Centerpoint School District student.

Lauren Reschea Brewer, 29, who was charged July 11, 2024 with fourth-degree sexual assault, plead guilty to the charge Monday and was sentenced to six years in the Arkansas Department of Corrections (ADC) with three years suspended.

Brewer will be required to register as a sex offender upon her release.

According to case information, the Pike County Sheriff's Department received a case in April 2024 from the Arkansas State Police Crimes Against Children Division in reference to a sexual relationship "causing pregnancy" between a 16-year-old boy and a 27-year-old female, Lauren Brewer.

The juvenile male stu-

dent involved is "intellectually deficient and has an IQ of 45" and a school official stated she felt like the juvenile "would not be developmentally able to consent." The student disclosed that he and Brewer had a relationship and that he knew of the possibility of her child being his.

Brewer allegedly admitted she and the juvenile had had sex one time around the time she thought the baby was conceived. Brewer, who

is married, told investigators "she was nervous about who the baby would belong to." It was determined the student was 15 at the time in question.

Also Monday, two defendants plead "true" to violating the terms of his probation. They included: Monty Todd Cox, 57, of Little Rock, sentenced to three years in the ADC, and Klint Yarbrough, 27, of Glenwood, sentenced to five years in the ADC.

## New Life VBS June 22-25

New Life Church will offer Vacation Bible School June 22-25.

The VBS will have Navajo style crafts, along with songs, snacks, games and Bible teaching. Hours are 6:30-8:30 nightly. A nine-member team from the Navajo Reservation is expected to participate in the VBS.

The church is located at 913 S. Main, Nashville.

## New Grace VBS next week

Vacation Bible School at Grace Country Church in Lockesburg will be June 28-July 2.

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# Pike County QC makes move to repair fairground buildings damaged by ice storm

**By PJ Tracy**  
 Murfreesboro Diamond  
 The Pike County Quorum Court authorized the movement of funds to repair the Pike County Fairgrounds in Glenwood following damage from the winter storm damage in early 2026.

Insurance through the Arkansas Association of Counties (AAC) will pay a portion of the costs, and since the event was declared a disaster by Pike County Judge Eddie Howard, the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management (ADEM) will also kick in 35% of the costs.

Broken down, the costs are as follows:

Pavilion -- repair costs \$40,500; insurance reimbursement \$8,016; ADEM reimbursement \$14,175; leaving uncovered final costs of \$18,309

Chicken Barn -- repair costs \$46,750; insurance reimbursement \$17,001.25; ADEM reimbursement \$16,362.50; leaving uncovered final costs of \$13,386.25

Rodeo Arena Roof -- repair costs \$6,500; insurance reimbursement \$28,500;

ADEM reimbursement \$2,275; leaving a \$24,275 surplus

Howard told the court he was verifying if he could use the surplus funds from the rodeo arena roof project (the total has already been approved by the AAC insurance) on the other two jobs.

If that is the case, the total uncovered cost of the project will be \$7,420.25.

Howard said he had approached local banks about getting them to kick-in funding for the cause, and had handshake deals with some of them.

The county still has yet to receive any insurance money, and would not get any of the ADEM funding until after the project is completed. Therefore, the court approved \$62,232.75 to be moved into the building accounts and to be repaid to the Tribal Consistency Fund when the payments actually come in so the project can be completed before the 2026 Pike County Fair this fall.

Some further damage was done to the hog arena in the recent severe hail event in

Glenwood, but that would not be covered for ADEM purposes. Also, it was noted that \$4,000 worth of lumber had been donated by Great Southern to aid in the project.

"We have to get it fixed ... even if we have to bankroll it to get it done ... for the kids," said Justice of the Peace Paul Baker.

Howard would then explain the recent removal of tire acceptance at the Pike County Landfill.

He amended his figures that were recently on social media, stating that the costs to accept tires was now \$3 each for small tires (normal passenger vehicles) and \$5 each for large tires.

"This was entirely caused by the state," Howard explained, noting that cutbacks in funding meant that money that was formerly used for the tire final retirement was no longer available and had to be borne by the individual.

"Since we cannot accept cash/payments at the landfill, we can no longer accept the tires," Howard said.

It was also noted that the

permit that can be garnered by Pike County residents for use at the regional landfill at Nashville would very shortly be extinguished of reserve funds if used for the costs of tires.

J.P. Robbie Crocker said it would be helpful for the county to make a list of items that could be accepted and conversely not accepted at the Pike County Landfill.

"Put out a list, because people don't know ... and [accepted items] gets less and less every year."

Howard told the court that the July meeting will be moved back one week to July 27, 7 p.m. at the Pike County Courthouse.

Account balance openings and closings for Pike County through May, as reported by Pike County Treasurer Loleita Rather, included:

<b>County General</b>	\$1,522,158.01; \$1,477,477.49
<b>County Road</b>	\$208,198.99; \$195,781.42
<b>County Landfill</b>	\$268,975.04; \$290,522.40
<b>All County Funds</b>	\$6,601,516.64; \$6,643,492.46



Anna Kate McKinnon of Howard County 4-H

## Howard County 4-Her member selected as new Ouachita District 4-H Vice- President

**By Samantha Horn**

Howard County Extension Agent 4-H/Staff Chair

Howard County 4-Her Anna Kate McKinnon, was selected as the new Ouachita District 4-H Vice-President at the Ouachita District 4-H O'Rama in Malvern on Tuesday, June 9.

McKinnon will represent the state of Arkansas and Howard County for the next year at numerous county, district, regional, state and national events.

This award was voted on by all the youth from the Ouachita District. The 4-H O-Rama program is the culmination of a 4-H member's year of hard work and dedication. It is designed to supplement the county 4-H program and project work.

Howard County had a total of 24 youth in attendance that competed in numerous competitions from performing arts, outdoor skills, and prepared speeches.

One of the most sought-after awards, the spirit award, was awarded to Howard County for the second year in a row.

If you are interested in becoming a member of 4-H, call 870-845-7517, and ask for Ms. Samantha. You can also visit our office on the second floor of the Howard County Courthouse.

## Bladesmithing school offering 'knife kit' class July 11-12

Have you ever wanted to learn the art of knife-making? The James Black School of Bladesmithing & Historic Trades is offering a hands-on Knife Kit Class on July 11-12, giving participants the opportunity to build their own custom knife while learning essential bladesmithing skills.

Led by experienced bladesmith Adam Mille, this beginner-friendly course

is designed for individuals with little or no prior knife-making experience. Participants will receive step-by-step professional instruction as they transform a knife kit into a finished blade they can proudly take home.

The two-day class will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day and will provide practical experience with fundamental knife-making techniques in a sup-

portive learning environment.

Course Details:

- Dates: July 11-12
- Time: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Location: James Black School of Bladesmithing & Historic Trades
- Cost: \$350 per participant

Space is limited, and early registration is encouraged. To register and make payments online, visit <https://uahopetexarkana.coursestorm.com/>.

Whether you're interested in traditional craftsmanship, exploring a new hobby, or creating a handmade knife of your own, this class offers a unique opportunity to learn from a skilled professional and experience the craft firsthand.

For more information, visit [www.uaht.edu/academics/james-black-school.php](http://www.uaht.edu/academics/james-black-school.php).

## City of Murfreesboro to hold special meetings to address variance request, sewer rates

The City of Murfreesboro has announced a pair of specially called meetings.

On Thursday, June 18, the Murfreesboro Planning and Zoning Commission will meet at City Hall starting

at 6 p.m. to discuss a pair of requested variances.

Then, on Tuesday, June 23, the Murfreesboro City Council will meet at City Hall at 6 p.m. to discuss sewer rates.

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### NOTICE OF VACANCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HOWARD COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

The public is hereby notified that a position on the Board of Commissioners of the Howard County Housing Authority will become vacant on June 30, 2026. The new term will expire on June 30, 2031. Anyone interested in applying for the vacancy must be a resident of Howard County, and able and willing to participate in regularly scheduled and emergency meetings of the Board of Commissioners.

Those interested should contact **Ross Allen, Executive Director at 870.845.1080 for more information, or submit a letter of application to the Howard County Housing Authority at PO Box 238, Nashville, AR 71852.**

The board will meet to consider applications on July 1, 2026, so applications should be submitted before that time.

Women, minorities, and those currently enrolled in HCHA rental assistance programs are encouraged to apply.

We're going to take our Dads... ...hiking and camping in the state park. Kids: color stuff in! **Newspaper Fun!** www.readingclubfun.com Annimills LLC © 2017 V14-23

**Yippie Ki Yi Yay! It's Father's Day!**

It's hard to raise a Father properly! Sometimes he wants quiet to strum his guitar or to pay bills. Sometimes, he kicks up dust and makes more noise than everyone else put together. Once in a while he even wants to borrow your headphones or allowance for that pizza delivery to the door! What's a kid to do? It's a tough job, so here are some tips on...

**Read our tips below to fill in our fun Father's Day crossword puzzle:**

- help him clean up the mess when the \_\_\_\_\_ makes a mistake
- don't let him bring his handshake \_\_\_\_\_ to Parents Night at school
- let him play his old rock and roll \_\_\_\_\_ as loudly as he wants
- don't ask for the \_\_\_\_\_ when you think you've beaten him at mini-golf
- let him play an "old-fashioned" game of \_\_\_\_\_
- make him put the fruit in his \_\_\_\_\_ split sundaes
- let him borrow \_\_\_\_\_ now and then
- watch him laugh while enjoying old \_\_\_\_\_ with him
- let him use the old video \_\_\_\_\_ even though his movies make everyone dizzy
- help him learn to use programs on his \_\_\_\_\_
- don't laugh when he squeezes into his old football \_\_\_\_\_
- make sure he has money to buy his \_\_\_\_\_
- remind him to bring his library \_\_\_\_\_ back on time
- let him surf the TV channels with the \_\_\_\_\_ control
- make sure his \_\_\_\_\_ match in the morning

**How To Raise A Pa**

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What does your Dad do for fun and exercise? Does he like to roam the range by himself? Maybe he prefers to be in a stampede of action. Some sports and activities are meant to be group or team fun. Others can be done by one person.

Use the letters in the foot of the boot below to fill in the blanks to see sports best played by more than one player.

Find and circle these activities that can be fun for Dad to do alone or with a friend:

kayaking, ice skating, skiing, swimming, horseback riding, running a race, biking, hiking, skateboarding, rollerblading, gymnastics, weightlifting

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 2. te\_\_is  
 3. \_\_oot\_\_all  
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# Howard County students earn academic honors at Arkansas State

JONESBORO – Students on the Chancellor’s and Dean’s Lists for the spring 2026 semester at Arkansas State University have been announced. The lists recognize undergraduate students who achieved the highest grade-point averages while completing a minimum of 12 credit hours of study.

The Chancellor’s List (designated as CL) includes students who earned a perfect GPA of 4.0. The Dean’s List (designated as DL) includes students with a GPA of 3.6 to 3.99.

Students are listed by state, county or parish, and city, with Chancellor’s List students first within each city, followed by Campus Querétaro and the Doha campus, then international students grouped by country.

The complete list can be viewed at <https://www.astate.edu/about/news/spring-2026-chancellors-and-deans-list-students-are-announced.html>.

- Local students on the list include:
- Glenwood: Heather Davidson, CL
  - Kirby: Gus Tolleson, CL
  - Dierks: Annaliese Stamps, CL
  - Dierks: Hunter Young, DL
  - Nashville: Nadia Bretado, CL
  - Nashville: Amber Burchette, CL
  - Nashville: Chelsea Ewing, CL
  - Nashville: Karrissa Ragland, CL
  - Nashville: Ahmelia Williamson, CL
  - Nashville: Jose Bretado, DL
  - Nashville: Shirley Scoggins, DL



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**BIG TURNOUT FOR RIBBON-CUTTING.** Bi-Yu Catering, owned by Wendy and Earl Haddan, was welcomed to the Nashville Chamber of Commerce last week with a ribbon-cutting and returned the favor by serving up lunch of wraps, chips and drips along with a “dirty soda bar” to the big turnout of family, friends and chamber members.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

IN THE ESTATE OF § HOWARD DELAIN KILLIAN, § NO. 31PR-26-50-1 DECEASED § NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF AS EXECUTOR  
Last known address: Date of Death: 6102 Castle Oaks Circle, Texarkana, Arkansas 71854  
Date of Death: March, 11 2026

An instrument dated September 8, 2006, was admitted to probate on May 28, 2026, as the Last Will and Testament of HOWARD DELAIN KILLIAN, and notice is hereby given that MELBA ROSE KILLIAN was appointed Personal Representative thereunder. Contest of the probate of the Will can be affected 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 this 10th day of June, 2026.  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 13, 2026, at or about 01:30 PM, the following real property will be sold at the Main Entrance of the Howard County Courthouse, 421 N. Main St., Nashville, AR 71852 to the highest bidder for cash:

Part of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 24, Township 9 South, Range 27 West, described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 24, Township 9 South, Range 27 West; thence South 510 feet; thence west 150 feet; thence North 510 feet; thence East 150 feet to the point of beginning.

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On March 31, 2006, ESTATE OF JOHN DAVID COMPTON executed a Mortgage in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc, its successors and assigns, as Beneficiary, which was recorded March 31, 2006, in Book 2006, at Page 2609 in the real estate records of Howard County, Arkansas. Default has occurred in the payment of said indebtedness, and is now wholly due. The loan is now in default.

Tenants of the property may claim an interest in the real property herein.

The terms of the call are certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale or wiring of funds within twenty-four hours of the sale. All transfer taxes will be the responsibility of the purchaser. The party initiating this action is Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc., 3217 S. Decker Lake Drive, Salt Lake City, UT 84119, 800-258-8602.

May 11, 2026

Date

Chase Taskerud  
Managing Attorney, Arkansas  
Marinosci Law Group, P.C. as Attorney in Fact for U.S. Bank NA, successor trustee to Bank of America, NA, successor in interest to LaSalle Bank NA, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Washington Mutual Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, WMALT Series 2006-5 Trust

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(PNA: 52 - 3)



Hattie Horn of Kirby

## Kirby cutie crowned Tiny Miss National FACS Queen

Four-year-old Hattie Horn of Kirby was crowned Tiny Miss National F.A.C.S. Queen on Sunday, June 7, during the National F.A.C.S. Pageant held at Hotel Hot Springs in Hot Springs.

F.A.C.S., which stands for Fight Against Childhood Starvation, is a national pageant system dedicated to encouraging leadership, service, and community involvement among young contestants while raising awareness and support for children facing food insecurity.

In addition to capturing the national title, Hattie earned several prestigious awards throughout the competition. She was named Best Fun Fashion, Best Evening Gown, and was selected as the Overall Junior Talent Winner among contestants ages 3-12. Hattie was also recognized with a Community Service Achievement Award for completing more than 100 hours of community service.

As Tiny Miss National F.A.C.S. Queen, Hattie will spend the next year serving

as an ambassador for the organization and promoting her personal platform, "Cultivating Kindness Through Agriculture."

Through her platform, Hattie enjoys working alongside her mother and nana to educate others about agriculture, healthy living, and livestock education. She believes that helping others learn where their food comes from encourages kindness, responsibility, and stronger communities.

Hattie resides in Kirby with her parents, P.J. and Samantha Horn, and her two brothers, Guy Cooper and Winston. When she is not participating in pageants, she enjoys spending time with her family, helping with agricultural education activities, cheering, and serving her community.

With her bright smile, servant's heart, and passion for agriculture, Hattie looks forward to representing the F.A.C.S. organization and making a positive impact throughout her year of service as Tiny Miss National F.A.C.S. Queen.



Schaal Juneteenth Music Director Shawnirika Thurman

## Schaal Community celebrates Juneteenth Guests come from as far away as California

By Larecca Hopkins

Schaal Community Development

The 4th Annual Schaal Community Juneteenth Celebration was held on Saturday, June 6, in the heart of the Schaal.

This annual event celebrates the history, culture, and experiences of the Black community. All of Southwest Arkansas was represented on the event's program with knowledgeable speakers and talented performers.

The theme this year was L.O.V.E. (LADIES OF VISION AND ENCOURAGEMENT), extraordinary women from seven different Arkansas counties were on program, and provided insightful information to better move the community forward.

A host of vendors were present with a variety of tasty foods and artistic merchandise that magnified the culture.

The children were provided with a bounce house, fun arts, and crafts to keep them entertained along with a history lesson on the culture.

The purpose of the event is to celebrate the Black experiences in America from slavery and bandage to success and prosperity, all while bringing the community together as a whole.

The Schaal Community Juneteenth Celebration this year attracted families from as far as California and inspired hometown folks to come in from Texas, Oklahoma, and all of Southwest Arkansas.

The Schaal Community Development was able to host this event with local community support and donations. We appreciate everyone coming out to participate and enjoy the occasion. If you missed the event this year, We encourage all to come out next year and take a little of Schaal home with you.

Juneteenth is Friday, June 19, 2026, acknowledge, appreciate, and celebrate with your family and friends and embrace the importance of the day.



T-Shirt design for Juneteenth event in the Schaal Community of Howard County  
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