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Scrapper  
preview

### Nashville schools set open house Thursday

The Nashville School District's Meet the Teacher event will be Thursday, Aug. 9, from 1-7 p.m. on all campuses.

Parents will have the opportunity to tour the schools and meet their children's teachers.

Some campuses will have registration during the event.

### Back-to-School Bash Friday at Stadium

The Scrapper Booster Club's Back-to-School Bash will be Friday, Aug. 10, at Scrapper Stadium.

Admission will be \$2. Gates will open at 6:30 p.m. Kick off will be at 7:30 with the junior high scrimmage.

Introductions will start around 8 p.m. for the junior high and senior high football teams, junior high and senior high cheerleaders, and junior and senior high band.

The high school scrimmage will be after the introductions.

The concession stand will be open with, burgers, hot dogs, nachos, frito chili pies, popcorn, candy and drinks. There will also be Scrapper Sno-cones.

There will be lots of new Scrapper gear for sale.

The Back-to-School T-shirts will also be for sale. Anyone wearing this shirt to the first home game on Sept. 7 will get in free.

There will be tables and chairs set up in the concourse of the stadium for fans to enjoy their concession purchases in the shade.

The Booster Club invites fans to show their support for Nashville students as they get ready to kick off the 2018 football season.

### Senior breakfast set Aug. 13

The senior breakfast for the Nashville High School class of 2019 will be held on the first day of school Monday, Aug. 13.

The breakfast will begin at 7 a.m. at the Sunset Church of Christ fellowship hall.

All NHS seniors are invited.

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# 'Top priority'

## School security heads the list for Nashville superintendent

By John R. Schirmer  
News-Leader staff

There's a lot going on in the Nashville School District as the 2018-19 academic year begins - two construction projects, new faculty and staff, the usual quest for improved test scores, the list goes.

For Superintendent Doug Graham, however, the number one priority is obvious - school security.

"That's the top priority statewide," Graham said, in the light of school shootings in Texas, Florida and other locations.

The issue led Gov. Asa Hutchinson to appoint a

commission to study school security and make recommendations on improvements. The panel's report is due in October.

"We're waiting for some sense of direction," Graham said. "In all probability, the state won't have the funds to finance" many of the recommendations. "Schools will have to do it on their own."

That's already happening in Nashville. The district has already spent about a half million dollars on school security, according to Graham. New camera systems have been installed at high school and

junior high, along with key-card door locks and other improvements.

Similar work is planned at elementary and primary.

"It's obvious that we used to try to sell folks on a well-rounded curriculum. Now, we will do everything in our power to protect the kids," Graham said. "For years as a classroom teacher, coach, principal and athletic director, I was never in favor of an armed presence in the school system. I didn't want people to first see an armed resource officer when they arrived

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Doug Graham



Joe Kell

## Back-to-school time means return to normal schedule

By John R. Schirmer  
News-Leader staff

Assistant Superintendent Joe Kell says he is "ready for the 13th to get here."

That's when classes start in the Nashville School District.

"It will be good to get back in the routine. That's good for everybody," Kell said.

"In May, we're shutting things down. In July, we start back" with federal programs, budget plans and other aspects of his job.

During the summer, Kell was "looking at test scores and working with our administrators to disaggregate the date. The scores look pretty good."

Cut scores were changed on English/Language Arts and STEM, making the results deceiving, Kell said. "ACT changed them, so we can't compare to last year. It's like changing a first down to 13 yards in the middle of the game."

Schools can compare the average scale scores from year to year, Kell said. "They looked much better that way."

Overall, Nashville showed "a lot of improvement. We were pleased."

At the same time, "We found areas to work on. We'll address those areas with different groups," Kell said.

Curriculum specialist Kim Slayton will be the

district's test coordinator for 2018-19. Kell said he will "continue to look at test scores. I'll help her any way I can. She's really on the ball."

Kell is working on the budget for state and federal funding. "We get about \$2 million in federal and state categorical. We'll get the budget done and see how to use it to help our students learn."

Personnel are in place for the year, Kell said, and there were "few licensure issues. I think we're all lined up. Teachers are working in their grade level and subject area meetings."

Kell will work with the

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## Facilities, transportation, athletic director set for 13th

By John R. Schirmer  
News-Leader staff

It took a while for James "Bunch" Nichols to be introduced during the Nashville School District's general meeting for faculty and staff Monday morning, Aug. 6.

Superintendent Doug Graham pointed out that Nichols is the district's facilities director, maintenance director, transportation director and athletic director, along with working in many other areas. "He wears a lot of hats," Graham said.

Nichols and his facilities staff had "a typical summer" getting each campus ready for opening day Aug. 13. "It's a full-time job from

the day we get out to the first day," he said.

Carpets were cleaned. VCT floors were stripped and waxed. Every air conditioning filter was replaced. Light bulbs were changed.

"Each principal turned in a work order for everything that needed to be done," Nichols said.

The biggest job was mowing and weedeating, according to Nichols. Jacob Teague, Thad Wright and Chris Willard "kept the grounds up for us."

Two construction projects are underway, including the high school agri building and the bus garage. "They've not gone

as fast as we wanted, but we'll eventually have them finished," Nichols said.

The existing bus garage will be torn down when the new one opens. The new facility "will be super nice. The old one was built in 1957 by Coy Aylett. He built it really well. It's been through ice storms and tornadoes, but it will be nice to have a new one."

In the area of transportation, Nichols reminds motorists to stop when they see flashing lights on school buses. "We'll be rolling out on the 13th. Look for those flashing red lights."

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James "Bunch" Nichols



News-Leader photo/JOHN BALCH

**MAIN ATTRACTIONS.** Titus Short, 3, was on hand Saturday afternoon when the rodeo livestock arrived for the LJ Jenkins Bull Riding Tour's stop at the annual Dierks Pine Tree Festival. See more from the festival on page 9B.

## Governor pays visit to county

By John R. Schirmer  
News-Leader staff

Gov. Asa Hutchinson visited Howard County Monday, Aug. 6, touring Jamison Orchards and meeting community leaders in Nashville.

He addressed topics from taxes to education to highways and a host of others.

The Nashville stopover was held in the high school cafeteria. Hutchinson said he has "a connection to Howard County. My great-grandfather Alexander Simpson Hutchinson was sheriff of Howard County."

The governor told an audience of about 50 in Nash-

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# Obituaries

## Michael L. Tucker

Michael L. Tucker, 64 of Nashville, died Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2018 in Hot Springs.

He was born June 29, 1954, in Pelican, Minn., to the late Louis Harlow Tucker and Ruth Elaine Christian-son Tucker.

He was retired from the Briar Plant in Nashville, and was a Methodist.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Mitchell Tucker; and his first wife, Willie Tucker.

Survivors include: his wife, Debbie Crabtree Tucker of Nashville; a stepson, Kevin Ray Miller of Murfreesboro; a sister, Deborah Thompson of Downey, Calif.; also a grandchild.

Services were Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2018 at 2 p.m. at Nashville Funeral Home with Bro. Sonny Nutt officiating. Interment followed in Pleasant Home Cemetery in Murfreesboro.

The family received friends at the funeral home on Monday night from 6-8.

Send a sympathy message to Nashville Funeral Home on Face Book.

## Betty Ann White Griffin

Betty Ann White Griffin, 73, of Rockwall, Texas, died Friday, July 27, 2018.

She was born Jan. 25, 1945, in Borger, Texas, to the late Victor Dean White and Vernice Ann Cates White. She was a former resident of Dierks.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Billy Dean White.

Survivors include: a son, James "Chip" Griffin, Jr. of Texarkana, Texas; two brothers, Victor David White of Dierks and Mark White of Texarkana, Ark.; three sisters, Verna White Jones of Murfreesboro, Donna White Strasner of Umpire, and Vicki White Graves of Texarkana, Ark.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Aug. 4, 2018, at Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks.

Online at [wilkersonfuneralhomes.com](http://wilkersonfuneralhomes.com).

## Arleigh Grayce Edwards and William Bobby Wray Edwards

On Thursday morning, Aug. 2, 2018, Arleigh Grayce Edwards and her daddy, William Bobby Wray Edwards met their Heavenly Father. Arleigh is daddy's girl and always stayed by his side. Arleigh was born Sept. 17, 2015 to Bobby and Samantha Edwards in Texarkana. Bobby was born Aug. 13, 1984 to Leaman Edwards and Melissa Farhner in Lewisville, Ark. Bobby was a maintenance supervisor for Cooper Tire, and Arleigh was his supervisor at home.

Bobby was a Navy veteran and had served aboard the USS Eisenhower aircraft carrier in the Persian Gulf. He was an avid Razorback and Scrapper fan. Arleigh loved to sing and dance. She also loved to play dress up, to play with her dogs, Thor, Izzy, and Princess and to aggravate her brother. She loved hats just as much as her daddy. Arleigh was daddy's girl, but she was her mother's little angel.

Bobby is survived by his best friend and the love of his life Samantha Edwards

of Nashville; three sons, David and Aiden of Virginia and Peyton of Nashville; a brother, Brent and wife Lindsay Totty of Plain Dealing, La.; sisters, Crystal and husband Jody Hill of Okinawa, Japan, and Kristina Lucille and husband Chad Gutierrez of Belleville, Ill.; his parents, Leaman and wife Rebekah Edwards of Texarkana, Texas; and mother, Melissa Farhner of Shongaloo, La. Arleigh leaves behind, her precious mother; Samantha Edwards of Nashville; three brothers, David, Aiden, and Peyton; her paternal grandparents; Leaman and wife Rebekah Edwards, and Melissa Farhner; her maternal grandparents; Penny and husband Travis Hill, and Eugene and wife Amy Dominey.

Services for both were at 2 p.m. Wednesday Aug. 8, 2018 at Immanuel Baptist Church in Nashville. Visitation was at 1 p.m. Graveside services followed at Bluff Springs Cemetery. Friends were asked to wear Razorback attire.

## Barbara Allen Farnam

Barbara Allen Farnam, 74, of Dierks died Aug. 5, 2018 in Little Rock.

She was the daughter of the late Troy and Virginia Allen.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Wallace Allen and Sherrill Allen.

She was a retired paraprofessional at the Arkansas School for the Deaf.

Survivors include: three children, Dawn Dreher, Fred Dreher and Chris Dreher all of Little Rock; a brother, Wayne Allen of Nashville; two sisters, Linda Ward and Joyce Manasco, both of Dierks.

A private memorial will be held at a later date to celebrate her life.

## Judie Wakefield Smith Reed

Judie Elizabeth "Ninnie" Wakefield Smith Reed, age 76, of Nashville, Ark., passed away on Sunday, Aug. 5, 2018 in Nashville, Ark. She was born on Oct. 11, 1941 in Nashville, Ark., the daughter of the late Denzil Wakefield and Raymond and Rosetta Floyd Smith.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Nashville. Mrs. Reed was a secretary and billing clerk for Dr. Peebles, and retired from Nashville Medical Services. She was a seamstress and enjoyed making many different crafts.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Bill Smith, brother-in-law Donald Peterson, and the father of her children, Jerry Reed.

She is survived by one son, Terry Michael Reed and Rena Pakis of Palmer, Alaska; one daughter, Suzanna Lynn Brewer and husband, Jimmy, of Nashville, Ark.; four grandchildren, Callie Elizabeth Parker and husband, Cody; Charles Ross Brewer, Teron Gray Reed, Kristyn Rose Reed; great-grandchildren, Ava Reed Parker, Brynn Parker, and Mason Parker. Also, three sisters, Becky and Wes Foster, Mollie Smith, and Ramona Peterson; a number of nieces, nephews, as well as a good friend, Neva White.

Visitation will be 6-8

p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 8, at Latimer Funeral Home in Nashville.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, at Unity Cemetery in Nashville.

You may send an online sympathy message at [www.latimerfuneralhome.com](http://www.latimerfuneralhome.com).



## Jackie Garner

Jackie Garner, 81, passed away on July 30th, 2018 at her home in Valrico, Fla. She and her late husband, Wayne, were longtime residents of Nashville, Ark.

She is survived by daughters Belinda Nessmith and Sandy Lasater (John), 7 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Our "English Rose" was deeply loved and will be greatly missed.



## Larry Dean Hugg

Larry Dean Hugg, age 69 of Blevins, Ark., passed away Friday, Aug. 3, 2018 in Hope, Ark. He was born Nov. 20, 1948 in Blevins, Ark., to Dallas and Chloe Brooks Hugg. He retired from Poulan in Nashville as Plant Manager.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Norman Hugg; one grandson, Blake McMahan.

Larry is survived by one son, Dallas Hugg and wife Ashley of Blevins, Ark.; three daughters, Cyndie McMahan and husband Gene of Hope, Ark., Mary Storey and husband Doug of Hope, Ark., Tracy Murphy and husband Carl of Newport, Ark.; one brother, Donald Hugg and wife Neysa of Powderly, Texas; two sisters, Carolyn Hines and husband Eddie of Little Rock, Ark., Janice Salisbury and husband Leslie of Blevins, Ark.; one sister-in-law, Emogene Hugg of Hot Springs, Ark.; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral service was held 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 6, 2018 at Herndon-Fuqua Funeral Home Chapel with interment following at Macedonia Cemetery in Blevins. Kendall Carpenter and Jarod Hendry officiated under the direction of Herndon-Fuqua Funeral Homes.

Online guestbook at [www.herndonfuquafuneralhomes.com](http://www.herndonfuquafuneralhomes.com).



News-Leader photo/LOUIE GRAVES

**ACCIDENT SCENE** at the intersection of Highway 371 and 355 on Thursday, Aug. 2 where two people were killed.

## Man, child killed in Howard County wreck

A 33-year-old Lockesburg man and his daughter were killed in a two-vehicle crash Thursday, Aug. 2 at the intersection of Highway 371 and 355, according to the Arkansas State Police.

Killed in the wreck were Bobby Edwards, 33, and Arleigh Edwards, 3.

Peyton Hale, 10, was injured in the wreck, which was reported around 10:50 a.m. at the intersection six miles west of Nashville.

The injured child was taken to Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock and is currently recovering from surgery to repair a broken arm and will undergo more

surgery in the coming weeks to repair a facial fracture.

Edwards and the minor passengers were traveling west on Highway 371 in 2003 Ford F150 when a northbound 2016 International tractor trailer rig ran a stop sign coming off Highway 355 and hit the Ford in the driver's side.

The driver of the big rig, 36-year-old Eric Thomas of Natchez, Miss., was not injured.

ASP Cpl. Kyle Jones listed the weather and road conditions as clear and dry.

There will a benefit for Edwards' widow, Samantha Edwards, and Hale on

Sunday, Aug. 19 at the Murfreesboro City Park, starting at 11 a.m.

There will be a meal of smoked brisket, pork and chicken with two sides, bread and a drink. There will also be entertainment from new local band One Night Only, who will play up until a live auction happening at 2 p.m.

The auction will include donations from various businesses. (Updated items will be listed on Facebook.)

Persons wanting to donate to the cause can contact Kailee Parker, (870) 285-1109 or Stacy Collins, (870) 285-1768.

## Howard County District Court

Aug. 2, 2018

BF=Bond Forfeited

Howard County

Almond, Eric M., 38, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$400 owed

Halsdorf, Alex K., 20, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$1,000 owed

Mendez-Guillen, Octavio G., 47, Nashville, \$195 BF, no driver's license

O'Keefe, Jody Brent, 46, Nashville, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345; guilty of drinking on highway, fined \$220

Perez, Gustavo, 57, Nashville, guilty of careless or prohibited driving, fined \$220; guilty of DWI, fined \$1,090, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI class

Sullivan, Lorna M., 32, Nashville, guilty of no vehicle license, fined \$185

Sullivan, Macon, 26, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$375 owed

Thomas, Cleo, 51, Ash-down, guilty of speeding, fined \$215; guilty of DWI, fined \$1,090, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI class

City of Nashville

Almond, Eric M., 38, Nashville, guilty of shoplifting, fined \$425.32 and sentenced to three days in jail/community service

Burruss, Darrell E., 64,

Nashville, guilty of DWI, fined \$1,090, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI class

Eskeew, Richard L., 52, Nashville, \$195 BF, no driver's license

Gower, Jacquelyn S., 61, Newhope, guilty of violation of Arkansas Hot Check Law, fined \$382.91

Hernandez, Jose, 29, Nashville, guilty of no driver's license, fined \$155

Holder, Alexis M., 19, Nashville, \$185 BF, no vehicle license

Leeper, Carl Lavell, 40, Nashville, guilty of disorderly conduct, fined \$270; guilty of domestic battery in third degree, fined \$690

Martin, Brandon Rashad, 31, Texarkana, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$3,345 owed

Santamaria, Gustavo, 31, Nashville, \$195 BF, no driver's license

Stephens, Wyatt W., 54, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$345 and sentenced to two days in jail

Stuard, Brian C., 26, Washington, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$2,495 owed, committed to jail

Thompson, Ebony, 26, Nashville, guilty of violation of Arkansas Hot Check Law, fined \$342.78; guilty of violation of AHCL, fined \$331; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license,

fined \$345 and sentenced to jail/community service; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345

Welch, Kali, 20, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$690 owed

Younger, Summer, 35, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$345 and sentenced to two days of community service; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345; guilty of leaving scene of accident, fined \$345

City of Dierks

Brown, Christopher E., 31, Natchitoches, La., \$215 BF, speeding

Davis, Tommy R., 27, Kirby, guilty of speeding, fined \$215

Gower, Jacquelyn S., 61, Newhope, guilty of shoplifting, fined \$390 and sentenced to three days in jail-suspended

Ledbetter, Gary, 60, Glenwood, \$240 BF, speeding

Mosier, David A., 52, De Queen, \$240 BF, speeding

Pulley, Joshua O., 39, Conway, \$225 BF, speeding

Turner, Terri, 33, Umpire, guilty of speeding, fined \$250

City of Mineral Springs

Heflin, James B., 22, Vivian, La., \$215 BF, speeding

Lollis, Elizabeth, 21, Hope, guilty of DWI, fined \$1,090, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI class

Western Sizzlin' restaurant in Nashville beginning with a social at 6:30. The business meeting will follow at 7.

The public is invited.

The August meeting of the Democratic Party of Howard County will be Tuesday, Aug. 28.

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## Paraloma Homecoming Aug. 10-13

The 59th Paraloma Homecoming will be held Aug. 10-13 at Scott's Memorial United Methodist Church in Lockesburg.

The homecoming will open with a talent night and sermonette on Friday at 7 p.m.

Saturday's events include: 9 a.m., breakfast-homecoming men; 11 a.m., parade; military presentation; cemetery tour; 12 p.m., family fun-"boot camp," basketball tournament; 1 p.m., fish fry/lunch; 3 p.m., dominoes, 5 p.m., business meeting. On Sunday there will a Sunday school at 10 a.m. followed by a memorial service, lunch and afternoon service.

The event will wrap up

Monday at 11 a.m. with a fish fry.



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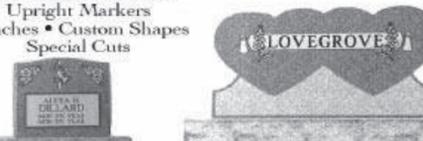
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## THE CECIL "BIRDDOG" HARRIS MEMORIAL EARLY FILES

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

Compiled by Patsy Young



Courtesy photo/HOWARD COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

### Old Cornish House near Nathan, circa: 1900

**118 years ago: 1900**  
Lester, little son of Dr. N. C. Hancock had a narrow escape Thursday morning. He was milking a cow with a young calf when the cow became enraged and made a lunge at him catching him against the fence and bruising his body considerably before help arrived to drive the cow away.

(Adv.) OZAN COLLEGE, Sessions begins Sept. 10, 1900 and closes June 4, 1901. Offers excellent advantages, best equipped building in Southwest Arkansas and able corps of teachers all from leading colleges and universities. Board from \$8.00 to \$10. Tuition not over \$3.50 and not under \$1.25 per month. J. N. Gilmore Pres. Ozan College, Qzan, Arkansas.

**100 years ago: 1918**  
J. Vance Lewis, a Negro lawyer and orator of Houston, Texas will make an address at Alpha Park tomorrow afternoon. A special invitation has been extended to the white people to hear his lecture.

Misses Othello and Irene Graves entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Othello Graves at Centre Point in honor of Earl Pope, who was leaving for the training school at Austin, Texas. The evening

seemed an enjoyable one to all. A few games were had and music was played, after which the party retired to the dining room where delightful punch and cake were served.

(Adv.) Hot Springs, Arkansas, the wonder spot of America for malaria, chills, fever, rheumatism and other chronic disorders. The latest analysis by the U. S. Government of these wonderful waters were found to be highly radio-active, containing Radium. High up in the healthful Ozark Mountains, delightful balmy days, cool sleepy nights.

**65 years ago: 1953**  
A Dierks sergeant is listed among 123 Americans who, according to Communist reports, died in enemy prison camps in Korea.

The Department of Defense issued the statement Friday that Sergeant Earl T. Bailey of Dierks was among the group.

Sgt. Bailey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Coy Bailey of Route 2, Dierks. In notifying the families of the report, the Defense Department stressed the "complete unreliability of the Communist statements about prisoners." The report added assurance that the men will continue to be carried as missing in action until every means

is exhausted to determine their fate.

The first television broadcast in Southwest Arkansas history will be celebrated Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>.

A ceremony will be held in the studio of KCMC-TV in Texarkana and broadcasting is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m.

Three television dealers in Nashville will have demonstration sets tuned into the ceremony for public viewing.

The three include Southwest Arkansas Furniture, Reuben's Maytag and Oklahoma Tire and Supply. Residents are invited to witness the television broadcast and all stores will be closed in time for church attendance Sunday night.

**43 years ago: 1975**  
Army reserve Lieutenant Colonel John L. Shaddox, son of Mrs. B. C. Holt completed Part II of a staff officer course at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan. Col. Shaddox was on the Commandant's List which honors the outstanding 20 percent of the students.

Col. Shaddox and his wife, Millie, lived on Route 3, Nashville. He is principal of Nashville School District No. 1.

# Public Record of Howard County

Filed or recorded in the Howard County, Ark., courthouse July 25 - Aug. 1, 2018:

**Marriage Licenses**  
July 26. Robert Wayne Alexander, 57, Texarkana, Ark., and Lisa Michelle Anderson, 52, Mineral Springs.

July 28. Paul Robert Strong, 37, Nashville, and Kristy Deann Nation, 41, Nashville.

July 27. Alex Thomas Nolan, 29, Nashville, and Brittney Nicole Lemons, 28, Nashville.

July 30. Ricky Jo Hostetler, 30, Nashville, and Kimberly May Hostetler, 19, Nashville.

Aug. 1. Samuel Montiel, 24, De Queen, and Jacqueline Roxana Turcios, 23, De Queen.

**Civil Court**  
CV18-92, July 27. Sagamore Insurance Co. vs. Loyd Woodruff, dba L&W Scrap Metal. Debt.

CV18-93, July 30. Teri G. Lee and Gary L. Dean vs. Allen Markcum and Dana Markcum. Contract.

CV18-94, July 30. Southland Management Corp vs. Erica Merrill. Unlawful detainer.

CV18-95, July 31. America's Car-Mart, Inc., vs. Donnie Bearden. Contract.

**Domestic Relations Court**  
DR18-85, July 27. State of Arkansas Office of Child Support Enforcement vs. Wesley Terwilliger. Paternity.

DR18-86, Jul 30. Krista Teague vs. James Teague. Divorce.

**Criminal Court**  
CR18-114, Aug. 2. State of Arkansas vs. Ryan Stinson, 24, white male, 612 Yorks Chapel Road, Nashville; possession of meth or cocaine with purpose of delivery, class C felony, and possession of controlled substance, class A misdemeanor.

**Land Transactions**

**Personal Representative's Deed**  
July 26. Stephanie Terrell, personal representative of the will and estate of Francis Ann Knight, deceased; to Stephanie Terrell; 0.37 ac. in S26 T9S R27W, part of Block 11, Wilson & Ferguson Addition, Town of Nashville.

**Gift Deeds**  
July 27. Paulette Strasner; to Jay Strasner; 36 ac. in S36 T7S R27W.

July 27. Thomas Strasner; to Paulette Strasner, wife; 36 ac. in S36 T7S R27W.

**Redemption Deeds**  
July 30. State of Arkansas; to James R. Dawson, c/o Robert Dawson, Nashville; 0.21 ac. in S26 T9S R27W; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$553.53.

July 30. State of Arkansas; to Minuen May, Jr., Nashville; 1.12 ac. in S1 T10S R27W; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$273.53.

July 30. State of Arkansas; to Carolyn Taylor, c/o Marlin D. Taylor, Nashville; Lots 4-5, Block 13, McCullough's Addition, Town of Mineral Springs; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$1,385.57.

July 30. State of Arkansas; to Ruthel Reese Hael (sic), c/o Angela Hale, Little Rock; 3 ac. in S10 T9S R27W; delinquent taxes and penalties of \$824.08.

**Quitclaim Deed**  
July 31. Susie Allene Ward and husband Raymond Ward; to Jennifer White and Dylan Eudy, joint tenants; property in Block 22, Murray's 1st Addition, Town of Dierks.

**Warranty Deeds**  
July 26. Joyce Ann Arnold Molina (aka Joyce Ann Cowling, surviving owner; to Kimberly K. Cowling Gagnous, trustee of the Joyce A. Arnold Molina Family Trust; property in S2 T10S and S23

T9S, all in R27W.

July 26. David Brent Turner and wife, Linda Dianne Turner; to Dinah Kreiger; 1.333 ac., Lot 7, Deerwood Estates, Nashville. \$235,000.

July 26. Charles Wilhite and Betty Wilhite, husband and wife; to R.D. Plant Investments, Inc.; 33.84 ac. in S6 T10W R27W. \$97,240.

July 27. Kimberly Woodruff; to Shera and husband, Kevin Smith; 4.66 ac. in S30 T9S R27W. \$5,825.

July 30. David Meininger and wife, Marie Meininger, by and thru her attorney-in-fact, David Meininger; to John B. Dunn, Jr., and wife, Sibyl Dunn, trustees of the Dunn Revocable Trust; Lot 4, Block 6, Greenwood Addition, Town of Nashville. \$130,000.

July 30. Miranda Rogers (fka Miranda Navarrete) surviving spouse of Juan Carlos Navarrete; to Rudi Alejandro Hernandez and Erendida Dominguez, joint tenants; Lots 21 thru 24, Block 7, Syper's Addition, Town of Nashville.

July 31. Gary and Mary Clements; to John and Hanna Clements; 3.13 ac. in S22 T10S R28W.

July 31. John and Hanna Clements; to Gary and Mary Clements; property in S22 T10S R28W.

July 31. Leslie D. Childress, surviving spouse of Betty Sue Childress, deceased; to Leslie D. Childress and Kenneth D. Childress, co-trustees of the Leslie D. Childress Revocable Trust; 19.12 ac. in S25 T9S R28W.

July 31. Carol Ann Bowman, aka Carol Clark Bowman, and husband, Johnny L. Bowman; to Jeff McRae and Julie McRae, husband and wife; Lot 6, Block 15, Holt's Addition, Town of Nashville; also, property in S23 T9S R27W. \$75,000.

## Forestry production workshop set for Aug. 9 at UA Cossatot

A forestry production workshop is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 9, at the University of Arkansas Cossatot Community College Nashville (Arkansas) campus.

Sponsored by the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (UAPB) and the Arkansas Forestry Commission, the workshop will get underway at 5:30 p.m. in room 101.

Aimed at woodland owners, workshop topics include

forestry production practices for healthy woodlands, marketing timber, clustering opportunities for small acreage timber stands and tree certification.

Presenters include Justin Mallett, Howard County forester; Joe Friend, UAPB forester; and Joey Wallace, Domtar sustainability forester, who will discuss Domtar's Forest Stewardship Council Certification

Program.

Because this is a dinner meeting, pre-registration is requested. To be included in the meal count or if you have special needs, contact Kandi Williams, Cooperative Extension Program Extension associate and meeting coordinator, at (903) 306 8663 or email kwilliams4@gmail.com.

The campus is located at 1558 U.S. 371 in Nashville.

### PUBLIC NOTICE OF DRAFT NO-DISCHARGE PERMIT PERMIT NUMBER 5121-WR-2 AFIN 31-00407

This is to give notice that the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) Office of Water Quality, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118-5317 at telephone number (501) 682-0650, proposes a draft of the permit for which an application was received on March 9, 2018, for the following applicant under the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act.

Applicant: Terra Renewal Services, Inc., Nashville, AR. The land application sites are on multiple farm fields in Howard County. For a more detailed description of the locations for each land application site, refer to Part II of the draft permit or the waste management plan. These documents may be accessed by searching the permit number listed above at the following website: <http://www.adeg.state.ar.us/home/pdssql/pds.aspx>

This permit is for the land application of pretreatment wastewater industrial food residuals from various food processing plants, animal processing plants, and animal food processing plants, which includes but is not limited to washdown rinse water, dissolved air floatation (DAF) skimmings, and waste activated sludges along with grease trap waste.

ADEQ's contact person, Sarah Cousins, may be reached by the phone number and address noted above, or at ADEQ's email address at Water-Draft-Permit-Comment@adeq.state.ar.us.

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# Point of view Bay at the moon

## This column will possibly offend some adults!

WE'RE ALL adults here so surely we can mention an adult topic: LGBT. As both of you know, the letters stand for Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual and Transgender. I told you this was adult.

Boiled down, in the case of the first three letters, it's just a matter of taste. Which sex appeals to you. Don't answer that -- it was just a rhetorical question. Like President Clinton said, "Don't ask, don't tell."

But the fourth letter??? I don't fully comprehend Transgender. As best I can understand, it's someone in a male body who identifies as being female and wants to become a genuine female. Or visa-versa.

If you are sincerely Transgender you've got to be willing to undergo costly, extreme medical and surgical treatments to achieve your goal. Not to mention suffering barbed remarks from smarpants newspaper columnists.

I do not want to sound completely uncaring about persons who are helplessly gripped by Transgender desires.

I feel like I can help you understand by revealing something deeply intimate and personal about myself:

### I am Trans, hear me roar

I, myself, am a Trans-Species. I am trapped in the body of a human male, but I identify with the Siberian Gray Wolf.

I have already begun hormone and other medical treatments out at the Center Point Animal Hospital, and I am scheduled to begin my fur implant treatments soon. Please don't ask the staff at Center Point about my progress. I may be going to the dogs, but I am still enough human to be covered by HIPPA.

I've had my teeth sharpened (except for the canines which were already pretty impressive, Doc Painless says; but I must add that he is growing increasing reluctant to stick his gloved fingers in between those fearsome jaws and sharp teeth).

Learning to run on all fours has made me more flexible. I am getting faster with every Trans-Species hormone treatment, and with every nocturnal run with the pack. I am not looking forward to running nekkid through the snow this winter but maybe I'll grow some extra fur and change my mind before then.

I am learning to live on an all-meat diet. I now like my elk steaks really, really rare and still quivering. I prefer to kill, but I will eat something that has been dead for a few days if there's nothing else.

It's hard to pass by a fire hydrant without lifting my left leg. Wolves are, after all, the ancestors of dogs. I hope to get better at balancing on the other three legs.

I am pretty sure that I am becoming a male Siberian Wolf because whenever I see a cute female I start baying at the moon.

Ah-oooooooooooooooooooo!



LOOK UP. We are entering the best viewing period for the annual Perseid Meteor Shower. Which means that for the next two weeks, our nights will probably be overcast.

But if you get a chance to be up after midnight, look up. The Perseids are generally the best meteor show of the year. The streaking bits of space debris are leftovers in the trail of the Comet Swift-Tuttle and the Earth is now plowing through that debris field.

The actual best nights for viewing are expected to be Aug. 12-13, although we are already wading into the litter of the comet.



HOW COME? In the morning, flocks of Cattle Egrets fly overhead on their way to work from the rookery. They are high in the sky and are flying fast in a tight formation. They look fresh and excited.

In the late afternoon, flocks of Cattle Egrets flap their wings and labor slowly overhead on their way home from the fields. They are barely clearing the treetops and look like they are struggling to fly fast enough to maintain level flight. The sloppiest looking V formations I ever saw were SW Arky Cattle Egrets trudging home after a day's work.

Why? Couple of explanations spring to mind: (1) They're full of bugs and are tired at the end of a long day; (2) Staying low because the Mississippi Kites have quietly emerged to circle the buffet table.



IT'S NUTRITIOUS and Biblical. When the Almighty rained down manna for the wandering Israelites, was it gluten-free?

Living solely on desert baked manna and a few scrawny lizards for 40 years is hardly what I call a well-balanced diet, but I would not argue with the Provider



THINGS I LEARNED from opening email: Al Capone's business card said he was a used furniture dealer.



WORD GAMES. The famous and talented Sal Quintuplets: Salami, Salome, Salmonella, Saliva and Sal Mineo. Some of you may not have even heard of the latter. He was a B-level movie actor back in the 1960s. I think he may have been a G. No offense intended.



HE SAID: "There is a sacredness in tears. They are not the mark of weakness, but of power. They speak more eloquently than ten thousand tongues. They are the messengers of overwhelming grief, of deep contrition, and of unspeakable love." Washington Irving, diplomat and essayist



SHE SAID: "A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness; it teaches industry and thrift; above all it teaches entire trust." Gertrude Jekyll, English garden designer



SWEET DREAMS, Baby

### Mine Creek Revelations



# 'Flashing Red. Kids Ahead' reminds motorists to use caution near buses

By Sen. Larry Teague

Educators and traffic safety officials have expanded their annual campaign to alert motorists that students are returning to school, so everyone should be more careful driving because children are again getting on and off school buses every day.

This is the sixth year of the campaign, called "Flashing Red. Kids Ahead." In the past it has lasted three weeks, and this year school officials, police departments and civic leaders will promote school bus safety for the entire month of August.

It's little wonder that commuters notice the absence of students in summer and their reappearance in August. In Arkansas 350,000 students ride 7,000 buses every school day.

Transportation officials at the state Education Department promote school bus safety all through the year.

As part of their continuing efforts to enhance school bus safety, they conducted a survey of 3,200 bus drivers in April. On a single day, they reported 850 instances of a motor vehicle illegally passing a bus that was stopped to pick up or

drop off children.

In 2005 the legislature strengthened the penalties for passing a stopped school bus that has its red lights flashing to indicate children are getting on or off. The enhanced penalties are in Act 2128 of 2005, which is titled Isaac's Law in memory of a nine-year-old from Benton who was killed by a passing motorist after he had got off a school bus.

Since 2011, after the legislature approved Act 37, it has been illegal to use a cell phone while driving through a school zone. Act 37 also prohibits the use of a cell phone while driving through a construction zone while workers are present.

In 2009 Arkansas joined a long list of states that prohibit text messaging while behind the wheel of a motor vehicle. Previous laws had prohibited teenaged drivers from texting, but Act 181 of 2009 prohibits all drivers from texting.

That year the State Police worked 787 traffic accidents in which drivers were distracted by cell phones. Federal transportation officials say driver distraction is a factor in 16 percent of fatal crashes. The State Police joined a na-

tionwide safety campaign in April meant to prevent driving while distracted. It was called "'U Drive - U Text - U Pay."

In 2016, distracted drivers caused traffic accidents that killed 3,450 people in the United States.

Reading and sending text messages are not the only distractions that endanger motorists. Talking on a phone or using it to search the Internet is a distraction. So is eating, drinking or smoking. Talking to other people in your vehicle can create distractions. Adjusting the navigation system, turning on music or changing radio stations are also common distractions.

In September, police and traffic safety officials will conduct a child safety campaign, aimed at teaching adults to make sure that children in the car are always properly buckled up in an appropriate booster seat. That will be followed by Teen Driver Safety Week in October.

Car crashes are the leading cause of death for American teens aged 15 to 18. The discouraging news is that in 2016, when the most recent statistics were compiled, the number of teen deaths from car crashes went up by six percent over 2015.

# Arkansans to face term limit issue again when voting in November

By Brenda Blagg  
Between the Lines

Here we go again, Arkansas.

The issue of term limits for state legislators is headed to the state general election ballot once more.

This will be the fourth term limits vote in Arkansas since 1992. If passed, the latest proposed amendment would make term limits for the Arkansas Legislature the strictest in the country — 10 years max in either or both the state Senate or House of Representatives.

What's more, it comes in an environment in which a number of state lawmakers have been accused of corruption, suggesting voters might be more willing to reign in legislative power than to study the effect of such tight limits on the balance of power in government.

This is serious business and voters need to tune in what is being proposed.

Barring a successful legal challenge, voters will be deciding the issue in November.

Secretary of State Mark Martin's office reported last week that backers of this newest proposal to limit lawmakers' time in office had successfully submitted more than enough valid signatures to qualify the issue for the Nov. 6 ballot.

Just shy of 94,000 of the more than 124,000 signatures submitted proved valid.

Arkansas Term Limits, the group backing the proposal, needed but 84,859 registered voters to sign to access the ballot.

Backers of other initiatives fell short of the necessary number or have been given additional time to try to make the cut, but advocates for tighter term limits made the process look easy.

Of course, the folks pushing these new term limits have experi-

ence. At least some of them have been involved in the effort for decades, beginning with the 1992 push that first brought term limits to bear in Arkansas.

Previously, individuals could stay in the Arkansas Legislature as long as voters in a legislative district voted to put them there. Elections, held every two years for House members and every four years for Senate members, decided who stayed and who didn't.

The term limits imposed by Arkansas voters in 1992 came amid a nationwide push for term limits. The movement was aimed more at federal officeholders; but those were stripped out of the Arkansas proposal by litigation.

What was left were state legislative term limits intended to allow House members to serve three terms (six years) and senators two terms (eight years).

It was more complicated than that because of decennial reapportionment and the required reduction of some senators' terms to two years, which didn't count against their totals.

Nevertheless, Arkansas lived with those limits for a dozen years as opponents continued to argue that the short terms left Arkansas with less experience in the Legislature and a shift of power to the executive branch of government and a heavier hand for bureaucrats and lobbyists.

There were repeated attempts to propose an alternative but the first to get to the ballot came in 2004, when voters soundly rejected an attempt to stretch term limits.

The proposal went down hard and opponents of the state's strict limits lived with them for another decade before the Legislature referred another term limits question to voters.

The new proposal came wrapped in controversy, buried in a 2014 amendment that state lawmakers crafted for ethics reform.

Anyone paying close attention knew the proposal also carried the term limits expansion; but it was easy enough to miss, given that the actual ballot title dedicated most of its 157 words to ethics reform. The term limits language was tacked on in a phrase: "and establishing term limits for members of the General Assembly."

The actual legislation referring the issue spelled out that the number of years a lawmaker could serve would be expanded to 16 total, whether in either or both the House and Senate. Again, partial terms weren't to count toward the lifetime limit, so some lawmakers could serve longer.

Voters approved the measure whether they fully understood it or not. Those are today's limits.

Advocates for stricter limits set out fairly quickly to remedy the situation and the result is this 2018 ballot proposal, which would take term limits to just 10 years max for any lawmaker.

But that's not all the 2018 amendment would do. It also would strip the Legislature of its authority to refer a term limits question to future voters.

That right would be reserved to the people, which means anyone wanting to alter term limits in the future would have to gather signatures and petition to get the question to the ballot.

Voters, if they approve, would cap legislative term limits at 10 years and effectively lock them into the state Constitution for who knows how long.

Brenda Blagg is a freelance columnist. E-mail comments or questions to [brendablagg@gmail.com](mailto:brendablagg@gmail.com).

# AG offers tips for saving on back-to-school list

Parents across Arkansas have been gearing up and saving money for back-to-school shopping, but supplies and clothes can be expensive, especially if parents do not take the time to price shop. From school supplies, to new gadgets and clothes, money quickly adds up.

Attorney General Leslie Rutledge released the following tips for parents who are back-to-school shopping:

Stick to the teacher-approved school supply list. Do not waste time and money on unlisted, impulse items that may never be used.

Research prices ahead of time. Use price comparison apps or websites to check best available prices in real time. Or shop end-of-summer sales. Also consider that many stores will price-match better deals from other retailers.

Check school supply deals at

supermarkets and scope out the office supply items before going to the back-to-school section. More items could be in stock for a better price.

For larger, more expensive items like sports equipment, electronics or musical instruments, consider buying used or refurbished.

Ask about and understand a store's return policy, and recognize sometimes a box cannot be returned once it is opened.

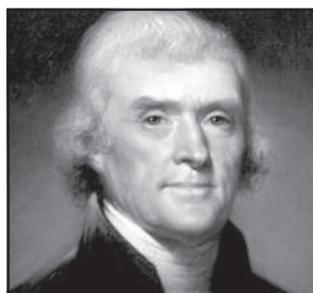
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# Priority

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at school. I wanted them to walk into a friendly environment."

Over the last 18 months and going all the way back to Jonesboro, however, "Certainly something may have to come full circle. That's the reality of the time we live in," Graham said.

Security expert Jon Hodo-way addressed the Nashville faculty and staff Monday afternoon. Graham is looking at other schools to see how they are addressing security in their districts.

With the steps Nashville has taken, "The next progression is the hiring of school resource officers. Probably 75 percent of Arkansas schools have them," according to Graham.

"I'm torn. It's a major decision. I may have to come full circle in my 36-year career in education. Security is at the forefront," Graham said.

### Facilities

Two construction projects are expected to be completed during the fall semester, including the agri building at high school and a new bus garage.

The projects "haven't moved along as quickly as we thought. A year ago, we thought the agri build-

ing would be open Aug. 13," Graham said. "Now, it's looking like the end of October."

The steel framework is expected to arrive Thursday, Aug. 9.

The 8,000-square-foot building will cost about \$800,000 when furnished. "It will be an outstanding facility for years to come."

The facility includes two classrooms, two offices and a shop area. "It will offer more opportunities for everything from farming to welding. It will be a welcome addition," Graham said.

The bus barn will cost more than \$700,000. There was a "hiccup" recently when the concrete pad was poured prior to a 1 1/2-inch thunderstorm, Graham said. "That messed up the slab," and workers spent Saturday morning digging it up so that another could be poured.

Between the two construction projects, the district budgeted \$1.6 million from cash reserves. "There was no tax increase or property tax increase. We're paying cash money for the project. I'm proud we're able to do that," Graham said.

### Testing

Last spring, the state education department rated three Nashville campuses above average and one average. "That's always

an interesting time. People want the best," Graham said. "One building was a couple of points from outstanding. The one average building was two students from above average. It's a never-ending story."

"We want to try to create a formula where students score well and at the same time not tie the teachers' hands and teach to the test 178 days. There's more to education than that test," Graham said. "It's a tight rope to get the right formula to score well and teach what the kids need."

Last year represented "a great job by our teachers, students and parents in preparing for testing," Graham said. The district hired a curriculum coordinator at the end of last academic year. Kim Slayton was named to the position after serving as high school assistant principal for nine years. "We're looking for great things in

academics. We'll have somebody around the clock, 5-7 days a week on curriculum. The school board decided three or four years ago to work in that direction. I commend the board for taking that step."

### Beginning of school

Graham expects about 1,900 students when classes begin Monday, Aug. 13. Faculty and staff reported for their first general meeting Aug. 6.

At the session, Graham reviewed test scores. He also shared excerpts from the book *The Power of a Positive Team* by Jon Gordon.

The highlight of the meeting came when Graham unveiled the theme song for the year, "The Champion" by Carrie Underwood, during the Walk of Champions for students who won state and national honors in 2017-18.

Scrapper Stadium announcer Johnny Wilson introduced groups and individuals who won state and

national recognition. They entered the high school cafeteria and walked through the faculty and staff, who congratulated them as they

passed. As the new year begins, "We want to keep going in a positive direction," Graham said.

# Ready

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district on school safety is-

sues. "We have new locks and cameras at junior high and high school. Then it will be elementary and primary. School safety is a very hot topic now. We want to be pro-active on that."

# First game tickets available

The Nashville School District has tickets available for the Scrapers' season opener Aug. 20 at War Memorial Stadium against Watson Chapel. Tickets are \$10 each at the

district's central office. Nashville will receive 100 percent of the pre-sale tickets. School officials encourage fans to purchase their tickets before the game.

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# Busy

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Nichols said the district is always in need of drivers. "It's that way all over the state."

He said Nashville has "very good drivers. They take their job seriously and care about the kids. Our goal is to get them to school safely and get them home safely."

A new bus will be delivered in October. It will be the second gasoline bus in the district's fleet. The first one has performed well, Nichols said. "Parts aren't as expensive. It's not an emissions problem. Mileage is about the same."

Bus mechanic Kelsey Willard "is unbelievable. Those guys are hard to find. Mr. Willard helps our district tremendously."

In athletics, "We don't know what to expect in football. We lost a lot of skill people from last year. Overall, these guys are working their tails off. We want to compete. Our goal is to get to Little Rock and play for the state championship," Nichols said.

Three new coaches joined the staff during the off-season.

Richard Strickland is the new defensive coordinator. "We look for big things on

defense. He tries to simplify things for the kids. I like what he does."

Inside linebackers coach Kirk Benson played football in Europe. "He's a training-type guy. He's high energy. The kids like that," Nichols said.

Offensive coordinator Jimi Easterling came to Nashville from Harmony Grove. He also coached at Stuttgart and was a graduate assistant when Coach Mike Volarovich was the offensive coordinator at Henderson State. "He has a good offensive mind," Nichols said.

The Scrapper and Scrapperette basketball teams "did a lot this summer. They're moving up a good ninth grade class." Both squads attended camps as they prepare for the season. Scrapper coaches are Damon Williams and Aaron Worthen. Scrapperette coaches are Ron Alexander and Laura Kidd.

Williams also coaches tennis. "We appreciate what he does," Nichols said. The Scrapperettes were among the top four teams in Class 4A last year and in 2017.

Worthen is the golf coach and has a future star in freshman Ellen Spigner, Nichols said.

Rick Baker and his staff will "try to keep the streak alive" for the junior Scrapper football team which has won 65 straight games.

Junior high "is where it all starts. We want to keep our numbers up. We want every kid involved."

The Scrapper baseball team will enter the season as back-to-back Class 4A state champions. Coach Kyle Slayton was named national Coach of the Year. "It's an incredible run for baseball," Nichols said. Nashville hosted the state 4A tournament last spring. "We filled Wilson Park. It was very impressive."

The Scrapperette softball team advanced to the state semifinals at the Nashville City Park. Coach Phillip Miller has 35 players signed up for the coming season, Nichols said. "They'll have some new faces and a good group coming back."

In track, the Scrappers finished third at state. Ty Basiliere and Kalob Carpenter won their events at state.

Worthen's Scrapper soccer team advanced to state for the second straight year, and Nichols looks for another run.

Benson will be the Scrapperette soccer coach, assisted by Cristal Perez.

Cross country coach Jared Jones "worked his kids all summer. He does a great job." Nashville will host a cross country meet this fall at the city park.

Nichols said Jones "brought the fire back for that program."

# Visit

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ville that he enjoyed his visit to the peach orchard. He and his staff enjoyed the cold peaches on a hot summer afternoon. He thanked the Jamisons for hosting his entourage.

Hutchinson congratulated Nashville Superintendent Doug Graham and other school personnel for the district's success in computer science. "You have a good teacher. I believe there are 51 students enrolled. Nashville has been a leader in computer science."

Arkansas leads the nation in computer science education, according to the governor. "That helps in recruiting industry," he said.

The city of Nashville has "a great economic development team. I know you want competitive tax rates," Hutchinson said.

Hutchinson is working to lower income taxes in the state. Arkansas has eliminated the income tax for military veterans.

In the area of education, Hutchinson said the state is working to improve job skills. Career education centers have opened in many areas. UA Cossatot is "a big part of that partnership," Hutchinson said.

Cossatot Chancellor Dr. Steve Cole said the Lockesburg Industrial Institute involves 11 area school districts, along with a number of industries. "We'll start this fall with high school juniors and seniors. When they graduate, they can be hired by area industries," Cole said.

Hutchinson said a new road program will be an issue for the 2019 legislative session. There is no specific timeline for I-49, he said. "It's a step-by-step process. We have to have greater federal contributions



**GOVERNOR IN HOWARD COUNTY.** Gov. Asa Hutchinson visits with Kelly Hardin, one of the owners of Center Point Store, during a brief unscheduled stop in Center Point Monday afternoon.

to highways. We need a federal infrastructure bill."

School safety was another topic. "I'm very impressed with the work of my school safety commission," Hutchinson said. "I expect the commission to present a list of best practices to look at."

He looks for part of the plan to include more direct counseling for students. He does not look to "put more money in to hire more police officers for schools." That cost would be borne by the districts.

In response to a question on the president's tariffs program, Hutchinson said Arkansas was doing well with China and other nations before the "trade dispute began. The president was trying to address an

imbalance of trade. The new round of tariffs escalated it. It does increase the price of products."

One industry cancelled expansion plans over tariffs, Hutchinson said.

"I'm worried about it. Hopefully, the president knows what he's doing and declares victory soon."

Dr. John Hearnberger told the governor that "Arkansas Works is a good program. It means a lot to our hospital."

Hutchinson said the hospital is "important to the community. We expanded Arkansas Works for some. We also reformed it with a work requirement. We had zero growth in Medicaid spending for the first time ever. We didn't do it by cutting services."

## UA Cossatot set for fall semester

The University of Arkansas Cossatot introduces new academic programs, student services, and sports programs for fall 2018.

Online and in-class courses begin Aug. 13; registration closes Aug. 14 at 4 p.m.

Updates include:  
**Textbook Rental/Open Educational Resource Program (OER):** Forty percent of classes at UA Cossatot do not require a textbook and instead use OER materials to supplement instruction. For the remaining sixty percent of courses, students pay a \$30 rental fee per course to cover books required.

24/7 Online Tutoring:

Through in-person tutoring on campus and a new partnership with Tutor.com, the UA Cossatot Educational Resource Center is available to students for help with assignments.

**Hispanic-Serving Institution:** The U.S. Department of Education has designated the Cossatot a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) for 2018-19, meaning that over 25% of full-time students identify as Latino. UA Cossatot is the first and only Hispanic-Serving Institution in the state of Arkansas.

**Basketball and Soccer:** UA Cossatot introduces Men's Colt Club Basketball

in fall 2018 with the first game hosted at UA Cossatot Bank of Lockesburg Gymnasium in November. Colts Club Soccer returns to UAC for the fourth season with two home games in September.

**Diesel Technology:** UA Cossatot expands its automotive technology programs to include Diesel Technology. This program is housed on the De Queen campus.

**Physical Therapist Assistant:** The PTA Program combines classroom instruction and laboratory simulation with clinical experiences.

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It is our prayer that God will bless each student, board member and employee of the Nashville School District with a safe and successful school year.

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# Miss SAU among three women attributing pageant success to 4-H

LITTLE ROCK – Three alumna are crediting their first-place finishes in the Miss Arkansas pageant program to life skills learned in the 4-H youth development program.

The three who earned titles this year are Miss Grand Prairie, Charlee Carter of Monticello; Miss Southern Arkansas University, Reagan Grubbs of Delight; and Miss University of Arkansas, Ashton Yarbrough of Gravette.

Here's how the three fared in the Miss Arkansas pageant:

Carter won the Fine Lines Training Non-Finalist Swimsuit Award, in the amount of \$500 provided by Ann Marie and Kenny Gibbs. She was tied for first-place in both alpha and preliminary swimsuit competitions on Wednesday night, earning another \$2,000.

Grubbs won the alpha swimsuit competition, a \$1,000 Miss Arkansas Scholarship Foundation Spirit of the Pageant Award for Tuesday night preliminaries and a \$500 scholarship from Zenstudio.

Yarbrough won the Bobbie Horton Elementary Education Award, resulting in a \$1,000 scholarship.

The three women said it was the skills learned in 4-H that propelled them into the next stages of their lives.

### Miss Grand Prairie

Carter has a unique legacy in 4-H and extension. She is the daughter of a Cooperative Extension Service agent and an active member of the Bradley County 4-H club. She said that 4-H gave her skills and opportunities.

"4-H gave me the opportunity to be involved in my community by attending health fairs, where I could be an advocate for my platform," Carter said. "I gave back to my community by sewing port pillows, pillowcases, and blankets for the nursing home. It gave me the confidence to speak out about what I'm passionate about."

Carter won an \$8,000 Sue Marshall scholarship awarded at the Arkansas 4-H State-O-Rama three years ago, based on the strength of her community service and a record book that documented her education in dance. She was also named 4-H'er of the Year in



Extension service photo

**FORMER 4-H MEMBER.** Miss Southern Arkansas University, Reagan Grubbs of Delight, says 4-H helped prepare her for pageants.

2014. She also earned a 4-H Scott Tractor \$1,000 scholarship in 2015.

Carter is scheduled to graduate from the University of Arkansas at Monticello in 2019 with a bachelor's in business finance, and hopes to pursue a career as a financial adviser. She said that a graduate degree may be in her future as well.

Carter's mother, Michelle Carter, is a 4-H and family and consumer sciences agent for the Cooperative Extension Service in Bradley County.

### Miss Southern Arkansas University

Reagan Grubbs felt so strongly about 4-H, her Miss Arkansas platform was "Growing Future Leaders through 4-H."

Grubbs said that 4-H was instrumental in building a foundation for her.

"4-H has helped me to prepare for all phases of life," she said. "I have grown tremendously in organization, responsibility, and leadership skills."

"Not only have these skills helped me for my life, but also for my pageant experience," she said. "My growth in communication abilities have helped me prepare for interviews and be the best speaker I can be."

Grubbs said she found a sanctuary in 4-H that allowed her to blossom.

"It also helped me to be myself, being able to be 100 percent me and not let anyone change that. 4-H has helped me grow into the strong leader, and confident young woman that I am today," Grubbs said.

Grubbs said she plans to continue her education this fall at the University of Arkansas. She will pursue a master's degree in Agriculture and Extension Education. Her career plans include becoming a 4-H county extension agent.

### Miss University of Arkansas

Ashton Yarbrough, was a 4-H member in Benton County. She said her background in 4-H shaped who she was as a person.

"4-H was a major part of my life growing up. I was a member for 13 years and feel as though without the organization, I would be a very different person," she said. Her platform was "Passion to Action: Volunteer." Yarbrough's vigor for action was ignited in 4-H.

"It was through 4-H that I discovered my passion for serving others and making my community a better place to live," she said. The importance of community service and wanted to be able to share that with people across "4-H also instilled in me the importance of teamwork, communication, and hard work. I like to believe that from my participation in 4-H, I am well equipped to take on the 'real world' after college," said Yarbrough.



# BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## Should Americans fear open borders?

How would you like to live across the street from an open Mexican border? Would you be afraid?

Do Americans of all races, ages and states have a right to fear an open Mexican border? Yes, but not because the illegal aliens will take jobs, vote fraudulently or get on the government dole, of all of which may or not be true.

Those of us who live in the Mexican War Zone appreciate that our northern neighbor's only source of info is CNN or Fox. Each channel gives you their overblown, five-minute "News Break" opposing each other. The routine debate discusses the taking of American jobs or who is responsible for illegal alien's children, or does the Constitution mean anything? But ALMOST ALWAYS they avoid the evil beast lurking over every man, woman and child on both sides of the border...DRUG USERS!

We condemn the dealers, the smugglers, the growers, anybody who is on the supply line...anyone who is trying to fill our needs. They'll do anything to get our drugs to us, and we will do anything to get it.

My fellow citizens, write this down: Mexico is a Third World Country, ruled by drug cartels with guns. The Mexican War Zone is their border, our front porch. We are their best customer. They deliver drugs to us like pizza!

To maintain their control of the border, since 2007 the cartels have murdered over 80,000 of their fellow Mexicans, both innocent and evil. Why would they sacrifice their lives? For nobility? Love of country? Supplica-

tion? Publicity? No! They do it for you! For your addiction, recreation, popularity...you like your friendly dealer, your girlfriend loves coke, ya know.

It is no surprise that Mexican border towns' tourism has fallen 80% and stayed there for years. Should Americans fear open borders?

Walls, Border Patrol, ISIS, compassion, the National Guard and Congress itself flutter like moths around a solution. Then there is California. If their plan goes through, in 25 years they will have become a sovereign state of Mexico, the politicians will become puppets of the biggest cartel in the world.

A heinous conclusion but a glorious one for those 23% in the U.S. who are doing their illegal drug shopping from their Mexican dealer,

fresh from the border, right now!

Should Americans fear open borders?

Today our government deliberately distracts our numb citizens until they can't tell a cough from a cancer. The Mexico that I grew up beside is "no longer." Phoenix is known for its high number of kidnappings and human smuggling. Most victims are illegals.

Should Americans fear open borders? Yes. It is not without risk.

Should the cartel fear open borders? Are you kidding?! They will be thrilled! They'll have finally conquered the Mexican border. Now, with opening the American side, they will have control in one election span.

It might cost them a little...but what is 80,000 murdered.

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# Accountability

**By Pamela Kelly Williams Memorial Church of God In Christ**  
*(Editor's Note: Pamela Kelly is a member of Williams Memorial Church of God in Christ church in Nashville. She is an evangelist who loves to encourage people. Kelly, a 1993 Nashville High School graduate, is married and has two children.)*

An obligation or willingness to accept responsibility for one's actions. We are a people that will blame others for our actions instead of ourselves. At an early age I was taught to be accountable through different methods that my parents did. In the summer we were assigned three to four rows in the garden to take care of such as making sure the weeds were pulled up around the plants and to make sure they had enough dirt around them. If something wasn't done on my row then it was my fault not my siblings because it was my responsibility to take care of it. I didn't get away with it at all there were consequences with being disobedient. I've carried this throughout my life and even down to my children.

In Matthew 7:16-20 Jesus was teaching about bringing forth good fruit. Every good tree brings forth good fruit but an evil tree bring evil fruit. What kind of tree are you? If you say you are a good tree then you have a responsibility to bring good fruit. People should look at your life and see the good fruit that are being produced through you.

If I planted a pear tree and year after year it gives bad fruit then it's no good for me. I need some pears when I want or need them. We are here for a purpose. Someone is in need of what we are supposedly produce. A lot of people don't have love well show and give them love. Isaiah 61:3 says that we are trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord that He might be glorified. We have a responsibility in the earth that the name of God be glorified to me. Let them see your good works and glorify God. Every tree in nature has a responsibility whether it's for food, shade, fire wood, building houses, etc. So many people are satisfied with going to church on Sundays and

maybe bible study in the middle of the week. Going to church is where we get pruned and strengthen. We get weak along the way and God will send a Word to strengthen His people getting them ready to go out to be a witness for Him. We meet people everyday throughout our lives. God may send someone to us so we can help them. We got to be in the right position to help them.

We are responsible for our behavior and how we represent Christ. People are searching for peace. How are we demonstrating peace? Just because we are in a bad mood doesn't give us the right to treat others wrong. We are held accountability for our actions. Have you seen people that have been hurt in their lives and they turn around and hurt others? We must allow God to prune work on us so we can bring forth good fruit. Get rid of your excuses and deal with your issues. I've learned that when I see myself not in right standings according to God's Word I immediately start praying that He will take out the things that's not right. You

will avoid a lot of heartache and pain this way. Once you acknowledge where you are and who God is He will move for you. On the other hand if you always blame others then you will always be stuck. Learn to move forward!

God can and will help you in your endeavor. It's easy to be good to people as long as they are good to you, but the test comes when someone comes against you. If they curse you will you curse back? If I squeeze a lemon I will get lemon juice not apple juice. Some people call telling the truth judging but it's not we are known by the fruit that we bear. People was mad at Jesus for telling the truth because they didn't like correction and that they didn't want to be held accountable for their actions. This generation is no different. They agree as long as it doesn't offend them. Seek after the ways of God. Read in the Word what He like and what He don't. There's a day coming that we will have to answer for the deeds that we do. Pray and ask God to make you the way He wants to. Be blessed my friends.



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# Sentence handed down in Delight church fire case

The Murfreesboro woman charged with burning down a Delight church was sentenced Monday after entering a plea to an amended charge.

Sarah Jane Humphry, 34, pleaded "no contest" to the charges of reckless burning and breaking or entering and was sentenced to a total of 25 years in the Arkansas Department of Correction with nine years suspended.

Humphry, who out of prison on parole at the time of the crime, was originally charged with arson for the fire that destroyed the Crossroad Assembly of God Church in Delight the morning of Sept. 3, 2017.

After an investigation determined the church fire had been deliberately set, Humphry turned herself in to Pike County authorities and was interviewed Sept. 10, 2017. She confessed involvement in the fire and stated that she had initially stopped to get a drink from the unlocked church and then later returned for vehicle gas, which she said she spilled while inside and then lit a cigarette that started the fire.

Humphry also said she removed some items from the church to keep them from burning, hid them

in the woods and later returned to pick up the items. The property was recovered from her home in Murfreesboro.

Also Monday in Pike County Circuit Court:

Zachary Ray Collins, 32, of Murfreesboro had his probation revoked and pleaded guilty to two counts of breaking or entering and two counts of theft of property. He was sentenced to a total of 10 years in the ADC.

Derrick Chase Cogburn, 49, of Glenwood pleaded guilty to possession of methamphetamine. He was sentenced to six years of probation and fined \$2,000.

Roger D. Hrabel, no age or address available, pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. He was sentenced to five years of probation and fined \$2,000.

Stephanie Youngblood, 38, of Wickes, pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and simultaneous possession of drugs and firearms. She was sentenced to drug court and fined \$1,000.

# Woman pulled from burning house by Pike Co. deputy

A Delight woman was unhurt Saturday night after being pulled from her burning home by a Pike County deputy.

At approximately 10:50 p.m., Pike County deputies Jarrod Reid and Brian Mitchell were on patrol in Delight when Reid noticed heavy smoke coming from the roof of a house at 112 North 3rd Street, located behind Pinky's eatery.

Deputies called for the Delight Volunteer Fire Department and as the department was responding Deputy Mitchell made

forced entry into the house through the carport and made contact with homeowner Shawna Tyson, 51, who was asleep.

Mitchell entered the smoke-filled home and assisted Tyson and her dog in escaping the fire. Reid noted in an incident report that the home's hot water heater was spewing water and causing wires on the wall to spark.

Firefighters were able to quickly extinguish the fire and save the residence. Tyson was checked and released at the scene by Guardian EMS.

# Historical society seeking paint, cash for old fire station project

The Howard County Historical Society is seeking donations of paint --- or cash for paint -- to fix up the old 'fire station' on West Sybert Street in Nashville, recently donated to the society by the Lyons family.

White exterior latex paint is needed, and an estimated 30 gallons will complete the job, according to Freddie Horne, chairman of the society. Partial gallons leftover from home projects can be used for certain places. A

one-gallon can of white exterior latex costs approximately \$25, Horne says.

Persons wishing to give cans of paint, or cash donations for paint, may see Horne, Jonathan Canaday, Marsha Rhodes, Allen Rhodes or any member of the society's board. Call 451-4288.

Paint may be dropped off at either the museum or the old fire station.

Donations are tax deductible, Horne said.

# Tollette fire department to host back-to-school event Aug. 12

The Tollette Volunteer Fire Department will host its annual Back-To-School Bash on Aug. 12, at 4-7 p.m.

Special guests Triple C Car Club, will also be there giving out free snow cones, and haircuts for the kids. This is a free event with free backpacks for Pre-K up to 6th grade. The public

is invited to come out for free food for the kids and concessions for adults will be available.

If no rain, there will be water events for all.

In the event of rain, the event will be held inside the Tollette auditorium.

For more information, call (870) 287-7200.

# Murfreesboro baby shower set Aug. 25 at Crater of Diamonds

There will be a baby shower for Kayla and Isaac Fox on Saturday, Aug. 25 at 2 p.m. at the Crater of Diamond State Park pavilion. The couple is having a boy.

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In lieu of cards, attendees are asked to bring a book for Baby Fox's library.



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**FRIDAY AT THE MARKET.** Farm Bureau (above left) hosted the hospitality table at the Howard County Farmers' Market in Nashville. Pictured are (from left) Michael Howard and Cheyne Manning, agents, customer service representative Breanna Harkleroad, and agent Laura Eckert. Also Friday, the featured vendor was Lora Satterfield (above right) and The Kitchen Table which was loaded with her homemade baked goods.

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## Summer Upswing!

Is summer starting to feel too long? Are your friends all on vacation and are you feeling a bit of a slide into a summer slump? Well, here's a whole page of places to go and fun things to do. You'll be busy, having fun and seeing your summer on the upswing in no time!

Are you looking for a break? Head to the city or country for fun things to drive summertime blues away! Where will you be visiting when you are...

- finding a favorite painting or sculpture, trying a science experiment or asking a scientist about his display?
- enjoying plays, movies or magic acts?
- watching sea creatures, and touching and holding small sea animals?
- going on rides, eating cotton candy and screaming in the fun house?
- cheering ball players and eating hot dogs?
- gliding on swings, playing tennis on courts or picnicking?
- swimming, digging in the sand or boating?
- reading up a storm or learning new computer programs?
- "seeing" the past by visiting homes once owned by famous Americans?
- learning about plants and animals in their surroundings; hiking in woods?

**Swing into action. Use these letters to fill in fun things to do at a playground:**

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4. tu \_ t \_ es  
5. sea \_ o \_ ses  
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Fill in the names of animals you may see at an aquarium:

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# Sports

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## First week of fall camp ends with scrimmage, media day for Scrappers

By John R. Schirmer  
News-Leader staff

"It was a good day overall." That's how Coach Mike Volarvich described last Saturday's Scrapper media day and scrimmage.

Players reported for pictures starting at 7:30 a.m. Afterward, the team held a 65-play scrimmage which lasted about one hour.

"We got in some good reps," Volarvich said, "and we stayed healthy."

Media day and the scrimmage concluded the first week of fall camp. "It was different this year. Media day was earlier," Volarvich said, because the Scrappers open the season Monday, Aug. 20, against Watson Chapel at War Memorial Stadium in Little Rock.

"Media day can have a lot of distractions," Volarvich said. "I've done it and a scrimmage on the same day before and not been

happy with the results. I'm happy with today. We had a lot of fans who came out to watch."

The coaching staff will watch the film of the scrimmage and "evaluate where the players are. We'll see what we did well and what we didn't do so well. We'll also evaluate schematically as we move into [this] week. We'll see if we need to re-evaluate X's and O's or personnel," Volarvich said.

Everyone on the roster had an opportunity to play. "I asked them afterward what if you had taken every snap. Are we in shape? What if you go both ways? We're not ready yet, but we don't have to be in game shape now. I'm happy with the shape we're in" at this point of fall camp. "Over the course of what we hope will be 20 weeks, we'll get better."

Volarvich said the offense



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**AFTER THE SCRIMMAGE.** Coach Mike Volarvich talks to the Scrappers following their scrimmage Saturday, Aug. 4, at Scrapper Stadium. The team also held media day Saturday. Overall, Volarvich said Saturday was "a good day." More pictures may be found on page 11A.

performed well at the scrimmage. "Today was probably the best of fall camp for the offense. We had some explosive plays. The number one stat for winning teams is about plays over 25 yards either way. It's about not giving them up on defense and having them on offense."

The Scrappers made "several big plays. We had the opportunity to get a couple more. We missed

some catches we can't miss," Volarvich said.

The defense "had some ups and downs. The scrimmage was set up for 8-play drives where you either run eight plays or continue the drive. The defense had a couple of sacks and forced a fumble. They forced some negative plays. I'm happy with the defense through fall camp."

The offense and defense

have "a long way to go," Volarvich said, but he is "excited six days into fall camp."

The next event for the Scrappers will be the Back-to-School Bash Friday, Aug. 10, at Scrapper Stadium. Gates will open at 6:30 p.m. The junior high Scrappers will scrimmage at 7:30, followed around 8 p.m. by introductions of junior and senior high players, cheer-

leaders and band members. Senior high will scrimmage after introductions. Admission is \$2.

Scrapper gear will be available. The concession stand will be open.

The Scrappers and El Dorado will scrimmage Monday, Aug. 13, at Southern Arkansas University.

The season opens Sept. 20 against Watson Chapel at Little Rock.



**SATURDAY AT SCRAPPER STADIUM.** Quarterback Jake Moorer eyes a receiver before putting the ball in the air during the scrimmage Saturday morning. The Scrappers ran 65 plays at the scrimmage.



**ON THE GROUND.** Carmillias Morrison (12) tries to maneuver the ball through the defense Saturday morning. The Scrappers' next scrimmage will be Friday, Aug. 10, at the Back-to-School Bash. (Related story, page 1A.)



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Area football teams

Football players at Nashville, Dierks, Mineral Springs and Murfreesboro hit the practice field last week as fall camp opened throughout Arkansas. The teams will have a number of scrimmages and benefit games before their seasons begin later this month. Nashville will have the earliest opener. The Scrappers will play Watson Chapel at War Memorial Stadium in Little Rock Monday, Aug. 20, at 7:30 p.m.



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# Scrappers hit the field Aug. 4 in first scrimmage of fall camp

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**AT SCRIMMAGE.** Jordan White hauls in a touchdown pass during the Scrappers' first scrimmage of fall camp Saturday, Aug. 4, after media day.



**BIG PLAY.** Cason Drummond (19) eludes defenders for a substantial gain Saturday morning at Scrapper Stadium.



**SETTING UP.** Quarterback Tristen Jamison sets up a pass Saturday at the Scrapper scrimmage.



**TRYING TO GET LOOSE.** Keyshawn Stewart (center) tries to find a way around the defenders at Saturday's scrimmage.



**TOUCHDOWN.** Quarterback Jake Moorer scores Saturday morning.



**THANKS FOR COMING.** Scrappers turn to the stands and thank the fans who attended the scrimmage.

**12 days**  
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**UALR BASKETBALL CAMP.** The Nashville Scrapperettes attended camp Aug. 2-3 at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. Coach Ron Alexander said the varsity team went 4-2 during the camp; the JV went 2-0. The Scrapperettes "looked good at times, and other times not so good," Alexander said. "But overall, it was a good camp for us. We seemed to jell as a team. It was a learning experience for us. We got better each game. We've got a ways to go, but by the time the season rolls around, hopefully we will have it worked out."

# 'Walk of Champions'

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**RECOGNITION.** Members of the Scrapper band enter the NHS cafeteria during the Walk of Champions Monday morning at the Nashville School District's general faculty and staff meeting. Announcer Johnny Wilson introduced Nashville groups and individuals who received state and national honors during 2017-18. The Scrapper band won the Sweepstakes Award for the second straight year, the highest award for bands.



**65 IN A ROW.** Players on last season's junior high Scrapper football team were introduced Monday morning. The junior Scappers enter the season with a 65-game winning streak dating back to the 2010 season.



**BAND SENIORS.** Senior members of the NHS band gather following Monday morning's Walk of Champions.

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## Nashville Primary School set to welcome 600 students

Nashville Primary School will welcome about 600 kindergarten – third grade students for the upcoming school year.

The Nashville School District will again provide school supplies for our students. Children will only need to provide their own backpack. "It is very helpful if parents would write their child's name on the outside of the backpack," Nashville Primary School Principal Shirley Wright said.

An agenda book or Nicky folder will be provided for each student as a communication tool between school and home. Wright continued, "We appreciate the parent support, cooperation, and participation from our parents. Classroom teachers will be setting up a Remind account with each of their students' parents during registration. Parents are also encouraged to check their HAC (Home Access Communication) account for their child's grades. Progress reports and report cards will be sent home with each child as stated on the school calendar.

A monthly principal's newsletter on Scrapper orange paper, will be sent home with all students with important dates and events to help parent and students be aware of the Primary happenings.

Certified teachers have spent several days during their summer receiving professional development training to help prepare them to maximize each student's academic performances. The kindergarten – second grade teachers attended a four day workshop called LETRS, Language Essential for Teachers

of Reading and Spelling, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teachers attended a two day workshop called RISE, Reading Initiative for Student Excellence and also a day training with content areas of ACT Aspire assessments. All classroom teachers attended a day of training on our new reading adoption, McGraw Hill -Wonders-language arts program. All certified teachers had a two hour online training regarding parental involvement.

All students will be provided a free breakfast each morning as they arrive to school. Students need to be ready to enter their classrooms at 7:50 every day. Students should not arrive earlier than 7:30 a.m. because duty personnel will only be present at that time.

Please be patient with school traffic. Allow extra time in the mornings due to school traffic and safety for our students. If you bring your child to school, please drive through one of the two lanes in the car area (not the bus area). No parking signs have been installed on both sides of the road in front of the school so parents should never park in that area at any time. Children should not be dropped off there. Parents are not to park there to bring their child to school or pick them up in the afternoon. Please obey the entrance and exit signs of the car area.

For safety of our students and staff, all doors will be locked during school hours, except to the main office entrance. Everyone is to stop and check in the office before entering any school area. A visitor badge will be given and worn for those



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**NEW YEAR.** Nashville Primary School Principal Shirley Wright and new assistant primary school principal Nathan Evans.

with permission to enter a classroom, cafeteria, or any school area.

Transportation plans for every child are very important. Parents are urged to discuss and confirm with their child's classroom teacher how their child is to go home every afternoon. Those plans will be strictly enforced, unless a note is sent with the change to the teacher in the agenda book/Nicky folder or a telephone call is made to the

school before 2 p.m. that day. Car duty personnel will escort every child to their vehicle in both car lanes every afternoon. Teachers will escort each child to their assigned bus each afternoon.

If you have children attending other campuses besides the Primary, they must be dropped off and picked up at the school they attend. In addition to Primary's 600 young children, most all of the district's school buses come to

the Primary School in the afternoon. The bus parking lot is only for Primary staff parking and bus traffic.

Several teachers have painted and decorated the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade girls and boys restrooms. There are positive and motivational quotes painted on the stall doors.

Students will continue to receive computer instruction and be provided time to use educational software programs. All of our kindergar-

ten through third grade students will be taking required assessments on line. Kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students take the K-2 Renaissance Star three times a year. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students take practice interims and the ACT Aspire at the end of the school year.

We have a very hard working and dedicated staff at Primary. There are eight kindergarten classrooms, eight first grade classrooms, seven second grade class-

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**PRIMARY SECRETARIES.** Nashville Primary School secretaries Ashley Hale and Sheila Robinson are eager to start the new school year.

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rooms, seven third grade classrooms, an ALE classroom, and two self contained classrooms. In addition to classroom teachers, there are 15 special certified teachers, and 15 classified staff members.

New personnel joining us are: Nathan Evans, assistant principal.

He comes with excitement and a passion and desire to help our Primary students, staff, and parents.

Nathan has such a positive attitude and will serve as a great role model. Janet Copeland transferred from Nashville Elementary School to teach 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

Dacia Strickland was hired as a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher. Ginny Schwoppe was hired as a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher.

Kim Reed transferred from Nashville High School to teach in a self contained special education classroom.

Amber Perez has been hired as an ESL aide where

she subbed in a long term position last year. Holly Couch will serve as the district's dyslexia coordinator.

Parents were mailed registration papers a week prior to registration day on Aug. 9.

We hope that helped parents save time in completing the paperwork to bring on registration day and meet the teacher. All new students will register in the office.

Meal applications were also mailed with the registration papers.

Parents wanting to apply for free or reduced lunch will need to complete one application per family, regardless of which school their children attend, just making sure to list all children living in the household. Meal applications have to be completed each school year.

Handbooks will be given to parents and students on registration day. I encourage parents to go over the handbook with their child.

It has a lot of policies, procedures, and rules of our school. The school calendar is also included in the handbook.

Nashville Primary has an active Parent Teacher Organization. They are encouraging interested parents to complete a PTO form and join the group.

They recently purchased Lock Blocs for each classroom to help with security. They also purchased an iPad for student use in the classroom.

They always help out with providing food for the staff during registration and parent/teacher conference nights.

Nashville Primary School is a school-wide Title I school. All children needing extra help or reinforcement receive interventions during the school day.

Attendance is very important.

We need students here every day and on time, 7:50 a.m., and to remain at school until dismissal, unless they are sick. Coming in tardy and getting checked out early interrupts student learning.

I am very grateful to have the opportunity to serve this community in a great school system.



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**ELEMENTARY PRINCIPALS.** Nashville Elementary Assistant Principal Tyra Hughes is joined by Elementary Principal Rick Rebsamen.



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**ELEMENTARY SECRETARIES.** Nashville Elementary Secretaries Reba Coulter and Myra Brand. Brand is new to the NES office as a secretary.

The first day of school for the Nashville School District will be Aug. 13

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## 'Defying gravity' at Nashville Elementary

By Terrica Hendrix  
 News-Leader staff

The Nashville Elementary School is gearing up for the new school year. The school will have some new faces in administration and staff, such as: Susan Renfrow, 6th grade science; Krista Williams, 4th grade math/science; Richard Strickland, P.E.; Myra Brand, secretary, and Viririana Gallardo, ESL.

Tyra Hughes is the new assistant principal at NES.

NES Principal Rick Rebsamen will start his 23rd year in education. "The theme this year is, 'Defying Gravity.'"

He explained that the theme is about removing things that weigh or hold you

down. This year, NES is expecting 480 students. There are six 4th grade teachers, eight 5th grade teachers, and seven 6th grade teachers.

The NES building will have a new security system, complete with cameras everywhere - he added.

The Nashville Primary PTO and Nashville Elementary have joined together as Nashville K-6 PTO.

The Nashville Primary PTO began meeting last year and they are a volunteer organization made up of parents, teachers, administrators, and support staff who are all dedicated to the successful education of our children and Rebsamen urged parents to get involved with the PTO if possible.

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**HIS FIRST YEAR.** Nashville Junior High School Principal D.J. Graham will enter his first year as principal at the junior high this year.

"It is my pleasure to welcome the students back for the upcoming school year at Nashville Junior High. For those of you who are new to our school, I want you to know that you are coming to a wonderful place. The staff is looking forward to having our students back in our classrooms and hallways, filling them with energy and enthusiasm for learning. It is our goal to help every student feel welcomed, connected, and a part of the Nashville Junior High family," NJHS Principal D.J. Graham began. The tradition of success runs deep in the roots at Nashville Junior High, offering a wide variety of organizations to be a part of. This year we have adopted a new purpose statement for the building: Our purpose at NJHS is to inspire all students to believe they can do more, create more, and become more than they ever thought possible. The staff and faculty at Junior High is going to strive to let this purpose statement motivate and drive instruction at a high level each day. As our staff commits to this purpose statement, my focus now goes to the students, and as a building principal I challenge our students to live by the following guidelines: 1) Do your job! Take care of you. Be where you are supposed to be, doing what you are supposed to be doing, to the best of your ability at all times.

2) Show respect to everyone you come into contact with. 3) Be willing to learn together, grow together, and unite together. 4) Trust the process and enjoy the journey.

Our students will enjoy the theme of, "Game On," this year. Our vision behind this theme is to encourage students and teachers to attack everyday like a game day. Our hallways, our mottos, our terminology, our classroom decorations will all fall under the sports theme genre. We want to strive to only have bad moments, not bad "game days." We want to stack good days on good days. We know the early teenage years can be a very difficult time in the student's life, it can be very challenging for the students and also the parents, therefore we want to

make this transition period as positive and enjoyable for all accounts. I know this staff is dedicated to having a positive influence and changing the lives of Nashville's children.

As building principal, I believe the decisions, changes we have made for the upcoming 2018/2019 school year give us the best shot to make all this possible. We have some new faces on staff, some teachers have been asked to switch a classroom subject or two, but I can say with confidence, I feel like I have the right staff in the right places to best benefit the success of our students. A couple major changes we have made this year is in the schedule of athletics. In years past, 7th grade had athletics in the morning around 9:30. However, our change this year has moved 7th grade athletics to after lunch around noon. My purpose behind this is get these students in more core classes early in the morning. I hope this results in better focus that will allow for successful student learning. Also made a change for Jr. Girl athletics. In the past they are used to practicing from 11:45-1:20 and having to come back to one last class in the afternoon. I have moved their athletic period to last in the day, so now this girls can focus on class for three blocks, and then report to athletics 4th block. There were just a few changes to the handbook this year, and I challenge the students and parents to pick up a student handbook and carefully review the sections on detentions, tardies, dress code, and honor society. Something new we are doing this year that I am really excited about is what I call a "pregame speech." This will take place every Friday morning at 7:45 in the cafeteria. This will be voluntary for the students to attend, but members of our faculty will present students with encouragement, motivational type speeches every Friday. Upgrades this year for our building this year result in a very expensive access control doors and locks system to go along with our security cameras we received last year. Parents will notice when they walk up to the front door, there is now an intercom system to buzz the office so you can be granted access into the building. School

safety is in major discussion across the state, but our facility is at the cutting edge of keeping our building safe! Our literacy department purchased and received new textbooks.

We were fortunate enough to purchase a new online assessment tool for reading and math for grades seven and eight. Our teachers will be able to periodically test and track the skill level the student is currently on, and in return make individual success plans for those students. We also received much needed upgrades with carpet in two computer labs. The maintenance and floor crew did an outstanding job with our floors, hats off to Coach Nichols and his crew. Country side nursery updated our landscaping so as the new school year approaches, I am really excited how this place looks. We are very fortunate to have an outstanding facility, and the funds to make little upgrades each year. I really take pride in the way this place looks and I want that to carry over to staff and students.

We are expecting just under 450 students to report on the first day of school on August 13th. Please remember that our bell rings at 7:55 and breakfast is served to all students in the classroom at 9:30.

In closing, I am really looking forward to this "rookie year" for me. I am excited to see this staff go to work and see if the "game plan" that I envisioned works and allows for all accounts involved to be successful. I welcome Ashley Riggs as our new assistant principal. She is going to do an outstanding job; her vision, ideas, and passion for this building and district are in line with mine. She is another example of someone that works in this district with deep family roots to Nashville and this school district. This place means a lot to her and I know she will strive to do a good job for this district. It is our obligation to make this place a good place to work, build confidence in a staff that will come to work with a lot of "pop" in energy, and lastly create a culture that enables the teachers to attack every day in a structured environment that allows them to give our students their best each day.



**NEW ROLE.** Nashville Junior High School Assistant Principal Ashley Riggs will begin her first year as an assistant principal this year.

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**NEW POSTERS.** Nashville School District employees hold up signs donated by Temperanceville Church to be placed in each classroom in the district.



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**HIGH SCHOOL.** Nashville High School Principal Tate Gordon. He said the theme for the new school year is, "Be the change you want to see in the world."

## Nashville High School ready to help 'mold' and educate students

"We are very excited to the start of a new school year. I am excited to be reunited with our 11th and 12th students and to get to know the new students to the NHS campus, our 10th grade group," Nashville High School Principal Tate Gordon began.

NHS is expecting 407 students to enter our hallways on August 13, he added. "We have three really good classes at NHS this year and we look forward to them doing amazing things in the classroom academically as well as in their extracurricular areas. We have a few new staff members that we are very excited to have as a part of our NHS and we can't wait to see them help mold and educate our kids."

New staff members include: Jennifer Walker-10th grade English, Holly Harding Smith- 11th grade English/Journalism, Erin Askew- EAST/Cheer Coach, Jeana Medlin-school nurse, Kirk Benson- History/Coach, Tammy Nolen- Resource.

Gordon said that "each of our new staff members are people of high character with great morals and their students are going to be blessed to have them as a teacher."

The high school has some upgrades to the building this year. There is new asphalt in the teacher parking lot area and the several classrooms have received new coats of paint and new carpet. The theme for the 2018-19 school year is, "Be the change you want to see in the world." "My office staff is amazing. I have two great secretaries, my counselor and career coach a second to none, and I am very excited to get to work with Krysta Parker, my new Assistant Principal.

She is going to bring some different ideas and knowledge that will help make an already strong staff even better," he ended.

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Dierks School District

# New Across the Board

Top administration spots have some familiar faces

By John Balch  
News-Leader staff

The Dierks School District will start the new school year under new management.

The superintendent's office is now occupied by Jody Cowart, who was promoted to the job in January after the resignation of Holly Cothren.

Cowart is in his fifth year at Dierks where he has served as high school principal and athletic director.

Cowart, a 1995 Kirby Trojan, has an extensive sports background having coached basketball and track at Bismarck, De Queen and Prescott since graduating Henderson State University and Harding University.

Cowart said that already being familiar with the territory, along with his office support staff, helped make the short transition a few doors down from his old office when he officially took over July 1.

"Everyone's done a great job in making this transition much easier for me," Cowart said of support staffers - new district treasurer Kayla Jones, front secretary Michala Young, Bobby Neal on payroll and insurance, Michelle Kitchens with accounts receivable and Kristi Janes handling accounts payable.

In addition to a new treasurer, the district hired 14 new employees, including high school principal and 1977 Dierks High School graduate Jeff Jones, whose wife, Michelle, was also hired on at the elementary.

Also among the new hires is elementary principal Lori Finley, whose husband, Todd, has been hired as head girls basketball coach, assistant softball and football coach.

Other new hires for elementary include: Mindy Efird, Cassie Kirby, Rebecca Steward, Raisa Whisenhunt and Katie Winer. New high school employees are Phillip Binkley, Chelsea Sayre, Terri Shelton and Andrew Sirmon. Lindsey Stokes in the district's new nurse.

Jones, 59, was most recently working in the area as principal of Wickes High School and as head football coach of the rival Murfreesboro Rattlers. Jones said he is excited to be "back in blue" and humbled by the opportunity to return.

"I've got to get busy figuring out the scheme of

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things here, but my main goal is to serve the teachers," he said. "Our teachers are the experts in their fields so I'm just going to try and provide a helping hand where they need it and help them do their jobs better."

Jones said he will have no problem fighting off the urge to get back down on the gridiron. "I get to just be a fan," he said. "Twenty-nine years was enough of that."

Speaking of football, the Outlaw program is now working under new head coach Jarrod Fannin, a 1999 DHS graduate.

Fannin was promoted to the top Outlaw job after Jonathan Bates left following a 1-9 season. Fannin is working his second time at Dierks and has been on staff since May 2017. He is also the head Outlaw baseball coach with experience at Ashdown, Lafayette County and De Queen.

"I think the football program is in good hands," said Superintendent Cowart.

At the elementary, new principal Lori Finley is starting her 24<sup>th</sup> year in public education. Finley replaces longtime principal Karla Byrne, who was "wonderful" in helping the newcomer settle into her new role.

Finley and her coach husband are from Hot Springs and have worked together at several districts. Finley has worked in administration for the Nevada and Bald Knob districts. She is a former classroom teacher and also worked as public relations coordinator for the Hope School District where she honed communication skills.

"I'm excited to be here," Finley said. "I'm looking forward to working with our faculty, staff and community members. I hope I do everybody proud."

Superintendent Cowart and staff will welcome approximately 575 students - 325 elementary, 250 high school - when school opens Aug. 13.



News-Leader photo/JOHN BALCH

**IN THE SUPERINTENDENT'S SEAT.** Jody Cowart, a former Kirby Trojan, starts his fifth year with the Dierks School District after four years serving as high school principal.



News-Leader photos/JOHN BALCH

**NEW PRINCIPALS.** Jeff Jones, a 1977 graduate of DHS, takes over this year as Dierks High School principal while Lori Finley will serve as the elementary's new principal.

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**AT TEACHERS IN-SERVICE TRAINING.** Mineral Springs High School Principal Clint Jones, left, Supt. Thelma Forte, and MS Elementary Principal Stacy Gauldin.

When the teachers get ready....

# There's a completely new K-12 school awaiting Mineral Springs students

**By Louie Graves**  
News-Leader staff

Even if, as the building supervisor has promised, the new Mineral Springs K-12 school is ready in November or December, it doesn't mean that the students and teachers will march across the street and take occupation.

Thelma Forte, in her second year as MS school superintendent, says the teachers will decide when the move will be made. She explains that moving would be a giant distraction at a time of year that is already busy. She wants no drop-off in the learning.

But Forte herself can hardly keep out of the rising structures. She says she makes at least two trips a week to walk through and marvel.

The \$18.5 million campus is on the south side of East Browning Street immediately across from the 'old' campus. While construction has been underway the administration has worked out of the old Saratoga campus.

The school's most recent graduating class attracted more than a million dollars in scholarships. "We've already challenged the juniors to better that amount."

While the new schools will have the most modern of equipment and teaching techniques, there will also be something old and revered.

The superintendent says she talked with a number of 'older' MS grads about the school colors. She determined that the real MS colors are Kelly Green and Antique Vegas Gold. Those colors will be used on the interior of the new buildings. "I love the colors, they just pop."

Even if the students do not move into their new home in December, the school will revive an old tradition from its Saratoga campus -- the fabled holiday invitational basketball

tournament which was the second-oldest in Arkansas. The new gym will be ready, Forte says, and she will be ready to show off the school to visitors.

Classes begin in the old buildings on Aug. 13, and students will experience 'STEM' which stands for Science Technological Engineering Mathematics, and is a new approach for learning. Forte says that the school has a partnership with Southern Arkansas University which furnishes STEM instructions for MS teachers. "This is learning something the fun way."

She also points out that the school's 'Apple' experience starts this year. Teachers were given iPads, and will have iPad instruction for a year. After that, the students get them.

At Mineral Springs, Forte says she wants to create a culture and climate that prepares the student for a successful and satisfying life after high school.

She keeps up with developments in education by continuing education, professional associations, and a circle of education friends on whom she calls for suggestions. Those friends are not limited to Arkansas, but include a wide range in the U.S., and even one mentor in the United Kingdom.

She welcomes the new in education, but she cautions, "changes must be grounded in research."

**Mineral Springs School District Staff 2018-19**

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**NEW HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.** Davey Jones (at right) is the new Murfreesboro High School principal. He is pictured with Superintendent Roger Featherston.

South Pike County School District

# Safety First

Campus cop, armed staff, cameras, locks all part of district's security overhaul

By John Balch  
News-Leader staff

"I would've never even dream of anything like this. But, I'd rather be proactive and pray this is all a waste of time and money."

South Pike County School District Superintendent Roger Featherston's comment concerns the district's overhaul of campus security protocol now underway and will include on-campus School Resource Officer Wayne Epperly, the arming of up to eight employees, new locks and cameras in every classroom.

Featherston said that within the next month eight employees are expected to complete training to become "commissioned School Security Officers" and will join Officer Epperly in carrying a firearm on campus.

Featherston said that he, Epperly and district maintenance supervisor Troy Stone have all now completed ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) requirements to qualify as licensed trainers for school drills.

The names of the other employees who will be armed are not being released to increase the effectiveness of the program.

Epperly is a 1999 Murfreesboro High School graduate and a certified firearm instructor. He has been in law enforcement since 2006 and is still employed by the Pike County Sheriff's Department through a mutual agreement to supply officers to the county's three school districts.

Campus access is also being overhauled with video/audio locking systems—connected to the corresponding offices—installed at main building entrances on both campuses. The locks have capability of being controlled remotely by smart phone and will certainly take visitors and staff some getting used to.

"The days of just strolling on to campus are long gone," Featherston said. "We understand it's a little bit of an inconvenience, but it's in the interest of safety for the kids and staff."

Within the high school building, magnetic locks will be used for four high-traffic doors and Featherston said these locks can also be activated or deactivated remotely. He added teachers and staffers are being drilled to keep certain doors locked and stop propping open

entrances.

There are already approximately 70 cameras rolling in the district's hallways and Featherston said every classroom now has its own camera. The classroom cameras will only be accessible to the superintendent and building principals and "will only be used as needed."

Improving communications was also a security issue addressed in the overhaul with the installation of the intercom/phone system, Voice Over The Internet Phone. The system can serve as an intercom or a private connection that Featherston said can be used between teachers, classrooms, offices or a teacher making an outgoing call to a parent. The system will also provide voicemails for all teachers.

"There's a lot of advantages to (this system)," Featherston said. "Plus, it should drastically lower our phone bill."

**New principals**

As new security measurements go into place, two "new" principals are also finding their places on campus.

In the high school office is Davey Jones, a 1992 MHS graduate who worked for his alma mater from 2005 to 2011 as a teacher and coach and most recently worked as middle school principal for Pike County's Centerpoint School District.

Jones has a degree in education from Ouachita Baptist University and a master's in educational leadership from Harding University. His wife, Melissa, is a math teacher and curriculum coordinator at MHS, and both of his parents, Tom and Mary Anne Jones, taught and coached at MHS.

Cindy Lee of Delight will take over in the elementary



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**NEW ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL.** Former district teacher Cindy Lee of Delight (at right) is now the new elementary principal for the 2018-2019 school year. Also pictured is longtime elementary secretary Joyous Mounts.

this year after teaching third grade on campus last school year. She taught also taught 17 years at Delight, prior to the consolidation with Murfreesboro. Lee originally

hails from southern Arkansas (Union High School class of 1982) and has a degree in elementary education with a minor in special education from Southern Arkansas

University and a master's as a reading specialist from Henderson State University. She is also a licensed K-12 curriculum specialist and

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The first day of school is Wednesday, Aug. 15.

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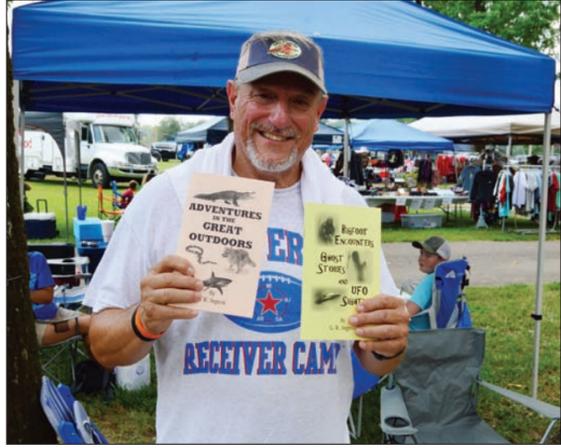
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**On The Fly**  
Rustin Simmons tries out one of the activities at the Pine Tree Festival Saturday.



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Former Nashville and Mineral Springs coach Gary Segrest sold his books at the festival including one entitled "Bigfoot Encounters, Ghost Stories and UFO Sightings."



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Research shows that people who eat breakfast are significantly less likely to be obese and diabetic than those who usually don't. Research also indicates that children who eat breakfast are more likely to have better concentration, problem-solving skills, and hand-eye coordination.

According to a large "Breakfast Study" conducted

in Minnesota, students who ate breakfast had better math grades and reading scores. The researchers also noticed that student attention increased, nurse visits in school decreased, and student behavior improved. All are great reasons why you should eat a healthy breakfast.

Unfortunately, many breakfast foods contain a lot of sugar and have been stripped of their natural nutrients. Try to avoid frosted and chocolate cereals, donuts, white bread, and high-sugar breakfast bars. Instead of sugary juices, consume 100% fruit juices or

fat-free or low-fat milk. Better yet, eat fresh fruit rather than drinking juice. Eating only sugary foods may cause one to have erratic energy levels. Eating a balanced breakfast will help everyone in the family to get going and sustain their energy until lunch time. Here are some tips for a healthy breakfast.

**Oatmeal is Quick.** Instant oatmeal is great on a cold morning and contains fiber and vitamins. Choose oatmeal that is not already presweetened and add raisins or fresh fruit to sweeten it.

**Healthy Smoothies.** Blend

frozen fruit (bananas and strawberries are great), low-fat or fat-free yogurt, and 100% fruit juice for a quick, tasty breakfast smoothie with lots of nutrients.

**Go 100% Whole Grain.** One hundred percent fiber-containing, whole-grain cereals served with 1% or fat-free milk are a healthy choice. Whole-wheat muffins with smashed bananas, applesauce, or a small amount of peanut butter are easy and tasty as well.

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**Add Nuts for Protein.** Spreading peanut or almond butter on whole-grain toast is a great way to get both protein and fiber.

**Go Fruity.** Fresh fruit with a dollop of low-fat or fat-free yogurt is a great way to start the day. Fresh fruit is a good source of fiber and minerals such as potassium.

**Try All-Fruit Spreads.** Instead of butter or margarine on toast, try all-fruit spreads, fruit butters or even sliced kiwi or strawberries.

**Bagel Classics.** Try a whole-grain or whole-wheat bagel with low-fat cream cheese or peanut butter.

**Breakfast On-the-Go.** If you don't have time to eat breakfast at home, keep whole-grain mini bagels or small muffins on hand, packets of nuts, and dried fruits that can be taken with you to work or a meeting. Children can eat these backpack foods on the way to school or also at break time. Apple slices and bananas are easy to take and not too messy!

Remember, small changes in your breakfast habits can

make a difference in your health and how you feel all day long. A healthy breakfast does not have to take a lot of time. Stick to the basics and serve simple foods that are nutritious and quick to prepare in the morning.

For more information on nutrition issues contact the Howard County Extension Office at 870-845-7517. We are part of the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture. Our office is located on the second floor of the Howard County courthouse.

### Recipe of the Week

Smoothies are quick and easy to make. A smoothie can be made with milk or yogurt, and fruit of your choice. This recipe was demonstrated last week at the Farmers Market and received great reviews. This is a great way to enjoy fresh peaches before they are gone!

### Peach Banana Smoothie

**Ingredients:** 1 banana (medium, peeled and sliced); 2 peaches (medium, peeled and sliced); ½ cup canned pears (drained); 1 cup fat-free or 1% milk.

### Directions:

Combine banana, peaches, canned pears, and milk in a blender.

Blend until smooth.

Yield: 3 servings Find more recipes at <https://whatscooking.fns.usda.gov/recipes>



**EVENT AT SEARS HOMETOWN STORE.** A chamber ribbon-cutting, complete with fresh popcorn, marked last Friday's event at the Sears Hometown Store in Nashville. From left, store employees Theresia Linville, Randall Lewis, Jesse Davis, Jawara Stewart, owners Joyce and Charles Pinkston, chamber director Tammy Gibson, Tim Allen, chamber executive director Mike Reese along with Jacky Robinson, James Jamison, Joey Wilson and Kenneth Wilson, all from the nearby Coca-Cola bottling plant who were there to give their good wishes to the Pinkstons.

### Little River access closed for work

The Millwood Tri-Lakes Project Office has temporarily closed access to River Run West Park, located between Saratoga and Ashdown below the spillway on Little

River while repairs to the downstream embankment area are made.

The embankment work should be complete by Nov. 1.

## Howard County state land sales net \$32,270

The recent auction of tax-delinquent properties in Howard County collected over \$32,000, the Commissioner of State Lands announced.

The Thursday, Aug. 2, auction drew 12 bidders and sold seven of the eight available parcels for a total of \$32,270.60 for county and state government.

The Land Commissioner's office conducts one tax-delinquent sale per county each year to dispose of land which has been certified with taxes past-due.

"We auction only a small percentage of parcels that are certified to the office," Commissioner John Thurston said. "In most cases, the original owner redeems the delinquent property by paying the back taxes."

While redemption of property is the preferred method of disposing of tax-delinquent lands, Thurston notes the important role of land sales in returning inactive parcels to the tax rolls.

Registered bidders may purchase land at the auctions. Registration to bid at land sales is free. Upon sale of tax-delinquent property, the Commissioner issues a limited warranty deed to the highest bidder.

Thurston's office returns delinquent tax and interest collected, whether through redemption or sale, to the county taxing unit just as if the money had been originally collected there.

"Last year, we returned more than \$17 million to school districts and county governments," Thurston said. "Howard County received over \$41,000 of that amount. This is an important process, because it provides stable revenue for necessary services including public schools."

Interested Arkansas residents may visit the Commissioner of State Lands website, [www.cosl.org](http://www.cosl.org), to view the public auction catalog, a listing of properties offered at auction, or the post-auction sales list of properties available that did not sell at auction.

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