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Love your neighbor and get your vaccination.

Community Easter service set April 9 at city park

A community Easter sunrise service will be held Sunday, April 9, at 6:30 a.m. on the stage at the Nashville City Park.

The service will be hosted by the Area Pastors Fellowship.

The public is invited.

Retired school employees to meet

The Howard County Retired School Employee Association will meet Wednesday, April 12, at 10 a.m. at Patacakes in Nashville.

Matt Hughes will present a program on insurance information and updates.

Garage and plant sale to be held April 13-15

A yard sale and plant sale will be held April 13-15 at the Howard County Farmers Market, 110 S. Washington in Nashville.

The sale will be from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. April 13 and 14 and from 8 a.m. until noon April 15.

Donated items may be left at the market April 12 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Proceeds will support educational programs at the market.

Fund-raiser dances set April 14, 15 at NHS

It will be a two-night event in the Nashville High School cafeteria during mid-April.

On Friday, April 14, NHS/NJHS cheer and the NHS senior class will host a Daddy/Daughter Dance at the cafeteria from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The next night, Saturday, April 15, the two cheer squads and the senior class will host a Mother/Son Dance at the cafeteria from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

A limited number of tickets will be available for each event.

A ticket link is posted to NHS Facebook page, or call the school office at 870-845-3261 for more information

Tickets are \$25 per person.

There will be a DJ, snacks, drinks and a photo booth both nights.

HMH robotics surgery 'off to good start'

By John R. Schirmer
News-Leader staff

Robotics surgery at Howard Memorial Hospital is "off to a very good start," hospital CEO Debra Wright told the board of directors at the March meeting. "As of March 23, 13 robotics cases have been performed this month," Wright said. "Our goal is to perform at least 10 'new' robotics cases each month. This is a total of 26 cases performed since Feb. 9."

Wright said she had a follow-up meeting with a urologist who is interested in doing robotics cases at HMH. "We discussed the credentialing/privileging packet and other paperwork related to the credentialing process," she said.

In other reports at the meeting, Wright said that Dr. John Hearnberger completed his term as chief of staff and did not seek another term. Dr. Carla Humphrey was named to the position. The chief of staff is the medical staff's representative on the hospital board, according to Wright.

"Dr. Hearnberger has served as chief of staff since 2010. I appreciate the advice and support he has given this hospital during his tenure and his stating he would continue to do so," Wright said.

Representatives of the Alvarez and Marshall Public Sector Services conducted an on-site financial and operational review March 21 to discuss the hospital's sustainability,

Wright said. The review was part of the process for hospitals applying for ARPA funds available for distribution to eligible hospitals.

Wright and CFO Bill Craig met with the review team to discuss financials and operations. Other staff members also met with the team.

Reviewers toured the hospital and the Rehab Therapy Department and conducted an exit interview with Wright and Craig. They were "very complimentary of the way the hospital has been maintained. They were impressed with the technology we have and congratulated the HMH team for having it and said the hospital looks like a new facility," Wright said.

Craig discussed the hospital's financial report for February with the board members.

For the month, HMH had 27.4 days revenue in accounts receivable; the target is less than 45 days.

Howard Memorial had 117.5 days cash on hand, compared to the target of greater than 145 days.

For February, HMH recorded a loss of about \$100,700, Craig said, compared to projected net income of nearly \$40,000.

Collectible revenue was about \$24,000 below budget, according to Craig, while other operating revenue was about \$3,800 above budget.

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Softball at NHS to conduct fund-raiser

Scrapperette softball's annual fund-raiser will be held Friday, April 7.

The team will sell chicken dinners for \$10 each from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Diamond Bank in Nashville. The meal will include boneless thighs, potato casserole, baked beans, dessert and water.

Later Friday, the event will move to the Nashville City Park.

Girls up to eighth grade may participate in Swinging with the Scrapperettes starting at 5:30 p.m. A donation is requested.

The alumni hit-a-thon will begin around 6:15 p.m., sponsored by Patacakes.

Current Scrapperettes will start hitting at 7 p.m.

Door prizes will be given away throughout the night playing Let's Hit a Deal.

Proceeds from the day's activities will go toward the Scrapperette softball program.

News-Leader photo/JOHN R. SCHIRMER
ANOTHER RUN. Gabby Williams scores for the Nashville Scrapperettes in their 16-1 conference victory over Hope March 28 at Futrell Field in the Nashville City Park. The Scrapperettes will hold their annual Scrapper-ganza April 7 to raise money for the softball program.

Seder observance important to Christians, Jews



"On that day tell your son, 'I do this because of what the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt.'" (Exodus 13:8)

By Don Hall
News-Leader staff

More than 24 centuries ago, according to Jewish tradition, the Jews were slaves to the Egyptians. The Bible tells of 10 progressively terrible plagues sent by God that finally forced a reluctant Pharaoh to release them.

The Israelites left Egypt in the

middle of the night after quickly eating a meal of roast lamb and unleavened bread. Thus began Passover.

The Seder, also called the Passover meal, starts the observance of the week-long major holiday of Passover, a celebration of God's deliverance and redemption of the Jews. The Seder is a time of instruction for the children as the adults tell the story of slavery in Egypt, the 10 plagues, the Passover meal and the Exodus.

Many Christians observe the Seder as well, on the Thursday before Easter (Maundy Thursday). That would have been the night when Jesus and his disciples observed the Seder in what we now call The Last Supper. For Christians, like the Jews, it's a celebration of God's deliverance and redemption.

Pastor Gary Harrison of First United Methodist Church of Nash-

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DAR, Dierks quilters have project for troops

By Patsy Young
News-Leader staff

The Minecreek-Paradise Chapter of DAR met the Dierks Thursday Afternoon Quilters March 30 at the Dierks First United Methodist Church in a joint effort to support service personnel overseas.

The Quilters, who meet each Thursday afternoon at the Dierks Church, have designed and produced 40 lap quilts which will be a "touch of home" for an Infantry Brigade Combat Team headed for Germany before winter begins.

The project is completing an objective of the Patriot Project Committee of the Mine Creek-Paradise

DAR. The Afternoon Quilters said they were pleased to help.

The main objective of their group is to supply needy and deserving people a touch of "Warm Hugs" with their beautifully made quilts. In the past few years they have given quilts to battered women shelters, cancer patients, Arkansas Children's Hospital, orphanages, DHS foster children in several counties and sent quilts with missionary workers in other countries.

The quilts for service men and women in Germany will have a hand-sewn

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QUILTS FOR THE SOLDIERS. Mary McCullough, DAR Chaplain; quilter Patricia Janes; Patsy Young, DAR Project Patriot Chairperson; quilter Beth Ward; Lee Ann Turner quilter and DAR Registrar; quilter Sammie Winton; quilter Sharon Kesterson, quilter Sandra Kemp, seated quilter Davonda Ford. (not pictured quilters Jane Smith, Sharon Turner and Benny Faye Alsbrook).



Obituaries



Judy LaJuan Chandler

Judy LaJuan Chandler, 83, of Nashville, Ark., passed away, Sunday, April 2, 2023, at her home surrounded by her family. She was born March 12, 1940, in King, Ark., to the late Jesse James Walker and Nellie Monroe Walker. LaJuan was a homemaker who enjoyed sewing, quilting and crafts. She was such a talented seamstress that she would draft her own patterns. She also was an excellent cook. She provided childcare services in her home for others as well as her family.

Preceding her in death were her parents, all three of her sisters, and a half-brother, as well as her husband, Wade Chandler in 2012.

Her survivors include: six children, Rick and wife Anna Chandler of Cedar Hill, Texas, Sheila and husband Jim Pinson of Nashville, Shelly and husband Alan Matheny of Bryant, Ark., Russ Chandler of Nashville, Ron Chandler of Texarkana, and Sherry and

husband Tommy Allen of Nashville; 11 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, as well as other family and friends.

The family will receive friends at Nashville Funeral Home on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, from 6 to 8 p.m. Services will be Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at the Old Center Church near Horatio, Ark., with Jim Pinson officiating. Interment will follow in Old Center Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Assoc., 11300 N. Rodney Parham Road, Suite 200 | Little Rock, AR 72212 or to St. Jude's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place Memphis, TN 38105.



Roger Lyndon Poole

Roger Lyndon Poole, age 79, of Bryant, Ark., passed away on April 3, 2023. He was born on Aug. 16, 1943, in DeQueen, Ark., but grew up in Nashville, Ark. He was proud of his Nashville Scrappers and played center in high school.

He served from 1964-1968 in the US Air Force. He always told veterans "Thank you for your service." He loved the Arkansas Razorbacks, too. He graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1973 as an Electrical Engineer.

He worked for Entergy for 30 years, retiring at the age of 60. He always said write after he retired. He eventually published two books, "The Sleigh," and "But Mama Said," along with many other writings, including poems and songs.

Roger was a member of Midtown LR Rotary and Pinnacle Questers. He served as an officer in both.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mat and Maxine Poole; his sisters, Wilma Jean Thomas Sharp and Elizabeth Janice Hudspeth; and his brother, Richard Allen Poole.

Roger is survived by his wife of 58 years, Thelma Edwards Poole; brothers J.M. Poole (Norma), Wes Poole (Suellen), and Wayne Poole (Jeanette); and his children, Rick Poole (Gina) and Shelli Poole; along with a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The memorial service will be at Mabelvale United Methodist Church on Saturday, April 15, 2023. Visitation at 1:00 p.m. and service at 2:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please donate to Mabelvale UMC at 10500 Woodman, Mabelvale, AR 72103.

Easter Sunday service will conclude Holy Week events

Procession on city street is planned Friday

The remaining Holy Week schedule for St. Martin's Catholic Church in Nashville has been announced.

Holy Thursday -- Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7 p.m., followed by adoration of the blessed sacrament.

Good Friday -- Procession on Second Street beginning 12:45 p.m. followed at 3 p.m. by the re-enactment of the Passion of Christ on the church campus on W. Leslie St., Nashville.

Holy Saturday -- Easter Vigil and blessing of the fire 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday -- Mass in English, 9 a.m., Spanish, 11 a.m.

The church is located on W. Leslie St., Nashville, and the pastor is Rev. Salvador Vega.



BLESSING OF THE PALMS. Father Salvador Vega prepares to bless palm fronds, Sunday, at St. Martin Catholic Church in Nashville. Special Holy Week events will conclude with Easter Sunday.

Temporary one-lane closures on two roads for bridge inspection

There will be temporary one-lane closures on highways atop two southwest Arkansas lake spillways, next week. The closures are for routine bridge inspection, and flaggers will be present to assist with traffic flow.

A news release from the US Army Corps of Engineers suggests that motorists may

want to plan alternate routes or allow extra time to reach destinations.

The bridges include Gillham Lake Spillway bridge and De Queen Lake Spillway bridge.

For more information contact the Millwood Tri-Lakes Project Office at 870-898-3343.

Booth space available for April 22 'Trade Days' at Cowboy Church

Booth space is still available for Cowboy Trade Days which will be on Saturday, April 22, at Cross Point Cowboy Church, here.

The church and arena are located at 2740

Hwy. 371 West, Nashville. The 'trade day' will be open from 8-5. For more information call Brenda Ward, 870-784-2428, or Laverne Upton, 870-557-0464.

Children's Center board will meet in regular session April 11

The Howard County Children's Center board of directors will meet in regular session on Tuesday, April 11.

The meeting will be in Building 2 conference area at noon.

The meeting is open to the public.

On the board of the center are: Josh Tice, president; Riley Jamison, vice-president; Lisa Chandler, secretary; Donny Woods, treasurer; and board members Alfred Neeley, Tate Gordon, Carol Murray and Cassandra Lowery.

Blood drive is scheduled April 13 at Center Point Community Center

The Moonlighters EHC will sponsor a LifeShare blood drive on Thursday, April 13 at Center Point.

The drive will be 2-7 p.m. in the com-

munity center. Donors are asked to bring ID cards. At the end of the blood drive there will be a drawing for a certificate for burgers and trimmings from the Center Point Store.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given this 3rd day of April, 2023 that THE HOWARD COUNTY CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC OF 1577 HWY 371 WEST, NASHVILLE, ARKANSAS 71852 has made application for funds through Section 49 U.S.C. Section 5310 for the purchase of the following type of passenger transportation vehicle: **22' Small Cutaway Bus w/o Lift (13-Pass.)**

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The Howard County Children's Center is requesting a vehicle that is not compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. However, The Howard County Children's Center does meet the "equivalency of service" requirements to individuals with disabilities in the community.

Any objection should be submitted in writing only to the persons listed below. All comments will become a part of this organization's application and will be a matter of public record. All written comments must be submitted within 30 days of the date of this notice. Any person wishing to request a public hearing on the proposed project must submit a request in writing within 10 days of the date of this notice to the persons listed below:

Rose Ray, Director
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EARLY FILES

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

Compiled by Patsy Young



School Artist at Dierks Steven Tollett and students Stan Bailey, Susan Sirmon, Darene Leach and Beverly War, April 2, 1986.

122 years ago: April 1901
When teachers of Nashville High School arrived at the building last Monday morning, they found that the doors were locked and nailed up. The word has been said that it was done by pupils Sunday night as an April Fool.

Conductor H. C. Withrow brought the news to the city at noon yesterday that Fulton, the prosperous little town on the Iron Mountain Railway at the crossing of the Red River, was visited by a devastating fire which began early yesterday morning and was still raging when his train left Hope for Nashville.

79 years ago: April 1944
P.H. Bean, 76, is in the city hospital in this city suffering from wounds received Tuesday night at his home near Dierks, when he was struck by a car driven by Harold Manasco, who was home on furlough from the U.S. Army. Mr. Bean was cross-

ing the road in front of his home when he was struck and knocked down.

Rex Ramsay, president of Howard County Farm Bureau, Saturday stated that the organization is now checking prices being paid to producers here for eggs with a view to stabilizing egg prices in this area. Mr. Ramsay said that reports from some producers were receiving only 19¢ to 20¢ per dozen, and as a result they are selling off their flocks, thus endangering the egg supply for next summer and next winter.

That 31¢ floor price is about as low as eggs can be produced properly with feed prices at their high level.

66 years ago: April 1957
Arthur Burns, Nashville barber, was reminiscing the other morning of his early days in Howard County. A native of Texas, he spent most of his youth in Indian Territory, now Oklahoma.

His first barbering experience was at Arkinda near the Oklahoma line, but Howard County has always been his first love.

Mr. Burns and his co-worker, Joe Corbell, have been together barbering since 1942. He married at Nashville. Mrs. Burns is connected with the hospital and married daughter, Mrs. Jim Mike Tolleson and her family are also here.

35 years ago: April 1988
A ten-month-old Murfreesboro girl, who was kidnapped Saturday from a Hot Springs apartment complex, was reunited with her mother Wednesday, and her abductors were jailed at Dumas.

The infant's 22-year-old mother had left her baby with the child's aunt. The aunt then left the baby with neighbors in the apartment complex in order to run an errand. When she returned the infant and some clothes were missing.

Public Record of Howard County

Items or documents that were filed, issued or recorded at the Howard County, Ark., courthouse during the period of March 22-29, 2023 include the following:

Marriage Licenses
March 24. Cody Garrett Kuester, 29, Mineral Springs, and Michelle Lee Henrickson, 26, Mineral Springs.

Civil Court
CV23-21, March 24. In the matter of Hannah Sharp. Name change.

Domestic Relations Court
No new Domestic Relations cases since DR23-35, March 22.

Criminal Court
(NOTE: possession of controlled substance = POCS; possession of drug paraphernalia = PODP; delivery of controlled substance = DOCS)
CR23-29, March 28, March 17. State of Arkansas vs. Todd Anthony Williams, 28, white male, 224 Betty St., Apt. 9, Glenwood; Internet stalking of a child, class B felony.

CR23-30, March 28. State of Arkansas vs. Gerald Austin Carroll, 50, white male, 192 Nathan Rd., Nashville; DOCS, class Y.
Land/Property Transac-

tions

Quitclaim Deeds
March 23. Karen A. Haney Duncan; to The Shiloh Church and Associated Cemetery Association; 0.174 ac. in S22 T10S R28W.

March 24. William Mark Williamson; to Matthew Ryan Williamson; Lots 5-6, Block 4, Murray's 2nd Addition, Town of Dierks.

March 27. First Bank of Nashville; Blue Bayou Church of Christ, formerly Blue Bayou Christian Church; aggregate 4.152 ac. in S23 T9S R28W.

March 28. Lois Hendrix, aka Lois Hendrick, and Wilma Lafferty; to Kendrick Langston; 3 ac. with exception in S9 T11S R27W.

March 29. Jonathan Whisenhunt and Crystal Stinson (formerly Whisenhunt); to Brett Nutt; Lot 6 and part of Lot 5, Block 11, Original town of Dierks.

Administratrix's Deeds
March 24. Sanita Motley, Administratrix of the Estate of Doris Jean Jones-Banks, deceased; to Tiffany Williams; Lot 33, Block 5, Toland Heights Subdivision, Town of Nashville. \$66,250.

March 24. Denyne Banks, Administratrix of the Estate

of William Henry Banks, Jr., deceased; to Tiffany Williams; Lot 33, Block 5, Toland Heights Subdivision, Town of Nashville. \$66,250.

Warranty Deeds
March 23. Bradley R. Kesterson; to Jerry Ward and wife, Candy Ward; Block 1, Murray's 1st Addition, City of Dierks. \$35,000.

March 23. Kevin Dane Gosnell and Tanya Sue Gosnell, husband and wife; to ARC Rural Health Properties, LLC; Lots 9-10, Block 5, Heights Addition, Town of Dierks. \$110,000.

March 24. William Souder and wife, Shirley Souder; Don Welch and wife, Lucia Ann Welch; 1 ac. in S1 T10S R27W. \$7,000.

March 27. Robbie Miller and Kelly Miller; to Crystal Neal; Lots 7-8, Block 3, Murray's 2nd Addition, Town of Dierks. \$40,000.

March 27. Dorothy Ann Holiday; to Randall Glasgow and wife, Isabelita Glasgow; Lot 12, Deerwood Estates Phase II. \$265,000.

March 28. Josue Sanchez and Paola D. Sanchez, husband and wife; to Ernesto Nava Loeza; 0.086 ac. in S36 T9S R27W.

Two plead guilty, sentenced

Two defendants gave pleas of guilty and were sentenced March 29 during the regular day for criminal court in Howard County.

On the bench was Judge Ralph Wilson, substituting for Judge Bryan Chesshir.

Nicki Mays, 42, black female, Nashville, was charged with possession of controlled substance. She was sentenced to three years in the Arkansas Department of Correction (ADC) with a further three years suspended imposition of sentence.

A guilty plea was also given by Lawrence Benson

II, 26, black male, Nashville, who was charged with felon in possession of a firearm and first degree terroristic threatening. He was sen-

tenced to three years in the ADC, jail time credited, with a further three years suspended imposition of sentence.

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County to mark sesquicentennial

On Monday, April 17, 2023, Howard County will be 150 years old.

County Judge Brent Pinkerton declared that the seat of government that day -- along with the regular April meeting of the Howard County Quorum Court -- would be in Center Point -- the original county seat -- in honor of the occasion.

The JPs in their regular meeting last month unanimously agreed after some joking from North County JP Kerry Strasner about whether to make the change permanent.

The meeting will be at 11 a.m. at the Center Point Community Center, and the public is invited.

The county was the next-to-last county to be formed in Arkansas. It was from

parts of Sevier, Polk, Pike and Hempstead counties. The original seat of government was in Centre Point, and after an election in 1905 the county seat was moved to Nashville.

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Point of view

Legal libation Margarita on rocks helps Cajun food appreciation

YES, I AM STILL HERE peeking out of the newspaper's window on Main Street and I am not encouraging the consumption of alcoholic beverages, but at the same time I am bragging that I had a legal margarita at the Feed Bin in Murfreesboro at noon Saturday.

I still cannot believe that Pike County voters turned down the wet-dry issue last year. The Feed Bin folks must've wanted to lure a few more tourist bucks to spread around in the local economy so they applied for -- and got -- a private club license. I would reveal to you my private club membership number but I am afraid that the Chinese would get their slimy hands on it and ruin my credit rating.

The Feed Bin has a decidedly Louisiana Cajun flavor on many menu items, and that is why I ordered a margarita. In case you didn't know, the Cajun people of Louisiana not only invented margaritas, they also developed such dishes as tacos and enchiladadadas. I was surprised that neither of those was on the Feed Bin menu.

Mine Creek Revelations

By
Louie Graves



THE GOOD EARTH. I drug my lazy bones out of bed at 5:15 Monday and took the usual neighborhood walk. I have missed too many days with that bit of exercise lately.

After a couple of rainy days here the morning air was washed clean and was so so so fragrant. Lots of blooming things I suppose. They'll make me sneeze and snuffle later in the day, but it was wonderful to see the sky gradually lighten in the east. And to hear the birds wake up.

The only bad thing about spring is stormy weather. My daughter and I watched the Weather Channel exclusively on Sunday night. We were fearful that the storms in Texas would find their way to the emerald corner of Arkansas.

Being overlooked is not a new experience for Arkie. The Weather Channel talking heads kept gushing about Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. Not so much of a nod in our direction even though that bank of bad storm clouds had us in their sights.

Maybe the storms did pass over Arkansas. I couldn't stay up that late and I had an overdose of that tv commercial about windshield replacement.

Also, I am not sure what a 'hook' looks like. The Weather Channel talking heads point to red blobs on the screen and talk about a hook where a tornado may reside. I don't see a hook.

I can't hear Nashville's storm sirens, and the Red Alert folks no longer bother me with calls.



RE-ENFORCED. Our need for a Senior Citizens Nose and Ear Hair Clinic out at Howard Memorial Hospital cannot be mentioned enough.

This time of year, the pollen often gets stuck on, and heavily coats, a senior citizen's copious nostril forestation. It is visible and ugly to contemplate.

Worse. The pollen gets imbedded in the nasal cavity for years.



ALARMED THAT just like Hitler days in Germany, some people and groups are attempting to ban certain books in public libraries and school libraries.

Some conservatives and liberals alike want to keep children and students from reading anything containing mention of anything they deem undesirable.

Some of the books include: (excuse my avoidance of quote marks) To Kill a Mockingbird; The Color Purple; Dr. Seuss books; The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn; and my second favorite book of all time, Catch 22.

The Ark Ledge in its infinite wisdom even approved criminal charges for any librarian that make an offensive book available to impressionable minds.

It would be easier to buy an AR-15 than to get a copy of Huckleberry Finn, I suppose.



DON'T FORGET. On Tuesday, April 18, at 6 p.m. an expert from the Parks and Tourism Commission will speak here on what our area is likely to experience before, during and after the total Solar Eclipse.

The eclipse will be on April 8, 2024. The speaking event will be at the Nashville campus of UA-Cossatot, and it is free. Remember: 6 p.m.

The eclipse is expected to last 3-4 minutes and Nashville will be very close to the actual path that total darkness will take.

I am predicting a rainy, overcast day. Hope there are no hooks.



THINGS I LEARNED by opening another email: How come it takes so little time for a child who is afraid of the dark to become a teenager who wants to stay out all night?



WORD GAMES. Two nifty dancers: Heel and Toe.



HE SAID: "Happiness is a butterfly, which when pursued, is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you." Nathaniel Hawthorne, novelist



SHE SAID: "For me, singing sad songs often has a way of healing a situation. It gets the hurt out in the open into the light, out of the darkness." Reba McEntire, 'Queen of Country' and actress



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Senate panel gives OK to legislation lengthening some prison sentences

By Sen. Jimmy Hickey Jr.

The Senate Judiciary Committee has approved legislation that lengthens prison sentences for violent offenders and requires prison inmates to work harder to qualify for parole.

The legislation is Senate Bill 495. One goal is to provide juries in criminal trials with more accurate information about the length of time that convicted criminals are truly going to serve behind bars after their sentencing.

Criminals convicted of rape and capital murder would serve 100 percent of their sentences. The 100 percent sentence requirement also will apply to aggravated robbery, human trafficking, Internet stalking of a child and more serious categories of aggravated residential burglary.

Offenders would serve 85 percent of their sentence after conviction for a long list of violent felonies, including second degree murder, negligent homicide, manslaughter, encouraging someone to commit suicide, first degree battery, first degree sexual assault and sexual indecency with a child.

Other felonies on the list include permitting abuse of a minor, serious categories of arson, advocat-

ing overthrow of the government, treason, making a terrorist threat, arming a terrorist and exposing the public to toxic, chemical or radioactive substances.

Making offenders serve longer sentences would bring Arkansas sentencing guidelines more in line with those used by federal prisons, where people convicted of federal crimes serve almost all of their sentence.

The sponsor of SB 495 told senators on the Judiciary Committee about inmates being released after serving only a sixth of their sentence because of Arkansas laws.

In some cases, they were released before completing drug rehabilitation or other programs designed to help them transition back to the outside world.

A goal of SB 495 is to create incentives for inmates to complete rehabilitation, anger management, skills training and other courses that improve their chances of success in society. Instead of automatically earning "good time" just for being in prison, they would not begin to accumulate credits for early release until they complete rehabilitation programs.

The bill creates a task force to work on recidivism, and expands

mental health treatment for inmates.

Along with SB 495, the legislature will consider appropriations to pay for an additional 3,000 prison beds and the hiring of additional security officers and prison staff. One goal is to put a stop to the "revolving door" that allows dangerous offenders to be released early due to lack of prison capacity. Those new beds will be in addition to the 400 beds recently approved by prison officials.

Another goal is to free up space in county jails, which house convicted offenders when there is no space in state prisons. Sheriffs have told legislators that conditions are becoming more dangerous for jail staff and minimum security prisoners, as county jails fill up with serious offenders.

A growing number of people charged with misdemeanors are being released because county jail space has to be reserved for dangerous felony offenders. By making space available again in county jails, supporters of SB 495 say they want to re-establish the importance of punishing misdemeanors.

Representatives of prosecuting attorneys and county sheriffs told senators that they support SB 495.

Arkansas attorney general sues three social media companies

Gov. Sarah Huckabee Sanders and Attorney General Tim Griffin announced that Griffin has filed three separate lawsuits against social media companies in Arkansas courts -- one lawsuit against Meta, the parent company of Facebook and Instagram, and two lawsuits against TikTok and its parent company, ByteDance. Following the filing of the lawsuits, Sanders issued the following statement:

"We have to hold Big Tech companies accountable for pushing addictive platforms on our kids and exposing them to a world of inappropriate, damaging content. Arkansas is leading the charge on filing three lawsuits against TikTok and Meta, the owner of Facebook and Instagram. These actions are a long time coming. We have watched over the past decade as one social media company after another has exploited our kids for profit and escaped government oversight. My administration will not tolerate that failed status quo."

Griffin added:

"The common theme of the three lawsuits filed today is deception, deception that endangers Arkansans, especially our children. First, I filed a lawsuit against Meta to hold them accountable for their disregard of our children's welfare. Meta has publicly misled consumers about the addictive nature of their products. Specifically, they intentionally employ algorithms that are addictive to adolescents and are rewiring how our children think, feel and behave. Instead of communicating the nature of these algorithms to the public, they actively conceal the nature of their products in pursuit of profits and growth. In testimony under oath in front of the Congress of the United States, they expressly denied the impacts that their products have on minors. We are holding Meta accountable for targeting our youth and deceiving the public about it. We are sending Silicon Valley a clear message that their success

cannot come at the expense of Arkansas's youth.

"Second, I filed two lawsuits against TikTok and ByteDance, collectively: The first lawsuit targets TikTok and ByteDance for misleading the public about the availability of adult content to teenage users. Specifically, they market their app as appropriate for teenage users while offering an abundance of posts that contain mature themes, nudity and drugs, all of which is readily available to minors. The second lawsuit against TikTok and ByteDance targets their false claim that Arkansans' user data is not accessible by the Chinese government and the Chinese Communist Party.

"TikTok is deceiving the public regarding the harmful content it is putting in the hands of our kids, and it is deceiving the public about its ties to the Chinese Communist Party. Protecting Arkansas's youth is my highest calling, and I look forward to the fight."



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Seder

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ville has celebrated the Seder with many of the congregations he's led over the years. "As Christians," Rev. Harrison said, "for us to deny our relationship to our Judaic heritage, we lose a lot of understanding of who we are supposed to be."

The Seder follows a historic pattern, or ritual, and can last for several hours, or even days.

The way Rev. Harrison leads it doesn't take quite that long. "It begins with 30 minutes of ritual," he says, "followed by a meal and 15 more minutes of ritual."

Rev. Harrison's wife Lori added, "Something we have

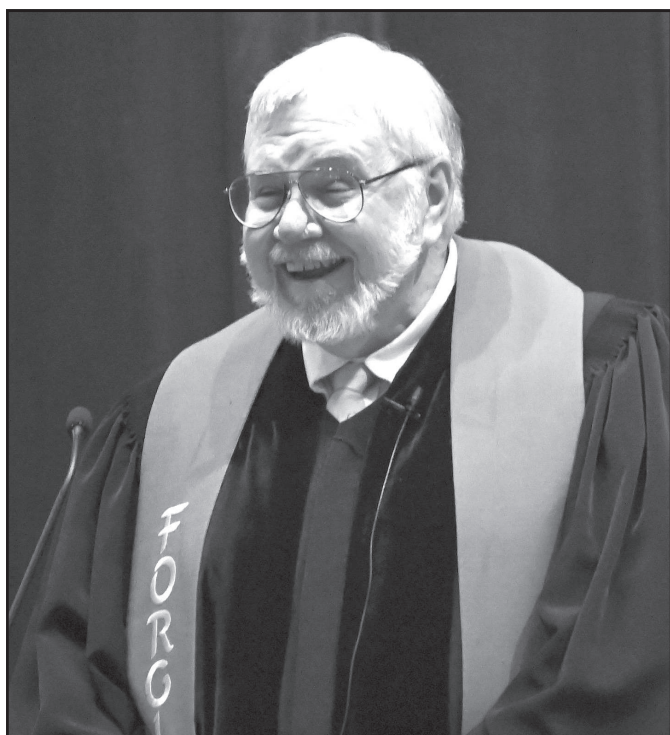
enjoyed is that as part of the ritual, the youngest child present asks four questions." Over the years, all of their children have had the chance to ask the four questions.

For Jews, a big part of the ritual was so the children would know their heritage and history.

For Christians, there is an added benefit of helping them understand what the Lord's Supper is all about.

"A lot of folks are surprised by the food and its meaning," Rev. Harrison said.

"They would come up to me later and say, 'I understand communion now.' Knowing our Jewish history background gives us insight into deeper spiritual things."



Rev. Gary Harrison

Quilts

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tag stating "Warm hugs and heartfelt salutes from Mine Creek-Paraclyfta DAR and Thursday Afternoon Quilters. Howard County, Arkansas."

The quilts will be hand delivered to the USO at Fort Bliss, Texas by Lt. Col. Dave

Young.

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The USO brings a touch of home to the military and their families.

The USO volunteers at Fort Bliss will give each member of the 2nd 153rd 39th IBCT being deployed to Grafenwoehr, Germany a handmade quilt from Howard County to show the area's appreciation for his or her service.

Advocate for birds to speak April 17 to Master Gardeners

The Howard County Master Gardeners will hear a guest speaker at their next meeting.

Dr. Dan Scheiman will present a program entitled "Creating a Bird-Friendly Yard" Monday, April 17, at 5 p.m. in Room 101 at Cossatot Community College, Nashville.

The public is invited free of charge.

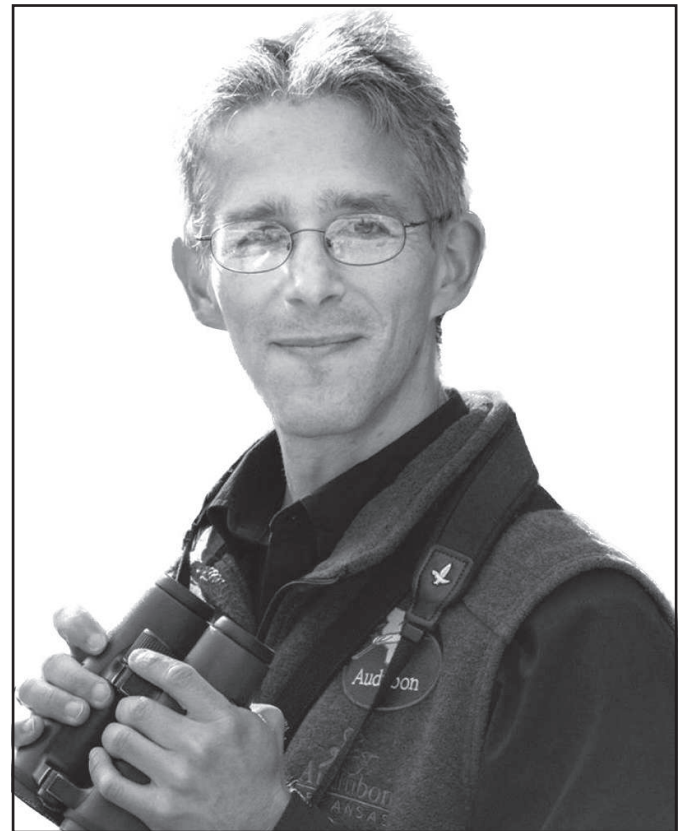
Scheiman works for the Audubon Society and loves native Arkansas plants. He is the Plants for Birds program manager for Audubon Delta, a regional office of the National Audubon Society, and is based at the Little Rock

Audubon Center.

Scheiman has a B.S. from Cornell University, M.S. from Eastern Illinois University and Ph.D. from Purdue University.

He and his coworkers advocate for birds, restore wildlife habitats and help Arkansans improve their local environments. He has been birding for more than 25 years.

Since moving to Arkansas in 2005 to work for Audubon, Scheiman has seen 365 of the 423 bird species documented in the state. His house in Hillcrest features an all-Arkansas native plant yard.



TO SPEAK IN NASHVILLE. Dr. Dan Scheiman will speak April 17 during the Howard County Master Gardeners meeting. The presentation will begin at 5 p.m. in Room 101 at UA-Cossatot in Nashville.

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Receipts on hospital accounts receivable excluding clinics as of Feb. 28 was about \$2.3 million.

Operating costs for February were almost \$151,500

above budget, Craig said. Start-up expenses for robotics exceeded \$84,000.

February's unfavorable volume in the emergency department increased volume guarantee costs by about \$27,140.

Invoiced costs for the cyber security event last year totaled \$27,948.



BEFORE THE GAME. Jamie Wallace sings "The Star-Spangled Banner" as PA announcer Dr. Glenn Lance stands at attention before the Nashville Scrappers' home baseball game against Camden Fairview Thursday, March 30, at Wilson Park in Nashville.

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On the diamond Scrappers, Scrapperettes continue season with eye on seeding for regionals



Nancy Worthington pitches for the Scrapperettes in their 16-1 win over Hope March 29 at the Nashville City Park. Worthington pitched a no-hitter Monday at Camden Fairview.



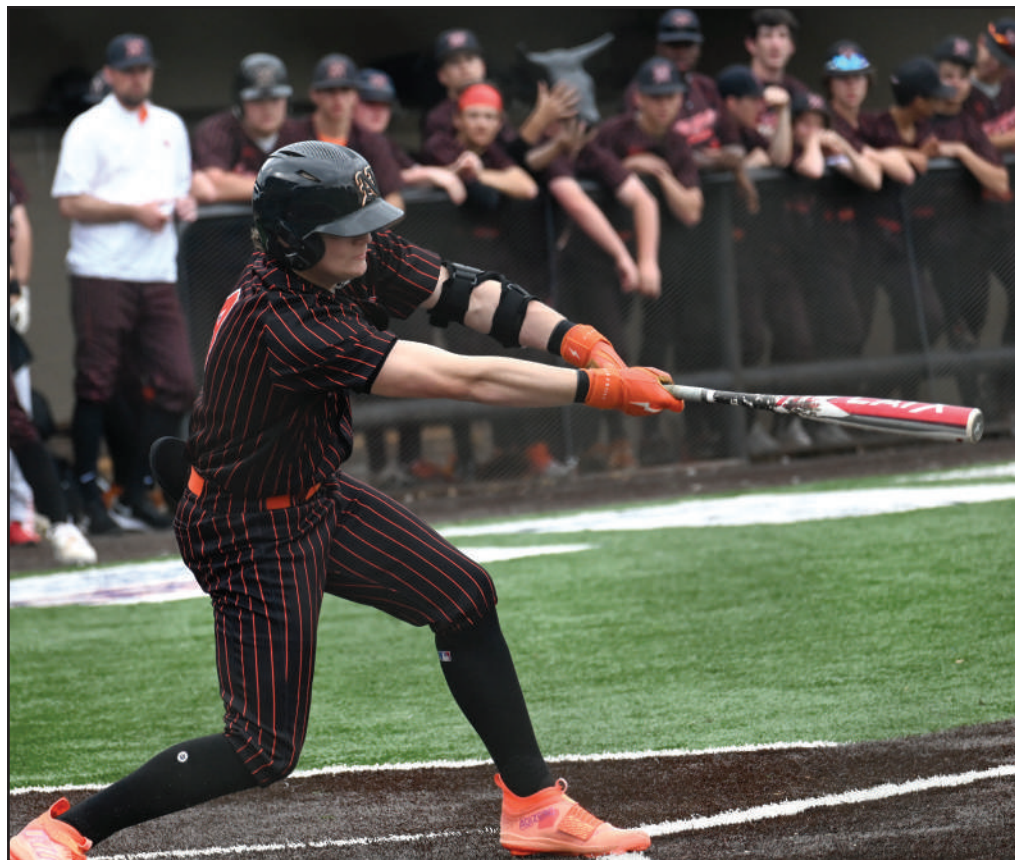
Kason Willard bats for Nashville March 30 during a District 7-4A game against Camden Fairview at Wilson Park.



Kaleb Halter takes off for first base on a hit against Camden Fairview in Nashville's loss to the Cardinals.



Natalie Nolte scores against Hope.



Tyler Brown records a hit for the Scrappers March 30 in a home game against Camden Fairview.



Emma Hutchison posts a hit for Nashville against the Hope Lady Bobcats at Futrell Field.

Addison Tate scores for the Scrapperettes in their win over Hope March 29. Nashville also picked up a 6-1 victory at Arkadelphia and a 13-0 win at Fairview in conference games.



Emalea Bailey hit a three-run home run at Camden Fairview Monday afternoon in the Scrapperettes 13-0 District 7-4A victory over the Lady Cardinals.



Karson Chambers pitches for the Scrappers last week at home against Camden Fairview.



Landyn Tompkins adds another run for the Scrapperettes against the Hope Lady Bobcats.



Lana Walker, Colby Clay

NHS netters in spring practice

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State runners-up recognized

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First United Methodist Church of Nashville served a home-cooked meal to honor the Nashville Scrapperettes Monday, March 27. The Scrapperettes are the Class 4A state basketball runners-up.



First United Methodist Church pastor Rev. Gary Harrison (at back) welcomes the Scrapperettes to a recognition dinner March 27. The church hosted the meal to recognize the Scrapperettes (29-4 overall), who won the District 7-4A championship, Class 4A South Regional championship and the Sheridan tournament. They were in the Class 4A state finals for the second straight year and finished as runners-up.



The Scrapperettes introduce themselves to guest speakers Karlene Hooker and Rosemary Spigner Cloud. Rosemary Spigner Cloud, a Scrapperette alumna, speaks at the dinner.

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FIND NEW ROADS

• Court Appointed Special Advocates •

Pike, Clark chapters of CASA plan events for Child Abuse Prevention Month

The Pike and Clark County chapters of the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) has several events planned in observance of April's Child Abuse Prevention Month.

The group, which advocated for children in the foster care system is also looking for local volunteers to aid their reach.

"Many of the kids in foster care have been abused or neglected, so in many cases we have to step in for parents and look out for the kids in the courtroom and classroom," said Celeste Davis of CASA.

Anyone interested in being a part of the effort can receive free training.

There are currently 18 children in

foster care from Pike County, and only four of that total has a CASA advocate.

"There is definitely a need," said Davis.

"It's our overall goal that each one of these kids has a CASA advocate."

For questions or more information, visit the group's website at casaofclarkandpike.org, call (870) 260-5448 or email director@casaofclarkandpike.org.

For the upcoming programming, Pike County Judge Eddie Howard will issue a proclamation declaring April child abuse prevention month in Pike County at the Pike County Courthouse at 11 a.m. this Wednesday, April 5.

On Thursday, April 6, at 3:30 p.m.

CASA volunteers will place pin-wheels on the Pike County Courthouse grounds in awareness of the 18 kids currently in foster care.

On April 15, a bingo event at The Willows in Glenwood will donate a portion of the proceeds to CASA and THE CALL, another organization benefiting foster children.

Then, on May 4, a Garden Party Bunco fundraising event for CASA will be held under the direction of CASA board member Anna Howard of Murfreesboro and Celeste May of Delight.

In addition to Anna Howard, the other Pike County resident on the CASA board is Tamara Horn of Glenwood.

Statewide campaign to target distracted driving

Distracted driving continues to be one of the leading causes of motor vehicle crashes on our nation's roadways. The Arkansas State Police Highway Safety Office (HSO) is working with state and local law enforcement agencies to encourage drivers to put down their phones while driving as part of the statewide "U Drive. U Text. U Pay." high-visibility enforcement effort April 3-10.

The effort will involve Arkansas State Troopers, local sheriff's deputies, and local police officers. The operation will target drivers who are texting and driving as well as violating other distracted driving laws.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration [NHTSA], between 2011 and 2020, more than 32,400 people died in crashes involving a distracted driver. In 2020, there were 3,142 deaths linked to driver distraction, or 8% of all motor vehicle crash fatalities. This is an increase of 23 fatalities compared to 2019.

Research shows that Millennials and Generation Z are the most distracted drivers, often using their cell phones to talk, text, and scroll through social media while behind the wheel. According to NHTSA research from 2017, young drivers 16 to 24 years old have

been observed using handheld electronic devices while driving at higher rates than older drivers since 2007. In 2020, 7% of drivers 15 to 20 years old involved in fatal crashes were reported as distracted.

In addition to being unsafe, violating Arkansas' distracted-driving laws can also be costly.

Arkansas law prohibits the use of a hand-held cell phone for texting, typing, emailing or accessing the internet while driving, regardless of the driver's age. It is also a "primary offense" law, which means a state trooper, police officer or sheriff's deputy can initiate a traffic stop without observing any other violation. Fines can range from up to \$250 for a first offense and up to \$500 for any subsequent offense.

Many drivers are guilty of a "double standard" when it comes to distracted driving. In its 2018 Traffic Safety Culture Index, the American Automobile Association (AAA) Foundation reported that while nearly 96% of drivers believed it was very or extremely dangerous to read a text or email while driving, four out of ten drivers admitted to doing so within the previous 30 days.

"These drivers give themselves a personal exemption to ignore the law

while unfairly putting others at risk," said Colonel Hagar. "State troopers and other law enforcement officers will increase enforcement of distracted driving laws as part of the 'U Drive. U Text. U Pay.' enforcement operation."

The Arkansas Highway Safety Office and NHTSA urge drivers to put their phones away when behind the wheel. Drivers are encouraged to follow these suggestions to ensure a safe driving experience:

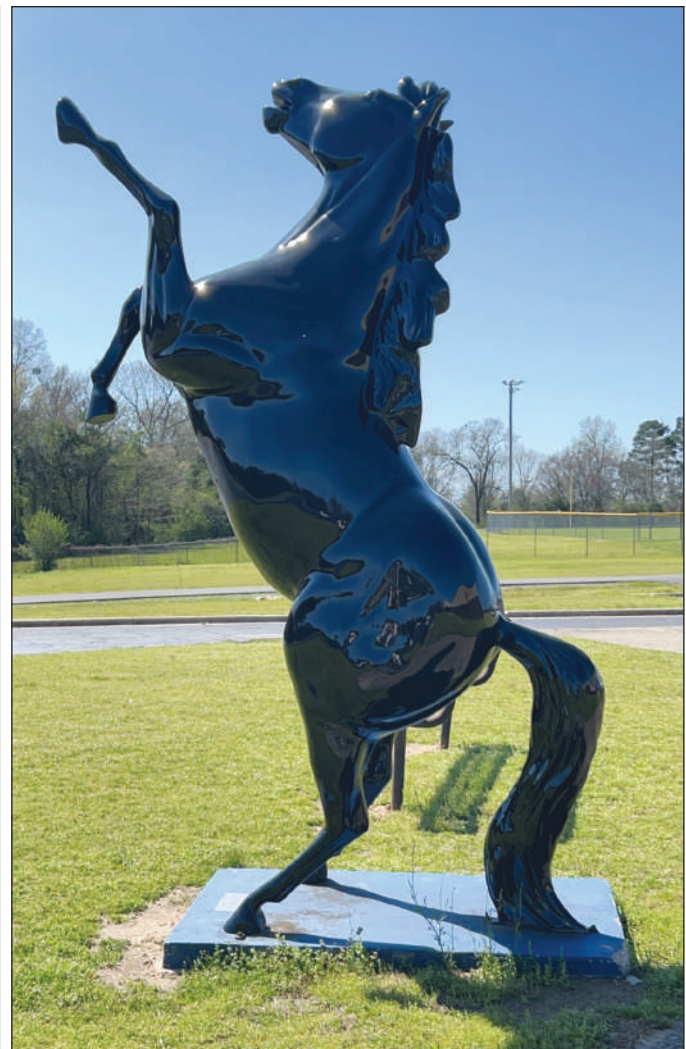
If you are expecting a text message or need to send one, pull over and park your car in a safe location. Only after you are off the roadway and stopped is it safe to text.

Ask your passenger to be a "designated texter." Allow the passenger access to your phone for responding to calls or messages.

Do not engage in social media scrolling or messaging while driving.

Cell phone use is habit-forming. Struggling to not text and drive? Activate your phone's "Do Not Disturb" feature, or put your phone in the trunk, glove box, or back seat of your vehicle until you arrive at your destination.

Texting while driving is dangerous and illegal. Help break the dangerous habit of distracted driving. Remember: U Drive. U Text. U Pay.



STATUE LIKE THIS ONE at Dierks High School.

Dierks seniors opt for statue over sidewalk

Members of the Dierks High School class of 2023 will forego the "Senior Sidewalk" tradition and will instead work to raise funds to place a horse statue, similar to the one reared up on his back legs in front of the high school, at the entrance of the football field.

The seniors will get to include their names on the concrete at the base of the statue pedestal. The class will use money left over from prom and are now seeking tax-deductible contributions.

Persons wanting to donate can make checks out to Dierks High School and given to counselor Crystal Smith or coach Brady Bray. The funds will be deposited in the class' account and a tax receipt will be provided to donors.

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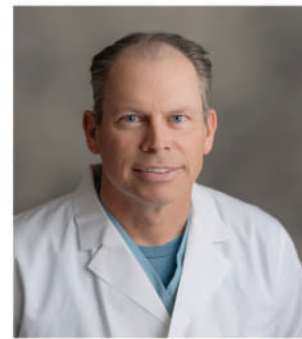
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Baker, Skylar Allison, 25, Dierks, \$250 BF, speeding

Brazil, Kevin Bernand Jr., 26, Nashville, guilty of DWI, sentenced to 10 days in jail with nine days suspended

Clemons, Chucky G., 70, Nashville, guilty of running stop sign or light, fined \$195; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Coleman, Earnest, 50, Allen, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$2,390 owed, sentenced to 30 days in jail-suspended conditions

Gray, Bobby W., 56, Broken Bow, Okla., guilty of non-payment of fines, \$2,170 owed, committed to jail

Howard, Don Alex, 62, Mineral Springs, second-degree terroristic threatening, under advisement for one year to dismiss with good and lawful conduct; disorderly conduct, under advisement for one year to dismiss with good and lawful conduct

Maldonado, Christian, 27, De Queen, \$260 BF, speeding

Martinez, Oliver, 28, Nashville, guilty of failure to present insurance, fined \$125

Medina, Merced Ance, 24, North Little Rock, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$685 owed; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Miller, Autumn Marie, 22, Nashville, \$195 BF, expired vehicle tags/no tags

Mitchell, Paul Raushaun, 19, Mineral Springs, \$260 BF, speeding

Morgan, Christopher L., 42, Nashville, \$445 BF, driving on suspended or revoked license

Murphy, Devonte, 25, Texarkana, \$195 BF, expired vehicle tags/no tags

Smith, Amy, 42, Mineral Springs, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$6,955 owed, committed to jail

Vaughn, Mira Faye, 51, Columbus, \$250 BF, speeding

Williams, Braden, 22, Mineral Springs, guilty of failure to pay registration, fined \$210

City of Nashville

Bustos, Miguel Angel, 21, Nashville, guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,050 and license suspended for six months

Gamble, Lernelia M., 46, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445

Hallmark, Christopher M., 42, Nashville, guilty of failure to present insurance, fined \$50; guilty of driving on suspended license, fined \$250

Hill, David L. Jr., 46, Nashville, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445; guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445; guilty of

failure to appear, fined \$245; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245

Jordan, Rosie, 44, Dierks, guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$345

Luna, Cindy R., 21, Hope, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$815 owed; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$245; guilty of second-degree criminal mischief, fined \$410; guilty of failure to appear, fined \$285

Martindale, Jonathan M., 32, Mineral Springs, guilty of disorderly conduct, fined \$280

Ramos, Helmer Mejia, 47, De Queen, \$445 BF, driving on suspended or revoked license

Robinson, Freddie L., 55, Nashville, guilty of non-payment of fines, \$4,140 owed

Rosas, Elideth S., 27, Kenosha, Wis., guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445; guilty of expired vehicle tags/no tags, fined \$195

City of Dierks

Alvarez, Rafael, 35, Frisco, Texas, \$345 BF, no proof of liability insurance; \$245 BF, failure to appear

Gore, Lalisa, 54, Horatio, \$195 BF, no child restraint; \$310 BF, criminal impersonation

Head, Haskel, 50, Nashville, third-degree battery, under advisement for one year to dismiss with good and lawful conduct

Jewell, Jeremy S., 45, Dierks, third-degree battery, under advisement for one year to dismiss with good and lawful conduct

Steward, Elijah D., 18, Dierks, \$345 BF, careless or prohibited driving

City of Mineral Springs
Howell, Daryl L., 40, Monroe, Mich., \$345 BF, careless or prohibited driving

Bench Trials

Howard County
Langston, Jennifer Denise, 37, Hope, guilty of driving on suspended or revoked license, fined \$445; guilty of DWI#2, fined \$1,660, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI educational course

City of Nashville

Jefferson, Oceana, 29, Texarkana, \$195 BF, expired vehicle tags/no tags; \$245 BF, failure to appear

Langson, Jennifer Denise, 37, Hope, guilty of possession of controlled substance, fined \$1,050 and license suspended for six months; guilty of possession of marijuana, fined \$1,050 and license suspended for six months; guilty of possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$535

City of Mineral Springs

Green, Ruthie R., 18, Mineral Springs, speeding, under advisement for three months to dismiss with good and lawful behavior

Murfreesboro benefit April 16

A benefit will be held for Murfreesboro resident Candi Allmon on Sunday, April 16, starting at 11 a.m., at the CADC Murfreesboro Senior Center.

The event will run until the food is sold out and is a by donation cost.

Allmon has been diagnosed with breast cancer and proceeds of the event will go toward helping her offset the cost of treatments.

Included in the event will be a silent auction, a \$500 duck raffle, and a raffle for a trailer donated by Diamond City Trailers.

The benefit lunch will consist of smoked chicken, potato salad, baked beans, peach cobbler and bread.

Pike County holiday closings

The Pike County Courthouse and associated offices will be closed this Friday, April 7, in observance of Good Friday that precedes Easter on Sunday, April 9.

There will be no change in the rural trash collection for this or next week.

The City of Murfreesboro will also observe Good Friday and close their offices this Friday.

Inside the city, Friday's normal sanitation route will be collected on Thursday with that day's regularly scheduled collection.

All offices will reopen on Monday morning, April 10.

JA bake sale this Saturday

The Nashville Chapter of Junior Auxiliary will host an Easter bake sale on Saturday, April 8, starting at 6:30 a.m.

There will be no online presale.

The location will be the corner of Main and East Hempstead, across from Sharp's.

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Easter is a time for:

- _____ to celebrate
- going to services at _____
- joy in the spring green of _____
- starting, new _____
- wearing new _____
- ringing _____
- dying and decorating _____
- singing Easter _____
- Easter egg _____
- baking hot cross _____
- Easter bunny bringing _____
- lighting _____
- gathering Easter _____
- visiting friends and _____
- _____ marching in Easter _____

Find and circle all of these words that tell what people do with eggs:

fry eat dye hatch pickle
deliver scramble decorate refrigerate
roll hunt hide toss paint

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Delight brothers charged with attempt on dog's life

Felony charges have been filed in Pike County against two Delight brothers accused of aggravated cruelty to an animal.

On March 30, charges were filed against Dakota Rector, 27, and Cody Rector, 31. They are both accused of aggravated cruelty to a dog, cat or equine and criminal trespass.

According to case information, a citizen contacted the Pike County Sheriff's Department to report that the two men had come onto her property and attempted to kill her dog by cutting its throat. The incident was caught by a security camera.

The dog survived the incident after receiving stitches to close the wound on its neck.

Both defendants made court appearances Monday when they both plead innocent to the charges. They

were ordered to return to court May 1 with a June 2 pretrial date set for both case.

Also in court Monday, Taylor Wilkerson, 20, of Murfreesboro, plead guilty to the charges of commercial burglary and criminal mischief for breaking into the Murfreesboro Elementary School in February. He was sentenced to 10 years of probation.

Marshall E. Black, 22, of Norman, plead guilty to the charge of possession of a controlled substance. He was sentenced to five years of probation and 120 days in the Arkansas Correction Center and fined \$2,500 plus court costs.

Joshua W. Hill, 42, of Delight, plead guilty to two counts of possession of a controlled substance. He was sentenced to five years of probation and fined

\$2,500 plus court costs. He also plead guilty to probation revocation and was sentenced to 120 days in the Community Corrections Center.

Thomas Tigue, 48, of Bonnerdale plead guilty Monday to the charges of possession of meth. He was sentenced to one year in the Arkansas Department of Corrections (ADC).

James Calvary McSweeney, 60, of Amity plead guilty to failure to comply with registration and reporting requirements of being a sex offender. He was sentenced to three years in the ADC.

Jeremy A. Combs, 34, unknown address, plead guilty to the charges of theft of property, breaking or entering and probation revocation. He was sentenced to a total of five years in the ADC.

Amity man charged with sexual assault

An Amity man has been charged in Pike County with sexual assault allegedly involving a young child.

Charles Leroy Hearn, 62, was charged March 23 with second-degree sexual assault. Hearn plead not guilty to the charge Monday and a June 2 pretrial date as set. He remains in county custody on \$100,000 bond.

An investigation of

Hearn's alleged behavior was opened in February when a relative contacted the Pike County Sheriff's Department to report her daughter had been touched in an inappropriate way by Hearn. The child was three years old and told investigators about a "monster" that had touched her.

Raymond Lee Cox, 39, of Murfreesboro was offi-

cially charged March 23 with residential burglary and theft of property involving the recent break-in at what is locally known as "The Anthony House" near the South Pike County School District campus.

Cox is still in the county jail this week and plead not guilty to the charges Monday with a June 19 pretrial date set.



News-Leader photo/JOHN BALCH

MINOR FIRE AT HCCC. Emergency personnel from all over the Nashville area swarmed the Howard County Children's Center Monday morning after a fire was reported in the center's office building. The fire appears to have been caused by a faulty exhaust fan and was quickly extinguished, according to HCCC administrator Rose Ray. There were no injuries.

Coach hired, backs out of Lady Outlaw job offer

The Dierks School Board met in special session on March 29 and hired a new head girls' basketball coach, but the new hire has since backed out.

During last week's meeting following a two-hour closed executive session, the board unanimously voted to hire James Halitzka, currently coaching at Bergman High School, as well as his wife, Tammera, as an elementary teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.

On Friday, March 31, Superintendent Grover Hill reported the Halitzkas had decided not to come to Dierks.

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This is a dramatized version of facts taken from the Book of Genesis intending to show some of the customs of these ancient and traditional times

ABRAM IN EGYPT

WITH PHARAOH TERRIFIED BY A PLAGUE, WHICH HIS PRIEST TELLS HIM IS DUE TO ANGERING ABRAM'S GOD BY TAKING SARAI AWAY FROM HIM, PHARAOH NOW SENDS IN HASTE FOR ABRAM....

...WHO IS HUSTLED, IN THE EARLY DAWN, TO THE PALACE BY PHARAOH'S GUARDS....

...HERE AT THE PALACE, ABRAM IS BROUGHT INTO PHARAOH'S WRATHFUL PRESENCE, QUITE BEWILDERED....

WHAT HORRIBLE THING HAST THOU DONE TO ME?! WHY DIDST THOU SAY THE WOMAN WAS YOUR SISTER, WHEN SHE REALLY WAS YOUR WIFE -- I MIGHT HAVE MADE HER MY WIFE AND BEEN DESTROYED BY YOUR GOD! NOW, GO! LEAVE MY LAND!!

...HIS BEWILDERMENT INCREASES AS THE PHARAOH LAUNCHES INTO A TIRADE....

...AFTER ALL, ABRAM HAD NO DESIRE TO LOSE HIS WIFE -- IT WAS PHARAOH WHO TOOK HER INTO HIS PALACE, BUT NOW....

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Arkansas farm income expected to retreat following record year

By Mary Hightower
U of A System
Division of Agriculture

Arkansas' farm income is expected to fall in 2023 following 2022's record high, and the decline is expected to exceed the national rate, the Rural & Farm Finance Policy Analysis Center said Monday.

The center, based at the University of Missouri and working with the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture, released its "Spring 2023 Arkansas Farm Income Outlook" on Monday.

"After a record-setting 2022, 2023 Arkansas net farm income declines \$1.3 billion and is projected to return to levels closer to 2021," the report said. "Total farm receipts decline \$1.6 billion and are further compounded by increased production expenses."

The report said that Arkansas is expected to see a 32 percent decrease in net farm income, compared to a projected 19 percent decrease in U.S. net farm income.

"One contributing factor is the state's livestock receipts, which decrease more rapidly than national receipts," the report said. "In Arkansas, poultry and egg receipts make up a larger share of state farm receipts than national receipts; weaker poultry and egg prices in 2023 more than offset any improvements in production."

James Mitchell, extension economist with the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture said that "nationally, we expect fewer disruptions to turkey and egg production from highly pathogenic avian influenza, which will raise output and bring down prices."

"The result is Arkansas is to mostly follow national trends," he said. "A lot will depend on consumer demand. This will impact what consumers purchase and where they choose to consume it."

Weather as a driver
Another facet of the decline is that federal crop insurance indemnities are expected to decrease by \$342 million, while government payments from commodity programs and ad hoc assistance are projected to fall \$152 million from the previous year.

"These estimates assume weather will cooperate more this year than last," said Hunter Biram, extension economist for the Division of Agriculture. With kinder weather, Arkansas farmers could be expected to see fewer instances of prevented planting and overall, fewer lost cotton acres.

"Last year's growing season saw above-average rain-

fall at planting driving larger prevented planting claims in corn and rice," Biram said. "The hot and dry summer caused large production losses for cotton, resulting in higher STAX payments."

STAX is a crop insurance product for upland cotton that provides coverage for a portion of the expected revenue for a grower's area.

Biram said the drop in commodity program and ad hoc assistance can largely be tied to relatively higher prices and the phasing out of some emergency assistance programs.

"PLC payments are projected to fall to zero from \$29 million while projected ARC payments remain unchanged at zero," he said.

Price Loss Coverage, known as PLC and the Agriculture Risk Coverage, or ARC, programs provide financial protections to farmers from substantial drops in crop prices or revenues and are vital economic safety nets for most American farms.

PLC prices are dropping because record-high commodity prices "will not fall below the Reference Price triggering payments," Biram said. "The fall in ad hoc program payments, or those programs providing payments in response to a disaster event, is attributed to the end of the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program, or CFAP, and the first phase of the Emergency Relief Program, or ERP."

"CFAP phase 2 and ERP phase 1 payments in Arkansas totaled \$345.9 million and \$158.9 million, respectively, in 2022," he said.

Arkansas farmers will also be facing slightly higher production costs than 2021, a year which saw record fertilizer pricing. The report said farmers will be seeing a 0.7 percent increase in production costs in 2023, despite the easing of fertilizer, feed and fuel costs.

Federal Reserve actions
"Despite lower fertilizer prices across all major nutrients, total input costs are projected to be up slightly due to an estimated increase of 17 percent in interest expense," Biram said "This increase in interest expense is driven by the Federal Reserve's recent increases in the Federal Funds Rate as they attempt to curtail inflation."

"Additionally, we are projecting a 12.2 percent decrease in pesticides, fertilizer, and fuel expense, and a 7.2 percent decrease in feed

expense," he said.

Partnership
The Rural and Farm Finance Policy Analysis Center at the University of Missouri was launched in March 2022. RaFF is closely aligned with the Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute at the University of Missouri. The center works in partnership with other states to provide objective policy analysis and inform decision-makers on issues affecting farm and rural finances. The center produces farm income projections for states and regions that are consistent with each other. Cooperation with participating states brings local expertise to enhance model design and estimates.

"RaFF's partnership with the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture is a critical step toward identifying and contrasting the uniqueness of farm income factors at the state level," RaFF interim director Scott Brown said. "The Arkansas farm income report, and other state-level analyses, equip decision-makers with insights that can impact policy and program discussions."

MCC sets calendar

The Murfreesboro Chamber of Commerce has released a calendar of upcoming events for the remainder of 2023.

- Calendar of Events**
TBD - Eclipse Meeting
April 29 - 2nd Annual Keith Stone Memorial Car Show
May TBD - Duck Race
May - Farmers Market Opening each Saturday
June TBD - Diamond Festival
June - Farmers Market Opening
July TBD - Christmas in July Luncheon
August TBD - Back To School Luncheon for Teachers
August TBD - Backpack Drive for Students
September TBD - Carnival
October TBD - Fall Festival
November - Veterans Day Celebration & Decorate the Square
Dec. 2 - Hometown Christmas on the Square
Dec. 2 - Diamond Jingle 5K
Dec. 7 - Taste of Christmas



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2016 Bobcat E26 Mini Excavator w/2562 Hours
2014 John Deere 3032E w/Front End Loader
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2017 Bobcat T550 Track Loader
5 Mobile Home Axles (1 broke)
2010 Kuhn GMD 700 Mower
1993 John Deere 375 Round Baler
1993 Vermeer 322 Hay Rake
Vermeer 5400 4x5 Baler (one owner, barn kept)
Miller Bobcat 225 Gas Welder w/100 Ft. leads 50 Ft. Grd on 5'x8' Trailer, 147 Hours, (runs good, like new)
3' Gas Water Lift Pump w/30Ft. Suction Hose
2018 Kubota M6 111
2021 1,000 gal. Sprayer 40 Ft., Boom setup for Liquid Fertilizer, 2 Sets of Nozzels
2001 CAT D4 6 Way Blade, New Under Carriage
2 - Powder River Squeeze Chutes
3 Bottom John Deere Switch Plow
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Kubota Diesel Zero Turn Model 326 (nice)
Land Pride 15Ft Batwing (excellent)
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Hernandez, Javian Jose, 20, Horatio, guilty of possession of controlled substance, fined \$1,050 and license suspended for six months; guilty of speeding, fined \$135
 Hill, Monica L., 40, Prescott, \$315 BF, no proof of liability insurance; \$125 BF, improper passing
 Holmes, Austin L., 28, Glenwood, guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$325, sentenced to one year of probation and sentenced to 30 days in jail-suspended conditions; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$315; guilty of no seat belt, fined \$45
 Lininger, Jessica R., 32, De Queen, guilty of expired vehicle license-tags, fined \$125; guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$325; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$315; guilty of contempt (failure to pay), \$805 owed, committed to jail-suspended conditions
 Stephenson, Malachi, 15, Bismarck, \$125 BF, no driver's

license
 Walls, Memory B., 27, Oden, guilty of contempt (failure to pay), \$960 owed
City of Murfreesboro
 Brock, Christina D., 23, Bonnerdale, guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$345; guilty of no proof of liability insurance, fined \$125
 Cox, Raymond L., 39, Nashville, guilty of contempt (failure to pay), \$485 owed
Arkansas Game & Fish Commission
 Arroyo, Alexis, 21, Nashville, \$220 BF, no trout stamp
Bench Trials
Pike County
 Harbour, Jackson Allen, 30, Dallas, Texas, guilty of DWI, fined \$1,070, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI educational course
 Holmes, Austin L., 28, Glenwood, guilty of contempt (failure to pay), \$790 owed

Mills, Clifford G., 44, Texarkana, guilty of DWI, fined \$1,070, credited for time served, license suspended and must complete DWI educational course; third-degree domestic battery, under advisement for one year to dismiss with good and lawful behavior; \$245 BF, failure to appear
 Thompson, Ronald Wade, 72, Hot Springs, \$125 BF, improper passing
City of Murfreesboro
 Fugitt, David, 43, Murfreesboro, guilty of criminal trespass, fined \$210; guilty of disorderly conduct, fined \$240
 Holmes, Austin L., 28, Glenwood, guilty of disorderly conduct, fined \$240
 Scott, Robin Lee, 52, Nashville, improper use of signals, under advisement for 90 days to dismiss
 Thompson, Alexis Marie, 30, Murfreesboro, guilty of driving with suspended license, fined \$345
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 Christenson, Amanda B., 42, Texarkana, insufficient PFD, under advisement for 90 days to dismiss

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Qualifications-Annual Statements of Qualifications Engineering, Surveying, and Architectural Service

The City of Dierks, Arkansas is seeking Annual Statements of Qualifications and Performance Data for Engineering, Surveying, and Architectural Services. Interested parties should submit (3) copies of such Annual Statement to:
 Ronnie Cogburn, Mayor
 City of Dierks
 200 West Third
 Dierks, AR 71833

The Annual Statements of Qualifications and Performance Data shall be received no later than **Thursday, April 20, 2023, by 4 p.m.** Statements received after that time will not be considered. The City of Dierks reserves the right to reject statements of Qualifications and Performance Data and to waive any or all formalities deemed to be in the best interest of the City.

(CD: 41, 42)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public School Choice in Arkansas allows students to attend a public school in a district other than the one in which they reside. The applications must be made by May 1, 2023, to qualify for provisions under the Arkansas Public School Choice Act 2013.

Pursuant to standards adopted by a nonresident district may reserve the right to accept or reject applicants based on capacity of programs, class, grade level or school building. Likewise, a nonresident district's standards may provide for the rejection of an applicant based upon the submission of false or misleading information to the above listed request for information when that information directly impacts the legal qualifications of an applicant to transfer pursuant to the School Choice Act. However, a nonresident district's standards shall not include an applicant's previous academic achievement, athletic or other extracurricular ability, handicapping conditions, English proficiency level, or previous disciplinary proceedings, except that an expulsion from another district may be included pursuant to Ark. Code Ann 618510.

Priority will be given to applicants with siblings attending the district. The nonresident district shall accept credits toward graduation that were awarded by another district and award a diploma to a nonresident district's graduation requirements. Applications postmarked or delivered to the Superintendent of Schools no later than May 1 for a child to be able to enroll for the fall semester. Transfers shall be granted on a nondiscriminatory basis. Students who have been accepted and enrolled in previous years do not have to reapply as approved transfers remain valid for as long as the student attends public school.

The following school districts comply with this public school announcement: Ashdown, Caddo Hills, Cossatot River, DeQueen, Dierks, Foreman, Horatio, Mena, Mineral Springs, Mount Ida, Nashville and Ouachita River.
 (DMESC: 41)



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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, ARKANSAS CIVIL DIVISION

ROBERT AND NANCY ZENANKO PLAINTIFFS VS. 31CV-22-74

ANY INTERESTED PERSON DEFENDANT

NOTICE OF QUIET TITLE ACTION

Notice is hereby given that a Petition has been filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Howard County, Arkansas, to quiet and confirm title in and to the following described property in Howard County, Arkansas:

The East 1/3 (incorrectly referred to as the E 1/2 in prior deeds) of the NW-4 of the SW-4 of Section 32, Township 11 South, Range 27 West, containing 13.33 acres, more or less, in Howard County, Arkansas.

Any person claiming any title or interest of any kind to such property is hereby notified to appear in this Court within thirty (30) days from the date of first publication of this Notice, to assert his title or interest in such property and to demonstrate why title to this property should not be quieted and confirmed in Robert and Nancy Zenanko, Plaintiffs herein.

WITNESS my hand and seal as Clerk of the Circuit Court of Howard County, Arkansas, on this 17th day of March, 2023.

Angie Lewis
 Howard County Circuit Clerk
 (JSG: 39 - 42)

PUBLIC NOTICE

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 VIN# 1J4FT28B09D134994

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ARE BEING HELD AT BYPASS DIESEL & WRECKER SERVICE, INC. 9224 HWY 278 WEST NASHVILLE, AR 71852, 870-845-1597, DUE TO ABANDONMENT. VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE UNLESS CLAIMED WITHIN 10 DAYS. FAILURE TO RECLAIM VEHICLES WAVES ALL RIGHTS, TITLE, & INTEREST IN ABOVE VEHICLES. VEHICLES MAY BE RECLAIMED DURING BUSINESS HOURS BY PROVIDING OWNERSHIP, AND BY PAYING ALL CHARGES AGAINST VEHICLES.
 (BD: 41)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA)

USDA - Farm Service Agency

Notice of Availability

Construction of a Large CAFO, Arkansas

Draft Environmental Assessment (EA)

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency (FSA) announces the availability of a draft Environmental Assessment for the construction of a large CAFO located in Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 27 West, Howard County. The primary objective of the activity is to construct (4) broiler houses.

FSA is accepting written comments on the potential effects of the proposed project on protected resources and the human environment through 05/5/2023. Information regarding this project can be reviewed in person at the following USDA Service Center: Farm Service Agency, 101 South Washington Street, Nashville, AR 71852 and can be found online at: <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/state-offices/Arkansas/index>. Comments should be submitted in writing to Adam Kaufman at Farm Service Agency, 419 West Gaines Street, Monticello, AR 71655.

All written comments will be carefully considered, and no action concerning the project shall be taken until the agency has completed an environmental review and issued a final decision. All who provide written comments will be informed of the decision when it is made. The Final Environmental Assessment will be made available and underlying documentation may be examined upon request.
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