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Inside Today



Remember When

The history of a community can be discovered in the photos of its residents. Some 318 photos of people, organizations, schools, places and events were shared for this year's Remember When section. Approximately 240 are found inside today's pages. The remainder of about 80 will be included in the Sunday, Jan. 22, edition. Photo above was submitted by Willie Ledford. See photos, Pages 37-52, 56-60 and 64.



Red hot Flames

Lee University claimed a pair of GSC hoop victories over long-time rival Union University in Jackson Saturday. Walker Valley falls in TSSAA Girls Sectional bowling action. Mustang wrestlers have to settle for second at own duals event. Bradley Central sweeps rugged district games. Bear matmen bounce back. WV hoopsters drop close 5-AAA hardwood battles. See Sports, Pages 17-21, 25, 27.

The Holly Ball

The 54th annual Cleveland-Athens Cotillion was held at the end of the calendar year at Cleveland Country Club. See Lifestyles, Page 29.

Forecast

Expect patchy fog this morning with otherwise mostly cloudy skies. Temperatures will be warm with a high of 64. Tonight the forecast calls for mostly cloudy and mild conditions. The low is expected at 50. Monday is expected to be partly sunny and warm with a high of 66. The Monday night low should be around 55.

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County nears 'Healthier Community' status

By SARALYN NORKUS
Banner Staff Writer

After embarking on a mission to become a Healthier Tennessee Community a year ago, Bradley County is now only one more step away from receiving "designated" status. The gathering of various community leaders to take a photo for the county's application was just the icing on the cake after a year of hard work.

"This was a huge day that we've been working toward for the past year," Bradley County Health Department's Amy Davenport said. "We have been trying to coordinate events within the community to gear toward healthier eating, more physical activity within the community and working with workplaces and our faith-based establishments."

On Friday, the Governor's

Foundation for Health and Wellness announced Bradley County had been named a candidate for official designation as a Healthier Tennessee Community.

"They had already started about a year ago and are now working on their application to become a designated Healthier Tennessee Community," said Russell Cliche, regional director for the Governor's Foundation for Health and Wellness.

"Everyone has to work for a year, so nobody feels it's already done because we're all trying to get healthy and this is to get more people involved."

The Healthier Tennessee Communities initiative currently has 67 communities across the state working to become designated, with 14 already having applications approved.

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BRADLEY COUNTY IS one step closer to becoming a designated Healthier Tennessee Community. Standing, from left front, are Bradley County Mayor Gary Davis, Cleveland Mayor Tom Rowland, Eloise Waters, Russell Clinche DeeDee Finison and Amy Davenport; back, Karen Saffles-Slater, Dr. Payten Holcombe, Greg Thomas, Tabitha Payne, Lindsay Hathcock and Justin Thomas.

Amazing display of sandhill cranes



THE SANDHILL CRANE FESTIVAL continues today at the Hiwassee Refuge near Birchwood. These birds were among the 33,000-plus that stopped at the refuge to avoid the winter weather in the northern part of the United States.

Festival continues at the Hiwassee Refuge today

By ALLEN MINCEY
Banner Staff Writer

Over 33,000 sandhill cranes stopped at the Hiwassee Refuge this weekend, either on their way south for the winter or just to stay in the Meigs County area.

The annual stop for the cranes is at the Hiwassee Refuge, which is located off State Route 60 near Birchwood. January and February are the months the birds normally visit that area, either to rest as they continue on south or to feed in the nearby fields.

Thousands of human visitors watched the cranes fly from the wetlands to those fields while attending the festival, which continues through 4 p.m. today. Many were amazed at the long wingspan of the birds and how graceful they looked as they

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Are seatbelts needed on school buses?

Pros and cons are considered

By CHRISTY ARMSTRONG
Banner Staff Writer

School officials and state legislators are weighing the pros and cons of requiring school buses to have seatbelts as this year's General Assembly gets underway.

A November 2016 school bus crash in Chattanooga, which claimed the lives of six children and injured more than a dozen others, is being credited with bringing the issue to the forefront.

State Rep. JoAnne Favors, D-Chattanooga, said Friday she plans to introduce legislation this session which would address concerns over school bus safety.

In the aftermath of the tragedy involving students from Woodmore Elementary School, she said many people have contacted her asking to see the state require all current school buses to be outfitted with seatbelts.

"I've gotten calls from many of my constituents — some families whose children were involved in the crash — and many from all over the nation," Favors said. "It really touched people nationwide."

Favors said she is looking at what other states have done in regards to placing seatbelts on school buses.

She added she is also trying to weigh the pros and cons of possible state legislation while considering concerns from those on both sides of the issue.

State Rep. Gerald McCormick, R-Chattanooga, has also spoken about introducing legislation related to school bus safety. However, Becky Cantrell, McCormick's Nashville office assistant, said Friday he is allowing Favors to take the lead on a new bill, "because the crash occurred in her district."

While everyone who cares about the well-being of children would say they want to see children stay safe on buses, local school transportation supervisors say seatbelts may not be the best way to make things safer.

Gary Austin, supervisor of pupil services and transportation for Bradley County Schools, said the idea of



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Ralph Baldwin named as Banner publisher

From Staff Reports

Ralph Baldwin Jr., a 42-year veteran of the newspaper industry, has been named publisher of the Cleveland Daily Banner, effective Jan. 9.

The announcement was made by Sarah Ireland, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Cleveland Newspapers Inc. Baldwin succeeds publisher Stephen Crass, who recently retired after 16 years of leading the Cleveland newspaper.

Baldwin comes to Cleveland after serving as the chief operating officer of Jones Media Inc. for eight years with direct operational responsibilities for the company's 14 newspapers, electronic media, magazines, a digital marketing agency and a tourism publication and brochure distribution division.

Prior to that, he was publisher for 20 years of the Daily Post-Athenian, a Jones Media newspaper in Athens, and vice president of adjoining Jones properties in Rhea, Monroe and Loudon counties. He has most recently



Baldwin

MPO looks at proposed Chattanooga, Cleveland park-and-ride proposition

By LARRY C. BOWERS
Banner Staff Writer

Cleveland planning officials continue to work with their Chattanooga counterparts on the new park-and-ride proposal for the adjacent communities.

Cleveland Planning Organization coordinator Greg Thomas discussed the park-and-ride plans — and the approval of a state/federal grant — with the Cleveland City Council last week, as well as the Cleveland Urban Area MPO Technical Coordinating Committee and MPO Board.

A bulk of the \$1.7 million in funding for the Cleveland/Chattanooga

Commuter Hub is being provided by the Tennessee Department of Transportation and the federal government, with a \$343,000 matching grant from the city of Cleveland.

"This commuter connector is something we've been looking at for some time," Thomas said this weekend.

This will be a partnership of the Cleveland Urban Area Transit System (CUATS) and Chattanooga Area Regional Transportation Authority (CARTA). The buses (some to be purchased with grant money) will pick up commuters in Cleveland and carry them to Enterprise South, where they can make connection with CARTA service to their individual businesses

or industries in the Hamilton County area.

Approval of the grant money, along with Cleveland's match, is just a preliminary step in this commuter partnership between the two communities. There are a number of details and possibilities that remain to be worked out, according to Thomas.

Another preliminary step is the location of the proposed parking area in Cleveland.

Thomas said a memorandum of agreement has been reached with Dr. Ronald Coleman, owner of the Old Woolen Mill in the downtown area,

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OBITUARIES

Odell Ballew

Odell Ballew, 73, of Old Fort, died Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, at his residence.

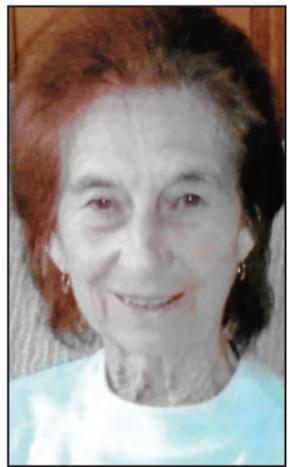
Survivors and arrangements will be announced by Companion Funeral Home.



Robin Cardin

Robin Cardin, 56, of Cleveland, died on Friday night, Jan. 13, 2017, at her home.

Survivors and arrangements will be announced by Companion Funeral Home.



Grace Lee Clingan

Grace Lee Clingan, 75, of Cleveland, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, in a Chattanooga health care facility.

She was the daughter of the late Jay and Willie Combs Rogers. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Donald Leon Clingan; and her brother, Carl Rogers.

She retired from Schering-Plough with over 18 years of service and was of the Christian faith. She loved planting, growing and cultivating flowers. People would pass by her house and often comment that it looked like a florist.

She was widowed at the young age of 29, and then raised four children on her own. She became a hardworking "tough-as-nails" greatly loved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend. Her legacy will forever continue, and she will be cherished by all that knew and loved her.

She is survived by her children: Eddie Clingan and his wife, Nicole, of Cleveland, James Clingan and his wife, Barbara, of Benton, Rita Womble and her husband, John, of Cleveland and Debra Eaves of South Carolina; her grandchildren: Zack Johnson, Krystal Eaves, Erin Campbell, Casey Padgett, Colt Eaves, Hunter Eaves and Jonathan Womble; great-grandchildren: Oakley Padgett, Christian, Tristin and Tiffany Galloway; her brother, Donald Rogers of Birchwood; and her sister, Jackie Reeves and her husband, Richard, of Lafayette, Ga.

The family will have a private memorial service for Mrs. Clingan at a later date.

Jim Rush Funeral and Cremation Services Wildwood Avenue Chapel has charge of the arrangements.

We encourage you to share your memories and/or condolences with the Clingan family by going to www.jimrushfuneralhomes.com.



Sandra Faye Cole

Sandra Faye Cole, 61, of Cleveland, passed away Wed., Jan. 11, 2017, at the family residence.

She was the daughter of the late Lloyd W. and Reathel Carden Cole. She was also pre-

To submit an obituary, have the funeral home or cremation society in charge of arrangements e-mail the information to obituaries@clevelandbanner.com and fax to 423-614-6529, attention Obits.

ceded in death by her sisters: Darrell G. Hamby and Barbara B. Loudermilk Carter; and her brother, Thomas Dewey Cole.

She was the kind of person that anyone that ever met her loved her. She enjoyed going to Life Bridges where the residents and staff loved her dearly. She was of the Baptist faith and attended Four Point Baptist Church.

She is survived by one sister, Lesla Jean Cole of Cleveland; two brothers: Kramer "Bill" Cole and his wife, Huong "Lan," and Junior Cole and his wife, Judy, all of Cleveland.

A Remembrance of Life service will be held at 1 p.m. today, Jan. 15, 2017, at Jim Rush Funeral and Cremation Services Wildwood Avenue Chapel with the Rev. Ray Cheatham.

The interment will follow in the Croft Chapel Cemetery in Turtletown, with cousins and nephews serving as casket bearers.

We encourage you to share your memories and/or condolences with the family by going to www.jimrushfuneralhomes.com.



Mildred Disney

Mildred Disney, 77, passed away Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017 at a local hospital.

Survivors and funeral arrangements will be announced by Higgins Funeral Home in Benton.



Larry 'Tator' Duggan

Larry "Tator" Duggan, 64, a lifelong resident of Charleston, passed away Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017, at his home.

He was a veteran of the United States Army. He was also retired from Bowater.

He was a member of Charleston First Baptist Church. He enjoyed his time outdoors on his tractor and never met a stranger.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Herman Earl Duggan and Myrtle Kathleen Robinson Duggan; brother, Doug E. Duggan; and brother-in-law, Houston "Cotton" Shamblin.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Ann "Tootie" Duggan; sons: Jacob Duggan and Joseph Duggan; grandchildren: Peyton Duggan and Elle Duggan; siblings: Phyllis Shamblin, David Duggan (Gayle), John Duggan (Deborah), Kathy Duggan, Janet Newport (Larry) and Robin Blankenship (Steve); sisters-in-law: Ann Duggan and Hazel Duggan; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, in the chapel of Fike-Randolph and Son Funeral Home with Pastor Gary Nelson officiating.

Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Gardens with his nephews Johnny Duggan, Kevin Duggan, Cody Duggan, David Will Blankenship, Brandon Bryant and Tyler Davis serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Dennis Geren, Jimmy Varnell and Jimmy "Silver Tooth" Benson.

His family will receive friends from 2 to 5 p.m. today at the funeral home.

The family requests that memorials be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

We invite you to send a message of condolence and view the Duggan family guestbook at www.fikefh.com.



Velma Ruth Dunsmore

Velma Ruth Dunsmore, 68, departed this life Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born, July 24, 1948, in Dalton, Ga., the daughter of the late Garvin Patterson and Rhoda Watkins Patterson. She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Pamela Mae Dunsmore; sister, Bonnie Amos; and brother, Lonnie Patterson.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Dunsmore; daughter, Robin Dunsmore; nieces: Rebecca Weldon and Donna Stevens; nephew, Roger Patterson; and several great-nieces and nephews.

A service to celebrate the life of Mrs. Dunsmore will be held today, Jan. 15, 2017, at 1 p.m. from Ponders Melrose Chapel in Dalton, Ga., with Ronald Guffey officiating.

Burial will follow the service at Underwood Cemetery in Cherry Log, Ga., with Kyle Stevens, Brandon Weldon, Mark Weldon, Brett Amos, Colty Parker, Roger Patterson, Mike Watkins and Randy Watkins serving as pallbearers.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.pondersfuneralhome.com.

www.selectedindependentfuneralhomes.org and www.ogr.org.

Roger A. Fain

Roger A. Fain, 65, of Cleveland, died on Friday night, Jan. 13, 2017, at his home.

Survivors and arrangements will be announced by Companion Funeral Home.



Carolyn Geren

Carolyn Geren, 77, died on Saturday, Jan. 14, 2017, in a Chattanooga health care facility.

Survivors and arrangements will be announced later by Companion Funeral Home and Crematory.



'Matt' Goforth

Matthew "Matt" Benjamin Goforth, 34, of Ooltewah, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, in a local hospital.

He was born Sept. 18, 1982, in Chattanooga.

He was a Registered Nurse. He graduated from Southern Adventist University with his bachelor's of science degree.

He was formerly employed with Life Care Center of Collegedale, NHC of Chattanooga, and Parkridge Valley.

He was a member of Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church.

His grandfathers John Kiser and Ira Goforth preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Jean

Goforth; four children: Alex Benjamin Goforth, Emma Jane Goforth, Lazarus "Bobby" Malachi Goforth, and Wilhelmina "Mina" Petrichora Goforth; parents, Darrell and Vicky Goforth, all of Ooltewah; grandmothers: Virginia Kiser of Ooltewah and Della Mae Goforth of Riceville; four siblings: Tim (Dawna) Goforth of Ooltewah, Tiffani Drake of Cleveland, Jenny (Josh) Firth of Birmingham, and Noah Goforth of Cleveland; and five nephews: Zephyniah Goforth and Nehymiah Goforth, both of Chattanooga and Winston Firth, Thatcher Firth and Shepard Firth of Birmingham.

There will be no service or visitation at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Matt's memory to the Jacobsen Syndrome Foundation at www.11quasa.org.

Arrangements are by the East Brainerd Chapel of Chattanooga Funeral Home, Crematory & Florist, 8214 East Brainerd Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421.

Please share your thoughts and memories at www.ChattanoogaEastBrainerdChapel.com.

Viola B. Greer

Viola B. Greer, 92, of Cleveland, passed away Thursday, Jan. 14, 2017 at a local health care facility.

Survivors and funeral arrangements will be announced by Ralph Buckner Funeral Home and Crematory.



Roger E. Harbison

Roger E. Harbison, 73, of Cleveland, died on Friday night, Jan. 13, 2017, at his home.

Survivors and arrangements will be announced by Companion Funeral Home.



John Merrilees

John Merrilees, 76, passed away Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017, at his home.

He moved from Houston, Texas, and has been a resident of Cleveland since 1993.

He was a family-oriented man and loved his dog, Delilah. He played professional soccer in Philadelphia in 1959 and was an avid golfer. For the past year, he found great joy in his mountain-side chalet in Murphy, N.C.

He was preceded in death by his parents: John Merrilees Sr. and Jane Fluker Merrilees.

He is survived by his wife, Christine Merrilees, of Cleveland; daughter, Trisha Sheehan and husband, Kevin, of Virginia Beach, Va.; four grandchildren: Conner, Allie, Layton and Nolan Sheehan, all of Virginia Beach; sisters: Jean Lawrence of Westchester, Pa., and Marilyn Plant of Houston; and four nieces: Bonnie, Jennifer, Katherine and Michelle.

A Celebration of his Life service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, in the chapel of Ralph Buckner Funeral Home with the Rev. Fred Santana officiating.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 5 p.m. today at the funeral home.

We invite you to send a message of condolence and view the Merrilees family guestbook at www.ralphbuckner.com.



IT'S A SPECIAL DAY FOR ...

Lee Cornelison, James Droke, Judy Grissom, Dennis Watson, Cristal Anderson, Terry Trentham, who are celebrating birthdays today ... Betty Franks, who is celebrating her 80th birthday today ... Sharon Wade, who is celebrating her 74th birthday.

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Ruby Ensley Sipe

Ruby Ensley Sipe, 90, of Cleveland, passed away Thursday, Jan. 12, 2017, in a Chattanooga health care facility.

She was the daughter of the late E.L. and Georgia Ensley; and was also preceded in death by her husband, Winford Sipe; her siblings: Arietta Sipe, Ruth Goins, Marie Ensley, Marylene Ensley, Albert Ensley, Edgar Ensley, Arvin Ensley; two infant brothers; and one great-grandchild.

She was a member of the Kinser Road Church of God. She worked for 10 years in the sporting department at Wal-mart until her retirement. She loved listening to music, reading and writing poetry, but most of all she loved to study the Bible.

She is survived by her children: Stella Myers and her husband, Perry, Dianna Maddux and her husband, Pat, Loretta Cloar and her husband, James, Warren Sipe and his wife, Faye, all of Cleveland, and Wayne Sipe and his wife, Helen, of Newman, Ga.; her grandchildren: Penny Callihan, Lori Hammonds, Lebron, Phillip and Tracy Maddux, Stephanie Daniels, Carmen McCauley, Stephen Johnson, Jason Sipe, Eric Sipe and Emily Litton; 18 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; sisters: Elvie Crumbley and Susie McCormack, both of Cleveland; and her sister-in-law, Melba Hickman.

A Remembrance of Life service will be held at 3 p.m. today, Jan. 15, 2017, at Jim Rush Funeral and Cremation Services Wildwood Avenue Chapel with Pastor Gary Sears officiating.

The entombment will follow in the Hilcrest Cemetery.

We encourage you to share your memoirs and/or condolences with the Sipe family by going to www.jimrushfuneralhomes.com.



Velma Irene Wilson

Velma Irene Wilson, 84, of Old Fort, passed away Friday, Jan. 13, 2017, at the family residence.

She was the daughter of the late Paul and Elizabeth Harden Beard; and was also preceded in death by her sisters: Frances McCoy and Pauline Starr; and her brothers: Eldon Wishon, Donald Beard and Flavis Beard.

She was a member of the Conasauga River Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday School. She was a long-time Avon sales representative in the Old Fort community. She was loving wife of 60 years, a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and sister.

She is survived by her husband, G.W. Wilson; her son, Hank Wilson of Ocoee; her daughters: Debbie Fowler and her husband, Randy, of Old Fort, Marilyn Hughes of Old Fort, and Kim Calhoun and her husband, Allen, of Cleveland; six grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; brothers: Weldon Beard of Old Fort, George Beard of Cleveland, Ohio, and Charlie Beard of Cleveland; her sisters: Bonnie Ratcliff of Old Fort and Nina Davis of Cleveland; and two very special loved ones, Larry and Jodie Chambers.

A Remembrance of Life service will be held at noon Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, at Jim Rush Funeral and Cremation Services Wildwood Avenue Chapel with the Rev. Jackie Martin and the Rev. Blaine Phillips officiating.

The interment will follow in the Dill Cemetery in Old Fort.

The family will receive friends today, from 4 to 8 p.m., at the funeral home.

We encourage you to share your memories and are condolences with the family by going to www.jimrushfuneralhomes.com.



LOTTERY NUMBERS

(AP) — These lotteries were drawn:

Tennessee Friday

Cash 3 Evening: 4-8-5, Lucky Sum: 17

Cash 3 Midday: 1-8-8, Lucky Sum: 17

Cash 3 Morning: 5-5-1

Cash 4 Evening: 9-7-0-3, Lucky Sum: 19

Cash 4 Midday: 6-8-4-9, Lucky Sum: 27

Cash 4 Morning: 7-2-7-3

Mega Millions: 10-44-58-74-75, Mega Ball: 11, Megaplier: 3

Tennessee Cash: 03-06-09-16-24, Bonus: 3

Saturday

Cash 3 Evening: 9-5-9, Lucky Sum: 23

Cash 3 Midday: 1-8-9, Lucky Sum: 18

Cash 3 Morning: 9-3-0

Cash 4 Evening: 3-7-4-3, Lucky Sum: 17

Cash 4 Midday: 0-0-0-7, Lucky Sum: 7

Cash 4 Morning: 0-3-7-8

Georgia Friday

5 Card Cash: QC-KC-6C-9D-6H

All or Nothing Day: 03-04-07-09-10-11-13-14-15-18-20-21

All or Nothing Evening: 04-05-07-08-11-12-14-15-16-19-20-23

All or Nothing Morning: 02-03-06-09-10-11-12-15-16-18-20-23

All or Nothing Night: 03-04-05-06-09-10-13-16-19-20-22-23

Cash 3 Evening: 3-1-7

Cash 3 Midday: 9-0-9

Cash 4 Evening: 3-2-1-5

Cash 4 Midday: 8-2-5-4

Fantasy 5: 06-12-29-33-38

Georgia FIVE Evening: 1-8-1-6-6

Georgia FIVE Midday: 1-3-4-3-7

Mega Millions: 10-44-58-74-75, Mega Ball: 11, Megaplier: 3

Saturday

5 Card Cash: 3C-8C-4D-3H-5H

All or Nothing Day: 01-02-05-06-10-14-15-17-20-21-23-24

All or Nothing Evening: 01-03-05-08-09-13-16-18-20-22-23-24

All or Nothing Morning: 04-07-08-10-11-14-16-17-18-21-23-24

Cash 3 Evening: 0-0-2

Cash 3 Midday: 7-4-0

Cash 4 Midday: 2-1-1-7

Georgia FIVE Evening: 5-0-7-9-4

Georgia FIVE Midday: 7-4-8-5-6

U.S. midsection grapples with ice storm

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Parts of the central U.S. grappled Saturday with a second day of road-glazing ice and braced for more of the treacherous, below-freezing wintry weather expected to close out the holiday weekend.

The storm created travel headaches for many people who opted to go out despite pleas by authorities to stay put. The Oklahoma Highway Patrol said Interstate 40 was closed in two places in western portions of the state because of wrecks, including the jackknifing of several tractor-trailers in icy conditions in Caddo County. There were no immediate reports of injuries.

Saturday's storm followed another a day earlier that dumped freezing rain from Oklahoma to southern Illinois. The National Weather Service said swaths of Kansas and Missouri — both broadly still under ice storm warnings Saturday — could see a third wave of sleet and freezing drizzle Sunday. Complicating matters were temperatures forecast in many cases to remain



Jessie Wardarski/Tulsa World via AP
ICICLES HANG from a branch of a tree in Tulsa, Saturday.

near or below freezing.

Ice buildups of one-quarter to slightly less than a half inch were expected late Saturday and Sunday morning from southeastern Kansas to central Missouri. Lesser ice accumulations were forecast for Saturday around St. Louis.

State troopers in Missouri and other affected states were pressing motorists to limit travel to only necessary outings, allowing

road crews the space to treat the slippery mess. Many appeared to heed that advice, drawing kudos from the Missouri Department of Transportation, which scrambled around the clock to mitigate the glazed roads.

"We are keeping up with the changing conditions, but it is a continual battle," said Becky Allmeroth, a state maintenance engineer for the department. She called ice "the most difficult storm

to fight."

"The precipitation is coming in waves, and we have to apply more salt," she said.

A slick roadway was suspected in a Missouri wreck Friday that killed a 33-year-old woman whose sport utility vehicle slid on an icy freeway overpass south of St. Louis and struck several trees. Later Friday, icy conditions were blamed for a pileup involving more than 20 vehicles in Wichita, Kansas, but no serious injuries were reported.

The storm's onset prompted the NFL to move the AFC divisional playoff game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and host team the Kansas Chiefs to Sunday evening to allow more time to treat roads and parking lots at Arrowhead Stadium. The game was scheduled to kick off at noon but now will start at 7:20 p.m.

Many residents had prepared for the storms by stocking up on bread, milk and other necessities and by buying flashlights and generators to have on hand in case power gets knocked out.

Early win on budget pressures GOP to deliver on health care

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans have won a gateway victory in Congress in their seven-year trek toward scuttling President Barack Obama's health care law. Now with Donald Trump a week from taking the presidential oath, achieving that goal is possible, but the pressure is on for them to deliver a final product.

With a near party-line 227-198 House vote, Congress gave final approval Friday to a budget that will ease passage of a still-unwritten bill replacing Obama's overhaul with a GOP edition. The budget — the Senate approved it Thursday — bars Democratic senators from blocking that future legislation with a filibuster.

The budget's approval, with just nine Republicans in the House and one in the Senate voting no, signaled that the party is ready to charge into a defining battle that will be risky. While GOP candidates — including Trump — have run for years pledging to dismantle Obama's 2010 statute, internal divisions abound over how to do it and many Republicans are leery of stripping coverage from the 20 million Americans who gained it under that law.

The budget "gives us the tools we need for a step-by-step approach to fix these problems and put Americans back in control of their health care," House

Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., said after the vote.

Friday's roll call sets the stage for what likely will be weeks or months — at least — of GOP efforts to write legislation and push it through Congress. While that will be challenging, the alternative seems potentially devastating — gaining control of the White House and Congress but failing to deliver on a promise to repeal and replace Obama's law, which GOP voters despise.

"I think the leaders will keep a very close watch on where the members stand before they roll the dice" on a vote on later legislation erasing that law, said Rep. Lou Barletta, R-Pa.

Much of Friday's debate underscored the sharp-elbowed politics of the issue.

"People in Michigan, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Ohio, screwed," said Rep. Hakeem Jeffries, D-N.Y., citing places where he said voters would suffer from the health law's repeal — which also were normally reliably Democratic states that Trump won on Election Day. Continuing the theme of highlighting Trump voters, Jeffries added, "People in Appalachia and rural America, screwed."

Democrats praised the law for extending coverage to tens of millions of Americans and helping many millions more afford poli-

cies and buy prescriptions. Rep. John Yarmuth, D-Ky., said rather than "repeal and replace," Republicans should name their effort "repeal and repent" because of the harm they were about to cause to voters.

No. 3 House GOP leader Steve Scalise of Louisiana aimed his rhetoric at Democrats defending one of Obama's proudest legislative achievements, a law that Republicans say missed its goals of cutting consumers' medical costs and increasing access to doctors.

"This should not be about preserving somebody's legacy," Scalise said. "It should be about fulfilling those promises to the American people that were broken."

Approval of the budget means Senate Democrats won't be allowed to filibuster the future repeal-and-replace bill — a pivotal advantage for Republicans. They control the Senate 52-48, but it takes 60 votes to end filibusters, which are endless procedural delays that can scuttle legislation.

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Drone schools look to woo younger pilots for jobs

GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) — Leaders in the unmanned aircraft industry are trying to persuade young people who think drones are cool to consider flying them for a living.

Commercial pilots must obtain a Federal Aviation Administration drone license, and some companies that employ such pilots have started selling classes that help students prepare for the FAA test or just figure out whether they would be interested in such a career.

“I think a lot of people my age are interested in drones because it’s cool technology that is really just starting to be available for everyone,” said 17-year-old North Dakota high school student Ava Niemeier, who plans to attend new training being offered by a commercial drone company in her state. “There are a lot of kids at my school with smaller drones that they fly for fun.”

Businesses use drones to take photos and video, for security and to conduct inspections or surveys, among other things. With the number of commercial drone operations outpacing the pool of certified drone pilots, experts say more training is needed to help young flyers operate the planes legally and safely.

James Barnes founded the New Jersey Drone Academy on an old miniature golf and driving range complex nearly three years ago. His primary motivation, he says, is to give kids from urban areas who can’t afford to go to college a chance to learn a trade and make decent money.

“We are just growing at an outrageous pace, but I hardly see anybody in the country moving in that direction,” Barnes said. “I’m trying to hire two experienced drone technicians at \$20 an hour and I can’t find anybody.” Participants in Barnes’ courses have ranged in age from 8 to 104.

Niemeier plans to take a course through SkySkopes, a Grand Forks company that employs unmanned aircraft pilots and is offering an online class for students beginning as early as eighth grade as well as a separate flight certification course. She decided to take the class after her father — a commercial photographer with no aviation experience — was recruited by SkySkopes to test the 20-week flight training course.

Matt Dunlevy, SkySkopes president and CEO, said wants to show students “who catch the drone bug early” that there are companies like his that are hiring people. He expects the drone pilot shortage to get worse. Dunlevy’s SkySkopes Academy also is starting an internship program through the University of North Dakota, one of the top aviation schools in the country.

The SkySkopes course will teach the history of flight and of unmanned aircraft, flight fundamentals, flight science, Federal Aviation Administration regulations, airspace requirements, and uses for drones.

Minot Public Schools, which offers aviation classes to high school students, plans to partner with SkySkopes on drone training. Superintendent Mark Vollmer said. The North Dakota Center For Distance Education, a nonprofit online school, also will work with SkySkopes to offer the program.

“There are a lot of kids out there who are interested in drones and want to understand what’s involved with that and what career opportunities there are,” said North Dakota Center for Distance Education spokesman Mike Miller. “We want to make sure that no matter where they are, and no matter how small their school is, they have the same opportunity as any other kid in a larger school that can support a full-time class.”

Bryan Ackley, also with the distance education program, said that while some of the science might be new to students, he doesn’t expect them to be intimidated by flying a drone.

“Basically if it involves a joy stick they can pick it up pretty quickly,” he said.

— **Online:** SkySkopes Academy: www.skykopes.com

New Jersey Drone Academy: www.njdroneacademy.com

North Dakota Center for Distance Education: www.ndcde.org



Red Shoe Gala planned for Feb. 4

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“There’s no place like home,” exclaimed Dorothy as she clicked the heels of her red shoes and swirled her way back home in the timeless classic “Wizard of Oz.”

Much like Dorothy, Cleveland community members will soon have the opportunity to don red shoes for the fifth annual Red Shoe Gala, hosted by CASA of Bradley and Polk Counties.

The gala will take place on Saturday, Feb. 4, at 6 p.m. in the Museum Center at Five Points.

During the evening, guests will be served a three-course dinner catered by Catch Bar and Grill, while live music will be provided by Polo Cummings, a talented artist who has performed with such musicians as Michael Buble. As always, a competition for the “Best Red Shoes” will take place, and the highlights of the night will include live and silent auctions.

Just like Dorothy discovered there’s no place like home, guests will leave the event knowing how CASA works with community volunteers to ensure a safe home environment for abused and neglected children.

Every donation made at the gala will go to CASA’s Voice of a Child fund. This fund is used to support and grow CASA’s advocacy program, ensuring children in need have a voice.

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is a nonprofit organization started in 1977 when a Seattle juvenile court judge concerned about making drastic decisions with insufficient information, conceived the idea of citizen volunteers speaking up for the best interests of abused and neglected children in the courtroom. From that first program, a network of nearly 1,000 CASA programs have grown in the United States. CASA advocates for the best interests of dependent and neglected children in court.

More than 1,300 children per year are involved in the court systems of Bradley and Polk counties primarily as a result of abuse or neglect. CASA advocates play a vital role in providing impartial recommendations to the judge about how to best serve the unique needs of each child.

In Bradley and Polk counties, judges implement more than 90 percent of CASA recommendations, which speaks volumes to the trust CASA advocates have earned in local courts.

Tickets for the gala are available for purchase at www.casabp.org, or by calling 423-472-5800.

Healthier

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Designations last for two years before the communities must re-apply.

Currently, there are 34 workplaces signed up and involved with the area’s Healthier Tennessee programs and the group is looking to get more faith-based establishments involved as well.

“We’re in the process of educating people about this program,” Bradley County Health Department Director Eloise Waters declared.

Becoming a Healthier Tennessee Community involves several initiatives, including:

- Creating a local wellness council, selecting a chairman, engaging government officials and leaders, and having a diverse composition;

- Initiating and sustaining at least three community-wide activities or events that encourage more physical activity;

- Initiating and sustaining at least three community-wide activities or events that encourage healthier eating;

- Initiating and sustaining at least one community-wide activity that encourages tobacco abstinence, and creates a way to track and measure the outputs and accomplishments of the program; and

- Engaging local media and consistently providing them with information on events, updates and other information.

“With the physical activity portion, we’ve been working with the UT Extension and doing ‘Bradley Walks,’ which will include many community members. We’re working with

coordinated school health on doing some of the healthy eating. One program we’re starting is ‘Cooking Matters’ with the Ocoee teens for eighth grade. We’ll use that as part of our initiative. We’re also working with the UT Extension on doing ‘Cooking Matters’ with the adults this summer,” Davenport detailed.

Both the Cleveland and Bradley County mayors are proud to see the area up for designation status.

“This is the beginning of the process to be certified as a Healthier Tennessee Community. We’re doing so many things in the community — we have started to promote bicycle riding with our bicycle paths, we’re promoting walking more now, even walking to school more as we build more sidewalks,” Cleveland Mayor Tom Rowland said.

“I think it all ties in with what the health department is trying to do. This is an entire community effort — we’re trying to get business, industries and schools to promote healthy living and healthy activities,” Rowland said.

For Bradley County Mayor Gary Davis, anything that works at making the community healthier is an initiative worthy of county-wide support.

“Any efforts to make our community healthier is always something that we’re in support of,” Davis said. “This is mainly about informing and educating the people about the things they can do to make themselves and the community healthier.”

Retail group launches training for entry-level job seekers

NEW YORK (AP) — Trying to stem high turnover in store jobs, nonprofit groups and chains such as Wal-Mart, Home Depot and the Home Shopping Network are launching a program to help people develop the skills to land entry-level jobs and advance in a retail career.

As more people shop online, stores say they need workers who come in with more knowledge and can offer better service. The training and credential program, led by the nonprofit arm of the National Retail Federation trade group, includes sales and inventory basics, dealing with customers,

how to use technology like kiosks and more.

“The skill gap is a huge challenge in America broadly,” said Ellen Davis, a senior vice president at the trade group and executive director of the NRF Foundation. “Talent is a significant challenge in retail at all levels.”

More than 20 major retailers including Neiman Marcus and Ashley Stewart have pledged general support for the Rise Up program being launched Sunday. It’s part of a broader credential plan that would help workers move up that may include training for store

Seatbelts

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putting seatbelts on school buses is not a new consideration.

“Every year, it’s talked about,” Austin said. “It’s always been an issue whenever there has been an accident involving children on a school bus.”

While the smaller buses both Bradley County Schools and Cleveland City Schools use to transport children with special needs do have seatbelts, Austin said there are a couple reasons why there are no seatbelts on the larger buses transporting most students.

The full-sized school buses, he said, are designed to “compartmentalize” students by surrounding them with tall, padded seats. In the event of a front or rear collision, the seats are designed to form a protective barrier in front of and behind each student.

The smaller special needs buses are closer to the ground, which means they lack the higher seatbacks the larger buses have. The seatbelts are also used on these buses to ensure the safety of students who may otherwise not be able to sit up well on their own.

Studies related to bus safety have often touted the benefits of school bus safety in general. The National Transportation Safety Board in an official position statement has referred to school buses as “the safest vehicles on the road.” This is based on the number of students transported on them and the comparably low number of school bus crashes.

However, there are many differing views as to whether or not seatbelts would add to or detract from the safety of school buses.

“Although school buses are extremely safe, we have investigated school bus crashes in which children were injured and even killed,” the NTSB statement read. “These were typically side-impact crashes or high-speed rollovers. In these accidents, compartmentalization was not enough to prevent all injuries; for some of the children involved, a seat belt could have lessened their injuries or even saved their lives.”

The NTSB has recommended that new school buses school systems begin using “provide children with the best protection available, which includes 3-point seat belts.”

However, some question whether or not existing school buses should be retrofitted with seatbelts — or if federal or state governments should require the use of seatbelts on school buses at all.

An official position statement from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration states, “there is insufficient reason for a federal mandate for seatbelts on large school buses.”

Referencing the bus crash in Chattanooga, Austin said it is difficult to say whether or not

seatbelts would have saved lives. That incident is reportedly continuing to be investigated as the driver, Johnthony Walker, faces criminal charges.

While Austin acknowledged the loss of life made the crash a truly tragic incident, he also said it is important to “look at the big picture” and recognize that seatbelts might not be beneficial in every circumstance.

Austin recounted the story of a dramatic bus crash Bradley County Schools had to address in 2002. An accident involving two other vehicles on Highway 64 caused a school bus full of children to overturn, landing on its roof.

The driver was trapped due to damage at the front of the bus, but students were free to begin making their way off the bus. Austin said he was thankful for that, as the bus caught fire soon thereafter.

Fortunately, nobody was critically injured or killed in that 2002 accident. However, Austin said having investigated accidents like that makes him question the need for seatbelts on school buses.

“When a bus lands on its top, that could put a lot of pressure on the seatbelts and make them hard to unbuckle,” Austin said. “Also, if the kids were hanging upside down when the fire broke out, if nothing else the smoke would have been damaging.”

While a bus driver could cut off students’ seatbelts in the event of an accident, there is no guarantee a driver would be able to help students 100 percent of the time.

Austin said that is why he is not in favor of Bradley County Schools’ regular buses being outfitted with seatbelts. He believes the risks largely outweigh any benefits seatbelts might have.

“You could talk to 10 different people and get 10 different responses, but I have that experience,” Austin said.

Hal Taylor, director of maintenance and transportation for Cleveland City Schools, has also spoken out about this issue recently. He also said he is not in favor of the city school buses being outfitted with seatbelts.

Still, the transportation supervisors for both Bradley County Schools and Cleveland City Schools pointed out there is one thing that is especially important to consider when talking about bus safety — the drivers.

“That is perhaps the most important thing we have recognized — that the driver is the one who makes the most difference when it comes to safety,” said Austin.

Both Taylor and Austin explained local school bus drivers go through a series of background checks and training sessions. They also explained being a bus driver is not an easy job,

as drivers must be prepared to deal with everything from hazards on the road to unruly students on the bus.

Austin said ensuring student safety not only involves hiring good drivers, but also making sure they get the training they need to be good at what they do and investigating any complaints.

However, both transportation supervisors noted it has been a challenge to attract and keep good bus drivers working for the local school systems. A lot of it, they said, has to do with people leaving for full-time career opportunities, as all the local school bus drivers are employed on a part-time basis.

Austin noted if you are able to keep drivers on the payroll for longer periods of time, then each driver has more time to undergo training and gain valuable experience. The idea is that keeping the same drivers employed and accountable for longer periods of time could improve school bus safety overall.

Taylor said the presence of “questionable employees” was perhaps the biggest issue at play in the Chattanooga crash and another notable crash which occurred in Knoxville in 2014, also leading to discussion among state legislators.

“I think the bigger picture is to get better employees, which has to come from the state,” Taylor said. “They would have to give your transportation departments a bigger percentage of funding, and if they did that, we can hire full-time drivers.”

There are other factors to consider when it comes to adding seatbelts, Taylor added. For example, bus drivers would have to worry about whether or not students would keep their seatbelts on and whether or not bullies would try to use seatbelt buckles as weapons.

Installing seatbelts on school buses could also lower the seating capacities of the buses, the local school officials said. If that were to happen, both school systems would have to look for more buses and bus drivers — and figure out how to pay for them.

As discussion and legislators continue looking for possible solutions, the local school transportation supervisors say they will focus on students’ safety — without the use of seatbelts.

They said they will do what they need to comply with the requirements the state or federal government might have for seatbelts in the future. However, they say the buses may be better off without them.

“We are good with how things are now, without seatbelts in our regular buses,” Austin said. “Because of the issues we have had, that is our position.”

Saralyn Norkus contributed to this story.

MPO

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near the old Whirlpool plant facilities.

A portion of that property is expected to be used for the parking lot, and a number of things (including parking accommodations) are to be worked out. The parking may be available for public events (at the Old Woolen Mill or downtown), when not being used by commuters.

The proposed location will be in the northeast corner of the property.

The park-and-ride program is being worked out for the benefit of commuters, as well as the two community transportation agencies.

“This is a three-year grant. We’ve just started,” said the Cleveland planner. “We will be using a multi-prong approach.”

The program is being sponsored by TDOT and the federal government (as well as local governments) as an effort to relieve traffic congestion and pollution.

Other MPO business:

- Last week’s MPO meeting was the first of seven scheduled for the MPO in 2017, with the schedule approved by the board.

- Other meetings this year are scheduled for March 1, May 3, July 12, Aug. 2, Sept. 13 and Nov. 1. Called meetings can be scheduled, if necessary.

- Thomas also released a list of 48 obligated projects in the Bradley County area for 2017. Each of the projects includes status of completion, how much federal funds have been used, and funds available.

- Attending the MPO meet-

supervisors and in specific areas like retail analytics.

Thirty-two percent of all first jobs in the U.S. are in retail, the trade group says, and stores overall have more job openings now than they did a few years ago. Rising wages have increased competition for workers as people take better-paying jobs. The average hourly pay for cashiers and low-level retail sales staff is \$9.26, according to a recent Hay Group study — a level labor groups say still isn’t enough to live on. The retail industry says store jobs can be a starting point toward bigger things.

In stores, entry-level work isn’t just about folding clothes and ringing up sales. Beyond making change, the Rise Up program includes how to balance a cash drawer and checking for counterfeit currency. Employees also need to understand how stores and online sites work together, use up-to-date handhelds to check inventory, and solve customer-service issues.

“It’s crisp, clear lessons,” said James Rhee, CEO of clothing chain Ashley Stewart, which is among the retailers including HSN Inc. that will give the credential weight in their hiring. “It’s not just

about buying and selling. It’s extremely service-oriented, but it’s extremely more quantitative and it’s all about the innovation of technology.”

The program offers 30 to 40 hours of classroom training or 15 hours of online training, and will be administered through nonprofit groups and public education partners. The overall cost is \$50, but many students will be able to get subsidies. The retailers involved are encouraging local nonprofits or high schools to start using it. Some might fund groups in areas where they’re having a hard time hiring skilled workers.

Local community has no reported cases of mumps

By ALLEN MINCEY
Banner Staff Writer

Mumps is a disease that is no longer common across the nation, with just over 2,400 cases reported in 2016. Many of these cases were seen on college campuses across the United States, but locally no reports were registered by school health officials.

Oddly, those schools reporting mumps noted the numbers being registered could be due to vaccinations not as prevalent as they were years ago, or that those students had been vaccinated had only had single vaccinations when they should have had two, and possibly three sets of shots.

A major factor contributing to outbreaks is being in a crowded environment, such as attending the same class, playing on the same sports team, or living in a

dormitory with a person who has mumps. Also, certain behaviors that result in exchanging saliva, such as kissing or sharing utensils, cups, lipstick or cigarettes, might increase spread of the virus.

According to the national Center for Disease Control, before the mumps vaccination program went into effect in 1967, there were about 186,000 cases reported each year.

In Cleveland and Bradley County, there were no cases reported locally or at college campuses.

"So far, in 2016, there were reports of mumps but they were in nearby states, such as in Arkansas, Iowa, Illinois and Oklahoma," said Dr. Asma Khatri, M.D., infectious disease physician at Tennova Healthcare-Cleveland.

Khatri does not attribute the reported number of mumps cases on college campuses to vaccinations, but rather to the proximity of students to each other that could lead to the disease spreading.

"There could be several factors, as there are families who may not believe in this type of treatment and, thus, had not had their children vaccinated," Khatri said. "Also, kids do get mumps, and with such close quarters, can lead to the mumps virus being passed along much easier."

Mickey Moore, director of Lee University Health Services, said that the closeness of students at the school has not led to any mumps reports.

"We have had no cases of mumps on the Lee campus in the 10 years I have been here," said

Moore. "The state of Tennessee requires that all students in any education setting be vaccinated for measles, mumps, and rubella prior to acceptance into the school."

"However, the state allows the parent or student to waive the immunizations for religious, personal, or medical reasons. About 15 percent of our students do not provide proof of immunization prior to coming to Lee."

Moore said that students who need to be immunized can do so at the clinic at the university, where they can have their blood tested in case they do not know or remember if they have gone through immunization for mumps.

Lee University can do the blood testing to check for immunity in the clinic.

Dr. Michael Stokes, vice presi-

dent of Student Services at Cleveland State Community College, agreed with Moore about mumps at the college.

"CSCC has not heard of any local outbreaks of mumps," Stokes said.

In most cases, once mumps are in a person's system, they are very visible.

Mumps is viral disease which causes pain and swelling of one or both parotid glands, which are located in the jaw area. There may be fever as well. The disease is not dangerous in kids. In teenage boys and adults it may cause orchitis, inflammation of the testes.

MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) vaccine prevents most, but not all, cases of mumps and complications caused by the disease. Two doses of the vaccine are 88 percent effective at protecting against mumps; one dose is 78 percent effective. The MMR vaccine protects against currently circulating mumps strains. High vaccination coverage helps limit the size, duration, and spread of mumps outbreaks.

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MEMBERS OF THE NEW DEPUTY ADVISORY COUNCIL gather for a photograph. On front, from left, are Officer Cristal Goins, Deputy Jessica Morgan, Michelle Rhodes, Deputy Carlos McConnell, Officer Kregg Ware, Officer Carrie Ward; back, Sheriff Eric Watson, Deputy Bryan Chancey, Deputy Corey Loftis, Deputy Daniel Marlow, Deputy Robert Jones, Detective Kevin Chastain and Officer Jack Burke Sr.

Sheriff's Office creates Deputy Advisory Council

From staff reports

Sheriff Eric Watson has announced the creation of the Deputy Advisory Council.

This council was formed to encourage open communication between the sheriff and all divisions of the Bradley County Sheriff's Office to improve overall effectiveness of the department.

The sheriff's mission for implementing the council is to bridge the gap between all divisions of the department, the command staff and the sheriff.

Additionally, the council will help disseminate information, address the overall concerns of each division, and improve professional accountability of the Bradley County Sheriff's Office.

One person from each unit, section, division, and/or shift of

the Sheriff's Office will form the council. The tenure for each person on the council will be one year. The sheriff can only appoint members to the council after the recommendations and endorsements from current Deputy Advisory Council members have been offered.

The members of this first council are: Officer Kregg Ware, Officer Carrie Ward, Officer Cristal Goins, Officer Jack Burke Sr., Deputy Carlos McConnell, Michelle Rhodes, Detective Kevin Chastain, Deputy Corey Loftis, Deputy Bryan Chancey, Deputy Robert Jones, Deputy Jessica Morgan and Deputy Daniel Marlow.

The Deputy Advisory Council will convene on the last Tuesday of every month, and the sheriff

will set the agenda for each meeting. During every meeting, the council will have the opportunity to make recommendations to the sheriff.

When necessary, the Deputy Advisory Council may form small research groups tasked with researching a specific topic to present to the larger group.

The vice chairman will be tasked with member selection and coordination of the small research groups.

The council will have the authority to invite a specific group of people from the department to attend some meetings, i.e., captains, lieutenants and other supervisors.

"Forming this council will give deputies the ability to have involvement on decisions that

affect the whole department," Watson said. "Implementing this council will help with communication throughout the department because each division will have a representative. It's vitally important that personnel on the deputy-level continue to have input regarding the everyday operations of the Bradley County Sheriff's Office."

Broad Street UMC to offer program on Christianity and Islam

Broad Street United Methodist Church will be offering a four-week series on Christianity and Islam, to better understand the uniqueness of Christianity and the perspective of Muslims.

The program will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays, from Jan. 18 through Feb. 8.

The sessions will be taught by Dr. Richard Jones, Lee University professor of anthropology, behavioral and social sciences.

Topics covered will be: "What Is Islam?"; "What Is An Arab?"; "What Do Muslims Believe?"; and "What About the Future?"

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The Browders will be at The South Cleveland Church of God, 1846 Volunteer Drive, at 10:30 a.m. today.

New Day will sing today at 11 a.m. at Philadelphia Missionary Baptist Church, 910 30th St. S.E.

Broad Street United Methodist Church will begin a four-week series on Christianity and Islam on Wednesdays, 6 to 7 p.m. Dr. Richard Jones, a Lee University professor, will be covering topics to help understand Christianity and Islam.

Community Chapel Church of God, 1807 Blythe Ave., will have

its monthly food giveaway Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information, call 479-2143.

Community Chapel Church of God, 1807 Blythe Ave., will have a benefit barbecue supper on Friday, beginning at 5 p.m.

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Lawmakers given assignments in 115th U.S. Congress

From staff reports

The assignments for the 115th U.S. Congress have been given for the coming year.

U.S. Rep. Chuck Fleischmann (R-Tenn.) retained his three critical subcommittees: Labor, Health and Human Services, Homeland Security, and Energy and Water — where he serves in the important capacity of vice chairman.

House Appropriations Chairman Rodney Frelinghuysen of New Jersey announced the Appropriations subcommittee assignments for the 115th Congress on Wednesday.

“As Tennessee’s only House appropriator, I will continue to fight for the needs of our nation and Tennessee’s 3rd District,” said Fleischmann. “During my time on the committee I have strongly advocated on behalf of Oak Ridge, and have also made great strides in funding vital infrastructure projects like Chickamauga Lock. I look forward to many more successes in the future.”

U.S. Rep. Scott DesJarlais (R-Tenn.) has been appointed to the House Armed Services Committee, which oversees the Department of Defense and national security policy.

“A thoughtful, consistent advocate for military members and their families, Congressman DesJarlais is a welcome addition to the House Armed Services Committee,” said Rep. Thornberry (TX-13). “He brings a wealth of experience from the Foreign Affairs Committee, as well as strong conviction that American leadership is the lynchpin of global security. I look forward to working with him to ensure our military is properly funded, spending its resources wisely, and above all prepared to respond to rising threats around the world.”

He also serves on the House Oversight and Agriculture Committees.

“I’m eager to get to work in the new Congress, in partnership with a new Administration, on the most urgent security matters facing the United States, including global terrorism, modernizing military technology, and rebuilding our Armed Forces. The best military in the world deserves the best support. My goal is to ensure their success and the safety of the American people,” DesJarlais said.

U.S. Senator Bob Corker (R-Tenn.) announced he will

serve on the following committees during the 115th Congress:

■ Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, chairman

■ Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, member

■ Senate Committee on the Budget, member

■ Senate Special Committee on Aging, member

“As I traveled across the Volunteer State this year, Tennesseans made clear that they are eager to have a president and Congress that will work together to govern responsibly, grow our economy, address our dismal fiscal situation and protect American interests around the world,” said Corker.

“I look forward to serving as chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and as a member of the banking and budget committees to focus on the issues that matter most to Tennesseans.”

“We have a tremendous opportunity before us to solve our country’s problems, and I look forward to working with President-elect Trump and my colleagues to ensure that we leave behind a stronger nation for future generations,” concluded Corker.

Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.) will serve as the chairman of the Senate’s Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions.

Alexander said, “No Senate committee’s work affects the daily lives of more Americans than this one. Last Congress, we fixed No Child Left Behind for 50 million children in 100,000 public schools and passed 21st Century Cures to help bring safe treatments and drugs to patients more quickly, helping virtually every American family.

“This Congress, I am looking forward to continuing our work getting results that help Americans — reforming our health care system to give Americans more choice of low-cost insurance, making it easier and simpler for more students to attend college, and working with the new Administration to create an environment for companies to add jobs and put more money in people’s pockets.”

Along with leading the Senate’s HELP Committee, Senator Alexander will also serve on the Appropriations Committee, Energy and Natural Resources Committee, and Rules and Administration Committee.

U.S. Senator Bob Corker (R-Tenn.) announced he will

good business practice.”

The letter writers, led by Republican Sen. Richard Briggs of Knoxville, argue that the privatization of government jobs would benefit out-of-state companies, cause a loss of flexibility for schools and hurt loyal employees.

“No longer will employees share the same goals and loyalty to their employer, the University of Tennessee,” according to the letter. “Their employer and future will be with an outside company.”

Michelle Martin, a spokeswoman for Haslam’s privatization initiative, noted that the governor has pledged to protect the jobs for any workers whose positions are outsourced.

“We believe the opportunities to help the state increase service at a lower cost to taxpayers are quite compelling, and stand behind the work that has been done in cooperation with university system representatives and others up to this point,” Martin said in an email.

FOR 110TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Local lawmakers given assignments

By BRIAN GRAVES
Banner Staff Writer

Local representatives to the Tennessee State Legislature have received appointments to some significant committees as the 110th General Assembly enters its second week.

State Rep. Kevin Brooks (R-Cleveland) was appointed as vice chairman of the important House Finance, Ways & Means Committee by House Speaker Beth Harwell.

Much of the activity of the Finance, Ways and Means Committee centers around the preparation of the general Appropriations Bill and balancing the projected \$35 billion state budget.

All measures relating to taxes and revenue are debated within the Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

Along with serving on the full Finance Committee, Brooks will also serve as a member of the House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee and House Insurance and Banking Committee.

“Our community sent me here to support policies that will strengthen our economy and produce more job opportunities, ensure our budget remains bal-



Brooks Howell Bell Gardenhire

anced, and fight government waste. Today, I am proud to continue serving my constituents and doing just that,” Brooks said.

“In addition, I am truly honored to serve as vice chairman of the House Finance, Ways and Means Committee and look forward getting to work on balancing our state budget and continuing conservative fiscal approach that is working in Tennessee.”

State Rep. Dan Howell (R-Georgetown) was appointed chairman of the House Government Operations subcommittee as well as vice chairman of the Local Government Committee.

“I am honored the speaker has entrusted me with these important assignments,” Howell said. “I look forward to continuing my service to the people of District 22.”

State Sen. Mike Bell (R-

Riceville) has been reappointed chairman of the Senate Government Operations Committee.

The announcement was made by Lt. Gov. Randy McNally.

“I appreciate the confidence Lt. Gov. McNally has placed in me and will continue to work hard to make good public policy decisions that not only help Tennessee’s government and its agencies work in a more cost-efficient manner, but that also focuses on serving the people of this state more effectively,” Bell said.

The Senate Government Operations Committee is generally perceived as one of the most powerful in the General Assembly as it oversees legislation to create, reauthorize, reorganize or sunset departments, commissions, boards, agencies or councils of state government. The Committee also hears bills regarding licens-

ing and/or certification of occupational and/or professional groups and reviews regulations promulgated by all Tennessee departments, commissions, boards or agencies.

Bell was also reappointed to the Senate Energy, Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee and the Judiciary Committee.

The Energy Committee is responsible for farming issues as well as all matters pertaining to energy, forestry, natural resources, conservation, game and fish, and the mining industry.

The Judiciary Committee is responsible for hearing all bills dealing with civil laws, criminal laws, judicial proceedings, apportionment of elected officials and governing bodies, and all matters relating to the courts, as well as law enforcement.

State Sen. Todd Gardenhire (R-Chattanooga) also received his committee assignments for the new session.

Gardenhire will be serving on the Education, Finance, and State and Local Committees of the state Senate.

The General Assembly will get down to serious work after Gov. Bill Haslam’s State of the State address scheduled for Jan. 30.

Wacker donates \$10,000 to Habitat

Special to the Banner

Wacker Polysilicon North America donated \$10,000 in support of the Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland ReStores. The gift will be used to purchase a truck to collect donations from the community. The donations will be sold to fulfill Habitat’s mission in Bradley County.

“Habitat for Humanity works in many ways to support families in this community who are in need of a place to call home,” said Mary Beth Hudson, vice president and site manager of Wacker Polysilicon North America. “We are proud to support the great work they do in Bradley County, and look forward to future opportunities to grow our partnership.”

The ReStore accepts gently-used donations in sellable condition and then sells them at up to 80 percent below retail value. The profits from the ReStores allow Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland to fulfill their mission of building and repairing homes in Bradley County.

“We are so grateful and excited to partner with Wacker Polysilicon,” said Chip Willis, Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland executive director.

“Our current donation pick-up truck has over 225,000 miles on it, so this gift from Wacker to purchase a truck was very much needed. Without a reliable truck, we cannot keep enough inventory in our stores to support the Habitat of Cleveland mission. We certainly appreciate this generous gift and look forward to working with Wacker Polysilicon in 2017.”

The ReStores also believe in protecting the environment by diverting material from landfills. Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland’s ReStores have kept more than 5,000 tons of unused product out of local landfills since 2004. This has extended the life of the landfills and saved Bradley County taxpayers a tremendous amount of money.

Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland brings people together to build and repair homes, communities and hope. For more information about Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland, visit habitatofcleveland.org.

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CHIP WILLIS, left, executive director for Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland, is shown with Mary Beth Hudson, vice president and site manager of Wacker Polysilicon North America

TENNESSEE BRIEFS

Newly elected Tennessee Senate speaker names top staffer

NASHVILLE (AP) — Newly elected state Senate Speaker Randy McNally announced Friday that he will replace his predecessor’s chief of staff with a longtime aide.

McNally, an Oak Ridge Republican who took over the chamber’s top post earlier this week, named Rick Nicholson to succeed former Speaker Ron Ramsey’s chief of staff, Lance Frizzell. It is the second high-profile staff departure from the Legislature in the week after House Clerk Joe McCord stepped down on Jan. 6.

Frizzell and McCord were the second- and third-highest-paid staffers in the General Assembly, with salaries of \$182,412 and \$177,348 respectively. Senate Clerk Russell Humphrey has the highest salary at \$185,040.

McNally called Nicholson a “trusted and professional policy adviser.” Nicholson was a research analyst for McNally from 2001 to 2012, when Ramsey named him Senate budget director.

“His temperament, policy expertise and executive experience make him perfectly suited to serve the Senate as Chief of Staff,” McNally said in a release. “I am confident he will do an excellent job.”

Ramsey became Tennessee’s first Republican speaker since Reconstruction when he won the post in 2007. The Blountville auctioneer did not run for another term last year.

Frizzell had worked for Ramsey since 2007 and as his chief adviser since 2011. The Iraq veteran

has also held positions in the House Republican Caucus and the state Republican Party.

“It was the highlight of my career to serve as Senate chief of staff,” Frizzell said in a statement issued through McNally’s office. “Just as Ron Ramsey was Tennessee’s conservative leader, Randy McNally is truly Tennessee’s fiscal conscience. I thoroughly enjoyed working with them both.”

Republican House Speaker Beth Harwell of Nashville last week named Tammy Letzler to replace McCord. Letzler is the first woman to hold the position of chief clerk in the history of the Tennessee General Assembly.

Pipeline reopens near Chattanooga after gasoline leak

CHATTANOOGA (AP) — A pipeline in Chattanooga has reopened less than a week after it was closed because of a gasoline leak.

Colonial Pipeline spokesman Aaron Smith tells news outlets that the affected portion near Signal Mountain was repaired Thursday night and service to the line has been restored. It had been closed after a resident on Saturday reported smelling gasoline.

The pipeline carries petroleum products through Chattanooga to Nashville.

Officials estimate that about 630 gallons of gasoline leaked near Shoal Creek.

Environmental Protection Agency spokesman Jason McDonald says the gas never reached the creek, which runs into the nearby Tennessee River.

Smith says there is no danger to the public and Colonial is paying the bill for the cleanup.

Colonial Pipeline, based in

Alpharetta, Georgia, operates about 5,600 miles of pipelines.

Interim sheriff named to replace jailed Rutherford sheriff

MURFREESBORO (AP) — Rutherford County officials have appointed an interim sheriff while their local sheriff remains in jail on charges that he profited from the sale of e-cigarettes to inmates.

The Rutherford County Commission voted 11-10 to appoint Michael Fitzhugh. Runner-up Dale Armour got the other votes in the final roll call, news outlets reported. There were initially 12 candidates for the job.

Fitzhugh will serve until the 2018 election unless Sheriff Robert Arnold is cleared of his charges. Arnold, his uncle John Vanderveer and former sheriff’s administrator Joe Russell have pleaded not guilty to a 14-count federal indictment that includes charges of conspiracy, fraud and bribery. They are awaiting a Feb. 7 jury trial.

The indictment alleges Arnold used his official position to promote the sale of electronic cigarettes in the jail in exchange for bribes and kickbacks from Russell and Vanderveer.

In addition to the criminal case, Arnold faces a lawsuit filed on behalf of 12 Rutherford County residents seeking to remove him from office. Davidson County Chancellor William Young suspended Arnold from his duties without pay Nov. 14, pending the outcome of the ouster trial, which is scheduled to begin April 10.

Fitzhugh had been with the sheriff’s office for about 19 years before he retired nearly four years ago because he said he dis-

agreed with the way the sheriff’s office was being managed.

Harwell challenger Matlock replaced as transportation chair

NASHVILLE (AP) — The state lawmaker who tried to unseat Republican Beth Harwell as speaker of the House has been removed from his position as chairman of the Transportation Committee.

Harwell defeated Rep. Jimmy Matlock of Lenoir City for the GOP nomination for speaker on a 40-30 vote in November and was unanimously elected to a fourth term in charge of the chamber this week.

Harwell on Thursday named Republican Rep. Barry Doss of Lawrenceville as the new chairman of the transportation panel that will likely play a key role in the debate over Gov. Bill Haslam’s efforts to boost road funding this year.

The state Senate also has a new transportation chairman. Paul Bailey of Sparta succeeds Jim Tracy of Shelbyville, who was named Senate speaker pro tempore.

Tennessee lawmaker: No food stamps for ice cream, sodas

NASHVILLE (AP) — A Tennessee lawmaker has introduced legislation seeking to ban the use of food stamps to buy items without nutritional value.

Republican Rep. Sheila Butt of Columbia says banned items would be those high in calories, sugar and fat, such as sodas, ice cream, candy, cookies and cake. The measure would also prohibit grocers from selling banned items to people on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

Haslam’s privatization plan for UT criticized

NASHVILLE (AP) — A group of 20 state lawmakers has sent a letter to University of Tennessee President Joe DiPietro questioning Republican Gov. Bill Haslam’s plan to privatize maintenance work on the campuses of the public college system.

The letter signed by 17 Republicans and three Democrats notes that Haslam has left it up to the leaders of each institution to decide whether they want to participate in the outsourcing plan. Haslam has argued that privatizing maintenance work at public colleges and universities could save \$35 million per year and could help control future tuition hikes.

“The goal is laudable and the Tennessee government should always search for efficiencies as good stewards of the taxpayer dollar,” the letter said. “Nevertheless, serious concerns and questions are raised not only regarding the validity of the evaluation process but also state-wide outsourcing as a

Could treated sewage be a tool against sea-level rise?

SUFFOLK, Va. (AP) — As a tool against sea-level rise, the idea seems a little counterintuitive: Add water to the ground.

But the laws of physics support it: Pump millions of gallons into a sandy aquifer deep below the Earth's surface, and its porous layers will expand like a sponge. The ground above it will rise, fortifying at least some of the land against the ocean's reach.

For decades, geologists have known that extracting large amounts of water can cause the ground to sink over time, sometimes by dozens of feet in places like California. Pumping it back in has slowed this subsidence and even slightly boosted ground levels in other places, experts say.

This approach could soon be tested in Virginia's Hampton Roads region, which is more threatened than any other place on the Atlantic Coast by the combination of sinking land and rising seas. The area's local sanitation department has proposed pumping millions of gallons of purified wastewater deep into the ground.

Combating sea-level rise is a shared threat along this stretch of the coast, but it's not the primary driver of this project, said Ted Henifin, general manager of the Hampton Roads Sanitation District. The primary motivation is to more effectively respond to water quality requirements for the Chesapeake Bay.

The district currently sends treated sewage into rivers that feed the bay. But persistent pollution levels prompted the Environmental Protection Agency in 2010 to phase in new limits on the total load of nitrates and phosphorous found in the water.

The district can meet the standards of a different federal law — the Safe Drinking Water Act — by pumping wastewater, purified to the point of being drinkable, deep underground.

Putting treated sewage into the ground isn't new. Orange County, California, has done it since the 1990s, mainly to keep salt water out of its aquifers.

And water injection has been discussed as a tool to boost land levels and fight against tidal flooding in cities such as Venice, Italy, according to Tom Burbey, director of the hydrologic sciences program at the National Science Foundation. (That plan was eventually abandoned in

Capitol pig painting is coming down

WASHINGTON (AP) — A GOP congressman reported Friday that a painting stirring controversy on Capitol Hill will be taken down Tuesday after the agency responsible for maintaining the Capitol complex determined it violated rules for a student arts competition.

The painting depicts Ferguson, Missouri, with a pig in a police uniform aiming a gun at a protester. The painting was among hundreds completed by high school students that are featured in a tunnel leading to the Capitol.

Rep. Dave Reichert, R-Wash., complained the painting violated rules for the competition, which state that works depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy or of a sensationalistic or gruesome nature are not allowed. Speaker Paul Ryan informed Reichert on Friday that the architect of the Capitol has determined the painting violated the rules and will come down, his office reported.

Reichert said in a written statement that the painting was a "slap in the face to the countless men and women who put their lives on the line everyday on behalf of our safety and freedom."

The painting by David Pulphus won an annual arts competition in Democratic Rep. William Lacy Clay's congressional district last year. Clay and lawmakers supporting the painting's display said it hung for more than six months without controversy. They said things changed only after conservative media outlets began a campaign to have the artwork removed.

Then, Rep. Duncan Hunter of California took matters into his own hands and removed the painting without permission, returning it to Clay's office last Friday. Clay put it back up as members of the Congressional Black Caucus lent their support.

Thus began a tit-for-tat in which Republican lawmakers kept taking the painting down and Clay kept putting it back up. Clay said removing the painting would be a violation of his constituent's First Amendment right to freedom of speech and expression.

favor of floodgates).

Virginia's coastal region needs to hold on to as much dry land as it can. The area along the bay and Atlantic Ocean is afflicted by what's known as relative sea-level rise, which measures the cumulative effect of sinking land and rising water.

The population of 1.7 million people is the country's second most vulnerable to this predicament, behind New Orleans. Neighborhoods already endure routine flooding, as does the world's largest naval base in Norfolk. Sea levels have risen so much that utility lines that stretch from piers to docked ships sometimes must be shut off during high tides.

By some estimates, the area could lose five feet by century's end, according to The Center for Sea Level Rise at Old Dominion University in Virginia. Even a three-foot loss could permanently inundate as many as 176,000 residents, according to a 2012 report from the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission.

Increasing greenhouse gases have warmed the oceans, melting the polar ice caps and causing rising sea levels. But scientists also blame humans, at least in part, for the sinking ground.

In the Hampton Roads region, slightly more than half the relative sea-level rise is caused by subsidence that's mostly due to humans pumping water out of the ground, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. (The other cause is the land settling back

down after being pushed up by glaciers during the last ice age.)

The Hampton Roads Sanitation District wants to inject an initial million gallons a day during a pilot project in 2018, said Henifin, the general manager. If all goes well, injection levels would eventually rise to 120 million gallons. Regular sampling at well sites would show if the injected water meets drinking standards.

The district still needs federal and state permits for the pilot project. And it will require approval from the Justice Department, which issued a consent decree in 2009 to address overflows from the sewer system.

But the idea has so far survived the scrutiny of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, a conservation group.

"We need to view this, if successful, as a significant improvement," said Peggy Sanner, the foundation's assistant director for Virginia and senior attorney.

"Drinking water standards are higher than what comes out of the pipe right now," she added. "And millions of pounds of pollutants would not go into the bay."

When the pilot project starts, the U.S. Geological Survey plans to monitor the ground's movements.

"The physics tell you that the ground should come up," USGS hydrologist David Nelms said recently in Suffolk, Virginia, near the site of the planned pilot project.

He stood in a shed near a



A DRILLING TEAM for the U.S. Geological Survey adds 40 feet of drilling rod to a rig as they drill down to bedrock to install a land subsidence-measuring instrument called an extensometer in northern Suffolk, Va.

gauge, known as an extensometer, that reaches 2,000 feet into the bedrock. Graphs on the wall chart the layers of sand, clay and gravel that make up the Potomac Aquifer, which extends under almost all of eastern Virginia and parts of North Carolina.

Scientists not involved in the project say the physics makes sense, but no one should expect a significant change in ground level.

In places such as Nevada, water injection has mostly stopped subsidence and caused some of the ground to rise by a number of centimeters, said Burbey of the National Science Foundation.

Burbey expects a similarly minimal rise for Hampton Roads, at best. The Potomac Aquifer's sand layers should expand, he said, but its compacted clay layers won't rebound much.

"Once you've squeezed the

water out of them, it's hard to reabsorb back into those clays," he said.

Michelle Sneed, a land subsidence specialist for USGS in California, said the Hampton Roads project will be closely watched by geologists and other experts.

"If you can get a lot of the land subsidence under control, it buys some time," she said. "Because nothing is going to stop the ocean."

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WINNING ANTI-TOBACCO gift cards from Polk County High School were Jazmin Silvers (first place), second from left, and Jason Earwood (second). Third-place winner Raina Wilcox was unable to attend the presentation. Presenting the awards were Principal Ronnie German, left, and Health Department Director Jeannie Bentley.



POLK COUNTY STUDENTS recently participated in an anti-tobacco poster contest, with gift cards presented to the winners. At the Benton Elementary School participants were, from left, Polk Health Department Director Jeannie Bentley, teacher Karen Ramsey, Mollie Weeks (first place), Catherine Speights (second), Jalen Fields (third), and Principal Dr. Tracy McAbee.

Polk student winners named in anti-tobacco poster contest

Special to the Banner

All students in the Polk County School System had the opportunity to participate in an anti-tobacco poster contest recently, with prize money distributed to the winners.

The prize money, in the form of gift cards, was provided by Jeannie Bentley, director of the Polk County Health Department, and the Tennessee Department of Health's tobacco settlement fund. The contest was coordinated by Polk County Coordinator School Health Supervisor Corina Jones and assistant Wilma Jean Pippenger — with Bentley participating.

Posters were sent out of county to be judged, as the school system's health program is attempting to keep students from starting to use tobacco products, or assisting them if they have a desire to quit.

Bentley, Pippenger and Jones distributed gifts cards for \$25, \$50 and \$100 to the creators of posters selected as this year's winners.

Jones and Pippenger congratulated the winners for their artwork, and participation in this anti-tobacco campaign.

The Coordinated School Health supervisors also expressed appreciation to principals, teachers and staff members who helped with the contest.



POLK HEALTH Department Director Jeannie Bentley presented a first-place gift card to Talon Smith at Copper Basin Elementary School.



WINNING ANTI-TOBACCO poster awards at Copper Basin High School were first-place Riley Smith, second from left, second-place Chance Bailey, center, and third-place Virginia Chambers, right. Health Department Director Jeannie Bentley handed out the awards, along with Principal Ryan Goodman, second from right.

Supreme Court takes up suit over 2001 detention of Muslims

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ahmer Abbasi speaks softly as he describes the strip searches, the extra shoves, the curses that he endured in a federal jail in Brooklyn following the Sept. 11 attacks.

"I don't think I deserved it," Abbasi said during a telephone interview with The Associated Press from his home in Karachi, Pakistan.

Abbasi's quiet, matter-of-fact tone belies his determination, even after 15 years, to seek justice in American courts — provided the Supreme Court will let him.

The justices on Wednesday are hearing an appeal from former Attorney General John Ashcroft, former FBI Director Robert Mueller and other former U.S. officials that seeks to shut down the lawsuit that human rights lawyers have filed on behalf of Abbasi and others over their harsh treatment and prolonged detention.

"Somebody has to be accountable, somebody has to be responsible," said Abbasi, 42, who works in real estate in Pakistan.

The former officials, including the top immigration enforcement officer and the warden and deputy warden at the New York City jail, say it should not be them.

"Senior government officials should not be regularly second-guessed by lawsuits seeking money damages from them in their personal capacity," said Richard Samp, chief counsel at the Washington Legal Foundation and author of a brief from four former attorneys general.

Abbasi was among more than 80 men who were picked up in the days and weeks following Sept. 11 on immigration violations. Until then, he said he had been "living

the American dream" since coming from Pakistan in 1993. He was living in Jersey City, New Jersey, across the river from Manhattan and driving a taxi in New York.

He acknowledges he remained in the United States after he should have left and that he entered into a fraudulent marriage so he could get a coveted "green card" that would allow him to stay in the U.S. legally. He might never be caught except for the terrorist attacks and the aggressive response of officials who wanted to be sure there would be no follow-on strikes.

When he was arrested in late September 2001, Abbasi said he readily admitted he was in the country illegally and assumed he would be quickly deported. Instead, he was held for nearly 11 months, including more than four months in the most restrictive conditions. He was strip-searched frequently and allowed out of his cell for no more than a couple of hours a day. He was deported in August 2002.

The Justice Department's inspector general produced two reports detailing problems with the detentions. The government settled an earlier suit involving five other men for \$1.2 million.

Rachel Meeropol of the Center for Constitutional Rights will argue the Supreme Court case. Meeropol said the men she is representing were arrested without any evidence linking them to terrorism because they fit a profile in law enforcement's eyes. "They were a group of individuals who looked how they imagined the hijackers looked," Meeropol said.

A divided panel of the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York said the men were detained "as if they were terrorists, in the

most restrictive conditions of confinement available, simply because these individuals were, or appeared to be, Arab or Muslim."

The appeals court said that the suit could go forward because "the suffering endured by those who were imprisoned merely because they were caught up in the hysteria of the days immediately following 9/11 is not without a remedy."

The case stems from a class-action suit originally filed in 2002. It's the third time the court has intervened in lawsuits against Ashcroft and others from Muslims who were arrested in the U.S. following the 2001 attacks. The justices have twice sided with Ashcroft.

The odds that the court will come out differently this time are long, especially because only six justices will take part. Justice Sonia Sotomayor was a member of the New York-based federal appeals court that heard an earlier version of the case and Justice Elena Kagan worked on the issue when she served in the Justice Department. One seat on the nine-member high court has been empty since Justice Antonin Scalia died in February.

Four justices — a majority of those taking part on Wednesday — voted to limit the ability to sue Ashcroft in the two earlier cases.

Abbasi said he harbors no anger toward the United States. If anything, he misses his time there. His brother is an American citizen and his nephew recently graduated from Penn State.

He said he tried to get a visa to attend the high court hearing. "I was denied for some reason," Abbasi said. So, too, were others who sought visas, Meeropol said.

No plans to digitize Fisher in 'Star Wars' films

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The makers of "Star Wars" have put a quick end to rumors that while Carrie Fisher has died, her Princess Leia may live on.

Making a rare foray into the sprawling world of "Star Wars" speculation, Lucasfilm said Friday night that there are no plans to digitally recreate Fisher to appear in future episodes of the movie saga.

"There is a rumor circulating that we would like to address," a company statement said. "We want to assure our fans that Lucasfilm has no plans to digitally recreate Carrie Fisher's performance as Princess or General Leia Organa." Fisher, who reprised her role as Leia in 2015's "Star Wars: Episode VII — The Force Awakens," had

finished shooting "Star Wars: Episode VIII," due out next December, when she died Dec. 27 of cardiac arrest at age 60. Her mother Debbie Reynolds died the next day.

But Fisher had also been slated to appear in "Episode IX," scheduled for release in 2019. That film is still being scripted, and the writers are deciding how to handle her death.

Adding to the speculation was the brief appearance of a digitized 1977-era Fisher in "Rogue One: A Star Wars Story," which was released last month.

That film also had a much larger role for a digitized version of the late Peter Cushing as Grand Moff Tarkin.

The renderings of Fisher and

Cushing, who died in 1994, were embraced by many fans but hated by just as many, who thought the characters looked cartoonish, distracting, or even spooky.

John Knoll, the effects guru who came up with the idea of the revitalized characters, told Yahoo Movies on Friday that Fisher "loved" her appearance in "Rogue One," which consists of one short-but-significant shot, and a single word of dialogue.

But Lucasfilm insists "Episode VIII" will be Fisher's last.

"Carrie Fisher was, is, and always will be a part of the Lucasfilm family," the company's statement said. "She was our princess, our general, and more importantly, our friend. We are still hurting from her loss."



AT CHILHOWEE MIDDLE'S presentation were, from left, Principal Connie Dunn, Alex Dill (first place), Gabrielle Duggard (second place), Dixie Landy (third), assistant principal Valerie Davis, and Polk Health Department Director Jeannie Bentley.



POLK COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL Principal Ronnie German, left, and Health Department Director Jeannie Bentley, right, presented a first-place award to Mason Tolzman, center, second place to Bearden Moses, second from right, and third to Izzy Lewallen, second left. These were students in the computer class.



SOUTH POLK ELEMENTARY Principal Frances Bramblett, right, joined Health Department Director Jeannie Bentley in presenting anti-tobacco awards to students Chloe Cochran (first place), center, Darvee Deverell, second from left, and Bryce Lawson, second from right.

NATIONAL BRIEFS

N.Y. mayor, celebs due at

pre-inauguration demonstration

NEW YORK (AP) — New York Mayor Bill de Blasio, the Rev. Al Sharpton and celebrities including Mark Ruffalo, Michael Moore and Rosie Perez are planning to rally New Yorkers to stand up to President-elect Donald Trump on the eve of his inauguration, organizers said Saturday.

Organizers say they expect thousands of New Yorkers to attend the event, put together by groups including Greenpeace and the liberal activist organization MoveOn, on Trump's home turf.

The demonstration is intended as a kick-off to organizing opposition to Trump's policies and support for cities taking their own approach on immigration, climate change, health care, workers' rights and other issues.

"We are sending a message to Washington that we will fight, at every step, discrimination and harmful policies, today, tomorrow, and every day," Ruffalo said in a statement. He said participants "are coming together to stand up for one another, as we will do every day, to protect the values we hold dear."

The demonstration also aims to spotlight actions that cities can take locally, such as working on their own to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

The Republican presidential-elect's choice for Environmental Protection Agency administrator, current Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt, has questioned the science showing that the planet is warming and that man-made emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases are to blame.

Demonstrators plan to rally outside the Trump-developed Trump International Hotel and Tower. It's a half-mile from Trump Tower, the president-elect's home.

Rock slide closes 2 miles of Zion

National Park scenic drive

ZION NATIONAL PARK, Utah (AP) — A rock slide has closed about two miles of a scenic drive inside Zion National Park in southern Utah.

Nobody was injured, but officials say Zion Scenic Drive is impassable just north of Zion Lodge and will remain closed until further notice.

Park officials say the slide occurred late Friday, covering both lanes of the road with about 200 tons of massive boulders and debris that stretch about four car lengths.

It's not immediately known when the closed stretch of road will reopen.

Park officials say workers and geologists must wait for the area to dry out and assess the damage before removing debris and reopening the road.

Officials say visitors should expect crowded road conditions and parking through the weekend.

Other landslides have closed two trails in the park.

'Bridge ninjas' gain internet

fame after Nevada flooding

RENO, Nev. (AP) — A team of heavy-machine operators drew a crowd of camera-toting spectators as they plucked downed trees and other dangerous debris from raging floodwaters in Nevada.

The men then became internet sensations when video of their exploits spread online, with commentators dubbing them #CraneGuy, Bridge Ninjas and heroes of downtown Reno.

Emergency workers voluntarily evacuated about 1,300 people from 400 homes in a Reno neighborhood last weekend as the Truckee River overflowed and drainage ditches backed up.

Three-man teams set up an excavator, loader and dump truck on multiple bridges and started snatching huge logs and debris from the rushing river.

Jim Duncan, a team member, said it was fun but also nerve-racking to spend hours operating machinery in the rain, scooping up heavy objects before they hit the bridge, the Reno Gazette-Journal reported (<http://on.rgj.com/2jBEaku>).

"It's like playing a video game," he said. Still, "it's a challenge every day."

At one point, equipment operator Steve Coltra plucked a metal picnic bench from the water. Co-worker Aaron Bird grabbed a storage shed.

Officials said the men served as a first line of defense, preventing junk from piling up and putting extra strain on aging bridges. They worked for about 20 hours on three separate shifts.

Cost to fix Michigan sinkhole

estimated at more than \$78M

FRASER, Mich. (AP) — The cost to fix a broken sewer line that caused a football field-sized

sinkhole north of Detroit is estimated at more than \$78 million, Macomb County's new public works chief says.

The project's cost could rise above \$100 million if more work is done to improve the rest of the sewer line, public works chief Candice Miller told Macomb County commissioners on Friday. The repairs could take about a year to complete.

"This is an enormous thing that's happening to the county," Miller said. "We're up to the challenge. We're going to get through this thing. We're going to solve this problem. And somehow we've got to figure out how to pay for it."

The sewer collapse was discovered after homeowners heard noises Christmas Eve and noticed their house was sinking.

Officials temporarily evacuated nearly two dozen homes because water and gas service had to be shut off. Nineteen families have since been allowed to return. Three homes were eventually condemned.

About 400,000 people in surrounding communities have been asked to take shorter showers and wash only full loads of clothing as part of a voluntary water conservation plea until a fix is completed.

Officials have not yet determined an exact cause for the sewer collapse, but said earlier this month that a 2-inch diameter hole bored through the pipe after a 1978 collapse may have allowed groundwater to move up into the line and erode the soil beneath the pipe.

City slammed as it declares

Monday 'Great Americans Day'

BILOXI, Miss. (AP) — The city of Biloxi has sparked a debate about the holiday honoring the late civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. after announcing on social media that city offices would be closed Monday for "Great Americans Day."

Monday is federally recognized as Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

The Sun Herald reports Great Americans Day doesn't exist as a holiday and is not even recognized by the Mississippi Secretary of State's Office. However, Biloxi City Council passed an ordinance in 1985 declaring the holiday "Great Americans Day."

After Biloxi defended the holiday reference on Twitter and Facebook, dozens of comments were posted that criticized the move.

Mayor Andrew "FoFo" Gilich called for the city to repeal its ordinance and recognize the holiday with the King name.

Police say man dies after jumping out of burning building

SHELTON, Conn. (AP) — Police say a man on the fourth floor of a burning commercial building in Connecticut has jumped to his death.

Shelton police say they received calls saying the building was engulfed in flames around 5 a.m. Saturday.

When emergency workers arrived, they found a badly burned and injured man at the foot of the building. Police later identified him as 69-year-old Randol Rios of Shelton.

Detectives discovered Rios worked at Machine Builders of New England, which occupied the fourth floor of the building.

Police say an early investigation found Rios had jumped from a window to escape the fire. He was pronounced dead at Bridgeport Hospital.

A Shelton firefighter injured while fighting the blaze was treated at the hospital and released.

Woman pleads not guilty to framing husband's ex as stalker

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — A former Southern California woman has pleaded not guilty to charges that she framed her husband's ex-girlfriend, portraying her as a stalker who made death threats and set up a bizarre "rape fantasy" scheme.

Angela Diaz of Phoenix entered pleas Friday in Orange County to charges including kidnapping, false imprisonment and perjury.

Prosecutors say last year, Diaz ran an ad on Craigslist steering men to her Anaheim home for consensual "rape fantasy" sex and claimed one man tried to rape her. She also allegedly faked a pregnancy and cancer and claimed the ex-girlfriend threatened to kill her.

The ex, Michelle Hadley of Ontario, was arrested and jailed for months before authorities say they discovered Diaz was behind everything. Charges against her were dropped this month.

Jennifer Holliday backs out of

Trump inauguration gig

(AP) — Broadway star Jennifer Holliday has backed out as a per-

former at next week's presidential inaugural, saying she did not realize that her participation would be interpreted as a statement of support for President-elect Donald Trump.

Holliday, best known for her Tony-winning role in Broadway's "Dreamgirls," faced pressure from her gay, lesbian and black fans when it was announced she would sing at a Thursday concert at Washington's Lincoln Memorial.

Holliday said in a statement Saturday that she apologized for her lapse of judgment, for being uneducated on the issues and causing heartbreak for her fans.

Several prominent entertainers have declined to perform at Trump inaugural festivities. Country star Toby Keith and actor Jon Voigt are in the lineup for Thursday's concert.

Holliday's reversal was first reported by The Wrap; the publication obtained a letter Holliday wrote to her fans. Her representative, Bill Carpenter, confirmed the details in the letter to The Associated Press.

"My only choice must now be to stand with the LGBT Community and to state unequivocally that I WILL NOT PERFORM FOR THE WELCOME CONCERT OR FOR ANY OF THE INAUGURATION FESTIVITIES!" she wrote.

"Please know that I HEAR YOU and I feel your pain. The LGBT Community was mostly responsible for birthing my career and I am deeply indebted to you," she added. "You have loved me faithfully and unconditionally and for so many years you provided me with work even though my star had long since faded."

Woman shot by police after

officers find 3 bodies at home

WILLIAMSBURG, Ky. (AP) — Police in southeastern Kentucky say officers shot a woman brandishing a handgun after she allegedly killed her husband and two teenage daughters at their home.

Whitley County Sheriff Colan Harrell says officers were called to the home of Larry and Courtney Taylor on Friday night after a relative went there to check on the family.

Harrell told The Lexington Herald-Leader that 41-year-old Courtney Taylor pointed a gun at two deputies who arrived at the home. One of the deputies shot her. She was taken to University of Kentucky Chandler Hospital with life-threatening injuries. Her condition was not known Saturday afternoon.

Police found three people dead inside the home: Larry Taylor, 51; and the couple's two teenage daughters.

Harrell says they had been dead for several hours before being found.

Ex-deputy charged in fatal Ohio

shooting says he was in fear

WAVERLY, Ohio (AP) — A former Ohio deputy sheriff accused of fatally shooting an unarmed man after a chase testified he fired because he thought the suspect was leaning down to grab a weapon.

Former Pike County Deputy Joel Jenkins, who also is charged in a separate fatal shooting, said he yelled, "Please don't do it" when he saw the man raise his arm as if he had something in his hand.

"I thought he was retrieving a weapon," Jenkins said Friday, describing how he said Ronald Rooker bent down in the cab of his pickup.

Prosecutors told jurors Jenkins unnecessarily fired nine times through the windows of Rooker's stopped truck at the end of the chase in March 2015, striking the 26-year-old seven times.

A defense attorney said Jenkins had feared for his life and was justified in firing at the driver, who had sped away from a traffic stop and tried to ram law enforcement vehicles. But prosecutors said Rooker wasn't a threat when he was shot because his truck was pinned against a tree.

Jurors are expected to begin deliberating next week.

Jenkins, 32, testified that he thought Rooker was going to kill him. "I just don't have the time to wait and see," he said.

He had been a deputy with the Pike County Sheriff's Office in southern Ohio about two years when he shot Rooker after a 17-mile chase.

No trial has been scheduled in the second shooting, which happened in December 2015 in Jenkins' home. He has pleaded not guilty to involuntary manslaughter and other charges in that case, which involves what he says was the accidental, off-duty shooting of a neighbor. Jenkins says he was showing a gun to a neighbor when it fired.

Trump unleashes Twitter attack against civil rights legend Lewis

NEW YORK (AP) — Donald Trump tore into civil rights legend John Lewis for questioning the legitimacy of the Republican billionaire's White House victory, intensifying a feud with the black congressman days before the national holiday honoring Martin Luther King Jr. and as the first African-American president prepares to leave office.

Trump tweeted on Saturday that Lewis, D-Ga., "should spend more time on fixing and helping his district, which is in horrible shape and falling apart (not to mention crime infested) rather than falsely complaining about the election results."

The incoming president added: "All talk, talk, talk - no action or results. Sad!"

Lewis, among the most revered leaders of the civil rights movement, suffered a skull fracture during the march in Selma, Alabama, more than a half-century ago and has devoted his life to promoting equal rights for African-Americans.

The weekend clash highlighted the sharp contrast between how many African-American view Trump's inauguration compared with Barack Obama's eight years ago.

It also demonstrated that no one is untouchable for scorn from a president-elect with little tolerance for public criticism. Trump has found political success even while attacking widely lauded figures before and after the campaign — a prisoner of war, parents of a slain U.S. soldier, a beauty queen and now a civil rights icon.

Lewis, a 16-term congressman said Friday that he would not attend Trump's swearing-in ceremony at the Capitol this coming Friday. It will mark the first time he skipped an inauguration since joining Congress three decades ago.

"You know, I believe in forgiveness. I believe in trying to work with people. It will be hard. It's going to be very difficult. I don't see this president-elect as a legitimate president," Lewis said in an interview with NBC's "Meet the Press" set to air Sunday.

"I think the Russians participated in helping this man get elected. And they helped destroy the candidacy of Hillary Clinton," Lewis said.

Lewis' spokeswoman, Brenda Jones, declined to respond to

Trump and said the lawmaker's "opinion speaks for itself."

"We as a nation do need to know whether a foreign government influenced our election," she said.

U.S. intelligence agencies have said that Russia, in a campaign ordered by President Vladimir Putin, meddled in the election to help Trump win. After spending weeks challenging that assessment, Trump finally accepted that the Russians were behind the election-year hacking of Democrats. But he also emphasized that "there was absolutely no effect on the outcome of the election including the fact that there was no tampering whatsoever with voting machines."

Democrat Clinton received 2.9 million more votes than Trump but lost the Electoral College vote.

Lewis' Democratic colleagues quickly came to his defense Saturday.

"Let us remember that many have tried to silence @repjohnlewis over the years. All have failed," tweeted House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.

The Democratic Party of Georgia called on Trump to apologize to Lewis and the people of his district.

"It is disheartening that Trump would rather sing the praises of Vladimir Putin than Georgia's own living social justice legend and civil rights icon," state party

spokesman Michael Smith said.

Trump's assertion that Lewis' district is "falling apart" and "crime infested" is hard to prove.

Georgia's 5th Congressional District includes the Atlanta metro region, which has a large African-American population. The district is considered one of the nation's fastest growing areas, but its crime and poverty rates are higher than the national average.

The district has an 8.2 percent unemployment rate and the median household income is about \$48,000, according to the Census Bureau.

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Marchers brave cold, rain for MLK march in D.C.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite rain and cold weather, marchers filled several blocks in Washington on Saturday as they rallied in a Martin Luther King Jr. Day march that was at times also a rally against President-elect Donald Trump.

Civil rights leader Rev. Al Sharpton had organized Saturday's "We Shall Not Be Moved" march and rally ahead of Monday's Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday. But Trump, whose inauguration will take place in less than a week, was also on marchers' minds.

Holding umbrellas and bundled against temperatures in the mid-30s the crowd chanted "No justice, no peace" and "We will not be moved" but also "We will not be Trumped" and "Love Trumps hate." They cheered when one speaker referenced the comments of Georgia Rep. John Lewis, who has said he will not attend Trump's inauguration and, an interview with NBC's "Meet the Press" set to air Sunday, that he doesn't consider Trump a "legitimate president."

"We come not to appeal to

Donald Trump, because he's made it clear what his policies are and what his nominations are. We come to say to the Democrats in the Senate and in the House and to the moderate Republicans to 'Get some backbone. Get some guts.' We didn't send you down here to be weak-kneed," Sharpton told marchers at a rally after they walked from the Washington Monument to a park near the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial.

Sharpton called on marchers to oppose Trump's nominee for Attorney General, Alabama Sen. Jeff Sessions, and asked the crowd if they were willing to visit their senators' offices to oppose the nomination. He told them: "We need to make some house calls. We need to stay a little while." He later told The Associated Press those visits, involving a number of groups, would begin within the next 10 days.

Protesters also gathered Saturday to support immigrant rights at rallies around the U.S., including in Washington, denouncing Trump's anti-immigrant rhetoric and his pledges to

build a wall on the U.S.-Mexican border and to crack down on Muslims entering the country.

The Washington crowd urged Trump and the Republican-controlled Congress not to undo the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, aimed at helping people who were brought to the country as children.

Joining Sharpton were family members of Eric Garner, Trayvon Martin and Walter Scott, black men whose names have become rallying cries following their deaths.

"When we leave here we have work to do," said Gwen Carr, the mother of Eric Garner, who died in 2014 on Staten Island, New York, after a white officer placed him in a chokehold.

Carr and Sharpton talked about voting rights, criminal justice reform, health care and "a living wage" as issues marchers should care about.

Sybrina Fulton, whose son Trayvon Martin was fatally shot by neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman in Florida in 2012, asked marchers to "stand up and make a difference in your community."



AP Photo/Cliff Owen

CIVIL RIGHTS ADVOCATES march to honor the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. in Washington, Saturday. The National Action Network, the group founded by the Rev. Al Sharpton, is sponsoring Saturday's "We Shall Not Be Moved" march and rally ahead of Monday's Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday.

Marchers themselves expressed a range of emotions about Trump. Debra Conyers of East Orange, New Jersey, said she was a toddler in 1963 when Martin Luther King gave his "I Have a Dream" speech. She said Obama "helped Wall Street" and

"helped Main Street." As for Trump: "I'm waiting to see how it unfolds," she said.

Alicia James, a 48-year-old marketing consultant from New York City, said eight years ago she stood with her then 12-year-old son on the National Mall for

Obama's first inauguration. She said she doesn't want to see Republicans repeal the Affordable Care Act or undo other parts of Obama's legacy, but, she said, if it happens: "You can't erase the impact he has had on this country."

Chicago vows improvements after scathing police report

CHICAGO (AP) — Chicago officials are pledging to revamp the city Police Department following a scathing federal report, but a change in presidential administrations could spell uncertainty for the critical next step in the process: negotiating a court-enforceable improvement plan with the Justice Department.

A report released Friday in the final days of Attorney General Loretta Lynch's tenure found that police in the nation's second-largest department had violated the constitutional rights of residents for years, including the frequent use of excessive force, shooting at people who did not pose imminent threats and using stun guns on others only because they refused to follow commands.

The report was the culmination of a yearlong investigation, one of about two dozen civil rights probes of local law enforcement agencies undertaken by President Barack Obama's Justice Department.

The findings come just a week before Donald Trump is sworn in as president, marking a change from a Democratic White House that has strongly backed the review process to a Republican one that has expressed far less support for federally mandated overhauls of troubled police agencies.

The Justice Department began investigating the police force in December 2015 after the release of dashcam video showing a white officer shooting black teenager Laquan McDonald, who was hit 16 times as he held a small folded knife while walking away from police. The video of the 2014 shooting, which the city fought to keep secret, inspired large protests and cost the city's police superintendent his job.

The report's conclusions were unsparring, blaming "systemic deficiencies" within the department and the city, including insufficient training and a failure to hold bad officers accountable for misconduct. Officers endangered civilians, caused avoidable injuries and deaths, and eroded community trust that is "the cornerstone of public safety," said Vanita Gupta, head of the Justice Department's civil rights division.

The federal government's recommendations follow an especially bloody year on Chicago streets. The city logged 762 homicides in 2016, the highest tally in 20 years and more than the combined total of the two largest U.S. cities — New York and Los Angeles.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel said the results of the investigation were "sobering" and pledged to make changes beyond those the city already has adopted, including de-escalation training and stricter use-of-force policies. Federal authorities and city officials have signed an agreement that offers a broad outline for reform, including commitments to improved transparency, training and accountability for bad officers. The Justice Department and the city will negotiate a final settlement to be enforced by the courts.

Attorney General Loretta Lynch said the report lays "the groundwork for the difficult but necessary work of building a stronger, safer, and more united Chicago for all who call it home."



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IN THIS MAY 17, 1967 file photo, Dr. Martin Luther King speaks at the University of California administration building in Berkeley, Calif. Fifty years ago, Martin Luther King Jr. asked Americans, "Where do we go from here?" His warning of chaos or community squarely confronted racism, and marked a shift from his emphasis on nonviolence to a demand for full economic and political equality. Younger generations of black activists say they prefer the pointed, more forceful King to the Nobel Peace Prize-winning pacifist who preached love over hate.

King's shift from dreamer to radical resonates for activists

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — For Abdul Aliy-Muhammad, the Martin Luther King Jr. he learned about as a child was a man of love, peace and racial harmony, a gifted orator.

It wasn't until Aliy-Muhammad became an activist that he came to know, and appreciate, the King who decried the Vietnam War as "unjust" and made a firm, insistent case for economic justice for black Americans.

"There is a Martin Luther King that is important to the resistance movement that we don't hear about," said the 33-year-old co-founder of the Black and Brown Workers Collective in Philadelphia. "We always hear about love and forgiveness. ... There was also a King who was radical."

Younger black activists say they prefer the pointed, more forceful King to the Nobel Prize-winning pacifist who preached love over hate as he led nonviolent marches across the segregated South. They like the fact that the urgency in King's demand for equality in the years just before his assassination in 1968 is in keeping with the tenacious nature of today's Black Lives Matter rallying cry.

"Then as now, it was about promises not translating into substantive transformation," said Princeton University professor Imani Perry. "The questions young people are asking and the way they're challenging the status quo are important. If we don't have that kind of vision, we end the possibility for change before we even have the conversation. In that sense, they really are carrying the torch."

Fifty years ago this month, King retreated to the Caribbean with his wife, Coretta, and a few friends to write his final book, "Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community?" In the book, published in June 1967, King argued for racial equality for black Americans through the

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— Charlene Carruthers, national director of the Black Youth Project 100 in Chicago*

wholesale embrace of social and economic reform.

During the book's promotional tour, King spoke out against the Vietnam War and criticized U.S. leaders for allowing slum conditions to persist in the cities. "Everyone is worrying about the long hot summer with its threat of riots. We had a long cold winter when little was done about the conditions that create riots," King said in June 1967.

Today's young activists say King's harsher words resonate just as much as his methods of peaceful protest.

"We do King a disservice when we try to tell a flat story of turning the other cheek," said 31-year-old Charlene Carruthers, national director of the Black Youth Project 100 in Chicago. "It was never simply that."

As Carruthers sees it, "agitation" was the core of King's work. "Their agitation shows up differently than how our agitation shows up today. However, I think King's work and the work we do are part of the larger tradition of black radical resistance."

In an August 1967 speech to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, King pointed out disparities in unemployment, housing, education and infant mortality. He called for black Americans — then barely a century out of bondage — to "assert our dignity and worth."

"The job of arousing man-

hood within a people that have been taught for so many centuries that they are nobody is not easy," King told the audience. "Psychological freedom, a firm sense of self-esteem, is the most powerful weapon against the long night of physical slavery."

King fought to end public segregation and fought for the right to vote. But he also advocated for a living wage and worked to close the employment gap for blacks and spoke out against discrimination in policing — to which rioting was a common response. King reacted to the Feb. 29, 1968, release of the report by the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders, also known as the Kermer commission, by noting that the solutions suggested "have been made before almost to the last detail and have been ignored almost to the last detail."

It is a familiar climate for some working in the Black Lives Matter movement, who see their efforts in cities like Ferguson, Missouri, Chicago, Baltimore and Cleveland on a continuum that reaches back to King.

They identify with the fact that King was only 26 when he was thrust into a leadership role in the 1955 Montgomery Bus Boycott. When he died at 39 in 1968, before he could launch his Poor People's Campaign, King was still far younger than civil rights establishment figures such as A. Philip Randolph and Adam Clayton Powell.

Remembering King as a community organizer places his movement alongside contemporary activism, said Patrisse Cullors, co-founder of Black Lives Matter.

"He was really focused on poor black people," Cullors, 33, said. "Let's remember the King who was invested in changing the country that he loved so much, who called out elected officials who continued to endanger black people."

A young ex-president, Obama poised for a busy retirement

WASHINGTON (AP) — For Barack Obama, there's a presidential library to build, hundreds of millions of dollars to raise, causes to champion and a book to write. And don't forget that long-promised vacation with his wife.

Looming retirement is looking like anything but for the 44th president.

Obama's next chapter starts Friday when he becomes an ex-president. He'll be freer to speak his mind, set his own schedule and make some money.

Already, Obama is looking ahead to the book he wants to write, and has had talks with Hollywood agent Ari Emanuel about arrangements that could include speaking gigs.

At 55, Obama will be a relatively young ex-president, with plenty of time for a second act. He's ruled out running another campaign for political office — so has his wife — but he has pledged to stay an active in the national conversation.

With President-elect Donald Trump headed to the White House, Democrats are eager for Obama to play the role of shadow-president, offering direction to those Americans who feel they lost their political compass the day Trump was elected.

Obama has said he has plenty of ideas for how his party can revive itself, but after eight years as president, his role will be to offer guidance, not to micromanage.

"I think it's appropriate for me to give advice, because I need some sleep," Obama told NPR last month. "And I've promised Michelle a nice vacation. My girls are getting old enough now where I'm clinging to those very last moments before they are out of the house."

Obama is expected to keep a low profile for the first few months after Trump's swearing-in.

Following some relaxation time with his wife and daughters in an unnamed location, the family will return to Washington, where they've rented a mansion in the upscale Kalorama neighborhood.

Obama has repeatedly praised George W. Bush for giving him room to operate without having the ex-president publicly second-guess him at every turn. Still, Obama has reserved the right to speak out against Trump if he pursues policies the president finds particularly odious, such as a ban on Muslim immigration or mass deportation of children brought to the U.S. illegally.

"The party is in bad state and there are no clear, obvious voices for Democrats yet," said Julian Zelizer, a presidential historian at Princeton University. "If there's anyone who could stand up to a President Trump, it's going to be former President Obama."

Obama may re-emerge in a more public way around the time he releases his book — probably sometime next year — and goes on a promotional tour. Obama's chief White House speechwriter, Cody Keenan, is expected to stay with his boss to help him craft the sequel to Obama's two previous best-sellers.

Though Obama has yet to fully settle his plans, four individuals familiar with Obama's thinking said over the last year that he's discussed post-presidency arrangements with Emanuel, a leading tal-



President Barack Obama

ent executive. One of Emanuel's brothers is Obama's former chief of staff, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel.

It's unclear whether Obama will sign with Ari Emanuel. But the discussions suggest Obama has been looking to Hollywood for inspiration about ways to engage creatively and on multiple fronts, such as digital media and television. Emanuel didn't respond to a request for comment.

Whatever direction he goes, Obama will not be pressed financially. Obama can expect to fetch an advance of more than \$20 million for his book, said Keith Urbahn, a literary agent at Javelin DC who's handled best-sellers for top political figures.

"Half of the country still looks at him as their leader," Urbahn said. "From a publishing perspective, he will probably end up with the highest advance of any ex-president in history."

It won't be long until Obama and his wife start raising money for the Barack Obama Foundation, which is developing his presidential library and center in Chicago. The price tag is expected to approach half a billion dollars.

The Obamas will have to hire personnel in the coming months as they engage more heavily in designing the center. While it will be several years before the library is up and running, the foundation has left open the possibility it might start some programming sooner.

Former White House aide Amy Brundage, a spokeswoman for the foundation, said it would use 2017 to "build upon the work that has begun" to create a center that inspires people to take on big challenges.

Obama also plans to stay involved in his My Brother's Keeper initiative, recently renamed the "Task Force on Improving the Lives of Boys and Young Men of Color and Underserved Youth." He is also teaming up with former Attorney General Eric Holder on the National Democratic Redistricting Committee, a new initiative to improve Democrats' hand when political districts are redrawn in 2020.

The hub of Obama's activity will be his personal office, to be housed in the World Wildlife Fund headquarters not far from his rented home. For the first six months, he'll also have a government-funded office overseeing his transition to ex-president.



Matt Hartman via AP

SPACE-X'S FALCON 9 rocket with 10 satellites launches at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. on Saturday. The two-stage rocket lifted off to place 10 satellites into orbit for Iridium Communications Inc. About nine minutes later, the first stage returned to Earth and landed successfully on a barge in the Pacific Ocean south of Vandenberg.

SpaceX launches first rocket since explosion in Florida

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket blasted off from California on Saturday and placed a constellation of satellites in orbit, marking the company's first launch since a fireball engulfed a similar rocket on a Florida launch pad more than four months ago.

The two-stage rocket lifted off from Vandenberg Air Force Base at 9:54 a.m. carrying a payload for Iridium Communications Inc., which is replacing its entire global network with 70 next-generation satellites.

The satellites were deployed about an hour after launch.

About nine minutes after the rocket blasted off, to cheers from the control room, its jettisoned first stage landed upright on a so-called dronship in the Pacific Ocean south of Vandenberg — part of SpaceX's effort to make boosters reusable.

The company has succeeded six times previously with landings on a barge or ashore.

A camera aboard the first stage gave viewers a you-are-there experience as it returned to Earth, flared landing rockets and made a perfect upright touchdown on the floating pad.

The return to flight is an important step for SpaceX, billionaire Elon Musk's California-based company that has about 70 launches in line, worth more than \$10 billion. In addition to commercial launches, SpaceX ferries supplies to the International Space Station and is developing a Falcon capable of carrying astronauts to the station.

SpaceX officials say they identi-

fied all possible causes of the Sept. 1 accident during prelaunch testing at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida, and took corrective action.

The accident destroyed the rocket and its payload — a satellite that Facebook wanted to use to spread internet access in Africa — and grounded the Falcon 9 program as an investigation took place.

SpaceX announced this month that investigators concluded the accident involved a failure of one of three helium tanks inside the rocket's second-stage liquid oxygen tank.

The investigation involved the Air Force, NASA, the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Administration, which issued a license for the launch.

The September accident was the second time a Falcon 9 was destroyed. In June 2015, a Falcon loaded with space station supplies disintegrated shortly after liftoff. SpaceX determined that a support strut broke.

The 10 satellites launched Saturday are part of McLean, Virginia-based Iridium's project to replace its existing network of satellites that provide global voice and data communications.

The program, called Iridium NEXT, was not only delayed by the SpaceX accident but again most recently as a powerful storm headed into California last weekend.

Iridium plans six more Falcon 9 launches, each carrying 10 satellites, as part of a technology upgrade expected to be completed in 2018.

Tamir Rice's mother upset with Cleveland police probe

CLEVELAND (AP) — The mother of Tamir Rice is upset that a police officer who shot and killed her 12-year-old son will gain avoid charges in the shooting that contributed to the national outcry over minorities dying at the hands of police.

Cleveland officials said Friday that the rookie patrolman will face internal discipline charges over accusations of lying on his police application, but he won't face an internal review for his use of force.

The decision comes about a year after county prosecutors decided against pursuing criminal charges in the 2014 shooting against officer Timothy Loehmann.

The U.S. Department of Justice still is reviewing the case. Loehmann, who is white, fired within seconds of arriving outside a recreation center where the black boy was playing with a replica Airsoft-type gun that shoots nonlethal plastic pellets.

Loehmann and his partner had gone to the recreation center after a man called 911 to report that a "guy" was pointing a gun at people.

The boy's mother, Samaria Rice, and her attorney said it's

"disappointing and disheartening" that Loehmann won't face discipline for his use of force.

She said Loehmann and his partner, Frank Garmback, who was driving the patrol car that skidded to a stop a few feet from Tamir, should be fired.

"I think this process has taken entirely too long," Rice said.

The city on Friday said disciplinary hearings will be held over the internal charges recommended against both Loehmann and Garmback.

A city spokesman said the officers could face a suspension or be fired.

Loehmann was accused of lying on his Cleveland police application and failing to mention problems he had while working for another police department.

Garmback was accused of driving his cruiser too close to Tamir and failing to report the time he arrived at the scene.

The Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association said Friday that neither officer did anything wrong that day.

The union said it is reviewing the disciplinary charges and will prepare appropriate defenses for the officers. It said there would be no comment from the officers.

San Francisco man returns 100-year overdue library book

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A book of short stories titled "Forty Minutes Late" has been returned to a San Francisco library — 100 years late.

The San Francisco Chronicle reports that Bay Area resident Webb Johnson returned the book Friday. There was no fine.

Johnson's great grandmother had checked it out from the city's old Fillmore branch in 1917. She passed away a week before the

due date, and the Fillmore branch is no longer around.

Johnson found the 1909 book, by F. Hopkinson Smith, in an old steamer trunk in 1996. He assumed the library wouldn't want it back, but a recently announced "fine forgiveness program" that runs through Feb. 14 inspired him to return it.

Head city librarian Luis Herrera said the library was glad to, finally, get the book.

IRS letters warning millions about health insurance penalty

WASHINGTON (AP) — If you haven't signed up for health insurance, you may soon be getting a not-too-subtle nudge from the taxman.

The IRS is sending personalized letters to millions of taxpayers who might be uninsured, reminding them that they could be on the hook for hundreds of dollars in fines under the federal health care law if they don't sign up soon through HealthCare.gov. It's an unusual role for a revenue-collection agency.

Fines are one of the most unpopular parts of the 2010 health overhaul, and there's a high likelihood they'll get repealed by Republicans, even if other parts of "Obamacare" survive. The administration is counting on IRS reminders to help sign up as many people as possible before open enrollment ends Jan. 31. That's soon after officials hand off President Barack Obama's signature program to a Trump administration committed to "repeal and replace."

Letters bearing the IRS logo will be sent to an estimated 7.5 million people who either claimed an exemption from the law's requirement that most Americans carry health insurance, or who paid a penalty for being uninsured during the 2015 tax year. The coverage requirement was included in the law as a way to get healthy people into the insur-

ance pool, helping to keep premiums in check.

The penalty for this year could be \$2,085 or more, depending on family size and income, says one draft version of the IRS letter. Another draft takes a somewhat different approach, leaving a blank space for the IRS to provide an individualized estimate of what the particular uninsured taxpayer might owe.

The drafts were obtained by The Associated Press. Although the administration has made no secret of the IRS role in open enrollment this year, officials have not responded to requests for copies of the actual letters.

Republicans say the whole thing is a waste of money. The campaign will cost about \$4 million, say congressional aides.

"People receiving these letters have already made up their minds about Obamacare when they applied for an exemption or paid a penalty," said House Ways and Means Chairman Kevin Brady, R-Texas. "They don't want stock letters. They want better health care choices and lower costs."

Supporters of the health care law say research has shown that many people who remain uninsured are still unaware that they can go to HealthCare.gov and qualify for government subsidies to help pay their premiums. Those subsidies were designed as

tax credits, bringing the IRS into the picture. The IRS letters make the pitch:

"Most people who enroll in a plan through HealthCare.gov can find plans for \$75 a month or less after financial help," the letters say. "At HealthCare.gov, you can compare plans to find one that meets your needs and budget."

While such low-cost plans are available, many people actually pay more, and the \$75 figure doesn't take into account deductibles and copayments. The average monthly premium last year for HealthCare.gov customers was \$106, after financial help, according to the government. The administration has not released a comparable premium estimate for this year. Insurers raised their sticker prices significantly, but the law's subsidies should cushion the impact for most HealthCare.gov customers.

About 800,000 letters went out after Thanksgiving, and an additional 6.7 million are going out now, according to congressional aides.

Last year about 6.5 million people paid fines for being uninsured, averaging \$470, according to recent IRS data. The amount is generally deducted from a taxpayer's anticipated refund. The fines started small in 2014, but are now fully phased in, starting at about \$700.

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Military's shift away from oil clashes with Trump's promises

TWENTYNINE PALMS, Calif. (AP) — At a sprawling desert base, a Marine recharged his radio's batteries simply by walking, while nearby fellow troops examined a rocket artillery system and a drone — both powered by the sun.

Navy and Marine Corps brass, accompanied by green energy executives, showcased the energy-harnessing knee braces and other innovations at a renewable energy demonstration at Twentynine Palms Marine Corps base, one of many such events that have taken place at military bases across the country as part of the Defense Department's unprecedented shift away from fossil fuels under the Obama administration. The Pentagon has invested millions over the past decade into everything from hybrid electric ships to wind turbines.

While a growing number of military leaders have declared global warming a national security threat, the strategy clashes with President-elect Donald Trump's vow to end policies that

"undermine" fossil fuel producers. Trump has chosen a Cabinet with climate change skeptics, though his pick for defense secretary, retired Marine Gen. James Mattis, has advocated green technology to curtail risky fuel-supply runs for troops in conflict zones.

It's not known if Mattis would support buying alternative fuels for ships and aircraft, among the military's biggest petroleum users. He didn't respond to requests seeking comment.

Republican lawmakers have lashed out at many of the green initiatives for the Defense Department — one of the world's largest energy consumers — especially the Navy's Great Green Fleet that deployed ships run partly on biofuel amid falling oil prices.

Military leaders say alternative energy makes warriors more agile and effective on today's battlefields.

At the recent demonstrations, a Marine wore knee braces with tiny generators that transformed the energy he produced from

walking to recharge batteries. The technology allows troops to generate their own power for as long as three days. The event also featured a M777 howitzer and a drone that use solar power.

"To do something other than continue these programs would be a mistake," said Joe Bryan, the Navy's deputy assistant secretary for energy. "My expectation is that will be recognized no matter where people are on the political spectrum."

Rising sea levels threaten Navy bases worldwide, and it would be "shortsighted" for the military not to address climate change, Bryan said.

Trump's transition team did not respond to questions about whether it would end the strategy.

Republican lawmakers have said the Pentagon has propped up the alternative energy industry, investing in programs that are not sustainable. The Defense Department has been working toward generating 25 percent of its power from renewable



AP Photo/Gregory Bull

MARINES STAND near an artillery piece that links to solar panels during an exhibition of green energy technology in Twentynine Palms, Calif. The Marine Corps and Navy have led an unprecedented push to ease the Department of Defense's reliance on fossil fuels under the Obama administration. Those projects championed under Obama now face uncertainty under President-elect Donald Trump, who has chosen a Cabinet with climate change skeptics and fossil fuel promoters.

sources by 2025. The Navy and Marine Corps set a goal to draw half of its power from renewable energy sources by 2020.

GOP legislators have criticized the Obama administration for spending roughly \$120 billion on climate change initiatives while putting in motion \$1 trillion in defense cuts.

"I hope the new administration allows the U.S. military to focus on the most important defense issues like fighting ISIS, defending from Iranian and North Korean belligerence, and guarding against aggression from China and Russia," Colorado Republican Rep. Ken Buck said in a statement to The Associated Press. "Our military should use the most cost-efficient fuel sources, rather than burning money on green energy experiments."

The most contentious initiative has been the purchase of biofuel for ships. Critics say while ships may leave port with a biofuel mix, they still must rely on foreign oil in many places near battlefields and the plant-based fuel has become more expensive than traditional fuel.

According to a 2015 report from the Government Accountability Office, Congress' research arm, the Pentagon paid \$58.6 million for 2 million gallons of alternative fuel from 2007 to 2014, or about \$29 per gallon. At the same time, it spent \$107.2 billion for 32 billion gallons of petroleum, paying about \$3 per gallon.

Legislators passed a law in 2012 prohibiting the Pentagon from buying biofuels in bulk unless the price is competitive with that of petroleum.

As a result, the Great Green Fleet's carrier strike group set sail in early 2016 using a mix of 90 percent petroleum and only 10 percent biofuels made from beef fat. The Navy originally aimed for the ratio to be 50-50.

"The Obama administration found a way to make a market for biofuels within the DOD and they did that by saying it was critical to national defense, even though petroleum is not in short supply by any means," said Rachel Zissimos, a research assistant at the conservative Heritage Foundation. "The climate change agenda within the

DOD was a way to impose these renewable energy mandates on the DOD. I think the climate change issues can be dropped very quickly."

Green energy supporters are banking on Mattis, Trump's defense secretary choice, who helped usher in the Pentagon's shift toward renewable energy by challenging the Defense Department to "unleash us from the tether of fuel" during the Iraq war.

Zissimos said Mattis made the challenge when problems with maintaining fuel levels hindered the advance of U.S. forces and troops were going on supply runs through enemy territory, causing casualties.

She expects Trump's administration will support initiatives that help the military but not necessarily the planet — in contrast to Obama who was driven by combatting climate change.

"Repealing some of these programs means a part of Obama's legacy will go away," she said. "For Trump, that's not a factor, so there are fewer reasons for him to hold on to failing initiatives."



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A MARINE WEARS knee braces and a backpack that harvest energy from his movements during an exhibition of green energy technology in Twentynine Palms, Calif. The Marine Corps and Navy have led an unprecedented push to ease the Department of Defense's reliance on fossil fuels under the Obama administration. Those projects championed under Obama now face uncertainty under President-elect Donald Trump, who has chosen a Cabinet with climate change skeptics and fossil fuel promoters.

Anti-immigrant stance sparks protests

WASHINGTON (AP) — Protesters gathered Saturday to support immigrant rights at rallies around the U.S., denouncing President-elect Donald Trump for his anti-immigrant rhetoric and his pledges to build a wall on the U.S.-Mexican border and to crack down on Muslims entering the country.

"We are not going to allow Donald Trump to bury the Statue of Liberty," Sen. Chris Van Hollen, a Maryland Democrat, told a standing-room-only crowd at historic African-American church in downtown Washington during one of dozens of rallies around the nation.

"We are a nation for all people, regardless of religion, regardless of background, regardless of who you love."

In Chicago, more than 1,000 people poured into a teachers' union hall to support immigrant rights and implore one another to fight for those rights against what they fear will be a hostile Trump administration.

Ron Taylor, pastor of a Chicago area Disciples for Christ Church and executive director of the United Congress of Community and Religious Organizations, told the audience there, "Regardless of what happens in the coming days we know that good will conquer evil and we want to say to each and every one of you, you are not alone."

The protests mark the latest chapter in a movement that has evolved since 2006, when more than a million people took to the streets to protest a Republican-backed immigration bill that would have made it a crime to be in the country illegally.

The crowds this weekend at rallies or cultural events in Washington, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Jose, California, and elsewhere, are expected to be nowhere near as big as then. Saturday's events took place as thousands were expected at a "We Shall Not Be Moved" march and rally in Washington ahead of Monday's Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday.

Yet the line to enter Metropolitan AME Church in Washington stretched nearly a city block.

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Pence goes from outsider to Trump's inside man

WASHINGTON (AP) — When Mike Pence landed in Congress after the 2000 election, he was a conservative agitator who often bucked President George W. Bush's agenda. Seventeen years later, he's the vice president-elect and Donald Trump's inside man on Capitol Hill.

Pence, who spent a dozen years in Congress before becoming Indiana's governor, is visiting frequently with lawmakers and promising close coordination after Trump's inauguration Friday. In a sign of his attentiveness, Pence will have an office in the House as well as the traditional honorary office in the Senate.

Pence's role takes on greater importance, given Trump's ascension to the White House without any experience in elective office.

Trump has few long-standing political alliances in Congress and a strained relationship with the Republican establishment, a hangover from the 2016 campaign. Trump's agenda doesn't always align with Republicans' priorities, and his inflammatory remarks about immigrants, Muslims and women made many in the GOP cringe.

Pence has forged an enduring friendship with House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., dating to their early years in Congress, along with other House Republicans crucial to advancing Trump's agenda. In early meetings with lawmakers, Pence has passed out his personal cellphone number and promised an open line to the administration.

"He's the trusted intermediary. He's the person that people on both sides of Pennsylvania Avenue know and trust," said Rep. Tom Cole, R-Okla.

If Trump is known for his brash form of disruptive politics, Pence represents the incoming administration in a more traditional manner, exemplified by his polite, Midwestern demeanor. He



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IN THIS JAN. 4 PHOTO, Vice President-elect Mike Pence, joined by House Speaker Paul Ryan of Wis., speaks during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington. Mike Pence, who spent a dozen years in Congress before becoming Indiana's governor, is making frequent visits to Capitol Hill and promising close coordination with lawmakers as Donald Trump prepares to enter the White House.

joined Trump in New York on Wednesday for the president-elect's first news conference since the Nov. 8 election. Pence soon returned to Capitol Hill for meetings with several senators, including Democrats Joe Donnelly of Indiana, Joe Manchin of West Virginia and Tim Kaine of Virginia. The latter was Hillary Clinton's running mate and Pence's adversary in October's vice president debate.

"Opportunities to work together on issues like infrastructure and child care we think represent a significant chance to bring together leaders in both political parties," Pence said after meeting with Kaine.

Pence's early days in Washington were marked more by his role as a conservative purist than deal-maker.

He opposed the Bush administration on issues such as the president's No Child Left Behind education law and an overhaul of Medicare that provided new prescription drug coverage in 2003. Pence was a leading conservative voice, often arguing that the Republican administration had strayed from conservative principles and had failed to curb federal spending.

After Republicans were swept from power in the 2006 elections, Pence unsuccessfully challenged Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, to become minority

leader. Two years later, Boehner backed Pence's entry into the leadership team, elevating the Indiana congressman to chairman of the House GOP conference, the party's No. 3 post.

One of the ways Pence built lasting ties with fellow lawmakers was through Bible study.

Pence often joined Ryan, House Financial Services Chairman Jeb Hensarling, R-Texas, and Georgia Rep. Tom Price, Trump's pick to lead the Department of Health and Human Services, for weekly Bible study sessions. House Republicans say those are the types of interactions that will help him in Trump's administration.

"Mike Pence is a House man. He cares about us and he will make sure that we are in the loop," said Rep. Jack Carter, R-Texas, who also attended Bible study with Pence.

By having an office in the House along with the ceremonial one in the Senate for his role as the chamber's president, Pence will follow a path set by Vice President Dick Cheney, a former Wyoming congressman who maintained a House office during the Bush presidency.

Pence's conservative record gives rank-and-file Democrats few reasons to be hopeful that he could be a bipartisan deal-maker on Trump's behalf.

Planned Parenthood, for example, mobilized after Ryan said he planned to strip federal dollars from their organization as part of repeal of Obama's health care law. The organization pointed to Pence's anti-abortion record and history of seeking to block federal dollars from the health care provider as one of the reasons for the quick GOP push.

"Mike Pence's fingerprints are all over that," said Dawn Laguens, Planned Parenthood's executive vice president.

But Pence has tried to build some bridges.

When Manchin, a centrist Democrat facing re-election next year, called incoming Trump White House adviser Katie Walsh in early January to request a meeting with Pence, the senator found himself face to face with Pence only a few hours later. They exchanged cellphone numbers and Manchin again sat down with Pence on Wednesday for a discussion that included the Supreme Court vacancy and federal judicial appointments.

"My job is going to be trying to find pathways forward — how do you find a way to fix things, repair things and make things happen? So you've got to build these relationships," Manchin said.

Obama DOJ won't push antitrust case against airlines

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department, which started investigating alleged collusion between the nation's major airlines in mid-2015, will not bring an antitrust case against the carriers before the Obama administration leaves office at the end of next week, according to a person familiar with the situation.

The civil investigation has not been closed, cautioned the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the Justice Department has not announced anything publicly.

Some airline executives believe that President-elect Donald Trump's administration will be friendlier to them than was President Barack Obama's administration, which briefly tried to block the American Airlines-US Airways merger on antitrust grounds and adopted rules on fare advertising that the industry opposed.

Delta Air Lines Inc. CEO Ed Bastian said this week that he was excited about the prospect of a Trump administration. He said it might do more to invest in airport infrastructure and limit the U.S. growth of three Middle Eastern airlines that some American carriers accuse of getting unfair government subsidies.

The Justice Department investigation of Delta, American Airlines Group Inc., United Continental Holdings Inc. and Southwest Airlines Co. goes back to June 2015. Regulators asked the airlines for communication they had with each other, Wall Street analysts and major shareholders about passenger-carrying capacity.

Antitrust investigators were concerned that the airlines might have illegally signaled and pressured each other to limit flights and seats in a bid to drive up fares.

The investigation began after several years of rising fares, but the government's case may have been undercut by a decline in prices — caused by too many seats on the market — that had already begun by mid-2015.

Airline representatives said they had not been informed recently about the status of the investigation but expressed confidence in avoiding legal action.

"We have cooperated and are confident DOJ will reach the same conclusion we have — that American has done nothing to violate the law," said American Airlines spokesman Matt Miller.

Delta spokeswoman Elizabeth Wolf said the airline "has always determined our capacity independently and therefore do not expect DOJ to take action."

Killer's execution stay denied in Va.

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A federal appeals court has denied a stay of execution for a convicted killer scheduled to be put to death next week in Virginia.

The 4th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in Richmond issued a one-sentence order on Friday denying a request from Ricky Gray's lawyers to stay his execution, which is set for Wednesday.

Gray's lawyers filed the motion Thursday after a federal judge refused to halt the execution. The lawyers want to challenge Virginia's lethal injection methods.

Lisa Fried, one of Gray's attorneys, said in a statement that his defense team will continue to challenge the planned execution.

Gray was convicted of killing Bryan and Kathryn Harvey and their 9-year-old and 4-year-old daughters in 2006.

Obama gives My Brother's Keeper new name

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's signature program to help improve outcomes for boys and young men of color is getting a new name.

Obama signed a presidential memorandum Friday renaming the My Brother's Keeper program as the "Task Force on Improving the Lives of Boys and Young Men of Color and Underserved Youth." The Associated Press obtained a copy of the memorandum, which revises the earlier directive that launched the program, before the White House released it.

Broderick Johnson, an assistant to the president and chairman of the task force, said the new, though less catchy, name better reflects the initiative's work and mission.

Obama's decision to rename the task force and make other



FBI DIRECTOR James Comey, left, leaves the Eisenhower Executive Office Building on the White House complex in Washington, Friday.

House Dems press FBI on Russia and possible link to Trump camp

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democrats still seething over FBI Director James Comey's handling of the election-year inquiry of Hillary Clinton confronted the law enforcement officer over his refusal to say whether the FBI is investigating possible links between President-elect Donald Trump's campaign and Russia.

The contentious, closed-door session Friday reflected the frustration of Democrats who blame Comey's statements and actions in part for Clinton's loss to Trump. In July, Comey announced the findings of the FBI investigation that found Clinton's use of a private email server was "extremely careless" but not criminal. Then, days before the Nov. 8 election, he sent two letters to Congress, one announcing a review of newly found emails and then another saying there was no evidence of wrongdoing.

The Justice Department inspector general announced this week that he is investigating Comey and the department.

Democrats and Republicans who attended the all-member briefing on Friday with Comey and senior intelligence officials said several lawmakers pressed him in a tense session about his refusal to say whether there is an examination of alleged contacts between members of the Trump campaign and Russia.

Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa, said the meeting was contentious but said Comey handled himself well under difficult circumstances.

"Yesterday morning if you asked me if I thought Comey was at the end of his career ... I probably would have said 'I think so,'" King said. "Now I think he deserves to be reassessed, just by the way he handled himself. I was impressed."

Clearly frustrated with Comey was Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz, D-Fla., who was forced to resign as head of the Democratic National Committee after hacked emails surfaced that suggested the party operation favored Clinton over her primary rival, Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt.

She confronted Comey, according to a Democrat who attended the briefing. Lawmakers and other congressional officials spoke on condition of anonymity to freely discuss the private meeting.

Rep. Jerrold Nadler, D-N.Y., repeatedly asked Comey if he had applied a "double standard" in disclosing investigations. Comey has previously said his standard was based on whether

changes is designed to help ensure that the federal work continues, and that it remains a priority at the White House, Johnson said.

Participating federal departments and agencies will be required to report at least once a year on the work they are doing. New agencies have also joined the task force, including the Energy Department, the National Science Foundation and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

My Brother's Keeper is a public-private partnership and there has been some concern that the federal initiatives could be undone after President-elect Donald Trump takes office next Friday, although Trump spoke often during the campaign about wanting to make life better for minorities and inner-city residents.

there is a need to reassure the public about a possible high-profile probe.

"Do you believe that standard has been met with reference to the possible investigation of the Trump campaign's possible connections to the Russian government? And if not, why not?" Nadler pressed. The congressman told Comey that he should clarify whether the FBI is investigating, as he did with Clinton's email probe.

According to Nadler, Comey responded no, he didn't think it was the same thing and said he couldn't comment further.

"That's what got many people in the room frustrated and upset," Nadler told The Associated Press on Saturday. "He was being very hypocritical."

A declassified intelligence report released last week said Russian President Vladimir Putin ordered a hidden campaign to influence the election to favor Trump over Clinton, revelations that have roiled Washington.

Trump and his supporters have staunchly resisted the findings and Trump has leveled a series of broadsides at U.S. intelligence agencies, even though he'll have to rely on their expertise to help him make major national security decisions once he takes over at the White House next week. He will be sworn in Jan. 20.

After the closed-door session, Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., told reporters: "The American people are owed the truth."

"There is a great deal of evidence to say that this is a high - an issue of high interest to the American people," Pelosi said. "The strength, the integrity of our own democracy. And that for that reason, the FBI should let us know whether they're making - doing that investigation or not. They're usually inscrutable, as you saw in the public testimony in the Senate."

In testimony to the Senate on Tuesday, Comey refused to say whether the FBI was investigating any possible ties between Russia and Trump's presidential campaign, citing policy not to comment on what the FBI might or might not be doing.

"I would never comment on investigations — whether we have one or not — in an open forum like this so I can't answer one way or another," Comey told the panel.

Late Friday, the Senate Intelligence Committee announced it would investigate possible contacts between Russia and the people associat-

Johnson said the program has "really been embraced by Republican mayors and business leaders and others, so that gives us great confidence about the work going forward."

The president launched the program in February 2014 to address persistent opportunity gaps facing boys and young men of color.

Communities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico are running their own My Brother's Keeper programs. The private sector and various philanthropies have committed \$1 billion to the effort, and federal initiatives underway are designed to help level the field in education and other areas.

Obama has said he plans to stay involved with the initiative after he leaves office at the end of next week.

ed with U.S. political campaigns as part of a broader investigation into Moscow's meddling in the 2016 presidential election.

In a statement, Sens. Richard Burr, R-N.C., the committee's chairman, and Mark Warner, D-Va., the panel's top Democrat, said the panel "will follow the intelligence where it leads."

Burr and Warner said that as part of the investigation they will interview senior officials from the Obama administration and the incoming Trump administration. They said subpoenas would be issued "if necessary to compel testimony."

According to the committee's statement, the inquiry will include:

— A review of the intelligence that informed the declassified report about Russia's interference in the election.

— "Counterintelligence concerns" related to Russia and the election, "including any intelligence regarding links between Russia and individuals associated with political campaigns."

— Russian cyber activity and other "active measures" against the United States during the election and more broadly.

Oil pipeline safety rule scaled back after cost objections

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — President Barack Obama's administration scaled back new safety measures for the sprawling network of fuel pipelines that crisscross the United States on Friday, following oil industry complaints that proposed changes would cost companies billions of dollars.

The long-delayed regulations cover almost 200,000 miles of pipelines that transport oil, gasoline and other hazardous liquids. They will be subject to review by Congress and the incoming administration of President-elect Donald Trump, who was highly critical on the campaign trail of regulations that hinder energy development.

If the changes stand, pipeline companies will be required to conduct more rigorous inspections of lines in rural areas and install leak detection systems that are meant to speed up emergency response times when accidents occur.

An earlier administration proposal for companies to immediately repair cracks and other problems in their lines was dropped, drawing criticism from safety advocates.

Documents show the pipeline repair criteria was altered to give companies more flexibility in when to do the work following a December 12 meeting of officials from the Transportation Department and White House with representatives of the oil industry.

The American Petroleum Institute complained that the administration's original proposal for repairs, unveiled in late 2015, was too stringent and would cost companies almost \$3 billion over the next decade. The industry group argued the high price tag outweighed any benefits from accidents averted.

"Based on information no one else was privy to, they weakened the final rule," said Carl Weimer with the Pipeline Safety Trust, an advocacy group based in Bellingham, Washington. "We hope there's still enough to prevent more of the types of spills

we've seen over the past four or five years."

The trust was formed after three children were killed when a gasoline pipeline broke in 1999, leaking fuel for 1½ hours before it exploded.

Thousands of pipeline accidents over the past decade caused \$2.5 billion in damages nationwide and dumped almost 38 million gallons of fuels.

John Stoodly with the Association of Oil Pipelines said it was important for companies to have enough flexibility in repairs that they can concentrate their work where spills could cause the most harm, such as in cities or beneath water bodies.

"We should put resources where we have the most impact on pipeline safety," Stoodly said.

The new regulations go into effect in roughly six months, meaning the Trump administration could seek to block or modify them. Trump's transition team did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Transportation Department spokeswoman Allie Aguilera said the government and industry were "on the same page on safety," suggesting there would be no need to overturn the rule.

The American Petroleum Institute issued a statement saying the rule was an improvement over the original proposal, yet retained provisions that would force companies to divert attention from areas of highest risk.

Previous industry regulations applied primarily to lines in so-called high consequence areas with large populations or environmentally sensitive features such as drinking water supplies.

Lines outside those areas were not required to be inspected with mechanical devices known as "pipeline pigs," which travel inside the pipe looking for flaws. Friday's rule will require the use of pipeline pigs on large transmission pipelines that run beneath the land, but federal officials dropped their proposal to require the use of pigs offshore.

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Iraq makes swift territorial gains against IS in Mosul

MOSUL, Iraq (AP) — Iraqi forces have won a string of swift territorial gains in Mosul in the fight against the Islamic State group after months of slow progress, with a senior officer on Saturday laying claim to a cluster of buildings inside Mosul University and another edge of a bridge.

Iraqi forces now control the eastern sides of three of the city's five bridges that span the Tigris River connecting Mosul's east to west. Warplanes from the U.S.-led coalition bombed the city's bridges late last year in an effort to isolate IS fighters in the city's east by disrupting resupply routes.

At Mosul University, senior commanders said Iraqi forces had secured more than half of the campus Saturday amid stiff resistance, but clashes were ongoing into the afternoon. Iraqi forces entered the university from the southeast Friday morning and by nightfall had secured a handful of buildings, Brig. Gen. Haider Fadhil and Lt. Gen. Abdul-Wahab al-Saadi said on a tour of the university Saturday.

"We watched all the IS fighters gather in that building, so we blew it up," said special forces Sgt. Maj. Haytham Ghani pointing to one of the blackened technical college buildings where

charred desks could be seen inside. "You can still see some of their corpses."

Thick clouds of black smoke rose from the middle of the sprawling complex Saturday morning. By afternoon, clashes had intensified with volleys of sniper and mortar fire targeting the advancing Iraqi forces. Convoys of Iraqi Humvees snaked through the campus, pausing for artillery and airstrikes to clear snipers perched within classrooms, dormitories and behind the trees that line the campus streets.

IS fighters overran Mosul in the summer of 2014, announcing from there their self-styled "caliphate" after taking a large swath of Iraq and Syria in a lightning surge. Access to the city's central bank, a large taxable civilian population and nearby oilfields quickly made IS the world's wealthiest terrorist group.

Yet even as a punishing campaign of U.S.-led coalition airstrikes has pushed the militants underground, IS leaders continued to use Mosul as a key logistical hub for planning meetings. If recaptured by the Iraqi forces, IS territory in Iraq that once stretched across a third of the country would be reduced to small pockets in the north and

west that troops will likely be able to mop up relatively quickly.

The massive operation to retake Mosul from IS was launched in October. Since then Iraqi forces have slowly clawed back more than a third of the city. IS maintains tight control of the city's western half where Iraqi forces will likely encounter another wave of heavy IS resistance. The west of the city is home to some of Mosul's densest neighborhoods and an estimated 700,000 civilians.

As Iraqi forces have closed in on the Tigris that roughly divides Mosul into eastern and western halves, their pace has quickened. IS defenses in the city's east appear to be thinning and unlike in the surrounding neighborhoods, Iraqi officers said they believe Mosul University and recently retaken government buildings are largely empty of civilians — allowing them to use air cover more liberally.

Iraqi soldiers at Mosul University said while they were still coming under heavy small arms fire, IS resistance was significantly less than they faced during the first weeks of the Mosul operation.

"We were targeted with only four car bombs where before (IS) would send 20 in one day," spe-



IRAQI SPECIAL forces advance inside Mosul University grounds, during fighting against Islamic State militants in the eastern side of Mosul, Iraq, Saturday.

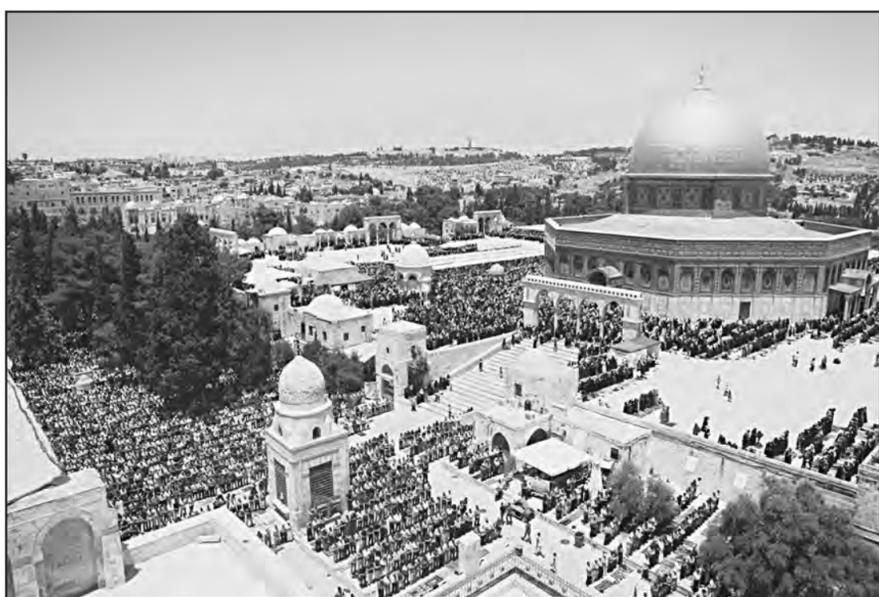
cial forces Lt. Zain al-Abadeen said. "And they aren't armored like before, they're just using civilian cars."

Medics operating a small field hospital in eastern Mosul said civilian casualties have dropped

significantly over the past three days as Iraqi forces moved into government complexes like the university rather than dense civilian neighborhoods.

Also Saturday, IS launched its biggest assault in a year on gov-

ernment-held areas of the contested Syrian city of Deir el-Zour in an attempt to maintain a grip on the eastern stretch of the neighboring country where the group's de facto capital of Raqqa lies.



IN THIS FILE PHOTO, Palestinians pray in the Al Aqsa Mosque compound during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, in Jerusalem's Old City. The Palestinians are ringing alarm bells over Donald Trump's stated intention to relocate the U.S. Embassy in Israel to contested Jerusalem, fearing quick action once he takes office as U.S. president next week. They say an embassy move would kill any hopes for negotiating an Israeli-Palestinian border deal and rile the region by undercutting Muslim and Christian claims to the holy city.

In long-shot Mideast peace bid, France sees nothing to lose

PARIS (AP) — It sounds far-fetched at best: holding a Mideast peace conference without Israelis, Palestinians or the incoming U.S. government.

But the French organizers say that's the whole point. They want Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and U.S. President-elect Donald Trump to see that most of the world wants a two-state solution and is fed up with decades of conflict.

With chances for a Mideast peace deal lower than in years — perhaps a generation — French President Francois Hollande figures there's nothing to lose.

French diplomats fear that Trump will unleash new tensions in the region by condoning settlements on land claimed by the Palestinians and potentially moving the U.S. Embassy to contested Jerusalem.

So more than 70 foreign ministers and other top envoys are gathering Sunday in Paris to urge the establishment of a Palestinian state.

Netanyahu says the conference is "rigged" against Israel and declined an invitation to a special meeting afterward. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas was initially expected, but his visit to Paris has been postponed.

Even the organizers know it's symbolic; no one expects a breakthrough. It's aimed at presenting Trump with a collective international push for peace once he takes office Friday.

For Obama's outgoing government, Sunday's meeting marks the bitter, disappointing end of eight years of failed Israeli-Palestinian diplomacy. Days before leaving office, Secretary of State John Kerry will headline the Paris event — yet he's participating only to ensure that America's interest in a two-state solution is preserved.

According to a draft statement obtained by The Associated Press on Friday, the conference will urge Israel and the Palestinians "to officially restate their commitment to the two-state solution." It also will

affirm that the international community "will not recognize" changes to Israel's pre-1967 lines without agreement by both sides.

Hollande's government has been trying for years to revive peace-making, pointing to diplomatic successes like the 2015 Paris climate agreement, its improved relations with Israel over the past decade and hard line against Israeli rivals Iran and Syria.

But with Netanyahu snubbing the conference and Trump's administration "reserved" about it, according to a French diplomat, Sunday's gathering looks increasingly like an effort to isolate Israel, not entice it to the negotiating table.

Pro-Israel demonstrators plan a protest Sunday in Paris.

Hollande too is a lame duck, leaving office in May — and his government has made no plans to follow up Sunday's conference with enforcement measures or outreach to Trump's team.

The final declaration may warn Trump against moving the embassy, a move that could be seen as recognizing Jerusalem as Israel's capital after decades of insisting that the city's status must be determined by direct negotiations.

The sides haven't negotiated even indirectly since a failed U.S. peace effort in 2014. Palestinian attacks on civilians and incitement to violence have heightened tensions, as has expanded Israeli settlement building.

Israel has settled some 600,000 of its citizens in the West Bank and east Jerusalem — claimed by the Palestinians for a future independent state. Israel captured both areas in the 1967 Mideast war. Netanyahu has ruled out a return to Israel's 1967 lines, and many members of his coalition oppose Palestinian independence.

Palestinian attacks on civilians and incitement to violence.

The Palestinians have welcomed the French initiative.

Cuban migrants steps from U.S. border hope for Trump solution

CIUDAD VICTORIA, Mexico (AP) — Dozens of Cuban immigrants remained stranded in Nuevo Laredo across the border from Texas on Saturday, uncertain what would happen following Washington's decision to end their privileged immigration access this week.

Some waited near the midpoint of the bridge over the Rio Grande. Others looked for food and shelter in Nuevo Laredo, determined to wait until President-elect Donald Trump is inaugurated next Friday with the hope that he will reverse President Barack Obama's decision to end the so-called "wet foot, dry foot" policy that had given Cuban immigrants special access to the country.

"There's nothing else but to wait to see what happens, staying in Mexico would be the last option because our goal was to get to the United States," said Irina Ricardo Martinez, who travelled for two months after departing Cuba for Ecuador with her husband. "To wait until the 20th (inauguration) until Trump comes in to see what happens, I think that he's going to change the law."

Since December 2014, when Obama announced a new detente with Cuba, an estimated 100,000 Cubans have left the island fearing their privileged access to the U.S. might end. Many of those fled to South American countries and embarked on an overland odyssey to the Mexico-U.S. border.

Thursday's announcement of the end of the "wet foot, dry foot" policy left some stranded thousands of miles away and others just feet.

Kenia Torres Gerarde, a Cuban dermatologist, said she had travelled for two months, starting in Guyana, to reach the U.S. border. She arrived Thursday afternoon and said U.S. border officials gave her a paper and told her to return at 9 a.m. Friday for processing.

"And when we were there at 6 a.m. they took the paper and threw us out," she said, adding that she planned to wait in Mexico for a solution. Laredo has seen more Cubans than any other Customs and Border Protection office on the southwest border in recent years. Laredo registered 34,658 Cubans in the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, 2016 and received 6,547 more in October and November. In total, 41,523 Cubans entered along the southwest border in fiscal year 2016.

Before Thursday's announcement, Cubans could generally present themselves at the port of entry and be released into the United States where they could reside for one year and then apply for lawful permanent residency.

"From now on Cuban nationals will be treated like any other migrants who present themselves at the border," Department of Homeland

Security acting press secretary Gillian Christensen said in an email Saturday. "Like nationals from other countries, Cubans in the United States can seek asylum and other available forms of relief or protection from removal."

They must go through a "credible fear" process that analyzes whether they face a credible threat of persecution in Cuba.

During that process, they will generally be held in immigration detention for potentially months and success is far from guaranteed. It can take years for asylum to be granted, but after one year paroled in the country they could apply for legal residency under the Cuban Adjustment Act.

Miami immigration attorney Alfonso Oviedo Reyes said Cubans will have to go the asylum route like any other immigrant arriving at the U.S. border.

"It's going to be an uphill climb for them," Oviedo Reyes said. "They will be detained and put in prison ... They will be processed like everybody else. The party is over."

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In talks with the Palestinians, Vatican cites sacred Jerusalem

VATICAN CITY (AP) — The Vatican stressed the sacred nature of Jerusalem on Saturday as the Palestinian leader warned that peace could suffer if the incoming Trump administration goes ahead with plans to move the U.S. embassy to Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

The developments came as Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas met with Pope Francis and inaugurated the Palestinian embassy to the Holy See.

Abbas said he had only heard through news reports of the proposal by U.S. President-elect Donald Trump to move the embassy to Jerusalem.

The Palestinians strongly oppose the embassy move, saying it would kill any hopes for negotiating an Israeli-Palestinian peace

agreement and rile the region by undercutting Muslim and Christian claims to the holy city.

"We hope that this news is not true because it is not encouraging and will disrupt and hinder the peace process," he said. He urged Trump to open a dialogue with the Israelis and Palestinians.

Trump hasn't yet laid out a clear Mideast policy, but has signaled he will be more sympathetic to Israel's hard-line right than previous administrations. He has also vowed to move the U.S. embassy.

The Vatican has long sought an internationally guaranteed status for Jerusalem that safeguards its sacred character. In its communique after the Abbas meeting, the Holy See didn't refer to Jerusalem by name.

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Cuba sees explosion in internet access

HAVANA (AP) — Two days before Christmas, Luis Gonzalez received a little Chinese modem from Cuba's state-owned telecommunications company.

The 55-year-old theater producer connected the device to his phone and his laptop computer, which instantly lit up with a service unimaginable in the Cuba of just a few years ago — relatively fast home internet.

"It's really easy to sit and find whatever you need," Gonzalez said as he sat in his living room updating his Facebook account, listening to Uruguayan radio online and checking an arriving tourist's landing time for a neighbor who rents rooms in their building in historic Old Havana. "Most Cubans aren't used to this convenience."

Home internet came to Cuba last month in a limited pilot program that's part of the most dramatic change in daily life here since the declaration of detente with the United States on Dec. 17, 2014.

While Cuba remains one of the world's least internet-connected societies, ordinary citizens' access to the internet has exploded over the last two years. Since the summer of 2015, the Cuban government has opened 240 public Wi-Fi spots in parks and on street corners across the country. Cubans were previously restricted to decrepit state internet clubs and hotels that charged \$6-\$8 for an hour of slow internet.

In a country with an average monthly salary of around \$25, the price of an hour online has dropped to \$1.50, still steep but now well within the range of many Cubans with private income or financial help from relatives abroad.

The government estimates that 100,000 Cubans connect to the internet daily. A new feature of urban life in Cuba is the sight of people sitting at all hours on street corners or park benches, their faces illuminated by the screen of smartphones connected by applications such as Facebook Messenger to relatives in Miami, Ecuador or other outposts of the Cuban diaspora. Connections are made mostly through access cards sold by the state monopoly and often resold on street corners for higher prices.

The spread of connectivity has remotely reunited families separated for years, even decades. It's fueled the spread of Airbnb and other booking services that have



AP Photo/Desmond Boylan

IN THIS JAN. 6, photo, people use a public wifi hotspot in Havana, Cuba. Home internet came to Cuba in December 2016, in a limited pilot program that's part of the most dramatic change in daily life here since the declaration of detente with the United States on Dec. 17, 2014.

funneled millions in business to private bed-and-breakfasts owners. And it's exposed Cubans to a faster flow of news and cultural developments from the outside world — supplementing the widespread availability of media spread on memory drivers.

Cuban ingenuity has spread internet far beyond those public places: thousands of people grab the public signals through commercially available repeaters, imported illegally into Cuba and often sold for about \$100 — double the original price. Mounted on rooftops, the repeaters grab the public signals and create a form of home internet increasingly available in private rentals for tourists and cafes and restaurants for Cubans and visitors alike.

On the official front, Google and Cuba's state-run telecoms monopoly Etecsa struck a deal last month to store Google content like YouTube video on servers inside Cuba, giving people on the island faster, smoother access.

While the explosion of internet in Cuba has taken place alongside the process of normalization started by Obama in 2014, it's unclear how much better relations have speeded up Cuba's move online.

Obama said in announcing detente that he welcomed "Cuba's decision to provide more access to the Internet for its citizens," but neither Obama's team

nor Cuban officials have detailed whether that decision was directly linked to negotiations to restore diplomatic ties and began negotiations.

What is clear is that Cuba began to dramatically increase access about six months later when the government began opening Wi-Fi spots around the country. For many Cubans, the start of home internet in December is potentially even more significant, breaking a longstanding barrier against private internet access in a country whose communist government remains deeply wary about information technology undermining its near-total control of media, political life and most of the economy.

The pace of change in Cuba often depends on the state of relations with its giant neighbor to the north: both tensions with the United States and leaps forward like Obama's visit to Havana last year have prompted crackdowns by hardliners worried about the government losing control. While President-elect Donald Trump's administration has promised to take a harder line on Cuba, both opponents of President Raul Castro's government and those advocating closer relations favor more access to information for ordinary Cubans.

The home internet test program selected some 2,000 resi-

dents of Old Havana to receive free connections for two months before a planned expansion and the start of billing for the service. Gonzalez said he would be able to receive 30 hours of his 128 kilobyte-per-second connection for \$15, with the price increasing for faster connections, with 30 hours of a 2 megabyte-per-second connection available for \$115.

That's far slower and wildly more expensive than internet in most of the rest of the world. In the Dominican Republic, for example, a full month of relatively slow 2 megabyte-per-second internet, a speed most people would consider reasonable for applications such as streaming video, costs a little more than \$20.

Cuba depended on slow, expensive satellite internet until 2013, when it opened a fiber-optic cable to Venezuela that connected the island to the global online infrastructure.

Cuba says that its still-high internet prices are a result of costs imposed by the U.S. trade embargo on the island. Independent observers blame the costs on political decisions to limit access, and on the cash-strapped socialist government's widespread use of its monopoly power to extract as much money as possible for goods and services considered luxuries. Many young people hope that the spread of access in recent years is the start of Cuba seeing internet more as a necessity and a right, like the free education and health care guaranteed by Cuba's socialist system.

"In my dreams, I'd like for the internet to be seen like arts and culture, and, as such, to be free for the whole population, just like access to education has been for the last 50 years," said David Vasquez, the 27-year-old director of the online magazine Cachivache Media. "It's very hard to know what the future will bring."

Tensions flare as Serbian nationalist train halts at border

BELGRADE, Serbia (AP) — An elaborately decorated Serbian nationalist train took off Saturday from Belgrade aiming for northern Kosovo but halted at the border in a stunt that triggered a dramatic escalation of tensions between the former wartime foes.

Kosovo officials had protested earlier that the train was in violation of their country's sovereignty and promised not to let it in.

Serbian Prime Minister Aleksandar Vucic ordered the train stopped at the Serbian town of Raska as it approached the border with Serbia's former province, claiming that Kosovo's ethnic Albanians had tried to mine the railway.

Kosovo police strongly denounced such accusations but said they had checked the railway and found no explosives.

Kosovo Prime Minister Isa Mustafa said he had contacted the United States and the European Union to express his country's concerns.

"I believe that turning back the train was the appropriate action and its entry into the independent and sovereign Republic of Kosovo would not be allowed," he said at a Saturday evening news conference.

The Russian-made train was painted with Serb flags, religious Christian Orthodox scenes, monasteries and

medieval towns and inscribed with "Kosovo is Serbian" in 20 world languages. Hostesses on it wore the colors of the Serbian national flag.

Kosovo declared independence from Serbia in 2008, but Serbia does not recognize the split and has sought to maintain influence in Kosovo's north, where most of the country's Serb minority is located.

At an urgently called news conference in Belgrade on Saturday, Vucic accused the Kosovo government in Pristina of plans to arrest the train's driver and passengers.

"This was an ambition to provoke a conflict, to start a wider conflict in this territory that we consider as ours," Vucic said. "It was my decision to stop the train in Raska to preserve the freedom and lives of our people, to prevent a wider conflict and show that we want peace."

He warned ethnic Albanians in Kosovo not to attack Kosovo's Serb minority "because Serbia will not allow those attacks."

"We sent a train, not a tank," Vucic said.

NATO-led troops are controlling Kosovo's borders following an intervention in 1999 to stop a bloody Serbian crackdown against ethnic Albanian separatists in Kosovo.

Saturday's promotional ride was the first from Belgrade, the Serbian capital, to the

northern Kosovo town of Mitrovica since the 1998-99 war. The train later turned back toward Belgrade.

Kosovo President Hashim Thaci said Saturday on his Facebook page that Kosovo respects the freedom of movement of people and goods but a train covered in nationalist banners that violate Kosovo's constitution and laws "is completely unacceptable."

He also noted the train had some passengers and Serb officials who did not have permission to enter Kosovo.

"Anything that is illegal and threatens Kosovo's state sovereignty, must be prevented. This train is the latest provocation and authorities in Kosovo must use all legal means to stop this train immediately," he wrote.

Earlier, as the train left Belgrade, Marko Djuric, who heads Serbian government's office for Kosovo, described the rail link as important for northern Kosovo.

"This is like a mobile exhibition presenting our cultural heritage," he said.

The clash of viewpoints came amid already heightened tensions between Serbia and Kosovo following the recent detention in France of Ramush Haradinaj, a former Kosovo prime minister, on an arrest warrant from Serbia.

Kosovo has called the warrant not legitimate and urged France to ignore it.

trade and other issues.

He told The Wall Street Journal in an interview published Friday that "everything is under negotiation, including 'one China.'"

Beijing has repeatedly pushed back against any suggested reconsideration of Taiwan, which it considers a core national interest.

INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

Reports: Fighting in Brazil prison leaves at least 10 dead

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Fighting between rival gangs in a prison in northern Brazil on Saturday has reportedly left at least 10 inmates dead in the latest in a series of massacres in the South American country's penitentiaries. Three of the victims were beheaded.

News website Folha de Sao Paulo said the afternoon riot broke out at the Alcauz Penitentiary in Rio Grande do Norte state after criminal factions clashed and some cellblocks were invaded by rivals.

Zemilton Silva, coordinator of the prison system, said "we could see the heads ripped off" three inmates.

Police have surrounded the prison and blocked the exits, but are waiting to dawn on Sunday to enter because the inmates are out of their cells and armed.

The last rebellion in Alcauz prison was in November 2015, when a tunnel was discovered in one pavilion. The facility should house 620 inmates but has 1,083.

The recent string of Brazilian prison violence began on Jan. 1-2, when 56 inmates were killed in the northern state of Amazonas. Authorities said the Family of the North gang targeted members of Brazil's most powerful criminal gang, First Command, in a clash over control of drug-trafficking routes in northern states. Many of the dead were beheaded and dismembered.

Another suspected mastermind in Bangladesh attack arrested

NEW DELHI (AP) — Counterterrorism police in Bangladesh have arrested another suspected mastermind of a July attack on a restaurant in the capital, officials said.

The suspect, Jahangir Alam, was picked up on Friday night in a raid in Tangail district, 120 kilometers (75 miles) north of the capital, Dhaka, said Monirul Islam, head of the Counterterrorism and Transnational Crime Unit of the Dhaka Metropolitan Police. Details of the arrest procedures were not clear.

The July 1 attack on the Holy Artisan Bakery, a popular restaurant frequented by foreigners and wealthy Bangladeshis, left 20 hostages, including 17 foreigners, dead. Five young men belonging to the domestic militant group Jumatul Mujahedein Bangladesh, or JMB, stormed the restaurant, sprayed bullets and threw grenades, and slaughtered the hostages.

The attack by the group, which is thought to be inspired by Islamic State militants, demonstrated the rising threat of radical Islam in the South Asian country governed by largely secular laws. IS claimed responsibility for the attack, but the government of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has denied that the Sunni extremist group has any pres-

ence in the country.

Since the July assault, authorities have reinforced a crackdown on militants and killed about 40 suspects, including what they say were other masterminds of the restaurant attack. No major attacks have been reported since July, with authorities claiming success in their drive against hard liners.

IOM: Only 4 survivors from migrant shipwreck off Libya

ROME (AP) — A migrant ship carrying around 100 people capsized in the frigid waters off Libya on Saturday and only four survivors had been rescued after hours of searching, aid groups said.

Eight bodies were recovered but poor conditions were hampering the search taking place 30 miles (50 kilometers) off Libya's coast, Italy's ANSA news agency reported.

Flavio di Giacomo, Rome spokesman for the International Organization of Migration, said four people had been rescued out of an estimated 110 aboard. He said more details would become available after the four are brought to shore.

The vast majority of migrant ships set off from Libya's lawless coasts, where smugglers operate with impunity charging desperate migrants hundreds of dollars apiece to make the dangerous Mediterranean crossing.

Last year saw a record high number — 181,000 people — heading to Italy by sea, the EU rescue operation Frontex reported. West Africans, most of them hailing from Nigeria, accounted for most of the migrants in 2016, with a 10-fold increase in their numbers since 2010, Frontex reported.

Thousands protest Spain's dispersion policy for ETA inmates

BILBAO, Spain (AP) — Tens of thousands of people demonstrated Saturday in the Basque city of Bilbao, calling for some 350 imprisoned members and sympathizers of the armed pro-Basque independence group ETA to be allowed serve their sentences closer to home in northern Spain.

In addition to prisoners' families and pro-independence politicians, some relatives of ETA victims took part for the first time in the annual demonstration.

Protesters marched through the city holding placards that read "I Denounce" the Spanish government's policy of dispersing ETA prisoners in 40 prisons across Spain to restrict contacts between them.

Rosa Rodero, widow of a police sergeant assassinated by the ETA in 1993, marched behind a banner reading "Basque prisoners to the Basque Country."

"All people here in the Basque country, we have fought a lot, we had to suffer a lot. The only thing we want is that peace comes and that peace is also given to these people," she said, referring to the prisoners.

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China again rejects Trump's suggestion to negotiate Taiwan

BEIJING (AP) — China's Foreign Ministry has rejected President-elect Donald Trump's suggestion that he might use support of Taiwan as a bargaining chip in future negotiations between the two sides.

Spokesman Lu Kang said Sunday that the "one China" policy is "non-negotiable" and the political foundation of the

U.S.-China relationship. Since recognizing Beijing in 1979, Washington has maintained only unofficial ties with Taiwan, the self-governing island that Beijing considers its territory.

But since winning the November election, Trump has said he would consider that policy in a discussion about

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Decoda Cello Quartet to perform at String Theory

Making its Chattanooga debut, the Decoda Cello Quartet will perform as part of String Theory at the Hunter Museum of American Art in Chattanooga.

The concert will take place on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., featuring cellists Hamilton Berry, Claire Bryant, Caitlin Sullivan, and Yves Dharamraj.

Founded in 2009 by pianist and artistic director Gloria Chien, String Theory brings acclaimed chamber musicians from around the world to perform in the intimate setting of the Hunter Museum in Chattanooga. Chien is a Steinway artist and an artist-in-residence at Lee University.

The quartet will perform works by Franchomme, Cornish, Frank, Menotti and Ravel.

Prior to the concert, "Musical Dialogues" will take place at 6 p.m. from the concert stage. Chien will lead an in-depth conversation with the artists on their lives, inspirations, and the masterpieces being performed.

A Nashville native, Berry has collaborated with pop artists

including Debbie Harry, Bjork, Vampire Weekend, Fun, and Cults. He has played at the Chelsea, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Olympic, and Yellow Barn music festivals. Berry has also performed with Toomai String Quintet, Novus NY, Con Brio Ensemble, Ensemble ACJW, and more.

Bryant enjoys an active and diverse career in New York City as a performer of chamber music, contemporary music, and the solo cello repertoire. She has collaborated with world-class artists such as Daniel Hope, Emanuel Ax, Sir Simon Rattle, and the Weilerstein Trio, among others. Bryant is also the winner of the Robert Sherman McGraw Hill Companies award for excellence in community outreach and music education.

Based in New York City, Sullivan is recognized by the New York Concert Review as having "the understanding and emotional projection of a true artist." She has performed in the United States and abroad with artists such as Yo-Yo Ma,

Gil Shaham, Bela Fleck, the Joshua Redman Quartet, among others. Additionally, Sullivan has helped lead educational outreach projects in South Africa and Japan.

Dharamraj enjoys a multifaceted career that takes him to the major stages of the U.S. and abroad, including Lincoln Center, the Kennedy Center, Ravinia Festival, and Chicago Cultural Center, among others. In 2013, Dharamraj co-founded New Docta International Music Festival to bring world-class musicians to Argentina to perform, inspire children, and nurture Latin American talent.

Individual concert tickets are \$30 for Hunter members, \$40 for non-members, \$10 for students with a valid student ID, and \$25 for groups of 20 or more people.

The following Saturday, Jan. 21, at 1 p.m., Decoda Cello Quartet will be featured at the String Theory Annual Family Concert, hosted by the Hunter Museum and dedicated to Woodmore Elementary School. Through its performance, "Four



Decoda Cello Quartet

Crayons," the quartet will show how four cellos can create a number of vivid musical settings. All proceeds will be donated to the Woodmore Fund, created to provide assistance to the families with children on the bus that crashed in

Chattanooga in November 2016.

An instrument petting zoo, hosted by the String Theory Youth Initiative, will follow the Saturday performance. Tickets are \$15 for adults, while admission for children 15 and under, Hunter members, and String

Theory subscribers and patrons is free.

For more information on String Theory at the Hunter Museum of American A, or to purchase tickets, call 423-414-2525 or visit www.stringtheorymusic.org.



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THOUSANDS OF SANDHILL CRANES fill a field near the Hiwassee Refuge on Saturday. The birds were foraging for food in the fields, even in the midst of the foggy morning, before returning to the refuge's wetlands to roost.

Cranes

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flew overhead.

The festival, the 26th at the Hiwassee Refuge, was presented by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. The TWRA officials on site, many who have viewed the birds during the festival, were also still in awe of the cranes at the refuge.

Mime Barnes, wildlife information specialist with the TWRA, said that she and her fellow officers are pleased to see the number of birds that visit the area. There was a time less than 40 years ago when officials estimated the sandhill crane population in Tennessee at just under 5,400.

"If you look at the birds historically, their numbers fell prior to any regulations, and seeing that numbers return and seeing that amount of cranes that are migrating together in one spot is simply amazing, and to know that the same birds are coming back every year, over and over again, is fantastic," Barnes said.

The sandhill cranes that travel through southeast Tennessee breed around the Great Lakes region of the United States. As

winter in that area arrives, the birds fly south and stop at the Hiwassee Refuge.

"Some will go south and return here for the rest of the winter," Barnes said. "Some will head south to the Gulf and then turn right around and come back to this area."

David Hanni, a bird conservation coordinator with TWRA, said that many of the birds stay in the Hiwassee Refuge area before heading back north as winter ends. "They are foragers, they eat grain," Hanni explained. "They use the area for roosting, where a predator can't get to them, and that is why they are so attracted to the Hiwassee Refuge because it is wetlands and that protects them during the night and during the day they forage for food."

The refuge area has been managed by TWRA for more than 60 years, and now, the state agency said that about 12,000 of the visiting sandhill cranes stay at the refuge through the winter.

This year, TWRA surveyed the number of cranes that stopped by

the refuge area, and Barnes said that there were 33,505 counted in and around the wetlands area.

"We hope that we have good crowds of people come to view the sandhill cranes, and the other activities going on during the festival," Barnes said. "I believe they will be very impressed."

For the sixth year, Olin Chlor Alkali Products is the corporate sponsor for the festival. The festival is a celebration of the thousands of sandhill cranes that migrate through or spend the winter on and around the Birchwood area, as well as an opportunity to focus attention on the rich wildlife heritage of the state and the Native American history of the area.

Free bus shuttle service will be available from the Birchwood Community Center to the Hiwassee Refuge and Cherokee Removal Memorial Park today, beginning at 8 a.m. No public parking is available at the refuge.

Various vendors will be at the Birchwood Community Center beginning at 8 a.m. In addition, breakfast will be available for purchase at the community center from 7 to 8 a.m., and lunch will be available from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Music, special programs, and children's activities will be ongoing throughout today's activities. The American Eagle Foundation will be present for its always-popular live raptor show at 1 p.m. today.

The nearby Cherokee Removal Memorial will feature Native American folklore specialists. They will present performances, artifacts and objects used in everyday life by Native American inhabitants in the Hiwassee River area.

Along with the wildlife viewing at the refuge, wildlife and birding experts will be on site. They will provide visitors with a unique educational experience by sharing viewing scopes and information.

The Hiwassee Refuge comprises about 6,000 acres. The Birchwood Community Center is only three miles from the wildlife-viewing site at the Hiwassee Wildlife Refuge. The Cherokee Removal Memorial is found just to the side of the refuge near the Tennessee River.



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THREE SANDHILL CRANES fly over the Hiwassee Refuge toward a nearby field to forage for food.

Baldwin

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served as president of Adams Publishing Group East (Tennessee/North Carolina) after Adams purchased Jones Media in September 2016.

Baldwin worked for Park Communications, publishing newspapers in North Carolina prior to joining Jones Media in 1988. A native of Rockingham, N.C., he began his career with his hometown newspaper, the Richmond County Daily Journal right out of college.

He and his wife of 42 years — Lu Shep — have 2 sons: Adam, who lives in Chattanooga with his wife, Rachel, and Neal, a resident of Knoxville.

He has been active throughout his career in many civic and charitable organizations in several communities including United Way, Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, Rotary, YMCA, Friendly Fellows Food Club, McMinn County Living Heritage Museum and Keith Memorial United Methodist Church.

Baldwin said he and his wife are looking forward to getting settled in Cleveland and becoming an active part of the community.

"Bradley County is a great place to live and work," Baldwin said. "This is where we want to be."

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Flame squads take down rival Union

From Lee Sports Information

JACKSON — Playing in yet another nail biting Gulf South Conference contest, the Lee women's basketball team outlasted Union University, 74-69 on Saturday afternoon.

The two longtime rivals staged yet another epic battle with Union cutting a nine-point deficit to just three at 70-67 with just 1:24 remaining before clutch foul shots and defense from junior Erin Walsh propelled the Lady Flames to the road victory.

Carrie Cheeks led the way for the Lady Flames with 15 points on 5 of 7 shooting from the field and seven rebounds, five coming on the offensive end. Walsh added 13 points and was a perfect 6 of 6 from the foul line. Haley Cornellison provided a punch off the bench with 11 points and Lindsey Roddy rounded out a balanced scoring attack with 10 points.

"We switched up the lineup today to match up with their four guards and I thought everyone responded well," said head coach Marty Rowe. "We got a total team effort today with solid performance from Jenna Scoggins, Tori Lentz, Haley Cornellison and Anna Woodford."

Gaines paced the Union effort with 19 points. Jada Smith tallied 15 points while Jada Perkins had 11 markers and dished off five assists.

Shots were falling for the Lady Flames throughout the contest as they posted a 49 percent mark from the field while drilling 8 of 20 3-pointers (40 percent). Lee also hit 14 of 18 from the charity stripe including four key makes in the final seconds by Walsh.

In addition to shooting the basketball well the Lady Flames defended the 3-point line, holding a usually dangerous Lady Bulldogs' squad to just 3 of 16 shooting (18 percent) from beyond the arc.

Union held a 40-29 advantage on the glass thanks in large part to 20 offensive rebounds.

The closely contested battle featured nine ties and five lead changes. The two teams each



LEE UNIVERSITY junior Carrie Cheeks (32) puts up a shot in the lane over a Union University defender during Saturday's Gulf South Conference battle in Jackson. The 6-foot-3 post pumped in 15 points and grabbed seven rebounds to lead the Lady Flames to a 74-69 victory.

took care of the basketball with Lee committing 12 turnovers and Union guilty of just 10.

"We preached after Thursday's loss about playing as one and playing as a team instead of just for ourselves," noted Rowe. "That showed up in a big way tonight. We played together as one team and that was the difference in the

game."

After seeing large leads dissipate in two of their last three games, the Lady Flames posted 39 points in the second half to protect a three-point halftime lead.

The win moves the Lady Flames to 11-4 overall and 6-3 in the GSC. The Lady Bulldogs fall

to 9-7 and are 4-6 in league play.

Lee will wind up a three-game road swing with a visit to Florence to take on the GSC front-runner North Alabama on Thursday evening. The Lady Flames will return home on Saturday at 2 p.m. to host Alabama Huntsville.

FLAMES 75, BULLDOGS 68

The Lee University men's bas-

ketball team completed a week-end sweep of Gulf South Conference foes with a 75-68 defeat of Union University Saturday afternoon in Fred DeLay Gymnasium.

On Thursday the Flames beat Christian Brothers University, 69-57, for the first time since joining the GSC.

The Flames (9-6, 5-4 GSC) used a 31-10 run to turn a 13-point deficit with 4:42 remaining in the first half into a 51-43 advantage with just under 12 minutes left in the game.

"That was big," said Lee head coach Bubba Smith. "I felt we never had the momentum and it was like we were just holding on. The guys just gutted it out and played tough. Defensively, we strung together enough stops to get back into the game."

Kevin Tyus made 11-of-18 shots to lead the Flames with 23 points. He also contributed five rebounds and three assists. Jervon Johnson added 17 points and Levi Woods made it three Lee players in double-digits with 16 points. Woods recorded nine of Lee's 27 rebounds.

Union (9-6, 4-6 GSC) recorded just 19 rebounds in the game, but turned five offensive boards into 13 second-chance points. Lee outscored the Bulldogs 40-20 in the paint. Both teams turned 11 opponent turnovers into 13 points.

Lee scorched the nets in both halves to finish 30-for-48 (.625) from the field and 5-for-11 (.455) from 3-point range. The Bulldogs made 21-of-44 (.477) shots, including 10-of-18 (.556) from distance. The Flames were 10-for-11 (.909) at the free throw line, while Union made 16-of-23 (.696).

Ashanti Day scored 14 of his team-high 19 points in the first half. KC Goodwin and Nick Velasquez added 14 and 11 markers, respectively. Goodwin was Union's top rebounder with five.

"This was a big weekend for us," admitted Smith. "To come away with two wins was really good. We'll take a day off, get some guys healthy and get ready for next week. Hopefully, we can get everybody healthy and get back to full strength."

The Flames travel to Florence, Ala., to play North Alabama on Thursday before returning to Walker Arena for a showdown with Alabama Huntsville next Saturday. Thursday's game is scheduled to tip at 9 p.m. EST.

Ryan leads Falcons to NFC title game

ATLANTA (AP) — Matt Ryan looked very much like an MVP, and the Atlanta Falcons are headed to the NFC championship game.

Ryan threw for 338 yards and three touchdowns, leading the Falcons to a 36-20 victory over the Seattle Seahawks in the divisional round Saturday.

Atlanta will face either the Dallas Cowboys or the Green Bay Packers, who meet Sunday in the NFC's other divisional game.

After the Seahawks zipped down the field for a touchdown on the opening possession, Atlanta's young defense largely shut down Russell Wilson & Co. the rest of the way.

Ryan and the high-scoring Falcons took it from there — getting a huge boost from a holding penalty that wiped out an 80-yard punt return by Devin Hester.

Ryan hooked up with Julio Jones on a 7-yard touchdown and Tevin Coleman for a 14-yard score before finishing off the Seahawks with a 3-yard toss to Mohamed Sanu in the corner of the end zone with just under 4 minutes remaining, sparking a raucous chant of "MVP! MVP! MVP!" from a Georgia Dome crowd that stood most of the game, giving the Falcons the sort of home-field advantage that Seattle is used to having at the Link.

"It feels good," said Ryan, who came in with a 1-4 record in the playoffs. "I think we executed really well across the board. We weren't perfect by any stretch of the imagination, we made some mistakes. But consistency for the entire day was really, really good. I was proud of the way we played."

Before a foot injury limited him in the second half, Jones made life miserable for Seattle cornerback Richard Sherman, who got away with an apparent pass interference penalty on Atlanta's star receiver when the teams met



ATLANTA FALCONS wide receiver Mohamed Sanu catches a touchdown pass over Seattle Seahawks Jeremy Lane (20) during the fourth quarter of Saturday's NFC divisional playoff game in Atlanta. The Falcons won 36-20 to advance to the NFC Championship Game.

during the regular season, preserving a 26-24 victory for the Seahawks.

Jones was targeted eight times,

coming up with six receptions for 67 yards to set a tone that Atlanta would not be intimidated by the Legion of Boom.

But, as usual, Ryan spread the ball around to everyone.

Speedy Taylor Gabriel had a 37-yard reception.

Running back Devonta Freeman slipped out of the backfield to haul in a 53-yard pass, putting a dazzling fake on replacement free safety Steven Terrell right in the middle of the field. The Seahawks sure missed Earl Thomas, out for the season with a broken leg.

In all, eight players caught passes from Ryan.

"He stayed on exactly the same path he had during the regular season," said second-year Atlanta coach Dan Quinn, who beat the team he worked for previously as defensive coordinator. "He was on it."

For only the fourth time in their 51-year history, the Falcons (12-5) will be playing for the conference title and a spot in the Super Bowl.

They made their only Super Bowl appearance during the 1998 season, falling to Denver in John Elway's final game, and lost in the NFC title game during the 2004 and 2012 seasons.

The Seahawks (11-6-1) couldn't follow up a dominating win over Detroit in the opening round, the game turning dramatically on a holding penalty in the second quarter that wiped out Hester's return to the Atlanta 7.

Instead of having first-and-goal and a chance to extend a 10-7 lead, Seattle was backed up to its 7. After Thomas Rawls was thrown for a 3-yard loss, Wilson attempted to drop back for a pass.

One problem: rookie right guard Rees Odhiambo, taking over after Germain Ifedi was injured, stepped back onto Wilson's foot, sending the quarterback tumbling down in the end zone. Ben Garland fell on Wilson for a safety that turned the momentum Atlanta's way.

Matt Bryant's 35-yard goal put the Falcons ahead to stay, and the home team closed out the first half with a 99-yard drive touchdown that was extended by Sanu's brilliant, one-handed

catch for 22 yards with Jeremy Lane grabbing at his arm.

After getting beat on Seattle's first possession, an Atlanta defense featuring four rookies and a bunch of second-year players limited the Seahawks to a pair of a field goals before giving up a meaningless 31-yard touchdown pass to Doug Baldwin in the closing minutes.

"It's just really hard to think it's over," Seahawks coach Pete Carroll said.

DYNAMIC HESTER

Facing his former team, Hester certainly had quite an impact on special teams.

Even though his longest play was wiped out, he had five kickoff returns for 194 yards, including a 78-yarder.

Hester played for the Falcons in 2014 and '15. He signed with the Seahawks just before the playoffs.

INJURY REPORT

Seattle's tight ends took quite a beating. Brandon Williams went out with a concussion and Luke Willson was evaluated for a possible concussion late in the game.

Also, Seahawks cornerback DeShawn Sheard did not return after being helped off the field with a left knee injury early in the second half.

The Falcons lost defensive end Adrian Clayborn with a biceps injury on Seattle's opening drive.

UP NEXT

If Green Bay upsets the Cowboys, the NFC championship game would be next weekend at the Georgia Dome, extending the 25-year-old stadium's tenure one more game.

The Falcons are moving to \$1.5 billion Mercedes-Benz Stadium next season.

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BRADLEY CENTRAL junior Lameric Tucker (15) skies as he tries to block a shot during Friday evening's District 5-AAA battle in Ooltewah. The Bears were able to notch a 57-45 victory over the Owls in a very physical game.

Bradley claws out physical victories

By JOE CANNON

Banner Assistant Sports Editor

OOLTEWAH — For the second time this week, Bradley Central steamrolled to a pair of District 5-AAA hoop victories Friday evening, but there were a few bumps along the way.

In a pair of games at Ooltewah where the referees were "letting them play," the nationally-ranked Bearettes breezed to a 79-23 victory before the boys game got "chippy" near the end.

After the Bears built a 16-point lead in the opening period and stretched it to 20 early in the final frame, the zebras' tolerance of the rough play allowed the action to heat to a boiling point.

Not only were players having to be separated in the final couple of minutes with the score out of reach, but a Bear starter was "T-d up" twice for complaining after getting mugged and forced out of bounds on a play near midcourt. He will now have to set out this week's key district games at McMinn County and Cleveland because of the ejection.

The technical free throws allowed the hosts to close the gap to 13 points with 1:28 to play, but Bradley was able to hold on for a 57-45 victory.

The Bears (10-6, 4-1 District 5-AAA) will have to refocus and retread before heading to Athens Tuesday

and Raider Arena Friday.

Bradley opened Friday's nightcap with three straight fast-break baskets on its way to scoring the game's first 11 points.

Ooltewah (3-8, 1-4) didn't find the bottom of the net until the 4:20 mark of the opening frame before the Bears capped a 20-4 run with a 3-pointer from junior point guard Lameric Tucker.

When the first horn blared, the Black-and-Gold led 22-8 behind nine points from senior Ty Beavers, who posted a game-high 19, including a trio of 3-pointers when all was said and done.

Cam Chambers scored four of the first five second period points to pull the Owl deficit back to 11, but the Bears roared with seven unanswered points to push the difference to 18.

The hosts were able to trim the deficit to 34-24 at the half when Torey Morgan was able to put back in an offensive rebound at the buzzer.

Bradley started the third frame strong, scoring the first half dozen points, but then made just one more Beavers' "trey" the rest of the period, but Ooltewah added just three points to its tally, hitting only 1-of-10 shots from the field in the eight-minute span.

Leading by 16 once again when the final period started, the Bears

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No. 14 Louisville trips up No. 7 Duke

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Anas Mahmoud established the post presence that No. 14 Louisville needed against Duke before teammates began chipping in timely baskets and making stops.

The Cardinals' inside-outside combination on both ends culminated in a strong finish that put away the seventh-ranked Blue Devils.

Mahmoud had career highs of 17 points and 11 rebounds, Donovan Mitchell added 15 points and Louisville shot 59 percent in the second half to top Duke 78-69 on Saturday.

"When you score 17 points, and maybe I had assists on 12 of them, it's due to my teammates," the 7-foot junior from Egypt said after making 6 of 9 from the field and 5 of 7 free throws.

No contribution was too small for Louisville against Duke and fiery guard Grayson Allen — who shook off constant booing from the red-clad crowd to keep the Blue Devils on the cusp of making a game-changing run. But the Cardinals' accuracy came up big.

Duke had outshot Louisville much of the game, but the Cardinals had the hotter hands after halftime in making 17 of 29 from the field to gain the edge as the Blue Devils shot 48 percent. Mitchell had the touch from beyond the arc, making consecutive 3s while scoring 10 second-half points during a stretch that resulted in a 69-60 lead with 4:03 left.

"We just moved the ball, we weren't afraid," said Mitchell, who left the game early in the second half with a left ankle injury while guarding Allen but returned to make critical baskets.

"We kept attacking the second half. The first half we just got stagnant, too many pick-and-rolls. In the second half we got the ball inside, made some great choices. Our defense is what fueled us because once we got a stop on one end, we got a fast-break layup or fast-break 3."

Mahmoud soon followed with a put-back dunk and two free throws around Quentin Snider's 3 as the Cardinals (15-3, 3-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) won their third in a row. Snider had 13 points, six of Louisville's 16 assists and three steals. The Cardinals forced 18 turnovers.

"We played a really terrific game," Louisville coach Rick Pitino said. "We played two halves, had to battle them."

Allen had 23 points and nine rebounds as the Blue Devils (14-4, 2-3) lost their second in a row this week without injured forward Amile Jefferson (foot). Luke Kennard added 17 points.

THE BIG PICTURE

Duke: The Blue Devils led most of the first half before Louisville rallied past with 5½ minutes left to lead 34-30 edge at the break. Nine straight second-half points by Allen kept them close but they couldn't prevent small Cardinal runs that put the game away. Having Jefferson could have helped on the boards and inside as they were outscored 36-26 in the paint, but interim coach Jeff Capel said their freshmen frontcourt needs to improve.

"The very first thing is rebound-



AP photo/Timothy D. Easley

LOUISVILLE'S QUENTIN SNIDER (4) shoots past the defense of Duke's Harry Giles (1) during the second half of Saturday's ACC game in Louisville, Ky. The Cardinals knocked off the Blue Devils by a 78-69 margin.

ing," said Capel, who's coaching while Mike Krzyzewski recovers from back surgery. "Protecting our basket is another thing. In the last two games we've given up a total, I think, 92 points in the paint. That has to be better."

Louisville: The Cardinals matched Duke in shooting (47 percent) and rebounding (32) but Mahmoud's play was a big help down low. Ray Spalding added 11 points while Mangok Mathiang had seven and Deng Adel six.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

Duke's second straight loss, even on the road to a ranked foe, could drop them out of the Top 10. Louisville moves closer to the Top 10 with the win.

NOT-SO-WARM WELCOME

Allen figured to hear loud boos early and often a year after tripping Spalding in the first of several incidents — with last month's upending of Elon's Steven Santa Ana the most recent. That culminated in an indefinite suspension lasting just one game.

Fans did their part raining boos on Allen, with the student section frequently chanting "Sweep The Leg" in reference to a line from the movie "The Karate Kid." But other than a few signs — including a yellow-and-black one that said "Caution Tripping Hazard" with a falling stick figure — the junior got off relatively light.

Not that it bothered him.

"I don't think about it," said Allen, who made 6 of 11 shots and 9 of 12 free throws. "I only worry about the guys that are playing the game, not the people that are watching."

Allen and Mitchell fell hard to the floor after getting tangled in the second half, and Mitchell appeared to smack Allen on the forehead as he got up.

UP NEXT

Duke: Gets some down time before hosting Miami on Jan. 21

and North Carolina State two days later.

Louisville: Hosts Clemson on Thursday night before visiting No. 9 Florida State on Jan. 21.

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Manu Lecomte scored 26 points after battling early foul trouble, Ish Wainright and Al Freeman had key baskets down the stretch and top-ranked Baylor outlasted No. 25 Kansas State 77-68 on Saturday.

Wainright and Freeman had 15 points apiece for the Bears (15-1, 3-1 Big 12), who bounced back from a lopsided loss at No. 10 West Virginia in their first game as the nation's No. 1 team.

Johnathan Motley was held to seven points and nine rebounds before fouling out with 4:34 left and the Bears leading 62-55. But they managed to hang on down the stretch without their most dependable player.

D.J. Johnson scored 20 points for Kansas State (13-4, 2-3), and Barry Brown finished with 13.

No. 2 KANSAS 87

OKLAHOMA STATE 80

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Frank Mason III had 22 points, five rebounds and four assists, leading Kansas to the Big 12 victory.

The Jayhawks (16-1, 5-0) rallied for their 16th straight win and could move into the top spot when the AP poll comes out on Monday. No. 1 Baylor lost 89-68 to West Virginia on Tuesday.

Devonte' Graham scored 21 points for Kansas, and freshman Josh Jackson added 20 points and 11 rebounds.

Jeffrey Carroll scored 23 for Oklahoma State (10-7, 0-5), and Mitchell Solomon had 16 points.

No. 3 VILLANOVA 70

ST. JOHN'S 57

NEW YORK (AP) — Redshirt freshman Dante DiVincenzo had a season-high 19 points, helping Villanova pull away for the win at Madison Square Garden.

Mikal Bridges had 12 points and Josh Hart added 11 points for the Wildcats (17-1, 5-1 Big East), who started the season with a 14-game winning streak. The defending national champions have won 23 of their last 24 games.

Freshman Shamorie Ponds had 13 points for the Red Storm (8-11, 2-4), who have lost four straight overall and 10 in a row to Villanova.

The Wildcats didn't start pulling away until the final 7 minutes. A 7-0 run capped by a 3-pointer by Kris Jenkins gave Villanova a 60-48 lead with 4:56 to play.

No. 4 UCLA 83, UTAH 82

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Lonzo Ball had 17 points, eight assists and six rebounds, and UCLA edged Utah for the road win.

The Bruins (18-1, 5-1 Pac-12) overcame a nine-point deficit in the second half despite a poor defensive performance. Aaron Holiday hit a deep 3-pointer with 1:52 left to give UCLA an 81-80 lead and Utah forward Kyle Kuzma missed a contested 3 in the final seconds.

Thomas Welsh then made two foul shots for the Bruins and Lorenzo Bonam scored in the waning moments for the Utes (12-5, 3-2), providing the final margin.

Welsh had 16 points for UCLA, which shot 48.5 percent from the field. Bonam led the Utes with 19 points.

No. 6 KENTUCKY 92

AUBURN 72

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Malik Monk scored 24 points, powering Kentucky to its fifth straight win.

The balanced Wildcats (15-2, 5-0 Southeastern Conference) shot 57 percent from the field and placed five players in double figures. Edrice "Bam" Adebayo had 15 points, and De'Aaron Fox finished with 13.

The physical matchup included 49 fouls between the two teams, with Fox fouling out with 7:23 remaining. Kentucky connected on just 17 of 32 free throws, compared to 5 for 15 at the line for Auburn.

T.J. Dunans led Auburn (11-6, 1-4) with 23 points, and Mustapha Heron had 11.

No. 8 CREIGHTON 101

TRUMAN STATE 69

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Marcus Foster scored 21 points on 9-of-11 shooting, and Creighton rolled to an easy win against Division II Truman State.

Creighton (17-1) dunked eight times and put the Bulldogs away with a 17-2 run in the second half that pushed the lead to 75-46. The Bluejays had each of their starters on the bench before the midway point of the second half, and the lead grew to as many as 36.

For Creighton, the game counted on its record and in the statistics, but won't be factored into its RPI. It was an exhibition for the Bulldogs from Kirksville, Missouri.

Connor Erickson led Truman State (13-4) with 10 points.

No. 11 N. CAROLINA 96

No. 9 FLORIDA STATE 83

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Joel Berry II scored 26 points, and North Carolina snapped Florida State's school-record win streak.

Justin Jackson and Isaiah Hicks each added 22 points for the Tar

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BRADLEY CENTRAL senior state champion Ryan McElhane, top, currently ranked second in the state, not only knocked off top-ranked Colton Londers Thursday evening, but led the Bears to a pair of victories against a pair of state-ranked opponents at the Moffatt Duals Friday evening in Johnson City.

Bear matmen bounce back quickly

From Staff Reports

JOHNSON CITY — Bouncing back from its second emotionally charged one-point loss to archrival Cleveland High Thursday evening, Bradley Central's wrestling team showed why they are one of the two top programs in the state with a pair of victories over state-ranked squads Friday in the Moffatt Duals at Johnson City.

The Bears, ranked No. 1 in the state's coaches poll and second by PinTN.com, knocked off fourth-ranked Christian Brothers 41-28 and No. 11 Science Hill 45-21.

"I'm proud of the way our Bears battled back today (Friday) after a tough loss last night,"

wrote Bradley head coach Ben Smith on a Facebook post.

"Character, composure and heart were all tested today and our boys responded well," he praised. "Eager to see what tomorrow and the next few weeks bring."

Now 17-2 in dual meets this season, Coach Smith's Bears participated in the prestigious Fandetti/Richardson Brawl Saturday, looking for their fourth traditional tournament title of the season (results will be in Monday's edition of the Banner).

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TCPS takes 3-of-4 from Oakwood

Special to the Banner

Occasionally, Tennessee Christian Preparatory School has the opportunity to schedule basketball games with schools that have middle school teams as well as high school teams. Friday was such a time.

The evening was dedicated to basketball in the Hawks Nest as TCPS played host to SCAA opponent Oakwood Christian from Chickamauga, Ga.

The first game was a middle school girls game. Unfortunately, this game did not have the outcome that the middle school Lady Hawks were looking for.

After a tough battle, Oakwood would go on a strong run to pull ahead and stay ahead. At the final buzzer Oakwood Christian would best the TCPS middle school girls by 12 points, 30-18.

Leading TCPS were Jady Chestnutt with 11 points, 11 rebounds and five blocks

Ella Lipscomb had two points, five rebounds and a block. Tyla Hall had a point and six rebounds, while Layla Higgins scored two points and grabbed two rebounds. Ariyah Howard added two points and a rebound.

The middle school boys teams took to the court next as TCPS would try to right the ship for the rest of the evening.

TCPS jumped out to an 11-0 lead and would not look back. Coach Rodney Dunn played everyone on the bench and more than that, everyone contributed to the score.

"We finally played a complete game; it was nice to see everyone play and contribute," Dunn would say of his team's 63-17 win.

Ethan Smith led the way with 14 points and two rebounds.

Braxton Botts followed with 12 points and three rebounds.

Jerome Carroll had a big game with nine points and seven rebounds. Thomas Caines collected two points six rebounds and six steals.

Additionally, Hawks on the scoring list included: Riley Harper with eight points, J.C. Squires and Hayden Smith with six points apiece.

Rounding out the scoring were Canaan Buckner and Carter Douglas with three points each.

The high school teams would follow with the Lady Hawks squaring off against the Lady Eagles.

This game would be an offensive struggle as defense would prove to be on point for the game. This was a close battle for most of the game with TCPS maintaining a small lead throughout.

The final score would have TCPS notching the second win of the evening with the Lady Hawks on top 32-21.

Coach Natalie Calfee was happy to get the win and commented, "it was a difficult game but the girls played hard."

The Lady Hawks were led by Merritt Jenkins with 11 points, 10 rebounds, two assists, a steal and two blocked shots.

Raylee Evans added nine points, five rebounds, an assist

and two steals.

Whitney White garnered five points, five rebounds and three assists.

Eleanor Jenkins finished with five points, two assists and a steal, while Hannah Armao had two points and three assists.

Capping off the night would be another exciting and hard fought competition, but between high school boys' teams.

The game would again feature defense and tight scoring with the Hawks maintaining a small lead through most of the game.

In the fourth period, as Oakwood would be committing several fouls, the TCPS boys would not miss free throws and extend their lead for good.

At the final buzzer, TCPS would finish a successful day of basketball with a 46-33 win.

Coach Frank Walker's comments were, "This was another good win. We were better on the defensive end and we are continuing to develop as a team."

Hawks in the scoring columns were led by Nate Boyd with 15 points, eight rebounds, five steals and four blocked shots.

Evan Gaffney collected 14 points, 10 rebounds, two assists and three steals.

Barrett Pope posted 10 points, six rebounds, two assists and four steals.

Micah West had three points, two rebounds, an assist and two steals.

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Lady Mustangs wrap up strong season in substate

By **PATRICK MacCOON**
Banner Sports Writer

SMYRNA — The Walker Valley girls' bowling team finished a strong season with a trip to the Smyrna Bowling Center for a TSSAA Sectional match Saturday afternoon.

Despite a 23-4 loss to Region 4 champion Blackman, who was led by Puerto Rico National Team member Sarah Sanes high series of 679, the Lady Mustangs were pleased to advance one step away from the state tournament.

"Just getting here is an accomplishment," Lady Mustang coach John Smeltzer said. "We had to outplay seven teams in our district just to make it happen."

"They came into a tough atmosphere and Michaela Brown bowled a 199 for our highest game despite an injury she had to wrap up. We have a young team and we will show them we can host substate next year."

Blackman led in total pinfall 3,154-2,516 to advance to the state tournament.

Brown led Region 3 runner-up Walker Valley with a high series of 490, while sophomore Miss Tennessee Bowler of the Year finalist Natily Haro finished with a 477. Claire Townsend finished with a series of 435.

Lone Lady Mustang senior Skylar Earls finished a strong career with a pinfall of 419 in three games. Not only will she have a signed pin from all of her teammates and coaches to cherish, but many lasting memories to go along with her career high game of 245.

"This has been a great season and I made some really great friends the last three years," Earls said. "I couldn't ask for a better team. They are a blessing. I didn't even try out my freshman year because I didn't want to do it. A friend and my coaches convinced me to bowl. I would not have done it any other way."

Having seen many outstanding bowlers come through the Walker Valley program, which has one state championship on the girls' side, Earls has left a strong impression on Walker Valley head coach Dean Anderson.

"It is just another one of our strong bowlers going out," Anderson said after telling Earls how proud he was of her. "She has come a really long way from her sophomore year. She really practiced a lot and has developed into a strong bowler."

While Walker Valley's season is over, three individuals from its team still have more games to roll at the state tournament at the Smyrna Bowling Center starting Thursday at 8:30 a.m.

Based on their season averages, Haro (202.28)



WALKER VALLEY coach John Smeltzer, center, talks to his bowlers during a TSSAA Sectional match against Region 4 champion Blackman Saturday afternoon in Smyrna. The Region 3 runner-up Lady Mustangs lose only one bowler in senior Skylar Earls for next season.

along with juniors Hayden Word (212.83) and Jon Womble (197.08) are all expected to have strong showings and have a chance to bowl to the finals on Saturday. Haro is ranked fourth in the state and Word is 13th.

"I really think they all have a chance to crack the final six," Anderson said. "The key is they have to bowl very consistent in four games instead of three because they bowl an extra game at state."

We are excited to see them compete at the highest stage and they are going to make us proud as well."

As for the Lady Mustangs, another strong team looks to return next season to the lanes.

"Next season really bodes well for us because we only lose Skylar and are bringing everyone back and are adding a few good newcomers as well," said Anderson. "State is definitely a possibility."

Mustang matmen have to settle for second place

By **RICHARD ROBERTS**
Banner Sports Editor

After a long a tiring day on the wrestling mat Walker Valley needed 12 points in the final four matches Saturday against East Hamilton in the championship final of the Walker Valley Duals tournament at Ocoee Middle School.

The Mustangs got five, but fell seven points short and settled for second place to the Hurricanes who walked away with the first-place trophy.

"There is no question," said Mustangs head coach Al Morris when asked if he felt the Mustangs left points on the mat in the final match of the tournament. "We've got some young guys but we're so far along in the season I'm tired of repeating myself. We're not thinking, that's our problem and we're giving up back points. We're giving up pins and it will cost you in a dual meet."

"We've got to learn how to wrestle and compete in dual meets. Some of the matches we were in it and suddenly we weren't. Today we had some where we were up and got turned on our backs. It's hard. Until they learn to be a dual meet team we're not going to have the success we want. But it's something we're going to work on. We're going to keep working."



WALKER VALLEY'S Mario Acevedo, top, battles East Hamilton's Elijah Vance in the 113-pound bout during the champion final at the Walker Valley Duals Saturday, at Ocoee Middle School. The Hurricanes nipped the Mustangs 39-32 in the title bout to claim the crown.

Walker Valley's Cameron Dwyer got the Mustangs started on the right foot with a pin at 126 pounds to open the championship match. Zeth Haynie (145) and Mikel Gregory (170) all earned pins for the Mustangs. Dillon Clark (138) picked up an easy six points for Walker Valley with a Hurricane's forfeit.

East Hamilton got pins at 132, 152, 160, 182 and 195 to hold a 30-24 lead headed into the 220-pound bout where a decision gave the Hurricanes a 33-24 advantage with four bouts to go. East Hamilton increased its lead

to 36-24 before the Mustangs recovered with a major decision from Chandler Davis at 106 to make it 36-28. The Hurricanes put the match away with a decision at 113. Chandler Davis (106) and James Jur (120) wrestled to a major decision win for Walker Valley to make it a 39-32 final.

The Mustangs will return to the mat Thursday against No.1-ranked Cleveland inside "The Stable" at Walker Valley.

"Here's where we're running into a problem. We've got a duals season and an individual season.

I've seen some great things individually today with some of our guys moving in the right direction. But we've got 13 guys that we've got to get all of them on board. This was a duals tournament we felt like we could have, should have, won. We came up short," said Morris.

"Hats off to East Hamilton. We've wrestled them three times and have beat them twice before. Both of the others were good, hard-fought matches. This time it didn't go our way."

"Our next competition doesn't get easier. We've got Cleveland

Thursday at home."

To reach the finals, Walker Valley defeated Ooltewah 66-16 and Stone Memorial 40-27, but fell to Notre Dame 43-30 in pool play. The Mustangs advanced to the title match due to winning a tie-breaker over Stone Memorial.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH
East Hamilton 39, Walker Valley 32
Match started at 126
106: Chandler Davis (WV) major dec. TeNario Thomas (EH), 10-0; 113: Elijah Vance (EH) dec. Mario Acevedo (WV), 8-4; 120: James Jur (WV) major dec. Seth Carpenter (EH), 14-1; 126: Cameron Dwyer (WV) pinned Samuel Malone (EH), 3-42; 132: Grant Lundy (EH) pinned Elhan West (WV), 1-13; 138: Dillon Clark (WV) win by forfeit; 145: Zeth Haynie (WV) pinned Liam Golden (EH), 2-46; 152: Kevin Siniard (EH) pinned Joey Vecchione (WV), 3-54; 160: Tyler Green (EH)

pinned Robert Varner (WV), 2-51; 170: Mikel Gregory (WV) pinned Tyler Bayless (EH), 1-33; 182: Andrew Sturdivant (EH) pinned Ben Gates (WV), 4-46; 195: Mathew Sailors (EH) pinned Skylar Swafford (WV), 0-44; 220: David Bohn (EH) dec. Cody Duggan (WV), 9-8; 285: Jackson Moore (EH) dec. Koby Hooker (WV), 6-3.

Walker Valley 40, Stone Memorial 27
Match started at 120
106: Chandler Davis (WV) pinned Dylan Kemmer (SM), 0-38; 113: Mario Acevedo (WV) win by forfeit; 120: Xavier Findley (SM) pinned James Jur, 5-08; 126: Cameron Dwyer (WV) pinned Michael Phipps (SM), 1-50; 132: Cody Jordan (SM) dec. Ethan West (WV), 7-6; 138: Dillon Clark (WV) major dec. John McDonald (SM), 10-2; 145: Zeth Haynie (WV) pinned Lance Hedgecoth (SM), 0-48; 152: Robert Varner (WV) dec. Marco Hernandez (SM), 7-4; 160: Mikel Gregory (WV) pinned Jacob Flannery (SM), 0-16; 170: Jonah Richards (SM) dec. Ben Gates (WV), 13-11; 182: Jayden Bowman (SM) win by forfeit; 195: Elmer Estrada (SM) dec. Skylar Swafford (WV), 1-0; 220: Christian Gabbard pinned Cody Duggan (WV), 3-38; 285: Koby Hooker (WV) dec. Cedric Little (SM), 3-1.

Notre Dame 43, Walker Valley 30
Match started at 106
106: Chandler Davis (WV) pinned Thomas Loher (ND), 5-13; 113: Jeremy Holloway (ND) pinned James Jur (WV) Fall 4:29; 120: Harrison Nichol (ND) pinned Mario Acevedo (WV), 4-33; 126: Grant Speer (ND) pinned Cameron Dwyer, 132; Ethan West (WV) win by forfeit; 138: Dillon Clark (WV) dec. Edward Warwick (ND), 3-2; 145: David Hodges (ND) pinned Zeth Haynie (WV), 1-55; 152: Robert Varner (WV) dec. Alex Spraker (ND), 7-2; 160: Mikel Gregory (WV) win by forfeit; 170: Daniel Hodges (ND) dec. Ben Gates (WV), 7-6; 182: Ashton Thomas (ND) major dec. Skylar Swafford (WV), 10-1; 195: James Boyd (ND) major dec. Skylar Swafford (WV), 10-1; 220: Cody Duggan (WV) pinned Jacob Brigan (ND); 285: Kobe Bragg (ND) win by forfeit.

Walker Valley 66, Ooltewah 16
106: Chandler Davis (WV) win by forfeit; 113: James Jur (WV) won by forfeit 120: Mario Acevedo (WV) pinned Alexander Wright (O), 4-26; 126: Cameron Dwyer (WV) pinned Justice McClure (O), 1-00; 132: Ethan West (WV) pinned Tucker Passons (O), 5-39; 138: Dillon Clark (WV) pinned Easton Norris (O), 2-00; 145: Zeth Haynie (WV) pinned Mykkel Banks (O), 5-1; 152: Robert Varner (WV) pinned Tay Paris (O), 1-21; 160: Mikel Gregory (WV) pinned Jordan Davis (O), 2-00; 170: Ben Gates (WV) win by forfeit; 182: Francisco Gallardo (O) won by forfeit; 195: Blake Wright (O) major dec. Skylar Swafford (WV), 12-2; 220: Cody Duggan (WV) pinned Tysen Smith (O), 2-34; 285: Kevin Chang (O) won by forfeit.

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Monday, Jan. 16
WRESTLING
Halls JV Tournament
 in Knoxville
 Bradley Central (JV) participating, 10 a.m.
 Tuesday, Jan. 17
BASKETBALL
 Bradley Central at McMinn County, 6 (JV, 3:30)
 Cleveland at Walker Valley, 6 (JV, 3:30)
 Polk County at Meigs County, 6 (JV, 3:30)
Wednesday, Jan. 18
BASKETBALL
 Cleveland State at Roanoke, 5:30
Thursday, Jan. 19
BASKETBALL
 Lee University at North Alabama, 7
WRESTLING
 Coddly-Daisy at Bradley Central (Senior Night), 7 (JV 6)
 Cleveland at Walker Valley, 7
Friday, Jan. 20
BASKETBALL
 Bradley Central at Cleveland, 6 (JV, 3:30)
 Walker Valley at McMinn County, 6 (JV, 3:30)
 Polk County at Midway, 6
WRESTLING
 Day of Duels at Walker Valley, TBA
Saturday, Jan. 21
BASKETBALL
 Alabama-Huntsville at Lee University, 2
 Walters State at Cleveland State, 2

ON AIR

Sports on TV
Sunday, Jan. 15
COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Noon
 BTN — Rutgers at Indiana
1:30 p.m.
 CBS — Michigan St. at Ohio St.
2:30 p.m.
 NBCSN — UMass at Rhode Island
4 p.m.
 CBSN — Cincinnati at East Carolina
 ESPN — Missouri St. at Loyola of Chicago
4:30 p.m.
 NBCSN — George Washington at La Salle
6 p.m.
 CBSN — SMU at Tulane
6:30 p.m.
 ESPN — Georgia Tech at NC State
7:30 p.m.
 BTN — Iowa at Northwestern
8:30 p.m.
 ESPN — Southern Cal at Colorado
GOLF
5 a.m.
 GOLF — European PGA Tour, BMW South African Open, final round, at Gauteng, South Africa
1 p.m.
 ESPN — Latin America Amateur Championship, final round, at Panama City
GOLF — Champions Tour, Diamond Resorts Invitational, final round, at Orlando, Fla.
6 p.m.
GOLF — PGA Tour, Sony Open, final round, at Honolulu
MIXED MARTIAL ARTS
4:30 p.m.
 FS1 — UFC Fight Night, prelims, at Phoenix
10 p.m.
 FS1 — UFC Fight Night, Yair Rodriguez vs. B.J. Penn, at Phoenix
MOTOR SPORTS
11 p.m.
 NBCSN — Dakar Rally, Stage 12 (Rio Cuarto to Buenos Aires, Argentina) (taped)
NBA BASKETBALL
9 p.m.
 ESPN — Chicago at Memphis
NFL FOOTBALL
4:30 p.m.
 FOX — NFC Divisional, Green Bay at Dallas
8:20 p.m.
 NBC — AFC Divisional, Pittsburgh at Kansas City
NHL HOCKEY
1 p.m.
 NBC — Philadelphia at Washington
7 p.m.
 NBCSN — Minnesota at Chicago
SKING
4:30 p.m.
 NBC — USSA Freestyle Cup, Men's & Women's Aerials, at Lake Placid, N.Y. (same-day tape)
SOCCER
8:30 a.m.
 NBCSN — Premier League, Manchester City at Everton
11 a.m.
 NBCSN — Premier League, Liverpool at Manchester United (joined in progress at noon on NBC)
7 p.m.
 ESPN2 — Australian Open, first round, at Melbourne, Australia
3 a.m. (Monday)
 ESPN2 — Australian Open, first round, at Melbourne, Australia
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
CBSN — Duquesne at UMass
 ESPN — Dayton at Saint Louis
1 p.m.
 FS1 — Butler at Marquette
 SEC — Texas A&M at Florida
1:30 p.m.
 ESPN2 — Miami at Louisville
2 p.m.
 CBSN — Davidson at George Washington
 ESPN — Baylor at Kansas
3 p.m.
 SEC — Georgia at Kentucky
4:30 p.m.
 ESPN2 — Ohio St. at Purdue
4:30 p.m.
 BTN — Minnesota at Michigan
5 p.m.
 SEC — Arkansas at Alabama

South vs. North, 2:30 p.m. (NFL)

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 Incarnate Word 82, Houston Baptist 77
 Prairie View 63, Jackson St. 56
 Rice 101, North Texas 79
 Stephen F. Austin 80, Nicholls 60
 TCU 84, Iowa St. 77
 Texas Wesleyan 82, John Brown 71
 UTSA 57, FIU 55
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 Denver 79, N. Dakota St. 55
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 Montana St. 68, N. Colorado 53
 Nevada 89, Wyoming 74
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 Sacramento St. 74, N. Arizona 62
 San Jose St. 89, Air Force 85
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 Cornell 77, Columbia 70
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 Radford 73, Longwood 55
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 Southern U. 67, Ark.-Pine Bluff 50
 Stetson 65, Kennesaw St. 56
 Tennessee Tech 56, Jacksonville St. 54
 Texas State 57, South Alabama 44
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 Tulane 82, Houston 56
 UNC-Greensboro 64, Samford 40
 UTEP 51, FAU 50
 UTSA 70, FIU 61
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 Cleveland St. 77, Ill.-Chicago 59
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 Kent St. 68, Ohio 59
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 N. Illinois 77, Toledo 73
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 South Dakota 60, Nebraska-Omaha 52
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 Rice 51, North Texas 49
 S. Dakota St. 78, Oral Roberts 57
 Stephen F. Austin 80, Nicholls 55
 Temple 58, Tulsa 49
 Texas Southern 69, Grambling St. 61
 UALR 73, Arkansas St. 59
 UNC 88, SMU 48

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 Colorado St. 78, New Mexico 63
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 Gonzaga 79, Saint Mary's (Cal) 75
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Atlantic Division
 W L Pct GB
 Toronto 26 13 667 —
 Boston 25 15 625 1/2
 New York 18 22 450 8 1/2
 Philadelphia 12 25 324 18
 Brooklyn 8 31 205 18

Midwest

Southwest Division
 W L Pct GB
 Atlanta 22 17 564 —
 Charlotte 20 20 500 2 1/2
 Washington 19 19 500 2 1/2
 Orlando 17 24 415 6
 Miami 11 30 268 12

Central Division

West
 W L Pct GB
 Cleveland 29 10 744 —
 Milwaukee 20 18 526 8 1/2
 Indiana 20 19 513 9
 Chicago 17 24 415 6
 Detroit 18 24 429 12 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division
 W L Pct GB
 San Antonio 31 9 775 —
 Houston 31 11 738 1
 Memphis 25 17 526 7
 New Orleans 16 25 390 15 1/2
 Dallas 12 27 308 18 1/2

Northwest Division

West
 W L Pct GB
 Utah 25 16 610 1
 Oklahoma City 24 17 585 1
 Portland 18 24 429 7 1/2
 Denver 15 23 395 8 1/2
 Minnesota 14 26 350 10 1/2

Pacific Division

West
 W L Pct GB
 Golden State 18 8 850 —
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 Sacramento 16 23 410 17 1/2
 L.A. Lakers 15 29 341 21
 Phoenix 13 27 325 21

Friday's Games

Philadelphia 102, Charlotte 93
 Toronto 132, Brooklyn 113
 Boston 103, Atlanta 101
 Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m.
 New Orleans at Indiana, 3 p.m.
 Orlando at Washington, after presstime
 Orlando at Utah, after presstime
Sunday's Games
 Minnesota at Dallas, 2 p.m.
 Milwaukee at Atlanta, 3 p.m.
 New York at Toronto, 3 p.m.
 Houston at Brooklyn, 6 p.m.
 Cleveland 120, Sacramento 108
 Utah 110, Detroit 77

Saturday's Games

Atlanta at New York, 1 p.m.
 Portland at Washington, 2 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m.
 New Orleans at Indiana, 2 p.m.
 Orlando at Denver, 5 p.m.
 Charlotte at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
 Cleveland at Golden State, 8 p.m.
 Utah at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
 Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Monday's Games
 Atlanta at New York, 1 p.m.
 Portland at Washington, 2 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m.
 New Orleans at Indiana, 2 p.m.
 Orlando at Denver, 5 p.m.
 Charlotte at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
 Cleveland at Golden State, 8 p.m.
 Utah at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
 Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Atlanta at New York, 1 p.m.
 Portland at Washington, 2 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m.
 New Orleans at Indiana, 2 p.m.
 Orlando at Denver, 5 p.m.
 Charlotte at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
 Cleveland at Golden State, 8 p.m.
 Utah at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
 Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday's College Basketball Scores

EAST
 Albertus Magnus 99, St. Joseph's (Maine) 90
 Army 53, American U. 49
 Babson 76, Wheaton (Mass.) 57
 Ball St. 92, Buffalo 77
 Baruch 72, Hunter 54
 Bucknell 83, Colgate 69
 Cabrini 101, Keystone 93
 Cansius 91, Mariet 58
 Castleton 76, New England Coll. 65
 Colby-Sawyer 81, Green Mountain 65
 Concordia 79, Cornell 75
 Concordia (N.Y.) 73, Holy Family 68

SOUTHWEST

Ablene Christian 67, Lamar 64
 Arkansas 92, Missouri 73
 Arkansas St. 77, UALR 72

South vs. North, 2:30 p.m. (NFL)

IUPUI 91, Oral Roberts 85
 Incarnate Word 82, Houston Baptist 77
 Prairie View 63, Jackson St. 56
 Rice 101, North Texas 79
 Stephen F. Austin 80, Nicholls 60
 TCU 84, Iowa St. 77
 Texas Wesleyan 82, John Brown 71
 UTSA 57, FIU 55
 West Virginia 74, Texas 72

FAR WEST

California 58, Washington St. 54
 Denver 79, N. Dakota St. 55
 Fresno St. 89, Boise St. 80
 Montana St. 68, N. Colorado 53
 Nevada 89, Wyoming 74
 New Mexico 84, Colorado St. 71
 Oregon Tech 90, Coll. of Idaho 57
 Sacramento St. 74, N. Arizona 62
 San Jose St. 89, Air Force 85
 UCLA 83, Utah 82

Women's College Basketball Scores

EAST
 Boston U. 61, Loyola (Md.) 59
 Bucknell 79, Colgate 56
 CCSU 68, Fairleigh Dickinson 49
 Cornell 77, Columbia 70
 Creighton 58, Providence 51
 Fairfield 68, Rider 67
 Hampton 63, Delaware St. 52
 Hartford 60, Mass.-Lowell 59
 Holy Cross 65, Lehigh 47
 Howard 72, Md.-Eastern Shore 71
 NJIT 64, North Florida 62
 Navy 76, Lafayette 41
 New Hampshire 70, Binghamton 62
 Penn. 86, Brown 69
 Princeton 74, Yale 62
 Richmond 58, Rhode Island 53
 Robert Morris 82, Wagner 63
 Rutgers 62, Michigan St. 58
 Sacred Heart 65, Bryant 63
 Saint Joseph's 75, La Salle 55
 St. Francis (Pa.) 97, Mount St. Mary's 88
 St. Francis Brooklyn 56, LIU Brooklyn 54
 Stony Brook 55, Maine 41
 Texas St. 73, West Virginia 63
 UMB 69, Vermont 66

SOUTH

Alabama 52, Alabama A&M 57
 Alcorn St. 69, MVU 49
 Belmont 91, Morehead St. 59
 Bethune-Cookman 64, SC State 34
 Campbell 49, Presbyterian 39
 Charleston Southern 71, Wirtwhort 52
 Charlotte 78, Southern Miss. 61
 Chattanooga 60, ETSU 45
 Cincinnati 66, Memphis 59
 Coastal Carolina 60, Appalachian St. 55
 Coppin St. 65, NC A&T 57
 E. Kentucky 66, Tennessee St. 62
 Florida Gulf Coast 50, Lipscomb 63
 Furman 69, Wofford 49
 High Point 76, UNC-Ashville 67
 Jacksonville 65, SC-Upstate 47
 Louisiana-Lafayette 79, Georgia Southern 52
 Louisiana-Monroe 72, Georgia St. 63
 Marshall 61, UAB 58
 Mercer 59, W. Carolina 57
 Norfolk St. 71, NC Central 40
 Northwestern St. 78, Sam Houston St. 51
 Old Dominion 69, Louisiana Tech 64
 Radford 73, Longwood 55
 SE Missouri 82, UT Martin 79
 Savannah St. 56, Florida A&M 52
 South Florida 79, East Carolina 48
 Southern U. 67, Ark.-Pine Bluff 50
 Stetson 65, Kennesaw St. 56
 Tennessee Tech 56, Jacksonville St. 54
 Texas State 57, South Alabama 44
 Troy 85, Texas-Arlington 63
 Tulane 82, Houston 56
 UNC-Greensboro 64, Samford 40
 UTEP 51, FAU 50
 UTSA 70, FIU 61
 Wright St. 70, N. Kentucky 63

MIDWEST

Austin Peay 69, E. Illinois 59
 Ball St. 80, Akron 70
 Buffalo 66, Miami (Ohio) 51
 Cent. Michigan 76, Bowling Green 65
 Cleveland St. 77, Ill.-Chicago 59
 IUPUI 71, Denver 49
 Kent St. 68, Ohio 59
 Maryland 98, Iowa 82
 N. Illinois 77, Toledo 73
 North Dakota 73, Montana 63
 Northwestern 80, Indiana 67
 Seattle 64, Chicago St. 51
 South Dakota 60, Nebraska-Omaha 52
 UMKC 66, Uan Valley 63
 W. Illinois 110, N. Dakota St. 81
 W. Michigan 76, E. Michigan 67
 Youngstown St. 76, Valparaiso 70

SOUTHWEST

Ablene Christian 77, Lamar 59
 Cent. Arkansas 49, Texas A&M-CC 41
 Houston Baptist 68, Incarnate Word 51
 Kansas 63, Oklahoma St. 43
 Oklahoma 66, Texas Tech 45
 Prairie View 73, Jackson St. 63
 Rice 51, North Texas 49
 S. Dakota St. 78, Oral Roberts 57
 Stephen F. Austin 80, Nicholls 55
 Temple 58, Tulsa 49
 Texas Southern 69, Grambling St. 61
 UALR 73, Arkansas St. 59
 UNC 88, SMU 48

FAR WEST

BYU 81, San Diego 63
 Boise St. 67, Fresno St. 66
 Colorado St. 78, New Mexico 63
 E. Washington 99, Weber St. 85
 Gonzaga 79, Saint Mary's (Cal) 75
 Grand Canyon 60, Rio Grande 59
 Idaho St. 67, Idaho 60
 Loyola Marymount 69, Portland 54
 N. Colorado 66, Montana St. 58
 New Mexico St. 64, CS Bakersfield 55
 Pacific 63, San Francisco 60
 Portland St. 81, S. Utah 74
 Sacramento St. 82, N. Arizona 76
 San Jose St. 86, Air Force 81
 Santa Clara 61, Pepperdine 40
 UC Santa Barbara, UC Riverside 54
 Utah St. 53, San Diego St. 47
 Wyoming 72, Nevada 59

ADRIAN 67, ALBION 59

Akron 74, Miami (Ohio) 70
 Augustana (SD) 80, Northern St. (SD) 66
 Aurora 75, Wis. Lutheran 61
 Austin Peay 52, E. Illinois 84
 Beth.-Dearborn 75, Otisville 61
 Bemidji St. 96, SW Minnesota St. 87
 Bethany (Kan.) at McPherson, ppd.
 Bethany Lutheran 83, North Central (Minn.) 67
 Bethel (Ind.) 82, Mount Vernon Nazarene 70
 Brier Cliff 63, Doane 74
 Butler 63, Xavier 78
 Calvin College, Alma 86
 Carleton 79, Gustavus 60
 Concordia (Wis.) 83, Benedictine (Ill.) 80
 Cornerstone 84, Concordia (Mich.) 63
 Creighton 101, Truman St. 69
 Davenport 82, Aquinas 64
 Denison 65, Washburn 69
 E. Michigan 53, Ohio 49
 Evangelical Central Methodist, ppd.
 Ferris St. 91, Northwood (Mich.) 59
 Gracefield at Avila, ppd.
 Grand View at Baker, ppd.
 Grinnell College, Baker 92
 Hamline 92, Macalester 83
 Hanover 77, Bluffton 66
 Ind.-South Bend 81, Cardinal Stritch 73
 Indiana St. 81, Bradley 71
 Indiana Tech 70, Siena Heights 58
 Indiana Wesleyan 95, St. Francis (Ind.) 81, 20T
 Indiana-East 91, Centrow 70
 Indiana-Southeast 89, Cincinnati Christian 76
 John Carroll 87, Wilmington (Ohio) 79
 Kansas 87, Oklahoma St. 80
 Lake Superior St. 99, Grand Valley St. 78
 Lawrence 63, Illinois College 74
 Lindenwood (Ill.) at Central Baptist, ppd.
 Madonna 89, Lawrence Tech 73
 Marquette 83, DePaul 58
 Martin Luther 86, Northwestern (Minn.) 55
 Mary 75, Minn. St.-Mankato 61
 Maryland 62, Illinois 56
 Mich.-Dearborn 75, Lourdes 60
 Michigan 91, Nebraska 85
 Michigan Tech 93, Saginaw Valley St. 72
 Milwaukee Engineering 72, Concordia (Ill.) 66
 Minn. St.-Moorhead 95, Wayne (Nebr.) 57
 Minot St. 74, Concordia (S.D.) 70
 Missouri Baptist at Freed-Hardeman, ppd.
 Missouri Valley at William Penn, ppd.
 Mount Mercy 89, Penn. St. 78
 N. Illinois 69, Bowling Green 52
 N. Michigan 75, Wayne (Mich.) 71
 Northland 83, Finlandia 72
 Northwestern Ohio 82, Marygrove 80
 Ohio Christian 128, Park Park 72
 Ohio Northern 91, Muskingum 65
 Olivet 81, Kalamazoo 72
 Purdue-Northwest 101, St. Xavier 70
 Ripon 78, Cornell (Iowa) 66
 Roosevelt 70, Holy Cross (Ind.) 66
 S. Illinois 73, Evansville 61
 Sioux Falls 69, Minn.-Crookston 60
 South Dakota 66, Fort Wayne 63
 Southwestern (Kan.) at Ottawa, Kan., ppd.
 Spring Arbor 83, Grace (Ind.) 86, OT
 St. Cloud St. 88, Winona St. 65
 St. Francis (Ill.) 97, St. Ambrose 75
 St. John's (Minn.) 94, St. Joseph's (Minn.) 74
 St. Louis Pharmacy at Williams Baptist, ppd.
 St. Norbert 65, Monmouth (Ill.) 40
 St. Olaf 70, Augsburg 68
 St. Scholastica 88, Minn.-Morris 77
 St. Thomas (Minn.) 50, Concordia (Moore) 58
 Taylor 66, Goshen 65
 UIC 92, Young

Tough veteran facing hot rookies for NFC title shot

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Aaron Rodgers has been unbeatable on a seven-game run that carried Green Bay to the divisional round.

So was Dallas rookie Dak Prescott for 11 straight in the regular season, a surge that ultimately benched 10-year starter Tony Romo and led to the No. 1 seed in the NFC for the quarterback's playoff debut Sunday against the Packers (11-6).

Rodgers plays at the home of the Cowboys (13-3) for the first time since winning his only Super Bowl following the 2010 season. And perhaps he'll flash back to his first playoff game a year before that while watching his counterpart try to lead Dallas to its first NFC championship game in more than 20 years.

"There's a lot of nerves in your first playoff game, you know there was for me," Rodgers said of a 51-45 wild-card loss to Arizona seven years ago. "I think I threw a pick on my first play. So yeah, you've got to find a way to settle in."

The two-time MVP has a good memory. He was right about that shootout loss, when he settled in and threw four touchdown passes after his only interception.

And Prescott, who had the lowest interception rate for a rookie in NFL history in the regular season, knows it's about having a short memory now.



GREEN BAY Packers Aaron Rodgers reacts after a touchdown pass to Randall Cobb during last Sunday's NFL playoff game against the New York Giants in Green Bay, Wis. Rodgers has been unbeatable on a seven-game run that carried the Packers to a divisional-round game against Dallas this afternoon. So was Cowboys rookie Dak Prescott for 11 straight in the regular season, giving him the No. 1 seed for his playoff debut.

"We're not putting too much pressure on ourselves, on this team or this situation," Prescott said. "We're continuing to be the same guys we've been all year. When it's time to lock in, trust me we'll be ready."

Prescott and NFL rushing champion Ezekiel Elliott will try to become the first rookie QB-RB tandem to win a playoff game in the Super Bowl era.

Two had a chance after the 2012 season — Andrew Luck

and Vick Ballard with Indianapolis and Robert Griffin III and current Dallas running back Alfred Morris with Washington.

"I don't view these guys as rookies," said 14th-year tight end

Jason Witten, set for his sixth trip to the postseason.

"They've had a lot of at-bats at the plate. They've shown it over the course of 16 games who they are and how they play. I think they understand they just have to be themselves."

Here are some things to consider in the eighth postseason meeting between these storied franchises, two years after Green Bay's 26-21 divisional victory made famous by Dallas receiver Dez Bryant's catch that wasn't :

REMATCH: Prescott led a 97-yard scoring drive in just 33 seconds at the end of the first half at Lambeau Field in Dallas' 30-16 victory in Week 6. Rodgers threw an interception and the Packers lost three fumbles. Elliott was the first 100-yard rusher of the season against the Packers. "That was really early in the season, so yeah they're going to be a better team as we are," Elliott said.

NO NELSON: The Packers might be in better shape this season without receiver Jordy Nelson, out because of a rib injury sustained in the 38-13 wild-card win over the New York Giants. Randall Cobb and Davante Adams combined for 241 yards receiving and four touchdowns against the Giants, and there are other proven options. "It hasn't been just one guy all season, even with Jordy out there," Rodgers said.

REINFORCEMENTS: The Cowboys will have four defensive linemen who missed the regular-season finale at Philadelphia mostly as a precaution: ends DeMarcus Lawrence and Tyrone Crawford and tackles Terrell McClain and Cedric Thornton. It's the healthiest the Dallas defense has been all season. Cornerback Morris Claiborne, who missed the last nine games of the regular season with a groin injury, is expected to play.

TWILIGHT TIME: Pass-rushing Green Bay linebacker Julius Peppers has spent 15 years in the NFL without winning a Super Bowl. Peppers, who turns 37 on Wednesday, had limited snaps in the regular season to keep him fresh. He lost to New England with Carolina in the Super Bowl after the 2003 season. "Regardless of what stage he's on, what team he's playing for, he always seems to show up," Cowboys coach Jason Garrett said.

NOTHING NEW: Rodgers' run of three straight games with four touchdown passes — and 19 without an interception during the winning streak — prompted plenty of questions of how the Cowboys would deal with it, and what might be different in how they approach defending him. Not much, Garrett seemed to suggest. "He's been hot for about nine years," the Dallas coach said.

Chiefs aim to get even for loss to Steelers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Alex Smith endured watching film of the Kansas City Chiefs' meltdown in Pittsburgh earlier this season "a bunch of times" this week, still trying to figure out where everything went wrong.

As if he hasn't relived it enough in his nightmares.

Ben Roethlisberger threw five touchdown passes. Le'Veon Bell starred in his return from a three-game suspension.

The Steelers scored 22 first-quarter points, led 36-0 before the Chiefs finally scored and they proceeded to route the eventual AFC West champions 43-14 that October night.

"It's been a long time," Smith said, "so they've changed. Over the course of the season, they've progressed and gone a certain direction. There's a lot they change week-to-week as well."

But the Chiefs (12-4) are a different team, too.

Wide receiver Tyreek Hill has made a name for himself as one of the NFL's most dynamic rookies, going from special-teams standout to offensive difference-maker.

Top pass rusher Justin Houston is also expected to be available after missing the first meeting while recovering from knee surgery.

Oh, and this matchup with the Steelers (12-5) will be at loud

Arrowhead Stadium rather than Heinz Field, and a spot in the AFC title game awaits the winner.

"We got embarrassed in the first meeting," Chiefs center Mitch Morse said, "and we had to come back and kind of take a step back and realize, 'We're a good football team.' We had to understand where we were. We learned a lot from that game and we were able to take the next step."

Indeed, the Chiefs ripped off five straight wins after that loss in Pittsburgh, a stretch that turned around their season.

They wound up overtaking Oakland for the division title on the final day of the regular season, earning a first-round bye and a home playoff game.

The Steelers basically had a bye, too: They routed Miami last weekend to advance.

"I think a postseason challenge on the road is one thing," Steelers coach Mike Tomlin said, "but at a legendary venue like that is something else. We're excited about it. We respect it."

But they aren't going to be intimidated by it. The Steelers have been in enough big games over the years that it takes more than a trip to Kansas City, where the Chiefs have not won a playoff game since the 1993 season, to leave them quaking in their

cleats.

Besides, they already beat the Chiefs in a laugher once this season.

"If you need the 'revenge factor' in the playoffs to help you win, something is wrong with you," Roethlisberger said. "You're in the playoffs, so you need to throw everything out, whether you played them before or didn't play them before, personnel or whatever it is. You need to start fresh."

As the Chiefs and Steelers prepare to meet again Sunday night, here are some keys to the game:

LACE UP YOUR SKATES: The U.S. figuring skating championships are in Kansas City this weekend, and Arrowhead Stadium might make a mighty fine rink. Forecasts for Sunday call for a near-100 percent chance of freezing rain that could leave the turf, re-sodded just this week, with a thick glaze.

The game was supposed to kick off at 12:05 p.m. Central time, but was moved to 7:20 p.m. so stadium and road crews along with local and state authorities could ensure roads and parking lots were safe.

"No weather is a part of our ball," Tomlin said. "We don't overanalyze that."

BYE, BYE, BYE: Chiefs coach Andy Reid has compiled a 16-2 record in the regular season after

a week off, including a road win over Oakland this season. He was also perfect in three divisional playoff games in Philadelphia when his teams earned a first-round bye, including one season that ended in the Super Bowl.

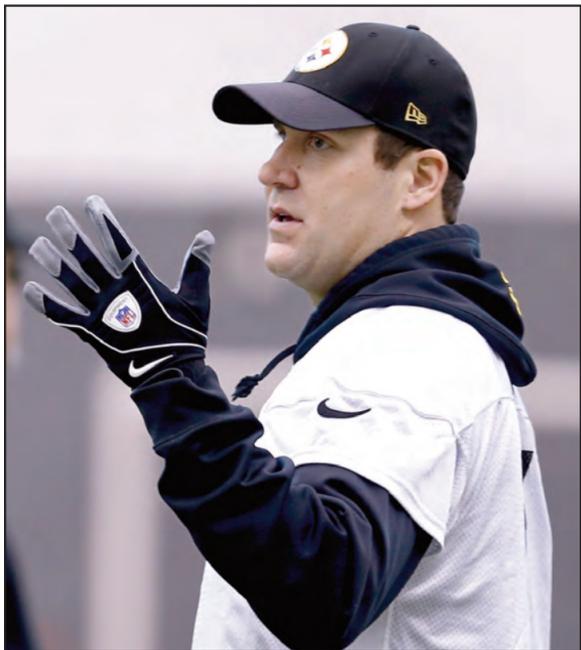
"I don't know if there's a secret," he insisted. "I think everybody does it the same way."

OVER THE HILL: By the end of the regular season, Hill had returned two punts and a kickoff for touchdowns, and scored six times through the air and three times on the ground. But he also had a 78-yard punt return touchdown against the Steelers brought back by a penalty.

Tomlin called him "a weapon to be reckoned with," but Steelers kicker Chris Boswell said dealing with Hill's speed is more difficult than simply kicking away from him.

"One return man, you have to put the ball in play," Boswell said. "It also depends on weather. He is going to return. It's just a matter of covering and tackling."

TURNOVER TROUBLE: The Chiefs led the NFL with a plus-16 turnover differential this season, thanks mostly to 18 interceptions and 15 fumbles recoveries. They also scored 27 percent of their points off takeaways, one of the highest percentages in the league.



PITTSBURG STEELERS quarterback Ben Roethlisberger watches his team work out during an NFL football practice, Wednesday in Pittsburgh. The Steelers face the Kansas City Chiefs in an AFC Divisional playoff game in Kansas City this evening.

They were minus-2 when they faced the Steelers in October.

ROAD WEARY: Much has been made of Roethlisberger's Jekyll-and-Hyde home-road splits, but it's more than just a talking point. He's completed 71 percent of his passes for 320 yards per game with 20 TDs and five picks

at home, and 59 percent for 238 yards per game with nine TDs and eight picks on the road.

Not that the Chiefs wonder which version they'll face Sunday.

"He is who he is," Chiefs safety Eric Berry said. "A great quarterback."

Joseph begins overhauling Broncos coaching staff

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — Not even a year ago they were riding firetrucks through downtown Denver with the players to celebrate their Super Bowl victory. Now, the Broncos' coaching staff is undergoing a major overhaul.

New coach Vance Joseph hired Mike McCoy as his offensive coordinator and Bill Musgrave as his quarterbacks

coach on Friday. The defending champs will also be getting new defensive and special teams coordinators.

McCoy, the former Chargers head coach, is everything Joseph said he wanted in his offensive play-caller: creative, energetic, seasoned.

"Mike is an experienced play-caller who can build a system

around our players," Joseph said. "It was our goal to find an offensive coordinator who has flexibility with his scheme and Mike has done that as both a head coach and coordinator. He's had a lot of success in this league with many different styles of offense, including here with the Broncos."

McCoy, who was Denver's

offensive coordinator from 2009-12, replaces Rick Dennison, whose offense struggled over the last two years under four different quarterbacks.

During his first stint in Denver, McCoy molded an offense around Tim Tebow in 2011 that led to an improbable victory over Pittsburgh in the playoffs. The following season he

helped Peyton Manning earn Comeback Player of the Year, an award he then helped Philip Rivers win in 2013 as Chargers head coach.

Now, McCoy and Musgrave will mold young quarterbacks Trevor Siemian and Paxton Lynch.

Musgrave spent the last two seasons working with Derek Carr as Oakland's offensive coordinator. He replaces Greg Knapp. Musgrave has two decades of experience as a QB coach or offensive coordinator in the NFL after spending six seasons with the 49ers and Broncos backing up Hall of Fame quarterbacks John Elway, Steve Young and Joe Montana.

The Broncos, who missed the playoffs after slipping to 9-7 in 2016, find themselves in the unusual position of remaking their staff less than a year after winning it all. They fired Dennison, Knapp, O-line coach Clancy Barone and tight ends coach Brian Pariani.

General manager John Elway hired Joseph after Gary Kubiak's abrupt resignation last week.

Defensive coordinator Wade Phillips is joining the Los Angeles Rams under new coach Sean McVay, who almost 40 years younger than Phillips, 69. Special teams coordinator Joe DeCamillis was hired by the Jacksonville Jaguars on Friday.

Phillips tweeted goodbye to Denver on Friday, saying: "Thanks to John for bringing me, the greatest staff, to Gary our leader, to the best players ever and to the greatest fans. I

will miss you."

With Phillips leaving, the focus shifts to Joe Woods, who spent the last two seasons coaching Denver's "No Fly Zone" secondary that produced the No. 1 pass defense each year.

Unlike Elway's first two hires, John Fox and Kubiak, who had head coaching experience when they arrived, the 44-year-old Joseph is a first-time head coach. He has just one year of experience as defensive coordinator, last year in Miami, and Elway said he will have to "grow on the run."

So, Elway is giving more advice this time around as his head coach hires his staff, and will likely stay more involved going forward.

"I hope I can help him," Elway said. "With the experience that I've had, not only as a player but now in this role I've been in as GM, I'm hoping to help him tremendously. Vance knows what he wants on offense on his staff and as well as defensively. I can give input. Ultimately it is Vance's staff."

Joseph inherits a defense that features All Pros Von Miller, Aqib Talib and Chris Harris Jr. but struggled against the run after losing Malik Jackson to free agency and Vance Walker to a knee injury.

The Broncos finished 27th in the NFL on offense in 2016 when an inability to solve slow starts, leaky line play and poor production in the receiving game outside of Demaryius Thomas and Emmanuel Sanders combined to neutralize the team's defensive strengths.

LA Chargers hire Lynn as head coach

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Chargers hired Anthony Lynn as their head coach Friday night, one day after announcing their relocation to Los Angeles.

The 48-year-old Lynn is a respected veteran assistant who spent the last two seasons with the Buffalo Bills. He moved up during this season from running backs coach to offensive coordinator to interim head coach, presiding over the Bills' final game after Rex Ryan was fired.

Lynn attracted extensive interest on the NFL job market, and the Chargers took a break from planning their move out of San Diego to secure a deal with him. Lynn becomes the first black coach in franchise history.

"This is really a dream come true," Lynn said in a statement. "I want all of our fans to know that we're going to start by putting together a great staff, and we're going to put together a team with the heart and will of a champion. I know there's a lot of work to be done, and I'm going to give everything I have to the Chargers, the Spanos family and the City of Los Angeles."

Lynn replaces Mike McCoy, who was fired on Jan. 1 after going 27-37 in four seasons.

The coaching change coincided with the franchise upheaval caused by owner Dean Spanos' decision to leave San Diego after 56 years to move two hours north, where the

Chargers will play next season at the 30,000-seat StubHub Center in Carson before sharing the Los Angeles Rams' palatial Inglewood stadium in 2019.

Along with hiring a coaching staff and implementing a new philosophy on both sides of the ball, Lynn will have to do much of his work in likely temporary surroundings until the Chargers complete their relocation. Their training complex is expected to be in the Orange County city of Costa Mesa.

"Anthony has a commanding presence and brings a no-nonsense approach," Chargers general manager Tom Telesco said. "He is going to be a great leader, and we're confident he's going to lead the Chargers to great success that our fans have come to expect out of this organization."

Lynn inherits a Chargers team that won only nine games over the past two seasons following 11 consecutive years in which they made six playoff appearances and never won fewer than seven games. McCoy's Chargers repeatedly struggled in late-game situations despite a fairly talented roster, and San Diego missed the playoffs this year for the sixth time in seven seasons.

Ryan promoted Lynn to offensive coordinator in mid-September after firing Greg Roman. After Ryan was fired, Lynn ran the team for a loss to the New York Jets.

Lynn helped to build a powerful running

game in Buffalo, and he will have many ingredients for another ground-and-pound unit in Los Angeles. The Chargers are taking along talented running back Melvin Gordon, who rushed for 997 yards and scored 12 touchdowns last season, behind an offensive line that struggled with injuries this season.

Lynn was a running back in the NFL for seven seasons despite going undrafted out of college, and he was with the Denver Broncos when they won consecutive Super Bowls in 1998 and 1999. He is also the first former Texas Tech player to become an NFL head coach.

Lynn was a running backs coach for the previous 13 seasons, including the past eight spent working under Ryan with the Bills and Jets. Lynn also held the title of assistant head coach with the Jets in 2014, his sixth season in New York.

He also coached running backs under Jack Del Rio in Jacksonville, Bill Parcells in Dallas, Romeo Crennel in Cleveland.

"He's had a number of great coaching influences in his life," said John Spanos, the Chargers' president of football operations. "As a former player who won two Super Bowls, Anthony knows firsthand what championship pedigree is all about. We couldn't be more excited to have him lead our franchise into this exciting new era of Chargers football."

Remembering lost chances in Dad's living years

"It doesn't matter who my father was; it matters who I remember he was."

— **Anne Sexton**
American poet
Pulitzer Prize, 1967
(1928-1974)

Twenty-five years ago today, my father died. But it wasn't a Sunday. It was a Wednesday.

I sat in my office working on an annual report. The small brown radio to my right was playing, its white digits flicking like the sound of playing cards every minute on the minute, the volume low but discernible and tuned to a Cleveland station.

It was 3:15 p.m.
The phone rang ... line No. 6. It was my line so I knew the call would be for me.

My brother's voice was the same, a little deep but stoic. Patient, tolerant and resigned. It was just his way, a trait best learned from Dad. No emotion. Just ... him.

"I'm sorry to have to call you at work with this kind of news ... Daddy just died, a few minutes ago."

The news was not altogether unexpected. He had been taken to the hospital by ambulance a few days earlier. Mom could not awaken him that morning. His heart beat slowly, his breathing was shallow. He lay unconscious, but alive.

"I don't have a good feeling about this," Mom had told me on the phone the night before my brother's call. Mom had willed my father through many health scares in his waning years. But this one was different. This time she was scared.

I had planned to make the three-hour drive that weekend. Accustomed to my father's episodes of failing health and his many hospital stays, I felt OK with the delay. Besides, the annual report had to be finished. The deadline was tight and I was already behind.

The decision was mine and mine alone, right or wrong.

When Line 6 lit up, my heart skipped a beat. I can't say why. I don't know why. But its flutter came as surely as



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the receptionist's voice, "Rick, Line 6." "... Daddy just died, a few minutes ago."

"OK," I told my brother who stood at our father's bedside on that cold January day. "It's after 3 o'clock over here. I'll finish out the day, go home and pack, and drive on over tonight."

"There's no rush," he assured me. "We'll be at the house."

"This is really strange," I told him, unsure why the point was important. "How so?"

"When the phone rang ... I knew it was you."
"Well ... we all figured it might be about to happen," he said. "I was thinking it. Mother was thinking it. I think she even told you that last night. Don't drive crazy getting over here. Stay safe and we'll see you tonight. We've still got more calls to make."

Hanging up the receiver, I turned to the radio. A new song had just started, one I had always loved ... yet one that now broke my heart.

My father was not a perfect man. Common by most standards, he lived a blue-collar life. He earned modest incomes at whatever job he held. He never sought the spotlight nor was he comfortable in the limelight. He struggled with hidden demons for most of his adult life, a life whose troubles grew worse upon his return to the States as an unwounded soldier of the great war.

No, my father was not a perfect man. But he was a good man. He would help anybody and never would he ask for anything in return.

No, my father was not a perfect man. But he was a good man. With strong hands and an uncanny talent for perfection, he could build anything. Big or small, if the project required wood and nails, it was a project worth doing and an effort worth doing right.

No, my father was not a perfect man. But he was a good man. A husband of 41 years, a father of three, a grandfather of three and a great-grandfather of four, he understood responsibility and he never flinched in its dispatch.

No, my father was not a perfect man. But he was a good man. A mechanic whose skills with a Craftsman wrench and greasy sockets were as accomplished as his talent in building a barn, a house or a garage, he carried a quiet wisdom ... one best defined by two words: common sense.

No, my father was not a perfect man. But he was a good man. A former soldier whose fight helped to free a continent from the inhumanity of a brutal dictator, he rarely spoke of his exploits ... choosing instead a silence of the weary and the worn.

No, my father was not a perfect man. But he was a good man. He understood the difference between right and wrong, and he taught it through action ... not by words.

No, my father was not a perfect man. But he was a good man. He gave to those in need. He offered comfort to those in pain. He reached out with a hand of support when it was needed most, and never was it cupped with expectation.

No, my father was not a perfect man. But he was a good man. He was slow to point a finger, quick to defend a friend, but balanced in his approach at separating truth from perception.

As the radio digits flicked again, I was reminded of a high-school graduation gift ... one from my father, one that he said I would need while away at college. It was a radio ... this radio. He suggested I place it at my bedside in the dorm room. A little soft music would keep me relaxed, he told me ... especially on sleepless nights involving final exams or long papers.

"But don't play it loud, and don't play that heavy-metal stuff," he cautioned. "You don't want to keep your roommate awake."

That was Dad, always considerate ... forever mindful of the needs, and the

wants, of another.

Smiling at the memory, I returned to the annual report. The text grew blurry as the song's words drifted across my desk.

*"Every generation
Blames the one before.
And all of their frustrations,
Come beating on your door."*

Correcting an error on the computer screen with a flick of the finger, I realized the fault was mine ... that the sentence had become lost in midstream at the sudden ring of the telephone.

Deleting a word, then another and another, I wiped at my eyes. The print cleared, but my thoughts floated to a time long ago.

*"I know that I'm a prisoner
To all my Father held so dear.
I know that I'm a hostage
To all his hopes and fears.
I just wish I could have told him in the living years."*

As much as I loved my dad, I don't remember ever telling him. And so many times ... too many times ... we locked horns like a pair of bulls; one much older and wiser with an understanding of life's ways, the other an impatient young buck who had all the answers, yet lacked his father's methodic ways.

Once we argued over grades. Once we argued over war. Once we argued over cars. Once we argued over arguing.

*"You say you just don't see it,
He says it's perfect sense.
You just can't get agreement,
In this present tense."*

*We all talk a different language,
Talking in defense."*

Recalling the last time I visited him in the hospital, I saw then the paleness of his skin, the tremble of once sturdy hands and the sense of fear in his eyes. In life he bore the courage of a thousand men, but this was different. This was the unknown. His unknown. My unknown.

As a teenager, I rarely hugged him. As an adult, even less. I don't know why. I just didn't. Nor did he, no matter how badly we both might have wanted

it.

*"So don't yield to the fortunes
You sometimes see as fate.
It may have a new perspective
On a different day.
And if you don't give up, and don't give in,
You may just be OK."*

I wished we had talked — when I was growing up, after I went away to school, after I left home for good, after I started a new home of my own.

I wished I had picked up the phone just a little more.

I wished I had crossed the state every Thanksgiving and on each Christmas. I wished I had invited him over for long weekends.

I wished I had given him my time.

I wished I had stopped wishing, and started doing.

I wished I had been at his side.

*"I wasn't there that morning
When my father passed away.
I didn't get to tell him
All the things I had to say."*

As the minutes passed, as the half-hour slid into an hour, as the radio digits clicked to 5 o'clock, I tapped a key and the computer screen went blank. Rising, I knew I couldn't talk to my boss. I couldn't tell him about Dad, not face to face.

I would just call him from home. He'd understand, and he'd offer the right words. He was a good boss. Like Dad, he was a good man.

With a gentle flick of the switch, the office went dark.

Walking down the quiet, now barren hallway, I looked ahead to the door. And I heard the words of the song.

*"Say it loud, say it clear,
You can listen as well as you hear.
It's too late when we die,
To admit we don't see eye to eye."*

I loved my dad. If only I had told him in his living years.

Yet, I think he knew all along ... because I know he loved me.

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(AP) — Today is Sunday, Jan. 15, the 15th day of 2017. There are 350 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Jan. 15, 1967, the Green Bay Packers of the National Football League defeated the Kansas City Chiefs of the American Football League 35-10 in the first AFL-NFL World Championship Game, retroactively known as Super Bowl I.

On this date:
In 1559, England's Queen Elizabeth I was crowned in Westminster Abbey.

In 1777, the people of New Connecticut declared their independence. (The republic later became the state of Vermont.)

In 1892, the original rules of basketball, devised by James Naismith, were

published for the first time in Springfield, Massachusetts, where the game originated.

In 1929, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was born in Atlanta.

In 1942, Jawaharlal Nehru was named to succeed Mohandas K. Gandhi as head of India's Congress Party.

In 1943, work was completed on the Pentagon, headquarters of the U.S. Department of War (now Defense).

In 1947, the mutilated remains of 22-year-old Elizabeth Short, who came to be known as the "Black Dahlia," were found in a vacant Los Angeles lot; her slaying remains unsolved.

In 1961, a U.S. Air Force radar tower off the New Jersey coast collapsed into the Atlantic Ocean during a severe

storm, killing all 28 men aboard.

In 1976, Sara Jane Moore was sentenced to life in prison for her attempt on the life of President Gerald R. Ford in San Francisco. (Moore was released on the last day of 2007.)

In 1987, entertainer Ray Bolger, perhaps best known for playing the Scarecrow in the 1939 MGM musical "The Wizard of Oz," died in Los Angeles at age 83.

In 1992, the Yugoslav federation, founded in 1918, effectively collapsed as the European Community recognized Croatia and Slovenia as independent countries.

In 2009, US Airways Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger ditched his Airbus 320 in the Hudson River after a flock of

birds disabled both engines; all 155 people aboard survived.

Ten years ago: The Iraqi government hanged two of Saddam Hussein's henchmen, including a half-brother, Barzan Ibrahim, who was decapitated by the noose. "Babel" won best movie drama and "Dreamgirls" was named best musical or comedy at the Golden Globes; "Grey's Anatomy" was named best TV drama series and "Ugly Betty" best TV comedy.

Five years ago: Addressing a conference in Beirut on democracy in the Arab world, U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon demanded that Syria's president, Bashar Assad, stop killing his own people, and said the "old order" of one-man rule and family dynasties was over in the Middle East.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Dealing with a 1968 family tragedy after all these years

When the phone rang early that February morning, she said she felt something wasn't right. It was Dad calling. There had been a party up at a cabin on the river. Two boys were missing. One of them was his youngest son and my favorite brother, Ricky. Dad's aunt — Sis, we called her — could hear it in his voice. Controlled panic.

She knew Dad well. Sis had taken him into her home after his grandparents had fallen ill and become too old to look after him. Dad lived with Sis and her husband, Uncle James, and their son, Jimmy, until he graduated from high school. Uncle James wasn't crazy about having another mouth to feed. Money was tight.

Uncle James was a tough kind of guy. Very gruff, bald and stocky. Always in a white long-sleeve shirt, sort of rolled up over his arms, with baggy grey pants and a matching vest.

He smoked Chesterfields and chewed on a couple of cigars a day. He bought a new car every three years. He was an Oldsmobile man. Always light blue ones.

Uncle James was a railroad man who ran herd on the men that worked on the tracks out in front of The Union Station, on this side of downtown Nashville. He was quiet and to himself when he was home.

My great grandparents, Will and Mamie Stamps, had adopted my father after their daughter — Dad's mother, Sis's sister — died from complications associated with his birth. Dad blamed himself all of his life for his mother's untimely death.

It has been said that Dad's father, Bill Rogers, was a fast-talking ladies man, from Texas, who was always thinking about how to get rich. After the funeral, he moved in with Mamie and Will for a short while. Then, one morning, Mr. Rogers got up from the couch, and said he was going to the store. He never came back. Nobody went looking for him.

Sis was the closest to a mother figure Dad ever knew. She was petite and spoke with a little voice. She curved her Rs. I'd sit on the front porch swinging with her, and she'd say, "See all the pretty buys in the twees?"

A modest lady who had grown up in a strict, hard-leaning Methodist family



LIFE CHAPTERS

Bill Stamps

in one of the better neighborhoods of Nashville. Her family paid all their bills in cash, and gave 10 percent of their weekly earnings to the church. Conservatives. Nobody could believe that Sis accepted Uncle James's hand in marriage. But, she did.

Uncle James died early. Sis never remarried. As a matter of fact, she never ever had a date. She was a one-man woman and, once-in-a-while, talked about seeing Uncle James again, when she got to Heaven. There's no doubt in my mind Sis is in Heaven.

If God grades on the curve, there's a good chance Uncle James made it, too.

On the same day, and within a couple of hours from the time Dad called, Sis was packed and at the airport. Dad had a prepaid ticket waiting for her. Nashville to San Francisco, non-stop. After a three-hour layover, she got on another plane.

It was a little puddle-jumper that made two stops before landing in Crescent City, Cal. It's a coastal town that backs up to thousand-year-old redwood trees in the far northern part of the state, 23 miles from the Oregon border. That's where we lived.

Dad and I met Sis at the terminal. She had been traveling for almost 15 hours. Even though she was exhausted and relieved to be there, she began rubbing Dad's back and whispered consoling words to him. Dad bent down and wept into her waiting shoulder. I heard her say to Dad, in that itty-bitty voice of hers, "Don't worry Billy, we'll put our faith in the Lord. He will help us find little Ricky." I choked up.

My father was beloved by the community he served. He owned a radio station in town and was the king of the morning slot. Every day, almost 60 percent of the region his station covered tuned in to hear what he had on his mind. He always had plenty to say.

The party on the river had been arranged by Ricky. A bachelor's party for my father, Gary. Gary was in his

sophomore year of high school and was dating a pretty little blonde-headed girl with huge blue eyes named Debbie. She wasn't quite 15. She came from a deeply religious family. Pillars of the community.

Debbie was with child.

It became the talk of the town. Yet, another Stamps scandal. My family kept the local newspaper in business, up there. Between what Dad had to say on the air, coupled with his nighttime carousing and my overnight bookings into the Del Norte County Jail, tongues were always wagging. There was a lotta stuff going on under the roof of our home, over on Pebble Beach Drive.

Much to my objection, Dad decided that Gary should pull out of school and marry Debbie. That's just the way it was back then. If a guy got a girl pregnant, he married her. The plan was that Gary would work for Dad at the radio station, and go to night classes to pick up his GED.

What I had to say about the matter didn't matter much. I was, at the relief of several, gone from town and in the Marine Corps. At the time of Ricky's disappearance, I was in staging, preparing to ship off to Vietnam. Red Cross pulled me in and told me about what had happened. I was immediately whisked off to the San Francisco International Airport where Dad and a family friend, Dr. Bert Vipond, picked me up in Bert's little Cessna plane. It was already past eleven at night.

We flew north, along the coastline and then over the forests. The wind and the plane's engine drowned out any chance of conversation. You had to yell. About three-quarters of the way home, Bert kept falling asleep. He was the one flying the plane! It was decided that we'd sing to keep the good doctor awake.

All three of us sang "Amazing Grace" over and over. My dad and I and Dr. Vipond, with tears streaming down our faces. We sang and cried for the rest of the trip.

My kid-brother, Ricky, president of his freshman class, was still out there somewhere. I was sure, with all my Marine Corps training, that I would find him. Wishful thinking. Dad wanted to believe that Ricky was lost in the

woods. Maybe he had amnesia. Maybe he had broken his leg. Under the circumstances, that was the best we could hope for.

Georgie Gargaetas was the other boy missing. Archie's son. Not only was he beloved by the Stamps family, but he was Ricky's best friend. Our little town's heart was ripped open. These were two of the finest young men, of their generation, in the county. They were just 16 years old.

The whole town turned out to look for them.

They found Georgie down river a couple of days into the search expedition. It took 11 days to find Ricky. His body had traveled several miles down the river to Hiouchi. I went with Dad to Wier's Mortuary to identify Ricky. It was tough. When we got back into the car, we hugged each other and cried hard. I tried to be strong for Dad, but I just couldn't hold it back. It's tough to deal with "gone forever."

As will teenagers do, Ricky had gotten someone to buy them some booze. It was gonna be a helluva party. Practically everyone in school was invited. It was a great cabin. It sat right at the ledge of a bluff, 200 feet up above the Smith River.

Someone turned down the music and yelled out, "Cops!" Everyone scattered into the trees. It was pitch-black dark.

In the confusion and the darkness, Gary stepped back too far and fell a good 50 feet, somehow managing to land on the only rock that jutted out from the bluff. He still deals with pain in his back and the mental scars of that night.

Ricky had started down the bluff to get to Gary. It was straight down. Halfway to Gary, Ricky lost his footing and fell into the river.

All this while Sis was at the house helping where she could. Cooking, doing some laundry, leading in prayer and consoling my family. Just her being there seemed to make a big difference to Dad. Like so many strong, faith-based, Southern women of her time, she stood strong and kept her emotions from showing. She was calmly there for us all.

Ricky's funeral was beautiful and terribly sad.

Even though I had a few more days

before I was to report back to base, it was decided that I should accompany Sis on the flight back down to San Francisco. Her recent plane trip to the west coast had been her first time on a plane. Her trip out had been "a little bumpy." It's a good thing I did fly with her. Pacific northwest flights, aboard small planes, are almost always turbulent.

She placed her little hand on the sleeve of my Marine Corps uniform and gripped my arm tight. I patted her hand and told her not to worry. "You have God and a Marine flying with you. No harm will come to us."

Once we landed in San Francisco, I got her to her terminal and all checked in. I asked her if she'd like a Coke. She said, "That would be delightful. With a straw, if you please." I brought her back a Coke and a few magazines, and she thanked me. I only had a few minutes that I could spend with her before my flight began boarding.

She told me how proud she was of me and how much she loved me. She told me to please be careful. Then, she looked at me with tears in her eyes and said, "Call when you can." As I was sprinting toward my gate, those words kept repeating themselves in my head. Either she didn't understand the full depths of war or didn't want to.

Three weeks later, I landed in Quang Tri, Vietnam.

It was a horrific time for my father. For my broken family. For Sis. For our little town by the sea.

In my nightly prayers, I have a little chat with those family members who have gone to God before me: Dad, Grandmom, Ricky.

When I get to Sis, I always wrap up my prayer to her with, "And, call when you can." I think she does from time to time.

(About the writer: After nearly four decades in the entertainment industry, Bill Stamps and his wife, Jana, and their two dogs — Cowboy and Scout — left Los Angeles for Cleveland. Bill's father was morning man and general manager of WCLE back in the late 1950s and early '60s. Bill attended grades 6-8 in Cleveland, and has come back to write a book about his childhood in the South. He may be contacted at bill_stamps@aol.com or via Facebook.)

To WASHINGTON

Plan offers 4 options for restoring grizzlies

SEATTLE (AP) — Grizzly bears once roamed the rugged landscape of the North Cascades in Washington state but few have been sighted in recent decades.

Federal officials want to restore the population and on Thursday released a draft plan with four options, ranging from taking no action to varying efforts to capture bears from other locations and transplant them to 9,800 square miles of mostly public land in and around North Cascades National Park.

Three of the alternatives seek to restore a population of about 200 bears, by relocating animals and letting them breed. The options differ in the number of bruins initially released and the time expected to get to that goal, ranging from 25 years for the expedited option to 60 to 100 years for the other two alternatives.

The National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service did not pick a preferred alternative. Instead they're seeking input over the next several weeks on what steps they should take to restore grizzly bears to their natural range.

The draft plan comes as the federal government is deciding whether to lift protections for more than 700 grizzly bears in and around Yellowstone National

Park. Officials had planned to finalize by the end of 2016 a proposal to turn management of grizzlies over to Idaho, Montana and Wyoming officials and allow limited hunting, but a deluge of opposition is tying up a decision.

In Washington state, the grizzly plan has stoked intense debate as federal officials sought input in 2015 as it developed the draft environmental impact statement released Thursday.

Supporters say the shy, massive creatures — a symbol of true wilderness — should be brought back. They say the population won't recover without help and their return would increase the biodiversity of the ecosystem.

"Returning this magnificent animal to the North Cascades is a rare opportunity to restore our natural heritage," said Joe Scott of the nonprofit Conservation Northwest, one of several groups that cheered the plan's release. He noted that groups need to work together so that the plan works for everyone.

Others say the animals should recover naturally, while some worry about potential increased dangers to recreationists and livestock and opposed the move over potential impacts to communities, ranchers, farmers and others.

Some state lawmakers have

opposed moving grizzly bears into Washington, telling the federal agencies in 2015 that the idea contradicts state law stating the bears "shall not be transplanted or introduced into the state."

Federal officials note that grizzly bears tend to avoid areas of human activity, and the animals would be relocated in remote areas, away from grazing allotments. They'll be radio-collared and monitored. Grizzly bears would likely come from areas in northwestern Montana or south-central British Columbia, and most likely would be younger bears that have not yet reproduced or have shown no history of human conflict.

The bears are at risk of local extinction, and recovering them would enhance the population's survival, restore the animal as part of the area's cultural heritage and provide people the chance to experience the animals in their native habitat, federal officials say.

Without intervention, the animals could disappear; individual bears are increasingly isolated and have limited opportunity to breed, the agencies said.

An estimated 50,000 Grizzlies once roamed much of North America. Most were killed off by hunters in the 19th and early

20th centuries and they now occupy only about 2 percent of their original range across the Lower 48 states.

They were listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act in 1975. In the North Cascades, the population is estimated to be fewer than 20 animals, according to Fish and Wildlife Service.

The most recent confirmed sighting of a bear was in 1996 in the U.S. portion of the North Cascades ecosystem. A bear was confirmed in British Columbia within 20 miles of the U.S. within the last five years.

The North Cascades ecosystem offers some of the best habitat to recover the animals, and a federal 1997 plan designated the area as one of five grizzly bear recovery zones. The others are in Montana, Wyoming and Idaho.

The 1997 plan called for an environmental review to evaluate a range of alternatives for recovering the North Cascades grizzly population but no funds were allocated until 2014. The environmental impact statement is expected to be finalized this fall.

Eight public meetings are scheduled in February. People can weigh in through March 14.

Grizzly Bear Restoration Plan: <http://bit.ly/2jIEG18>



AP Photo/Ted S. Warren, File

IN THIS FILE PHOTO, a grizzly bear at the Woodland Park Zoo waits for a salmon to be tossed to him in Seattle. Grizzly bears once roamed the rugged landscape of the North Cascades in Washington state but few have been sighted in recent decades. Federal officials want to restore the population, and on Thursday released a draft plan with four options, ranging from taking no action to varying efforts to capture bears from other locations and transplant them to 9,800 square miles of mostly public land surrounding North Cascades National Park.



MAYFLOWER IS a beautiful 5-year-old plus female American Staffordshire mix. She already knows "sit" and is very treat motivated. She enjoyed spending some time with Animal Control Officer John Bivens. Mavis, a 3-year-old female cat, is looking for her forever home. She enjoyed being out of the cat cage and spending quality time with Bivens. Come out and meet all the highly adoptable animals at Cleveland Animal Control, 360 Hill St. Shelter hours are Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to noon.



KRISTEN MURZA and her spouse, visited The Ark in search of a canine furkid. They spent time with Dixie Belle, a 9-month-old Beagle/Dachshund cross. Dixie had been surrendered by an elderly couple whose daughter had adopted Dixie elsewhere, then changed her mind. After completing comprehensive vetting, Dixie boarded The Ark. The Murza's made the decision to add Dixie Belle to their family. They shopped for bowls, food, toys and treats, then returned next day and made the adoption official. Dixie Belle picked a hot pink harness to go home in, and took a gently used bed, one of several donated to The Ark.

Treasure succumbs to injuries



"Treasure has peacefully passed over the rainbow bridge," according to Kayla Garren, intake/adoptions coordinator for the SPCA of Bradley County.

Treasure, who was featured last week, was found on Treasury Drive. He was in rough shape when the SPCA rescued him and was taken to a vet for IV fluids and other needs.

"This sweet boy was just not strong enough to come back from his severe neglect and malnutrition. But thanks to your compassionate and generous hearts, we can say we tried our absolute best to save him. The vet's office was working around the clock on feedings and IV nutrients. There was nothing more we could have done," Garren said.

"He did not die alone in a ditch in the cold. He passed peacefully in his sleep snuggled up in blankets and a heating pad."

Staff and volunteers take great consolation in that he was loved in the end, and money did not stand in the way of his survival.

If you see an animal in need, show compassion. In Treasure's memory, save the next life.

All donations to the Angel fund will be used for the next animal in need.



"**WE CURRENTLY** have feral/semi-feral cats/kittens in need of homes," according to Kayla Garren, intake/adoptions coordinator for the SPCA of Bradley County. "They would make great barn cats. Barn cats provide totally organic rodent control that does not depend on the use of poisons that can sicken kids, pets, livestock, and wild animals. Once placed, you only need to provide warm, safe shelter, a dependable source of food, and fresh water. These cats make ideal residents for farms, horse stables, barns, and other suitable locations with outdoor shelter options. Since the cats are strictly outdoor animals, potential adopters are encouraged to adopt the barn cats in pairs, or multiples, so they can keep each other company. Their adoption fees are: \$25 each or if you adopt five or more together they are only \$10 each."



PEANUT, a chihuahua/Jack Russell terrier mix, came to the SPCA on Aug. 16 with his jaws broken. Thanks to angel fund donations, and his loving foster mom, he recovered and was put up for adoption. He underwent multiple surgeries to repair the damage, but remained sweet throughout it all. Peanut was adopted by the Byers family on Jan. 4.

Illinois teen rescued after locking self in shuttered prison

JOLIET, Ill. (AP) — A teenage girl who slipped into an abandoned Illinois prison for an urban adventure ended up serving a short sentence when she accidentally locked herself inside a cell.

Illinois State Police say two teenage girls entered the Joliet Correctional Center through a hole in its fence Monday.

Joliet Fire Department Battalion Chief Mike Stromberg says the teens were exploring the

suburban Chicago prison that's been closed since 2002 when one of them locked herself inside a cell.

The other girl got firefighters to the site, and they used a sledgehammer to break through a brick wall and free her companion.

Stromberg tells The (Joliet) Herald-News that she spent 45 minutes in the cell.

State Police say the teens will face trespassing charges.

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Bradley

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were up by 18 with two minutes remaining when the physical battle boiled over.

Ooltewah, which had a player receive a technical foul in the opening half, had just made a basket and were dogging the Bear bringing the ball up the court when he was hammered and while going out of bounds was able to bounce the “rock” off the Owl player to retain possession with 1:28 on the clock.

When he said something to the ref about the “no-call” on the rough contact, the Bradley player was “T-d up.”

Coach Chuck Clark immediately pulled him from the game but while going to the bench another referee added a second technical, giving the hosts a total of four free throws (they made three) and possession of the ball.

After the Owls missed a shot, the Bears brought the ball downcourt and were off target on a 3-point attempt, but senior Trevor Cartwright made an acrobatic left-handed tip-in despite a lot of contact, but once again no whistle was blown.

The action did have to be stopped when a pair of players squared off but no punches were thrown. That sparring rekindled a few moments later, causing the new Ooltewah coach to sub for the offending player with less than a minute to play.

The teams traded free throws and the hosts got a 3-pointer at the buzzer to give the game its final 12-point difference.

Along with Beavers’ 19, the Bears got a double-double from all-stater Cole Copeland with a dozen points and 14 rebounds to go with four assists, a pair of steals, plus he blocked two Owl shots.

Senior John Brown and Tucker both netted nine points, with the former cleaning the glass for a half dozen caroms and the latter going 4-for-4 from the field.

Cartwright helped out with seven ricochets and four points, plus he took a trio of charges in the victory.

Senior Hunter Duggan came off the bench to help with three assists, a trio of boards, a basket and a steal.

As a team, Bradley made 59 percent (17-of-29) from in front of the arc, but were just 5-for-17 (29 percent) beyond it.

Chambers was the lone Owl to net double figures, finishing with a



Banner photo, JOE CANNON

BRADLEY CENTRAL senior Emma Kate Brown, bottom, gets rid of the ball to a teammate before crashing to the floor during Friday evening’s District 5-AAA game in Ooltewah. Brown scored 17 points as the second-ranked Bearettes improved to 18-0 on the season with a 79-23 victory over the Lady Owls.

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BEARETTES 79 LADY OWLS 23

Despite outscoring their two opponents this week by a combined 172-38, Bradley slipped from 17th to 19th in this week’s USA Today Super 25 national rankings.

Still holding down the top spot in the CoachIT state poll and ranked No. 2 by the Associated Press, the Bearettes (18-0, 5-0) continued to dominate district opponents, scoring 26 of Friday night’s first 28 points.

Ooltewah (2-11, 0-5) was able to close the gap to 20 points early in the second frame, but the Black-and-Gold ran off 15 straight points on their way to a 48-14 halftime edge.

The onslaught continued in the second half with Bradley sizzlin’ the nylon for the first 21 points to activate the “running clock rule.”

All 14 Bradley players got into the contest, with 11 of them netting

points.

Seniors Emma Kate Brown and Halle Hughes led the Bearette attack with 17 points apiece.

Hughes, a Lee University signee, also cleared five rebounds, dished off a trio of assists and copped two steals.

Brown, who is close to narrowing down her college choice, was 5-of-6 from the field, including a trio of 3-pointers. She also swished all four of her free throws, swiped four thefts and handed out a couple of helps.

Junior D-I prospect Rhyn Howard had her usual all-around output with 14 points, eight assists and seven steals.

Sophomore Kimia Carter collected 11 markers, sinking 5-of-6 from close range, plus she copped four thefts.

Senior Kailey McRee helped out with seven points, five rebounds and a pair of steals.

Freshman Anna Walker came in

to snag five caroms, a theft and she blocked a shot.

With 27 steals, Bradley scored 50 points off of Ooltewah’s 38 turnovers in the contest.

GAME SUMMARIES

GIRLS
Bradley Central 26 22 25 5—79
Ooltewah 4 10 4 5—23
BEARETTES (79) — Emma Kate Brown 17, Halle Hughes 17, Rhyn Howard 14, Kimia Carter 11, McRee 7, Morgan 3, Mayo 3, K. Hughes 2, Lombard 2, Walker 2, Reuler 1, Davis, Hulender, Koger.
LADY OWLS (23) — Swafford 8, Kilgore 4, Collake 4, Cline 2, Poland 2, Wardlaw 2, Lemon 1, Mills, Turman.
3-POINTERS: Bradley 6 (Brown 3, H.Hughes, Morgan, Howard); Ooltewah 1 (Kilgore).
FREE THROWS: Bradley 19-of-30; Ooltewah 4-of-7.
RECORDS: Bradley Central 18-0, 5-0 District 5-AAA; Ooltewah 2-11, 0-5.

BOYS
Bradley Central 22 12 9 14—57
Ooltewah 8 16 3 18—45
BEARS (57) — Ty Beavers 19, Cole Copeland 12, Brown 9, Tucker 9, Cartwright 4, Duggan 2, Elrod 2, Ferguson.
OWLS (45) — Cam Chambers 12, T.Morgan 8, Kendrick 8, Tucker 6, Taylor 4, Braden 3, C. Morgan 2, Walker 2, Wilker, Howard, Henry, McReynolds.
3-POINTERS: Bradley 5 (Beavers 3, Copeland, Tucker); Ooltewah 4 (Chambers 2, Kendrick 2).
FREE THROWS: Bradley 18-of-11; Ooltewah 5-of-14.
RECORDS: Bradley Central 10-6, 4-1 District 5-AAA; Ooltewah 3-8, 1-4.

Louisville

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Heels (16-3, 4-1 Atlantic Coast Conference), who played from in front nearly all day but didn’t put the Seminoles away until a 14-2 run in the final 5 1/2 minutes finally gave them a comfortable lead.

Jonathan Isaac had 17 points and 12 rebounds for the Seminoles (16-2, 4-1), who had won 12 in a row and stood at 4-0 in the ACC for the first time in their history.

No. 10 WEST VIRGINIA 74 TEXAS 72

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Teyvon Myers scored 16 points and West Virginia avoided one of the bigger upsets of the Big 12 season so far with a close win against short-handed Texas.

Jevon Carter added 15 points for the Mountaineers (15-2, 4-1), including two free throws in the final seconds that gave West Virginia a four-point lead.

Jarrett Allen scored 19 points for the Longhorns (7-10, 1-4). Andrew Jones had 17, but fouled with more than three minutes to play.

Texas played without leading scorer Tevin Mack, who was suspended indefinitely this week for an unspecified violation of team rules.

No. 12 BUTLER 83 No. 15 XAVIER 78

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Freshman Kamar Baldwin scored each of his 21 points in the second half, and Butler took down another Top 25 team.

The Bulldogs (15-3, 4-2 Big East) improved to 5-1 against ranked opponents this season.

Baldwin put up his highest point total yet for Butler and Andrew Chrabaszcz added 16. The Bulldogs closed it out by making their last 10 free throws and extended their Hinkle Fieldhouse winning streak to 13, including 10 this season.

Edmond Sumner had 22 points and J.P. Macura finished with 16 for Xavier (13-4, 3-2), which has lost back-to-back games for the first time this season.

No. 19 VIRGINIA 77 CLEMSON 73

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — London Perrantes scored a season-high 25 points, leading Virginia to the road win.

The Cavaliers (13-3, 3-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) shot 58 percent from the field in their second straight victory since dropping two in a row to Pittsburgh and Florida State. Marial Shayok tied his career high with 17 points, and Isaiah Wilkins finished with eight

points and 13 rebounds.

Virginia blew a nine-point lead in the second half, but Perrantes stepped up for the Cavaliers down the stretch. After Clemson tied it at 70 on Jaron Blossomgame’s three-point play with 2:18 left, Perrantes made his fourth 3-pointer to put Virginia back in front.

Blossomgame led Clemson (11-6, 1-4) with 22 points, and Avry Holmes and Gabe DeVoe each scored 15.

No. 20 NOTRE DAME 76 VIRGINIA TECH 71

BLACKSBURG, Va. (AP) — Steve Vasturia scored 20 points and Notre Dame rebounded after blowing a 19-point lead.

Matt Farrell and Bonzie Colson had 14 points apiece for the Fighting Irish (16-2, 5-0 Atlantic Coast Conference).

Virginia Tech had won 15 in a row at home. Chris Clarke had 21 points, nine rebounds and five assists for the Hokies (13-4, 2-3), and Seth Allen added 16 points.

No. 23 FLORIDA 80 GEORGIA 76, OT

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Canyon Barry scored 27 points, including four in overtime, and Florida handed Georgia its 14th consecutive loss in Gainesville.

John Egbunu sealed the victory with a free throw with 5.8 seconds remaining. Keith Stone had 17 points for the Gators (14-3, 5-0 Southeastern Conference), and Kasey Hill finished with 11.

Georgia (11-6, 3-2 Southeastern Conference) led much of the game, but faded after leading scorer Yante Maten fouled out with 3:51 left in regulation. J.J. Frazier led the Bulldogs with 25 points.

PENN STATE 52 No. 24 MINNESOTA 50

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Tony Carr made two free throws with 5 seconds left to lift Penn State to the win.

Mike Watkins had 15 points and 15 rebounds and Payton Banks added 10 points for the Nittany Lions (11-7, 3-2 Big Ten) who recovered from a 32-22 halftime deficit.

It was Penn State’s first win over a ranked opponent since Feb. 17 against then-No. 4 Iowa at the Bryce Jordan Center.

Reggie Lynch scored 12 points for the Golden Gophers (15-4, 3-3), who were outscored 26-15 over the final 17 minutes.

TCPS

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Silas Pippenger collected two points, four rebounds an assist and two steals.

Parker Benton garnered two points, four rebounds, two assists and a steal.

Solomon Smith helped out with six rebounds, three assists and four steals.

This week will be homecoming week for TCPS with the games being played on Friday night, versus Maryville Christian at 6 and 7:30.

Matmen

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Bradley will wrap up the regular season this week as third-ranked Soddy-Daisy comes to Jim Smiddy Arena Thursday for “Senior Night.”

The key meet will determine the District 8 championship and top seed going into the Region Duals Jan. 26 at Rhea County High School.

The Bears won eight matches against Christian Brothers,

including four by pin.

Putting their Purple Wave opponents’ shoulders to the mat were seniors Ryan McElhaney, Ethan Anderson, Ed Elkins and Austin Mathews.

McElhaney, a defending state champion and ranked second in the latest state poll before defeating top-ranked Colton Landers Thursday evening, “stuck” his 132-pound opponent

in 1:58.

No. 2 ranked Anderson needed just a second more in the 126-pound matchup, while Elkins, ranked fifth at 182, stepped up to the 195-pound division also got his pin just before the opening period horn at 1:59.

Third-ranked Mathews got the referee to slap the mat at the 4:59 mark of the 152-pound battle.

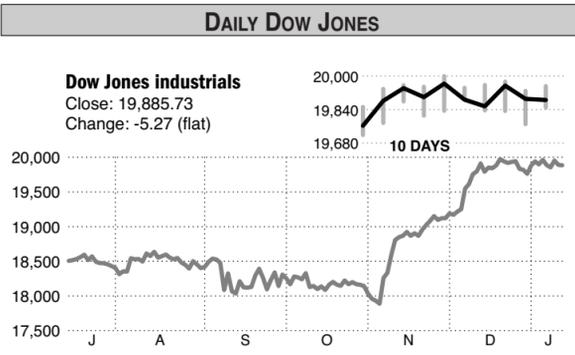
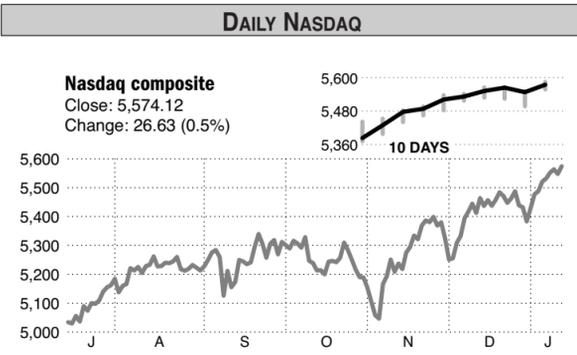
The Black-and-Gold also got a 15-0 technical fall by fourth-ranked Wesley Devaney at 106, plus decisions from top-ranked three-time state champion Knox Fuller (5-2 at 145) and Henley Headrick (3-2 at 170). Two-time state champion TJ Hicks received a forfeit.

Individual match details for the Science Hill meet were unavailable at press time.

BEARS 41, PURPLE WAVE 28

Match started at 1:38
106 — Wesley Devaney (BC) tech. fall Charles Salvaggio, 15-0; 113 — TJ Hicks (BC) won by forfeit; 120 — Jackson Herring (CB) pinned Gaven Hughes, 1:37; 126 — Ethan Anderson (CB) pinned Russ Palmer, 3:18; 132 — Ryan McElhaney (BC) pinned Connor Rasberry, 1:58; 138 — Trevor Brown (CB) major dec. Andy Robinson, 13-5; 145 — Knox Fuller (BC) dec. Elijah Hodge, 5-2; 152 — Austin Mathews (BC) pinned Eric Hodge, 4:59; 160 — Drew Nicholson (CB) dec. Caleb Adkins, 10-5; 170 — Henley Headrick (BC) dec. Montana Doty, 3-2; 182 — Tommy Brackett (CB) won by forfeit; 195 — Ed Elkins (BC) pinned Keegan Jones, 1:59; 220 — Grayson Walthall (CB) dec. DJ Gibson, 5-0; 285 — Patrick Healy (CB) pinned Chris Cash, :36.

THE MARKET IN REVIEW



MONEY RATES

	Last	Pvs Wk
Prime Rate	3.75	3.75
Discount Rate	1.25	1.25
Federal Funds Rate	50-.75	50-.75
Treasuries		
3-year	1.88	1.92
10-year	2.38	2.42
30-year	2.99	3.01
Gold (troy oz., NY Merc spot)	\$1195.30	\$1171.90
Silver (troy oz., NY Merc spot)	\$16.720	\$16.466

British pound expressed in U.S. dollars. All others show dollar in foreign currency.

CURRENCIES

	Day Ago	Pvs Day
Australia	1.3328	1.3344
Britain	1.2190	1.2163
Canada	1.3121	1.3124
Euro	.9393	.9410
Japan	114.42	114.63
Mexico	21.5450	21.7877
Switzerland	1.0088	1.0102

STOCK MARKET INDEXES

52-Week High	Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	%Chg	YTD %Chg	12-mo %Chg
19,999.63	15,450.56	Dow Industrials	19,885.73	-5.27	-0.03	+6.2	+24.38
9,490.29	6,403.31	Dow Transportation	9,202.34	+57.87	+6.3	+1.75	+37.57
723.83	570.73	Dow Utilities	656.78	-.99	-.15	-.43	+12.70
11,688.45	8,937.99	NYSE Composite	11,227.17	+23.02	+2.1	+1.54	+20.73
5,564.25	4,209.76	Nasdaq Composite	5,574.12	+26.63	+4.8	+3.55	+24.19
1,010.26	809.96	S&P 100	1,006.59	+1.61	+0.16	+1.53	+19.85
2,282.10	1,810.10	S&P 500	2,274.64	+4.20	+0.19	+1.60	+20.97
1,698.70	1,215.14	S&P MidCap	1,687.40	+9.11	+0.54	+1.62	+32.88
23,875.45	18,462.43	Wilshire 5000	23,807.98	+69.10	+0.29	+1.63	+23.13
1,392.71	943.09	Russell 2000	1,372.05	+10.98	+0.81	+1.10	+36.15

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Name	Div	Yld	PE	Last	Chg	%Chg	YTD
AT&T Inc	1.96	4.8	16	40.96	-0.05	-3.7	+1.4
AMD	...	...	...	10.58	-1.8	-6.7	+3.3
BB&T Cp	1.20	2.6	17	46.52	+1.8	+1.1	+5.7
BkofAm	.30	1.3	18	23.01	+0.9	+4.1	+4.0
B PVxST rs	...	...	...	21.45	+0.05	+15.9	+1.8
CocaCola	1.40	3.4	25	40.88	-0.7	-1.4	+2.2
CntyHlt	...	...	...	6.93	+3.5	+24.0	+5.1
DRGMBll s	...	...	...	8.37	+0.8	+50.0	+2.6
DxGBull s	...	...	...	9.70	+1.5	+27.0	+1.4
DryShp rs	...	...	...	1.87	+0.3	+49.3	+1.1
DukeEngy	3.42	4.4	16	77.21	-.33	-.5	+8.8
Eaton	2.28	3.3	16	68.66	+4.6	+2.3	+2.0
FMC Tech	...	...	...	29.35	-1.5	-.9	+2.0
FiatChrys	...	...	...	9.73	-2.2	-6.7	+2.5
FstHorizon	.28	1.4	22	19.89	-.38	-.6	+3.1
FordM	.60	4.8	6	12.63	+0.4	+4.1	+2.7
FrpMcM	...	...	...	15.19	-.08	+15.2	+2.8
HomeDp	2.76	2.0	22	135.04	-0.3	-.7	+5.9
iSHEMkts	.84	2.3	...	36.68	-0.3	+4.8	-2.8
JPMorgCh	1.92	2.2	15	86.70	+4.6	+5	+1.4
Kroger	.48	1.4	16	34.10	+5.8	+1.2	+1.7
Lowes	1.40	1.9	19	72.15	+5.7	+1.4	+1.4
NorfolkSo	2.36	2.1	20	111.59	+5.8	+3.3	+3.3
Olin	.80	3.0	38	27.07	+1.6	+5.7	+2.0
PaneraBrd	...	...	...	35.213.34	-.48	-.4	+4.0
Penney	...	...	...	6.76	-1.8	-18.7	+1.1
RegionsFn	.26	1.8	19	14.68	+2.5	+2.2	+2.2
RiteAid	...	...	...	7.9	8.66	+0.4	+5.1
S&P500ETF4.13	...	...	...	227.05	+5.2	+1.6	+2.6
Scotts	2.00	2.1	24	93.24	+3.0	+2.4	+2.4
SouthCo	2.24	4.6	16	48.80	-.20	-.2	+1.8
SPDR Fncl	.46	2.0	...	23.51	+1.3	+1.1	+1.1
SunTrst	1.04	1.9	16	55.97	+4.8	+2.0	+2.0
Target	2.40	3.4	12	70.19	-1.06	-2.8	+2.8
Transngio	...	...	...	.98	-1.4	-24.5	+1.4
UtdCmBks	.32	1.1	20	28.69	+2.7	+3.1	+2.1
Vale SA	.29	3.0	...	9.58	+1.4	+2.7	+2.7
ValeGold	.12	.5	...	22.74	+1.2	+8.7	+8.7
WalMart	2.00	3.					



RECENTLY THE Harry S. Truman Club of Bradley County made a donation of \$1,000 to Rainbow Riders. Headquartered at Tri-State Exhibition Center, Rainbow Riders offer equine-assisted therapy to individuals coping with physical, mental or emotional disabilities. Rainbow Riders operates year-round with a staff of five instructors and more than 50 volunteers. In 2016, the group served 150 riders. The Harry S. Truman Club gift was made in memory of Winston H. Prince, a native of Polk County, veteran of World War II and prominent lawyer. Prince served as Bradley County Attorney for many years as well as maintaining an active practice. The Harry S. Truman Club is a local, nonprofit organization whose purpose is to promote good citizenship, recognize leadership and support worthy local causes. From left, seated, are David Cawood, Sally Love, Bobbie Prince and Ronnie Tims; back, Beebo Harris, Joe Cate, Bob Hughes, Jeff Morelock, Doug Pirkle, Denise Lineberry with Rainbow Riders and Charlie Corn.



CLEVELAND AMVETS Post 12 and George Gray, owner of Allstate Insurance on Keith Street, recently donated a ceremonial American flag to the Brookdale Mount Vernon Drive assisted living facility. The American flag will be a permanent fixture of the facility in honor of our veterans and of the United States. The flag was presented to Brookdale by Daniel Koob, commander of AMVETS Post 13 and lodge esquire of the Cleveland Elks Lodge. Gray is a member of the Elks Lodge. From left, are Kristi Bishop, activity director at Brookdale; Richard Landry, Brookdale employee; Koob; and Jody Jefferson, director of Brookdale.

Erlanger to present symposium Feb. 2

Special to the Banner

Join medical professionals from the area and earn continuing education credits while learning from the top providers of Erlanger Health System.

The symposium is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 2, at the Museum Center at Five Points, 200 Inman St. Tickets are \$35 per person and \$25 for students.

Following registration and breakfast, beginning at 7:15 a.m., the first speaker will be Dr. Donald Baker, FACS, of University Surgical Associates

with the U.T. College of Medicine in Chattanooga. His topic is "A Day in the ER with a Trauma Surgeon."

Other presentations will include: "Recognizing and identifying traits of drugs and associated behaviors in the field," by Collegedale Chief of Police Brian Hickman; "Triage: The Process of Making Decisions with Multiple Pediatric Victims" by Dr. Lisa Smith, pediatric surgeon and assistant professor at the UT College of Medicine in Chattanooga; and "Active Shooter Response in a Changing EMS and ER World" by

Emergency Medical Tech.; "Advances in Structural Heart Disease" by Dr. Matthew Wiisane; and Tim Perry, RN and flight nurse for Life Force Air Medical, whose topic is "Farm-Related Issues."

Continuing education credits will be provided to all participants. Cost to attend is \$35 per person, \$25 for students with valid ID. If you have questions about the program, please contact Jane Triplett at jane.triplett@erlanger.org.

To order tickets, go to <https://clevelandsym17.eventbrite.com>.

Pankey brothers recommend CSCC honors program

Special to the Banner

When twin brothers Clay and Matt Pankey enrolled in Cleveland State's honor's program in the fall, they didn't really know what to expect, but with one semester under their belt and both having earned a spot on the President's List, CSCC's highest academic honor, they now recommend the program to others.

"It is not an easy program," said Clay.

It's challenging, and it does require a good bit of effort, but it's a very rewarding. The brothers were recipients of the Presidential Honor's Scholarship, a merit-based scholarship for the top high school graduates who attend CSCC. Students must be accepted into the CSCC Honors Program and participate in a Presidential Leadership Program. The Presidential Honor's Scholarship is designed to assist students with books and other educational expenses, such as non-mandatory fees.

"One of the best things about Cleveland State is we have a wonderful diversity of students, and this certainly includes an outstanding group of honors students," stated Dr. Bill Seymour, CSCC president.

"High achieving students find a home within our honors program and develop strong relationships with students that have similar aspirations."

Seymour added, "Any high school senior in our five-county service area with a 24 on the ACT or a 3.5 high school G.P.A. can apply, and those students selected for this honor can receive \$2,000 a year on top of the Tennessee Promise."

Matt stated, "It's free money! If you do the work, you might as well be rewarded for it! I'd definitely recommend it to others!"

In just two years, CSCC's honors program has grown significantly in terms of organization, goal achievement and student recruitment.

According to Dr. Victoria Bryan, Honors Program director, honor students work toward mastery of five program goals: academic excellence; in-depth subject exploration; presentation skills; leadership experience; and service to the campus or community.

Bryan stated, "There are a lot of advantages to being an honors student at CSCC, but I think principle among those is the fact that we are offering our students the chance to make a sound financial decision by taking advantage of the Tennessee Promise while still being challenged to grow as learners."

"The honors program gives everyone a greater sense of com-



MATT AND CLAY PANKEY are enrolled in CSCC's Honors Program and were recently named to the CSCC President's List. They are the sons of Mitch and Jana Pankey of Cleveland.

munity — not just with the students, but with the professors as well," stated Matt.

Clay said the honors program has not only helped him learn more about himself, but it also helped him to confirm he was making the right career choice. (Clay is majoring in pre-engineering and Matt is majoring in exercise science/pre-occupational therapy.)

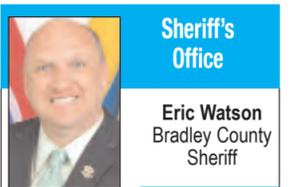
Cleveland State has direct articulations with UTC and MTSU's honors programs to ensure that if students graduate from CSCC with an Honors diploma, they can articulate directly into the Honors colleges at those schools.

Matt noted, "Another reason I'd recommend the honors program is because if you are looking to transfer to a university, they do have transfer agreements to go directly into honors programs at four-year universities like UTC and MTSU."

The brothers insist that the program isn't all academic — they have fun, too. They both liked the fact that they have been able to meet and develop friendships with students outside of their high school — students they might not have met had they not joined the honors program.

Bryan stated, "What I think is most powerful about the Honors Program at Cleveland State is that our students experience a sense of community unparalleled on a commuter college campus. As the students meet challenges in their classes or their extracurricular activities, they band together and support each other in inspiring ways. I've been proud to see this kind of bonding and support every semester that I've served as Honors Program director at Cleveland State."

For more information on the Presidential Honor's Scholarship or the CSCC Honors Program, contact Bryan at 423-473-2442.



Sheriff's Office

Eric Watson
Bradley County Sheriff

Keeping our eyes open

Staying alert to the many threats that exist in the world today is the No. 1 priority of law enforcement.

Your Bradley County Sheriff's Office is constantly on the lookout for the many ways members of the criminal element seek to make our community less safe for you and your family. Whether it's a robbery, burglary or any other sort of unlawful act, my office constantly seeks to be ready to deal with it and bring those involved to justice.

Within the last few weeks, we were made aware through our intelligence sources of a prostitution ring beginning to operate locally. Since Bradley County is located on a busy stretch of Interstate 75, the possibility of drugs and prostitution flowing through our county is great. That's why we assembled several deputies to begin what we called "Operation: Temptation."

Using the information we had, our officers were able to secure a location to carry out the plan. At the completion of "Operation Temptation" this past week, the Bradley County Sheriff's Office made 23 arrests for prostitution and drug offenses.

Our officers confiscated a large number of drugs and seized five vehicles. We have known for years that prostitution cases usually include the addition of illegal drug activity.

In these cases, there was no difference, in that our undercover officers were offered drugs in return for other illegal acts.

You might remember in late 2014, I initiated "Operation: Clean Sweep," that focused on much of the same sort of activity. Some 13 arrests were made in that operation, with some of those involved traveling from as far away as New York. We were able to take a large amount of drugs off the streets during Clean Sweep, while also putting a dent in the amount of cash involved.

There might be some who feel these crimes are victimless, and I disagree strongly. Prostitution is a dangerous criminal enterprise on so many levels. There are far too many reasons why we seek to stamp it out in Bradley County than we can mention here.

Burglaries, robberies, assaults and more result quite often from prostitution and drug use.

A drug user will do whatever it takes to gain the money and the means to "get high." One of the reasons is quite simply an issue that continues to plague our country and that is the problem of human trafficking.

The presence of I-75 makes Bradley County a prime location for the prostitution of those under 18, also. In Tennessee, patronizing prostitution from one under 18 is a felony.

As your sheriff, it's my sworn duty to do all I can to protect the people of Bradley County. A part of that duty is to work to rid our community of the people who seek to carry out criminal activity, whether it is prostitution, drugs, burglaries or any other violation of the law.

I sincerely pledge to you that our efforts will continue hour by hour and day by day to do just that. Thank you for your assistance, and your kind words to me and my officers.

We work for you.

From the pages of The Banner

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

The following items were compiled by the History Branch of the Cleveland Bradley County Public Library from old issues of the Cleveland Daily Banner and its forerunners, the Cleveland Banner, the Journal, and the Journal and Banner.

1960

William K. Fillauer, local attorney, county campaign manager for Gov. Buford Ellington, and a leading Democrat, was named mayor of Cleveland Monday to fill the unexpired term of James F. Corn.

Fillauer is the fourth man to fill the office since August. Following Corn's resignation, Dr. Robert Hines was elected by the city commissioners but four days after being inducted, he resigned when it was found he was not eligible to hold the office as he lived outside the city limits.

C.F. Kelly, commissioner of parks, buildings and fire department, was named mayor pro-tem and held the office until the election of Fillauer Monday by unanimous vote.

Both Fillauer and Kelly received high praise from the commissioners. Kelly nominated Fillauer and said that he had been trying to get out of the job as mayor pro-tem since being appointed last August. "A lot of pressure has been put upon this man to become our mayor and I am certain that he will make a fine one," Kelly said in nominating Fillauer.

B. Harrison Fair said he wanted

to thank Kelly for his fine work and that he didn't know what they would have done without him. George R. (Bobby) Taylor agreed with Fair on Kelly's job and thought the city was fortunate to have such a man to replace him.

George R. Thorogood, city treasurer, put in that he wanted to add his words of appreciation to Kelly and that the town owed him a debt of gratitude for the services he gave the city. He also praised Fillauer for the Keith Street project.

Fillauer's acceptance speech was short. He said he felt it was an honor to be elected mayor and would strive to do what was for the best interest of Cleveland. "I hope that there will always be a harmonious feeling between the commissioners and the mayor," he added.

In other business at the adjourned session, the commissioners voted to close Cherry Street between 15th and 16th and deed the property to Brown Stove Works. The street has been used only by the company and is needed by it.

The city agreed to purchase a piece of land approximately 160 feet by 150 feet just east of the South Cleveland Swimming Pool

for recreational purposes. It will replace the land sold to the Cleveland Chair Company for expansion.

Taylor pointed out that with this new property, the city would be better off than before and Fair said that barbecue pits and tables would be put on the lot. The purchase price was \$2,800.

Fair revealed that the street marker project was progressing nicely and that it was making the city look much better. He then proposed that the city pay the entire cost of the project, instead of obtaining about \$650 from the Jaycees, as they had agreed to do.

"They don't have any money and instead of making them raise it, I feel that the city should go ahead and pay for the putting up of the markers," Fair explained. "We are getting it done in our spare time and we have to pay roll expenses anyway."

In the last gubernatorial election, Gov. Ellington carried Bradley County, but lost the city to his Republican opponent. This apparently came as a surprise to Fillauer who said prior to the election that he had the support of the city administration after Ellington's promise to complete

Keith Street.

William K. Fillauer, only son of the late William H. Fillauer and Mrs. Lizzie Keys Fillauer, was born Jan. 18, 1920. He is the grandson of the late J.B. Fillauer, founder of Merchants Bank. He is married to the former Frances Parks whose father was serving as mayor at the time of his death.

They have three children, Keys, a student at Arnold Junior High, Reita Ann, 5 and John Parks, 1. The new mayor graduated from Bradley High in 1937 and entered King College as a pre-law student. He graduated from Cumberland University Law School, where he was a classmate of former Gov. Frank Clement, in 1941.

He entered the Army in 1943 and served three years, two of them overseas in 10 foreign countries. Following his discharge, he returned to Cleveland to resume his law practice.

In 1955 he was appointed acting Bradley County judge during the illness of H.M. Fulbright and served two years. He was instrumental in getting the Bradley County Nursing Home and the Agricultural Building constructed here.

Bob Sherlin and Steve Sloan sparked Bradley to 65-37 Win over Maryville.

Bradley High's sharpshooting duo of Sherlin and Sloan demonstrated a masterful exhibition of jump shooting Friday night to propel the Golden Bears past invading Maryville, 65-37. Kept outside the keyhole by a sagging zone defense, the fear-

some-tosome blistered the nets with radar-like precision to personally outscore the entire Maryville team between them.

Springy-legged Sherlin blasted the cords for 24 points to lead the scoring fracas, while sure-shot-Sloan breathed down his neck in the honors department with 18. Another lad who played a major role in the lopsided victory was Louie Alford, a rugged performer who is fast becoming known as "Old Reliable."

While Alford only rang the bucket for seven markers, the hustling redhead continued to grab the lion's share of rebounds, a department in which he has excelled all season. Although it was far from being Bradley's best showing to date, it was impressive enough and more important, it kept the Bears undefeated and boosted their win streak to 13 games.

As Coach Bill Walker phrased it, "We have played better ball in many of our games this year but we won and that's all that counts."

No injuries were reported, and damages were almost negligible, in the only traffic accident reported in Cleveland over the weekend, city police said today.

The collision occurred Sunday at 6 p.m. as Robert J. Noelck, South Lee Highway, was making a right turn while going south on Broad Street.

Officer Wesley B. Snyder said John R. Goins, of Dalton Pike, failed to stop in time and struck the Noelck vehicle in the right rear fender.

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Burris, Jenne join SmartBank Cleveland team

Special to the Banner

SmartBank is pleased to announce the addition of Matt Jenne and Beau Burris to its Cleveland leadership team. Matt Jenne will serve as Senior Vice President, Cleveland Market Leader. Beau Burris will serve as first vice president, relationship manager.

"We are thrilled to have Matt and Beau on board, and they have already hit the ground running," said Billy Carroll, SmartBank president and CEO. "Their combined years of experience in the financial industry along with their wealth of knowledge and Bradley County roots give SmartBank tremendous upside potential in its newest market."

Jenne brings with him more than 23 years of banking experience. Prior to joining the SmartBank team, he served as Market Leader for United Community Bank.

Jenne currently serves as chairman of the board for The United Way of the Ocoee Region, and recently completed his term as president of the Cleveland Family YMCA.

Jenne resides in Cleveland with his wife and two sons, and is a member of First United Methodist Church.

"SmartBank's dynamic banking model is a perfect fit for the Bradley County market," said Jenne. "We are a community bank, and we have the ability to offer a wide array of products and services both commercially



Beau Burris



Matt Jenne



SmartBank

and to consumers. I am eager to introduce the SmartBank brand and exceptional client service to the Cleveland community."

Burris joins SmartBank with more than 24 years of banking experience. He most recently served as vice president of

Commercial Lending for United Community Bank. Burris is actively involved in the Cleveland community where he serves as board treasurer for Junior Achievement of the Ocoee Region, board member and current president for the Cleveland/Bradley

Business Incubator, and various roles within other local organizations.

Burris resides in Cleveland with his wife and daughter, and is an active member of the Central Church of Christ.

On Dec. 9, 2016, SmartFinancial, Inc. ("SmartFinancial"; NASDAQ: SMBK), parent company of SmartBank, and Atlantic Capital Bancshares, Inc. ("Atlantic Capital"; NASDAQ: ACBI), parent company of Atlantic Capital Bank, N.A., announced that SmartBank has signed a definitive agreement to acquire the Cleveland, branch office and assets of FSG Bank, a division of Atlantic Capital Bank.

SmartBank has agreed to assume approximately \$33,000,000 in customer deposits and purchase approximately \$32,000,000 in loans and other assets affiliated with the Cleveland branch.

The acquisition is planned to close by the end of first quarter.

About SmartBank:

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Don't dissolve the LLC

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are debt-free, plus she has a business giving music lessons. We formed an LLC last year when she had several students and was making over \$3,000 a month, but that all changed when our first baby arrived. Now, she has only a few students, and they bring in around \$700 per month. Should we dissolve the LLC?

— Ben

Dear Ben,

First, congratulations on being debt-free and new parents. Happy New Year to you all!

In most states, the only upfront cost for an LLC is the money you pay for the initial set up. There may be a small fee for a business license and subsequent annual renewal, but that generally doesn't add up to much. Then, there's the money you pay for filing your tax return on the LLC once a year. Even if you live in a state where there are other fees to consider, as long as the cost of maintaining the LLC wasn't killing you, I'd recommend keeping it in place. You went to the trouble of opening it, and you just might use it again someday. Even if your wife is staying home with the baby, she just might be able to take on more students again as time goes by.

Just be reasonable and use common sense. If you spend \$3,000 to stay open, and you're making \$700, you'd dissolve it, right? But as long as you don't have fees that are making you cringe, I'd probably leave it in place.

—Dave

Helping dad

Dear Dave,

My dad has been really bad with money his entire life. Anytime he would get into trouble, my grandparents would always bail him out. This time he came to my wife and I, asking for \$350 to get out of overdraft at the bank. We're trying to live on a budget and get control of our finances, and \$350 would make things kind of tight at the moment. What do you think we



Dave Says

By
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should do?

— Jeremy

Dear Jeremy,

I understand feeling an obligation to help your dad. But there's a lesson here that dad needs to learn, and it's something that goes much deeper than the money or helping out a family member.

You have to do the right thing, no matter how dad reacts to this. Right now, the right thing is taking care of your family and not putting them in jeopardy. So my answer to dad would be no. Another thing that needs to happen is for the definition of "help" to change. When you say he's been irresponsible with money his whole life, giving him \$350 won't help — and it will make you an enabler. Just handing him \$350 will actually hurt him, and it will give him the idea he can continue being dumb with money and hit you up for cash anytime.

Like I said, I understand the pull of helping out a parent. So if you feel this is something you absolutely must do, I would advise making the \$350 contingent on the fact that he begin and complete a financial counseling course. Be gentle when you talk to him, and let him know it hurts to see him struggling. But let him know, too, it's his responsibility to work through his debts and take care of his own finances!

—Dave

(Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including *The Total Money Makeover*. The *Dave Ramsey Show* is heard by more than 12 million listeners each week on 575 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at [@DaveRamsey](https://twitter.com/DaveRamsey).)

Wells Fargo profit falls after sales practice scandal

NEW YORK (AP) — Wells Fargo said Friday its profit fell 5 percent in the first full quarter after regulators said that bank employees opened millions of customer accounts fraudulently to meet sales goals. The scandal has kept new customers away, with the bank reporting that new account openings plummeted last month.

In September, regulators fined the San Francisco-based bank \$185 million for opening more than two million unauthorized accounts. The scandal brought nationwide attention to the bank, leading to the resignation of the bank's CEO John Stumpf in October.

Earlier this week, the company announced a new pay plan for bank branch employees that

would eliminate incentives for opening accounts or meeting sales goals.

"While we have more work to do, I am proud of the effort of our entire team to make things right for our customers and team members and to continue building a better Wells Fargo for the future," CEO Tim Sloan said in a statement.

New checking account openings fell 40 percent in December compared with the same month the year before. New credit card applications fell 43 percent during the same period. In-house customer loyalty scores also fell.

Notably, Wells Fargo dropped its so-called "cross-sale ratio," which was a metric Wells used to calculate on average how many

products a customer's household had with the bank. The cross-sale ratio became a toxic metric for the bank after the sales practices scandal.

Overall, Wells Fargo reported net income of \$5.27 billion, or 96 cents per share, in the three months ending Dec. 31, compared with \$5.58 billion, or \$1 per share, in the same quarter the year before. Wells Fargo said its earnings were lowered by 7 cents per share because of an accounting adjustment related to hedging long-term debt.

Adjusted earnings came to \$1.03 per share, beating the \$1 per share analysts expected, according to Zacks Investment Research.

Wells Fargo reported revenue of \$23.24 billion in the period. Its

adjusted revenue was \$21.58 billion, which fell short of the \$22.42 billion that analysts expected.

Shares of Wells Fargo & Co. rose \$1.25, or 2.3 percent, to \$55.75 in morning trading Friday.

(Elements of this story were generated by Automated Insights (<http://automatedinsights.com/ap>) using data from Zacks Investment Research. Access a Zacks stock report on WFC at <https://www.zacks.com/ap/WFC>)

New U-Haul dealer now in Cleveland

Special to the Banner

U-Haul Company of Tennessee is pleased to announce that Bradley Barter & Pawn has signed on as a U-Haul neighborhood dealer to serve the Cleveland community.

Bradley Barter & Pawn at 2275 Spring Place Road will offer U-Haul trucks, trailers, towing equipment, support rental items and in-store pick-up for boxes.

Hours of operation for U-Haul rentals are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday. After-hours drop-off is available for customer convenience.

Reserve U-Haul products at this dealer location by calling (423) 244-0428 or visiting <https://www.uhaul.com/Locations/Truck-Rentals-near-Cleveland-TN-37323/030059/> today.



Bradley Barter & Pawn owner Jason Cook is proud to team with the industry leader in do-it-yourself moving and self-storage to better meet the demands of Bradley County.

U-Haul and Bradley Barter & Pawn are striving to benefit the environment through sustainability initiatives. Truck sharing is a core U-Haul sustainability business practice that allows individuals to access a fleet of trucks that is larger than what they could access on an individual basis.

Every U-Haul truck placed in a

community helps keep 19 personally owned large-capacity vehicles, pickups, SUVs and vans off the road. Fewer vehicles means less traffic congestion, less pollution, less fuel burned and cleaner air.

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Dunkin' Donuts gives to Gatlinburg fund

Special to the Banner

GATLINBURG — Dunkin' Brands Group, Inc., the parent company of Dunkin' Donuts and Baskin-Robbins, donated \$5,000 to the Chamber of Commerce Gatlinburg Relief Fund yesterday to support the Gatlinburg community and those affected by the November wildfire. A check presentation was held at the Dunkin' Donuts restaurant at 812 Parkway, Suite 106. Mark Adams, president and CEO of the Gatlinburg Chamber of Commerce, accepted the check with deep appreciation and gratitude.

On November 28, a devastating wildfire killed 14 people, injured 176 and burned more than 2,400 structures in Gatlinburg. Though this vacation-destination town will take months to fully recover, the continued help and support from local and national organizations is tremendous.

"We are personally committed to the community of Gatlinburg, our employees, and all those affected by the Gatlinburg fire," said Estelle Valsamis, owner and operator of the Gatlinburg Dunkin' Donuts. "It is during times of challenge and despair that we can find hope and strength amongst each other. We will continue to provide support to help rebuild this vibrant and historic city."

The Gatlinburg Chamber of Commerce Foundation is a 501c3 organization created to assist the local business community and citizens through various charitable efforts. The Gatlinburg Relief Fund has been established as a funding source to assist businesses, employees and the



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DUNKIN' DONUTS recently gave a \$5,000 donation to the Gatlinburg Relief Fund.

community in the wake of the devastating fires.

To contribute to the Gatlinburg Relief Fund, visit Gatlinburg.com, the Facebook

page 'Visit Gatlinburg' or mail a check to P.O. Box 1910, Pigeon Forge, TN 37868-1910. Checks should be made payable to Gatlinburg Relief Fund.

U.S. businesses boosted stockpiles in November

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. businesses stockpiled more goods in warehouses and on store shelves in November as sales improved slightly.

The Commerce Department says business inventories rose a seasonally adjusted 0.7 percent in November, with strong gains among auto dealers, building materials stores and wholesalers. Sales edged up just 0.1 percent with the increase coming almost entirely from wholesalers.

Department stores saw their

inventories and sales decline between November and October, part of a broader long-term slowdown as shoppers move to online retailers.

But auto dealers bulked up their inventories of vehicles by 1.9 percent in November ahead of year-end sales. Clothiers and building materials stores also increased their stockpiles.

Manufacturers boosted their inventories 0.2 percent in November, but their sales slipped 0.1 percent

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'Stangs drop barnburners to 'Canes

By **PATRICK MacCOON**
Banner Sports Writer

COLLEGEDALE — Soon after leaving the postgame locker room after its second overtime loss in as many nights, Walker Valley look frustrated but at the same time spoke of better things to come.

While its most recent heartbreak came to the hands of a talented East Hamilton team, who gave Cleveland a scare for a bit earlier in the week, the 81-75 loss Friday night on the road does not take any confidence anyway or drive.

The Mustangs still believe a special run could be on the and maybe even an upset, as they host seventh-ranked Cleveland Tuesday night.

"I always feel like we are the underdogs," senior Dakota Murphy said, who hit five 3-pointers and is averaging 2.5 per game this season. "We aren't the biggest or fastest, but we just have to have that chemistry that gets us over the top. We can play with anybody and I think our entire team believes it. Our effort has been there over our last two games, but we just have to settle down and focus a little better late in games"

Both sides, in fact, exemplified why each could create a bunch of noise come postseason time a couple weeks into February.

For the Hurricanes (13-5, 3-1), who sit a half game back of Bradley Central in the District 5-AAA, not only does junior point guard Justin Dozier lead a fast-paced offense but another newcomer in sophomore Cam Montgomery can be lethal at times as well.

Montgomery, a transfer from Ooltewah, scored 20 of his game-high 29 points in the fourth quarter and overtime, in which he hit five free throws to help pull away late in the extra period. East Hamilton made 20 free throws compared to Walker Valley's 18 freebie attempts.

On the other hand, Bryce Nunnally was nearly unstoppable himself in the first half as the experienced point guard for the Mustangs (9-8, 2-3) toyed with his defenders who did not know if he would swing the ball around or put up a quick shot in the lane.

The senior UT-Chattanooga

football commit and also decathlon state medalist showcased his quickness on the floor and his athleticism. Nunnally found creative ways to score 14 of his 19 points to give Walker Valley a 32-30 halftime lead in a tough road venue.

"He was really thriving early on and executing the plays we were running," WV head coach Bob Williams said. "He is capable of scoring like that."

The Mustangs also took the biggest lead for either side after senior Zach Eslinger found sophomore Zeke Westfield for a picture perfect alley-oop layup. Walker Valley's highlight play capped an 8-0 run and boosted its lead to 45-34 with 4:57 in the third quarter.

Murphy also put on display why he is one of the toughest to guard from 20-feet and further away.

In the first minute of the fourth quarter Murphy executed the same play twice. After an early whistle negated his 3-point make, the sneaky guard once again ran behind a pick set by Nunnally who he inbounded the ball too and found nothing but net for his fifth 3-pointer.

Murphy's 42nd made three of the season gave Walker Valley a 52-44 lead with 7:02 left to play. He scored 15 points all off long-range makes.

"Last night it was Kolten and tonight was Murphy hitting some threes," Williams said. "They were playing pretty tight on Kolten and weren't letting him get free. Murphy stepped up and that's nice to have both of them able to hit threes."

Senior Cooper Melton also poured in 16 points and landed a pair of "AND-1s" in overtime for six of the Mustangs' 11 points in the five-minute extra period.

However, a 62-56 lead with 2:42 left in regulation would be negated as four straight turnovers for Walker Valley saw its lead dwindle to one-point. Soon after a Montgomery 3-pointer tied things at 64-all with 45 seconds remaining in the fourth.

"We quit executing when we were ahead and rushed some shots when we did not need to," Williams said. "That is on me and we will work on that in practice."

Melton's old-fashioned 3-point play and first basket for the



CLOSE CALL: Walker Valley point guard Bryce Nunnally goes up for a layup in the first half of a battle with District 5-AAA foe East Hamilton. Nunnally led the Mustangs with 19 points, but Walker Valley fell 81-75 in overtime to the Hurricanes Friday night.

Mustangs in overtime cut their deficit to 69-67 with 2:33 left, but the Hurricanes took control with a 6-0 run. A layup by DaVae Hughley (12 points) and three made free throws in the final 40 seconds sealed the outcome.

While the last two outcomes required a great deal of energy, Walker Valley does not plan to give up the fight anytime soon.

"We are so good at playing together and we have to use these

last two games as learning experiences to fight and fight," Murphy said. "When other teams start to counter our runs we need to just settle down because we are an older and experienced team and know we can finish games much better."

LADY HURRICANES 49
LADY MUSTANGS 47

Despite a 43-29 deficit heading to the fourth quarter the Lady Mustangs fought back to give East

Hamilton its second wire-to-wire finish this week.

Sophomore Abbey Davis scored 15 points and had five assists while Lauren Lay added 15 points and eight rebounds for Walker Valley (10-7, 3-2).

A clutch 3-pointer by Macey Clark with 1:50 remaining cut the Lady Hurricanes lead to 48-47.

"We are not in it to lose, but I loved their effort and there was no quit in them. East Hamilton is so

athletic even though they are young. They really go up and get it. Our kids had a great time and that was a great game in the fourth quarter. Both sides had fun and that's what high school basketball is all about."

Walker Valley's 3-point attempt for the win at the end of regulation was denied, as East Hamilton (7-9, 4-0) hung on to remain with Bradley Central as the only two undefeated girls' teams in District 5-AAA.

Davis and Lay were tough to defend throughout the night and scored 13 of the Lady Mustangs first 15 points, as both drove with authority down the lane to give their team a one-point lead after the first quarter.

Davis also had three layups where she broke free from all defenders for easy layups thanks to her hustle down the court.

Madison Hayes scored seven points in each half and made a 3-pointer near the end of halftime to give the Lady Hurricanes a 29-23 lead at the break. East Hamilton outscored Walker Valley 14-6 in the third quarter.

A 18-6 advantage for Cretton's squad in the final eight minutes was nearly enough to stage a major comeback, but fell just short in the final seconds.

"I thought Abbey Davis, Lauren Lay and Macey Clark all played really well tonight," Cretton said. "We just took the third quarter off and that hurt us."

GAME SUMMARIES

BOYS	
Walker Valley	20 12 17 15 11-75
East Hamilton	19 11 14 20 17-81
MUSTANGS (75) — Bryce Nunnally 19, Cooper Melton 16, Dakota Murphy 15, Kolten Gibson 10, Westfield 6, Johnson 6, Munck 3.	
HURRICANES (81) — Cam Montgomery 29, Noah Fager 16, DaVae Hughley 12, Justin Dozier 10, Randolph 6, Wingard 3, Wilson 3, Williams 2.	
3-point goals: Walker Valley 8 (Murphy 5, Johnson, Munck, Gibson); East Hamilton 3 (Montgomery 2, Wilson).	
Free throws: Walker Valley 9-of-18; East Hamilton 20-of-31.	
Records: Walker Valley 9-8, 2-3 District 5-AAA; East Hamilton 13-5, 3-1 District 5-AAA.	
GIRLS	
Walker Valley	15 8 6 18-47
East Hamilton	14 15 14 6-49
LADY MUSTANGS (47) — Lauren Lay 15, Abbey Davis 15, Clark 7, Jones 4, Walker 3, Anderson 3, Fowler.	
LADY HURRICANES (49) — Madison Hayes 14, Haylee Abernathy 12, Moon 7, Lay 6, Suttles 4, Gray 3, Zeh 3.	
3-point goals: Walker Valley 2 (Clark, Walker); East Hamilton 5 (Moon 2, Hayes, Gray, Zeh).	
Free throws: Walker Valley 13-of-26; East Hamilton 8-of-19.	
Records: Walker Valley 10-7, 3-2 District 5-AAA; East Hamilton 7-9, 4-0 District 5-AAA.	

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THE MUSEUM CENTER AT FIVE POINTS will display agricultural artifacts pertaining to our Ocoee Region in "Grown and Bred in East Tennessee," an exhibit about Tennessee agriculture and farming in our region. Join us to discover more about our local agriculture, how food was produced before the 21st century and today. This exhibit will be on display through May 27, 2017.

THE ETOWAH ARTS COMMISSION announces its exhibit "Everything Country, paintings by Claudia Walker" now showing through March 31, 2017 in the Nancy Cantrell Dender Gallery, 700 Tennessee Ave., in Etowah.

THE MUSEUM CENTER at Five Points will have the College Hill Heritage exhibit on display through March 25, 2017. For more information, call 423-339-5745.

JOIN IN THE ACTIVITIES at your Cleveland-Bradley County Public Library:

— Today, the Tween Movie Matinee is showing the film adaption of Roald Dahl's "BFG" (Big Friendly Giant) at 1:30 p.m.

— The History Branch and Archives is offering a class in their Genealogical Research Series at 2:30 p.m. today. Join Barbara Fagen as she discusses the topic of remembering your family.

— On Tuesday, Lego Club Jr., ages 4-7, will challenge each other to build with only 2x2 bricks. On Thursday, the club for ages 8-12 will begin work on Lego Weekend projects with the theme of robotics. Both clubs meet at 4:30 p.m. in the Community Room.

— Tuesday night at 6:30, the Library Book Club is meeting in the Carmichael Room to discuss "Whistling Past the Graveyard" by Susan Crandall.

— The Friends of the Library Association will host the Book and Coffee series in the History Branch Parlor Room at 10 a.m. Friday. Local author Arietta Grimmett will review her newest book, "Our Judeo Christian Principles are Under Attack." This free event is open to the public, and FOLA provides the coffee.

— Saturday brings fun for ages 7 to 12 at the Pokemon Club. Join this group of gamers in the Children's Room to battle and trade at 11 a.m.

— The Peace by Piece Quilting Club will meet Jan. 22 in the Community Room at 2 p.m. This group meets once a month to create beautiful works of fabric art. All skill levels are welcome and supplies are provided, but please bring anything you think might be useful.

— The library offers free Zumba classes every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday morning at 8 a.m.

THE UNITED CLUB will have its luncheon meeting on Jan. 31, 11:30 a.m., at the Golden Corral. Opal Deverell, cancer survivor and Senior Olympics gold-medal winner, will be the guest speaker. The public is invited to attend any meetings. For more information, call founder and hostess Martha Bostic at 479-9702.

EDITOR'S NOTE: To submit announcements to be included in *Around Cleveland*, email information for Sunday publication in the *Lifestyles* section by Wednesday to bettie.marlowe@clevelandbanner.com.

54th annual Holly Ball: Memorable

Special to the Banner

The Cleveland-Athens Cotillion held its 54th annual Holly Ball on Dec. 29 at Cleveland Country Club. The event was a memorable social occasion with William Lloyd Callaway III serving as master of ceremonies. He is the uncle of Callaway Bray and the brother of Laney Callaway, whom he escorted at the 25th annual Holly Ball. Callaway is the son of Mrs. Lloyd Callaway, a founder of the Cleveland-Athens Cotillion, and the late Lloyd Callaway. Mrs. Callaway serves as the current president of the organization.

Four young ladies were presented at the special event:

— Stella Brooks Buckner, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buckner Jr., is a graduate of Baylor School in Chattanooga and attends the University of Alabama, where she is majoring in international studies with a minor in Chinese. She is the granddaughter of Sandra Cross of Chattanooga, James and Rebecca Cross of Murfreesboro and the late Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buckner Sr. Miss Buckner is a member of the Tri Delta sorority.

Hallie Steele Hughes, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richard Hughes Jr., is a graduate of Cleveland High School. She attends Middle Tennessee State University, where she is majoring in geology and environmental science. She is the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Richard Hughes Sr. and Pauline Callaway Sullivan, all of Cleveland. Miss Hughes is a member of the Chi Omega sorority.

Briley Ann Moore, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas R. Moore, is a graduate of Cleveland High School and attends East Tennessee State University,



where she is majoring in accounting. She is the granddaughter of O.L. Seymour Jr. of Cleveland and Mr. and Mrs. William V. Moore of Somerville. Miss Moore is a member of the Sigma Kappa sorority.

Madeline Waite Robbins, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Beale Robbins, is a graduate of Notre Dame High School in Chattanooga and attends the University of Tennessee, where she is majoring in kinesiology physical therapy. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McDonnell, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reed of Memphis and the late Mr. Robert A. Robbins.

Cleveland-Athens Cotillion board members include Jackie Callaway, Laney Callaway, Kellye Collins, Liz Ingram, Priscilla Whaley, Beverly Johnson, Mr. Callaway, Maureen Bryant, Christy Cannon, Kathy Hill and Rachel David.

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THE CLEVELAND-ATHENS Cotillion held its 54th annual Holly Ball on Dec. 29 at the Cleveland Country Club. Debutantes presented were, at left, Madeline Waite Robbins, Briley Ann Moore, Hallie Steele Hughes and Stella Brooks Buckner. Below, Cleveland-Athens Cotillion board members posed with Holly Ball emcee William Lloyd Callaway III. Seated are Jackie Callaway and Laney Callaway. Standing, from left, are Kellye Collins, Liz Ingram, Priscilla Whaley, Beverly Johnson, Mr. Callaway, Maureen Bryant, Christy Cannon, Kathy Hill and Rachel David.



Bill Estes: The art of teaching and administration



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BILL ESTES brings the kind of even-tempered approach to his service as dean of the Lee University Helen DeVos College of Education that he has used over his last 10 years of service as Cleveland city councilman, representing the 2nd District. Seen below with his wife, Virginia, their son William and daughter Katie at Cleveland High School, Estes and his wife put a high premium on education and community service.



By **WILLIAM WRIGHT**
Lifestyles Editor

If you've ever met Bill Estes, you can see there is an undeniable cool about the way the city councilman and Dean of the Helen DeVos College of Education at Lee University carries himself.

His ability to stay calm and give personal attention to people, projects and even the process of getting things done is proof that he is a results-oriented person with a focus on performance. As a faculty member at Lee who also serves on the Cleveland City Council representing the 2nd District since 2006, Estes has developed the art of pursuing excellence in his career and other endeavors to ensure that the best educators come out of Cleveland.

He explained, "The Helen DeVos College of Education is a professional school that works with the state of Tennessee in licensing professional educators. Therefore, much of my work involves keeping up with state regulations and policies, and then enacting them with our university structure. There are approximately 900 students who are formally in the College of Education or in our Teacher Education Program. We work with Tennessee to provide licensure in over 20 areas of certification. We also have to meet national accrediting standards and United States Department of Education reporting. It keeps all of us busy."

In the College of Education, students receive personalized classroom instruction from highly qualified professors in technology-rich classrooms. The Teacher Education Program equips students to step into their own classrooms with a mastery of their academic discipline and personal understanding of the role service plays in quality teaching.

"I have learned a lot about both teaching and administration in this work," Estes admits. "Teaching is an art, not a science. And to teach an art is difficult. What is subjective and what is not when it comes to a 'good' teacher? Years of experience are needed to both understand and communicate this nuance. And administration is no different. It too is an art. What decisions are non-negotiable and what decisions need a more pragmatic approach? How I work through these answers, case by case, defines me daily."

While his work at Lee has become more administrative as dean, Estes, who earned his undergraduate degree from Wheaton College, got his master's from the University of Central Arkansas and his Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina, admits that being in the company of some of the best educators around is not only an honor but an opportunity to share and participate with great minds to get meaningful results while advancing the intellectual landscape around him.

"The best part of my job is that I work with incredibly talented professionals," he said. "On the teacher education side, most of us are former teachers, principals, and administrators from the public schools who are committed to turning out great teachers. And for faculty in Exercise Science and Athletic Training, Lee University is fortunate to have strong teachers to pair their research to the classroom and serving students. Together we do many things in many areas, in both our professions and the community at large."

When asked about his expectations for the new year and beyond, Estes said, "I think 2017 will be a year of transition for Cleveland. In my 19 years here, Cleveland has grown both physically and in infrastructure through annexation. That is no longer an option. As we start to look inward in ways to grow and improve we must re-develop. I think 2017 will be a key year in setting priorities and changing our thinking in how to improve Cleveland for all our citizens."

"I hope that five years from now in Cleveland we see the old Whirlpool site redeveloped and with this specific redevelopment project, I hope to see downtown, Blythe, the Historic District, and College Hill be a part of the plan and benefit. I also have great hopes that the Greenway can be extended to the Village Green with a new terminus. There is already a tunnel under Inman; a few pieces of ROW and a couple of bridges could make our most used park that much more appealing."

Born in Memphis, Estes said he has lived in many places, but he and his wife, Virginia, fell in love with Cleveland's community for a reason that was best described in a New York Times column that Estes read, and found the sentiment quite familiar.

He said, "David Brooks had an essay on citizenship this fall in the New York Times. When I read it I was immediately struck with, 'This is why I love Cleveland.' He spoke of a generous piety that comes from a proper understanding of citizenship. I have never lived anywhere that had such a community-driven understanding that flourishing means helping others. From my work and community service not a day goes by that I don't see Cleveland truly living up to the moniker (The) 'City with Spirit.'"

That same spirit is alive and well in Bill Estes — a mild-mannered, caring gentleman who measures his words with kindness, forethought and purpose. As dean, faculty member and city councilman, Estes offers a calm and steady approach to helping others and making sure any educational programs under his care bring an intellectual advantage through and to the city of Cleveland.

Bill Estes has been married 25 years to his wife, Virginia. They have two children, William and Katie, both students at Cleveland High School.



Family works

By Rob Coombs
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Speaking on finding time

As promised in last week's column, I will offer specific suggestions in this column to help young couples who are struggling to keep their relationship as husband and wife alive while coping with the demands of children within the home.

What I will suggest here is based on the premise that the single greatest thing you can do for your child is love your spouse. By loving your spouse both in feeling and deed, you create a very secure world for the child.

If Mommy and Daddy are madly in love with one another, the child feels that his world is safe and his needs will be met. Understanding this, know that the following suggestions are every bit as important for the emotional, spiritual, and social health of your children as your own.

1. Find time to be alone: After the birth of the first child, most couples experience a decline in marital satisfaction that continues until the last teenager is launched from home. To control the rate and depth of this decline, couples show great wisdom in demanding time together. Spending money on a babysitter so the two of you can go out on a date is worth every penny. By doing so you communicate to your children that your relationship with one another is important to both of you. Most children gladly welcome this opportunity to be away from Mom and Dad for a little while. A good babysitter can be tons of fun for the young children while teaching them that they can make it for a few hours without either parent.

Because money is often tight for young couples, many often bemoan that dating is just too expensive while claiming there are more important areas where money needs to be spent. This is shortsighted. An evening out need not cost more than the living room drapes. Often, the most inexpen-

sive dates are the most enjoyable. The date might mean taking a picnic to the park or just going for a walk. Whatever you choose to do, choose to do something. You cannot afford not to date. If the romance dies between the two of you, then your children will suffer. Either you will become overly involved in their lives to compensate or you will feel a constant frustration because your needs are not being met.

2. Share a hobby or activity: Playing tennis together, hiking, eating out, playing cards, entertaining, or whatever, models to the child that you enjoy being with each other — that having fun is just as important to you as it is to them. This creates a wonderful atmosphere in the home that will make your home the place to be. Other children will know that such a fun home is the place to hang out. This provides the added benefit of knowing where your children are and what they are doing.

3. Embarrass your children: Moms, sit on dads' laps when the children are present. A quick kiss or a pat on the bottom embarrasses the child (especially when friends are present), but also excites children to know that mom and dad love one another and enjoy being together. Contrast this with a home where the child is embarrassed to bring friends over because mom and dad treat one another so poorly and you can easily see that embarrassing children with love is not only fun, but a wonderful model of how life together is meant to be.

4. Be consistent: Make it a priority to spend time alone every week. Guard against letting the weeks and months slip by without quality time spent together. A few hours every week is healthier for the relationship than 10 hours once a month.

Survey: Parents binge on media, say they're good role models

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Parents spend more than nine hours a day with TVs, computers and other screen devices while also giving themselves high marks as role models for their children's media use, according to a recently released survey.

Among all those surveyed — nearly 1,800 parents in the U.S. — daily screen time averaged nine hours and 22 minutes, with the bulk of that, seven hours and 43 minutes, categorized as personal screen time and the other roughly 90 minutes spent on work.

The study also found they were enthusiastic about technology's role in their kids' lives but wary of the risks it may hold, including loss of sleep and online oversharing. Researchers from the nonprofit Common Sense Media group and Northwestern University's Center on Media and Human Development conducted the project.

Two-thirds of those surveyed, 67 percent, said monitoring their children's devices and social media accounts is more important than allowing them privacy.

Another finding: Latino and black parents expressed more concern about their kids' media use (66 and 65 percent, respectively) than white ones (51 percent). Latinos are more diligent in managing it than other parents, checking devices and social media accounts more often.

It was the gap between how much adults use media and what that might mean for their offspring that was particularly striking to James P. Steyer, founder and CEO of Common Sense Media, which helps families and educators assess and use media and technology effectively. The group's first-ever deep dive on parents' tech habits mirrors its ongoing analysis of those of children and teenagers.

"I found the numbers astounding, the sheer volume of technology used by parents," Steyer said. "There's really a big disconnect between their own behavior and their self-perception, as well as their perception of their kids."

"Yet 78 percent of all parents believe they are good media

and technology role models for their children," according to a survey summary.

The range of activities includes TV or other video viewing; video gaming; social networking or website browsing, and any other task on a computer, smartphone or tablet. Media consumed with a child or another family member along with solo use is included in the personal screen tally, according to Common Sense Media.

Personal media usage by educational level ranges from about nine hours for parents with a high school degree or less to about six hours for those with a bachelor's degree or higher.

White parents averaged six hours and 38 minutes on personal media, with Latinos spending about two-and-a-half hours more and African-American parents four hours more.

The top concerns among all parents about potential adverse media effects included the fear that children may become technology addicts (56 percent of parents); that their physical activity will be affected (50 percent) and their face-to-face communication and sleep habits will be hurt (both 34 percent).

When it comes to kids' online activities, parents worry about how much time is spent (43 percent), how much personal information is shared (38 percent) and whether youngsters are being exposed to pornography or violent images or videos (both 36 percent).

But nearly all parents, 94 percent, believe technology is helpful for children's schoolwork and education, with 89 percent agreeing it will prepare youngsters for 21st-century jobs. About three-quarters of those surveyed said technology increases exposures to other culture and supports kids' expression of their personal beliefs.

For parents seeking guidance on their family's media use, Steyer offers these tips:

— "No. 1 is role-modeling your own behavior so kids can learn from that. You have to start with the fact that when your kids are around, you have to use media the way you want them to use it," he said.

Baking whole fish in foil easier, tastier than steaming it

By SARA MOULTON
Associated Press

The Chinese like to feature whole steamed fish on the menu of their New Year's feasts. Said to signify togetherness, abundance and long life, it's a dish with symbolism that is as important as taste. Indeed, you're supposed to leave the bones, head and tail intact, a way to help ensure that the new year will be a winner from beginning to end.

When buying fish, many of us tend to opt for the ease of fillets. The prospect of buying, prepping and deboning a whole fish might seem not just novel, but also daunting. Ditto for the prospect of steaming a whole fish, a precarious project for even experienced cooks.

So here I propose baking your whole fish rather than steaming it, and wrapping it in foil to keep it moist. It's much easier to cook it this way. It also has the added benefit of creating an instant sauce.

But let's start at the beginning. You're at the store checking out the fish on display. How can you tell if a whole fish is fresh? Its eyes should be clear, not cloudy, and its gills should be brightly colored, red or pink.

Once you've picked your winner, ask the fishmonger to clean it for you. He'll clip off the gills, scrape off the scales and remove the guts. If you don't plan to head home right away, ask for a bag of ice to place next to the fish, which will keep it cold.

You begin prepping your fish by scoring it, slicing deeply into the flesh. This will allow the marinade to penetrate to the core and for the fish to cook evenly. I've called for traditional Chinese flavorings here, but you're welcome to adjust them to your tastes. If, for example, you're not a fan of chilies, leave them out. If you hate cilantro, swap in another fresh herb. The soy sauce is key because it contributes salt as well as flavor, which helps to season the blandish fish. Then after just 20 minutes in the marinade, the fish is ready for the oven.

How will you know when it is done? Pull the pan out of the oven, open up the foil carefully (it will be steamy inside) and poke



AP photo
THIS photo shows baked whole fish in Concord, N.H. This dish is from a recipe by Sara Moulton.

the fish with a small, sharp knife. If the knife slides in easily all the way to the bone, the fish is done. If there's some resistance, cook it a little longer. When the fish has indeed finished cooking, you'll be rewarded not only with beautifully fragrant flesh, but also with a store of savory liquid on the bottom of the pan.

Carving the fish isn't a big deal. Begin by gently scraping off the skin from the top of the fish with a knife and discard it. Then, using a spoon and starting at the backbone edge, lift the flesh off in chunks and transfer it to plates. After you have removed the top fillet, you can lift off the bone easily in one piece to expose the bottom fillet. Once cooked, the fillets will come off the bone without a struggle.

After you have filleted the fish, ladle some of the cooking liquid over each portion and dig in. It's a treat any day of the year.

BAKED WHOLE FISH FOR CHINESE NEW YEAR

Can't find 1- to 1 1/2-pound whole fish? Buy three smaller

ones (about 2/3 to 3/4 pound each) and reduce the cooking time to about 15 minutes.

Start to finish: 1 hour (30 minutes active)

Servings: 4

Two 1- to 1 1/2-pound whole striped bass, branzino or trout, gutted, scaled and gills removed

4 cloves garlic, thinly sliced

2-inch chunk fresh ginger, peeled and cut into matchsticks

3 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce

2 tablespoons unseasoned rice vinegar

1 1/2 tablespoons sesame oil

2 to 4 tablespoons serrano or jalapeno chilies, with seeds and ribs

4 scallions, white and green parts, cut into thin strips

1 cup chopped fresh cilantro, leaves and stems

Heat the oven to 400 F. Line a shallow baking dish large enough to hold both fish with foil.

Lay both fish on the counter. Working in 1- to 2-inch intervals, use a sharp knife to slash both sides of each fish perpendicular to the backbone (a 20-degree angle down the rib cage).

Transfer the fish to the prepared baking dish.

In a small bowl, combine the garlic, ginger, soy sauce, vinegar, sesame oil, chilies, scallions and cilantro. Stuff some of the mixture into each slash on both fish, as well as into the cavity (most of the seasoning should go in the slashes). Cover the pan with foil and let the fish sit at room temperature for 20 minutes.

After 20 minutes, bake the fish on the oven's middle shelf for 20 to 24 minutes, or until the fish is just cooked through (you can pierce it easily with a knife).

To serve, use a small knife to gently scrape off the skin, then use a spoon to lift off the fillets (they will come up in chunks), and transfer one to each of 4 serving plates. Pour some of the juices from the pan over each portion.

Nutrition information per serving: 270 calories; 110 calories from fat (41 percent of total calories); 13 g fat (3 g saturated); 0 g trans fats; 165 mg cholesterol; 550 mg sodium; 4 g carbohydrate; 1 g fiber; 1 g sugar; 35 g protein.

Try the flavor of buffalo chicken wings without the chicken

By MELISSA D'ARABIAN
Associated Press

I've loved chicken wings since long before they were ever a cute little bar menu item, looking more like tiny drumsticks than an actual Z-shaped wing.

My mom, a savvy penny-pinching college student when I was born, included chicken wings on our weekly dinner menu rotation throughout my childhood; fried chicken skin was practically a major food group. In college, when I discovered spicy, buttery buffalo wings, I was in pool-hall heaven.

Now, as an adult, I still love all things buffalo-flavored. I'll pour spicy sauce straight from the bottle onto anything from roasted cauliflower to scrambled eggs. Meatballs, which are a big favorite around our house, are no exception.

Meatballs are an excellent family menu staple — I just swap out flavors according to our tastes (and pantry), and even make a bunch ahead of time to keep in the freezer for busy weeknights. They are also an ideal appetizer treat for events like movie night or watching Sunday football.

Turns out, baked meatballs are a great way to get both the flavor and fun of buffalo wings without the fried chicken skin derailing our nutritious eating. Lean ground beef is my favorite meat to use (96 percent lean

beef offers over 20 grams of protein for fewer than 6 grams of fat per 4-ounce serving), but ground turkey also works great. Adding blue cheese and spicy buffalo sauce straight into the meatball means a complete visit to buffalo heaven all in one non-fried bite.

Try using a small ice-cream scoop to measure out even meatballs, and then bake on a parchment-lined baking sheet or in a mini-muffin pan sprayed with nonstick spray.

Sometimes I dunk the cooked meatballs in extra sauce, rendering them too messy and spicy for my kiddos, but perfect for me, who doesn't mind going through multiple napkins in a sitting. But for the average meatball eater watching the game, let's call swimming in sauce an optional, if delicious, step.

BUFFALO STYLE MEATBALLS

Start to finish: 30 minutes

Servings: 10 servings, 2 meatballs each

1 egg white

3 tablespoons spicy buffalo sauce (like Frank's, or hot chili sauce)

1 teaspoon smoked paprika

1 1/2 teaspoon granulated garlic

1 pound lean ground beef (95 percent lean)

1/2 cup blue cheese crumbles

1/2 cup whole wheat panko breadcrumbs (or plain bread-



AP photo
THIS PHOTO shows baked Buffalo-style meatballs in Coronado, Calif. This dish is from a recipe by Melissa d'Arabian.

crumbs)

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon black pepper

Oil mister, or nonstick cooking spray

Basting sauce:

1 tablespoon melted butter

3 tablespoons spicy buffalo sauce

Extra sauce for dunking, if desired

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F. and line a baking sheet with parchment paper. In a large bowl, use a fork to mix together the egg white, buffalo sauce, paprika, garlic and salt and pepper until blended. Add the beef and mix well with your hands. Then mix in the blue cheese and breadcrumbs. Let sit for 5 minutes.

If mixture is too wet to form into balls, add in another tablespoon or two of breadcrumbs. Form the meat into golf-sized balls, and place on lined baking sheet. (Or use a mini-muffin pan sprayed with nonstick spray.) Spray the meatballs lightly with oil from the mister (or nonstick spray). Bake 15 minutes and then remove from the oven.

Mix together the melted butter and buffalo sauce in a small bowl. Turn the meatballs, and brush with the basting sauce. Return to the oven until cooked through, about 5 more minutes. If desired, toss the meatballs in extra sauce in a glass bowl (optional, but tasty and messy!).

Wine without hassle: Washington state eyes store refills

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — A proposed measure in Washington state would allow wine lovers to fill reusable containers known as growlers from taps at grocery stores, wine boutiques and other places licensed to sell wine in the state.

House Bill 1039, sponsored by Democratic Rep. Sharon Wylie, would let businesses already licensed to sell beer or cider for growlers to also offer wine for the containers.

"It's an additional way to market and appeal to customers," Wylie said. "And being able to safely reuse your bottles is a good thing."

Oregon currently has a law allowing growler purchases at wineries, but no other states

have passed or proposed a bill that would extend sales for growlers outside of wineries, according to Heather Morton, a policy specialist at the National Conference of State Legislatures. Paul Beveridge of Seattle's Wilridge Winery said it's the most eco-friendly way to consume wine without lessening quality. In addition, he said, consumers get more for less.

"It would be easier, and more convenient for customers to have filling stations outside of my winery," said Beveridge, president of Family Wineries of Washington State, a proponent of the bill.

More and more beer-filling stations have popped up in Seattle grocery stores and brew pubs, where growlers can be

refilled with beer from taps.

Wine offered on tap from barrels or other containers is increasingly popular at restaurants and other locations now authorized to sell growlers of beer.

Beveridge said many state laws pertaining to alcohol date back to the repeal of Prohibition and are designed to protect existing wineries and distributors from competition.

Currently, the only way to avoid a trip to a winery is to "swap out" a growler at a licensed store. But customers have to drop it off and wait for new growlers to be delivered to replace the old one.

Wylie says some wineries are concerned about giving up control over the bottling process

and about protecting their products from oxygen spoilage and other threats to quality.

Anne Baunach, executive director of the Washington State Recycling Association, said growlers aid the environmental by eliminating some of the corks, labels and other waste associated with recycling glass.

"Right now if you go into a store and buy a bottle of wine, you consume the wine, and the bottle hopefully goes into a recycling container, but for many people, it would go into a landfill," she said.

The Washington Wine Institute, the legislative arm of Washington's wine industry, declined comment in an email.

The measure is set for its first public hearing on Thursday.

LIBRARY CORNER

'BFG' showing today at 1:30

The library will be closed Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Today at 1:30 p.m., the Tween Movie Matinee is showing the film adaption of Roald Dahl's "BFG" (Big Friendly Giant). All ages are welcome.

Also today, the History Branch and Archives is offering a class in their Genealogical Research Series at 2:30 p.m. Join Barbara Fagen as she discusses the topic of remembering your family. Next Sunday there will be a celebration of Bradley Central football with a book signing and presentation by local author Gary Ownbey. Email hbranch@clevelandlibrary.org for more information.

Lego Club is back with robotics on the mind. Tuesday, join Lego Club Jr. for ages 4-7 as they challenge each other to build with only 2x2 bricks. Thursday, the club for ages 8-12 will begin work on Lego Weekend projects. Both clubs meet at 4:30 p.m. in the Community Room.

Tuesday night, the Library Book Club is meeting to discuss "Whistling Past the Graveyard" by Susan Crandall at 6:30 p.m. in the Carmichael Room.

Have you ever wanted to discover the inner-workings of your public library, or maybe you're interested in the history of the building? Whichever it is, you can take a tour of the library this Thursday. Meet at the Circulation Desk promptly at 4 p.m. for the tour.

Saturday brings fun for ages 7 to 12 at the Pokemon Club at 11 a.m. to battle and trade in the Children's Room.

Teen Zone After Hours is Saturday at 7 p.m. Join in this month on gaming, movie watching, and fun book chatter in the Community Room. This event is for ages 13-17. For more information, email teenzone@clevelandlibrary.org.

On Sunday, the Peace by Piece Quilting Club will meet in the Community Room at 2 p.m. This group meets to create beautiful works of fabric art. All skill levels are welcome. Supplies are provided, but bring anything you think might be useful.

Adults, 18 and up, will be "Pushing The Limits of Nature, Knowledge, Survival and Connection" with a new program series. Come experience science in everyday life with this STEM program on the last Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. through April.

The first program on Jan. 30 begins the series with the theme "Nature." The book, "When the Killing's Done," by T.C. Boyle will be discussed along with a unique author video from Boyle himself. A video of a young daredevil turned

amputee will be shown to highlight human nature and how we push our limits everyday.

There will be book giveaways, door prizes and refreshments available for those who come to participate — this month a copy of Boyle's "When the Killing's Done" and "Flight Behavior" by Barbara Kingsolver.

"Pushing the Limits" is a reading, viewing and discussion program for adults in communities served by rural libraries, made possible by a grant from the National Science Foundation. The program is the work of a team of library professionals, scientists and filmmakers from organizations including Dartmouth College, the Association for Rural and Small Libraries, the Califa Library Group, Public Library Association, Dawson Media Group, Institute for Learning Innovations, Goodman Research Group and Oregon State University.

The new year means "out with the old." FOLA is clearing out the Book Nook's entire selection of VHS tapes, now priced at just a quarter per tape. There's children's entertainment, popular movies, educational materials and more. If you have a VHS player, you can scoop up a few bargains.

During January, the Book Nook table will also have a variety of other books and materials for sale. Over the holidays, several large donations of books came in, and they're making the way to our shelves. So come browse the table and regular shelves for some great buys. You never know what you'll find.

Story times are happening all the time at the library. These programs are a weekly staple in many families' lives around the community. Feel free to bring your age-appropriate children to help instill a love of reading in their hearts.

Little ones 0 through 3 have Wiggle Worms on Mondays at 3 p.m., and Baby Bookworms on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. and at 1 p.m. Bring your "young'uns" to enjoy the music and interactive play offered by these events. Preschool aged children can attend on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Families of all ages can enjoy stories on Saturdays at 2 p.m. at Family Story Time.

All of these groups will have stories read to them and partake in an activity or craft.

Don't forget the library offers free Zumba classes every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday morning at 8 a.m.

For more information on the library and its many helpful resources, visit www.clevelandlibrary.org.

Houston Museum

Antique show and sale to feature the glass industry

CHATTANOOGA — Most people don't think about American history when they think about glass, but the featured speaker at the 2017 Houston Museum's Antiques Show & Sale says that glass production made Pittsburgh the national center of the glass industry, as well as one of the nation's first gateways to the West. And those westward travelers transported Pittsburgh glass — both industrial and art forms — as they made their trek across the country.

"In fact, at one time, Pennsylvania produced more than 40 percent of the entire nation's glass supply, with the first two factories opening in 1797," said Anne Madarasz, director of the curatorial division and chief historian and director of the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum at the Senator John Heinz History Center in Pittsburgh. "With more than 200 years of production in the region, it's very easy to see the

interplay between the glass objects and the larger context of history."

Visitors have an opportunity to meet Madarasz at the Houston Museum's most popular fundraiser, which is scheduled Feb. 24 - Feb. 26 at Stratton Hall, 3146 Broad St. in Chattanooga. Admission is \$10. Both professional and novice antiques collectors from all over the region flock to Chattanooga each February to shop at and hear from glass experts. For lecture times from Ms. Madarasz, please visit www.thehoustonmuseum.org.

"This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to hear from a nationally recognized speaker and historian with expertise in Pennsylvania glass making," said Amy Autenreith, Houston Museum executive director. "Pennsylvania was the hotspot for first adapting coal and natural gas for fuel, leading to the innovation in manufacturing, design and

marketing of glass."

"You also see the development of pressing of glass on a mass consumer scale in the 1830s and '40s that really changed the customer for glass in America, and that led to its ubiquity," Ms. Madarasz added.

She also will conduct limited periods of glass identification for attendees who bring pieces with them to the show and sale. (Note: This does not include valuation of items, and attendees must purchase a ticket to enter.)

Unlike pottery and silver, glass is a challenge to identify because it is rarely marked, Madarasz said.

"Learning about glass is like learning a new language; It takes hard work to be fluent," she added. "I look for clues into how each piece is made - its color and design help me research it to find out who made it and when."

There are several ways to create glass: Handmade blown glass,

pressed glass (which is the first machine technology) and automated machine-made glass.

"Some of the extraordinary blown and cut art pieces in the Houston's collection have inspired pattern glass for a mass market," Ms. Madarasz said. "The collection is impressive. I'm looking forward to seeing it for myself and learning from it."

The lecture draws in many visitors, Autenreith said, but most attendees come to the show and sale to shop at the dozens of richly adorned booths from some of the country's top antiques dealers and specialists.

Tindell's Restoration also will be on hand at this year's show. The Nashville-area team will perform repairs to glass and ceramics onsite and also take items back to their offices to work on them there. Glass and ceramics are only a portion of what they repair; they also repair metal, sculptures and paintings.

'A designer's designer': NY exhibit showcases Chareau

NEW YORK (AP) — More than a decade before Philip Johnson designed his iconic Glass House, French designer and architect Pierre Chareau designed the Maison de Verre in 1932 in Paris. It featured one of the world's first glass-brick exterior walls — three stories high.

Chareau's work straddles industrial aesthetics and traditional fine craftsmanship, clean spare lines and playful 1920s whimsy. He made futuristic gadgets like folding staircases, a pivoting bidet and sliding walls. His furniture, with elegant woods and hand-wrought iron, was made for the few and the wealthy. Many pieces fold or have multiple uses, designed for small but chic Paris apartments.

It was a gem-like world soon to be violently dismantled with the start of World War II, and Chareau, despite moving to New York to flee the war, has remained little known in the United States.

An exhibit, "Pierre Chareau: Modern Architecture and Design," billed as the first in the U.S. to focus on him, is on view at The Jewish Museum in Manhattan through March 26. It was organized by guest curator Esther da Costa Meyer, professor of the history of modern architecture at Princeton University,



AP photo
THIS PHOTO provided by the Jewish Museum shows Pierre Chareau's folding chair, metal and paint.

in collaboration with the Centre Pompidou in Paris. It will not travel beyond New York.

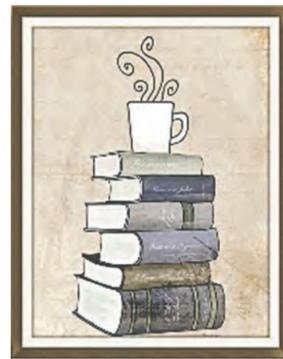
The show is accompanied by a hefty and richly illustrated book with essays by a half-dozen leading scholars. "Pierre Chareau: Modern Architecture and Design," was published in 2016 by The Jewish Museum and Yale University Press.

"Chareau is the most invisible of the great designers, because outside of France, there are less than a dozen pieces by him on view in museums anywhere in the world. It's all in private collections," said da Costa Meyer. "And the most famous masterpiece he did, the Maison de Verre, has always been in private hands and is not visible from the street. He is really known by designers."

Chareau worked in "the golden age of French design before the Depression, and he was trained in that grand tradition," she said. "He was one of the leaders of the early trend to modernize. He was also known in his day as a patron of the arts, so we reunited here some of his (collection)."

Chareau rose to prominence in early 1920s Paris with interior designs that were both elegant and functional. The pieces featured rare woods, alabaster (for lamps), and exotic elements like touches of ivory or sharkskin. Many of his designs featured leopard-skin rugs, with expanses of silk or velvet curtains as wall coverings.

"He basically did odd jobs, and he and his wife had no children, so once they had died, everything was gone. We have tried to put some of it together again here," da Costa Meyer said. "He was truly a designer's designer."



THE BOOK AND COFFEE series will be held in the History Branch Parlor Room at 10 a.m. on Friday. Join your friends as you enjoy coffee and a book review. This month, local author Arietta Grimmer will review her newest book, "Our Judeo Christian Principles are Under Attack." It is not necessary to have read the book prior to coming to this event. The purpose of the Book & Coffee is to pique your interest in reading. This free event is open to the public and the Friends of the Library Association provides the coffee.

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Hints from Heloise

Cat-proofing the home

Dear Readers: Descendants from the wild, CATS are jumpers and naturally curious.

This can be a problem around the house. Here are some hints to make your home safer for your cat:

— Breakable knickknacks and antique treasures should be secured.

— Houseplants are tricky — they can be poisonous.

— Keep the lid down on the toilets.

— Lock up chemical cleaners and medicines that can be ingested.

— Unplug electrical cords and wrap them to prevent chewing.

— Close the clothes dryer to keep kitty out — it's a warm space.

— Keep claws neatly trimmed. Cats will always explore, but

making their home turf safer is smart. — Heloise

Stinky shoes

Dear Heloise: After surgery, my sheepskin slippers and one pair of special shoes were all my doctor would allow me to wear. In time, both were stinky.

I use a fragrant deodorant soap to shower, so I had several new, unopened bars. I placed a fresh bar in each slipper. Now my shoes have a lovely fragrance.

I thought others might be surprised, and this could reduce stinky footwear. — Naomi in Montana

Makeup maneuver

Dear Heloise: If you're like me, I first put on my makeup, then the top I'm wearing that day. I put my head in facing the

back and then turn the top around, and put my arms in the sleeves. No makeup on my top all day! I do the reverse to remove the garment.

I never miss your articles in the Springfield (Mo.) News-Leader. — Joy C., Ozark, Mo.

Framing seed packets

Dear Heloise: Several weeks after moving into a new apartment, I was stymied by what to hang on a long, narrow wall in the kitchen.

While in the hardware store, I noticed seed packets, with photos so beautiful that they seemed to be painted.

I bought eight of them, got small black frames and WOW! The wall looks spectacular! — Shannon B. in Dallas

Warm walker

Dear Heloise: On chilly mornings, I toss my sweatshirt in the clothes dryer for a few minutes. This helps me stay warm before I am warmed up. It works for hats, gloves and socks, too. — John K. in New York

If you've got your furry friend with you, toss the dog's sweater in, too, to keep him warm! — Heloise

No unwanted germs

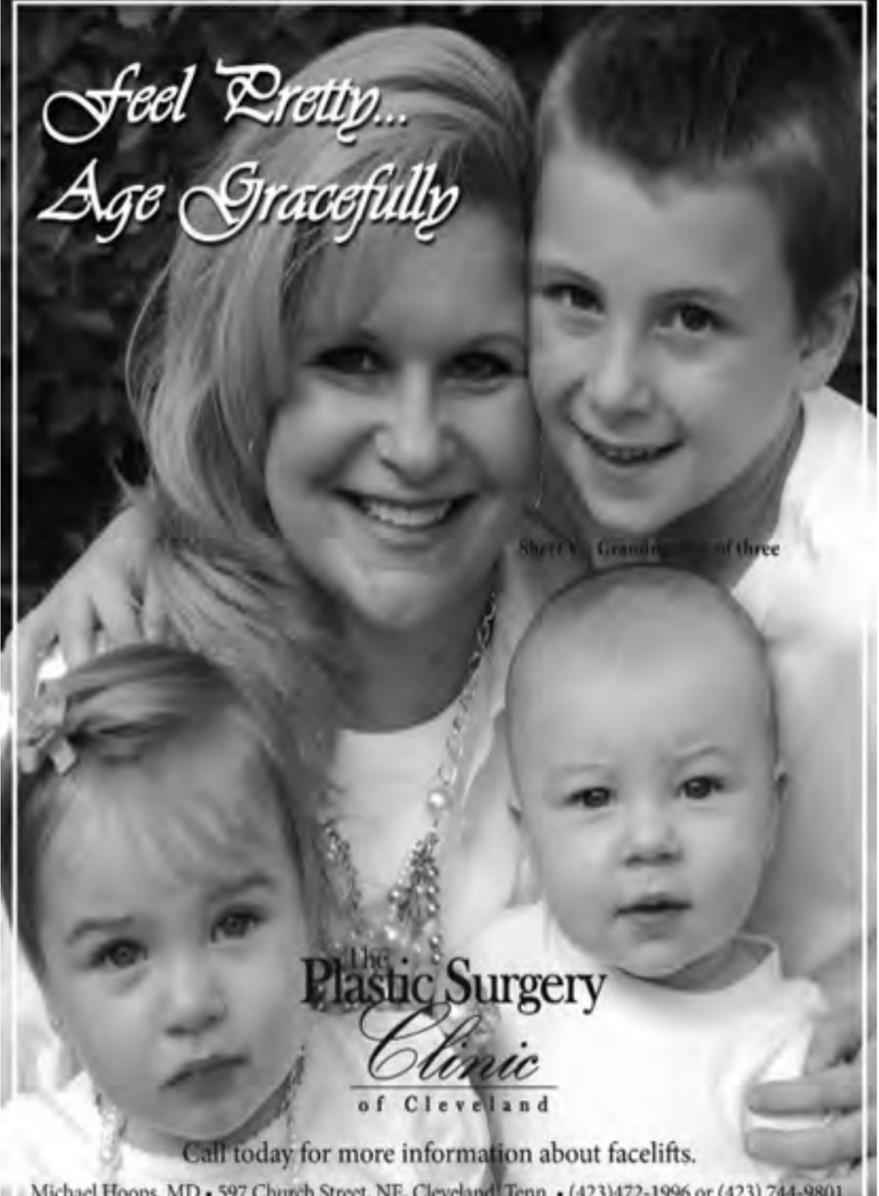
Dear Heloise: With flu season here, everyone using a gasoline-pump handle needs to consider: You've got over 100 hands with you. Clean your hands to avoid receiving unwanted germs.

Keep up your great articles! — Dan W., Costa Mesa, Calif.

A READER in Big Timber, Mont., invites us to meet Boltz. Boltz is a beautiful 1-year-old border collie who has the cutest half-white and half-black face, and he is comfy, snuggled up against the couch.



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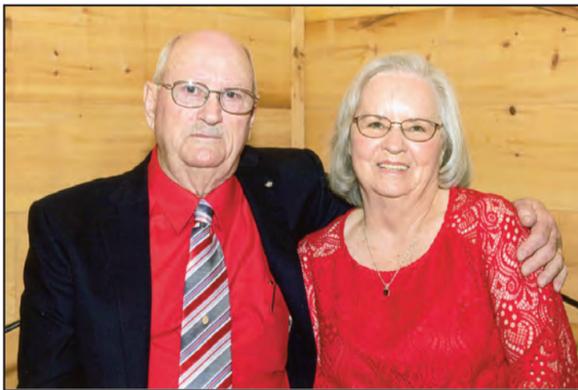
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Happy anniversary



BILLY W. AND JEANNIE PIERCE celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Dec. 10, 2016, with family and friends. The event was held at the Truelove Barn on Keith Valley Road in Cleveland.

Happy 80th birthday

BETTY FRANKS is celebrating her 80th birthday today with family and friends, who say they "love her very much."



After a banner year in 2016 ... Cleveland Pops kicks off new season

The Cleveland Pops had a banner year in 2016. A number of free concerts were performed, with a special event for veterans.

The year was topped off with a spectacular Christmas program which included the Valley View Voices and the Cleveland State Community College choirs.

The house was packed — great music and great fun.

In addition, by order of the city of Cleveland, Cleveland Pops has been appointed the official band of Cleveland.

Jan. 9 kicked off the new season with some lofty, forward-thinking presentations for the community of Cleveland.

"We are especially excited about a special event planned for

May, with Mayor Tom Rowland's blessing, to honor our local police and fire departments.

This will include a cookout and concert on the Greenway," says Pops president Roy Roman. "We are blessed and fortunate our multitalented and gifted conductor, Sarah Pearson, remains at the helm."

If you play an instrument, you are welcome to come and play with the band.

Rehearsals are every Monday evening from 7-9 p.m. in the Cleveland High School band room.

For more information, email gccb@gmail.com and follow them on Facebook at Greater Cleveland Concert Band.

Rowling updates 'Fantastic Beasts'

NEW YORK (AP) — J.K. Rowling is not done with the story of "Fantastic Beasts."

The author's Pottermore website announced Thursday that a new edition of the Harry Potter spin-off "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them" will come out in March.

The book, which arrives four months after the hit film adap-

tation, will include a foreword by Rowling writing as Magizoologist Newt Scamander, new artwork and a batch of new beasts.

Proceeds will be donated to Comic Relief and Lumos, Rowling's charity for children placed in institutions.

The original book came out in 2001.

Children's books

Authors protest deal for far-right commentator

NEW YORK (AP) — Cassandra Clare and Laurie R. King are among more than 160 Simon & Schuster children's authors and illustrators who added their names to a letter sent to the company's chief executive in protest of the recent decision to publish a book by the far-right commentator Milo Yiannopoulos.

Thursday's letter to Simon & Schuster CEO Carolyn Reidy denounced Yiannopoulos as a "hate-monger" and white supremacist.

The signees didn't call for Reidy to cancel publication of Yiannopoulos' "Dangerous," scheduled for March and already the subject of intense criticism, but they warned that Simon & Schuster risked its "considerable reputation and weight."

"This man, and this book, are not America," the letter reads. "This man, and this book, are not the bulk of Simon & Schuster. This man, and this book, are not us, the authors and illustrators of Simon & Schuster. We believe that the children we write for deserve a better America."

Simon & Schuster issued a brief statement in response, saying that it does "appreciate and respect the feelings and opinions of our authors."

The publisher has previously defended its decision by noting that it works with "a wide range of authors with greatly varying, and frequently controversial opinions."

The book by Yiannopoulos is being published

through Simon & Schuster's conservative Threshold Editions imprint, where authors have included former Vice President Dick Cheney and President-elect Donald Trump.

Other Simon & Schuster imprints have published books by Trump's Democratic rival for the 2016 presidency, Hillary Clinton, and by such Clinton backers as Amy Schumer and Bruce Springsteen.

Yiannopoulos writes for Breitbart News, considered by many a platform for the so-called "alt-right" movement, an offshoot of conservatism that mixes racism, white nationalism and populism.

Last summer, he was kicked off Twitter after leading a harassment campaign against "Ghostbusters" star Leslie Jones.

The Chicago Review of Books has tweeted that it won't review any Simon & Schuster releases because of the Milo book.

The National Coalition Against Censorship and such industry groups as the American Booksellers Association are backing Simon & Schuster, contending that withdrawing "Dangerous" would have a "chilling effect on authors and publishers."

When news of the deal broke in late December, "Dangerous" quickly rose to the top of Amazon.com's best-seller list. Interest has since leveled off and the book ranked No. 388 as of mid-day Thursday.

SOCIAL NOTES



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THE LAUREATE ZETA CHAPTER of Beta Sigma Phi held its Christmas dinner and Secret Sister gift exchange at the home of Cathy Norwood. From left, front, are Sue Ogle, Kay Martin, Nancy Ogle, Brenda Eckard and Vicki Beaty; and back, Verdonna Mikel, Betty Eidson, Doris Johnson, Brenda Pearson, Kathy Quinnett, Annie Laura Breaux, Lea Stuart, Fleeta Millard and Cathy Norwood.

Bradley County Community and Education Club

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THE BRADLEY COUNTY FCE had its quarterly Bradley County council and general session meeting recently. Andrew Dinsmore, assistant manager at Publix in Cleveland, talked about the history of the Publix stores with many interesting facts. From left are Brenda Derryberry and Ann Gray, Prospectors FCE members, Phyllis Narus, Sunshine FCE president and Bradley County FCE Council president, and Dinsmore, back.



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THE 2017 Bradley County Family and Community Education members met for the quarterly Bradley County FCE Council and general session meeting. From left are Cathy Oaks, state FCE vice president for Public Policy from Crossville, who conducted the officer installation; Phyllis Narus, Sunshine FCE president and Bradley County FCE president; June Parks, Taylors FCE member and Bradley County FCE vice president; Justin Thomas, UT Extension-Bradley County Extension agent; and Kaye Smith, FCE reporter. Other officers are Sherry Casteel, Flint Springs FCE president and County FCE treasurer, and Doreen Johnson, Taylors FCE president and county FCE secretary. For FCE membership information, contact Justin Thomas at UT Extension office, 728-7001.



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THE DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB supports local businesses each month with lunches, as shown here at Five Points Cafe, 105 Edwards St. From left, seated, are Carolyn Harris, Jamie Hargis and Angela Mino; and standing, Pat Minor, Pam Edgemon and Mildred Sparkman.

A blind fish is discovered in an unexpected place

CHATTANOOGA — In late summer of 2015, biologist Dr. Kirk Zigler was up to his knees in the bone-cold water of a Northwest Georgia cave when he encountered a creature as bizarre as it was completely unexpected.

For months, Zigler and one of his students at Sewanee: The University of the South had been surveying the species living in the region's vast network of caves. They were looking for everything from spiders to salamanders to beetles, but the last thing Zigler expected to see swimming past his boots in Catoosa County's Crane Cave was a Southern cavefish (*Typhlichthys subterraneus*).

Less than 3 inches long, the Southern cavefish lacks eyes, and its internal organs and blood vessels peek like crimson ghosts through its milky-white, translucent body. Instead of by sight, the Southern cavefish navigates its environment using fluid-filled pores and canals along its body that react to vibrations in the water.

Scientists have documented Southern cavefish throughout the Cumberland Plateau and in the Ozarks of Southern Missouri and Northern Arkansas, but they had never been seen in the Valley and

Ridge Province, a geologic range stretching from Northwest Georgia, Northeast Alabama and Southeast Tennessee along the Appalachian Mountains to upstate New York.

Seeing one beneath the rolling hills of Catoosa County was almost the biological equivalent of a UFO sighting.

"We were just completely shocked to find them in that strange place," Zigler said.

Zigler reached out to Dr. Bernie Kuhajda, an aquatic conservation biologist at the Tennessee

Aquarium Conservation Institute. Kuhajda has studied various species of cavefish since the early 1990s. Together, the two planned a return trip to Crane Cave to try and recover the mysterious fish and definitively identify it.

Despite no historical record of Southern cavefish sightings in the area, Kuhajda said he was confident of Zigler's find.

"I thought he'd probably seen it," Kuhajda said. "I knew from working in cave systems that you

can't take anything for granted."

When they returned in November, Kuhajda donned a snorkel and wetsuit to brave the 55-degree water of the underground pool, also known as The Found Sea. As he swam, he managed to recover one Southern cavefish and spot a second individual, which evaded him by swimming beneath a ledge.

Seeing any species of cavefish outside its documented range is exciting, Kuhajda said. The circumstances that lead to cavefish evolution tend to make it unlikely for them to appear at new, previously surveyed sites or for more than one species to be found in the same location.

"Every now and then, cave systems or aquifers that have been separated, whether due to a flood or more erosion of the limestone, become connected, and you can have transfer of a new fish into a new system," Kuhajda said. "That's what's so cool about cave

biology — you never know when you will find something new."

After sending off a fin clipping of the recovered fish for a genetics study, Kuhajda and Zigler began documenting their discovery in a paper co-written with five other specialists. Their findings appear in the 2016 issue of *Subterranean Biology*, an annual, peer-reviewed journal published by the International Society of Subterranean Biology.

Based on the discovery in Crane Cave, Kuhajda said, scientists will need to resurvey caves throughout the Valley and Ridge Province to see if the Southern cavefish's range is even more widespread than previously thought.

Anywhere it is found, the Southern cavefish will be good news, both for scientists and for the 150 million Americans whose principal drinking water comes from groundwater sources, according to the National Institutes of Health.

"They are great indicators of water quality in those caves and, eventually, people who rely on well water," Kuhajda said. "Finding these fishes here is good news for people, as well as for the cavefish."



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SOUTHERN CAVEFISH *Typhlichthys subterraneus* was found in a cave in Catoosa County, Georgia. Below, Dr. Bernie Kuhajda snorkles for cavefish in Crane Cave in Catoosa County.



Knitters channel pink power through Pussyhat Project for Women's March

NEW YORK (AP) — A cozy little cat-eared hat has captured the hearts of knitters around the world in a pink-colored show of solidarity with thousands who plan to attend women's marches in the nation's capital and elsewhere Jan. 21.

The caps are at the center of the Pussyhat Project, thought up by Los Angeles friends and knitters Jayna Zweiman and Krista Suh in the aftermath of the November election.

The two, with help from their knitting instructor, came up with the DIY project and swept social media with a call for knitters, crocheters and sewers to get busy and donate their creations to crowds expected at the Women's March in Washington the day after President-elect Donald Trump's inauguration.

So far, the project has taken in more than 60,000 handmade hats, with many more created by rogues doling them out to friends and family or planning to keep their own heads warm on the National Mall and more than 200 sister demonstrations.

"We've been selling pink yarn like crazy," said Angie Paulson, who works at a knitting shop, The Yarnery, in St. Paul, Minnesota. "We can't keep it on the shelves."

She was on her third hat Tuesday and planned a knit-in with customers to make more.

The hats are, in part, a response to Trump's caught-on-camera remarks about grabbing women's genitalia, using the loaded P-word. The project's co-founders want to take back the derogatory term pussy while infusing the traditionally "feminine" color of pink with strength in support of women's rights.

Amy Nowacoski, 43, made her-



AP photo provided by Angie Paulson, shows Paulson, a knitter who works at The Yarnery shop in Saint Paul, Minn., as she displays one of the "pussy" hats she made as part of a call to action answered by thousands of knitters.

self a hat to wear either on the National Mall or a march in New York. She considers the hat a kind of merit badge among knitters.

"It's 'Yay, of course I did the pussy hat.' You? There's a lot of that in the knitting world," Nowacoski said. "Additionally, it could force newscasters to say 'pussy hat,' which would be incredibly entertaining."

Zweiman and Suh thought marchers in Washington — in January — would need warm head gear and also might enjoy a unifying element.

The two, both Hillary Clinton supporters, launched the project just before Thanksgiving weekend, using social media to spread the pattern created by Kat Coyle, who owns The Little Knittery in

Los Angeles.

"It was just so perfect, not just because of Trump's comments but because of the shame and emotion in the fight for women's rights," Zweiman said of the design.

Added Suh: "What surprised me about all of this was the depth of emotion of people who are participating. People are reaching out to us, talking about how this project has lifted them out of a depression, that it's been their way to channel their grief and anger."

Knitters are not only sharing their hats but they're showing them off on Facebook, Instagram and elsewhere. Some are selling them for as much as \$35 on Etsy. Zweiman and Suh estimate

that creators are making an average of about eight hats each. Some have included little notes attached to their hats before dropping them at designated locations around the country for distribution at the Washington march.

Other knitters have tweaked the official hat pattern, coming up with their own cat-ear designs. Zweiman and Suh have heard from knitters of all ages and genders. "It's really been just incredible," Suh said. "The process of making the hats and preparing for the march and really including everyone, everywhere who wants to participate but may not be able to march has been so much of this project."

The official pattern calls for a specific brand of worsted hand-dyed wool in fuchsia. Tobias Feder, who owns the Uruguay-based company, Malabrigo Yarn, said he has been swamped by requests for the color and about eight other shades of pink.

"Our inventory on pinks was wiped out fairly fast," he said by telephone. "We restocked as fast as we could and are now shipping some but it is probably too late."

No worries, some knitters said. Other pinks will do.

Retired chemist Cheryl Rofer, 73, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, has been knitting since she was a Brownie. She only heard about the project recently and had one of the hats on her needles Tuesday. She plans to wear it as she marches in Santa Fe on the big day.

"The hat is a push back at all the insults Donald Trump has made to women," she said of why she chose to get involved. "Also, I just enjoy knitting."

Crystal Howard, 45, of New York, also made a hat.

Outdoor retail expo displays footwear business

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Footwear's position as the second largest segment in lucrative outdoor retail industry is on full display at a trade expo in Salt Lake City this week with a wide array of colors, prints and designs of sandals, shoes and boots that companies promote as being lighter and more versatile.

The basic designs of different types of footwear have stayed largely the same for years, so companies try to pique interest among retailers with fashionable designs or new technology innovations. One company has a long block of ice at its booth at the Outdoor Retailer show to demonstrate a special sole designed to prevent slipping on ice.

Retail stores are looking for footwear that strikes the right balance between performance and fashion, said Julia Clark Day, executive director of business development for the sports division of the market research firm NPD Group. Hikers want a shoe that won't give them blisters while on the trail but still look good while getting drinks afterward, she said.

Footwear has long been a key segment in the industry, and sales in recent years have held steady. It accounted for \$4.7 billion in sales 2016, second only to outerwear within an industry that did \$18.8 billion in sales last year, according to data from the NPD group. Running shoes make up more than half of the sales.

The winter version of the world's largest outdoor retail

show brings about 22,000 people for a business-to-business expo that allows store owners to meet with manufacturers and preview products that will reach the retail market soon.

"These footwear companies recognize this is a great show to go because they are going to get in front of a varied group of retailers," Clark Day said.

Hoka One One, the latter part pronounced "oh-nay, oh-nay," entices people to its booth with four brightly colored running shoes that hover and spin over a wide table. Since its foundation in 2009, the California-based company has carved out a niche in the market by making light shoes designed for trail runners with thick soles meant to give maximum cushion. The company's name means "Fly over the earth" in the Polynesian language of Maori.

The shoes, which range from \$110 to \$230 for a hiking boot, are not sold online. The company chooses to sell them only at specialized stores so customers get properly fitted for the shoe, said Isaac Alvear, vice president of sales.

Like many shoe companies, they're trying to branch out to tap into a wider audience by with a new model, called the Hupana, which has a look suited for both running and casual activities.

The majority of Chaco's sales still come from its signature "Z-sandals," with crossing, adjustable straps, but the company is trying to tap into a wider

market with stylish closed-toe shoes and boots that can be worn out of the water for a night out or to work. The company is introducing a women's lace-up boot that sells for \$160 and a similar men's model for \$170.

"We decided to get into the lifestyle market because it's a much bigger industry," said Colin Butts, Chaco spokesman. "The outdoor industry is great and where we got our start, but lifestyle products make up billions of billions of more dollars."

At Merrell's exhibit, they welcome people with the theme, "Welcome to nature's gym." The company is known for its hiking shoes that have been a staple on trails for decades. The signature Moab sells for \$100 to \$140. The company this year is introducing a new shoe called the Bare Access Flex, which sells for \$90, that is a nod to the growing active wear or "athleisure" trend in which customers want multi-use gear that can be used for many different activities.

"We know it needs to be a very versatile shoe, it needs to be lightweight, it's got to have some great comfort, some different technologies," company spokesman Marshall Davis said.

Merrell is among the brands that feature a new hard sole by Vibram called "Artic Grip" that is designed to help people gain traction on ice. At Vibram's busy booth, people took turns trying the soles out on a huge ice block to see for themselves how it works.

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Some basic facts about suicide

Misinformation about suicide stands in the way of saving lives. It is important to dispel the myths about suicide with some basic facts.

Knowledge about suicide gives us the confidence to recognize the warning signs and intervene in constructive ways.

Some important facts about suicide:

■ Talking about suicide or asking someone if they are thinking of suicide will not put the idea in their

head. In fact, experts say talking with depressed and/or suicidal people about the things that are bothering them may be the first step to preventing a suicide attempt.

■ Few attempted suicides happen without some kind of warning — withdrawing from friends and family, statements about not being able to go on, putting affairs in order, giving away prized possessions, etc.

■ People who talk about suicide may very well attempt or complete

suicide — in other words, it may not be "just talk" or a way to get attention.

■ Suicide is not automatically "inherited," even though depression and mental illness may run in families.

■ Contrary to popular belief, most suicides are preventable ...

■ ... but when a suicide does occur, the family and friends of the deceased could not necessarily have prevented it.

The National Suicide Prevention

Lifeline (1-800-273-TALK) offers 24-hour access to trained counselors at area crisis centers. This number has the potential to save lives.

For more information about suicide, go to the Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network's website; www.tspn.org.

TTY line: 1-800-799-4TTY (4889).

For nonemergency information on suicide prevention, contact the Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network at 615-297-1077 or tspn@tspn.org.

Tips for preventing winter skin problems

By DR. AMY STEVENS

The University of Tennessee Medical Center News Service

During winter, the combination of colder outdoor temperatures and warmer indoor temperatures can create some challenges for skin, according to Dr. Amy Stevens, a primary care physician at the University of Tennessee Medical Center, and when the humidity drops, following one's routine skin care routine may not be effective.

"Dry skin can cause itching, flaking, cracking and even bleeding," said Stevens. "While some conditions may improve with a prescription ointment or cream, there are some things you can do every day to help relieve itchy skin or prevent what we normally consider winter skin."

Stevens, who also serves as the Family Medicine Residency program director for UT's Graduate School of Medicine, recommends that during the winter months, you should take shorter, warm showers and baths and use a mild, fragrance-free cleanser and a gentle exfoliator to rub off dead skin cells. Then, after your shower or bath, blot your skin gently dry with a towel.

Stevens explains if you feel a cream or ointment is needed there are certain products that may be better than others.

What is most important is to read through the ingredients listed on skin care products. Additionally, ointments and creams are more effective and less irritating than lotions.

"Look for a product that contains olive oil, jojoba oil or shea butter," said Stevens. "Other ingredients that help soothe dry

skin include lactic acids, urea, hyaluronic acid, dimethicone, glycerin, lanolin, mineral oil, and petrolatum."

According to Stevens, if at all possible, stay warm without sitting beside a fireplace or other heat sources, as these can all dry out your skin. However, if you do have to be outside, there are some precautions you can take to save yourself from dry skin.

"When outdoors, wear lip balm to help protect your lips from chapping," said Stevens. "Also, wear gloves and soft fabrics that breathe, such as 100 percent cotton or silk, and wear a soft fabric underneath wool or other rough fabrics to create a barrier to prevent irritation."

Stevens encourages individuals to make an appointment to see a specialist, such as a dermatologist, if dry skin persists and may be at a point in which a prescription ointment or cream is required.

"Dry skin also can be a sign of other underlying skin conditions, such as eczema, and a general practitioner or a dermatologist can help in addressing those concerns," said Stevens.

If you have questions about skin care or other health topics, contact UTM's Health Information Center at 865-305-9525 or online at www.utmedicalcenter.org/hic.

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Stevens



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A RUNNER IS silhouetted against the sunrise on his early morning workout near Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Va., across the Potomac River from the nation's capital. Research released on Monday suggests that people who pack their workouts into one or two days a week lower their risk of dying as much as those who exercise more often, as long as they get enough of it.

It's All Good:

Any exercise cuts risk of death, study finds

By MARILYNN MARCHIONE

AP Medical Writer

Weekend warriors, take a victory lap. People who pack their workouts into one or two sessions a week lower their risk of dying over roughly the next decade nearly as much as people who exercise more often, new research suggests.

Even people who get less exercise than recommended have less risk than folks who don't break a sweat at all.

"If someone is completely inactive, the best thing they can do is even getting out and taking a walk," said Hannah Arem, a health researcher at George Washington University. For people who think they don't have enough time for small amounts of exercise to matter, the results are "encouraging or perhaps motivating," she said.

She had no role in the study, but wrote a commentary published with the results Monday in JAMA Internal Medicine.

Here are some things to know.

HOW MUCH EXERCISE DO WE NEED?

U.S. and global guidelines call for 150 minutes of moderate or 75 minutes of vigorous exercise each week, ideally spread out so you get some on most days.

That's based on many previous studies suggesting a host of benefits beyond the risk of premature death that this study measured.

HOW THE STUDY WAS DONE

Researchers at Loughborough University in England used surveys by trained interviewers on nearly 64,000 adults in England and Scotland from 1994 to 2008. By last year, 8,802 had died.

Participants were grouped according to how much exercise they said they got the preceding month:

—Inactive (no leisure time exercise), 63 percent.

—Regular exercisers (meet the guidelines), 11 percent.

—Weekend warriors (get the

recommended weekly amount but in one or two sessions), 4 percent.

—Insufficiently active (get less than the recommended weekly amount), 22 percent.

RESULTS

The risk of dying was about 30 percent lower in weekend warriors and insufficient exercisers versus those who were inactive. Regular exercisers lowered their risk a little more, by 35 percent.

Any amount of activity helped cut the risk of dying of heart disease by about 40 percent, compared to being a couch potato.

DOES THIS MEAN THE GUIDELINES ARE BUNK?

No, independent experts say. Exercise has many other benefits such as helping to prevent dementia, depression, high blood pressure, unhealthy sleep patterns and diabetes. Some of these effects are short-lived, so exercising more often gives more of them, Arem said.

"I don't know that we're ready

to say, based on this study, that people shouldn't try to exercise more than that if they can," said Dr. Daniel Rader, preventive cardiology chief at the University of Pennsylvania. "People who exercise more regularly report that they feel like they have a better quality of life," among other benefits, he said.

Still, the results are "quite fascinating and a bit surprising" on the "dose" of exercise needed for benefit, Rader said. "Even if you only have time to do something once a week, this study would suggest it's still worth doing."

CAVEATS TO THE STUDY

More than 90 percent of the participants were white, so results may differ in other racial or ethnic groups. Exercise was only assessed at the start of the study and could have changed over time.

The biggest limitation is that observational studies like this can only suggest exercise and health risks may be related; they cannot prove the point.

Brain-injury deaths in high school football players rising

NEW YORK (AP) — Two dozen high school football players died in recent years from traumatic brain and spinal cord injuries, and the annual death count has been growing slightly, according to a new study.

But such deaths remain rare, and are far lower than in decades past. Also, it's not clear whether the recent uptick is the result of more widespread attention and better reporting, said Kristen Kucera, the study's lead author.

The study, which examined the years 2005 through 2014, also counted four such deaths in college football players over the same period.

Most deaths occurred during games and were tied to tackling or being tackled. The study echoes other research that found such deaths were most common

in running backs and linebackers.

The article was led by Kucera and other researchers at the University of North Carolina and released Thursday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

UNC has gathered data on deaths and injuries related to high school and collegiate football since 1965.

Roughly four times the number of young football players died from head and spine injuries from 1965 to 1974 compared to 2005-2014, according to previous UNC reports.

That's mainly due to improvements in medical care and rules adopted through the years that banned head-first tackling and set new helmet safety standards, Kucera said.

Though such deaths fell and then stabilized in the 1990s, the new study shows a slight uptick since 2010.

"We want to see these numbers going down," Kucera said.

The new study also found that about a fifth of the high school players with a fatal brain injury had suffered an earlier concussion less than a month before the fatal injury.

CDC report: <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr>

Special to the Banner

Making a resolution can be one of the most exciting things about starting a new year. If you're one of the nearly 7 in 10 U.S. smokers who want to quit, make a resolution to get started in 2017.

Smoking is the leading cause of preventable disease and death in the United States, and quitting now can cut your risk and leave you feeling stronger and healthier. Take advantage of the many free resources available to help you start a smoke-free life.

Beatrice, a former cigarette smoker, made the decision to quit in 2010. She had smoked regularly since the age of 13 and finally quit for good after 25 years of smoking.

Beatrice's greatest motivator was her son, who wrote her a letter at age 11 asking her to quit. She encourages anyone who wants to quit smoking to do it, and to get help.

Beatrice found additional sup-

port online from friends who encouraged her to stay smoke-free, as well as from her family.

"You're going to need support, because it's not always easy, but the main thing is, you really have to want to quit," she said.

In the video titled "I told everyone I stopped smoking" from CDC's Tips from Former Smokers™ campaign, Beatrice describes techniques that helped her recognize and avoid her smoking triggers.

Although it was hard to do, by making a plan and sticking to it, she beat her addiction to cigarettes and stopped smoking for good. Hear Beatrice's story at <http://bit.ly/2hWcF8Q>.

Develop a quit plan

Like Beatrice, most smokers who want to quit try several times before they succeed, but you can take steps that can improve your chances.

Planning ahead is a major part of successfully quitting smoking. Some tips to help you

create an effective quit plan include:

■ Picking a quit date. Starting the new year smoke-free is a great idea.

■ Letting loved ones know you're quitting so they can support you.

■ Listing your reasons to quit smoking.

■ Figuring out what triggers make you want to smoke so you can avoid them, especially during the early days.

■ Having places you can turn to for help right away, including the free resources listed below.

Use free, effective resources

There are many free resources for people trying to quit smoking:

■ The Tennessee Tobacco QuitLine, 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669) or 1-855-DEJELLO-YA (1-855-335-3569) for Spanish speakers. This free service offers resources including coaching, help with making a quit plan, educational materi-

als and referrals to other resources where you live. You can also enroll online at www.tnquitline.org.

■ Smokefree TXT. This free texting program sends encouragement, advice and tips to help smokers quit for good. To get started, just text QUIT to 47848, answer a few questions and you'll start receiving messages.

■ Online help. This Tips From Former Smokers web page provides helpful online resources.

■ Smokefree App. The QuitGuide is a free app that tracks cravings, moods, slips and progress to help you understand your smoking patterns and build the skills to become and stay smoke-free.

■ The Bradley County Health Department. Your local health department offers many program(s) to help you stop smoking. Call 423-728-7020 today to start your journey to a smoke-free life.

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GIRL SCOUTS in the community have launched the annual cookie sales drive.

100th Anniversary of Girl Scouts selling cookies being celebrated

Girl Scouts of the Southern Appalachians kicked off the 2017 Girl Scout Cookie Program Friday with some sweet milestones.

This year marks the 100th year of the first known sale of cookies by Girl Scouts, and the brand new Girl Scout S'mores™ cookies are available for customers to try.

Girl Scout Cookies help Girl Scouts earn money for activities and community service projects, and also play a role in transforming girls into G.I.R.L.s (Go-getters, Innovators, Risk-takers, Leaders)™ as they learn essential life skills.

Today, nearly 1 million Girl Scouts participate in the Cookie

Program, generating almost \$800 million in cookie sales during the average season. All the net revenue raised through the Girl Scout Cookie Program — 100 percent of it— stays with the local council and troops. Over 50 million households nationwide purchase cookies every season.

Each box of Girl Scout cookies sold helps power thousands of experiences for girls. Additionally, through cookie earnings, consumers help propel Girl Scouts' big ideas into reality, while ensuring local troops thrive and grow.

Girls will take initial orders through the beginning of February. If you know a Girl Scout or a Girl Scout family, ask

if they have a girl selling this year and place your order with them.

Cookie booths run Feb. 24 to March 19, and can be located by visiting girlscoutcookies.org.

On a diet? Donate to Operation: Appreciation, our council's Gift of Caring program. The Girl Scout troop will receive the proceeds from your donation and the council will send a corresponding amount of boxes to the U.S. Armed Forces.

The Girl Scout Council of the Southern Appalachians is 10,000 girls and volunteers strong in 46 counties in the Knoxville, Chattanooga and Tri-Cities metro areas.

www.girlscoutscsa.org



BRADLEY COUNTY Virtual School recently participated in the Fall 2016 Bradley County Perfect Attendance partnership with Sonic. Blake Pressley was awarded the grand prize of a Coca-Cola bicycle Dec. 16 by Principal Sherry Shroyer. Students were eligible to enter a drawing each week if they met their "attendance" requirement to maintain their designated assignments and actively participated in the online courseware at least five days per week. This promotion was sponsored by Bruce Butler from Sonic and participating locations in Cleveland at 25th Street, Highway 64, Stuart Road and Wildwood Avenue, as well as in Athens, Etowah, Madisonville and Sweetwater.

Cost-sharing forage funds are available

Bradley and Polk County Soil Conservation Districts have funds available through the Tennessee Department of Agriculture's ARCF fund to be used for pasture renovations for the spring of 2017.

This money is available to producers who have livestock and are in need of spring forage for animals.

To be eligible for cost share reimbursement for pasture renovation, producers must meet several guidelines. The forage planted must be approved, the planting must be done in accordance with seeding dates according to UT Extension, seeding rates must meet requirements, and livestock will have to be excluded from the new planting for a minimum of 60 days to allow adequate establishment of forages.

Applications must be approved by the Soil Conservation Districts before seeding any forages.

All applications need to be received by Feb. 10. If interested in signing up for this program or finding out more about it, call the appropriate office for your county.

In Bradley County, call the USDA Service Center at 423-472-5731 ext. 3, or stop by the office at 450 Stuart Road, Cleveland.

In Polk County, call 423-338-4555 or stop by the office located at 6042 Highway 4115, Benton.

Quit

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Find a medication that's right for you

Talk with your health care provider about medicines that can help you quit smoking. Cigarettes contain nicotine, a powerfully addictive drug, so when you first quit, your body may feel uncomfortable until it adjusts.

This is known as withdrawal, and there are medications that can help lessen this feeling and the urge to smoke. Studies show smokers who use medicine to help control cravings, along with coaching from a QuitLine, in a group, or from a counselor, are much more likely to succeed than those who go it alone.

Talk with your doctor, pharmacist or other health care provider before using any medications if you:

- Are pregnant or nursing
- Have a serious medical condition
- Are currently using other medications
- Are younger than 18

Although quitting was difficult for Beatrice, and she had made several attempts, today she has more energy than when she smoked. You too can begin a healthier life by making a quit plan, using free resources and finding a smoking medication that's right for you.

Foster grandparents needed for Head Start classrooms

Foster grandparents are needed in Bradley County Head Start classrooms.

Susan Kroll, field supervisor, Foster Grandparent Program, is seeking individuals age 44 or older who love working with children and helping them reach their full potential, and who have

20 hours or more to assist one-on-one in a classroom.

Call Kroll at 423-643-6418 to find out more information about the benefits available, including a nontaxable stipend, accrued personal leave, vacation, transportation assistance, ongoing training and more.

New Market man fined nearly \$10K for killing 11-point buck

NEW MARKET (AP) — A New Market man who shot and killed a large deer in Jefferson County has been ordered to pay a nearly \$10,000 fine.

Media outlets report that Tuesday, 63-year-old Clarence Robertson was assessed a \$9,250 fine under new legislation, as well as a \$50 fine and \$269 in court costs. His hunting privileges were suspended until he pays the restitution.

by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, Robertson of New Market shot an 11-point buck on Thanksgiving from the driveway of his New Market home. The deer was in a hayfield where the TWRA says Robertson didn't have permission to hunt.

Recent legislation allows for a judge to impose enhanced restitution fees for illegally killed trophy deer. The more antler points on the rack, the higher the cost.



Winter SERVICE GUIDE

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Ex-school board member trains show dogs

DUNCANVILLE, Ala. (AP) — As Joe Boteler looks at Buck, his 10-year-old German shorthaired pointer, he sees more than just a dog.

"I'm an engineer, so I look at him like an engineer," said Boteler, a former member of the Tuscaloosa County Board of Education who is also a retired

engineer.

Checking the dog's teeth and ears, Boteler notes every inch of the dog, from the length of his torso to how low his ears hang.

To Boteler, every aspect of a dog determines its ability to become a high-quality show dog.

"It's all about the quality of the breed," he said.

Since 1973, Boteler and his wife, Martha, have trained their own show dogs, traveling all over the country competing in various contests as well as using dogs as therapy dogs at schools and hospitals.

However, when Boteler was elected to the District 6 seat on the Tuscaloosa County Board of Education in 2010, there was little time to compete. Last March, he lost his re-election bid against Randy Smalley.

"Working on the board takes up a lot of time, so it was hard to go out and do these competitions," Boteler said. "Now, I have a little time."

For Boteler, getting to work with dogs is something he has always enjoyed.

"It's amazing to have that kind of connection to a dog," Boteler said.

The Botelers first became interested in show dogs while Boteler was stationed 100 miles outside Raleigh, North Carolina, during his time in the Marine Corps in 1973. At the time, he and Martha had just enrolled their Irish setter, Annie, in obedience school.

"We just started out with an obedience class because we wanted our dog to be better partner," he said. "It just so happened that she was really good and we started going to some of the dog shows."

The Botelers would spend the following years traveling to various competitions on weekends and holidays. During each American Kennel Club competition, each dog must perform a set of tasks, such as recalling commands, responding to a call from the other end of the stage and how they sit.

"Everything is about precision," he said.

The Botelers have five dogs: three German Shorthaired Pointers, a Labrador Retriever and a mutt Terrier. Two of the Botelers' German shorthaired pointers are the offspring of Gunner, one of their earlier pointers who died in 1992 and whose lineage they wanted to continue because of the quality of his breed.

Over the years, the couple has owned more than 25 dogs that have competed in dog shows.

Your Best Shot

Recent photos — within the last year — may be submitted for Your Best Shot by emailing gwen.swiger@clevelandbanner.com, mailing good quality photos to Your Best Shot, P.O. Box 3600, Cleveland, TN 37320-3600 or dropping them off at 1505 25th St.



JENNIFER HARDISON caught this white-breasted nuthatch checking the hole in the suet log. He seems to know "something is there and he's going to get it."



ART SZUSTAK shared this photo of a Christmas cactus, which came from a cutting on his grandmother's plant.



Banner photo, ALLEN MINCEY

THREE-YEAR-OLD Mason Adcock took the time this past week to ride his bicycle at the Deer Park parking lot. Adcock recently moved with his parents to Cleveland, from Knoxville.

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THIS 1950 PHOTO shows the old Dixie Foundry. On the left (in the foreground) are Ethel Goins and Genevea Elrod, and right, Beulah Bowman and Edna Rogers. They are working on the assembly line, putting stoves together. Photo courtesy of Peggy Shaw Dale.

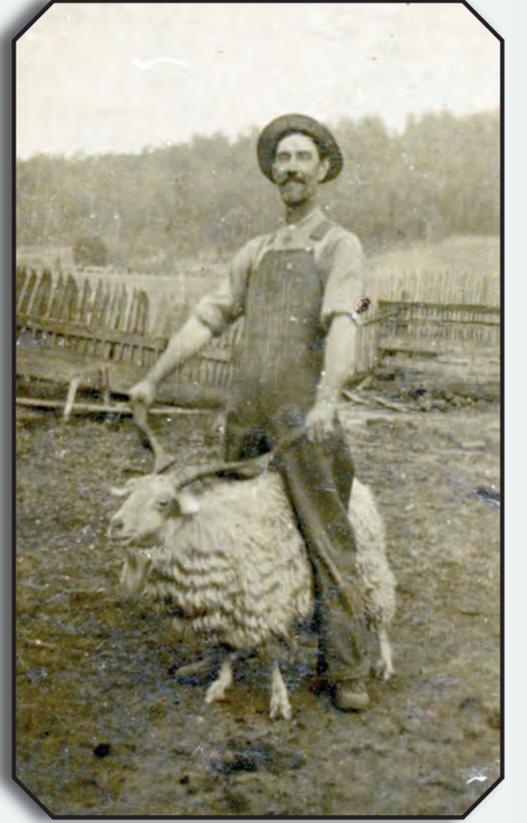


RONALD AND DONALD ALLMON are shown in center photo. Martha Allmon, Howard Allmon and Bobby Allmon are shown in right photo. Photos are courtesy of Sandy Choate.

REMEMBER WHEN



STEVEN SWIGER submitted these 1936 postcards of Central Drug Company in downtown Cleveland. The inside of Central Drug, which is the oldest drugstore in Cleveland, is shown lower left. Vastine F. Stickley and A.B. "Blondie" Jones operated the store, which was originally located on courthouse square, when this postcard was printed in 1936. It was one of the stores in the ground floor of the Craigmiles Building, photo at left. Today, Central Drug has two locations — on 1805 Keith St. near the post office and at 1075 Peerless Crossing N.W.



VARNELL BEATY submitted the photo, right, with the caption "Ben." He lived on the farm and took care of the livestock.



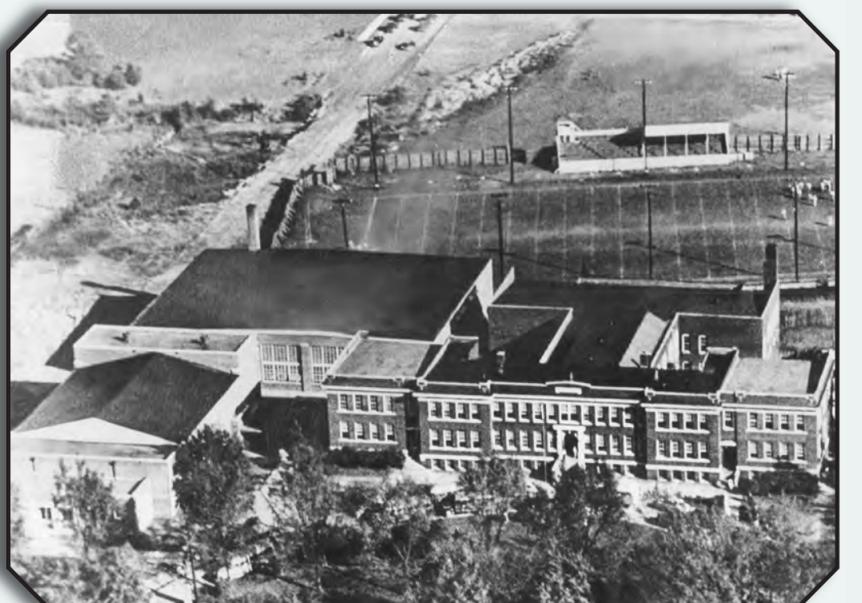
WOOTEN ELEMENTARY photos of the 1949-50 school year included Doris Sue Branam Shannon and her future husband, Arlie Shannon. The Shannons have been married 54 years. Photo courtesy of Doris Shannon.

FLOSSIE GALLAHER is shown in the 1930s at the local hosiery mill. She is the second one in the first row in photo below. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



ABOVE: **FLOYD WADE**, Ralph Buckner and Bill Ragsdale are shown working at the Cleveland Fire Dept. Photo courtesy of Floyd Wade.

AT RIGHT: **BOB ABEL** took this photo of the old courthouse as the facility was being torn down to make room for the new courthouse, which was built in 1964. This one had served the community since 1892, when it was built at a cost of \$75,000.



ABOVE IS AN aerial view of the old Bradley Central High School and Jimmy Lovell Field in 1953. Note the dirt road going up the side and the trees in the front yard. Bob Abel, who was on the annual staff, provided the photo.



RONALD AND DONALD ALLMON are shown with their kites. Photo courtesy of Sandy Choate.



MR. AND MRS. HERMAN ALLMON are shown in this July 4, 1942, photo taken in a Knoxville park. Photo courtesy of Sandy Choate.



VOLA SLOAN and Hazel Byrd were salesladies in Abel's china and gift department. Abel's, which was in downtown Cleveland, closed in 1974. Photo courtesy of Robert Abel.



THIS 1951 PHOTO shows Andrew Swafford Jr. Photo courtesy of Sandy Choate.



SANDY CHOATE shared this photo of Jewayne Carlton, Johnnie R. Allmon, Darah Carlton, Donald Allmon and Randal Allmon.



CLAUDE CLIMER is shown at his watch repair shop, located in Abel's jewelry department. Photo courtesy of Robert Abel.



THIS 1939 photo shows Beulah Bowman. Photo courtesy of Peggy Shaw Dale.



E.B. BOWMAN is shown in this 1960 photo. Photo courtesy of Peggy Shaw Dale.



PEGGY BOWMAN is shown on a horse in 1949. Photo courtesy of Peggy Shaw Dale.



THIS 1962 photo shows Ivan, Gary, Peggy and Tim Shaw. Photo courtesy of Peggy Shaw Dale.



JOHNNY AND JEANNIE (Samples) Triplett, who married in 1963, will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary on Feb. 15. Photo courtesy of Jeannie Triplett.

THIS 1967 PHOTO, below, shows good friends — then and now — Kristi Triplett Hartman holding Jennifer Gregg Davis, David Triplett, Tony Gobble and Tim Gobble. Photo courtesy of Jeannie Triplett.



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WOOTEN SCHOOL photo includes, front row from left, Ann Burchfield, Beverly Swallows, Claudia Maples, Linda Mantooth, Ann Swallows, Becky Harris, Ricky Black, Alene Davis and Terry Silvers; second row, Oleta Howard, Mary Lou Cox, Kenneth Swallows, Sandra Banks, Charles Beard, Loraine Kimsey, Jerry Dale and Edna Harris; third row, Doug Powers, Stanley Branam, Jimmy Ball, Troy Branam, unknown, Eddie Skelton and Dwight Powers; fourth row, teacher Mrs. Finley, Sharon Farmer, Louis Harris, Wilburn Black, Harvey Dills and Donald Dale. Photo courtesy of Doris Shannon.



THIS PHOTO, taken in February 1956, shows Wooten School students. Front, from left, are Doris Branam, Wanda Branam, Paul Elliott, Don Maples, Gene Cox, J.C. McMahan, Alma Beard, Linda Silvers and James Davis; second row, Annie Howard, Lynn Carson, Larry Davis, Emma Burchfield, Ruth Silvers, Patsy Branam and Diane Daily; third row, Marie Dale, Glen Shannon, Arlie Shannon, Gene Moore, David Branam, Herbert Fansler and Joe Skelton; fourth row, Grant White, Ruth Ann Calhoun, Ella Jean Prince, Hershel Fansler, Beatrice Beard and Nada Brown; fifth row, Billy White, Lee Roy Powers, teacher Jim Kay, Harold Davis and Paul Maples. Photo courtesy of Betty Gallaher Haney.



WOOTEN SCHOOL students from February 1956 include, from left front, Larry Branam, Lee Elliott, Sam White, Dean Skelton, Mary Lou Silvers, Charles Silvers, Phylis Swallows and Joe Mantooth; second row, Buleah Powers, Sue Elliott, Diane Banks, Shirley Shannon, Homer Beard, Bobby Mantooth and Eugene Davis; third row, Jerry Skelton, Diane Dills, Homer Fansler, C.L. Branam, Delores Ball and teacher Agnes Salmon. Photo courtesy of Doris Shannon.



RALPH MCCRACKEN and Shirley McCracken are shown in this 1953 photo. Photo courtesy of Catherine McCracken.

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THE BELCHER FAMILY is shown in this photo. They include Juanita Belcher Cooper, Luther Belcher, Lizie Belcher, Bobbie Nell Belcher Lockmiller; Jerry Belcher, Curtis Wayne Belcher, Cora Lee Belcher Rose, Joyce Belcher McConnell, Albert Belcher and J.B. Belcher. Photo courtesy of Juanita Cooper.



THIS 1980S photo shows a reunion of Woolworths employees. The photo was made at Bill McConnell's home.

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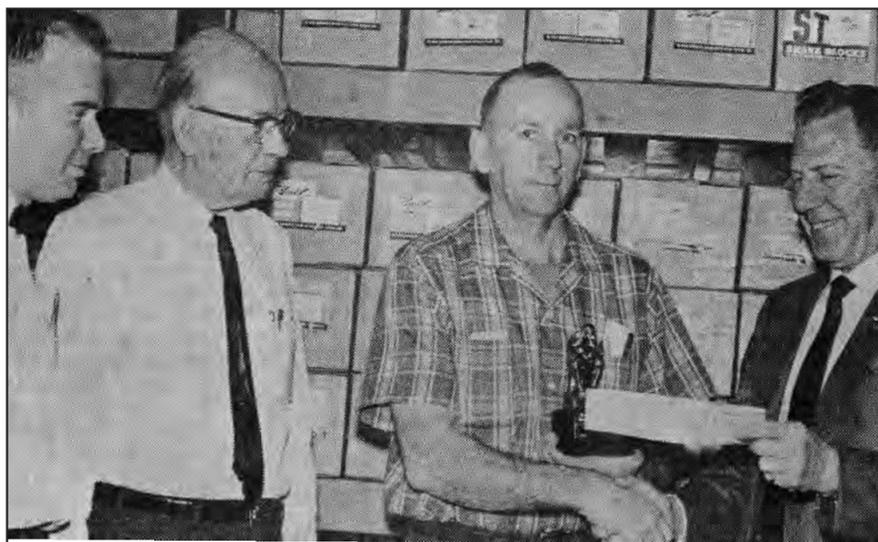
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MILBURN BUNCH and his soon to be bride, Beulah Payne, pose in October of 1950.



JAMES BEATY competed in the 1976 Tennessee Junior Heifer Judging.



J.V. BEATY, center, was presented a savings bond and the title "Suggester of the Year" at the Cleveland Division of Bendix Corp. He was presented the award by General Manager Harry Stolar, right, for his suggestion involving increased production on key equipment used in manufacturing. From left are Harlan White, manufacturing manager, and H.C. Hodson, plant manager. Photo courtesy of Varnell Beaty.



BARBARA AND VALERIE BUNCH are shown in this 1988 photo. Photo courtesy of Barbara Witt.



FREEWILL SCHOOL is shown in this 1914 photo. The school was located on Freewill Road and was later consolidated with Hopewell School. It was one of more than 30 one-room schoolhouses in the county. From left, front, are Grady Carroll, Uley Murray, Glenn Mowery, Pledger Kile, Emmett Hall, Clyde Lee, Glenn Murray, Morgan Hysinger, Leonard Romine, Glenard Romine, second row, G.L. Price, Walter Kile, Frank Price, Noah Hysinger, Clyde Ingle, Roosevelt Carroll, Jerry Ingle and Leonard Beaty. On the third row were T. G. Campbell, Ora Carroll, Anna Lee Campbell, Mary Campbell, Avis Kile, Elsa Mowery, Lucy Epperson, Gertrude Mowery, Mattie Beaty and Nellie Ingle. On the fourth row were Alma Ingle, Bessie Romine, Icie Romine, Ollie Beaty, Mamie Carroll, Essie Romine, Stella Beaty, Minnie Hall, --- Price, Herbert Carroll, Jesse Mowery, Jewry Mowery, teacher; back row, Cecil Murray, Ronald Daugherty, Frank Beaty, Ezra Beaty, Horace Beaty, Charles Hysinger and Andy Pence. The photo ran in the Banner in the 1950s. Identification was provided by the late C.L. McAlister. Photo courtesy of Varnell Beaty.



GATHERING AROUND the table are Horace Beaty, wife, Mary, Olie and brother Frank Beaty and Sam and Mattie Gilland. Photo courtesy of Varnell Beaty.



MILBURN AND AZILEE BUNCH are shown in this 1950 photo. Photo courtesy of Barbara Witt.



THIS IS CHARLOTTE Ann Bunch. Photo courtesy of Barbara Witt.



PHOTO IS courtesy of Varnell Beaty.



MILBURN AND BARBARA PAYNE were married on Oct. 8, 1951. Photo courtesy of Barbara Witt.



VIRGINIA, ANN, Billy, Milburn and Barbara Bunch are shown in this 1959 photo in Hammond, Ind. Photo courtesy of Barbara Witt.



VIRGINIA BUNCH is shown in a park in Hammond, Ind. Photo courtesy of Barbara Witt.



BILLY BUNCH, Barbara Payne Bunch and Ann Bunch are shown. Photo courtesy of Barbara Witt.

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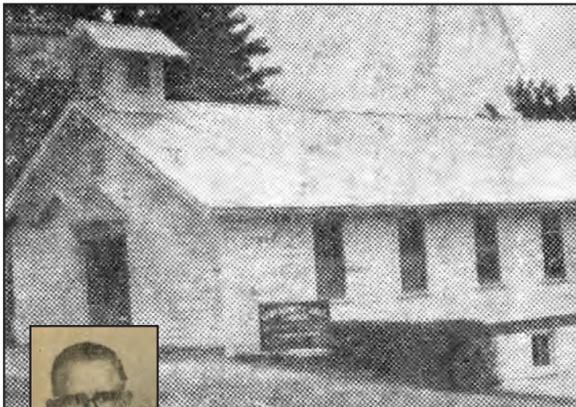
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CONNIE REAGAN WOODS, Barbara Reagan, Betty Reagan Fox and Lloyd Reagan Jr. are shown in this photo from 1958. Photo courtesy of Rhonda Reagan.



THE REV. JACK CRYE, left, was pastor of Community Hall Church, above. Photos courtesy of Barbara Witt.



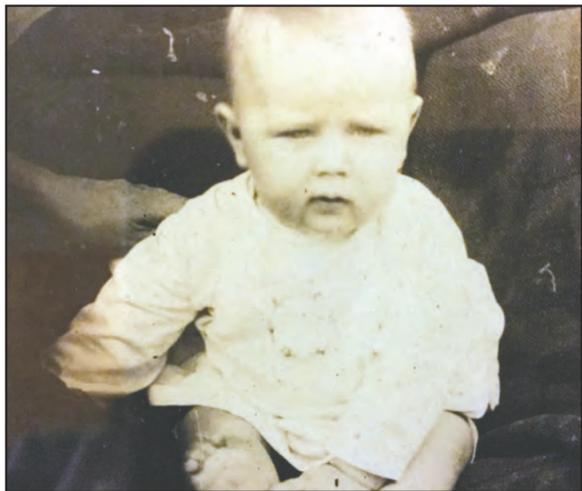
THIS PHOTO OF a print shop had an explanation of the print shop services on the back. It said, "the writer and wife were born in 1874 and 1876, and since our marriage in 1900, we have devoted our lives to living a teaching Bible truth as best we could like Paul 'publicly (sic) and from house to house' (Acts 20:20), and the writer is now and has been for many years, local elder of our S.D.A. Cleveland Church. Our little printing shop is dedicated to printing what others call 'truth-filled' Bible literature, while doing commercial printing to make a living. Some wish to know how we can send out such large packages of literature for so little money. We simply do it at a sacrifice, using some of our second tithes to help a little on the expense. ..." The woman and man — Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Manous — standing in front of the shop are 91 and 89. Photo courtesy of Barbara Witt.



LILLIE MAE HINDMAN DUNN is shown in the 1940s. Photo courtesy of Rhonda Reagan.



THE ROBERT DUNN SR. FAMILY are shown in the 1960s. They are, back from left, Geneva Clonts, Janita Harris, John Dunn, Randall Dunn, Homer Dunn, Robert Dunn, front, Edna Dun, Robert Dunn Sr., Barbara Nipper and Jude Dunn. Photo courtesy of Rhonda Reagan.



HOMER DUNN is shown in 1928. Photo courtesy of Rhonda Reagan.



RHONDA REAGAN shared this photo of Tom and Emma Hindman in the 1960s.



THE DUNN BOYS are, back from left, Homer Dunn, John Dunn, Robert Dunn and Jude Dunn, front, Clyde Dunn and Randall Dunn. This photo is from the 1950s. Photo courtesy of Rhonda Reagan.



CLYDE MCGUIRE shared this photo of the 1967 Boys Softball team from the Boys Club. They are wearing their first uniforms. Front from left are Jimmy Ellis, Johnny Underwood, Larry King, Dale Elkin, Dwayne Carr and Clyde McGuire. On the back are Jimmy Clark, Jerry Frazier, Robby Snyder, Dale Goff, Greg Davis, Charlie Swafford and Rusty Everett.

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IN THIS AUGUST 1961 photo, Harry Ware and Bill Hickman are shown selling peaches behind Broad Street United Methodist Church's parking lot. Photo courtesy of Brunetta Geren.



WILLIAM HICKMAN and Harry Ware were selling peaches behind Broad Street United Methodist Church. Photo courtesy of Brunetta Geren.



WILLIAM HICKMAN, his wife and grandchild are shown in this photo. They were at a farmers' market behind Broad Street United Methodist Church. Photo courtesy of Brunetta Geren.



BRUNETTA GEREN provided this photo of Bill Moats and Louetta Geren in the 1970s.



BRUNETTA GEREN provided this photo of her and Dewayne Geren.



BILL GEREN is shown at his birthday party with friends — Frankie Millaay, Mitch Collins and Church McKenzie. Photo provided by Brunetta Geren.



BRUNETTA GEREN shared this photo of Billy, Tammy and Sondra Geren in the 1960s.



CRYSTAL LEE shared this photo of, back from left, Ed Smith, Alex Smith and Charles Smith; and front, Pearl Smith, Dr. Sam Smith and Bertha Smith Choate. Dr. Smith was the community doctor in Birchwood. There is a road named after him.



THE HATTIE HICKMAN family — Bill, Ilene, Tom, Brunetta and Billie — are shown in this photo provided by Brunetta Geren.



ED HARRIS' FAMILY is shown in 1963. Shown are Lucy, Tammy, Bill and C.L. Geren; Barbara Geren; Louetta Geren; Ed Geren and baby Kin; and Dewayne Geren's family — Brunetta and baby Sondra. Photo courtesy of Brunetta Geren.



THE SURVIVING CHOATE sisters, daughters of the late Amos and Bertha Choate, are shown. They are Crystal Lee, 89; Pauline "Polly" Bacon, 96; and Joyce Hickman, 83. Photo courtesy of Crystal Lee.



WILLIAM "AMOS" and Bertha McKinley (Smith) Choate are shown in this early 1900s photo taken by a traveling photographer in Bradley County. Photo courtesy of Crystal Lee.



THE CHOATE CHILDREN are shown with their parents. From left, standing, are Lawrence Choate, Pauline "Polly" Choate Bacon, Burl Choate, Mildred Choate Watkins, Doc Choate, Crystal Choate Lee, Lester Choate, Joyce Choate Hickman and Raymond Choate. Seated are Amos and Bertha Choate. Photo courtesy of Crystal Lee.

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BENNY ELMORE provided this photo from around 1916. In the photo are Marie, Ben, Ralph and Austin Elmore.



BENNY ELMORE provided this photo from about 1940 of First Christian Church on Central Avenue.



BENNY ELMORE shared this photo of the Still family. From left, seated, are Margaret Tennessee Still, Robert H. Still, Gussie Still Seaborn and Joseph Lusk Still; standing, Lori Still Hambright-Holmes, Jesse (Timmy) Still and John Houton Still.



THE RANDOLPH FAMILY is seen in this photo circa 1900. From left, top row, Manda Randolph, Willis Randolph, W.C. Randolph, Emma Randolph, George Lacewell, Susie Lacewell; next row, Ollie Randolph, baby Reba, Grandpa----, grandpa William Randolph; Pollie Randolph, grandpa's stepmother; Aunt E.; next row, Claude Randolph, Maude Randolph, Pearl Randolph, Ora Lee Randolph, Annie Mae Randolph; fourth row, Floyd Puitt, Annie McKenzie, Willie Randolph, Essie Broomfield, Ila Broomfield, Arvenia Randolph, Claude Puett; front, Hilda Smith (aunt Manda's niece), Willie Gray Randolph, Earl Randolph and Irma Randolph. Photo courtesy of Benny Elmore.



HICKS FAMILY is shown in 1913. The older couple in the center are Napoleon Hicks and wife, Eliza Jane Renfro Hicks. The young man sitting on the steps with his leg raised is Thomas Andrew Hicks and the young lady sitting beside him is Dinah Marie Hicks Still. Standing at left of the post and going clockwise are Florida Captolia (Cappy) Hicks Seabourn, Susan Josephine Hicks Collins, Lucy Carrie Hicks White, Martha Adelia Hicks Harper, Mae Bell Hicks Bell, Joseph William Hicks, Margaret Tennessee Hicks White and Nina Edna Hicks Murray. Photo courtesy of Benny Elmore.



THIS PHOTO from 1890 shows Annie Evans, Virginia Jacks Evans, Mary Evans Elmore and Fred Evans. Photo is courtesy of Benny Elmore.



HAFOS MELTON ANDERSON and Lee Honey dress up with her brother's Cleveland Police Department uniform and handgun in this 1920s photo. Photo courtesy of Betty Gallaher Haney.



SHELIA GALLAHER CHANCEY and mother Betty Gallaher Haney are shown in this 1960 photo in southeast Cleveland. Photo courtesy of Betty Gallaher Haney.



BETTY HANEY GALLAHER is shown in this 1951 photo. Photo courtesy of Betty Gallaher Haney.

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SHELIA GALLAHER CHANCEY and grandmother Flossie Melton Gallaher are shown in 1967 in southeast Cleveland. Photo courtesy of Betty Gallaher Haney.



THIS 1964 PHOTO of the Smiths shows, front from left, Ricky Smith, Jackie Smith, Tommy Smith and his dog, Tippy, Bobby Smith, James Lee Smith Jr., Wanda Smith Masingale and Jimmy Tightey Wright, not in photo. They are the children of Mary Lou and James Lee Smith Sr.



DON AND LOIS (Mullins) Clayton were married on Aug. 13, 1960, in Hamilton, Ohio, at Princeton Pike Church of God, at 7th and Chestnut streets. Photo courtesy of Don Clayton.



JOHN AND ONEDA CLAYTON AND FAMILY are shown. From left, front, are Oneda, a housewife and homemaker (deceased); John, a World War I veteran, member of the Bradley County Quarterly Court and chairman of the Republican Party (deceased); back, John Jr. "Rusty," a retired teacher, coach and athletic director; Don, retired teacher, principal and coach; Christine, housewife and homemaker; James, retired Army and the first juvenile officer for Bradley County; and Gerald, a retired teacher, principal and coach (deceased). Photo courtesy of Don Clayton.



BETTY DAVIS HICKS shared this photo, left, of John Davis' well house, circa 1885. The well is at the Melton Davis home place on No Pone Valley Road.



RUTH LINER VARNELL was the receptionist at Brown Stove Works for 44 years. This photo was taken in the late 1950s, and is courtesy of E. Winston Varnell.



ERNEST "FUZZ" VARNELL, Carlos Whitmire, Winston Varnell and Eulas Whitmire are shown at the workhouse in 1946. Photo courtesy of E. Winston Varnell.



FAYE COLLINS, Ruth Varnell and Pat Jones were the daughters of Jess and May Liner. They were visiting California in this early 1970s photo. Photo courtesy of E. Winston Varnell.



JOHN CLAYTON AND SONS are shown, from left top, John Clayton, a World War I combat veteran with the U.S. Army; James Clayton, Air Force and Army, and retired Army National Guard; and Don Clayton, right below, Korean War combat veteran with the Navy. Photos courtesy of Lois Clayton.



RUTH LINER VARNELL sits at the southwest corner of M&M property in the mid 1960s. Photo courtesy of E. Winston Varnell.



WINSTON VARNELL got this eight-point deer and a doe during a hunting trip in Ocoee at Parksville Lake in 1965. Photo courtesy of E. Winston Varnell.



SGT. 1ST CLASS WINSTON VARNELL is shown in North Korea in 1951, as he prepares to remove personnel mines from the Valley-Iron Triangle area. Photo courtesy of E. Winston Varnell.

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LOIS CLAYTON shared these photos she took from a video of a recent East Cleveland School reunion. The veterans were former students and faculty. Top row, from left, are Don Clayton, USN; Ernest Herron, USA; Hank Baker, USA; Donnie Hancock, USA; Eddie Self, USA; James Cabrera, USA; Jesse Cabrera, USA; Ron Chastain, USN; James Williamson, USA; the late Eddie Gladson, USA; Alvin Davis, USN; and Larry Mason, USM.



ARNOLD TRUELOVE and Chris Truelove, right, ran in the Peachtree Road Race in Atlanta on July 4, 1990. Photo courtesy of Jonn Truelove.



ANN KNOX holds Betty Knox Callaway in this 1934 photo. Ann Knox is the mother of Sam H. Horner III, O.D., who submitted this photo.



THIS 1970 photo taken on Benton Pike shows Edna Lucille Johnson. Photo courtesy of Betty Jo Johnson Brown.



THE EAST CLEVELAND School principals from 1947 to 1987 are shown. Top from left are James Barger, Ross Apperson, Bob Erwin, Rufus Platt, Don Clayton and Pauline Geren. Photos for Ed Perry and John McNabb were not available.



WALTER "DUTCH" JOHNSON is shown in this World War II 1945 photo. Photo courtesy of Betty Jo Johnson Brown.



BETTY JO JOHNSON BROWN is shown in this photo. Photo courtesy of William Brown.

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BETTY JO JOHNSON BROWN is shown at her Benton Pike home in 1972. Photo courtesy of Betty Jo Johnson Brown.



BETTY JO JOHNSON BROWN shared this photo of the McClure Family. Form left are Edna Lucille Johnson, Opal Grisham, Rosel, Joyce Stinnett, Bessie Stuart, Minnie Hicks and Elizabeth.



THIS 1970 PHOTO shows Bill Johnson, B.T. Dixon and Walter "Dutch" Johnson. Photo courtesy of Betty Jo Johnson Brown.



WILLIAM BROWN, Betty Jo Brown and children, William II and Janita Brown are shown. Photo courtesy of William Brown.



WILLIAM BROWN is shown with his wife, Betty, and children William Brown II and Janita Brown. Photo courtesy of William Brown.

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DAVID BROWN and Earnest Brown have a good mess of fish. Photo courtesy of William Brown.



DAVID BROWN, in uniform, poses with his wife, Edith. Photo courtesy of William Brown.



DAVID AND EDITH BROWN have their kids, Betty and Earnest, sitting on horses. Photo courtesy of William Brown.

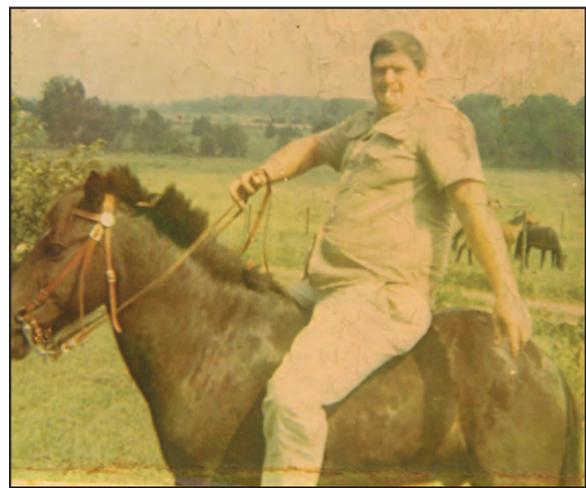


GRANDIE BROWN, center, is shown with kids. Photo courtesy of William Brown.



WILLIAM BROWN and J.T. Walker stand in front of Brown's car. Photo courtesy of William Brown.

THIS PHOTO, right, submitted by William Brown, shows a younger him riding a horse.



THIS CIRCA 1940 photo, above, shows early members of North Cleveland Baptist Church. The Rev. Lester Lewis was pastor. Photo courtesy of Betty Baumgardner.

THE NORTH CLEVELAND BAPTIST Church singers, right, in 1940 included, from left, Mattie Sue Hudson, Lola Pendergrass, Thurman Pendergrass, Howard Caywood and Lester Elrod. Photo courtesy of Betty Baumgardner.

THIS 1945 PHOTO shows the eighth-grade class at Arnold School. Photo courtesy of Betty Baumgardner.



GEORGE AIMBENDER, standing second from right, and an unidentified guide, right, led this group of Cleveland Explorer Scouts through the "wilds" of Canada during a two-week excursion in 1972. From left are, first row, Joey Harbison, Jeff Coleman, Jamie Walker, Tom Cate and Steve Turner. Standing are Dan Harmon, Donnie Pippinger, Chloe Coleman, Mike Clayton, Scott Thomas, Aimbender and the guide. Photo courtesy of Betty Baumgardner.



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RUBY GALLAHER holds a doll in this 1920 photo. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



SHELLEY BRYON GALLAHER is shown in this 1920 photo taken at Five Points in Cleveland. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



RUBY GALLAHER is shown in front of the Old Woolen Mill in a 1932 photo. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



SHELLEY GALLAHER is shown in Cleveland in the 1920s. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



THIS PHOTO OF Homer Baker and Keith Gallaher was taken in Fort Hill Cemetery in the 1950s. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



THIS 1960 PHOTO shows Shelly Bryon Gallaher holding Shelia Gallaher Chancey. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



SHELIA GALLAHER Chancey, Aunt Deanie Gallaher Baker and Tania Gallaher Godfrey are shown on Easter Sunday 1965. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



THIS PHOTO SHOWS Dorothy Cash and Flossie Gallaher. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



KEITH AND DEANIE Gallaher Baker are shown on a bike in the 1940s. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



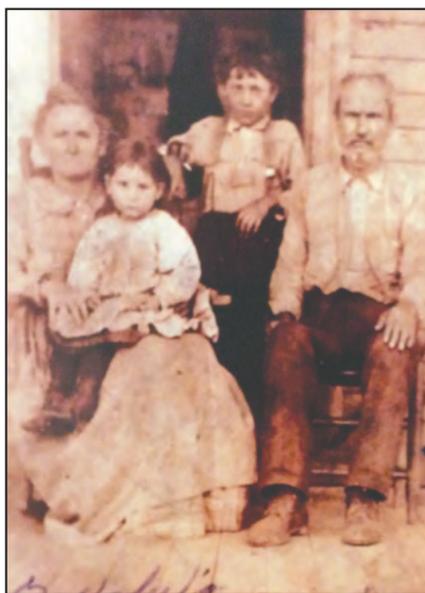
KEITH AND DEANIE GALLAHER are shown in this 1940 photo. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



BETTY JOYCE GALLAHER is shown in this 1950s photo. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



KATHY POTEET EAVES, 6, and Cynthia Poteet Hensley, 2, admire their Easter outfits in this 1965 photo. Photo courtesy of Nancy Poteet.



THE GALLAHERS IN 1908 included Martha Kile Gallaher, little sister, Shelley Bryon Gallaher, granddad, and Frank Gallaher, great-granddad. He worked for the railroad in the late 1800s, and married Martha Kile. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



THIS PHOTO SHOWS Flossie Gallaher and the late Bryan Gallaher. She was the great-grandmother of Shelia Chancey. Photo courtesy of Shelia Chancey.



RUBY PARIS GALLAHER was born March 20, 1917, and passed away on April 7, 1935, at the age of 18. She died of appendicitis one week before her wedding day. She was buried in her wedding dress. This photo was taken at her home in Cleveland. Photo courtesy of Sheila Chancey.

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WILMA JEAN and Johnny Pippenger are shown at the Beta Sigma Phi Dance in 1972. Photo courtesy of Evelyn DeFriese.



THE 1978 GIRL of the Year Award for the Laureate Mu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi was presented to Wilma Jean Pippenger, left, by Jeannette Cochran. Photo courtesy of Wilma Jean Pippenger.

BETA SIGMA PHI PRESIDENTS are shown in this photo, upper right. Past president was Susan Bivens, left; present, Wilma Jean Pippenger, center; and future president, Jean Ham. Photos courtesy of Evelyn DeFriese.

THIS PHOTO, left, is of the Beta Sigma Phi Mother-Daughter Dinner in 1969. From left are Wilma Jean Pippenger, mother Nellie Beckler, Chapter President Jeanne Beavers, Jeannette Cochran and mother Lucille Humphreys.

THIS 1958 PHOTO, above, shows Marie Morrow Cranfield and Beverly Morrow Johnson (little girl) taking the laundry down. Photo courtesy of Beverly Morrow Johnson.



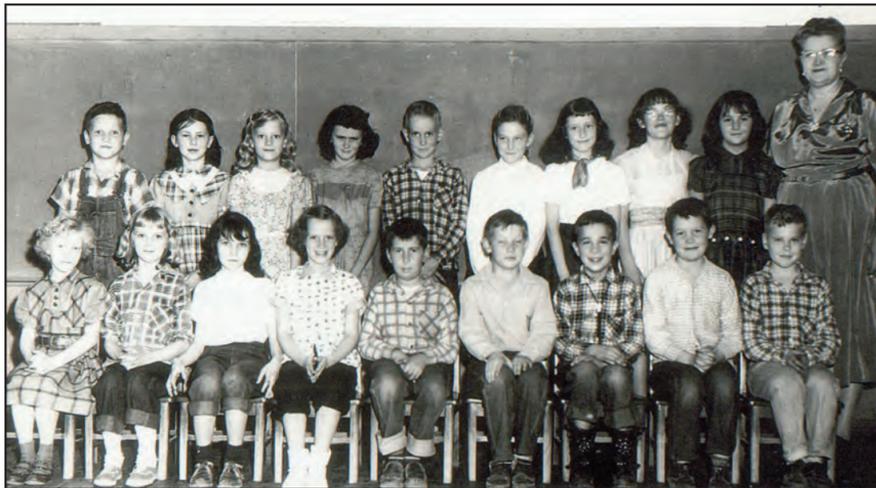
COUSINS DIANE SWAFFORD, left, and Beverly Morrow Johnson visit Field of the Woods in this January 1958 photo. Photo courtesy of Beverly Morrow Johnson.



THIS MICHIGAN AVENUE class is from March 1956. Front row, from left, are Bonnie Prock, Charlotte Kaylor, Wayne Neeley, Charles Miller, Kenneth Burgess, Bobby Pritchard, Cephas Geren, Roger Brown, Geraldine Lawson; back, Joy Castell Frazier, Sue Lamon Taylor, Larry Bolen, Margie Brown, Martha Corvin Swafford, Charles Stanfield, Albert Calfee, Wayne Mullins, Jimmy Vaughn, Donald Morrow and the late Mrs. W.L. Howard. Photo courtesy of Evelyn DeFriese.



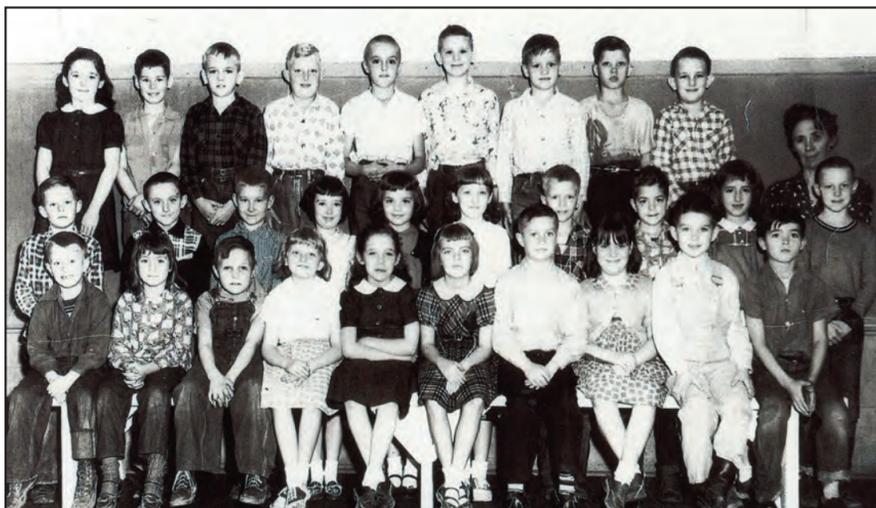
THE MICHIGAN AVENUE basketball team of 1957-58 is shown. Front row, from left, are Evelyn Corvin DeFriese, Charlotte Kaylor, Sue Lamon Taylor, Martha Corvin Swafford, Betty Cook Gentry and Sonya Creaseman Buckner. In back are the late Mrs. W.L. Howard; the late Shirley Stowe Woods; Marjorie Kennedy, Joy Casteel Frazier, Helen Calfee, Geraldine Pritchard, Faye Rogers and the late Knoble Mantooth. Photo courtesy of Evelyn DeFriese.



THIS CLASS AT MICHIGAN AVENUE was taken in March of 1956. From left, front, are Veneda Miller Bean, Elaine Casteel, Evelyn Corvin DeFriese, Doyline Neeley, Steve Harvey, Jerry Cross, Randall Lamon, unknown, Jimmy Harris; back, the late Wayne Burgess, the late Shirley Stowe Woods, Peggy Morrow, unknown, Terry Stanfield, Faye Rogers, Ruth Ann Knight Buckner, Geraldine Pritchard, Linda Brewer and the late Mrs. W.L. Howard. Photo courtesy of Evelyn DeFriese.



THIS CLASS FROM Michigan Avenue in 1957-58 included, front from left, Sandra Dixon Gray, Shirley Corbit, Wayne Dixon, Loyce Watson Farris, Gayle Adams Brewer, Linda Tankersley, Veda Miller Bean, the late Judy Gibson Gray, the late Joyce Woods and Donnie Rogers. On the second row are Randall Lamon, Jessie Prince, Gary Coffey, Eddie Griffith, Elaine Casteel, Hazel Burgner, Sandra Marr Rowland, Joyce Watson Goodner, Hazel Swafford, Doyline Neeley, Evelyn Corvin DeFriese, the late Leona Howard. On the back row are Winston Vaughn, Jimmy Harris, the late Wayne Burgess, Ruth Ann Knight Buckner, the late Shirley Stowe Woods, Terry Stanfield, Donnie Tankersley, the late Harlan Cross, Linda Brewer and Geraldine Pritchard. Photo courtesy of Evelyn DeFriese.



THIS MICHIGAN AVENUE class photo was taken in March 1956. From left, front, are Donnie Ratcliff, Annda Dixon Gray, Ray Dell Corvin, unknown, Loyce Watson Farris, Gayle Adams Brewer, Larry Dyer, unknown, Roy Bain, Bobby Prock. On second row are the late Johnny Stowe, unknown, Donnie Rogers, the late Judy Gibson Gray, Barbara Coffey, Sandra Marr Rowland, Eddie Ratcliff, unknown, Hazel Burgner, Bobby Goins, the late Mrs. Ida. On the back row are Joyce Watson Goodner, unknown, Gary Coffey, Donald Fairbanks, Winston Vaughn, unknown, Randall Knight, unknown and Danny Marr. Photo courtesy of Evelyn DeFriese.

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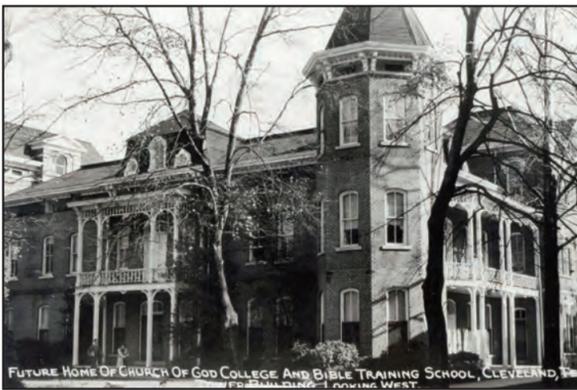
More Remember When photos will run on Sunday, Jan. 22.



KEN STEPHENS shared some postcard photos of the old Bob Jones College. Some of the photos note that it is the future home of the Church of God College and Bible Training School. Bob Jones College moved into the site which formerly housed Centenary Female College, which operated from 1885 to 1929. In 1933, Bob Jones purchased the site and offered academic and spiritual training until 1947. Following World War II, the GI Bill caused it to nearly double its student body. The college moved to South Carolina, where it is located as Bob Jones University.



THE TOP TWO photos are different views of Old Main at Bob Jones College in the 1940s. At left is the Tower Building on the old Bob Jones College campus.



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IN 1942, Bettie Marlowe, 5, poses with her mother, Pauline Johnson, on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City. Photo courtesy of Bettie Marlowe.



TERRY MARLOWE, 5, wears his uncle's hat. George Kittrell was chief of police in Springfield, east of Panama City, Fla., in 1972. Photo courtesy of Bettie Marlowe.



THE JOHNSON FAMILY evangelistic team included Bettie Marlowe, center, and her parents Pauline and Luther Johnson in 1951. Photo courtesy of Bettie Marlowe.



BETTIE MARLOWE'S Uncle Garland Lovings is "holding" Betty Phillips Whitten, a Cleveland native in 1951. Marlowe and Lovings were born six months apart in a train coach. Photo courtesy of Bettie Marlowe.



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THIS SEPTEMBER 1952 photo shows the Church of God of Prophecy Assembly Parade in front of the Tabernacle on Central Avenue. Photo courtesy of Bettie Marlowe.



PFC WILLIE LEDFORD JR., left, and PFC Kenny Anderson are shown in Korea in 1960. Photo courtesy of Willie Ledford.



WILLIE LEDFORD JR., left, and Kenney Anderson served in the military in Korea in 1960. Photo courtesy of Willie Ledford.



WILLIE LEDFORD JR., left, and Carl Lowe are shown at Greasy Creek in 1965. Photo courtesy of Willie Ledford.



PFC WILLIE LEDFORD JR. served in Korea in 1960. Photo courtesy of Willie Ledford.

J.P. AND IDA CABLE pose with granddaughter, Betty Ledford Franks, 6, in Murphy, N.C., in 1943. Photo courtesy of Willie Ledford.

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JUDY ELLIS SHAMBLIN and Lynda Presswood Suggs are shown on Easter Sunday, 1957. Photo courtesy of Ellis Virginia Presswood.



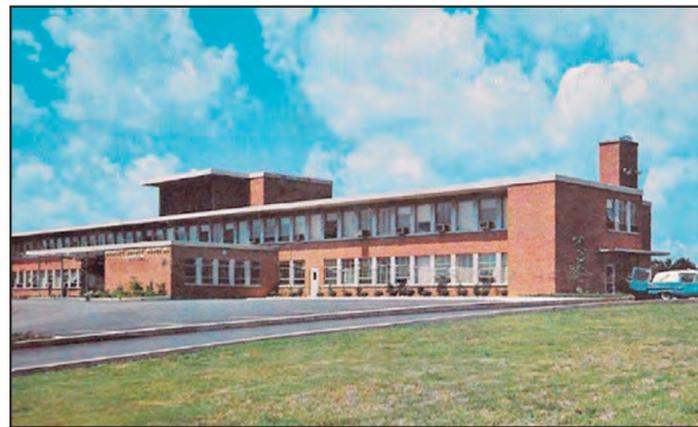
BETTY HEWITT, Bill Presswood and Virginia Presswood Davis are shown in 1950. Photo courtesy of Ellis Virginia Presswood.



VIRGINIA PRESSWOOD DAVIS and Larry Presswood are shown in this 1947 photo.



LYNDA PRESSWOOD SUGGS, right, is shown at Bradley Central High's senior prom in 1963. Photos courtesy of Ellis Virginia Presswood.



THESE TWO PHOTOS, above and left, show the old Bradley Memorial Hospital. The one above was taken at the time of a 1971 fire. Photos are courtesy of the Bradley Memorial Hospital Retirees and Former Employees group.



JERRY ELLIS is shown after a motorcycle wreck in 1965. His leg was in traction as he looks at the autographed baseball from his Tigers Little League team. Photo courtesy of Ellis Virginia Presswood.



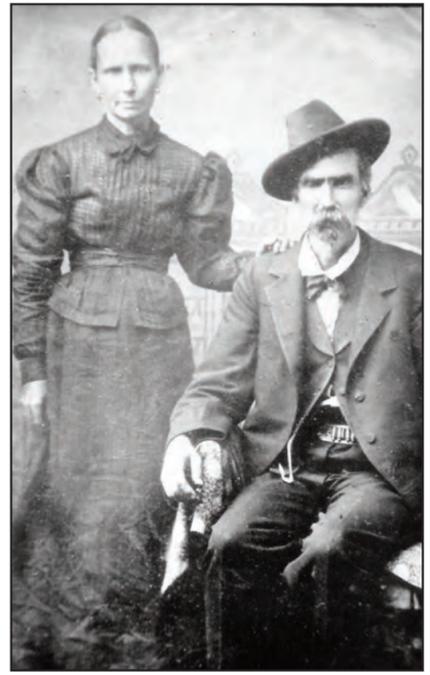
DURING THE KNIGHTS of Columbus Regional VII Junior College Tournament at Cleveland State Community College in 1974, recognition was given former Bradley High state basketball champions. Among those recognized were the 1940 and 1942 basketball players coached by Tip Smith. In this photo, former 1962 state BCHS champion all-stater Sylvia Lauderdale Coates pins a boutonniere on Smith. It was the first reunion of these men since high school. From left are Watt Owerby, Harley Kelly, Frank Ramsey, Arch Fitzgerald, Alvin Barger, Ralph Chancey, A.L. Owerby, Roy Elkins, Lee Ownby and coach Bill Walker. In front are Smith and Coates. Photo courtesy of Ed Coates.



THE 1956-57 Waterville Basketball team consisted of, back from left, Principal/coach Margaret Gentry, Buddy Bowlin, Alan Johnson, Clyde Long, Virgil Knight, front, Glenn Curtis, David Love, Mitchell Bryant, Lynn Freeman and Frank Crye. Photo courtesy of Lynn Freeman.



THE 1956-57 Waterville Basketball team included Principal/coach Margaret Gentry, Betty McGuire, Joyce Bishop, Mary Ruth Renner, Sammie Jean Shelton, front, Dot Knight, Laura Jean Bennett, Brenda McCurry, Ivonne McKinney, Jessie Holmes and Katherine Bennett. Photo courtesy of Lynn Freeman.



LOUISA JANE McCLANAHAN McJunkin and Samuel McJunkin are shown. Photo courtesy of Lynn Freeman.



FROM LEFT, front, are Steve Stewart, J.W. White, second row, Kay Morrow, Vickie Morrow, Shirley White, Jimmy Yoder, and third row, Helen Morrow Yoder, Dean Wagner Morrow, Lucille Morrow White and Sue White. Photo courtesy of Lynn Freeman.



FROM LEFT, front, are Sheila Stewart Shields, Pearl Morrow Stewart, Lake Stewart, Steve Stewart, back, Denise, Lynn, and Kay Arnold Freeman. Photo courtesy of Lynn Freeman.



LINDA RANDOLPH HIGGINS worked at Sterchi Furniture Co. in 1982. Photo courtesy of Linda Higgins.

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COUPLES SHOWN are the Rev. Boe and Lillie Stewart, J.D. and Bessie Stewart, Lake and Pearl Stewart, Charles and Linnie York, John and Willie Bell Beck, and Marvin and Gussie Samples. Photo courtesy of Lynn Freeman.



J.T. AND SHIRLEY Shadden, above left, are shown in 1982. He owned and operated a used car lot until his death in 2015. Photo courtesy of Shirley Shadden.

J.T. AND SHIRLEY SHADDEN, above right, are shown in 1983.



J.T. AND SHIRLEY Shadden, left, are shown in 1980. She is known for her booth at the farmer's market. Photo courtesy of Shirley Shadden.

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J.C. AND LINDA RANDOLPH HIGGINS are shown at their wedding reception on April 17, 1971. Photo courtesy of Linda Higgins.



EMPLOYEES OF S.S. Kresge Company, are shown in 1969. Front, from left, are Frances Johnson, Rita --, Jimmie Dunn, Linda Randolph, Doris Knight, second row, Ora Bulingsley, Bonnie Lee, Annie Hille, Jo Watson, Ruth Ann Clingan, third row, Daisy Scoggins, Brenda Reynolds, Lorene Scott, Abah Dixon, Linda Brown, Annie Goins, -- Dixon, fourth row, JM Knight, Ann Moore, C. Davis, back, Ellis Barber, Brenda Brumley, John Belew, Vickie Owenby, Shirley Larken, -- McDonald, -- Lewis and Tommie Davis. Photo courtesy of Linda Higgins.



GORDON E. TURNER JR. and Louise Goins Turner are shown on their wedding day, April 20, 1946. Photo courtesy of JoAnn Watson.



JACOB III AND MIKEL HIGGINS, sons of J.C. and Linda Randolph Higgins, are shown in this 1978 photo. Photo courtesy of Linda Higgins.



JACOB III AND MIKEL HIGGINS are shown at Halloween in 1978. They are sons of J.C. and Linda Randolph Higgins. Photo courtesy of Linda Higgins.



GORDON E. TURNER JR., Louise Goins Turner, JoAnn Turner Watson and Bill R. Watson are shown in this 1991 photo. Photo courtesy of JoAnn Watson.



JOANN TURNER and Bill R. Watson are shown in June 1987. Photo courtesy of JoAnn Watson.



THIS PHOTO was taken on September 1987 at Lebanon Baptist Church. From left are Bertie Cross Watson, Billy "Bill" R. Watson, JoAnn Turner and Louise Turner. Photo courtesy of JoAnn Watson.



IN 1958, THE ISSAC and Nora Jones Goins family included, from left, Edwin Goins, Issac Goins, Denver Goins, Nora Goins, Dorothy Goins Self, Edith Goins Brown, Nadine Goins Kinser and Louise Goins Turner. Photo courtesy of JoAnn Watson.



MASTER SGT. KENNETH Franks served in the U.S. Army from 1950 to 1953. Photo courtesy of Brenda Cass.



JESSE LEDFORD is shown at Toby's Food Store at 3-Point in Cleveland in 1958. Photo courtesy of Brenda Cass.



ANTHONY SEGRAVES, sergeant first class, retired from the U.S. Army after 22 years.



SPC-4 JIMMY LEDFORD, center right, was in the U.S. Army in 1966-69. Photo courtesy of Brenda Cass.



CPL. JESSIE CABLE, far right, was in the U.S. Army in 1943-45. Photo courtesy of Brenda Cass.

WEEKDAY DAYTIME

	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30
WRCBNBC	3 Today				Today's Take		Today		3 Plus You		Eyewitness News Today		Days of our Lives		Rachael Ray		Crime Watch Daily	
WELFTBN	4 Joel Osteen	Prince	Walk in the	Joyce Meyer	Creflo Dollar	John Hagee	Joel Osteen	Prince	K. Copeland	Kerry Shook	S. Furtick	Blessed Life	Marriage	Varied	Robison	Varied	The 700 Club	
WTNB	5 Coffee, Country & Cody								Around Town	Varied	WTNB Today		Nancy's Neighborhood		Around Town		WTNB Today	
WFLICW	6 Sacred Name	Paid Program	Paid Program	Oasis	Paid Program	ES.TV	The Real		Maury		Jerry Springer		The Steve Wilkos Show		The Wendy Williams Show		The Robert Irvine Show	
WNGHPBS	7 Wild Kratts	Ready Jet	Nature Cat	Curious	Daniel Tiger	Daniel Tiger	Splash	Sesame St.	Dinosaur	Peg Plus Cat	Super Why!	Thomas & Fr.	Sesame St.	Dinosaur	Splash	Curious	Nature Cat	Ready Jet
DAYSTAR	8 Joni: Table	T.D. Jakes	Robison	A. Wommack	Varied	Today	Walk in Word	Benny Hinn	Varied	Enjoying-Life			Varied Programs		Supernatural	Today	Prince	Gary Keesee
WTVABC	9 Good Morning America				LIVE with Kelly		The Doctors		The View		News	This n That	The Chew		General Hospital		Steve Harvey	
WTCIPBS	10 Wild Kratts	Ready Jet	Nature Cat	Curious	Daniel Tiger	Daniel Tiger	Splash	Sesame St.	Dinosaur	Peg Plus Cat	Super Why!	Thomas & Fr.	Sesame St.	Dinosaur	Splash	Curious	Nature Cat	Ready Jet
WTVCFox	11 GMC: FOX Edition				Harry		Divorce Court	Divorce Court	The People's Court		Hot Bench	Hot Bench	Judge Ross	Judge Ross	Judge Faith	Judge Faith	Judge Mathis	
WDEF CBS	12 CBS This Morning				The 700 Club		Judge Judy	Paid Program	The Price Is Right		News	The Young and the Restless	Bold		The Talk		Let's Make a Deal	
QVC	13 Varied Programs																	
CSPAN	14 Washington Journal				Varied Programs				U.S. House of Representatives Morning Hour				U.S. House of Representatives Legislative Business					Varied Programs
WGN-A	15 Paid Program	Joyce Meyer	Paid Program	Creflo Dollar	Walker, Texas Ranger		Walker, Texas Ranger		Walker, Texas Ranger		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night	
HSN	16 HSN Today		HSN Today		Varied Programs													
E!	23 E! News	Varied Programs																
ESQTV	24 American Ninja Warrior				Car Match.	Car Match.	Burn Notice	Varied	Burn Notice	Varied Programs								
LIFE	25 Joyce Meyer	Balancing Act	Wife Swap		Wife Swap		Wife Swap	Varied	How I Met	How I Met	Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy		Grey's Anatomy	
TLC	26 Gown	Gown	Varied Programs		Obsessed	Varied	Addicted		Obsessed	Varied	Hoarding: Buried Alive		Hoarding: Buried Alive		My 600-Lb. Life		My 600-Lb. Life	
TBS	27 Married	Married	Married	Married	King	King	King	King	Cleveland	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	New Girl	New Girl
TNT	28 Charmed		Charmed		Charmed		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Supernatural		Bones		Bones	
USA	29 Varied Programs										Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
FX	30 Movie				Movie	Varied Programs					Two Men	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	Two Men	Two Men
ESPN	31 SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		First Take				SportsCenter		The Dan Le Batard Show		First Take		Varied	2017 Australian Open Tennis
ESPN2	32 Mike & Mike						SportsCenter		SportsCenter									
FSTN	33 Varied Programs								Basketball	Varied Programs								
SEC	34 (:30) SEC Now		SEC Now		SEC Now		SEC Now	Varied			SEC Now	Varied Programs						The Paul Finebaum Show
GOLF	35 Morning Drive		Varied Programs		Morning Drive		Varied Programs											
FS1	36 Varied Programs						Skip and Shannon: Undisputed								The Herd with Colin Cowherd		Varied Programs	
FSSE	37 Paid Program	Varied	Paid Program	Varied	Learn the	Paid Program	Varied	Regrow Hair	Varied Programs									
WEA	38 (6:00) AMHQ				Weather Center Live										Weather Center Live			Weather Center Live
CNBC	39 Squawk Box		Varied Programs		Squawk on the Street		Varied Programs		Squawk Alley		Fast Money Halftime Report		Power Lunch		Varied Programs		Closing Bell	
MSNBC	40 (6:00) Morning Joe				MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live W/ Tamron Hall		Andrea Mitchell Reports		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live W/ Kate Snow	
CNN	41 Chris and Alisyn		Chris and Alisyn		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		At This Hour With		Inside Politics		Wolf		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
HDLN	42 Morning Express		Chris and Alisyn		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		Michaela		Michaela		Wolf		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
FNC	43 (6:00) FOX and Friends				America's Newsroom				Happening Now		Outnumbered		Happening Now		America's News HQ		Shenard Smith Reporting	
HIST	44 Varied Programs																	
TRUTV	45 Paid Program	Paid Program	Varied	Paid Program	Varied Programs								Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Imp. Jokers	Varied Programs	
A&E	46 Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Dog	Varied	Dog	Varied Programs												
DISC	47 Varied Programs																	
NGC	48 Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Varied Programs												Live Free or Die	Life Below Zero
TRAV	49 Varied Programs		World's Most Extreme		Varied Programs													
FOOD	50 Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Pioneer Wo.	Varied Programs						Pioneer Wo.	Pioneer Wo.	Varied Programs			
HGTV	51 Varied Programs																	
ANPL	52 Dogs 101		Bad Dog!		Animal Cops Houston		Animal Cops Houston		Pit Bulls and Parolees		Pit Bulls and Parolees		Varied Programs					
FREE	53 Last-Standing	Last-Standing	Last-Standing	Last-Standing	700 Club Special Programming				Gilmore Girls		Gilmore Girls		Reba	Reba	Varied Programs		The Middle	The Middle
DISN	54 K.C. Under.	Gravity Falls	The Lion	The Lion	Roadster	Mickey	Mickey	Elena	Sofia	Varia	Doc McS	Doc McSt.	PJ Masks	PJ Masks	Suite Life	Suite Life	Phineas, Ferb	Star-For.
NICK	55 Alvin!!! and	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Team Umiz.	PAW Patrol	Mutt & Jerry	Team Umiz.	Bubble	Bubble	Blaze	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	Rusty Rivets	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	SpongeBob	SpongeBob
TOON	56 Teen Titans	Teen Titans	Teen Titans	Teen Titans	Tom & Jerry	Tom & Jerry	Movie	Varied Programs	Powerpuff	My Knight	Steven Universe		Gumball	Gumball	Teen Titans	Teen Titans		
TVLND	57 Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	(:12) The Andy Griffith Show	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith		Bonanza	Varied	Gunsmoke	Varied	Gunsmoke		(:12) Gunsmoke	
AMC	58 Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	(:05) M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Varied Programs											
TCM	59 (6:00) Movie	Varied Programs									Movie	Varied Programs		(:45) Movie		Varied Programs		
HALL	60 I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Home & Family				Home & Family				Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Home Imp.
OXYGEN	61 Varied Programs																	
BRAVO	62 Varied Programs																	
SYFY	63 Movie	Varied Programs							Movie		Varied Programs							
SPIKE	64 Paid Program	Varied Programs			Paid Program	Varied Programs												Beyond
COM	65 Varied Programs		Paid Program	Paid Program	Movie	Varied Programs					Workaholics	Varied Programs						Varied
MTV	66 Varied Programs																	
VH1	67 Varied Programs				Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Varied Programs							
CMTV	68 CMT Music		CMT Music		CMT Music	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
BET	69 Prince	Joyce Meyer	House/Payne	House/Payne	Varied Programs		Meet, Browns	Varied Programs										
SCIENCE	83 Varied Programs																	
CSPAN2	85 Public Affairs	Varied Programs					U.S. Senate	Varied Programs										(:15) U.S. Senate Coverage
EWTV	100 St. Michael	Holy Rosary	Daily Mass - Olam		Varied Programs				Women of	Holy Rosary	Daily Mass - Olam		The Best of Journey Home	Varied Programs			Chaplet	Intl. Rosary
WPXA ION	107 Paid Program	Feldick	Varied Programs		Burn Notice				Varied Programs									
DISXD	117 Kirby Buckets	Star-For.	Star-For.	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	Lab Rats	Lab Rats	Lab Rats	Lab Rats	Lab Rats	Lab Rats	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	Counter	Beyblade
GSN	144 Paid Program	Paid Program	Match Game	Match Game	Card Sharks	Press Luck	Whammy!	\$25,000 Pyr.	Wheel	Wheel	Wheel	Wheel	Family Feud	Family Feud	Chain Rctn	Chain Rctn	Catch 21	Chain Rea.
COOK	153 Varied Programs																	
WE	163 Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent
GALA	217 Noticias Dan.	(:33) Despierta con Carlos Loret de Mola			Al Aire, con Paola Rojas		(:03) La que no podía amar		La que no podía amar		Atrevete a Soñar		Atrevete a Soñar		Chespirito		Cuéntamelo Ya	
TELE	223 Un Nuevo Día				Varied Programs		Decisiones	Tormenta de			Mujeres Ambiciosas		Varied Programs		Suelta la Sopa		Lo Mejor de Caso Cerrado	
UNIV	224 Despierta América!								Amor bravío		Noticiero	Hoy			A Que No Me Dejas		Como Dice el Dicho	
NBCSP	311 Pro Football Talk				The Dan Patrick Show						Varied Programs							
DLC	319 A Baby Story	A Baby Story	A Baby Story		Hoarding: Buried Alive		Trauma: Life in the ER		Untold Stories of the E.R.		Varied Programs							

MONDAY AFTERNOON/EVENING

JANUARY 16, 2017

	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM	12:30
WRCBNBC	3 The Ellen DeGeneres Show		Live at 5:00	Live at 5:30	News	Nightly News	Ent. Tonight	Inside Edition	The New Celebrity Apprentice	"Candy for a Billionaire" (N)		Timeless (N) ♫	News	Tonight Show-J. Fallon		Seth Meyers		
WELFTBN	4 John Hagee	Jewish Jesus	Praise		John Gray	Call2All	Rodriguez	Potters	Praise (N) ♫		Franklin	J. Duplantis	Graham	GregLau	Praise		Joel Osteen	Perry Stone
WTNB	5 Nancy's Neighborhood		WTNB Today		Body	Southern-Fit	Deals Around Town		Around Town		Around Town	Texas Music	Around Town		Around Town		Around Town	
WFLICW	6 Maury ♫		Name Game	Name Game	Millionaire	Millionaire	Family Feud	Family Feud	Wanda Manel All-Star Comedy Gala (N) ♫		Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Hollywood	No-Dentures	Two Men	Two Men		
WNGHPBS	7 Martha Speak	Odd Squad	Wild Kratts	Arthur ♫ (E)	PBS NewsHour (N) ♫		Bombs Away: LBJ		Antiques Roadshow (N)		Antiques Roadshow		A Place to Call Home		Secrets of the Manor House		Genius by Stephen Hawking	
DAYSTAR	8 Mission	Bill Winston	Love a Child	Jewish Voice	Hour of Sal	Creflo Dollar	Manna Fest	John Hagee	Rod Parsley	Joni: Table	Marcus and Joni		J. Duplantis	Ron Carp.	Kenneth W.	K. Copeland	Robison	Enjoying-Life
WTVABC	9 Dr. Phil (N) ♫		News	News	News	World News	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	The Bachelor One-on-one date aboard a Zero G plane. (N)		Big Fan (N)	Big Fan (N)	Big Fan (N)		(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live ♫	(:37) Nightline		
WTCIPBS	10 Odd Squad	Odd Squad	Wild Kratts	Arthur ♫ (E)	World News	Business Rpt.	PBS NewsHour (N) ♫		Antiques Roadshow (N)		Antiques Roadshow		The March ♫		Southern	World News	Charlie Rose (N) ♫	
W																		



FOUR GENERATIONS are represented in this 1967 photo. From left are Carol Chapman Nolen, Pauline Finnell Chapman, Leslie Nolen (holding little brother Brian Nolen) and Elizabeth Finnell. Photo courtesy of Leslie Nolen Bennett.

MARTHA DEAN TROTTER Bennett, Jack and Emogene Trotter and Steve Bennett, front, are shown in this December 1958 photo. Photo courtesy of Leslie Nolen Bennett.



BILL NOLEN is shown at Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco in this December 1957 photo. Photo courtesy of Leslie Nolen Bennett.



ARTHUR M. TROTTER, chief of Police Cleveland, 1930-1948. Arthur was the father of Lillian Trotter Kerr, Jack Trotter, and Martha Trotter Bennett. He was grandfather of Debbie Kerr Hilbert, Regina Trotter Smith, Becky Trotter Hughes, Steven M. Bennett and Beth Bennett Maxwell. Steve later followed in his grandfather's footsteps and was a law enforcement officer at the Cleveland Police Department from 1977-2007.



A **GALLAHER BABY** is dressed up for a photo in this 1920s photo. Photo courtesy of Mikie Gallaher.



IN 1986, Paul Huff Parkway was extended to Georgetown Road. It was part of the land that belonged to Chet Guthrie's great-grandfather. Photo courtesy of Chet Guthrie.



THIS PHOTO shows property near Interstate 75 (background). Now there are several gas stations located at this point. Photo courtesy of Chet Guthrie.

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COUSINS CAROL Chapman Nolen and Shirley Finnell Griffin dress up the pet cat in this May 1957 photo. Photo courtesy of Leslie Nolen Bennett.



DOLORES KILE CLIMER is shown relaxing in a lawn chair. She was about 14 at the time, according to her husband, Claude. Photo courtesy of Claude Climer.



IN 1949, Dolores Kile was the homecoming queen at Bradley High. She later married Claude Climer. They were married 63 years prior to her death in 2015. Photo courtesy of Claude Climer.



THE CLIMER BOYS pose on the steps of the home place. They are, from left, Claude, Lake and Calvin. Photo courtesy of Claude Climer.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN CLIMER celebrated their Golden Anniversary in September of 1968. They were honored by their children with an open house at their home on Benton Pike. Photo courtesy of Claude Climer.



CLAUDE CLIMER was named honorary captain of several "all" area teams in December 1949. He was also named captain of the East and West National High School teams. The Bradley fullback had his leg amputated after a football injury just before Halloween in 1949.



MITCH CLIMER is shown in this June 1962 photo. Photo courtesy of Claude Climer.

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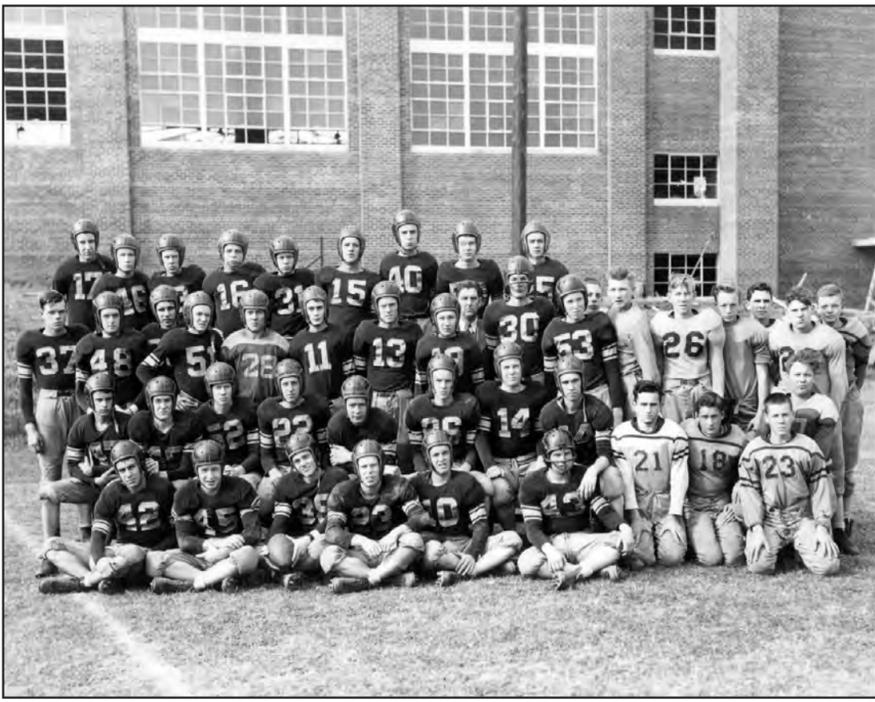
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THIS IS A PHOTO of the 1949 Bears football team. Claude Climer was No. 22 (second row, fourth from left). Climer served as Bradley County clerk for 36 years. Photo courtesy of Claude Climer.



THIS IS A PHOTO of the Climer family home place. Photo courtesy of Claude Climer.



RUBY PARIS GALLAHER is shown in this 1928 Cleveland City Schools photo. Photo courtesy of Mikie Gallaher.



THIS 1920 PHOTO shows Gallaher and Melton family members. Photo courtesy of Mikie Gallaher.

LEGAL PUBLICATION SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on February 7, 2017 on or about 11:00AM local time, at the Bradley County Courthouse, Cleveland, Tennessee, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by AMANDA L EPPERSON AND JEREMY EPPERSON, to FIRST TITLE CORPORATION, Trustee, on December 14, 2006, at Record Book 1709, Page 261-281 as Instrument No. 06024240 in the real property records of Bradley County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee for BNC Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-1

The following real estate located in Bradley County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

BEING PARTS OF LOTS FOUR (4), FIVE (5), AND SIX (6), AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF THE GRACE BURNS TALLENT AND A.C. TALLENT SUBDIVISION, WHICH PLAT IS DULY RECORDED IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF BRADLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 286.

SAID LOTS LIE IN ONE BODY AND ARE MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING IN THE EAST LINE OF MEADOW LANE (FORMERLY CALLED CASON ROAD AND THEREAFTER CALLED BURNS OR BECK ROAD AND MORE RECENTLY CALLED VISTA DRIVE), WHICH POINT IS IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE HEREIN CONVEYED TRACT, WHICH POINT IS ALSO A U.S. HIGHWAY MARKER; THENCE SOUTH 68 DEGREES, 22 FEET EAST 95.9 FEET TO AN IRON POST IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE HEREIN CONVEYED TRACT; THENCE SOUTH 21 DEGREES, 49 FEET WEST, 93 FEET TO AN IRON POST IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE HEREIN CONVEYED TRACT; THENCE NORTH 68 DEGREES, 22 FEET WEST, 100 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE RIGHT OF WAY OF SAID ROAD; THENCE NORTH 21 DEGREES, 40 FEET EAST WITH THE RIGHT OF WAY OF SAID ROAD, 90 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT; THENCE NORTH 56 DEGREES, 36 FEET EAST, 4.1 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING A CONCRETE HIGHWAY MARKER.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JEREMY EPPERSON AND AMANDA L. EPPERSON, BY DEED FROM DAVID W. VAN ORNUM AND JY L. VAN ORNUM, DATED 03/03/00, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 1037, PAGE 1, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF BRADLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS AS SET OUT IN DEED RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 105, PAGE 527 IN THE SAID REGISTER'S OFFICE.

SUBJECT TO ANY GOVERNMENTAL ZONING AND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCES OR REGULATIONS IN EFFECT THEREON.

THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION CONTAINED HEREIN IS THE SAME AS IN THE DEED OF PRIOR TITLE.

THIS PROPERTY IS ALSO KNOWN AS: 125 MEADOW LANE NE, CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE.

MAP & PARCEL #058K-C-027.00

Tax ID: 058K-C-027.00

Current Owner(s) of Property: AMANDA L EPPERSON AND JEREMY EPPERSON

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 125 MEADOW LN SE, CLEVELAND, TN 37323, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: LVNV FUNDING, LLC AND JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-117 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. §67-1-1433.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 14-005667-670

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January 8, 15, 22, 2017



CLAUDE CLIMER watches his first game at Bradley High after being injured in a game between Bradley and Chattanooga Central. The injury resulted in the amputation of his right leg. Photo courtesy of Claude Climer.

LEGAL PUBLICATION

LEGAL PUBLICATION SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

Sale at public auction will be on February 9, 2017 on or about 1:00PM local time. At the Main Entrance, Bradley County Courthouse, 155 North Ocoee Street, Cleveland, TN 37311, conducted by the Substitute Trustee as identified and set forth herein below, pursuant to Deed of Trust executed by TOMMY MCMAHAN AND MELISSA MCMAHAN, to DENNIE R. MARSHALL, Trustee, on October 27, 2008, at Record Book 1869, Page 897-906 as Instrument No. 08016621 in the real property records of Bradley County Register's Office, Tennessee.

Owner of Debt: Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC

The following real estate located in Bradley County, Tennessee, will be sold to the highest call bidder subject to all unpaid taxes, prior liens and encumbrances of record:

LOCATED IN THE FIRST CIVIL DISTRICT OF BRADLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO-WIT:

BEING 10.00 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, SHOWN BY SURVEY OF CHARLES R. BROWN, CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE, TN LICENSE NO. 1552, STYLED "TOMMY MCMAHAN" AND DATED 05/16/95, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS:

BEGINNING AT AN IRON PIN SET IN THE SOUTHEAST LINE OF HUGHES LAKE ROAD AT ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTHEAST LINE OF PROPERTY OF PALMER MCCLURE, BEING THE PROPERTY ACQUIRED IN DEED BOOK 97, PAGE 54; THENCE ALONG THE LINE OF HUGHES LAKE ROAD ON A LEFT-HANDED CURVE AND TRAVELING IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION, DELTA 1 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 37 SECONDS, TANGENT OF 250.00 FEET, A DISTANCE OF 332.36 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE LEAVING THE LINE OF SAID ROAD, SOUTH 67 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST, 1310.15 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE ALONG THE LINE OF BOWATER, SOUTH 23 DEGREES 0 MINUTES WEST, 332.35 FEET TO AN IRON PIN; THENCE ALONG THE LINE OF GEORGE ALLEN MCCLURE AND PALMER MCCLURE, NORTH 67 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 28 SECONDS WEST, 1310.39 FEET TO THE BEGINNING POINT.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO TOMMY MCMAHAN AND WIFE, MELISSA MCMAHAN BY DEED FROM ROGER D. KNIGHT AND WIFE, BRENDA KNIGHT, DATED 05/31/1995 AND RECORDED 06/01/1995, IN BOOK 366, PAGE 740, IN THE REGISTER'S OFFICE OF BRADLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE.

M/P 105-22.07
GR

COMMONLY KNOWN AS:
1535 HUGHES LAKE ROAD, CLEVELAND, TN 37323

Tax ID: M/P 105-22.07

Current Owner(s) of Property:
TOMMY MCMAHAN AND MELISSA MCMAHAN

The street address of the above described property is believed to be 1535 Hughes Lake Road SE, Cleveland, TN 37323, but such address is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

SALE IS SUBJECT TO OCCUPANT(S) RIGHTS IN POSSESSION.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO ADJOURN THE DAY OF THE SALE TO ANOTHER DAY, TIME AND PLACE CERTAIN WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION, UPON ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE SALE SET FORTH ABOVE. THE TRUSTEE/SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCIND THE SALE. IF THE SALE IS SET ASIDE FOR ANY REASON, THE PURCHASER AT THE SALE SHALL BE ENTITLED ONLY TO A RETURN OF THE DEPOSIT PAID. THE PURCHASER SHALL HAVE NO FURTHER RECOURSE AGAINST THE GRANTOR, THE GRANTEE, OR THE TRUSTEE.

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: TENNESSEE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AGENCY - JUNIOR DOT

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

If applicable, the notice requirements of T.C.A. 35-5-117 have been met.

All right of equity of redemption, statutory and otherwise, and homestead are expressly waived in said Deed of Trust, and the title is believed to be good, but the undersigned will sell and convey only as Substitute Trustee.

If the U.S. Department of Treasury/IRS, the State of Tennessee Department of Revenue, or the State of Tennessee Department of Labor or Workforce Development are listed as Interested Parties in the advertisement, then the Notice of this foreclosure is being given to them and the Sale will be subject to the applicable governmental entities' right to redeem the property as required by 26 U.S.C. 7425 and T.C.A. §67-1-1433.

This property is being sold with the express reservation that the sale is subject to confirmation by the lender or trustee. This sale may be rescinded at any time. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MWZM File No. 16-003224-670

MACKIE WOLF ZIENTZ & MANN, P. C., Substitute Trustee(s)
PREMIER BUILDING, SUITE 404
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BILL GALLAHER shows off a fish he caught, in this 1960s photo. Photo courtesy of Mikie Gallaher.



MAGGIE MELTON, left, is shown in this 1930s Cleveland photo. Photo courtesy of Mikie Gallaher.



**LEGAL PUBLICATION
Notice of Sale**

NOTICE OF SALE: Notice that the contents of the following storage units are to be sold and/or otherwise disposed of and will be open for a **CASH ONLY** sale to satisfy owner's lien, at the following RHO-DES STORAGE, LLC facilities:

- 711 Lauderdale Memorial Hwy, Charleston, TN at 12:00pm: Queen, Laressa G094
- 3305 Old Tasso Road NE, Cleveland TN at 1:00pm: Butler Melissa B013

January 15, 2017

**LEGAL PUBLICATION
Notice**

**POLK COUNTY, TOWN OF BENTON,
CITY OF COPPERHILL, AND CITY OF DUCKTOWN
NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE SUIT ON
REAL AND PERSONAL
PROPERTY TAXES FOR YEAR 2015**

You are advised that after February 1, additional penalties and costs will be imposed in consequence of suits to be filed for enforcement of the lien for property taxes for prior tax years; until the filing of such suits, taxes may be paid in our offices.

s/ Gina Burchfiel
Polk County Trustee

s/ Deborah Swigert
City Recorder for Town of Benton

s/ Suzanne Hughes
City Recorder for City of Copperhill

s/ Sheryl Miller
City Clerk for City of Ducktown

January 15, 22, 2017

**LEGAL PUBLICATION
Notice**

It is the duty of your grand jurors to investigate any public offense which they know or have reason to believe has been committed and which is triable or indictable in this county. Any person having knowledge or proof that such an offense has been committed may apply to testify before the Grand Jury subject to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-12-106. The foreperson in this county is presently:

Beverly P. Johnson
P.O. Box 4558
Cleveland, TN 37320-4558

The Grand Jury will next meet on Wednesday, the 18th day of January 2017. You may be prosecuted for perjury for any oral or written statement which you make under oath to the Grand Jury, when you know the statement to be false, and when the statement touches on a matter material to the point in question.

Respectfully,
Gayla H. Miller, Clerk
Circuit, Criminal, General Sessions & Juvenile
Court of Bradley County, Tennessee
January 15, 2017



THIS 1920S Cleveland photo shows Ruby Gallaher and girlfriends. Photo courtesy of Mikie Gallaher.



THIS IS VAUGHN and Bettie Howard's wedding photo in 1955. Photo courtesy of Bettie Howard.



TERRY, RANDY and Mark Howard are shown in this 1964 photo. Photo courtesy of Bettie Howard.



TERRY, RANDY and Mark Howard are shown in this photo. Photo courtesy of Bettie Howard.



THE HOWARD FAMILY includes Vaughn, Bettie, Terry, Randy and Mark. Photo courtesy of Bettie Howard.



VAUGHN AND BETTIE HOWARD celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary.



FLOSSIE AND SHELLEY Gallaher are shown in this 1960s photo. Photo courtesy of Mikie Gallaher.

**LEGAL PUBLICATION
2017 CITY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS MEETING**

Name	Day of Month	Time	Place
Cleveland City Council.....	2nd & 4th Monday of the month.....	1:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m.....	Municipal Building
Cleveland City School Board.....	1st Monday of the month.....	5:30 p.m.	School's Central Office
Animal Shelter Board.....	1st Wednesday of each quarter (January, April, July, October).....	1:00 p.m.....	Municipal Building
Beer Board.....	2nd Tuesday of the month.....	6:00 p.m.....	Municipal Building
Board of Zoning Appeals*.....	2nd Tuesday of the month.....	12:00 noon.....	Municipal Building
Building Bd. of Adjustment & Appeals*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building
Cleveland Housing Authority.....	3rd Monday of the month.....	12:00 noon.....	Housing Authority Office
Economic Development Council*.....	1st Thursday, second month of each quarter (Feb., May, August, Nov).....	4:00 p.m.....	Chamber of Commerce
Health & Education Facilities*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building Annex
Historical Preservation Commission*.....	4th Tuesday of the month.....	5:15 p.m.....	Municipal Building
Housing Bd. of Adjustment & Appeals*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building
Industrial Development Board*.....	3rd Tuesday every other month beginning in February.....	8:15 a.m.....	Chamber of Commerce
Johnston Park Advisory Board*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building Annex
KAB—Board of Directors.....	4th Wednesday of the month.....	4:00 p.m.....	Chamber of Commerce
Leonard Fletcher Park Advisory Board*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building Annex
Library Board.....	4th Tuesday every other month beginning in January.....	4:00 p.m.....	Cleveland Public Library
Mechanical Board*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building
Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)*.....	1st Wednesday every other month beginning in January.....	11:00 a.m.....	Municipal Building
Municipal Airport Authority.....	3rd Friday of the month.....	9:00 a.m.....	Municipal Building
Parks Advisory Board*.....	Meets as needed.....		Municipal Building Annex
Planning Commission*.....	3rd Tuesday of the month.....	6:00 p.m.....	Municipal Building
Plumbing Board*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building
Shade Tree Board.....	4th Tuesday of the month.....	12:00 noon.....	Development Services Annex
Stormwater Regulations Board*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building
Technical Coordinating Committee (MPO)*.....	1st Wednesday every other month beginning in January.....	10:00 a.m.....	Municipal Building
Utility Board.....	4th Thursday of the month.....	3:00 p.m.....	Tom Wheeler Training Center
Vacant Property Review Board*.....	Meet as needed.....		Municipal Building
Wrecker Board.....	3rd Tuesday of each quarter (January, April, July, October).....	4:00 p.m.....	Municipal Building

*Separate legal notices will be published announcing date and time of meeting.



THIS 1966 PHOTO shows Tommy Townsend, CU CHil, Vietnam. Photo courtesy of Tommy Townsend.



CHASSIE DILLARD taught two grades in one classroom. This is the fifth and sixth grade at in 1960. Photo courtesy of Judy McMahan.



THE FIFTH GRADE CLASS at Templeton Hill School in 1959 included, back, Mr. Schultz, Robert Shadrack, David Evans, Paul Armour, front, Larry Armour, Eugne Knox, Helen Almond, Joe Bean, Linda Higdon, Glen Almond, Tommy Brown, Donald Allmond, Tommy Townsend. Photo courtesy of Tommy Townsend.

CARL MCMAHAN and his dog Susie rest on the porch in Athens. Photo courtesy of Judy McMahan.



THE REV. E.E. MCALISTER of Chattanooga was the pastor of Tasso Christian Church in the 1950s. Photo courtesy of Judy McMahan.



THIS PHOTO was taken in 1962 at Black Fox Elementary. Mrs. Kelley was the teacher. Photo courtesy of Tommy Townsend.



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THIS PHOTO was taken in March 1956 at Templeton Hill Elementary. Photo courtesy of Tommy Townsend.



RUTH AND GLENN SNYDER are shown in this 1942 photo. Photo courtesy of Judy McMahan.



RUTH SNYDER and 18-month-old Jackie Snyder stand on the snowy steps of the family home on Broad Street. Photo courtesy of Judy McMahan.



A 25TH ANNIVERSARY celebration was held for Vaughn and Bettie Howard. With them are sons, Terry, Randy and Mark Howard. Photo courtesy of Bettie Howard.



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Contract:
 \$20 per hour with an estimated 10 hours in TEAM evaluations and 13 in COACH evaluations, in addition to ongoing training and support as needed and requested.

The Family Resource Agency Pre-K Teacher Evaluator is a contract consultant position and will provide the following services as outlined in the **general job description:**

- Schedule, coordinate and conduct observations using the Tennessee Educator Acceleration Model (TEAM) for Cleveland City Pre-K Teachers and/or Project COACH model for Bradley County Pre-K Teachers.
- Attend TEAM and COACH training to become a reliable evaluator.
- Use measurements provided in each preferred model of evaluation for each school district.
- Schedule and conduct a pre-conference meeting with TEAM teachers prior to teacher observation.
- Schedule and conduct post-conference meeting with teachers.
- Complete a pacing guide for each teacher observation.
- Build a positive working relationship in an atmosphere of trust and cooperation.
- Provide ongoing training, performance based feedback and support to teaching staff as required by the preferred model of evaluation for each school district.
- Assist teachers with ongoing licensure renewal and advancement.
- Provide training and guidance to teachers on the Early Learning Model (ELM) and portfolio collections and submissions.
- Participate in annual Head Start Program Self-Assessment.
- Attend Family Resource Agency Board Meetings, State Community Pre-K Advisory Council Meetings and other meetings as requested.
- Maintain files of completed observations.
- Submit the following items to the Assistant Director/Child Development Coordinator before all scheduled deadlines:
 - Mileage reimbursement claims.
 - Invoices for observations and training.
 - Training documentation.
 - Feedback reports.
- Attend training and workshops sessions to increase job-related skills and knowledge. Some overnight travel may be required.

Qualifications: Bachelor's Degree or advanced degree in Early Childhood Education. Current or prior Pre-K certification in Tennessee is preferred. A letter of intent must be submitted by February 27, 2017 by 5:00 pm. Please email to: HR@FRATN.COM or FAX to: 423-303-7651 or mail to:

Family Resource Agency, Inc.
 TN Head Start/Pre-K Program
 3680 Michigan Avenue Road, NE
 Cleveland, TN 37323

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PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- High school diploma or equivalent.
- A valid Class "A" Tennessee Driver's License with an "N" endorsement preferred or the ability to obtain.
- Basic computer skills and knowledge of Microsoft Office.
- Ability to cooperate with coworkers and work as a team.
- Must be self-motivated and have good time management skills.
- Must be able to work after regular working hours when needed.
- Mechanically inclined.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Ability to remove and replace manhole covers weighing 150 pounds or more.
- Ability to use jackhammers weighing up to 90 pounds.
- Ability to lift and carry sewer pipes weighing up to 70 pounds.
- Ability to use hand tools including wrenches, shovels, pipe saws, pavement cutting saws, etc.
- Ability to work in extreme weather conditions.
- Ability to operate a motor vehicle.

Qualified applicants interested in applying for this position should submit a resume by Friday, February 3, 2017, to:
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18. Articles For Sale

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49. Apartments For Rent

\$395: LARGE 1 bedroom, 1 bath, hardwood floors, water included.

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\$750: Luxury townhouse, 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath, new paint.

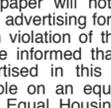
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Answer to Sudoku Puzzle on Page 53

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49. Apartments For Rent

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49. Apartments For Rent

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53. Houses For Rent



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THIS OLD SERTOMA photo was taken in 1977. It shows the new officers of the Sertoma Club. They are, from left, Buddy Kimsey, treasurer; Harry Trewitt, vice president; David Painter, president; Bob George, outgoing president; Joe Kirkpatrick, sergeant-at-arms; and Kim Randolph, secretary. Photo courtesy of Joe Kirkpatrick.



NANA'S HOUSE Day Care Center was blanket with snow during the 1993 blizzard in Cleveland. Photo courtesy of Deloris Millians.

More Remember When photos to appear on Sunday, Jan. 22.



SHARON AND DAVID B. GILBERT JR. are shown on their wedding day, Feb. 3, 1967. Photo courtesy of Amanda Gilbert.



BROTHERS LEN MILLIANS, 14, and Stanley Mllians, 12, are sitting on steps on East 45th St. in Chattanooga. Photo courtesy of Deloris Millians.



THE WEDDING OF Mike Harris and Brenda Ashe is shown. Len Millians was best man and Delores Millians maid of honor. Photo courtesy of Deloris Millians.



THE RICHARD POE family reunion was held at the Oak Grove Ruritan Building. Photo courtesy of Deloris Millians.



THE OLD WATERVILLE Baptist Church on Dalton Pike is shown. Photo courtesy of Deloris Millians.

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