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The members of the Cannon County Rescue Squad are all “thumbs down” on distracted driving.

## Rescue Squad fights distracted driving

The Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc. is partnering with the Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to promote distracted driving awareness. April is nationally recognized as Distracted Driving Awareness Month.

Many public service agencies across the state will be out in enforcement and helping to raise awareness of the public about the dangers of distracted driving. The annual Thumbs Down to Texting and Driving campaign, now in its third year, has been a successful reminder to increase awareness about distracting driving.

### What Is Distracted Driving?

Distracted driving is any activity that diverts attention

from driving, such as talking or texting on your phone, eating and drinking, talking to people in your vehicle, adjusting your radio, or programing your navigation system. Texting is the most alarming distraction. Sending or reading text takes your eyes off the road for 5 seconds or more. At 55 mph, taking your eyes off the road for 5 seconds is like driving the length of an entire football field with your eyes closed.

### Consequences

Texting and driving in Tennessee can result in a \$50 fine for a driver of any age. For young drivers who have Learner's Permits or Intermediate Restricted licenses, cell phone use of any kind while driving is illegal.

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## White oak baskets



Master white oak basketmaker Sue Williams of Morrison and her apprentice Brenda Kucharski will demonstrate their nearly forgotten skills Saturday, April 15 at the Arts Center.

## Makers to display endangered folk art

A master and apprentice team from the Tennessee Arts Commission's Tennessee Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Program will be demonstrating white oak basketmaking in Woodbury on Saturday, April 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Master white oak basketmaker Sue Williams of Morrison and her apprentice Brenda Kucharski have been invited to display and demonstrate their rare and endangered traditional folk craft at the Arts Center of Cannon County.

Cannon and Warren Counties are considered by many folklorists to be the epicenter of this once ubiquitous local traditional art form.

Williams and Kucharski will be demonstrating in the lobby, accompanied by a powerpoint of their

work together and a display of the baskets they have made during the apprenticeship. Attendance to this special Tennessee Folklife demonstration is free and open to the public.

Williams and Kucharski are one of eight teams funded by the Tennessee Arts Commission's Folklife Program to pass down rare and endangered traditional art forms and skills through this year's inaugural Tennessee Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Program.

Williams learned her art from legendary Cannon County basketmakers Estel and Gertie Youngblood and Mary Jane Prater starting in 1985. She has avidly taught, promoted and sharpened her skills in her chosen craft over

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## Safety Day April 22 at fairgrounds

Come visit the Cannon County 2nd annual Public Safety Day Saturday, April 22 in Woodbury.

The event is set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Justin Pemberton Memorial Arena at the Cannon County Fairgrounds. Admission is free.

The first 200 children will receive a special fire prevention and safety gift. The first 20 families will receive a free fire extinguisher and smoke detector.

Planned for the event are  
See SAFETY, Page 9



Work continues to transform the former home of Joe's Place into the new, updated A&J's Diner, which is scheduled to open Wednesday, April 19 on Woodbury's Square.

## Center stays 'Young at Art'

Now in its 27th year, the Arts Center of Cannon County offers creative, entertaining, and educational experiences for students in the Middle Tennessee region.

As part of the "Young at Art" school matinee series, the Arts Center offers three children's shows for both school fieldtrips and for the community at large.

The "Young at Art" school matinee series is designed for home school groups, public schools, and private schools in Cannon County and the 6 surrounding counties. Students on field trips often eat lunch in the Farmer's

Market Pavilion or in Cannon Hall (inside the Arts Center) before or after the performance.

The shows offer educational entertainment that is often associated with literature taught in the classroom, such as last season's shows: "A Year with Frog and Toad", "The Cat in the Hat", and "Elf the Musical Jr."

This series offers a unique opportunity for students to experience live theatre, meet with the cast, and take pictures with their class on the set. In 2016 the Arts Center hosted 7,250 students.

The Student Ticket Sub-

sidy program, grant funding to buy theater tickets, through the TN Arts Commission is available to students of every county. See GRANTS at TNArts-Commission.org. Many of the schools who attend the "Young at Art" series apply for this funding.

The 2017 season started strong with "The Lion King Experience Jr.'s" ten sold out school matinee performances and three sold out public performances. Up next this year is "Lyle the Crocodile" which runs May 4-16.

When Lyle the big green Crocodile turns up in the Primm family's bathtub,

nobody knows quite what to do. Lyle's performing talent soon wins them over so the Primms invite him to stay. This does not make their neighbor, Mr. Grumps, and his equally grumpy cat, very happy.

The musical is based on the book "Lyle, Lyle the Crocodile" and "The house on 88th Street" by Bernard Waber. It was adapted for the stage by Kevin Kling, and music by Richard Gray.

The cast stars the Art Center's very own James Bessant. James started performing on the Arts Center stage at age 13, See CENTER, Page 9

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But that was nothing new  
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And the day before that too  
I think of you in silence  
And often speak your name  
All I have are memories  
And your picture in a frame  
From which I'll never part  
God has you in his arms  
I have you in my heart  
Although I smile and seem carefree  
There is no one who misses you more than me*

Love, your soul mate,  
Mollie

## Buddy Black

Buddy Black, 87, of Woodbury passed away on April 2, 2017. He was born in Rutherford County to James Hillard and Eva Groom Black. He was the second of six sons, preceded in death by three brothers, Wayne Black (MIA Korea) Pete Black, and Denny Black.



Buddy is survived by his wife, Annabel Seward Black; son, James Donald Black; granddaughter, Devon and grandson, Destin; brothers, Sam (Francis) Black and Bobby (Lynn) Black both of Murfreesboro, and a sister-in-law, Gerry Black of Murfreesboro.

Buddy was raised in the Hopewell Presbyterian Church in Milton. He served with the 981st Army Engineers during the Korean War. He retired as a highly respected Chief Deputy Sheriff and Court Officer in Cannon County after 20 years of service.

Buddy's primary passion in life was working with large animals. He showed his first Tennessee Walking Horse at age thirteen. He began training professionally in the mid 1950's. Winning Three-Year-Old Gelding Class at the Celebration in 1957 aboard Go Boy's Jet-A-Way. During his career, he showed Sun's Ace of Spades, The Sire of World Grand Champion, Ace's Sensation, which he owned as a Two-Year-Old. He was the trainer of the 1969 World Grand Champion Walking Pony, Scat Man's Kitty Kat. Other great horses in his stable were Go Boy's Brenda Lee, My Fair Lady, Mysterious Shadow, Handshaker's Princess, Son of Bel Aire, and Society Mack K. In 1965 he presented Triple Threat for sale commanding a bid of \$43,000. The highest priced walking horse ever sold at public auction at the time.

Buddy Black is the name that comes to mind when you hear the term Mule Skinner. He began working mules in the field at age five. His skills developed into training and showing draft mules. Many champion mules passed through his barn. In 1978 he won the Champion Pair Mules at Louisville, KY. There were nine championship classes in the show and he won seven of the nine. Buddy was one of the founding members of the Middle Tennessee Mule Skinners to preserve the heritage of the working mule. For 34 years, he had the honor of being the first wagon in the Columbia Mule Day Parade. He was named the Honorary Grand Marshall of the 2014 Columbia Mule Day Parade. Fittingly enough, Buddy passed away following the weeklong celebration of 2017 Mule Day which he loved so much.

Visitation will be held at Smith Funeral Home on Thursday, April 6, 2017 from 5-8 pm. A visitation will also be held on Friday, April 7, 2017 at the Woodbury First Methodist Church from 9-11 am. Funeral services immediately following with Rev. John Wesley Hembree officiating and Andy Duggin and Winky Groover offering remembrances. Interment will be in Riverside Garden. Active pallbearers will be Jerry Higgins, Grady George, Jr., Joe Young, Bruce Lewis, Jeff Kemp, Travis Kemp, Christian Warner, and David Scott. Honorary pallbearers will be the Members of the Middle Tennessee Mule Skinners Association. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Woodbury First United Methodist Church. Share memories and condolences with the family at [www.smithfuneralhomewoodbury.net](http://www.smithfuneralhomewoodbury.net) Smith Funeral Home, 615-563-5337.

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Woodbury, Tennessee*



## Violet Angela Smith

Violet Angela Smith, age 95, passed away on April 3, 2017 at Community Care of Rutherford County. A Cannon County native, she had been living in Bedford County for the last 7 years. Ms. Smith was preceded in death by her loving husband of 56 years, Orville Smith, and a precious granddaughter, Mary Elizabeth Skillington. She was also preceded in death by sister, Nora Mears; and brothers, Walter Stacy, Robert Stacy, and Thomas Stacy. She is survived by daughters, Barbara (Ray) Holyfield of Palm Coast, FL, and Sheree (Woody) Floyd of Bell Buckle, TN; a sister, Bonnie Stacy of the Midway Community in Cannon County; six grandchildren who she adored, Leigh Skillington, Jan (Steve) Carmichael, Angela Corley, Scott (Jennifer) Hennessee, Brett (Jennifer) Floyd, and Jessica (Doug) Birkofer; and 5 beloved great grandchildren. Ms. Smith's daughter, Sheree, assisted by Paula Poole and Kim Simmons, lovingly cared for her in her later years. Ms. Smith was a hard-working homemaker, a long-time member of Ivy Bluff United Methodist Church in Cannon County and was for many years an active member of the Home Demonstration Club. Her gift was cooking. She grew vegetable gardens and canned and cooked homegrown food for family and friends for 70 years. She also cared for her husband for many years before his death and helped with her mother-in-law, parents, and sister.

Funeral services will be 3 PM Friday, April 7, 2017 in the Chapel of Woodbury Funeral Home with Bro. Danny Freeman & Bro. Neal Glass officiating. Interment will follow at Ivy Bluff Cemetery. Visitation with the family will be from 12 PM until time of service at 3 PM on Friday, April 7, 2017.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Ivy Bluff United Methodist Church.

Woodbury Funeral Home, 615-563-2311, [www.woodburyfuneralhome.net](http://www.woodburyfuneralhome.net)

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Woodbury, Tennessee*

## Meriam J Smithson

Meriam J Smithson, 79, passed away Monday, April 3, 2017 at Woodbury Health and Rehab. She was a native of Cannon Co.

She is survived by her son, Ken Smithson of Woodbury; Grandson, Jake Smithson of Woodbury; Brother, Hobert & Betty Smithson of Paris, IL.; Niece, Conchita Watts of Murfreesboro; Nephews, Mark Smithson of Milton, Stacy Smithson of Columbia, SC, Brett Smithson of Neosho, MO. And Monte Patterson of Murfreesboro; Special Friends who met once a month for lunch, Bess Finley, Louise Smithson, Shirley Montgomery, Fay Elam and Pat Fann.

Ms. Smithson was preceded in death by her parents, Milton B. & Irene Williams Smithson; her husband, Wiley Smithson; brothers, Wilburn & Clyde Smithson and sister, Vivian Patterson.

Meriam was a member of the Iconium Church of Christ and was a bookkeeper at Bank of Commerce, Bank of Cannon Co. and Woodbury Builders Supply. She also worked in the Cannon Co. Trustee's office.

Graveside Services will be 11 am Thursday, April 6, 2017 at Iconium Cemetery with Bro. Bob Deason officiating. Visitation with the family will be from 4:00 to 8:00 PM Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at Woodbury Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Iconium Cemetery Fund.

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## Mazle Duggin Campbell

Mrs. Mazle Duggin Campbell, age 92, of the Wheel Community of Bedford County, died Saturday evening, April 1, 2017 in Shelbyville, Tennessee. A native of Cannon County, she was a daughter of the late Houston and Gertie Davenport Duggin. Mrs. Campbell was also preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Sam Dudley Campbell, Sr., who died in 2012, two sisters and three brothers.

A graduate of Woodbury High School, Mrs. Campbell worked as a sheet metal mechanic at Kingman, Arizona Army Air Field during World War II. She later received her Bachelor's and Master's Degree in education from Middle Tennessee State College. Her 35 year teaching career began in Dalton, Georgia before teaching first grade at Southside Elementary in Shelbyville for 28 years. She was a member of Shelbyville First United Methodist Church, teaching the Kindergarten Sunday School Class for many years.

Mrs. Campbell is survived by a sister, Elizabeth Davenport, Guntersville, AL; two step-sons, John (Sarah) Campbell, Lewisburg, TN, Sam (Regina) Campbell, Jr., Wheel Community.; granddaughter, Mary Campbell (Michael) Batson; grandson, Sam Riley Campbell; several nieces and nephews

Family members will receive friends on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. at Doak-Howell Funeral Home, Shelbyville, TN. Visitation with the family will also be on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 from 10:00 am until 11:00 am at Shelbyville First United Methodist Church, 122 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN.. Funeral services will follow at 11:00 am on Wednesday at Shelbyville First United Methodist Church, with burial to follow at 2:30 pm at Riverside Cemetery in Woodbury, TN.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Shelbyville First United Methodist Church, 122 Public Square, Shelbyville, TN 37160 or to the Southside School Library, 903 South Cannon Blvd, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

The family wishes to extend their sincere appreciation to the staff of Hearts Remembers and Alive Hospice for their compassion and care.

LAWRENCE FUNERAL HOME and CREMATION SERVICES, Chapel Hill, TN, 931-364-2233 ([www.lawrencefuneral.net](http://www.lawrencefuneral.net)) in charge of arrangements.

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Woodbury, Tennessee*



## Anita Simmons Milligan

Anita Simmons Milligan, 67, passed away Wednesday, April 5, 2017 in Rutherford Co. following a sudden illness. She was a native of Cannon Co.

She is survived by her brother, Mike "Finnie" Simmons of Readyville.

Ms. Milligan was preceded in death by her parents, Frank & Emma Nell Davenport Simmons and her daughter, Kristy Milligan.

Anita was a member of the North Blvd. Church of Christ and was retired from the Tupperware Corp. where she worked as an office assistant.

Funeral Services will be 11am Saturday, April 8, 2017 in the Chapel of Woodbury Funeral Home with Bro. Tony Holt and Bro. Glen Robb officiating. Interment will follow in the Riverside Gardens cemetery. Visitation with the family will be after 10 am Friday, April 7, 2017.

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# Today's Chat

with Savannah



C'mon and give us a HIGH PAW if you're an animal lover!! Who needs a therapist? Get a DOG. Love is a four-legged word leaving paw prints on your heart. It is said that until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened.

Everyone thinks they have the BEST dog and NONE of them are wrong!

Our dog's name is MAX. He has faithfully grown old with us. He has face of gray and the heart of gold. It has always been the ritual that HE must approve ALL our guests... so, pardon the SNIFF TEST. Through these TESTS we have found that the more we know about people, the more we like our DOG! Our most trusted confidant of unconditional love. Your dog will be happier to see YOU more than any other person ever will.

They have a SENSE OF TIME and really DO miss you when you are gone too long. I was in the hospital for such a long time... JD would come home everyday from visiting me and Max would go over to the passenger door hoping I was finally home.

When the day came that Momma arrived, Max was sooo happy, HE hid my car keys so I could NEVER leave again. Dogs DO speak...one only needs to know how to listen.

Every crumb you bake... every walk you take...the dog will be watching you.

Dogs are great PROTECTORS. Uncle Festus posted a dog warning sign that reads: I can make it to the fence in 3.5 seconds....can You?

# TALK TO THE PAW!!

Exercise...I thought you said EXTRA FRIES!!

Aunt Martha's dog, Missy, gets blamed for whenever Martha passes gas. Well, the DOG fixed HER ...the next time her house was full of company the dog passed a good one (super fart) right next to Aunt Martha and quickly left the room. (If there has ever been a giggling dog...Missy was it..).

Uncle Pete took his dog, Peepers, to a Flea Market and she stole the show.

Cowboy Clem bought a dashound. He wanted to get-a-LONG-little-doggy.

There are dogs on motorcycles, surfboards and even doggies all dressed up in doll clothes in baby strollers.

HEY..HEY..You Dog..that's NO fire hydrant...that's MY WIFE...!

Since dogs don't like it when you blow in their face..then please explain why they love sticking their heads out the car window?!

Hey, here's something: Did you know that dogs prefer to POOP in alignment with the earth's magnetic field? (Well, in that case MY yard has to be the most MAGNETIC in the neighborhood!)

Uncle Festus got a hunting dog for his wife...it was the best trade he ever made! It has quite an appetite. He's afraid to tell Martha that she doesn't have her hamster anymore. Usually a hunting dog is huge and hairy..but this one is small, white and furry....resembling a mashed potato.

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**10:30 AM – Morning Worship**  
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## Courier Editor

# April storms kindle memories from ‘74

In wake of the recent storms that ripped through Cannon and surrounding counties the last few week, I can’t help but recall the so-called Super Outbreak of April 1974.

That series of storms, which occurred 43 years ago, stands as the most violent tornado outbreak ever recorded in the United States. From April 3 to April 4, 1974, there were 148 tornadoes confirmed in 13 U.S. states. Twisters were reported in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia and New York. At one point, as many as 15 separate tornadoes were ongoing at the same time.

The 1974 Super Outbreak remains one of the most outstanding severe convective weather episodes of record in the continental United States. Hardest hit was Xenia, Ohio, with much of the town destroyed and 32 people killed.

These storms are particularly memorable to me because they destroyed the home of my aunt and uncle, Jack and Ruth Pugh near Gassaway. I will never forget how their farm looked after the storm and how strangers rallied to help them rebuild.

Here’s report from the April 11 edition of the Cannon Courier:

Several small tornadoes accompanied by torrential rains ripped a path of destruction through Cannon County early Wednesday night, April 3 leaving damage to many farms and homes.

Mrs. Buster Chapman was killed when the tornado struck her mobile home in the Sycamore community. The Chapman children, Sandra and David, were rushed to Good Samaritan Hospital and later transferred to

Rutherford Hospital after receiving numerous injuries in the storm. The Chapman home was completely destroyed.

Electric power in some sections of the county was interrupted due to falling trees and limbs. Maintenance crews for Middle Tennessee Electric Corp. and DeKalb Telephone Corp. were busy Thursday, restoring power and phones to many homes.

Destruction covered a wide area in the county. In the West Side community, the barns of Johnny Sauls and Mrs. Tommy Moore were destroyed.

Hardest hit section of the county was the Gassaway community. Roofs were blown off many homes and barns. Trees were uprooted and shredded by the high winds. Cars and trucks were overturned and received heavy damage.

The home and contents of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pugh, just outside Gassaway was completely destroyed. As the tornado swept across the Pugh farm a barn and upright silo were also destroyed. A truck parked near the silo received heavy damage along with other farm machinery. Bales of hay were scattered over a wide section of the farm. The Pugh family escaped serious injury by taking shelter in a storm cellar. Various reports indicate that two tornadoes struck the farm.

The tornado then moved into the Dowelltown community of DeKalb County where extensive damage was reported to many homes and businesses.



My Take  
 MIKE WEST

## Courier Columnist

# Hometown newspapers don’t offer ‘fake news’

Too much TV can be bad for your noggin.

There I was the other evening, minding my own business, nursing the crud, when some paid idiot on television blared out: “Elvis is not dead. That’s not his body in the grave at Graceland.”

Thus, we have another media-born ‘conspiracy.’

One talking head credited a man dying with cancer had agreed to go in the casket in place of Elvis.

Similar conspiracies bubbled up after New Years Day, 1953, when it was confirmed Grand Ole Opry Super Star Hank Williams Sr. had died in a car en route to perform in Ohio.

“It’s eerie now in the 1990s, that folks still believe Hank is still alive,” confirmed the late Hillous Buttrum, a member of The Drifting Cowboys’ band in 1953, in an exclusive interview he gave this newspaper reporter!

Elvis’ death back on Aug. 16, 1977 is one of those events you know where you were standing or sitting when news of his death came over the radio.

I was helping ‘make up’ page 3 in the Carthage Courier newspaper the afternoon of Aug. 16, 1977, along with editor Murphy Fair and Publisher Hershel Lake, when news broke King Elvis had died.

Same is true for Hank Williams. I was slopping the hogs out at the barn when Momma Whittle hollered from our farm house: “Hank Williams died this morning.”

I was chopping weeds in a soybean field back home in the Bootheel farming country of Southeast Missouri when we learned Patsy Cline had perished March 5, 1963 in a field across the Mississippi River near Camden, TN.

President John F. Kennedy’s assassination in Dallas is the most infamous milestone day where most Americans know where they were standing when Walter Cronkite lost composure on CBS Network.

The conspiracy theories that assassination launched are still spread as ‘fact’ around the globe.

I was pulling into a parking space at the Holiday Inn in Poplar Bluff, MO, when a news bulletin confirmed Martin Luther King had been gunned down on April 4, 1968 at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis.

Cannon Courier colleague Mike Vinson was the last journalist to interview James Earl Ray.

After that interview and multiple

interviews with James Earl Ray’s brother in McMinnville, TN., columnist Vinson is penning a movie script there was a conspiracy of people, instead of James Earl Ray involved in the death of Mr. King. Ray died on April 28, 1998 recanting his confession to his grave he had not fired the rifle that killed Dr. King.

The Rev. Dwight Faircloth, a promoter of gospel music in Middle Tennessee, was a ticket agent for Piedmont Airlines at Nashville International Airport the day Elvis died. He especially remembers where he was standing the day King Elvis died, which happened on Momma Whittle’s birthday.

“We had one flight scheduled that afternoon to Memphis,” Faircloth recalled. “When the news broke that Elvis had died, that flight was over-booked almost instantly ... and when the plane landed at Memphis, folks at that airport called, wanting to know where was the luggage. We told them: ‘There is no luggage. Folks just wanted to get on the plane to get to Memphis to be near Elvis and the family.’”

As a bona fide dyed-in-the-wool newspaper writer/devotee, it’s my belief that 24/7 round-the-clock cable news networks and hundreds of cable channels have been bad for real journalism and great for fake news. The need for news feeds never ends, thus they slap anything on the air to fill time slots now. Need evidence? Why do you think the news types in New York, Washington and Los Angeles now interview each other, as opposed to going out and gathering the facts? It’s destroyed the art of presenting new facts and letting the public make their own decision about what is real and what is fake news.

I’m like actor Jack Webb, the old detective on the television series “Dragnet” back in the 1960s: “Just the facts!”

Give me my hometown newspaper and “just the facts” please.



Words of Wisdom  
 DAN WHITTLE

## Courier Columnist

# How emoji are used

Fake news, alternative facts and Russian infiltration! I think it’s time for a break. So let’s deal with something really important: like how emoji are being used around the world.

One of the problems we have always had with e-mail is how to convey emotions. True, there are a few keyboard emoticons that can illustrate a small range of sentiments, but tens-of-thousands of emoji run the gamut of emotions, feelings, moods and attitudes.

So, here’s a surprising bit of information: more than 6-billion of the little cartoons are sent each day, and the greatest difference in users isn’t based on age. It’s based on gender. A recent report found 92 percent of the on-line population uses emoji. Specifically, 78 percent of women, but only 60 percent of men use the little pictures.

The report also found the main reason people use emoji are to help message recipients understand what the sender is trying to say.

But despite the emoji available on public and private sites, nearly a third of people surveyed said there is a need for more of

the little icons, particularly images dealing with sports, politics and current events.

For better or worse, the use of emoji is also a topic of serious, and not so serious, scientific research.

I recently found dozens of web sites asking users to choose their favorite emoji, when it is or is not appropriate to use an emoji, and how people interpret what the sender of a message is trying to say through the emoji.

But guess what: emoji aren’t all that new. I remember from years ago filling out a form in my doctor’s office with rows of smiley and frowny faces asking me how I was feeling that day.

And by the way, the word “emoji” comes from Japanese words for “picture” and “character,” and has no linguistic connection with the English



Media Matters  
 LARRY BURRISS



# Is it Time Your Baby Saw a Chiropractor?

The above headline comes from a November 11, 2011 article in Essential Baby, an Australian publication that claims it is, “the largest online parenting community in Australia providing information and resources for conception, pregnancy, birth, baby, toddler, kids, parenting and women’s lifestyle.”

This article, written by Rebecca Martin starts off with her recalling the birth of her baby by saying, “After a long arduous labor requiring a suction cap to help my large first-born out, among the torrent of advice received was one unusual tidbit: ‘If he gets colicky, try taking him to a baby chiropractor’.”

Initially, Rebecca thought this advice was absurd, but when her colicky baby would not respond to every other remedy she tried, she started asking about a chiropractor for her baby. To her surprise she realized that many people were using chiropractors for their children. She reported, “Everyone, it seems, was doing it. All my more experienced mum-friends had one they could recommend. The child-health nurse, my GP and even the pediatrician who treated my son’s severe reflux, gave them the thumbs up.”



from the desk of  
**Dr. Trea Wessel**

The article notes that when babies are adjusted there are no “bones cracked” as they called it. Many adjustments involve finger pressure on areas of the spine to have an effect on the nervous system. Dr Simon Floreani of the Chiropractors Association of Australia explained, “In the last decade there has been a lot more instrumentation used in the birth process, so babies get sprained and strained,” he says. “Chiropractic can help reverse the structural or mechanical injury of birth, and also help the nervous system to develop and construct normally. In infants, the biggest part the nervous system [affects]

is sleeping, eating and pooing. Colic is a digestive thing, so if we can help ease the movement of milk through the bowel, we can help colic.”

The article also interviewed a chiropractic detractor who questioned research about chiropractic helping babies. To this Dr. Floreani responded with, “It’s difficult to get permission to do studies or trials on infants without getting caught up in a lot of ethics and issues.” He noted that medicine has tried to take the power away from mothers, and the best proof was that mothers are willing to pay for the care themselves. “Medicine can disempower you to say you know what’s right for your child. The fact that parents are paying out of their own pocket to [go to chiropractors] is more evidence than the best trials in the world.”

“For more information please contact:

**Cannon County Chiropractic**  
824 McMinnville Hwy.  
Woodbury, TN 37190  
615-563-3320

## Eastside Tigers Announce GRRRROWLING GOOD GRADES!

Principal’s List: Elaina Turner, Whitman Walls, Lillie Hunter. Honor Roll: Andrew Alexander, Riley Melton. Perfect Attendance: Andrew Alexander, Lillie Hunter. Most Improved: Dakota Wimberly.

Mrs. Karen Cook’s Second Grade – Principal’s List: Lilly Allen. Honor Roll: Amera Smith, Jacob Pirtle, Amber Ivanowski, Kennedi Higgins. Perfect Attendance: Kennedi Higgins, Jacob Pirtle. Most Improved: Mackenzie McCurry.

Mrs. Connie Phillips’ Third Grade – Principal’s List: Laney Mullinax, Mason Thurman, Laila Underwood. Honor Roll: Ayden Dollar, Emily Manus, Gage Nokes, Drayden Peebles, Wyatt Valentino. Perfect Attendance: Ayden Dollar,

Matthew Sullivan. Most Improved: Emily Manus.

Ms. Samantha Young’s Fourth Grade – Principal’s List: Sadey Grizzle, Olivia Moss, Kurstin Warrick. Honor Roll: Lillian Davenport, Slade Grizzle, Denver Jones, Connor Napier. Perfect Attendance: Lillian Davenport, Jack Grant, Sadey Grizzle, Slade Grizzle. Most Improved: Jack Grant.

Mrs. Brad Underwood’s Fifth Grade – Principal’s List: Emma Muncey. Honor Roll: Logan Gentry, Jeremy Earls, Allie Skimehorn, Callie Vance. Perfect Attendance: Tristen Barber, Austin Johnson, Sawyer Parton. Most Improved: Jeremy Earls.

Mrs. Connie Foster’s Sixth Grade –

Principal’s List: Katie Davis. Honor Roll: Jada Luurs. Perfect Attendance: Katie Davis. Most Improved: Katie Davis.

Mrs. Amy Underwood’s Seventh Grade – Honor Roll: Braxten Alexander, Ashley Mooneyham, Cathan Cecil, Katlyn Prater, Emma Richardson. Perfect Attendance: Braxten Alexander, Ashley Mooneyham, Dallas Roller, Haylee Williams. Most Improved: Slade Knight.

Mrs. Jackie Burger’s Eighth Grade – Principal’s List: Stella Brown, Christian Davis. Honor Roll: Eli Cantrell, Emalee Rogers. Perfect Attendance: Stella Brown, Christian Davis, Hunter Davis, Caden Duke, Cheyanne Moss. Most Improved: Leah Hall.

## AARP Defensive Driving Course at Senior Center

The Cannon County Senior Center is offering their first defensive driving class of 2017 to their community on April 17 & 18th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. each day.

The class will identify effective driving fundamentals and ways you can enjoy your driving experience. The class will investigate the many changes you go through during your live and how these changes affect your driving abilities. You will review new and existing driving laws in the State of TN and ways to increase your driving longevity. By the end of the class, you’ll be able to evaluate

your driving skills and determine whether you should continue to drive your vehicle.

The cost of this informative class is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Upon the completion of this two day class, you will be eligible for a three year deduction on your driver insurance policy.

The class is open to the entire community and begins at 1 p.m. each day. Call the center at 615-563-5304 or stop by the center at 609 Lehman. Don’t miss this informative class. Bob Paredes will instruct the class.

## ONLINE AUCTION



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**COLLECTABLES:** #13 blue Ball jar, several crocks, blue butter crock with lid & bail, old Coca-Cola items, 100's of 1940's postcards, several powder horns & flask, old cigar boxes, old oil cans & buckets, steel traps, large collection of old & unusual horse & mule bits, wooden boxes, old & unusual scales, milk bottles, misc. collectables, display box, old signs, wash tubs, retro kitchen stool & table, cabinets, trunks, lard stands, clocks, lamps, misc. walking horse memorabilia, foot lockers, books, Fostoria, Depression, Carnival, Fenton & pressed glassware, butter bowls, cookie jars, coffee grinder, nest of bowls, glass baskets, hen on nest, china, Corningware, vase, kerosene lamps, everyday dishes, pots & pans  
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**DIRECTIONS:** From Murfreesboro, take Hwy. 96 East to West Main St. in Auburntown.  
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# Wage survey planned

MTSU's Business and Economic Research Center will conduct a wage and benefit survey for industries located in rural areas of Middle Tennessee in hopes of equipping economic development officials with valuable data that can be used to recruit new industry to the 41-county survey area.

BERC will administer the survey through a partnership with the Middle Tennessee Industrial Development Association, which is using a \$45,000 rural business development grant from the USDA's Rural Development Office.

BERC Director Murat Arik noted nearly half of the counties in the survey are considered to be "economically distressed" and have unemployment rates at least 1 percentage point above the national average. One in four adults in those counties have less than a high school education, he said.

The 90-minute survey will capture data such as business demographics, pay practices and employee benefits.

For more information, call 615-898-2610, email [berc@mtsu.edu](mailto:berc@mtsu.edu) or visit <http://www.mtsu.edu/berc/>.

## A Shot of Wry

LARRY WOODY



# Nude Privates go public

As I follow the evolving scandal about photos of nude female Marines being posted on the internet, I have just one question:

How do I find that website?

I'm kidding. I have no desire to stare at photos of female Gomer Pyles in their birthday suits, wearing nothing but a smile and combat boots.

My REAL question is, what were the Marine maidens thinking when they got naked and allowed someone to take their picture?

In this day and time, they should have known it was only a matter of time until the photos made their way to the internet and other social media.

I have no sympathy for the exposed Privates.

They were issued uniforms when they joined up. Wear them. Problem solved.

I feel the same way about Hollywood celebrities who express shock and outrage over their "personal" photos being released..."Personal" meaning "butt-naked."

I suspect in some cases it's done on purpose -- a publicity stunt to try to get attention. Otherwise why would a young lady with a brain any bigger than a fruit fly's strip naked and let somebody snap photos of her? Does she think they're for the family album, to show Aunt Gladys at Thanksgiving?

Starlet: "And here's another picture of me, naked as a jaybird, washing dishes ..."

Aunt Gladys: "Hope that hot water doesn't wrinkle your, uh, hands."

I don't recall incidents like this when I was growing up. The only "risque photos" I recall seeing were in pilfered Playboy magazines. (Throughout my teen-aged

years I assumed all comely young ladies had staples in their belly buttons, like Miss January.)

Later on I served a hitch in the Army, and not once did I yearn to see a fellow solider striking a sultry pose on a bear-skin rug in front of a fireplace. Taking a shower in the barracks was bad enough.

Of course back then we didn't have lady soldiers, at least not in the combat infantry outfit I was in, so we didn't face the same temptations as today's guy soldiers. I suppose it's easier to suppress wicked thoughts about Forrest Gump than about Kate Upton in fatigues.

My old pal Lewis Gizzard used to say there are two types of nudity:

"Naked" means you have no clothes on.

"Nekkid" means you have no clothes on and are up to something.

When a young lady takes off her clothes and poses for a photographer, she's definitely "nekkid."

I suppose being nekkid and naive doesn't excuse some jerk posting the lady's personal photos on the internet, and the Marine Core commandant says it won't be tolerated. As soon as he gets this darn North Korean nuclear-war-threat thingy under control he'll deal with the naked-soldier crisis.

(I bet he longs for the good old days, when all a Marine commander had to worry about was storming Iwo Jima.)

Meanwhile all the peeved Privates should remain patient and keep their pants on.

If they'd done that to start with, they wouldn't be in this mess.

## Silver & Gold Brass Quintet to Perform at Simmons Chapel in Cannon County



L-R Kenny Kominos (trumpet), Charles Moore (French horn), Mike Chilcutt (euphonium), Jim Sabia (trombone), Bob Simonds (trumpet)



Randy Walton & Donna DeLand

The Silver & Gold Brass Quintet is a new addition to the Silver & Gold Band from McMinnville, TN. Violinist Randy Walton and pianist Donna DeLand will also perform Easter Resurrection music. Join them as they celebrate our Lord and Savior at Simmons Chapel, Hollow Springs Rd on Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 7PM. Refreshments after the performance.



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# Doctors call for improvements in fed healthcare regulations

Tennessee's largest professional organization for doctors is calling for significant improvements to federal healthcare regulations that it says would improve healthcare in Tennessee and across the U.S.

In a letter sent to Tom Price, MD, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Tennessee Medical Association outlines a list of existing regulations and interpretative guidelines that result in daily administrative hassles for physicians and medical practices and negatively affect the delivery of care to Medicare and Medicaid patients.

"We have heard from doctors and medical office professionals on the front lines of practice every day how burdensome, unnecessary federal regulations rob time from patient care. Now that a physician with extensive medical practice and health policy-making experience occupies the HHS office, we have an opportunity to shift the

focus toward what is best for patients instead of what benefits health plans, government bureaucracies, and third parties who never see a patient," said Keith G. Anderson, MD, a Memphis cardiologist and TMA President.

In its correspondence to Secretary Price, TMA details a range of items that it says either need to be repealed or amended and urges the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to take suggested actions. Among those listed as high priority:

Allow physicians to privately contract with Medicare patients for medical services of their choice with no penalties.

Ease the regulatory burden of Exclusion Database checks by requiring checks only for new hires, or at least reducing the frequency of required checks.

Institute protections for patients that allow their established primary care physician to conduct – and bill for – the Medicare annual wellness visit even

if the patient has received a screening from another, less familiar source.

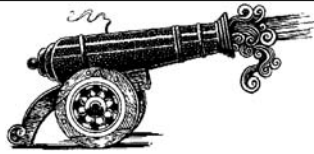
Use the Medicare program as the model of network adequacy protection for beneficiaries by reducing the ability of health insurance carriers to utilize narrow networks.

Hold the Medicare Recovery Audit Contractors (RACs) more accountable with financial penalties for poor performance and incentivizing RACs to identify underpayments made to physicians during the audit process.

Discontinue using pain management satisfaction surveys for payment; record only for hospital internal use. Related incentives have inadvertently contributed to the prescription drug abuse epidemic in Tennessee and across the U.S.

Provide funding to support and/or regulatory relief when physicians treat patients requiring language or sign interpretation.





# THE CANNON BLAST

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## RABIES CLINICS 2017 CANNON COUNTY

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(CASH OR CHECK ONLY)

Per animal for one year

Saturday, April 8, 2017 (Dr. Lewanda Lance-Jordan)

Auburntown School ..... 8:30 - 9:00 am

Gassaway Store ..... 9:30 - 10:00 am

Short Mountain School... ..... 10:15 - 10:45 am

Eastside School... ..... : ..... 11:00-11:30 am

Pleasant View ..... 11:45 -NOON

Saturday, April 8, 2017 (Dr. Gayle Tate)

West Side School. .... 8:30 -9:00 am

Bradyville (Church of Christ) ..... 9:15 - 9:45 am

Ivy Bluff (Methodist Church) ..... 10:15 -10:30 am

Woodland School... ..... 10:45 -11:15 am

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Cannon Co. Courthouse ..... 8:30-9:30 am (Dr. Lewanda Lance-Jordan)

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Sunny Slope Church ..... 8:30-9:30 am (Dr. Gayle Tate)

**\*After clinic dates, call your Cannon County Veterinarians who will honor this reduced price ALL during the month of April. -Stop by or call your veterinarians office for more details.**

CANNON CO. ANIMAL CLINIC- DR. GAYLE TATE (615) 563-4022

WOODBURY VET HOSPITAL- DR. LEWANDA LANCE-JORDAN (615) 563-8387

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## Solid Waste Department announces new hours

Due to budget cuts imposed by the Cannon County Commission, the Solid Waste Department must reduce some services extended to the public. Starting Monday November 21st, the Cannon County Convenience Center will have new hours of operation.

Sunday-Closed

Monday-7A-5P

Tuesday-7A-5P

Wednesday-Closed

Thursday-9A-7P

Friday-9A-7P

Saturday 7A-5P

Only household waste will be accepted at the Convenience Center. There will no longer be any building materials accepted or cardboard pickup provided. Please make note of any changes.

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## Alcoholics Anonymous

If you drink alot that's your business. If you want to stop that's ours.

Meetings are on Sunday morning at 9 a.m. at Stones River Hospital Cafeteria. Sunday evening and Wednesday evening meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

Call 615-653-7914.

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## Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery from hurts, habits and hang-ups meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church.

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## Flags for Sale

The American Legion Post 279 in Woodbury is selling flags and accessories. The monies raised from the sale of these flags goes 100% back to our Community, our Youth and our Veterans, in Cannon County. This is an on-going project. We have available an assortment of all sizes and all types of flags - United States Flags, State Flags, Military Service Flags; and all sizes of flag poles.

The United States Flag 3'x 5' nylon is \$25 (best price anywhere). This is our most popular flag. The United States Flag 4"x 6" is .50 each or \$5 a dozen for special occasions. The military services/branches flags are \$30 each. For that special display. We can get you any State Flag, different size flags and different size flag poles, (small house flag poles to large business flag poles.) WE ALSO HAVE INDOOR FLAG SETS. FLAGS FOR ALL OCASSIONS. If you need to make a special order, call and we have a catalogue available to make your selections. CONTACT A MEMBER OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 279 OR CALL CHARLIE HARRELL 615-542-1289, OR JIM STONE 615-563-6111, OR BRENT BUSH 615-563-2691, OR BRITT KNOX 615-904-5644, OR PENNY DANIELS 615-563-6729.

We will be glad to take your order, deliver your order, and all with a smile and a big thank you, for Supporting the American Legion Post 279, AND OUR YOUTH, OUR COMMUNITY, AND OUR VETERANS, OF CANNON COUNTY.

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## Clearfork United Methodist Church

1721 Big Hill Road, Gassaway

Clearfork Methodist will begin its monthly dinners on Saturday, January 7. Suppers will be once a month on the first Saturday with hours 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. The menu features catfish or chicken tenders with choice of pinto, white or green beans, hush puppies, cabbage slaw or veggie salad, french fries, homemade desserts and drink. Carry out dinners are available by calling 615-563-1415.

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## Preserve our Area's Rural Qualities

PARQ (Preserve our Area's Rural Qualities) has scheduled the quarterly meeting for Thursday April 13, 2017 at 7 p.m.. Location of the meeting is 3632 Locke Creek Road, Readyville TN 37149. (Please note that this is a change of date.) Please call any of the phone numbers or check our website (<http://www.parq.org>) as the date approaches. The election of officers and open positions on the Board of Directors will take place at this meeting. Come and hear what is going on in your community or inform us of one of your interests or concerns! If you are would like to attend, please call to confirm time, place. 563-2200, 563-8088 or 409-6009. More information about PARQ and upcoming meetings can be found at <http://www.PARQ.org>.

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## Cannon County Republican Party

will meet on Mondays at 6PM on

May 1st, June 5th

at the Cannon County Courthouse

THE REAGAN DAY DINNER

with guest speaker MARSHA BLACKBURN

scheduled for June 23rd

will be discussed along with other topics of interest

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## Silver and Gold

Thursday, April 13

The Silver and Gold Brass Quintet is an addition to the Silver and Gold Band from McMinnville. They will perform at Simmons Chapel on Hollow Springs Road in Cannon County on Thursday, April 13 at 7 p.m. Join them as they celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Refreshments after the performance.

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## Commodity Distribution

The Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency (UCHRA) will hold a commodities distribution for Cannon County, Thursday, April 13, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Cannon County Community Center located at the Fairgrounds.

Everyone must present a valid UCHRA commodity card in order to receive commodities. To sign up or reprint lost commodities cards contact your local UCHRA office.

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## Annual Princess Ball

Friday April 14—10th Annual Princess Ball presented by the Woodbury Lions Club will be held at the Senior Center beginning at 6 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. A father/father figure & daughter dance—enjoy Food-Music-Dance Lessons—DJ and Fun. \$25 per couple—\$10 per each additional girl. Contact

Korie Loftus at 615-542-6970 or Carolyn Motley at 615-563-2222 for further information.

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## 4th Annual James Stembridge & Friends Open Jam

Saturday, April 15 at 11 a.m.

Come all musicans! All acoustic instruments. Bluegrass-country-gospel. Bring your instrument and chair and come join in for a day of music with fun for the whole family on the Square in Woodbury. Call 615-542-8035.

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## Defensive Driving Class

April 17-18

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## Friends of Adams Memorial Library

### Toast and Dinner

Thursday, April 20 at 7 p.m.

Dr. and Mrs. J.F. Adams will be toasted by members of the Adams Family and Friends at Cannon County High School. Reservations must be made by Friday, April 14.

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## Cannon County Senior Center

### Music Night

Friday, April 21

Ronnie Crownover and the Silver Creek Band will perform. Doors open at 6 p.m. with \$5 admission.

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## CRUISE-IN ON THE SQUARE

Saturday, April 22, 2017

4 to 7:30 PM

Enjoy—Dj Music—Trivia Contests—50/50 Drawing

Moonlite Drive-in Tickets—Door Prizes & More

All Cars & Trucks Welcome

Contact John Barker at 615-542-4065 or Carolyn at 616-563-2222

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## Pocahontas Community Yard Sale

Saturday, April 29

The Pocahontas Community center, near Ivy Bluff, will be holding a community yard sale and craft fair on Saturday April, 29th, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Vendor spaces are still available. Spaces are 20' x 20' and are just \$15.00. For directions or to reserve a space call John at, 931-588-1229.

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## Spring Wagon Train Ride

May 10th-11th-12th—The Middle Tn Mule Skinners Assoc. presents their Spring

Wagon Train Ride—meet at the fair grounds in Woodbury at 9 am each

morning and travel a different route through Cannon County each day, overnight camping allowed. Contact wagon master Grady George Jr. at 615-849-6867 for information.

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## Mule Show

Saturday May 13th—The Middle Tn. Mule Skinners Assoc. will hold their Mule Show beginning at 11:00 am at the covered arena at the fair grounds. Contact Andy Duggin at 615-624-1708 for further information.

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## Fall Wagon Train Ride

Sept. 21-22 & 23—The Fall Wagon Train Ride will be sponsored by The Middle Tn. Mule Skinners Assoc. Wagons will leave the fair grounds in Woodbury at 9 am each day ( over-night camping is allowed.) Contact Grady George Jr. at 615-849-6867 for

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CANNON COUNTY SCHOOLS

April 11—New Teachers' Orientation, 3:00-5:00 p.m., CCBOE School Board meeting workshop, 6:30 p.m., CCBOE

April 13—School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., WGS Cafeteria

April 14—No School—Good Friday Holiday

April 17-28—TCAP testing window for 2nd-8th grades

April 19—ACT for 11th graders  
Staff Development Day for teachers

April 25—Pre-bid meeting for East Side windows and security vestibule

April 27-28—Fiscal Workshop for Upper Cumberland School Districts—Fall Creek Falls State Park

May 1—Progress Reports

May 9—Farm Day for 4th graders  
Upper Cumberland Technology Conference for Teachers, TTU, 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
School Board meeting workshop, 6:30 p.m., Central Office

May 11—New Teachers' Reception, 6:00 p.m., WGS Cafeteria  
School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m., WGS Cafeteria

May 12—CCHS Prom

May 25—Teacher work day—no students

May 26—Abbreviated day-final report cards  
CCHS graduation—7:00 p.m.



## Social Security Matters

by AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor Russell Gloor  
Association of Mature American Citizens

### Ask Rusty - WEP - Substantial Earnings Test

*Dear Rusty: I turn 62 this June. I collect a State Teachers Retirement and have been told I face a windfall reduction in my SS benefits if I have less than 30 service years in SS. Social Security claims that the years listed below do not qualify as years worked because the income is too low. Having researched SS regulations it stated that prior to 1978, quarters were earned if you made \$50 in a quarter. If this is correct can you tell me why these years listed below would not count? SS claims I am three years short of 30 because of these years: 1971 (earned \$636); 1972 (earned \$799); 1973(earned \$2175). Thank you for your help.*  
*Signed: Retired Teacher*

a person has a pension from an employer who did not withhold Social Security payroll tax, as well as income from an employer who did withhold Social Security payroll tax. In this case the question isn't really whether your income was enough to earn a "quarter credit" toward the required 40 credits to be eligible for Social Security benefits, but rather whether your income for those years met what Social Security calls their "substantial earnings" test. In order to qualify as substantial earnings in the formula for computing the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) your Social Security earnings each year must meet or exceed a substantial earnings test. Social Security's substantial earnings minimums for the years you wrote about were:

1971 - \$1950;  
1972 - \$2250;  
1973 - \$2700.

So as you can see, you did not meet or exceed their Substantial Earnings requirement for the years 1971 through 1973 because

you only earned \$675, \$799 and \$2175 respectively in those years. Those three years are what made the difference between having your Social Security benefit reduced because you have only 27 years of "substantial Social Security earnings", and being exempt from WEP because you have 30 or more years of Social Security income. What this means in terms of your benefit computation is that instead of applying a 90% factor to the first \$885 ("first bend point") of your average indexed monthly earnings amount, they will instead apply a 75% factor. In terms of 2017 dollars, that means that instead of that first "bend point" contributing \$796.50 to your Social Security benefit amount, it would contribute \$663.75 or \$132.50 less. But since for anyone first eligible for Social Security in 2017 the maximum WEP reduction for 27 years of substantial earnings is \$128.40, that is the amount your Social Security benefit would be reduced as a result of the Windfall Elimination Provision.

## TOAST INSTEAD OF ROAST

Charlie Harrell, President of the Friends of the Library, announces the upcoming Annual Roast for the Friends. The Adams Memorial Library is celebrating her 50th year of operation in Cannon County. This year, The Friends will honor Dr. and Mrs. J.F. Adams with a Toast, rather than a Roast. The Annual Roast provides the Friends with monies to assist the Library in various ways.

Dr. and Mrs. Adams were a great influence in Cannon County during the 20th century, and that influence is still being felt with those to whom Dr. Adams gave birth and doctored, as well as many who are recipients of his financial impact. Several of Dr. and Mrs. Adams' family will be present to share their tales of life with their father and mother or grandfather and grandmother: Fred

Adams, John Holland, Angie Ott, and a member of the Ose Family will be in Woodbury for the occasion, as well as Steve Smith whose father Bill Smith was a close family friend. The event will be held at Cannon County High School Cafeteria on Thursday night, April 20th, at 7 p.m. Cost of the tickets are \$25 per person, and may be purchased at the Library.

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### Reservation Form

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## News from the Mountain

BY CAROL GUNTER



Whoever is doing the rain dances, you need to stop doing them. Farmers and others that work on the outside and me need a break for a month or two at least from the rainfall. We are not behind in the rain department around here (forget what the weatherman says) we're just about soaked. Frogs in the ditch line behind our house probably will be knocking on my door or be washed up at it before long. Dogwood trees over at Aubrey's mom and dad's place blooming out nicely now. Redbirds have been blooming out I've noticed and a lot of other bushes and trees. I guess it's been a redbird winter for a little while as we have had some cool spells to contend with as of late. This may be dogwood winter coming on now. Blackberry winter around the corner. Several winters to go through until the warmer weather really takes hold and stays for us. I'm past ready for that aren't you?

With the rain we got overnight, there is water standing everywhere as I'm looking out our patio doors. The bird feeders I had taken down a few days ago in case we had some high winds come through with the thunderstorms are now back up. The birds have come back now to get fed as I figured it would be like that saying "if you build it, they will come" the same applies I guess if you put the feeders back out, they (being the black birds and other birds) will gather around once again and have a feast.

The mountain behind our house is greening up by leaps and bounds or so it seems. Each rainfall we get, I notice how the mountain's trees and bushes are putting on all sorts of different green colors to

fill in the landscape so beautifully. Most people don't get to marvel at this kind of spectacular scenery right out their back door so I feel very fortunate indeed. Only thing that bothers me about how everything is getting so green around here wouldn't this be great camouflage for the little green men if they do truly exist? Each spring I find myself wondering just how close my rendezvous with death really could be at this time of the year. Need I guess to get all my affairs in order in case the worse scenario for me should possibly happen. Clyde and Bobby not much help on this as all they say is you can be here today and gone tomorrow so get over it. Bobby needs to get the tuna and crackers el pronto as it could turn out to be my last meal. Have quit the diet drinks but a glass of sweet tea would suffice. Checked my out dated dictionary and encyclopedia for definition of alien and found not verification of such a creature existing as I checked each book cover to cover and in between sifting through all those countless pages and no trace of little green men ever being on this planet. Evidently, they've not been at the right place at the right time as others have told they thought they were going to die from fright at the sight of the aliens. Personally I have always thought you can't believe everything you read, see or stumble over in the darkness by just mere care -- lessness on your part in getting to factual happenings about extra - terrestrials being among us. Decades ago the sighting of 2 aliens going into daddy's tobacco patch by 2 individuals that to this day, not wavering from what they saw is all the proof I need to be vigilant on my comings and goings everyday.

We do have some important birthdays coming up in the month of April: our daughter Carolyn Graham 12th, Diane Evans 12th, Bernie Braswell 14th, our son-in-law Dusty Johnson 17th, Kim hall 18th, Edith Miller 21st, our niece Brooklyn Pedigo 30th and Debbie Melton 30th.

Please keep on your prayer list: the family of Ella Rich (this is the sister of carlon Melton), Mai Nell Melton, and Denise Stanton.

A really big ole spider inteh house the other morning. Thought I was going to have to call for back up as this spider looked like he could take me down if need be. He was I believe a home-grown spider from Texas. You know they go'rem big in Texas and he sure didn't look like a Tennessee Spider. Our spiders can hold a guitar and can pick and sing Rocky Top if asked to do that and fill the house to over capacity. I've never seen a spiker that looked that sturdy like a tank. Thought he might pounce on me so I carefully got my can of Hot Shot and the fly swatter. Somehow I felt a lot braver once armed. First I sprayed him with the Hot Shot to hopefully daze him. He didn't move an eyelash so in my mind he was going down to a horrible death and couldn't get back to spider headquarters to alert any others, if there is such a thing. You can guess what happened to that home-grown Texas psider - yep, he is no more. .

*If you have news for the column, just give me a call at 615-563-4429. Have a great day!*

*For unto whomsoever much is given, ofhim shall be much required. Luke 12:48*

### Federal Budget Cuts in Regards to UCHRA

The Donald Trump administration has proposed their federal budget. There have been a lot of local questions asked since the budget was

announced, so UCHRA (Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency) has compiled a list of their affected programs and stats based on the people they served last year in the Upper Cumberland.

Some programs scheduled for elimination include LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program -- 14,454 people), SCSEP (Senior Community Service Employment Program -- 82 people), SSBG (Social Services Block Grant -- 144 people), and Weatherization (49 households). It also eliminates CSBG (Community Service Block Grant -- 18,638 people), which includes significant funding to Commodities, Meals on Wheels of the Cumberlands, and the STAR program.

Some programs scheduled for cuts include Residential Educational Programs (local funding will have to replace 25% of the federal funding it currently receives) and WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act -- reduction of 21% or 201 people). Potentially, Head Start may be cut too; it is not confirmed, but Health and Human Services is scheduled for cuts (reduction of 18% so possibly 9 children).

UCHRA has worked through nine Presidential administrations since it was first established in 1973. Still, if you like these programs, you are encouraged to call the Upper Cumberland's U.S. Senators and Congressmen to share your experiences:

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## CENTER ...

and has served a term as Student Board Member. Now at MTSU, James is studying elementary education grades K-12. Other members of the cast include Noah Brady, Catalina Rice, Lucy McGee, Carter Cantrell, Micah Mae, Andrew Neal, Mary Humphrey, Sharon Bessant, Jack Jones, Eleanor Vaughan, William Denniger, Erilynn Denniger, Blair Gipe, and Charlie Jones.

Ticketing arrangements for fieldtrips are made with ACCC's new Director of Education, Lindsey Mapes. Ticketing for public performances can be made by calling the box office or purchasing online or by smart phone, with no service fees.

## WHITE ...

the years. Williams is now tutoring her gifted apprentice, Brenda Kucharski. Already a talented basket weaver in her own right, Kucharski did not know how to select and break down a white oak pole to prepare her own materials, nor was she familiar with the Cannon County Tie, until this apprenticeship with Williams.

Documentary photographs featuring this team's work together, as well as displays of their baskets, will be included among photographs and artifacts from the other seven teams at the Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Program Exhibition, Tennessee Arts Commission's Gallery, May 19 to July 14, 2017, in Nashville.

The Arts Center is located on 1424 John Bragg Highway, just west of the town of Woodbury, approximately 20 minutes from Murfreesboro, Manchester, and McMinnville and one hour southeast of Nashville. Office hours are 10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call 615-563-2787 or check our website at [www.artscenterofcc.com](http://www.artscenterofcc.com)



The 2017 season started strong with “The Lion King Experience Jr.’s” ten sold out school matinee performances and three sold out public performances. Up next this year is “Lyle the Crocodile” which runs May 4-16.

## RESCUE ...

Preliminary data reveals that in 2015, Tennessee experienced its highest number of known distracted driving crashes at 22,964. These crashes resulted in the deaths of 51 people. Each day, twenty-five individuals on average are injured in a crash caused by a distracted driver. Nearly 12% percent of all crashes in Tennessee last year were caused by someone who was driving distracted.

### Get Involved

Teens can be the best messengers with their peers, so we need to encourage them to speak up when they see a friend driving while distracted. Parents have to lead

by example, never drive and text. Employers can play a part too by creating a culture of safety and not allowing drivers to be distracted behind the wheel. For more information about distracted driving, visit the Thumbs Down website at [www.ThumbsDownTN.com](http://www.ThumbsDownTN.com)

For more information on becoming a volunteer responder with the Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc., visit our website at [www.CannonCountyRescue.com](http://www.CannonCountyRescue.com) and contact Michael Underhill, CEO, at 615-904-5002 or by email at [MUnderhill@CannonCountyRescue.com](mailto:MUnderhill@CannonCountyRescue.com). To follow us on Facebook, like our page [www.facebook.com/CannonCountyRescue](http://www.facebook.com/CannonCountyRescue) and follow us on Instagram @CannonCountyRescue

## SAFETY ...

a number of exhibits including fire trucks, ambulances, rescue vehicles, law enforcement vehicles and a LifeFlight helicopter.

Booths on home electric and gas safety awareness are planned along with displays on public safety and preparedness.



## April Fool's 5K winners

The streets of Woodbury were alive with runners of all ages last Saturday as the first annual Cannon Runs for Children 5K Run/Walk kicked off Child Abuse Prevention Month.

The youngest runner was Camden Pruitt, age 7, with a time of 35:32. Kelly Kietzke was the oldest runner in the event and he placed second in the master's category with a time of 25:33.

Eleven year old boys dominated the inaugural Cannon Runs for Children, as the following young men were winners in the overall category:

Jonathan Fann, with a time of 22:25  
Mason Tramel, with a time of 22:27  
Gunter Pi, with a time of 22:29

In addition to Kietzke, the adult winners in the master's category (40+ years old) included:

Kevin Ripley, with a time of 23:47  
Jennifer Held, with a time of 27:53  
Lynn Gragg, with a time of 28:20

101 runners signed up to participate in the event. Runner's times and awesome event photos are available on the Cannon County Child Advocacy Center website at [cannoncac.org](http://cannoncac.org). The Child Advocacy Center is grateful to Travis Franklin for donating his services as a professional photographer at the event.

The Child Advocacy Center works as a team

with the Woodbury Police Department, Cannon County Sheriff's Department, Department of Children's Services, and the District Attorney's Office to respond to child abuse cases and help children and families heal from the trauma. The Department of Children's Services protects children. Law enforcement investigates the crime and arrests the perpetrator. The District Attorney's Office aggressively prosecutes offenders. While, the Child Advocacy Center helps abused children and their families heal from the trauma of the abuse.

The Honorable Judge Susan Melton explained the importance of the services to children, "The Cannon County Child Advocacy Center is instrumental in assisting children who are victims of sexual abuse or children who have been drug exposed by allowing them to tell their account of the story once in an environment in which they feel safe and free from any outside influence."

Cannon County Sheriff's Office, Woodbury Police Department, and Cannon County Ambulance Service supervised road closures and kept runners safe.

Over \$5,750 was raised for the Cannon County Child Advocacy Center to provide crisis intervention services free of charge to child abuse victims. All funds raised in Cannon County stay in Cannon County and benefit child

abuse victims and their non-offending family members.

"The Cannon County Child Advocacy Center is grateful to our wonderful community partners," said event coordinator Keylon Holloway. "The event would not have been possible without the support of Experience Community Church, Preston Brothers Construction, Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Project Hometown Help, Tri-Star Title Company, Anthony's Flowers and Gifts, Farm Bureau Insurance of Cannon County, First National Bank, Huff & Puff Trucking, Laid Back Lumber, Mitch Wilson State Farm, Assistant District Attorney General Trevor Lynch, Woodbury Funeral Home, Boyd's Garage, Higgins Flea Market, Bernard and Nancy Coomes, United Methodist Women of Woodbury First United Methodist Church, Smith Funeral Home, Hardee's, Piggly Wiggly, Sonic, and Subway."

"The Child Advocacy Center wants to say a special THANK YOU to the members of the Cannon Runs Committee: Judge Susan Melton, Brian Elrod, Catherine Player, Keylon Holloway, and Alissa Kalish," said director Sharon De Boer. "This committee worked their hearts out to bring an amazing event to our community. We are looking forward to next year's run!"

If you want to serve on the 2018 Cannon Runs Committee, please contact Keylon Holloway at (615) 563-9915.



Jerry "Quinton" Choate and his wife, Kim, before his recent heart transplant, which he hopes will help him get back to pursuing his favorite hobby — fishing. (photo by John Russell-Vanderbilt)

## Vanderbilt Heart Transplant Program reaches 1,000 transplant milestone

Surgeons at Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC) performed five heart transplants in four days to place the institution among an elite group of transplant centers in the country — reaching 1,000 heart transplantations.

VUMC is home to the second busiest heart transplant program in the country and ranked No. 1 in the Southeast region for volume for its combined adult and pediatric procedures, according to data released by the Organ Procurement and Transplant Network (OPTN).

"This is a well-earned distinction for our heart transplant team, further validating their expertise and commitment. Such success requires sustained clinical excellence and is only possible through the altruism of those who generously donate their organs so that others may live. Our reward is helping grateful patients whose lives have been saved through the miracle of transplantation," said C. Wright Pinson, MBA, M.D., Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Chief Health System officer for VUMC. "I am very proud of our team

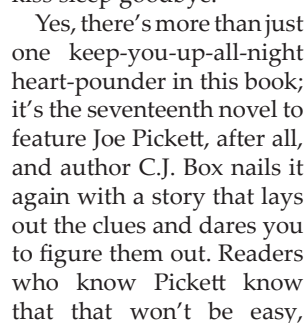
and want to congratulate them on this achievement."

"This (reaching 1,000) is an outstanding milestone for the heart transplant program and for the institution as a whole, one that only a small number of other institutions have attained," said Thomas Wang, M.D., Gottlieb C. Friesinger II Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine.

For Jerry "Quinton" Choate, 58, a recent heart transplant recipient, the cluster of surgeries put him a step closer to getting back to his favorite pastime — fishing.



But what – other than former fame as a rodeo star – did Cates have to offer the men who seemed willing to kill for him? That didn't make sense to Pickett; there didn't seem to be good motives for anyone to kill Farkus or bartender Wanda Stacy, who was also missing. And none of them seemed the type to do business with a meth-tweaker like the one who'd been stalking Pickett's



Don't hesitate to start this book if you're new to Box's novels; it won't take long to catch on or to want the rest of the series. If you're an old hand at the Pickett Posse, though, rejoice! Find "Vicious Circle." It's a book you'll want around.

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# Cannon County


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Cannon County Public Safety Day is a program of, and sponsored by, the Cannon County Rescue Squad, Inc. Paid for in part by the Community Impact Grant of the United Way of Rutherford and Cannon Counties.

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# SPORTS

## Soccer, baseball teams grab victories



DAVID HUNTER  
Cannon Courier

### NHL goofs on Olympics

Well, the Nashville Predators are back in the playoffs, but they will most likely be the No. 8 seed against hated rival and Stanley Cup favorite this season, the Chicago Blackhawks. So, it will be one series and done for Smashville this postseason. There is my hockey analysis for this year. Thanks for reading my column and talk to you next week.

Actually, news came out earlier this week, which went beyond hockey and baseball, and it has to do with my favorite sporting event every two years, the Olympics. So, the NHL decided to skip next year's Winter Olympics in South Korea, and MLB forced baseball to be taken out of the last two Summer Olympics in 2012 and 2016. Way to think of your players, especially those who enjoy representing their country every four years.

Instead, the NHL and MLB tries to cram the World Cup of Hockey and the World Baseball Classic down our throats. Newsflash, no one cares. Nobody is going to remember who won it this year, especially here in the USA, even though we won the WBC last month. Yay Team USA.

Ever since 2009, I have been a proud supporter of the USA Olympic Team, including donating money to the organization each year. Is it money well spent, and I cannot wait for this winter.

However, I am bummed the best hockey players will not be able to represent their country next year. The same way, I haven't enjoyed baseball during the Summer Games, when it was a part of it.

By the way, this is not only a Team USA issue, because I will watch most games during the team sports events at the Olympics. I just want to see the best compete against each other, no matter the sport. Plus, most of the professional players enjoy representing their country, and they value an Olympic medal sometimes more than their own league championship trophy.

Don't get me wrong, there have been some great Olympic moments in both sports with the amateurs, including the greatest upset in USA sports history, the Miracle on Ice in 1980, and in 2000 when Hall of Fame baseball manager Tommy Lasorda led Team USA to the gold in 2000. Besides those two here in the USA, there are also countless other Olympic memories from both sports, which other countries remember like it was yesterday.

My point being, it is a selfish decision by both professional leagues not to stop their respective seasons, so their players can play for their country. I thought that was more important than competing for their respective teams.



Cannon County High School's boys soccer team defeated district powerhouse Merrol Hyde 3-2 for the first time in school history.

#### DAVID HUNTER The Cannon Courier

Nasty weather has continued to play a factor for all the Cannon County Spring Sports team as some games this week were either rescheduled or cancelled. When matches were played, two Lions teams had historical victories last week.

##### Junior Lions Baseball

For over a year, the CCMG baseball team had not won a single game until March 31 when it went on the road and soundly defeated Boyd 10-0, which finally ended the very long losing streak. "It feels good to finally have all of your hard work pay off, especially since we have been working hard for two years," eighth grader Brady Bryson said. "It is really rewarding to finally have a win."

Head coach Michael Bryson added, "It felt

good. These guys have been playing good this year, our first two losses were only by two runs in one game, and one run in the other one. For them to finally break loose and shut a team down and generate some runs it felt great.

What makes this win even more special is it was a total team effort as Braxten Alexander pitched a no-hitter, including 11 strikeouts. Only two Boyd runners reached base, and none of them went past second base.

"They came together as a team, and I could of kind of seen it coming, because we had been real close lately," Michael Bryson said. "They finally stepped up and got them one."

"It was a little stressful now and then, some innings were good and some innings were bad," Alexander said. "Some innings were good, three up and three down."

The Bryson's got it done at the plate as Kyler scored twice, and Brady knocked in two RBIs. Seven out of the nine starters scored at least once as the Junior Lions scored twice in the first, second and fourth innings, they also put a four spot in the fifth inning.

"They were really glad and excited to win one," Alexander said. CCMG was hoping to extend the streak this week, but both games at home against Boyd and at Thurman Francis were postponed due to weather.

##### CCHS Boys Soccer

The other local team to make history last week happened on the pitch as the Lions picked up their first ever win in school history over district power Merrol Hyde, 3-2 also on March 31.

"We are super proud of our guys," CCHS head coach Jeran Tenpenny said. "They

worked really hard on (March 31). "We talked about where do we want to be? where do we want to take this program? We want to build a program that wins and competes in the district. We look at those programs like Merrol Hyde, Central Magnet, Smith County and DeKalb County. Those are the elite teams in our district, and they are the teams we want to compete with.

Corey Seymour scored in the first half for the Lions, which was even at 1 after 40 minutes. Halfway in the second half Qwentin McMackins converted a penalty kick to give CCHS a 2-1 advantage. MHS tied it at two, a few minutes later. Jake Walkup scored the game winner with 45 seconds left, which gave the Lions the dramatic upset victory, which the Lions improved to 2-0 in the district. "So, (March 31), not

only were we able to come out and do that, and we could get a win in such an impressive fashion," Tenpenny said. "I am so proud of our guys for the way they fought throughout the entire game. They never gave up when MHS scored first, that would have been the opportunity for us to lay down, but we fought back and tied the game up. We were just fortunate to be able to work the ball really well at the end of the game and put ourselves in position to score and take the win with under a minute left."

During the offseason, the Lions added some experienced soccer players to go along with the ones who came back and used to high school soccer. So far, the players have blended in well together, and they have found their scoring touch as they have averaged at least two goals in every match.

## Central Middle wins at NASP championships

MURFREESBORO --- Central Magnet High School repeated as champion of its division while Stewarts Creek Middle School and East Lincoln Elementary School claimed their first championships in their respective division at the Tennessee National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) State Championships.

Close to 2,000 students were registered at the event held at the Tennessee Miller Coliseum at the two-day tournament which concluded Friday evening.

Central Magnet High shot a score of 3,367, beating last year's winning score by 22 points. White County, the state high school champion in 2014 and 2015, was again the runner-up with a 3,352. CHET, which participates with home school students in the Nashville area, had a 3,287 to finish third. Oakland was fourth with a 3,263 and Warren County fifth with a 3,246.

Stewarts Creek ended Central Magnet's

two-year reign as champion of the middle school division with a winning score of 3,212. Central Magnet was runner-up at 3,199 followed by Stone at 3,179, Whitworth Buchanan 3,147, and Christiana 3,136 to round out the top five.

East Lincoln moved to the top spot in the elementary division by shooting a 3,192. Buchanan was second with a 3,182, while Christiana, which had won the championship three of the past four years, was third with a 3,079. Cleveland's Black Fox elementary was fourth with a 3,029 while Browns Chapel was fifth with a 2,914.

Central Magnet's Alison Blanton was the event's top shooter. The junior shot a 297 (out of a possible 300). CHET's Laurel Thompson, who was the event's top female shooter three straight years, edged Central Magnet's Kaylie Corban for second place. Both girls shot a 294 in their rounds and a shoot-off was held to

determine the runner-up. White County High's Haylie Young was fourth with a 293 and Tullahoma Middle Schools KT Payne had a 289 to comprise the top five overall female scores.

Warren County High School junior Austin Evans and Meigs County High freshman Caleb Smith each shot a 292. Austin was the medalist as he had 23 10s to Caleb's 21. Caleb's Meigs County classmate Jay Tyson was third with a 291. Stewarts Creek's Chase Hulan was fourth with a 289 and Central Magnet's Chase Wyatt fifth with a 286.

If a school or teacher is interested in starting a NASP program, please contact Don Crawford, Assistant Chief of Information and Education at Don.Crawford@tn.gov or (615) 781-6542 or Matt Clarey, Regional Training Coordinator in TWRA Region III at Matt.Clarey@tn.gov or (931) 484-9571.

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# Society

## Motlow College Foundation launches Motlow Alumni Association



## IVY BLUFF NEWS

By Bonnie Stacy

Jack & Jane Vickers from Huntsville AL visited her sister Barbara Bailey last weekend.

Barbara Bailey and Ovie Hollis had lunch in Murfreesboro last week with the retired employees of GE.

Brenda Jaco and Bonnie Stacy had lunch at the Cracker Barrel in Manchester on Thursday.

Recent guest of BOnnie Stacy were Sherie Deveries and Madaline Sanders.

My sympathy to all who have lost loved ones in death and get well wishes to all the sick in the

community.

*A good neighbor is as rare as found treasures.*

*Climb as though you were to live for ever. Live as though you were to die tomorrow.*

*A contented mare is one who enjoys the scenery along the detours.*

*Think in terms of thyself rather than myself.*

*Better to say little and be happy than to say too much and be sorry.*

*He that out of his house in search of happiness runs after a shadow.*

The Motlow College Foundation has launched the Motlow Alumni Association and will kick off the new association through a series of alumni gatherings called the Motlow Alumni Roadshow.

The alumni roadshow will take place in each of the cities where Motlow State Community College has a campus, and local alums from all years as well as alums from the surrounding areas are invited to attend.

Lane Yoder, director of the Motlow College Foundation, said, “Since Motlow first opened its doors in 1969, over 17,000 individuals have walked through our halls on their way to obtaining

an associate degree or certificate. That number doesn’t include people who have attended Motlow but transferred before graduating, nor does that number include individuals who have come to Motlow to just take a few classes. We are simply wanting to reconnect with our alumni.”

“Historically, community colleges have been behind four-year schools in terms of engaging alumni, but so many people across this middle Tennessee area got their educational start or their career training here at Motlow and we think that is worth celebrating. We want to engage our alums with all of the amazing things occurring at their alma mater,” Yoder added.

The event is free to attend, but the Foundation asks that all individuals interested in attending please register by visiting [www.mscc.edu/alumni/roadshow/](http://www.mscc.edu/alumni/roadshow/). The alumni roadshow starts on Tuesday, April 11, at Collins River BBQ in McMinnville and continues April 13, at La Tavola Ristorante Italiano in Smyrna; April 18, at Pebble Creek Golf Club in Fayetteville; and April 20, at Jack’s Rabbit Hole in Tullahoma. .

## Graduation Information

**Graduation is May 26, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.**

Each graduate may purchase a maximum of 5 chairs that will be on the field (inside the fence) at graduation. The chairs cost \$4.00 each. They will be sold during lunch on April 10th, 11th, and 12th. Each Senior will draw a number at random during lunch to determine his/her appointment time and day to purchase chairs for family members. The schedule to draw your number is as follows:

Wednesday, April 5th Last name beginning with A-G  
Thursday, April 6th Last name beginning with H-P  
Friday, April 7th Last name beginning with R-Z

You will receive your appointment date and time when you draw your number. Seniors may not purchase chairs before their appointment time, but they may come in late. If you miss your appointment time, please come into the library during lunch to purchase.

Late orders will be taken April 17th through April 21st. After April 13th, the chairs will cost \$5.00 each. No chair orders will be taken after April 21st.

**\*\*No chair orders will be taken over the phone.**

**\*\*The chairs are non-refundable.**

**\*\*ALL DEBTS MUST BE PAID BEFORE PURCHASING A TICKET!**

Additional family members will be able to sit in the bleachers or bring their own chair and sit anywhere outside the fence. No one will be allowed inside the fenced area without a ticket until after the graduation ceremony. Graduates will be seated alphabetically. Therefore, we will not know where each graduate is sitting until the day of graduation. If it rains, graduation will be in the CCHS gymnasium. Unfortunately, if this is the case, there will not be sufficient room for the chairs. Each guest must present his or her ticket to the gate ushers at the field in order to be allowed into the seating area. No Ticket --No Entry! No strollers will be allowed inside the fenced area. Children under the age of 5 will be permitted to sit on an adult’s lap. Children over the age of 5 must have a ticket to sit inside the fenced area.

\*For the courtesy of all guests, please do not stand in front of others (blocking their view) for any reason.

\*No smoking will be allowed in the seating areas.

### NOTICE

### FRIENDS & FAMILY OF WOODBURY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1967

Your help is needed to locate the following classmates for class reunion on April 29, 2017.

Sally Sue Ellis  
Barbara Kay Gunter  
Patricia Sue Moore McGinnis  
Bobby Joe Summars  
Betty Ann Summars  
Brenda Lou Todd  
Nancy Cox Young

Please contact Glenda Davenport  
615-904-5549 [glendadavenport@dtccom.net](mailto:glendadavenport@dtccom.net)

Judy Vannatta Varner  
770-630-6345 [judyvgood@gmail.com](mailto:judyvgood@gmail.com)

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**STARTS AT 11AM ON THE SQUARE IN WOODBURY, TN**

Info: 615-542-8035

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**THE GILLEY BOYS**

**BILLY MOULDER**

**ALL STAR JAM**



PUBLIC NOTICES



NOTICE

HEATHER SHAE WITAS  
TIMOTHY SCOTT  
ALEXANDER SAYLOR

The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a petition against you seeking to terminate forever your parental rights to Cruz Alexander Saylor and Payton Alexandria Saylor. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you because your whereabouts are unknown. You are hereby ORDERED to serve upon Tracy Hetzel, Attorney for the Tennessee Department of Children Services, 600 Hearthwood Court Cookeville, Tennessee 38506, (931) 646-3013, an Answer to the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Tennessee Department of Children Services, within thirty (30) days of the last day of publication of this notice, which will be April 14, 2017 and pursuant to Rule 103 of the Tenn. R. Juv. P. you must also appear in the Juvenile Court of Cannon County, Tennessee at Woodbury, Tennessee on the 17th day of May, 2017, at 8:30 A.M. for the Adjudicatory Hearing on the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services. If you fail to do so, a default judgment will be taken against you pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-1-117(n) and Rule 55 of the Tenn. R. of Civ. P. for the relief demanded in the Petition. You may view and obtain a copy of the Petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents at the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office, Woodbury, Tennessee. {03/21,28,4/4,11}

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, SHELBY DEAN SCHULER, DECEASED, by Deed of Trust (the "Deed of Trust") dated March 15, 2010, of record in Record Book 125, Page 136, Register's Office for Cannon County,

Tennessee, conveyed to SAM SAWYER, Trustee, the hereinafter described real property to secure the payment of a certain Promissory Note (the "Note") described in the Deed of Trust, which Note was payable to HOMELAND COMMUNITY BANK;

WHEREAS, said SAM SAWYER, Trustee, is unable to act as Trustee under the Deed of Trust, and I, RYAN J. MOORE have been appointed Successor Trustee by the owner and holder of the Note by an instrument of record in Record Book 173, Page 715, Register's Office for Cannon County, Tennessee;

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the Note; and

WHEREAS, the owner and holder of the Note has demanded that the hereinafter described real property be advertised and sold in satisfaction of indebtedness and costs of foreclosure in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Note and Deed of Trust.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that I, RYAN J. MOORE, Successor Trustee, pursuant to the power, duty and authority vested in and conferred upon me, by the Deed of Trust, will on April 27, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. at the front door of the Cannon County Courthouse in Woodbury, Tennessee, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, and free from all legal, equitable and statutory rights of redemption, exemptions of homestead, rights by virtue of marriage, and all other exemptions of every kind, all of which have been waived in the Deed of Trust, certain real property located in Cannon County, Tennessee, described as follows:

Located in the 6th Civil District of Cannon County, Tennessee, and being described as follows: Located on the West side of South College

Street, and beginning on a stake in the West margin of said street, this point being the Northeast corner of the Dr. & Mrs. J. F. Adams Memorial Association, Inc.; thence North 83° 22' West 306.79 feet to a stake; thence North 08° 15' 105.34 feet to a stake; thence South 83° 06' East 302.67 feet to a stake in the West margin of said street; and, thence with said street margin 06° 00' West 104.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.73 acres, more or less, in accordance with a survey and Plat prepared thereof on March 12, 1981, by Robert N. Kanter, Tennessee Registered Land Surveyor #995.

Being the same property conveyed to Shelby Dean Schuler and Regina Owens Reed by rights of survivorship by Quitclaim Deed from Shelby Dean Schuler by deed of record in Record Book 149, Page 831, Register's Office of Cannon County, Tennessee.

The address of the above-described property is 210 South College Street, Woodbury, Cannon County, Tennessee.

Said sale shall be held subject to the following:

1. City property taxes for 2016 are due and payable in the amount of \$595.00 good through March 31, 2017.

DATED the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March 2017.

RYAN J. MOORE, Successor Trustee  
115 North Spring Street  
McMinnville, TN 37110  
(931) 474-7926  
{3/28,4/4,11}

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Alvena Barrett

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of March, 2017, letters of testamentary in respect of the estate of Alvena Barrett deceased were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court of

Cannon County, Tennessee. All persons both resident and non-residents, having claims matured and unmatured against said estate are required to file same with the clerk of the above named court within four months of the first publication of this notice, otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

This March 7 2017

C.B. Hollandsworth & Ann Hollandsworth Executors of the Estate of Alvena Barrett, deceased.

BOBBY SMITH  
COUNTY CLERK

WILLIAM H BRYSON  
ATTORNEY

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
CHANCERY COURT OF  
CANNON COUNTY,  
TENNESSEE

Estate of Mary Alice Armstrong

Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of March, 2017, letters of testamentary or letters of administration with respect to the estate of Mary Alice Armstrong deceased were issued to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Cannon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-residents, having claims, matured and unmatured against the estate are required to file same with the Clerk of the Chancery Court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2), otherwise claims will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this Notice if the creditor received an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors at least sixty (60) before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first

publication (or posted); or (B) Sixty (60) days from the date of the creditor receiving an actual copy of the Notice to Creditors, if the creditor received the copy of the Notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting) as described in (1)(A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This 21st day of March, 2017.

Zachary Scalf, Executor of the Estate of Mary Alice Armstrong, deceased.

NATHAN S NICHOLS  
CLERK & MASTER

JAMES L SMITH  
ATTORNEY  
(4/11,18)  
\*\*\*\*\*  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Evelyn Ruth Witty

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of April, 2017, letters of testamentary in respect of the estate of Evelyn Ruth Witty deceased were issued to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Cannon County, Tennessee. All persons both resident and non-residents, having claims matured and unmatured against said estate are required to file same with the clerk of the above named court within four months of the first publication of this notice, otherwise their claims will be forever barred.

This April 3 2017

Gary I Witty Executor of the Estate of Evelyn Ruth Witty, deceased.

BOBBY SMITH  
COUNTY CLERK

JASON L HUSKEY  
ATTORNEY

{4/11,18}

Woodbury Livestock 4/4/17

\* w/v = wean/vaccinated

Hfrs	320-372	133.00-138.00
Hfrs	420	130.00
Hfrs	450-495	123.00-137.00 wv
Hfrs	510-525	118.00-123.00
Hfrs	546-555	127.00-130.00 wv
Hfrs	636-680	114.00-119.00 wv
Bulls	350	155.00
Bulls	410-454	145.00-151.00
Bulls	515	135.00
Bulls	610-645	124.00-125.00
Strs	375-450	150.00-155.00 wv
Strs	475	148.00
Strs	475	142.00 wv
Strs	528-553	142.00-145.00 wv
Strs	550	138.00
Strs	625	130.00
Strs	610	134.00 wv

COWS	Breaker	
COWS	Boner	75.00 high dressing
COWS	Lean	56.50-72.50
BULLS		88.00
BULLS		

Is there a special person in your life you want to wish a Happy Mother's Day?

- the first-time Mommy-to-be
- the Mom who worked two jobs so you could take dance lessons
- the Grandmother who never missed one of your ball games
- the Aunt that fixed the best chocolate oatmeal cookies ever
- the next door neighbor who treated you like one of her own
- or 'In Memory' of a special lady you will always love and remember

Tell everyone how much that "Special Someone" means to you this Mother's Day with a special photo and/or message in the May 9th Cannon Courier.

Ad Examples are actual size.

Thank you Mom for everything you are to our family. From early morning Sponge Bob to late night ball games and everything in between -- you are always there. How blessed I am to have a wonderful Mom like you. --TJ (and dad too)

Sending hugs and kisses to heaven to the best Granny ever. No one could make better peanut butter fudge than you. Love you bunches and bunches Granny P. From all your Rugrats

Photo and 40 words

or  
No photo and 60 words  
**\$20**

Deadline for Mother's Day Wishes is Wednesday May 3rd @ noon.

Bring by the office or email to [spatrick@cannoncourier.com](mailto:spatrick@cannoncourier.com)

CANNON COURIER

NOTICE OF BID

The Cannon County Board of Education, Woodbury, TN, will receive sealed bids on a General Contract for the project listed below. Bids are to be delivered to the Owner's office. Bids shall be on a stipulated sum basis; segregated bids will not be accepted. Procurement Documents may be examined at Architect's office or the Owner's office. Copies of the procurement documents may be obtained at the Owner's office. Bidders bidding \$25,000.00 or more must be licensed per state law. Five percent (5%) Bid Security will be required. The Owner reserves the right to waive irregularities and to reject bids. Bids shall be opened at the Central Office at 301 West Main, Woodbury, Tennessee 37190. The project is required to be complete by Friday, July 28, 2017.

Project: Eastside Elementary School Security Vestibule and Window Replacement, 5658 McMinnville Hwy, Woodbury, TN 37190

Bids Due by: 2:00 PM local time, on Tuesday, May 9, 2017. Bids received after this time will not be accepted.

Plan Rooms: F. W. Dodge Plan Room, Nashville, Tennessee  
Associated General Contractors, Nashville, Tennessee, Reed Construction Data, Nashville, Tennessee

Plan Deposit Amount: \$400.00 Check made payable to: Smee+Busby Architects P.C.

Pre-Bid Meeting: At the Eastside Elementary School, 5658 McMinnville Hwy, Woodbury, TN 37190, at 10:30 AM local time, on Tuesday, April 25, 2017. Last day for questions Wednesday, May 3, 2017. E-mail questions to architect at [gsmee@smeebusby.com](mailto:gsmee@smeebusby.com).

Owner: Mrs. Barbara Parker, Director Cannon County Schools, Cannon County Board of Education Building, 301 West Main, Woodbury, Tennessee 37190

Architect: Smee+Busby Architects P.C., 29 Market Square, Suite 201, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, PH: (865) 521-7550  
FX: (865) 521-7551

AGENDA -- CANNON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 13, 2017 • 6:30 PM •  
Woodbury Grammar School Cafeteria

Student Recognitions

1. Approve Agenda – 1 minutes
2. Consent Agenda – 1 minute
  - a. Approve the minutes of the March 9, 2017 meeting of the Board
  - b. Approve bus trips #2874 and #2910
  - c. Approve resolution to transfer funds from one account to another within a series for Food Service, Federal, and General Purpose
  - d. Approve Budget Resolution #1 to transfer funds between the GP budget and Federal Programs budget if needed
  - e. Approve textbook adoption report
  - f. Approve CCHS assistant coaches for spring sports:  
Baseball – Head, Colin Jones; Ryan Tenpenny and Jared Nave, assistants;  
Boys Soccer – Head, Jeran Tenpenny; Guillermo Novoa and Sebastian Novoa, assistants;  
Tennis – Head, Ronny Burks  
CCHS Softball – Head, Emily Mullins; Phillip Mullins, Gaylon Sissom, and Hope Young, assistants
3. Approve Short Mountain School copier lease – 2 minutes
4. Rick Anderson will address the Board concerning transferring his child to another school – 3 minutes
5. Karen King will address the Board concerning the West Side 8th grade trip (Trip #2890) – 2 minutes

6. Regina Merriman will address the Board about applying for a Dollar General grant – 2 minutes
7. Approve Policy 6.505 – Students in Foster Care – 2 minutes
8. Safety Update – Workshop only – 2 minutes
9. Director's Comments – 2 minutes
  - a. Financial Report
  - b. Set budget workshops April, 17, 18, 24, or 25
10. Chairman's Comments – 2 minutes
  - a. Recess the meeting until April 27th at 6:30 PM at the Central Office
11. The next Regular Board Meeting Workshop will be at the Central Office on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 6:30 PM. The next Regular Board Meeting will be Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 6:30 at Woodbury Grammar School Cafeteri



# CRIME & COURTS

## Possible Arson on Lassiter Rd; Burglary on Osment Rd

### Cannon County Sheriff's Office

#### Possible Arson

The Cannon County Sheriff’s Department Investigator Chris Brown is investigating the possible arson of a single-wide mobile home at 719 Lassiter Road. The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the State Fire Marshal’s office.

#### Burglary

Deputies are investigating a burglary at the home of Tammy Horsley on Osment Road. Among the missing items are a flat screen TV, an LG cell phone, various items of clothing and jewelry, DVDs, various CDs and a DVD player.

Officers investigated a burglary at the home of Hollis Crabtree on Myers Lane. Among the items taken were a Mossberg 16-gauge shotgun, a Remington 30-06 rifle and a green Dewalt bag containing a charger and battery.

#### Arrests

Shane Borren was charged with domestic assault following an incident on Pea Ridge Road. A hearing is set for May 2 in General Sessions Court. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Angela Michelle Prater was charged with domestic assault following an incident on Iconium Road. A hearing is set for May 2 in General Sessions Court. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Nathaniel G. Wanner was charged with leaving the scene of an accident and failure to provide proof of insurance following an accident on Stones River Road.

#### Warrants

Nicole M. Foster, violation of probation..

### Woodbury Police Department

Theft Over \$1,000

Jeremy D. Thomas was charged with the theft of a 1999 Nissan Pathfinder by Patrolman Tommy Miller. A hearing is set for May 9 in General Sessions Court.

#### DUI

Donald Wayne Cantrell was charged with DUI and possession of a Controlled Substance (Xanax) by Patrolman John House. A hearing is set for July 18 in General Sessions Court..

The Town of Woodbury Planning Commission will meet Tuesday, April 18 at 7 p.m. at town hall.

The meeting is open to the public.

## Sandy Hollandsworth, Register of Deeds, Reports Land Transcation during March 2017

John B. Philip (Substitute Trustee Allie Mae Decker (Foreclosure) sold to Tennessee Housing Development Agency for \$ 59,400 House & lot at 903 Robert Ave., Woodbury	@ 108 Fairview Lane, Woodbury  ***** Donald & Lucille Markum sold to Danny & Joan Vythoulkas for \$ 45,000 Mobile home & 2.75 acres on Jim Cummings Hwy. @ 11687 Jim Cummings Highway, Bradyville	for \$ 205,000 House & 6 acres on Iconium Road @ 3106 Iconium Road, Woodbury  ***** J. Maxine Gaither, Executrix Jerry Gaither Estate sold to Donald L. Bruce Revocable Living Trust for \$ 205,000 House & 30.58 total acres off Hwy. #96 @ 174 Gaither Ridge Lane, Auburntown	sold to Jeffrey & Chong Kelly for \$ 97,000 Mobile home & 15.03 acres on State Hwy. 96 @ 988 Poplar Bluff Road, Auburntown	***** Fred & Annabel Black sold to Ira Eads for \$ 38,157 5.53 acres on Bullpen Creek Road
Dwayne & Rebecca Harrell sold to William & Julie Torbett for \$ 129,900 House & Lot #2 of Ward Acres @ 9840 Jim Cummings Hwy, Bradyville	***** April & Jerry D. Jones, Sr. sold to Clinton Creech & Patricia Joyce Jones for \$ 115,000 Mobile home & 21.49 acres on Dickens Hill Road @ 367 Dickens Hill Road, Bradyville	***** Jason & Jennifer Roberts sold to Jonathan Wallace Zarembo for \$ 126,000 House & 5.01 acres off Pleasant View Road @ 79 Talbert Road, Morrison	***** Lucille & Donald Markum sold to Christy Adamson for \$ 20,000 House & 1 acre on Iconium Road @ 1082 Iconium Road, Woodbury	***** Anna J. Gooch sold to Elizabeth Alley & Stephen Perry for \$ 85,000 House & 1.45 acres on Hollow Springs Road @ 2117 Hollow Springs Road, Woodbury
Jack Owen & Donna Hughes Smith sold to Donna Alexander Miller & Robert Dean Miller, Jr. for \$ 65,500 7.23 acres on Tolbert Hollow Road	***** Lorenda & James O. Sweeney, III sold to Guy Thomas Rogers for \$ 118,000 42.88 acres off Pleasant Ridge Road @ 180 Dogwood Lane, Woodbury	***** Greene Family Trust Richard Greene, Co-Trustee Patricia Greene, Co-Trustee sold to Brad & Colleen Laplander for \$ 257,000 House & Tract #5 (8.21 acres), Indian Springs, Ph. I @ 415 Tolbert Hollow Road, Bradyville	***** Faith Renee & Monte Patterson sold to Michael & Kelcie George for \$ 329,250 88 acres more or less on Red Hill Road	***** Michael & Frances Pollard sold to Paul & Lara Dudley for \$ 214,000 House & 5.60 acres on Locke Creek Road @ 1290 Locke Creek Road, Readyville
Rob Todd dba Todd Construction sold to Alexander Simms & Anna Akins for \$ 166,900 House & Lot #2 of Mankin Division @ 5192 McMinnville Hwy., Woodbury	***** Christopher Gwin King sold to Jimmie Wade Davis, Jr. for \$ 145,000 House & Lot #46, Forrest Park Subdivision Section 9, Singing Hills Unit #2 @ 47 Holly Lane, Woodbury	***** Doug Bingham sold to Randall Waterston for \$ 26,000 House & Lot #9, Parker-Rains Subdivision @ 104 Parker Street, Woodbury	***** Rita & Ernest Davis sold to Jonathan & Joanna Wanner for \$ 40,000 Commercial building & lot on Main Street @ 112 East Main Street, Auburntown	***** Jean & Paul Sherman Parker sold to Alexander S. Davenport for \$ 150,000 House & Lot #5 of Mill Creek Subdivision @ 307 Jill Lane, Woodbury
Jack W. Robinson Jr., Executor Betty Lee Carter Estate sold to D & R Construction, LLC for \$ 206,500 38.39 acres on Murfreesboro Road	***** William & Sharon Carter sold to Steven & Carolyn Hoskins for \$ 215,000 House & 81.91 acres on Hurricane Creek Road @ 31 Shady Lane, Woodbury	***** Timothy & Mary Katherine Henderson sold to Betty Sue & Timothy Lee Stone for \$ 64,900 20.69 acres on Wilmouth Creek Road	***** David W. Marttala, Administrator Coy B. Gunter Estate sold to John & Karen Yoder for \$ 282,012 94.004 acres more or less on Osment Road	***** Lytle E. Fann Heirs Rhonda Stills & Donna Fann sold to Amy Lack for \$ 18,000 House & 2 acres off Marshall Creek Road @ 55 Hughes Road, Auburntown
Rob Todd dba Todd Construction sold to Joseph & Brittany Dackermann for \$ 169,900 House & Lot #31 of Georgetown Estates, Sec. III @ 161 Twin Court, Woodbury	***** Jason & Jennifer Winchester sold to Christopher Coats for \$ 90,000 17.285 acres on John Bragg Highway	***** Larry & Judy Murray sold to Todd & Dorian Paxson for \$ 1,075,000 House & 75.49 acres on Hwy. #145 @ 8565 Auburntown Road, Auburntown	***** Midfirst Bank sold to Jerry Beaird for \$ 73,000 House & Lot #9, Turkey Ridge Subdivision @ 2483 K. Parker Road, Bradyville	***** Terri & Hershel Lee Logan sold to Rob Todd dba Todd Construction for \$ 17,000 Lot #4 of The Hershel Lee Logan Subdivision containing 1.61 acres off Hwy. 70S
Ivan Garcia aka Ivan Garcia Morales sold to Kenneth Arthur Goetsch for \$ 69,000 Mobile home & 5.28 acres on Tassey Road @ 2060 Tassey Road, Readyville	***** Gretchen & Clint Higgins sold to Lori Beth & Randall Toombs, II for \$ 168,000 House & Lot #7 of Riverview Estates @ 234 Riverview Drive, Woodbury	***** Elizabeth L. Todd sold to Natalie & Joel Allison for \$ 149,000 House & Lot #28, Volunteer View Estates, Sec. I @ 242 Rivendell Road, Woodbury	***** Jennifer Stembridge & Charles & Marelyn Berry sold to Gregory & Brenda Edwards for \$ 175,000 House & 21.705 total acres on Parchcorn Hollow Rd. @ 4362 Parchcorn Hollow Road, Woodbury	***** Ashley Parker sold to Annabel Black for \$ 145,000 House & Lot #34, Beaver Dam Estates, Sec. II @ 201 Christy Lane, Woodbury
Steve Alexander Smith sold to Ramon & Carmen Bernal for \$ 25,000 Lot #3 of Chase Estates Subdivision	***** Jennifer & Michael Jones sold to Lindsay & Charles Wesley Alexander for \$ 151,100 House & Lot #7, Beaver Dam Estates, Sec. I @ 112 Kimela Drive, Woodbury	***** Ibis S. Rodriguez sold to Blake & Adrianna Douglas for \$ 317,000 House & 19.40 acres off McMinnville Highway @ 340 Hilltop Lane, Woodbury	***** James & Tina Barrett & Kimberly Fann sold to Jerry D. Jones, Sr. for \$ 196,000 Commercial building & lot on the town square @ 108 Tatum Street, Woodbury (fka Joe’s Place)	***** Fred & Annabel Black sold to William Keith Bowman, Jr. for \$ 180,000 House & 5.03 acres on Bullpen Road @ 1875 Bullpen Road, Woodbury
Christopher & Yazmin Prater sold to Aaron & Art Dumais for \$ 82,000 House & lot @ 49 Vantrease Ave., Auburntown	***** Sandra & Joe Henderson sold to David & Karen Sauls for \$ 163,000 House & Lot #9, Woodland Estates, Sec. I @ 25 Chelsa Avenue, Bradyville	***** James Thomas Higgins, II sold to Dustin Toy & Erin Fann for \$ 22, 500 3.05 acres on McMinnville Highway	***** Phyllis Sissom sold to Matthew Alan Melton for \$ 90,750 House & 3.266 acres on Hollow Spring Road @ 6453 Hollow Springs Road, Bradyville	***** Fred & Annabel Black sold to William Keith Bowman, Jr. for \$ 53,157 11.31 acres on Bullpen Road
William H. Gooch, Jr. sold to Coy & Denise Haynes for \$ 66,000 30.24 acres on Conley Road	***** Joel & Cheryl Taylor sold to Donald & Gail Galvin for \$ 12,000 Mobile home & 1.742 acres on Gilley Hill Rd. @ 2427 Gilley Hill Road, Woodbury	***** Fred & Annabel Black sold to Ira Eads for \$ 35,257 5.11 acres on Bullpen Creek Road	***** Gerald & Priscilla Moore sold to Mike Hutchins & Layne Ferrell for \$ 150,000 House & Lot #1 (5.75 acres) of Knob Hill Estates @ 170 Providence Lane, Woodbury	***** Debbie & Billy Van Cheatham sold to Lauren & Blake O’Neal for \$ 184,900 House & lot off Hwy. 96 @ 65 Bryson Street, Auburntown
Joel Gayle Holt sold to Adam Alfred Johnson, Jr. & Margie Brown for \$ 92,500 Mobile home & 6.5 acres off Volunteer View Estates	***** Ricky & Joan Bryson	***** Fred & Annabel Black sold to Ira Eads for \$ 35,257 5.11 acres on Bullpen Creek Road	***** Steven & Audrie Nicholson sold to Tommie Gowdy, Jr.	***** Jason & Emily Elrod sold to Larry & Glynnis Coots for \$ 370,000 House & 16.65 acres off Old State Hwy. 53 @ 159 Backwoods Lane, Woodbury



# CLASSIFIEDS

## FLEA MARKET

### FLEA MARKET OPEN EVERY WEEKEND

**Woodbury Flea Market** open every weekend. If you have too much stuff and not enough space, sell it at the Flea Market. Estate sales welcome. Great place to buy and sell. Rentals by the week or month. Call (615) 563-2159 for booth space or information. Open rain or shine. TF

## FOR SALE

### LAND FOR SALE BY OWNER

47 Acres with 20 acres open, 27 acres woods, 1200 feet of everlasting creek, city water, perk sites - \$4000 per acre 615-347-1652

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**For sale 2011 Harley Davidson Wide Glide, 10,000 miles, Miller 200 portable Welder and Generator and a Belt & Disc Sander, Rigged Bandsaw and Dayton Drill Press. Call 615-765-5209**

lr4/11

### BUNK BEDS

White Metal with ladders on each end. Photos available by iphone \$150 call 615-427-8942

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## FOR RENT

## TWRIGHT PROPERTIES

### Properties for Rent

2 bedroom, bath, all appliances & utilities furnished. Washer / dryer connections \$650 month \*\*\*\*\*

Nice Studio with exterior patio, water furnished \$325 month \*\*\*\*\*

2 bedroom, 1 bath, all appliances, washer/dryer connections, water provided \$525 month

TWRIGHT PROPERTIES  
615-895-9759



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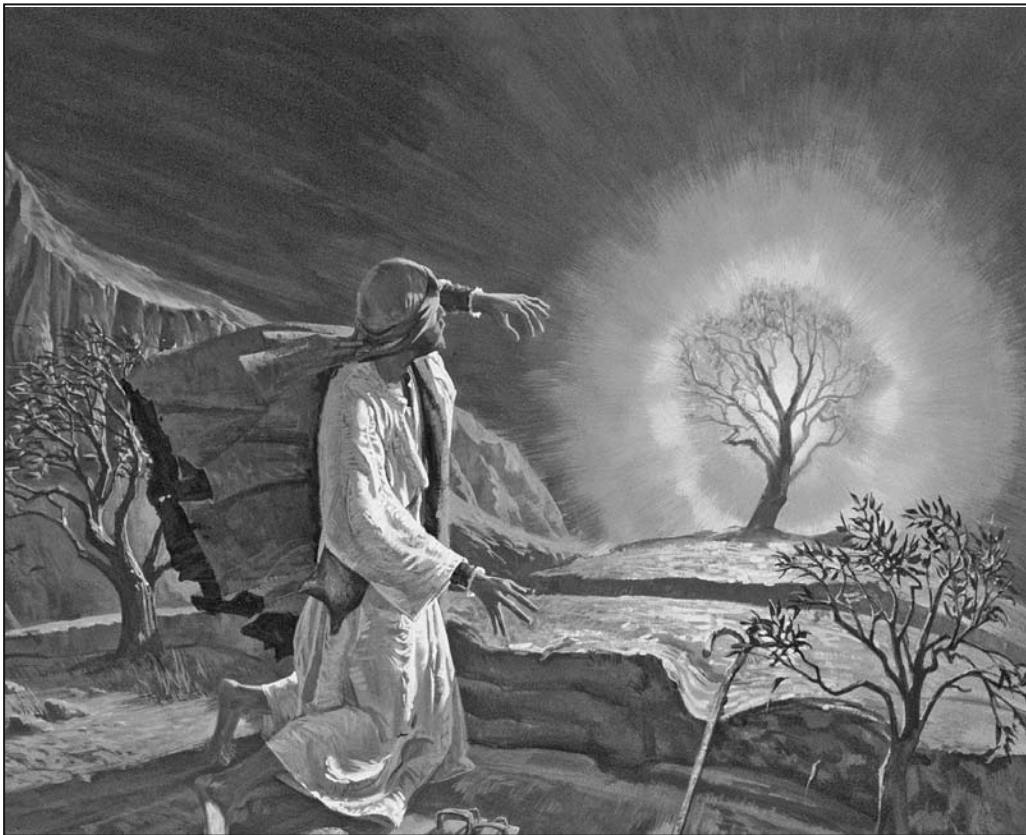
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God explained that he had seen how miserable his chosen people, the Hebrews, were in Egypt, where they were being held as slaves

God had come down from heaven to rescue them. He picked Moses to carry out that task.

Moses was terrified. He told God he was not capable of such a huge undertaking. God assured Moses he would be with him. At that point, Moses asked God his name, so he could tell the Israelites who sent him. God replied,

"I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you. This is my name forever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation.'" (Exodus 3:14-15, NIV)

Then God revealed that he would perform miracles to force the king of Egypt to let the enslaved Israelites go. God instructed Moses to use those signs to prove to the Hebrews that God truly was with Moses.

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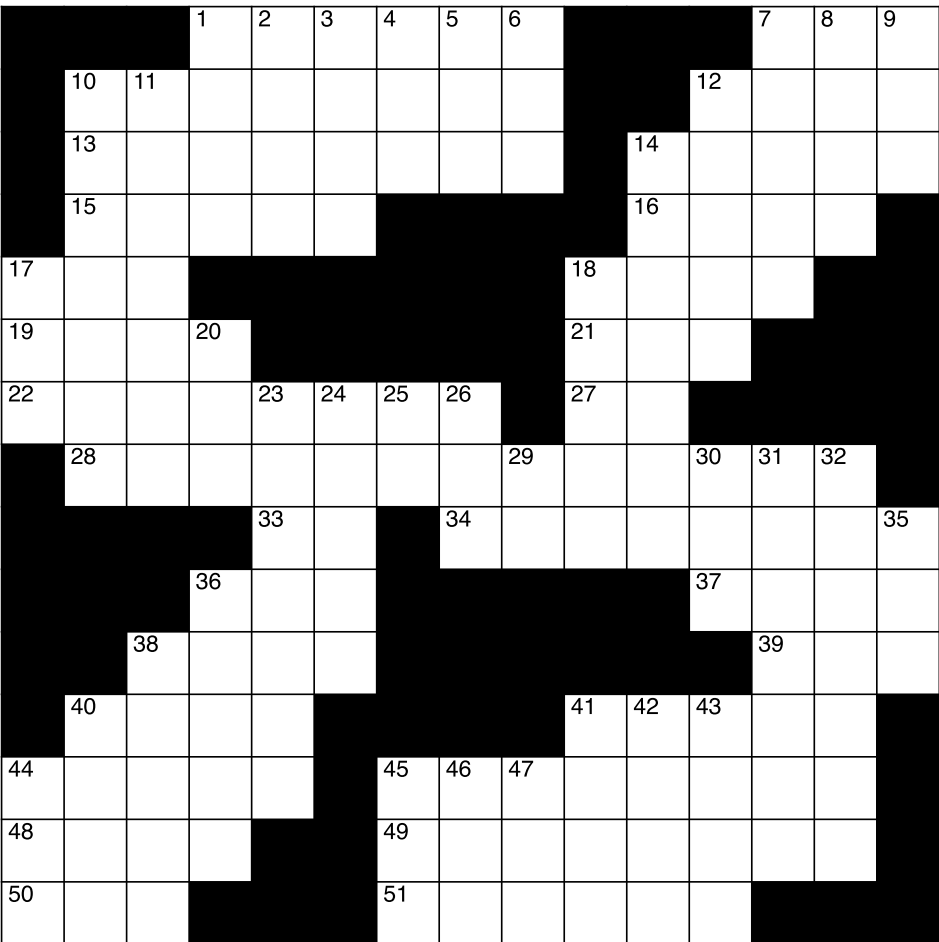


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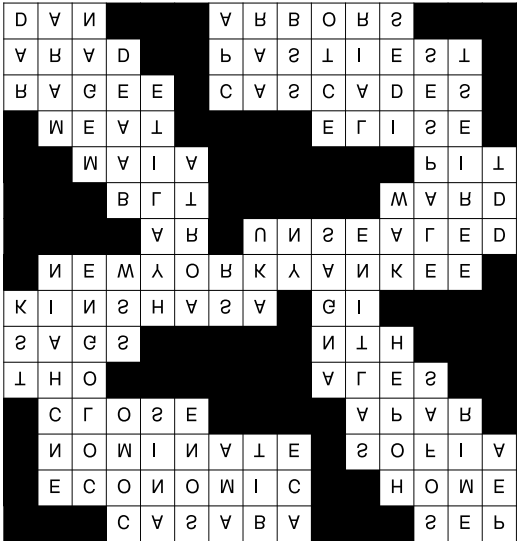
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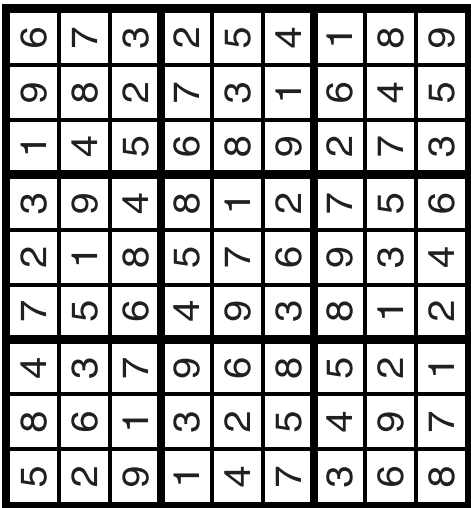
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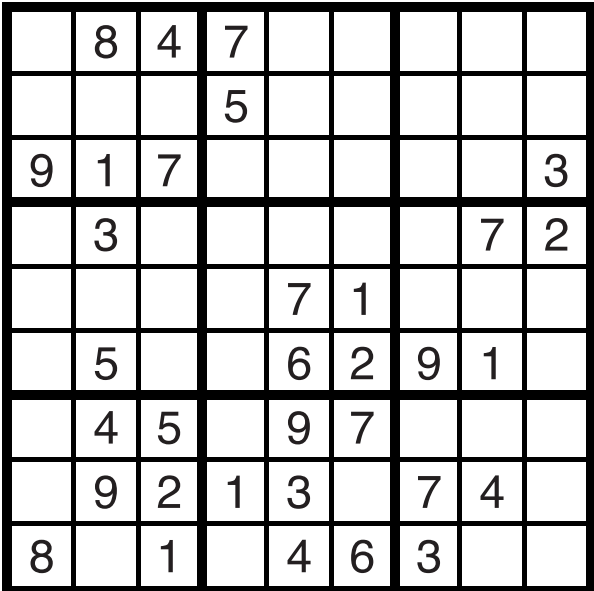
### The Big Bang Theory



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## HOROSCOPE

ARIES ☿ Mar 21/Apr 20  
Aries, you're not afraid to take risks or go where others fear to tread. Use this trait to your advantage and inspire others to set aside their reservations as well.

TAURUS ♉ Apr 21/May 21  
Taurus, you have a knack for making money this week. Keep abreast of any business ventures that may cross your desk. This may be a lucrative time for you and your family.

GEMINI ♊ May 22/Jun 21  
Do not leave anything until the last minute this week, Gemini. It's best to get all of your work done as early as possible, just in case some fun pops up for the weekend.

CANCER ♋ Jun 22/Jul 22  
Cancer, if you have been waiting for some sort of compensation, this could be the week that it arrives. Remain patient and that patience will ultimately be rewarded.

LEO ♌ Jul 23/Aug 23  
This may be a dull and lazy week, Leo. But that can be a good thing. This means you can recuperate from anything that has been ailing you, or just relax.

VIRGO ♍ Aug 24/Sept 22  
A massive incentive could be coming your way, Virgo. It's best to be aware of all the goings-on inside and outside of the office. This can be a great chance to get ahead.

LIBRA ♎ Sept 23/Oct 23  
Libra, it's not in your nature to complain, and this week will be no different. Take your usual approach and confront a problem rather than complain about it.

SCORPIO ♏ Oct 24/Nov 22  
Scorpio, this week your thoughts could turn to faraway places or daydreams may distract you from the daily grind. An upheaval of some kind is imminent.

SAGITTARIUS ♐ Nov 23/Dec 21  
You should get what you desire this week, Sagittarius. It may be a larger office or tickets to that big game you have been mulling over. The joy will be in the surprise.

CAPRICORN ♑ Dec 22/Jan 20  
Do not worry so much about what others think of you, Capricorn. You have been traveling down the right path for some time, and others recognize that you have your act together.

AQUARIUS ♒ Jan 21/Feb 18  
A big opportunity is mentioned in passing this week, Aquarius, and you begin to mull over the possibilities. This may be the right time to strike while the iron is hot.

PISCES ♓ Feb 19/Mar 20  
Pisces, even when faced with some personal misfortunes, you are able to present a stiff upper lip and maintain a positive attitude.

### FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

APRIL 9  
Jessie McCartney, Singer (30)

APRIL 10  
Alex Pettyfer, Actor (27)

APRIL 11  
Alessandra Ambrosio, Model (36)

APRIL 12  
Brendon Urie, Singer (30)



Solve the code to discover words related to the horse racing. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 8 = e)

A. 16 10 17 23 8  
Clue: Steed

B. 17 20 7 8  
Clue: Competition

C. 16 20 23 23  
Clue: Head coverings

D. 12 10 7 6 8 14  
Clue: Rider



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